



Different Types of Regions

**Formal, Functional, and
Perceptual**

Taking Notes:

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Notebook**

<p>Formal Region</p>	<p>--Areas in which certain characteristics are found throughout the area</p> <p>--EXAMPLES: Countries, states, and cities (<i>the City of Omaha</i>)</p>
<p>Functional Region</p>	<p>--A central place and the surrounding places affected by it</p> <p>--EXAMPLE: The Omaha metro region (includes Bellevue, Papillion, Elkhorn, etc.)</p>
<p>Perceptual Region</p>	<p>--Area defined by people's feelings and attitudes</p> <p>--EXAMPLE: "The Midwest"</p>

Formal Region

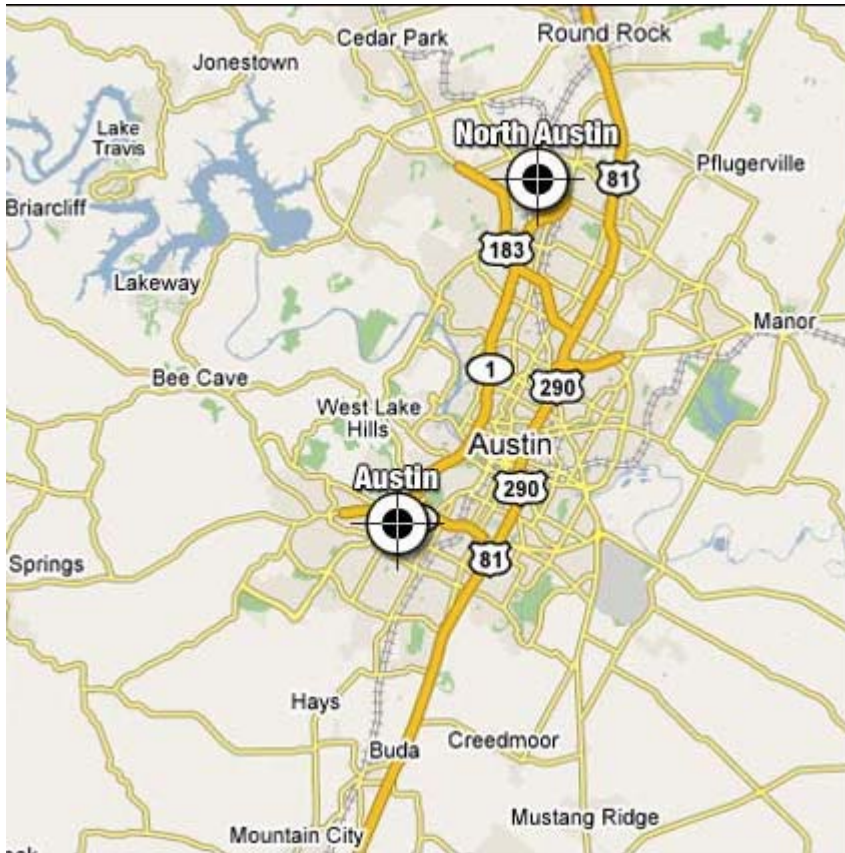


Formal Regions = Areas in which certain characteristics are found throughout the area

- Formal Regions such as countries, states, and cities all share the same laws, government, etc.
- Would you know if you stepped in or out of Austin, Texas?



Functional Region



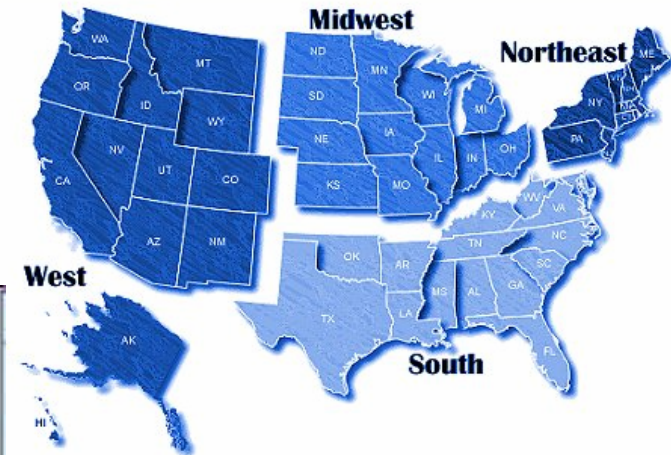
Functional Regions = A central place and the surrounding places affected by it

- The City of Austin is well-defined, but other places are affected by Austin, too.
- Can you name some of the other places in the “Austin metro region”?

Perceptual Regions

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- Perceptual Region = Area defined by people's feelings and attitudes
- Where is "The Midwest"?
- Is Nebraska in the Midwest?
- Is TEXAS in the Midwest?
- Depends on each person's feelings or attitudes.



Let's Test Ourselves Over Regions:

When the region on the left pops up, you decide if it is Formal, Functional, or Perceptual

Region:

Formal, Functional, or Perceptual?

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| • State of Nebraska | • Formal |
| • Amazon River basin | • Functional |
| • Dixie | • Perceptual |
| • The Sun Belt | • Perceptual |
| • Lancaster County | • Formal |
| • Country of Brazil | • Formal |
| • The I-80 corridor | • Functional |
| • Husker Nation | • Perceptual |