Creek Lands in Alabama

After the Creeks were defeated at the Battle of Horseshoe Bend in 1814, the Treaty of Fort Jackson was signed. This gave over 23 million acres of Creek territory to the United States, which opened Alabama to further settlement. In 1832, more Creek land was signed over to the United States.

**Activity:**

- Compare the maps: Present-day Alabama & Creek Lands.
- Mark the Creek land sections on the Present-day Alabama map by coloring the 1814 section red and 1832 section yellow.

(Hint: With a piece of white paper, trace the outlines of the Creek lands sections. Cut the traced sections out, placing them on the Present-day Alabama map. Trace the sections, remove paper, & color.)

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To complete the following questions, look at the maps on the other side of this page. You’ll have to think about what these maps show us about our history. Write out your answers!

1. List the present-day counties that were once Creek lands.

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2. How would Alabama look without the Creek lands sections?

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3. Within just 20 years, Alabama’s population increased by 300%.

   1820 population: 144,317
   1840 population: 590,796

How did the signing of the Treaty of Fort Jackson contribute to the population boom?

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