

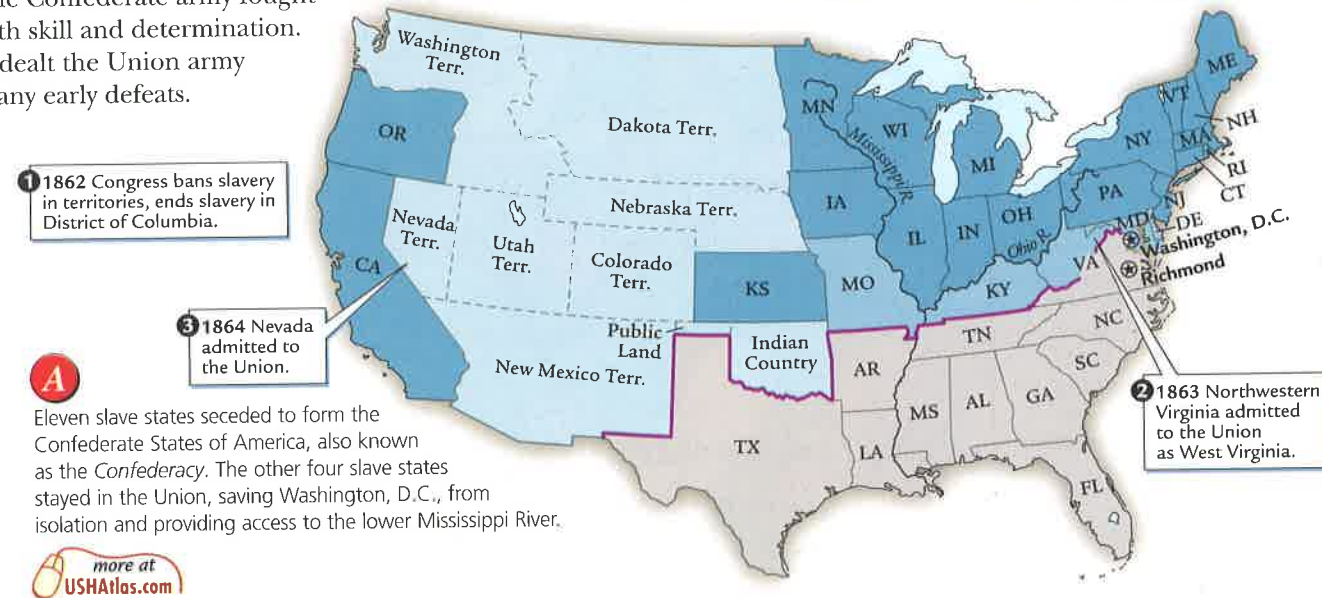
The Civil War Begins

The Civil War broke out in 1861 over the right of states to *secede*, or withdraw, from the United States.

- ★ Soon after Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860, 11 slave states seceded to form the Confederate States of America.
- ★ Lincoln believed that individual states could not leave the nation. The North fought to preserve the Union—the United States of America.
- ★ The Confederate army fought with skill and determination. It dealt the Union army many early defeats.

THE UNION AND THE CONFEDERACY

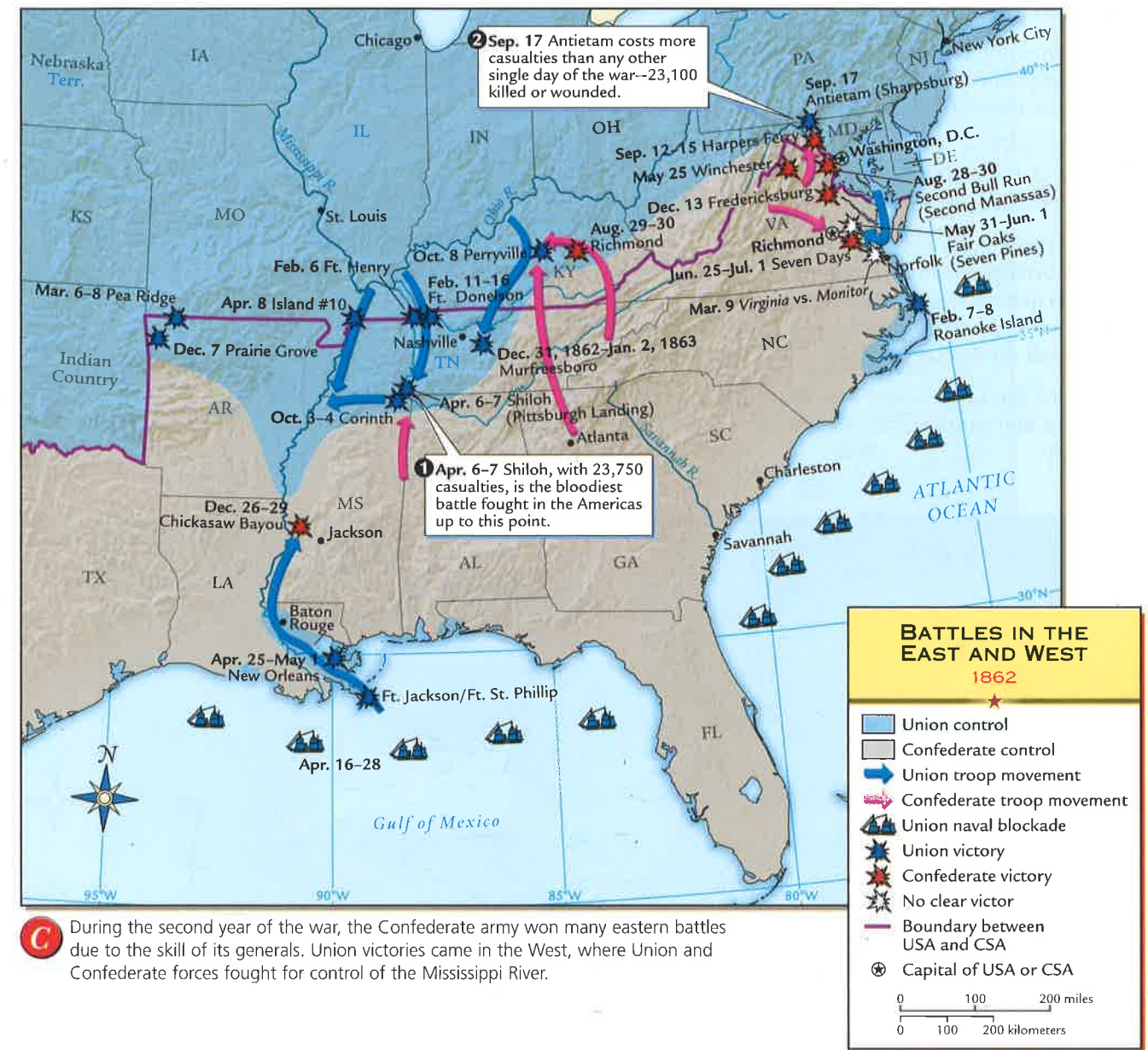
United States of America		Confederate States of America	
	Free state		Slave state
	Slavery allowed by Supreme Court		Boundary between USA and CSA
	Political boundaries of 1861		Capital of USA or CSA



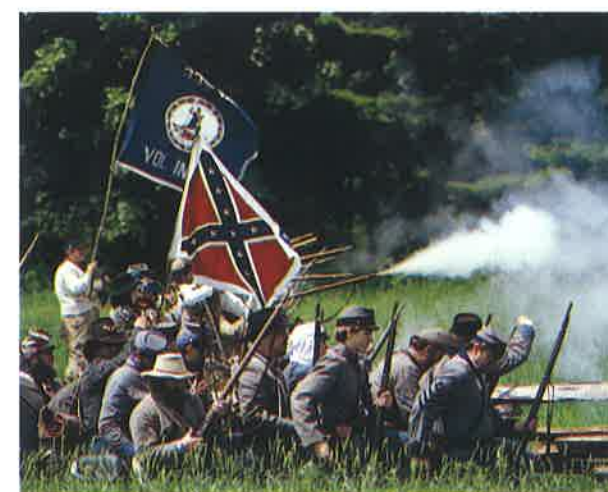
B Confederate troops won most battles in the first year of the Civil War. One of the most important, the First Battle of Bull Run, or Manassas, was fought 30 miles from Washington, D.C.

EARLY CONFEDERATE VICTORIES 1861

	Union control
	Confederate control
	Union troop movement
	Confederate troop movement
	Union naval blockade
	Union victory
	Confederate victory
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C During the second year of the war, the Confederate army won many eastern battles due to the skill of its generals. Union victories came in the West, where Union and Confederate forces fought for control of the Mississippi River.



D Confederate troops, called "rebels" by Northerners, wore gray uniforms, such as the ones in this battle reenactment. Union troops, called "Yankees" by Southerners, wore blue.

	Union	Confederate
Land in farms	58%	42%
Population	71%	29%
Railroad track	71%	29%
Factories	86%	14%

E **UNION AND CONFEDERATE RESOURCES**
The resources of the Union made it better able to withstand a long, destructive conflict than the Confederacy, which had more troops with prior training and experience.

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