

#	State	Admission	Preceding Entity
1	 Delaware	December 7, 1787	Lower Counties on Delaware i.e. lower counties of Pennsylvania, then sovereign state in Confederation ^[2]
2	 Pennsylvania	December 12, 1787	Province of Pennsylvania , then sovereign state in Confederation. ^[4]
3	 New Jersey	December 18, 1787	Province of New Jersey , then sovereign state in Confederation
4	 Georgia	January 2, 1788	Province of Georgia , then sovereign state in Confederation
5	 Connecticut	January 9, 1788	Connecticut Colony , then sovereign state in Confederation ^[8]
6	 Massachusetts	February 6, 1788	Province of Massachusetts Bay , then sovereign state in Confederation
7	 Maryland	April 28, 1788	Province of Maryland , then sovereign state in Confederation
8	 South Carolina	May 23, 1788	Province of South Carolina , then sovereign state in Confederation
9	 New Hampshire	June 21, 1788	Province of New Hampshire , then sovereign state in Confederation
10	 Virginia	June 25, 1788	Virginia Colony , then sovereign state in Confederation
11	 New York	July 26, 1788	Province of New York , then sovereign state in Confederation
12	 North Carolina	November 21, 1789	Province of North Carolina , then sovereign state in Confederation
13	 Rhode Island	May 29, 1790	Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations , then sovereign state in Confederation
14	 Vermont	March 4, 1791	Province of New York and New Hampshire Grants (ownership disputed), Vermont Republic
15	 Kentucky	June 1, 1792	Split off from Virginia with consent of that state. The former huge, westmost Kentucky County
16	 Tennessee	June 1, 1796	Formed from western land donated to the Federal Government by North Carolina
17	 Ohio	March 1, 1803	The Northwest Territory , land donated to the Federal Government by the East Coast states such as Pennsylvania, Virginia, Connecticut, and New York
18	 Louisiana	April 30, 1812	Territory of Orleans
19	 Indiana	December 11, 1816	Indiana Territory , formed from the Northwest Territory
20	 Mississippi	December 10, 1817	Mississippi Territory , formed from land donated to the Federal Government by Georgia
21	 Illinois	December 3, 1818	Illinois Territory , formed from the Northwest Territory
22	 Alabama	December 14, 1819	Alabama Territory , formed from the Mississippi Territory , formerly part of the State of Georgia

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23	 Maine	March 19, 1820	Split off from Massachusetts with consent of that state (the former District of Maine)
24	 Missouri	August 10, 1821	Missouri Territory
25	 Arkansas	June 15, 1836	Arkansas Territory
26	 Michigan	January 26, 1837	Michigan Territory , formed from the Northwest Territory
27	 Florida	March 3, 1845	Florida Territory
28	 Texas	December 29, 1845	Republic of Texas
29	 Iowa	December 28, 1846	Iowa Territory
30	 Wisconsin	May 29, 1848	Wisconsin Territory , formed from the Northwest Territory
31	 California	September 9, 1850	Directly admitted from the Mexican Cession
32	 Minnesota	May 11, 1858	Minnesota Territory
33	 Oregon	February 14, 1859	Oregon Territory
34	 Kansas	January 29, 1861	Kansas Territory
35	 West Virginia	June 20, 1863	Divided off from Virginia
36	 Nevada	October 31, 1864	Nevada Territory , with part of Arizona Territory and Utah Territory added on later
37	 Nebraska	March 1, 1867	Nebraska Territory
38	 Colorado	August 1, 1876	Colorado Territory
39	 North Dakota	November 2, 1889	Dakota Territory
40	 South Dakota	November 2, 1889	Dakota Territory
41	 Montana	November 8, 1889	Montana Territory
42	 Washington	November 11, 1889	Washington Territory
43	 Idaho	July 3, 1890	Idaho Territory
44	 Wyoming	July 10, 1890	Wyoming Territory
45	 Utah	January 4, 1896	Utah Territory
46	 Oklahoma	November 16, 1907	Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory
47	 New Mexico	January 6, 1912	New Mexico Territory
48	 Arizona	February 14, 1912	Arizona Territory
49	 Alaska	January 3, 1959	Russian America , Department of Alaska , District of Alaska and then Alaska Territory
50	 Hawaii	August 21, 1959	Kingdom of Hawai'i , Republic of Hawaii and then Hawaii Territory