

URBAN NATURE OF NYS

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Changing Nature of Settlement: From farms to cities

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<http://pad.human.cornell.edu/maps2010/maps/NY%20Urban%20Area%20Maps.pdf> : modern urban area maps from 2010 census

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Agriculture Exercise

Required Exercise 13 looks at agriculture within the regions and compares county production and trends to NYS averages.

➤ It is due by May 1.

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Changing Nature of Settlement in NYS

➤ Focus is on the locational aspects of towns and industry and movement of people to the cities.

✓ Picks up in the **Settlement Sequence** at the middle of **Phase III: 1865-1945 Urban-Industrial Growth** (see handout)

✓ Finish reading all chapters of the *Stradling and Reitano* books.

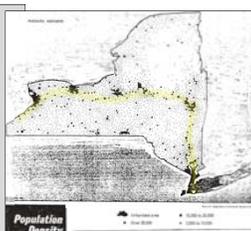
Changing Nature of NYS

STRADLING	REITANO
<p>Ch 5: Sound Conservation Programs: righting past wrongs. (1900s-40s)</p> <p>Ch 6: Tracing Man's (negative) Progress: environmental interest groups and threats from industry, the suburbs and the cities. (1940s-70s)</p> <p>Ch 7: Living in Filth: Urban pollution; environmental justice and ways to protect the environment (1970s-2000s)</p> <p>Epilogue: Final thoughts.</p>	<p>Ch 8: Activist State: plight of the farmer; unions and manufacturing conditions; the legacy of Robert Moses. (1920s-50s)</p> <p>Ch. 9: Stressed State: deindustrialization; aging cities; the automobile age; St. Lawrence Seaway and Buffalo; urban riots; funding problems. (1950s-70s)</p> <p>Ch. 10: Resilient State: economic transition; re-inventing place; changing demographics; addressing the environment; surviving the "upstate/ downstate rift." (1970-2010s)</p>

Phases of Settlement

Part III – 1865-1945

- **Axis of settlement spreads to Lake Erie.**
- New urban places sprout as **commercial centers** (*not as farming centers*).
- Shift of people to cities as **industrial sector grows**.
- **Skilled immigrants** are attracted by manufacturing jobs.
- **Railroads** become the chief form of transportation in 1870s.



Population Density

Phases of Settlement

Part III – 1865-1945

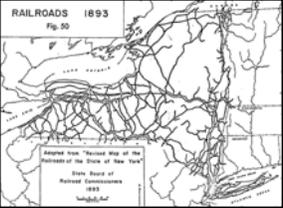
- In the early 1900s, **small towns shrink as the cities grow.**
- **European immigration increases.**
- By 1920s, **autos replace the horse and wagon** as local conveyances.
- By 1940s, **motor cars dominate:**
 - trucks move products
 - automobiles allow people to live further from city centers (and their jobs) and to tour
 - suburbs are created




Urban-Economic Base

- ❖ NYS's economic base changed from **agriculture** to **manufacturing** to the **service trades** from the 1880s to the present.
- ❖ Historically the state's transportation network (roads, canals and railroads) was among the best in the world.
 - This allowed for the greater concentration of people and industry.
 - Encouraged economic activity and allowed a profit to be made (money-oriented economy).

Canals and Railroads in the 1800s

Easy transportation allowed all parts of NYS to be linked to either NYC or Buffalo.

- Two-thirds of all imports to the US and one-third of all exports passed through NYC.

Manufacturing

- ❖ The **factory system** focused industry on cities.
- ❖ **Factory manufacturing is set to a specific site.**
 - *What does a manufacturing activity need?*
 - It needs **workers**.
 - It needs **access** to raw materials, power and markets.
 - It needs **financial backing** (lines of credit/loans/insurance).





Manufacturing, Commerce and Trade

- ❖ By the early 1900s, NYS was a leader in:
 - Steel production (Buffalo)
 - Clothing (NYC and Troy)
 - Machinery (Syracuse and Schenectady)
 - Paper manufacturing (Adirondacks)
- **The giants of industry amassed great wealth and lived in NYC. Who were they?**

They included Rockefeller, Astor, Carnegie, Harriman, Frisk, Morgan, and Vanderbilt.



Manufacturing and Social Order

Change to factory manufacturing saw:

- ✓ **The emergence of a new middle class:** factory workers had more disposable income and leisure time.
- ✓ **Changes in the social order evolved:** the roles of family, gender and religion.
- ✓ **Fundamental changes in society, culture and politics resulted,** esp. in industrial cities.
- ✓ **Labor unions were formed:** protests and strikes occurred; law-makers were lobbied; unions became powerful politically.
- ✓ **In NYS, these factors lead to the beginnings of the women's rights, social reform, and worker's rights movements.**

Labor and Social Reforms

The labor union movements strongly supported in NYS.

Kate Mullany, a Troy-based laundry worker in 1860s, started the first all-female "**Female Collar Laundry Union**" to protest poor working conditions.

Labor leaders got involved **in politics** as a means to have **favorable laws** passed.



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Labor and Social Reforms

- **Social reform movements**, esp. those dealing with the ills of urban areas, **were started in NYS.**
- **Working class neighborhoods grew near factories.** They soon became crowded and polluted. Living conditions were bad.
- **Wealthy moved away from working districts.**
- **NYC became the focus of the social reform movements**, esp. housing and social welfare. **Jacob Riis** is a noted NYC activist.

New York City in 1900

Women's Rights NHP

Women's Rights

National Historical Park
Seneca Falls, NY

It commemorates the **first Women's Rights Convention** held in **Seneca Falls, NY in 1848** and tells the story of struggles for civil rights, human rights, and equality.

Honors the **Abolition, Women's Rights and Temperance** movements which were all formed in NYS.

<https://www.nps.gov/wor/index.htm>

State Heritage Sites and Trails

To ensure its history, preserve places of importance and document events, the **NYS Heritage Area System** was established in 1982.

Over 25 areas in the system focus on a particular aspect of NYS's past.

Brochure: <http://parks.ny.gov/historic-preservation/documents/HeritageAreasBrochure.pdf>
 NYS Parks & Recreation web site <http://www.nysparks.state.ny.us/historic-preservation/heritage-areas.aspx>

Heritage Sites

1. **Albany - Business & Capital**
2. **Buffalo - Flowering of Culture**
3. **Harbor Park New York City - Maritime Trade & Immigration**
4. **Heights Heritage Area of Northern Manhattan**
5. **Kingston - Transportation**
6. **Mohawk Valley Heritage Corridor - Numerous Landscapes along an Historic Route.**
7. **North Shore Long Island - North Shore Estates**
8. **Ossining - Reform Movements**
9. **RiverSpark Hudson-Mohawk - Labor & Industry**
10. **Rochester High Falls - Natural Environment & Industry**

Heritage Sites

11. **Sackets Harbor - Defense**
12. **Saratoga Springs - Natural Environment & Culture**
13. **Schenectady - Labor & Industry**
14. **Seneca Falls - The Righteous Spirit of Reform and Women's Activism**
15. **Susquehanna - Immigration & Migration and Labor & Industry**
16. **Syracuse - Transportation and Business**
17. **Western Erie Canal Heritage Corridor - Pioneers, Social Reform, and Industrial Progress**
18. **Whitehall - Defense and Canal Port**

Historic Sites

NY Explore Our Past

Begin Your Journey Today!

Western NY/Finger Lakes see p. 10

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2. Genesee Valley
3. Onondaga Falls
4. Seneca Falls
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Central 1,000 Islands see p. 11

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Capital District/North County see p. 12

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<https://parks.ny.gov/publications/documents/GuidetoNYStateHistoricSites.pdf>

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Statewide Heritage Trails

❖ **Statewide themes highlighting important NYS places, events and people.**

- **Women's Heritage Trail:** over 20 sites associated with various women's, social reform, voter and abolitionist movements highlighting their struggles and accomplishments.
- **Underground Railroad Trail:** links historic sites and interpretive centers related to the Underground Railroad, slavery and anti-slavery in NYS, including homes of noted abolitionists.
<https://www.iloveny.com/things-to-do/history/underground-railroad/>
<http://nysqarail.org/visit/>
- **Theodore Roosevelt Trail:** 10 sites around the state associated with the statesman, conservationist and war hero.
- **Revolutionary War Trail:** links sites around the state associated with important role NYS played in the American Revolutionary War.