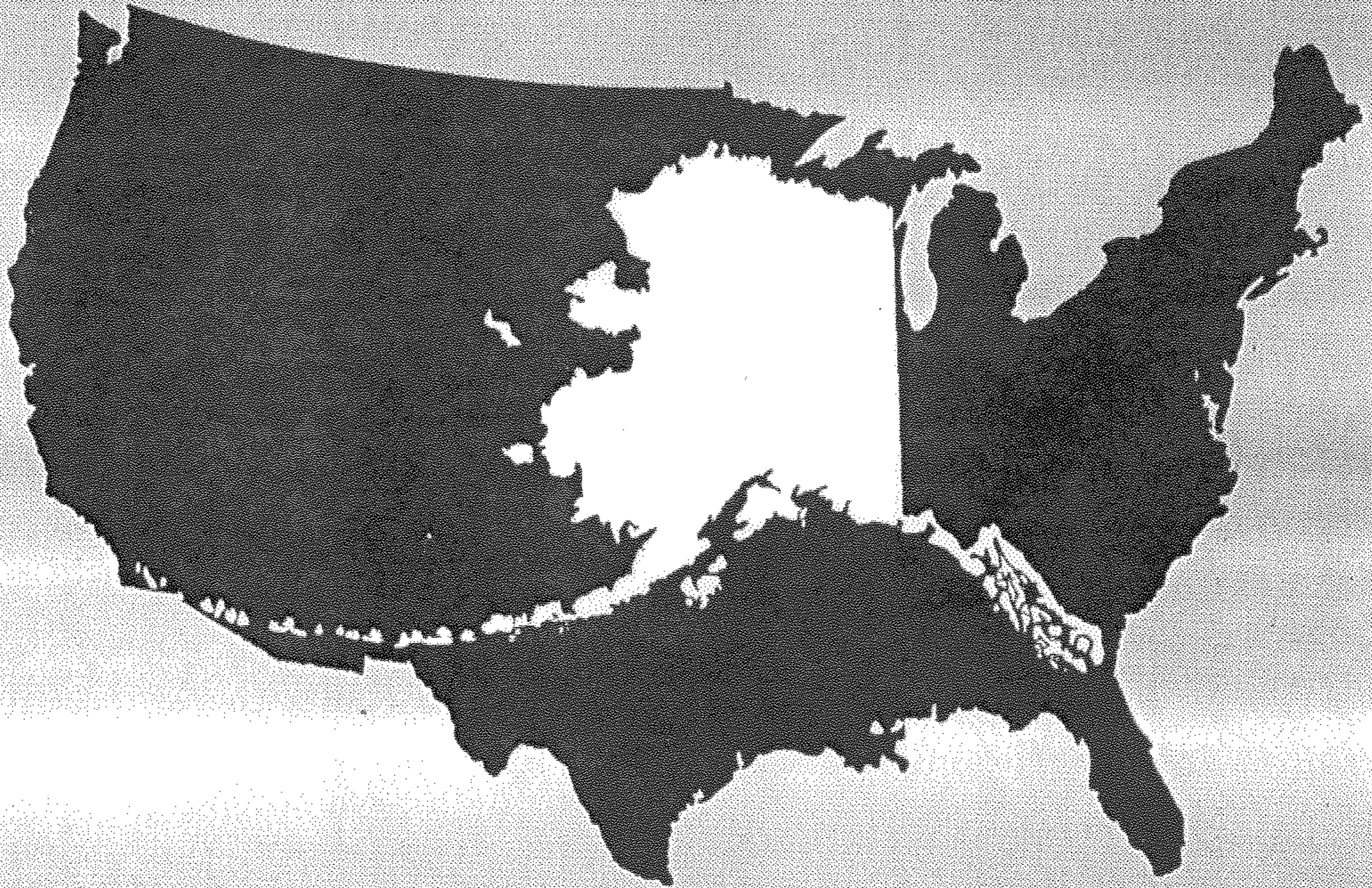


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Area - 586,400 square miles — more than one-fifth the size of the contiguous United States

2,400 miles from east to west — about the distance from Florida to Washington State

Nearly equidistant from Japan, Europe, and the East Coast of the U.S.

1,420 miles from north to south — the distance from Denver to Mexico City

A coastline longer than all the Lower 48 combined — 6,640 miles, compared with 5,743 -- and that's not counting the islands

More than → 5,000 glaciers → 3 million lakes → 3,000 rivers

28,000 square miles of glaciers -- compared with 218 in the continental U.S.

Two glaciers — Bering and Malaspina — are each larger than Delaware — approximately 2,900 square miles

17 of the 20 highest peaks in the United States

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Only 12,200 miles of public roads — about the same as Vermont

Population of 606,000 people — population density of about 1.0 person/square mile compared to 71.2 nationwide. Compare this with Connecticut at 677.2 and New Jersey at 1,042.2 per square mile

Only 27 of 166 organized municipalities are connected to the road system — and only 113 of the 355 total recognized communities — the rest are accessible only by boat, plane, foot, ATV, snow machine, or dog sled

The Federal government owns about 66.4% of the land and the State 23.7%. Native corporations own 9.7% and less than .1% of the land in Alaska is in private hands

About 85% of state revenue from oil and gas royalties and taxes

Source of 25% of all the oil produced in the U.S.

Nation's leader in commercial seafood landings — including 93% of all salmon in '91

25% of all earthquake energy released in the world since 1900 originated in Alaska