

## Comparing and Contrasting Maine and Vermont

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### **Maine**

Maine, nicknamed the Pine Tree State, is the only state that borders exactly one state: which is New Hampshire. It does, however, border two Canadian provinces: New Brunswick and Quebec. It is located in the northeastern United States, and is part of a group of six states known as New England. Maine became the 23rd state on March 15, 1820, as part of the Missouri Compromise. Its capital is Augusta and its largest city is Portland. The state is dominated by the hills and mountains of the Appalachian Range. Acadia National Park, located on Maine's Atlantic coast, is one of the state's most popular attractions. Among other things, Maine is famous for its lobsters and seafood.

### **Vermont**

Vermont is located in the New England section of the northeastern United States. It became the 14<sup>th</sup> state on March 4, 1791. It is the only landlocked state within New England; which means it lacks an Atlantic coastline. The entire state, however, is covered by the Green Mountains, part of the Appalachian Range. Hence, Vermont is nicknamed "the Green Mountain State." Vermont borders New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and New York. It also borders the Canadian province of Quebec. Its capital is Montpelier and its largest city is Burlington. Montpelier is notable for being the smallest capital city, in terms of population, in America. Vermont is famous for its ski resorts and fall foliage. It is also the nation's leading producer of maple syrup.

Which facts belong in each category?

<b>Leading producer of maple syrup</b>
<b>Capital is Augusta</b>
<b>Was one of the original 13 colonies</b>
<b>Became a state first</b>
<b>Part of New England</b>
<b>Landlocked</b>
<b>Borders more states</b>
<b>Called the Pine Tree State</b>
<b>Largest city is Burlington</b>
<b>Borders Quebec</b>

<b>Maine</b>
<b>Both</b>
<b>Vermont</b>
<b>Neither</b>

**Answers:**

**Maine**

**Capital is Augusta**

**Both**

**Part of New England  
Called the Pine Tree State  
Borders Quebec**

**Vermont**

**Leading producer of maple syrup  
Became a state first  
Landlocked  
Borders more states  
Largest city is Burlington**

**Neither**

**One of the original 13 colonies**