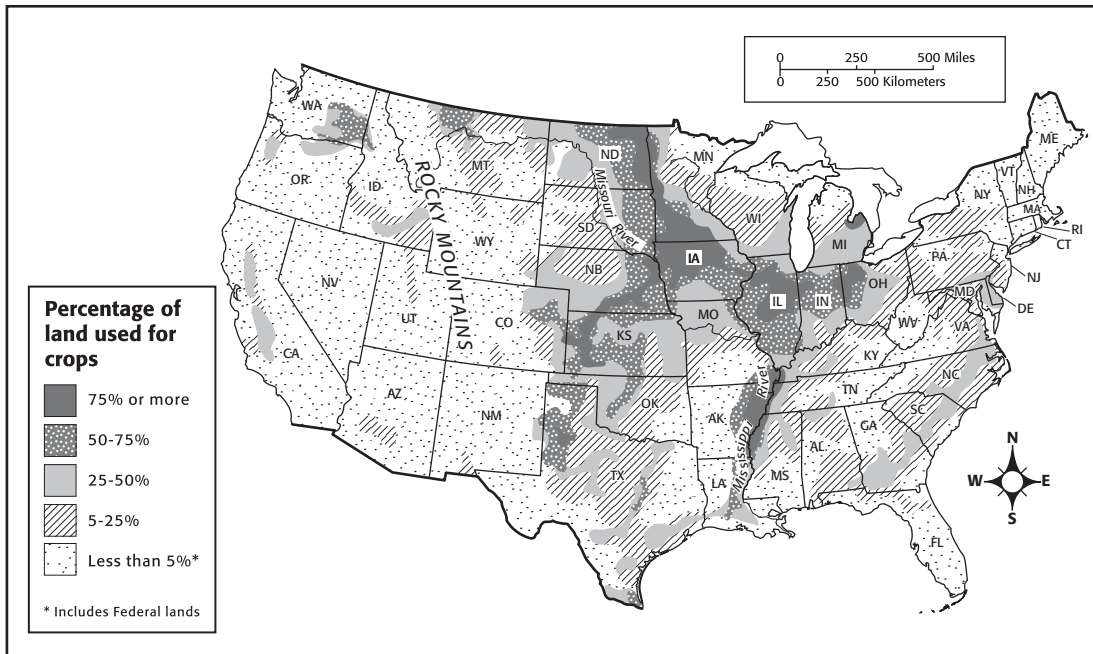


# Map Skills



The United States is a major food-producing nation. In 2001, more than 9.5 billion bushels of corn were grown in the United States. This map shows the percentage of land in each state that is used to grow crops. It does not, however, show how much of each crop is grown.

**Use the map above to answer the questions below.**

**1. Using a Key** Which states use the highest percentage of land for growing crops?

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**2. Finding Locations** Where in the United States are most of the crops grown—the Midwest, the East Coast, or the West Coast?

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**3. Finding Locations** Near which geographic feature are more crops grown—the Rocky Mountains or the Mississippi River?

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**4. Inferring Relationships** In what ways might the locations of rivers and mountains affect the location of agricultural activity?

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