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## American Vice: Mapping the 7 Deadly Sins

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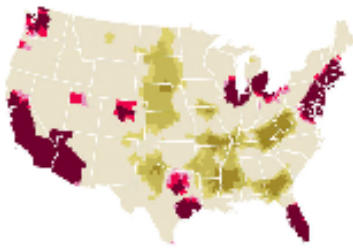
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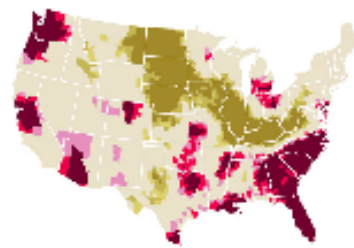
We're gluttons for infographics, and a team at Kansas State just served up a feast: maps of sin created by plotting per-capita stats on things like theft (envy) and STDs (lust). Christian clergy, likely noting the Bible Belt's status as Wrath Central, question the "science." Valid point—or maybe it's just the pride talking.

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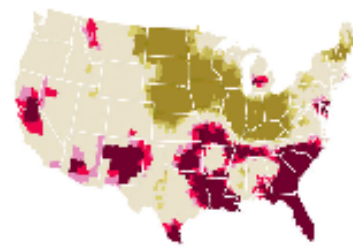
#### Greed

Average income compared with number of people living below the poverty line.



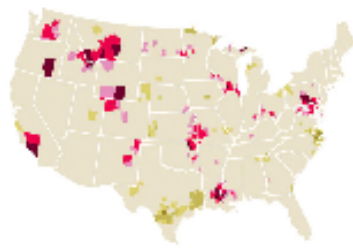
#### Envy

Total thefts (robbery, burglary, larceny, and grand theft auto) per capita.



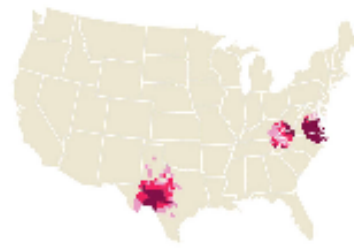
#### Wrath

Number of violent crimes (murder, assault, and rape) per capita.



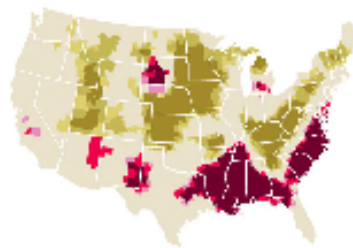
#### Sloth

Expenditures on art, entertainment, and recreation compared with employment.



#### Gluttony

Number of fast-food restaurants per capita.



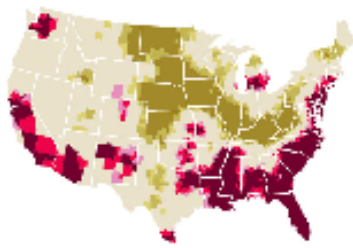
#### Lust

Number of STD cases reported per capita.

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#### Pride

Aggregate of the other six offenses—because pride is the root of all sin.

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