

## AMERICAN EXPANSION

TERRITORY	DATE ACQUIRED	HOW ACQUIRED	WHY ACQUIRED
<b>Alaska</b>	1867	Purchased from Russia for \$7.2 million. The treaty was negotiated by Secretary of State William Seward.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-To eliminated Russia from the Western Hemisphere.</li> <li>-To surround the Canadian West Coast and draw Canada into the U.S. orbit.</li> <li>-Resources... timber, fisheries, whaling, etc.</li> </ul>
<b>Samoa</b>	1899	The U.S. began leasing the harbor at Pago Pago. In 1899, the U.S., Great Britain, and Germany all divided islands in the South Pacific in the Treaty of Berlin.	-Naval bases to protect American trading ships on their way to Asian markets.
<b>Midway Islands</b>	1867	Annexed by the U.S. under Secretary of State William Seward. They were previously uninhabited.	Naval bases in the Pacific.
<b>Hawaii</b>	1898	U.S. businessmen selling fruit and sugar came to dominate the islands' economy. They overthrew Queen Liliukalani and request annexation by the U.S. After President Clevelan refused, the deal finally went through under President McKinley.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Naval bases.</li> <li>-The sugar &amp; fruit trade.</li> </ul>

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<b>Philippines</b>	1898	Ceded from Spain as part of the Treaty of Paris after the Spanish-American War.	-Markets for American goods. -The "White Man's Burden" -Naval bases to protect American ships.
<b>Puerto Rico</b>	1898	Ceded from Spain as part of the Treaty of Paris after the Spanish-American War	Naval base guarding the approach to a future canal in Central America.
<b>Guam</b>	1898	Ceded from Spain as part of the Treaty of Paris after the Spanish-American War	Naval bases.
<b>Panama Canal</b>	1903	Originally belonged to Colombia. The U.S. encouraged and supported an independence movement in order to gain the right to dig a canal.	-To serve as the location of a canal connecting the Caribbean Sea with the Pacific Ocean.
<b>Virgin Islands</b>	1917	Purchased from Denmark under threat of seizure. The U.S. was afraid that Germany would take them first.	-To prevent Germany from gaining them as naval bases. -Naval bases from which to protect the sea lands into the Caribbean Sea.