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2011 Booklist Editor's Choice, reference category The Great Plains, stretching northward from Texas into Canada, is a region that has been understudied and overlooked. The Atlas of the Great Plains, however, brings a new focus to North America's midcontinent. With more than three hundred original full-color maps, accompanied by extended explanatory text, this collection chronicles the history of the Great Plains, including political and social developments. Far more than simply the geography of the region, this atlas explores a myriad of subjects from Native Americans to settlement patterns, agricultural ventures to voting records, and medical services to crime rates. These detailed and beautifully designed maps convey the significance of the region, capturing the essence of its land and life. The only current and comprehensive atlas of the Great Plains region, it is also the first atlas to include both the United States and Canada, showing the region's full length and breadth.

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Atlas of the Great Plains may well be one of the best scholarly atlases of a United States region ever produced. While the volume makes a much-needed scholarly contribution to research on the region, its layout, topics, map design, and text make the geographical diversity and geographical patterns of the Great Plains easily accessible to anyone who has an interest in this often-overlooked region of North America." — Robert Watrel, South Dakota History (Robert Watrel South Dakota History)"Whether your interest is cartography, social trends or a desire to learn more about our country's midsection, this glorious book is sure to captivate and educate." — Sandy Amazeen, Monsters and Critics (Sandy Amazeen Monsters and Critics 2011-08-15)"Every library in the plains region will of course need this title in its reference collection." — Mark T. Bay, American Reference Books (Mark T. Bay American Reference Books)"The 300+ maps here are more than enough to demonstrate the diversity present in North America's vast interior. And, at \$39.95, the atlas is a bargain." — James R. Shortridge, Geographical Review (James R. Shortridge Geographical Review)"A useful reference volume." — Russell S. Kirby, Historical Geography (Russell S. Kirby Historical Geography)

Stephen J. Lavin (1943–2011) was a professor of geography at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. He is the coauthor (with J. Clark Archer and Fred M. Shelley) of the Historical Atlas of U.S. Presidential Elections, 1788–2004 and the Atlas of American Politics, 1960–2000. Fred M. Shelley is a professor of geography at the University of Oklahoma. He is the coauthor of The Geography of North America: Environment, Political Economy, and Culture. J. Clark Archer is a professor of geography at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln. David J. Wishart is a professor of geography at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and the editor of the Encyclopedia of the Great Plains (Nebraska 2004). John C. Hudson is a professor of geography at Northwestern University and author of Across This Land: A Regional Geography of the United States and Canada.

Review - Atlas of the Great Plains - Lavin, Shelley ArcherThe "Atlas of the Great Plains" is exactly that. With a long series of maps, almost all of them showing each and every county in all the states that are in or are partially in the Great Plains, many stories are told. We get maps on land use, politics, education, income, education, ages, Settlement Crime, Religion, sports, employment, elevation, topography, aquifers, Native Americans, ethnicity and race, tornadoes and most everything else you can think of. Along with the maps are short descriptive essays on each and every map. Especially interesting are the maps on selected US presidential

elections with the red and blue washing back and forth over the large area. The history of crime is well displayed. January and July temperature are illuminating. Hospitals have their own map. Major sports teams are laid out. The history of population density from 1820 forward is clearly indicated. My only complaint is that sometimes the data is so thick that the state boundaries underneath are obscured. This is a fascinating book just to browse through and also to keep handy for reference. I highly recommend it any one with an interest in The Great Plains history, population, demographics, and economy etc.

An interesting book in excellent condition. Unique statistics involving a wide range of topics. A nice addition to my Kansas collection.

I love Nebraska. I love prairies. I'm not a learned critic of book, I just like having this by my bed to look at and read when I get prairiesick.

This is an amazing and high quality book that seems to have every bit of information that would relate to geographical analysis. This book is equally at home on the coffee table or research library.

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