

21ST CENTURY CONFEDERATE MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS

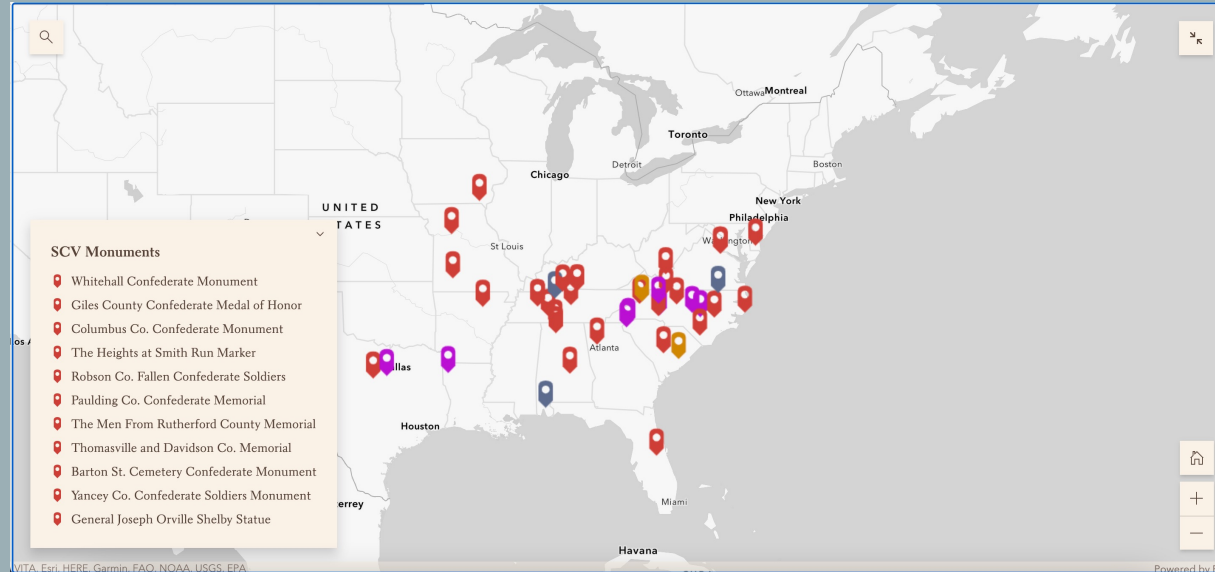
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Introduction and Methods:

-This project mapped Confederate monuments that have been built since 2000. There are over 30 throughout the United States. The focus is to raise awareness of these new monuments within debates surrounding Confederate memorialization in the United States. I used several different sources to cross reference the locations for these monuments, before providing context surrounding the place they inhabit and the organizations who built them.

Organizations:

- Sons of Confederate Veterans
- United Daughters of the Confederacy
- At least 7 different local or state organizations



Findings:

- Some are in states that were not affiliated with the Confederacy.
- A large majority of these monuments have continued to be built in public spaces.
- A lot of monuments were placed near or next to already existing Confederate memorials, suggesting symbolic accretion.

Conclusions:

- These new monuments still perpetuate Lost Cause ideology and the erasure of slavery and African Americans from Civil War memory.
- There appears to be no sign of the monument trend slowing down anytime soon.
- The abundance of monuments on public spaces will continue to place them in direct conflict over their status in public life.