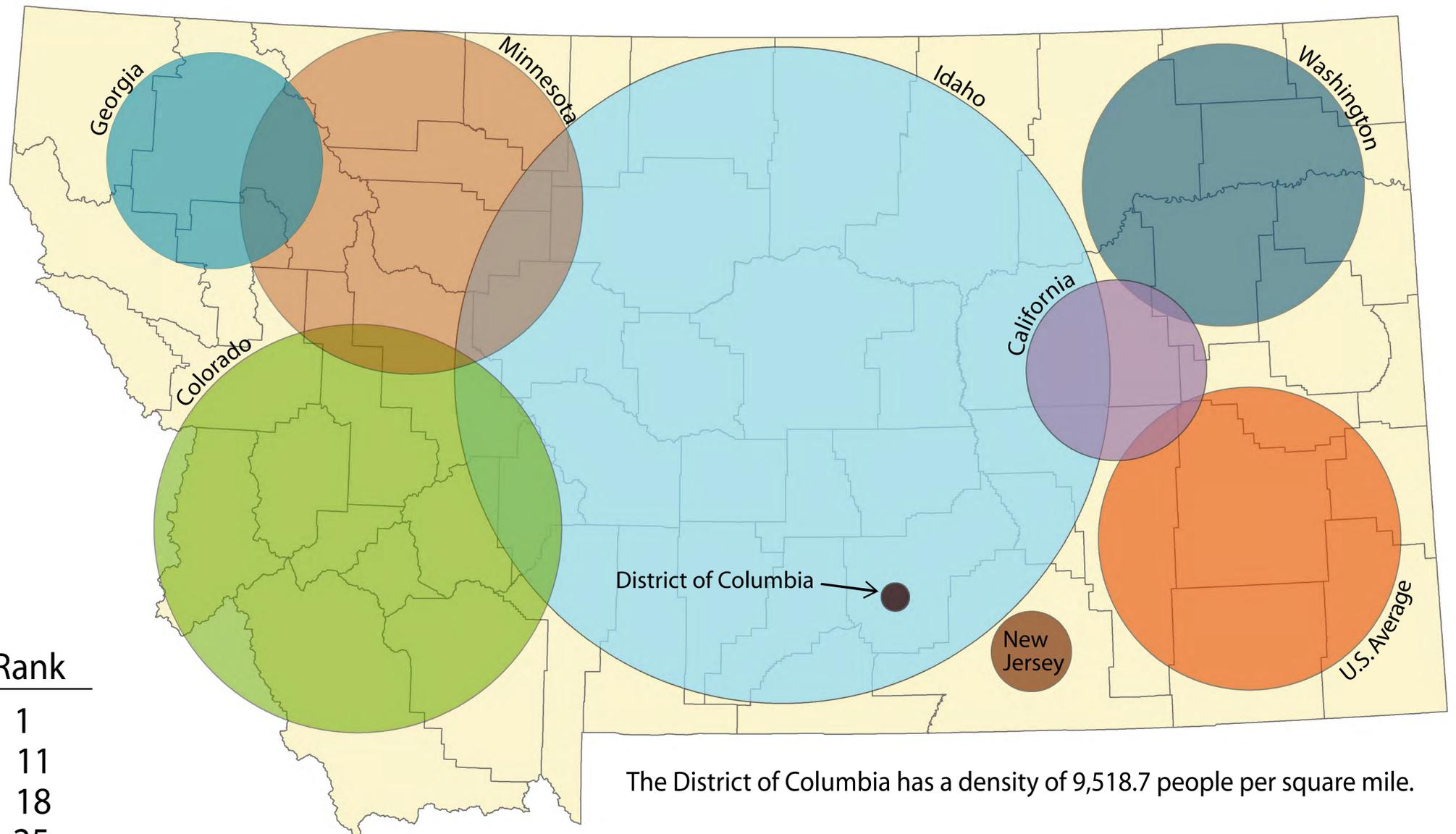


HOW DENSE COULD WE BE ?

With only 6.5 people per square mile, Montana ranks 48th nationally in population density. Alaska has the lowest density with only 1.2 people per square mile, but most of the U.S. has much higher population densities.

How much higher?

State	Density	Rank
New Jersey	1,183.9	1
California	234.0	11
Georgia	162.8	18
Washington	96.1	25
U.S. Average	84.7	
Minnesota	64.9	31
Colorado	45.9	37
Idaho	17.1	44
Montana	6.5	48



The District of Columbia has a density of 9,518.7 people per square mile.

To get an idea of what these numbers mean, imagine the entire population of Montana in each of the state circles on the map. With all 944,632 Montanans living inside the boundaries of a state's circle - we would have the same population density as that state.