



## Why Isn't DC a State? - Quiz

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### **Q1. What is the population of Washington, DC compared to Wyoming and Vermont?**

- A. Less populated than both
- B. More populated than both
- C. Equal to Wyoming but less than Vermont
- D. Equal to Vermont but less than Wyoming

### **Q2. Why was Washington, DC originally formed?**

- A. To serve as a commercial hub
- B. To be a neutral seat for the American government
- C. As a military stronghold
- D. To honor George Washington's birthplace

### **Q3. Which amendment gave DC residents the right to vote for President and Vice President?**

- A. 21st Amendment
- B. 22nd Amendment
- C. 23rd Amendment
- D. 24th Amendment

**Q4. What percentage of DC residents were Black according to the 1970 Census?**

- A. 41%
- B. 28%
- C. 71%
- D. 50%

**Q5. Which act allowed DC to operate a local government with a mayor and council?**

- A. Residence Act
- B. Organic Act of 1801
- C. District of Columbia Home Rule Act of 1973
- D. 23rd Amendment

**Q6. What would be the name of DC if it became the 51st state?**

- A. New Columbia
- B. Washington, Douglass Commonwealth
- C. District of Columbia State
- D. Potomac State

**Q7. Which Founding Father expressed concerns about DC statehood leading to abuse of power?**

- A. Thomas Jefferson
- B. Alexander Hamilton
- C. James Madison
- D. Benjamin Franklin

**Q8. How many electoral votes does DC currently have?**

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

**Q9. Which states originally donated land for the creation of DC?**

- A. Pennsylvania and Maryland
- B. Virginia and Maryland
- C. New York and Virginia
- D. Maryland and Delaware

**Q10. What is one of the three key reasons why DC isn't a state?**

- A. It lacks natural resources
- B. Congress members from DC would have excess power
- C. It is too small geographically
- D. It was never intended to be inhabited

## **Answer Key**

1. Q1: B
2. Q2: B
3. Q3: C
4. Q4: C
5. Q5: C
6. Q6: B
7. Q7: C
8. Q8: C
9. Q9: B
10. Q10: B