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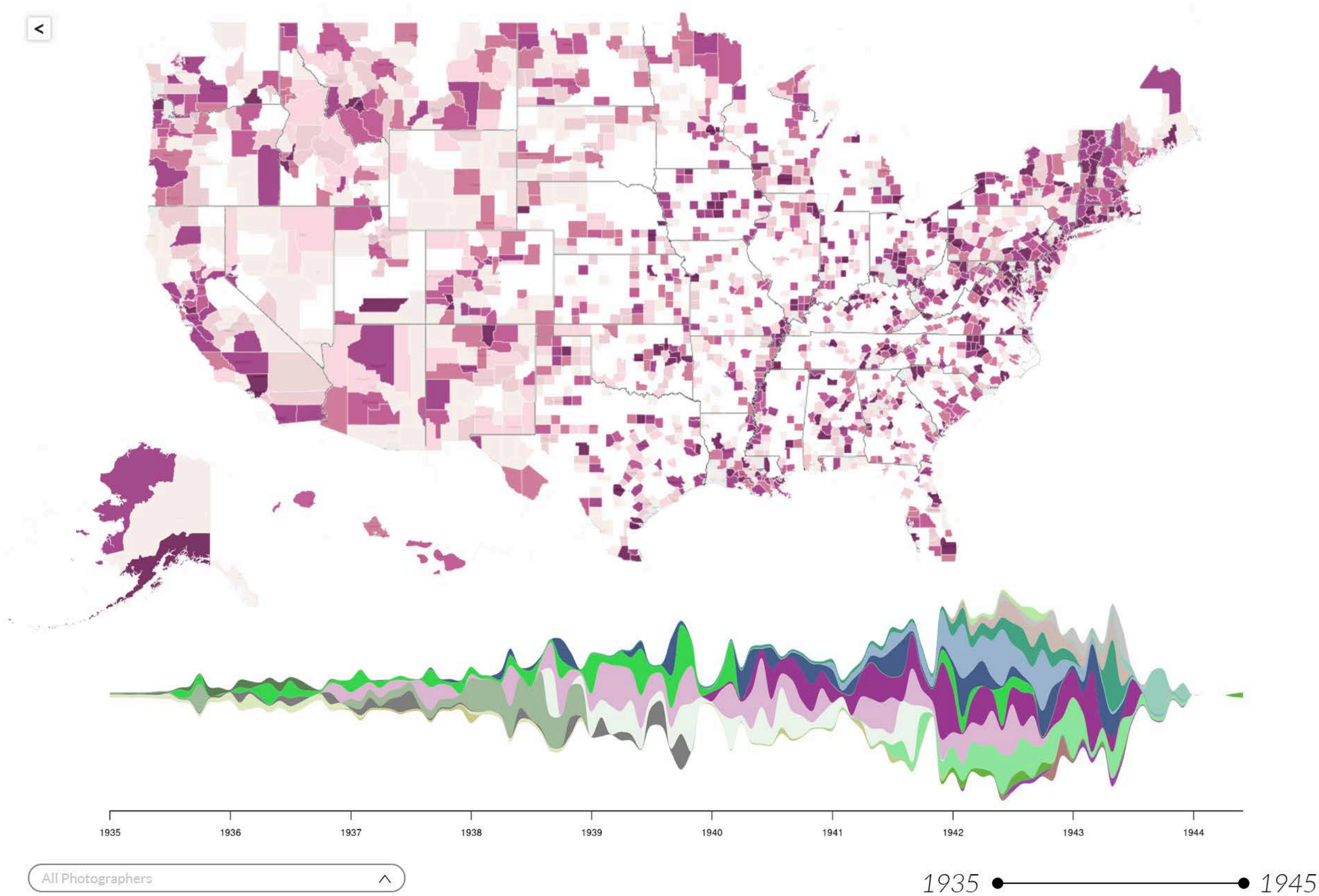
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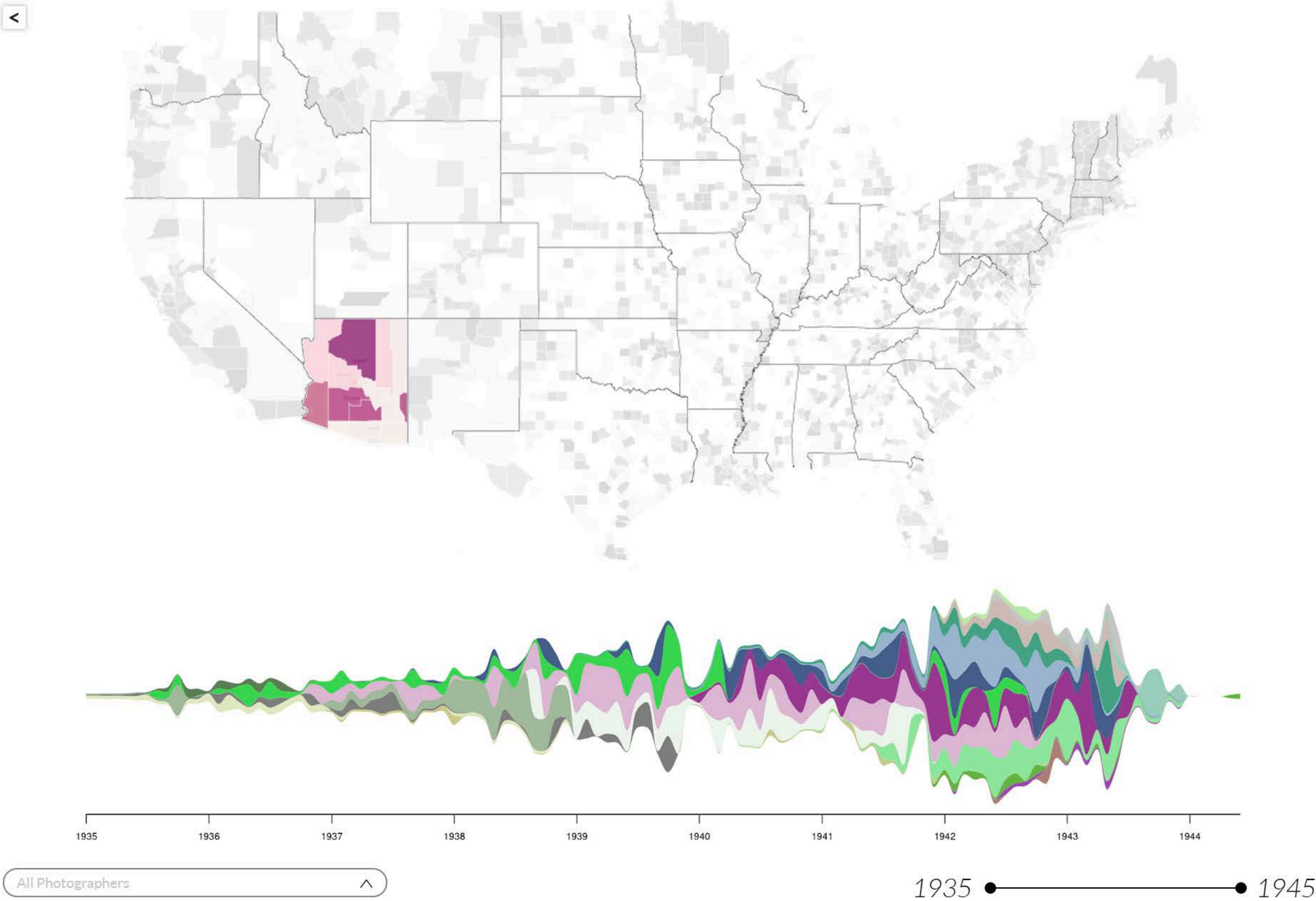
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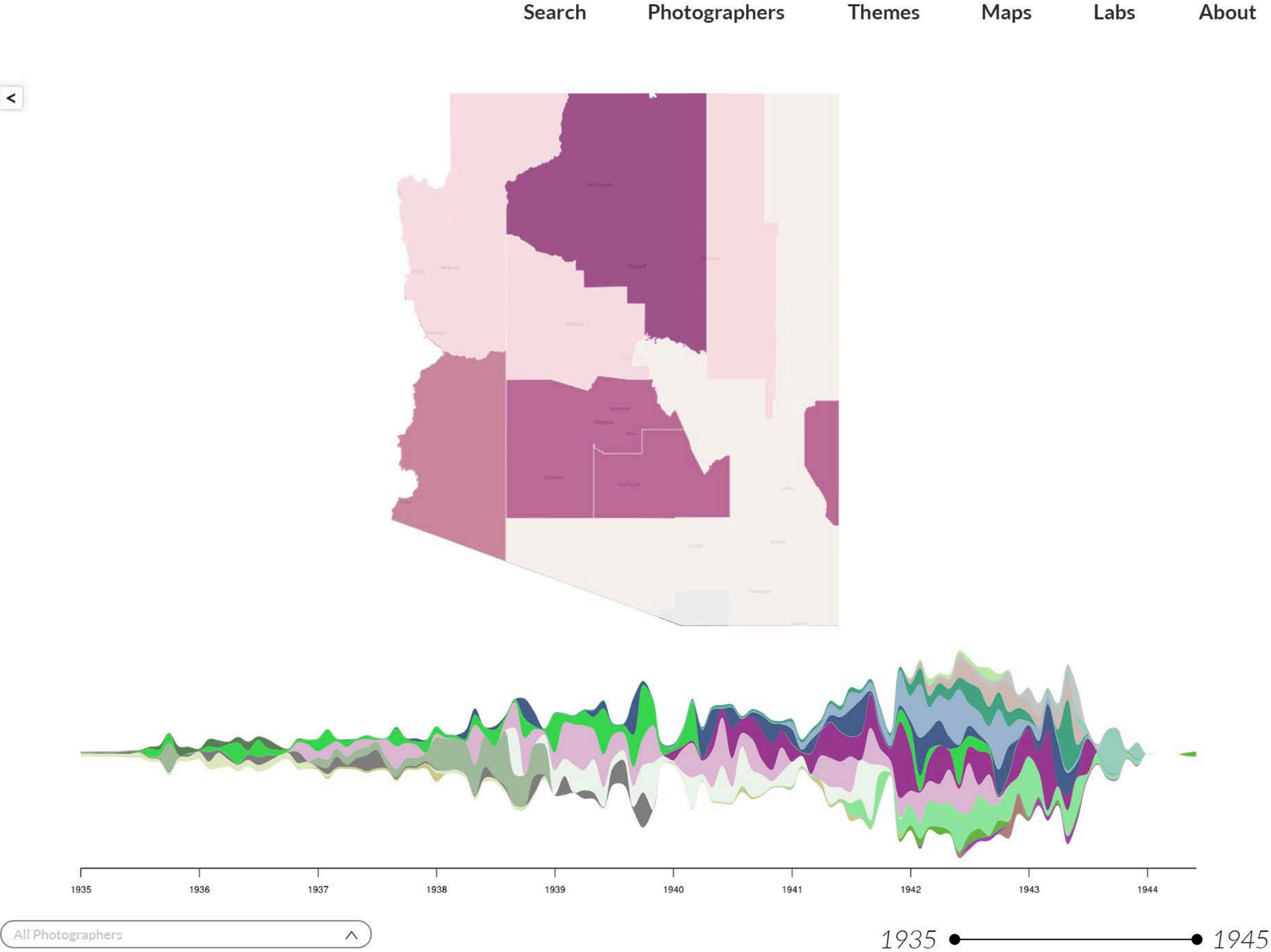
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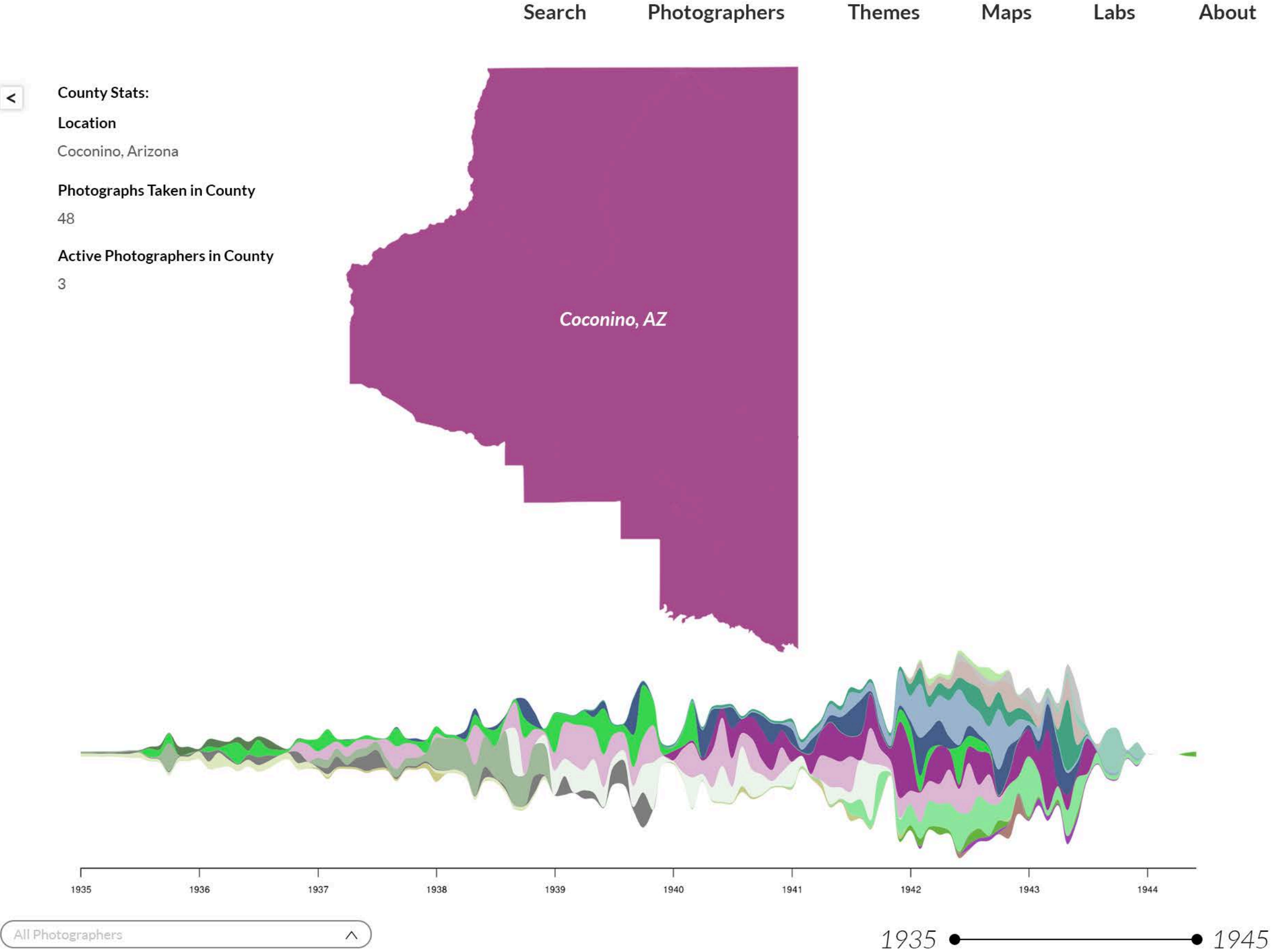
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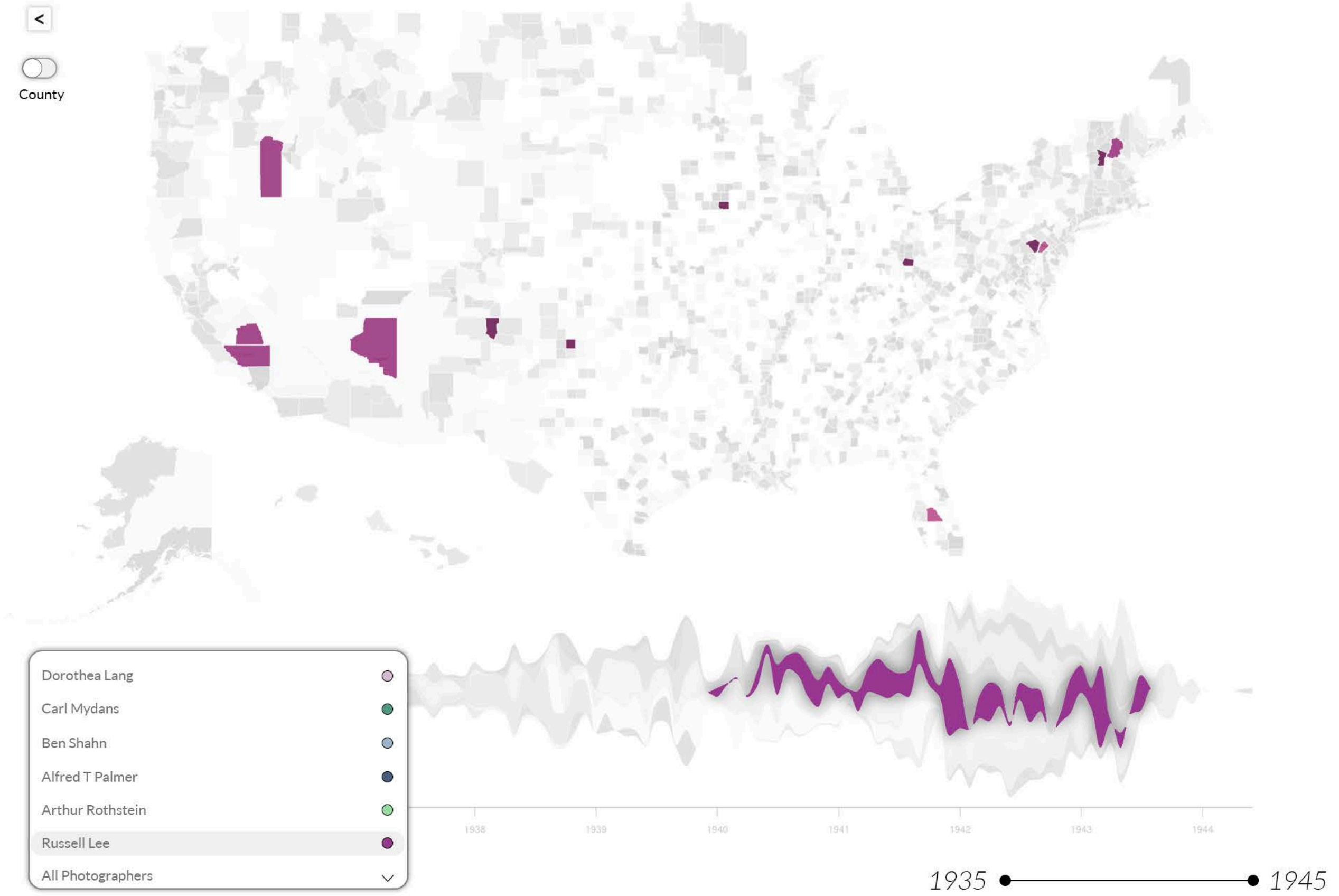
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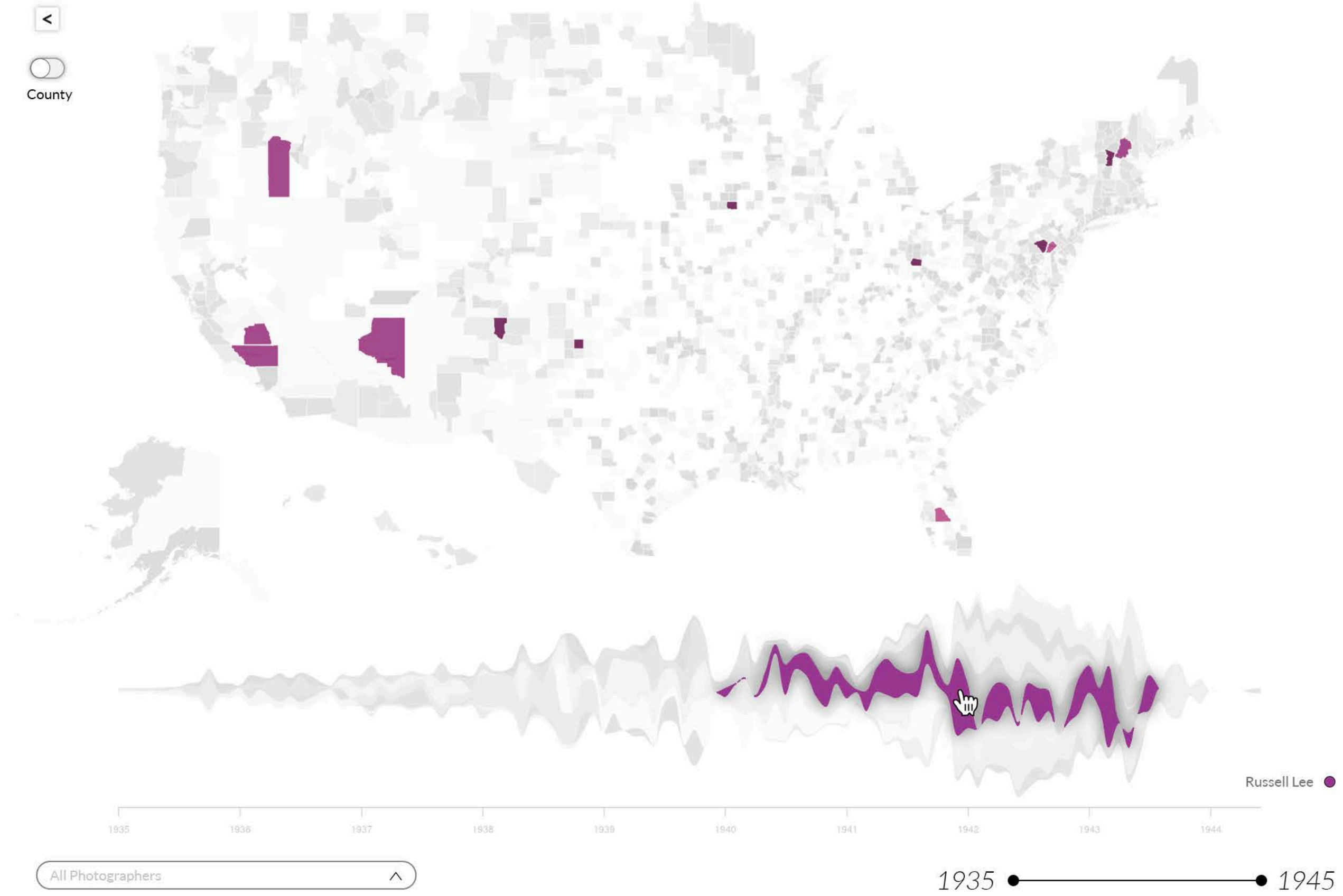
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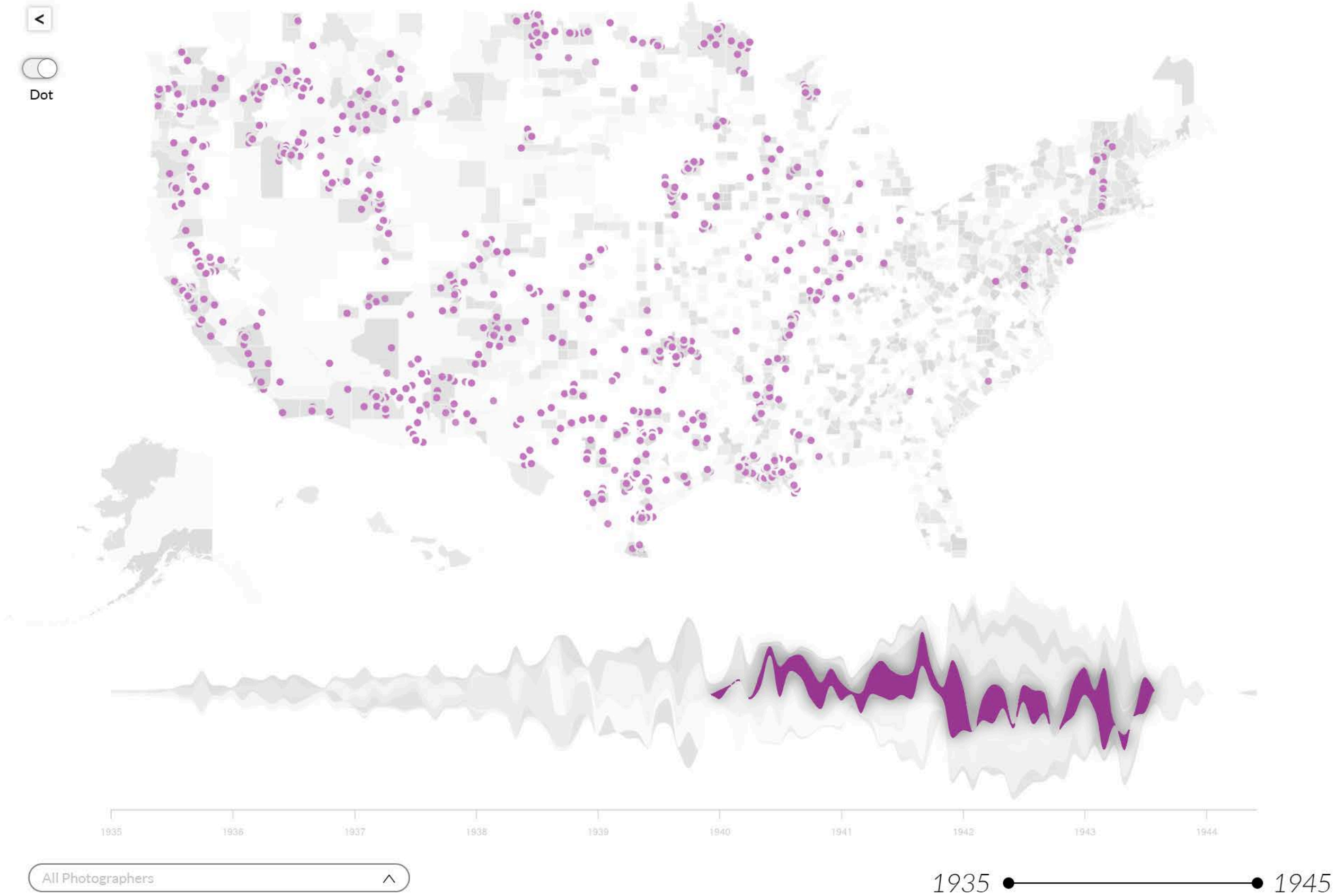
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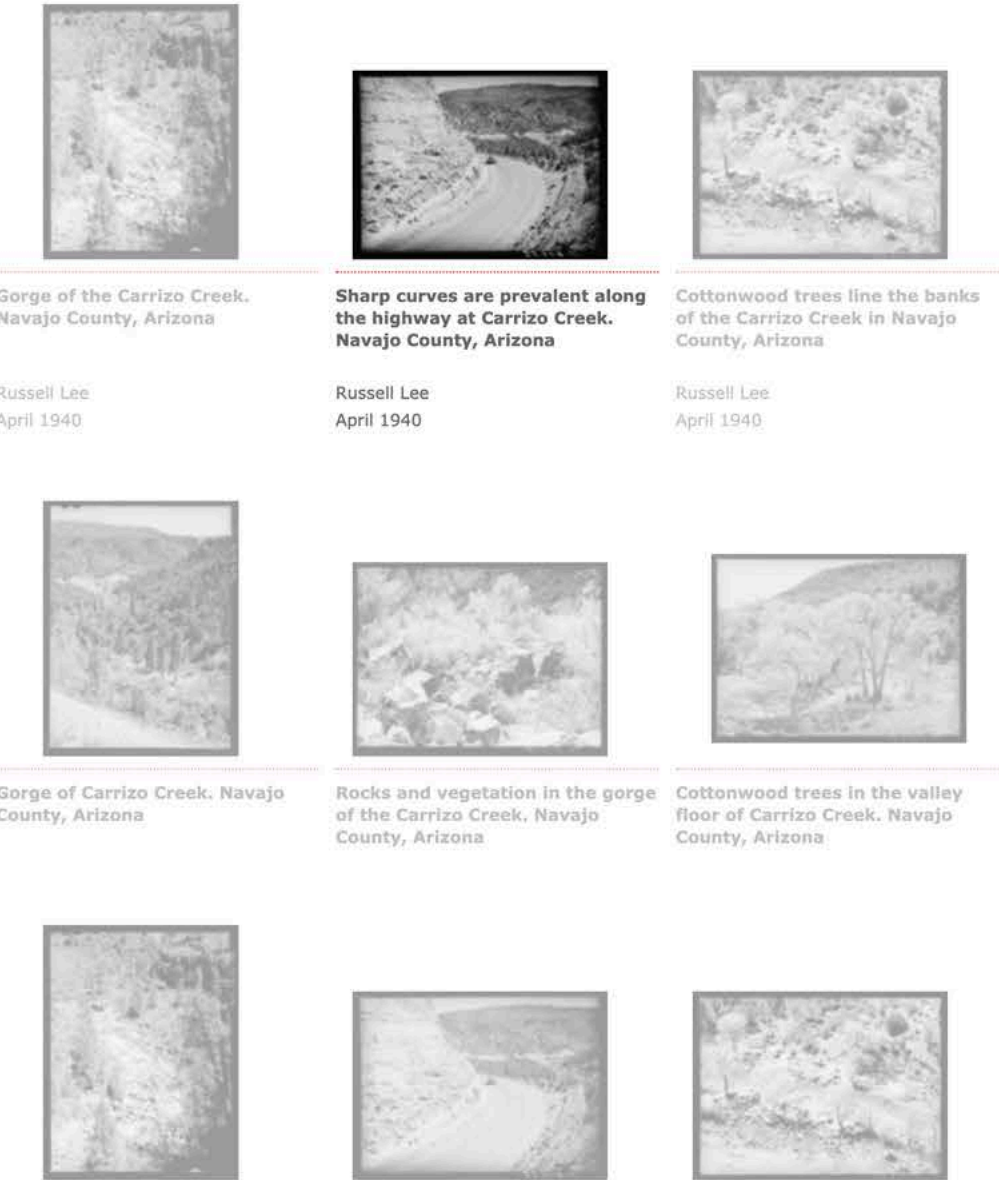








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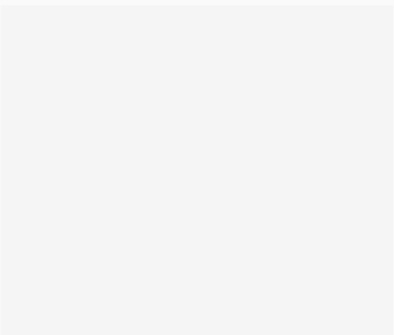
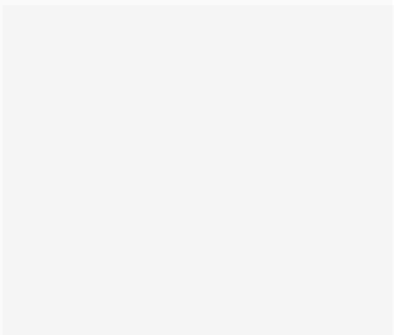
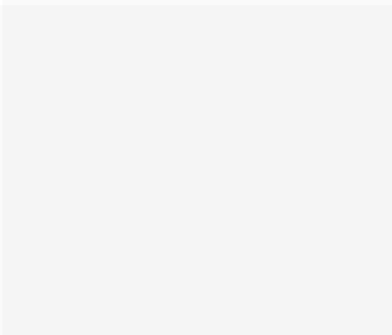
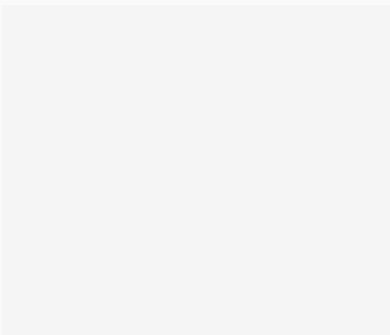
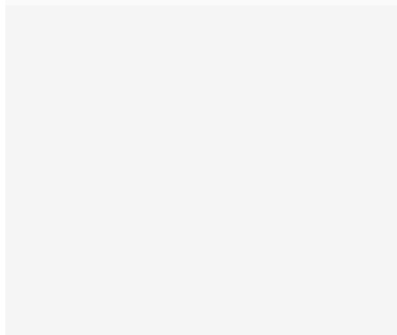
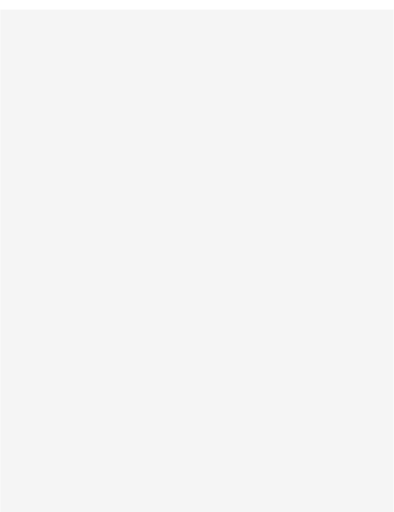
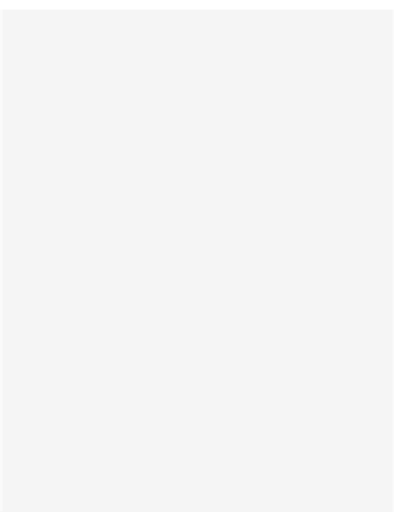
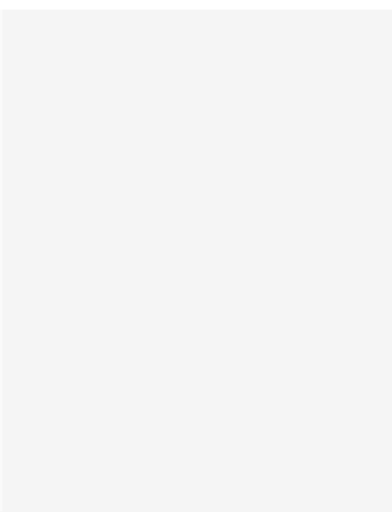
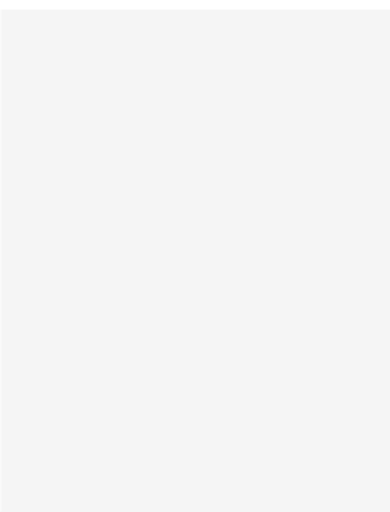
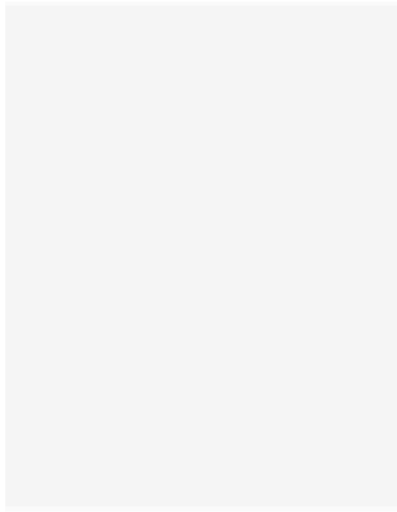
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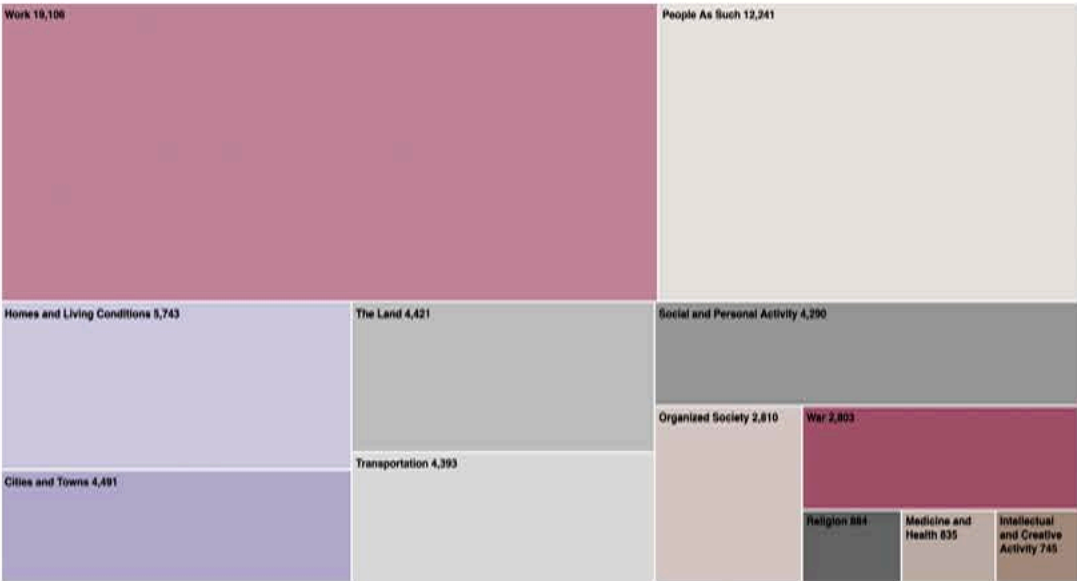




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Lonely cross and old rollway now abandoned, Au Sable River, Michigan

Paul Carter  
May 1936



Lake developed for recreation purposes. Custer State Park, South Dakota

Arthur Rothstein  
May 1936



Lake Itasca, Minnesota

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Lake at Greenbelt, Maryland

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Trap Pond. Delaware land use project

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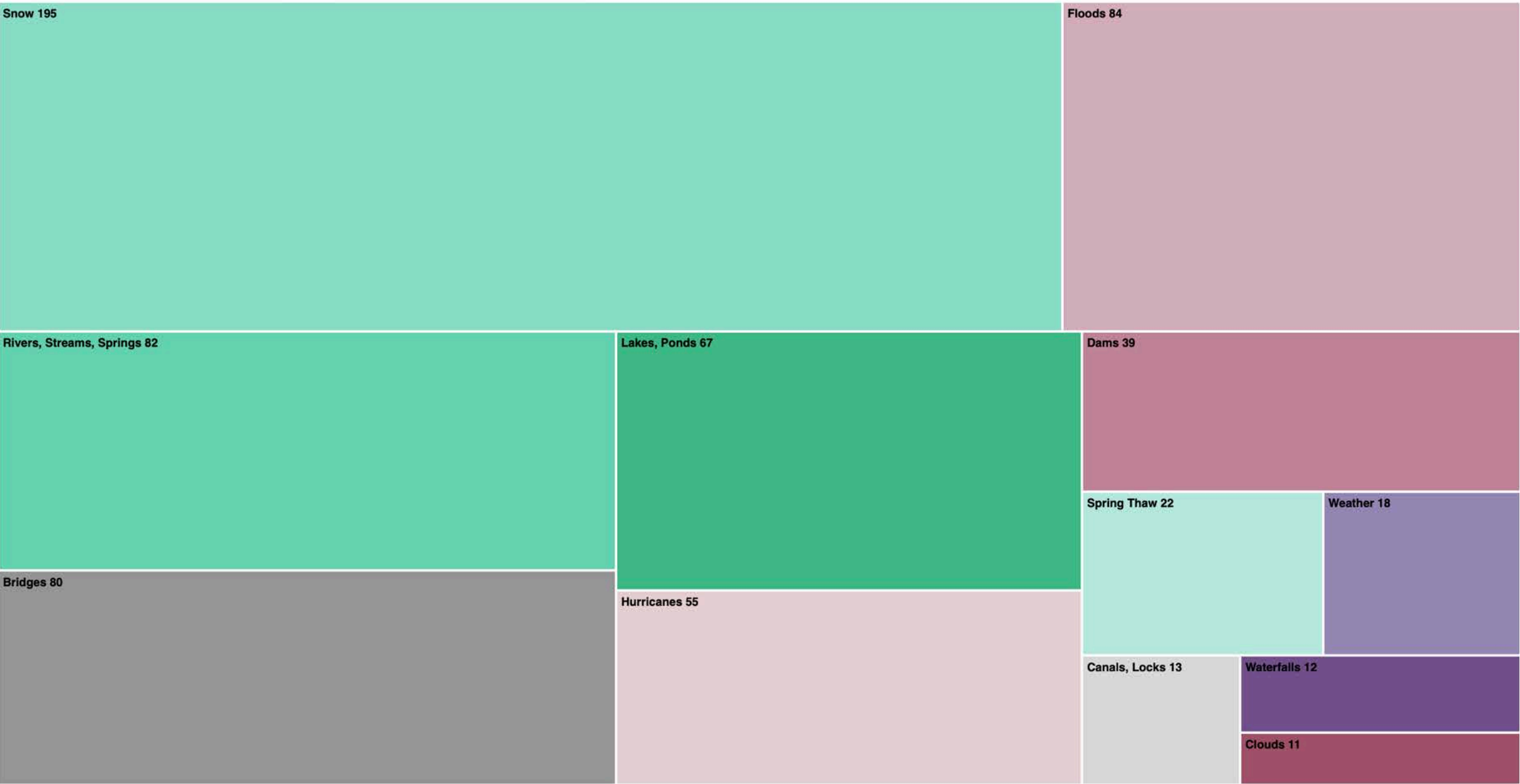
Shore line of Otsego Lake, New York

Arthur Rothstein  
September 1937



Otsego County, New York. Otsego Lake

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Gordon Parks  
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Oral history interview with Gordon Parks, 1964 Dec. 30. Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution. For more on how to use this collection, please see the [Smithsonian Archives of American Art](#).

- 00:00:00 NARRATOR: This is an interview with **Gordon Park** in **New York City**, December 30, 1964. The interviewer is Richard K Doud.
- 00:00:14 RICHARD DOUD: If you would, **Mr. Parks**, I'd like to hear something about your background and how you became interested in photography in the first place.
- 00:00:25 GORDON PARKS: Well, I was born in **Kansas**, raised in **Minnesota** and spent a good part of my early life, up until I was about fifteen or sixteen, in **Kansas**. After my mother died, I went to **Minnesota** where I was brought up. I brought myself up, rather. I took odd jobs up until 1942, until I joined the **F.S.A.** as a **Rosenwald** Fellow. Of course, I didn't start photography until



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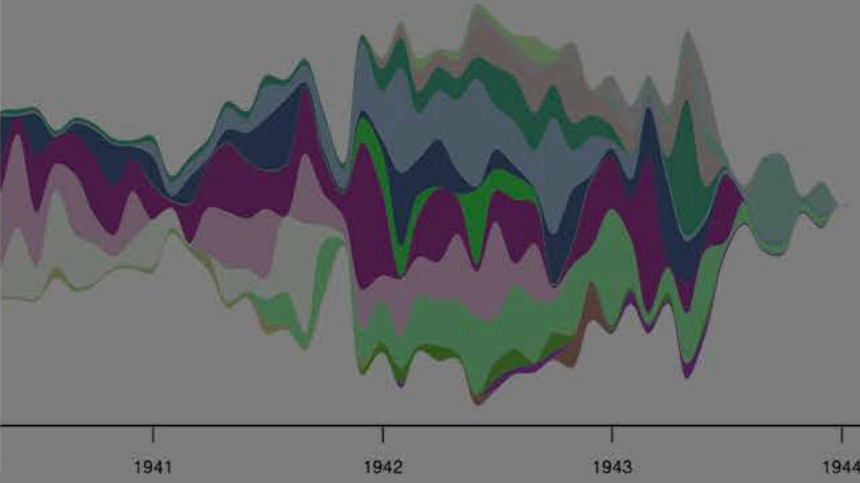
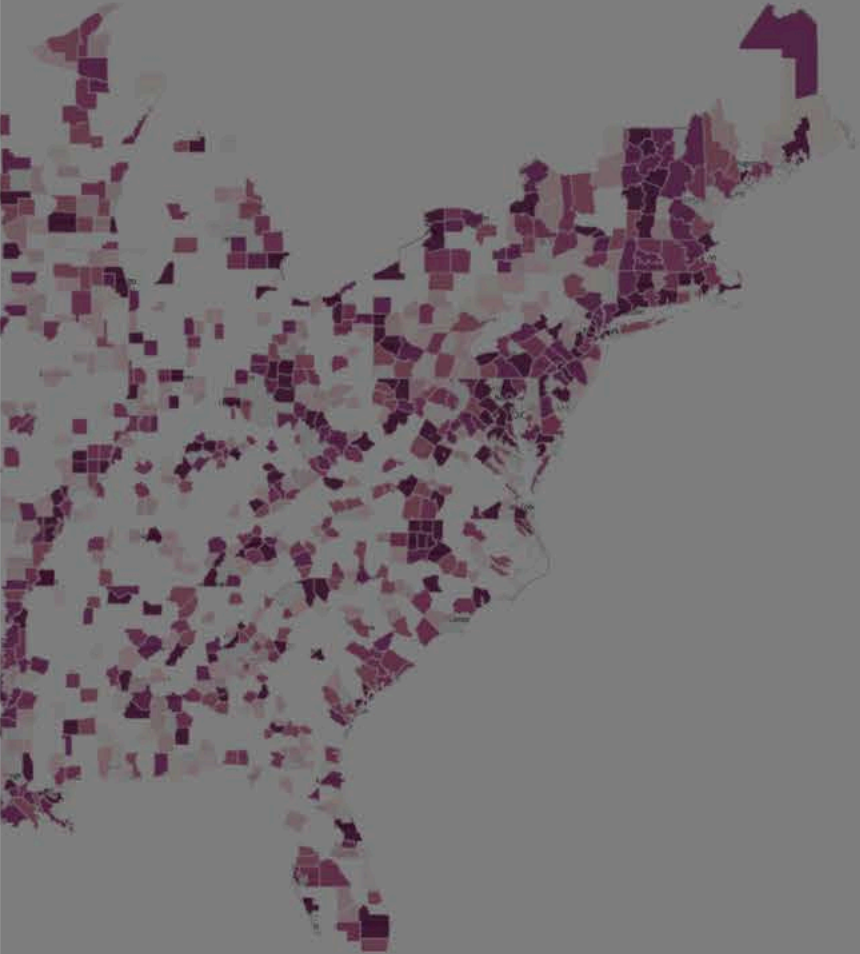
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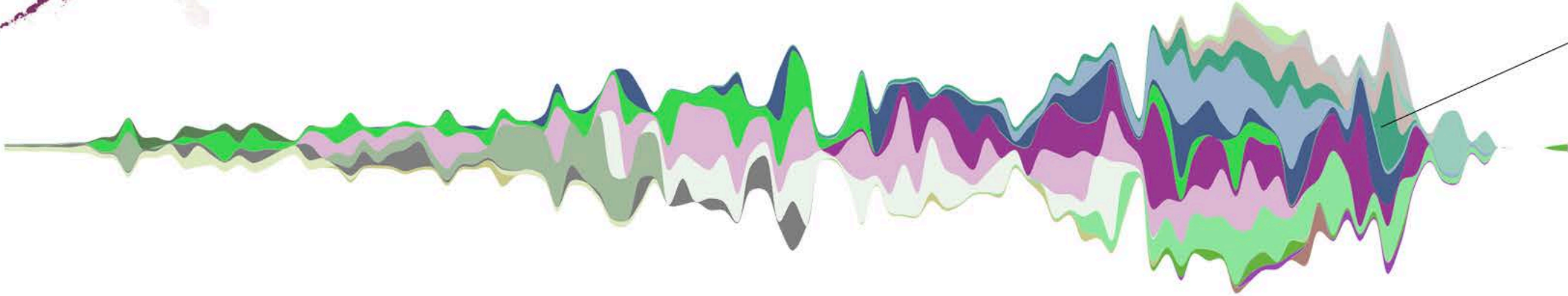
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Selecting County lists photographers/photos from location in side panel  
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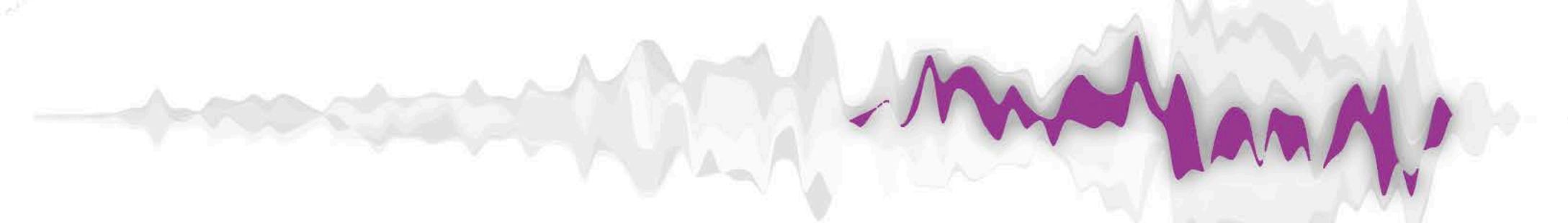
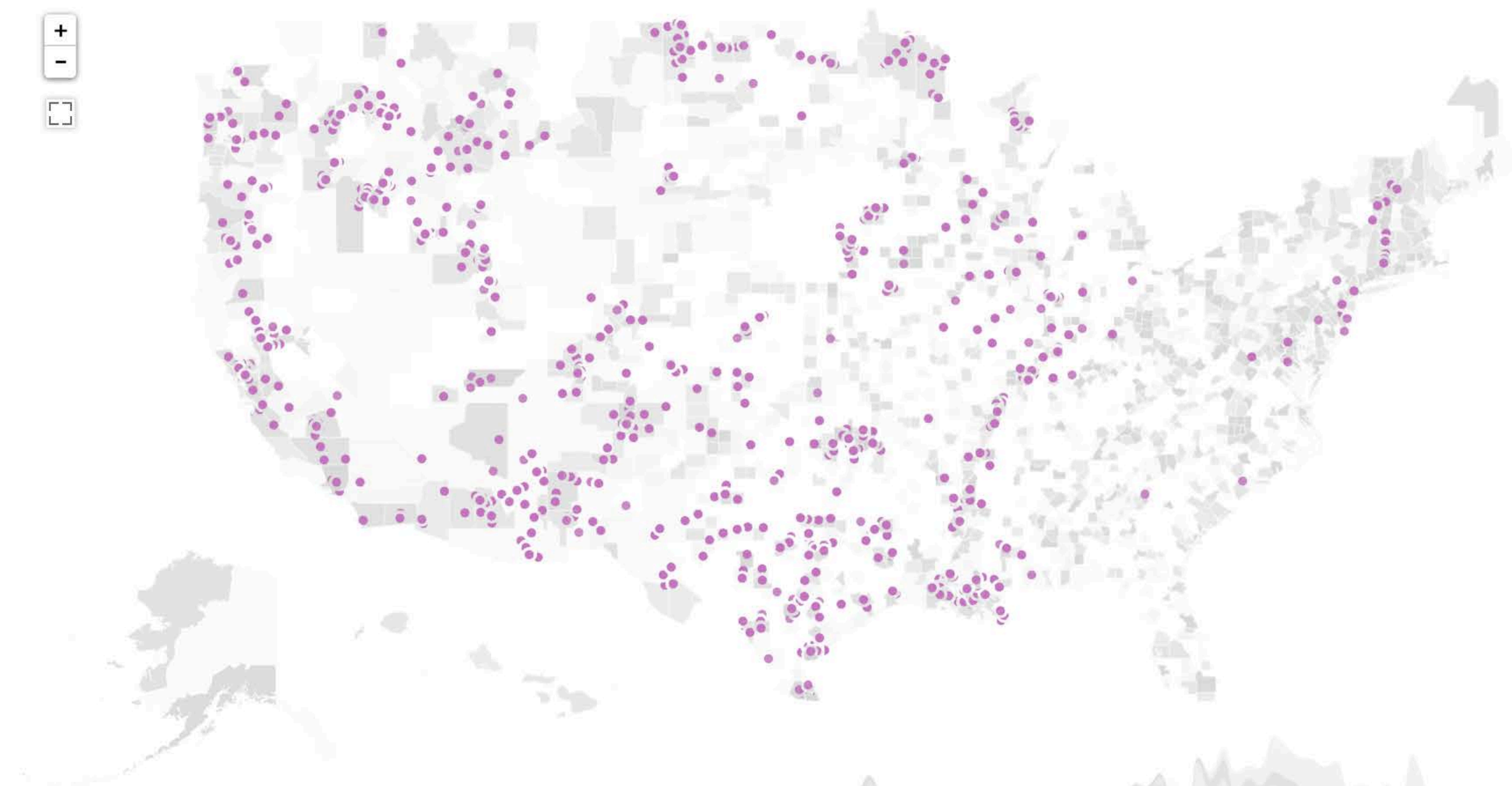
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Photographer

Alfred T. Palmer

Created

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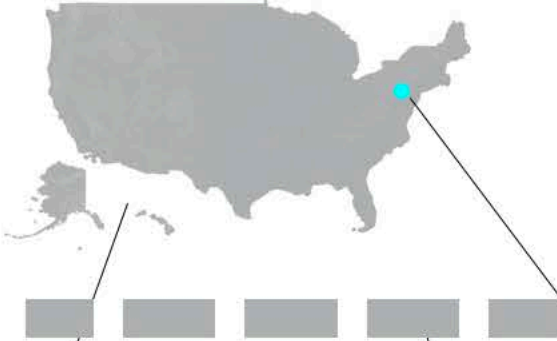
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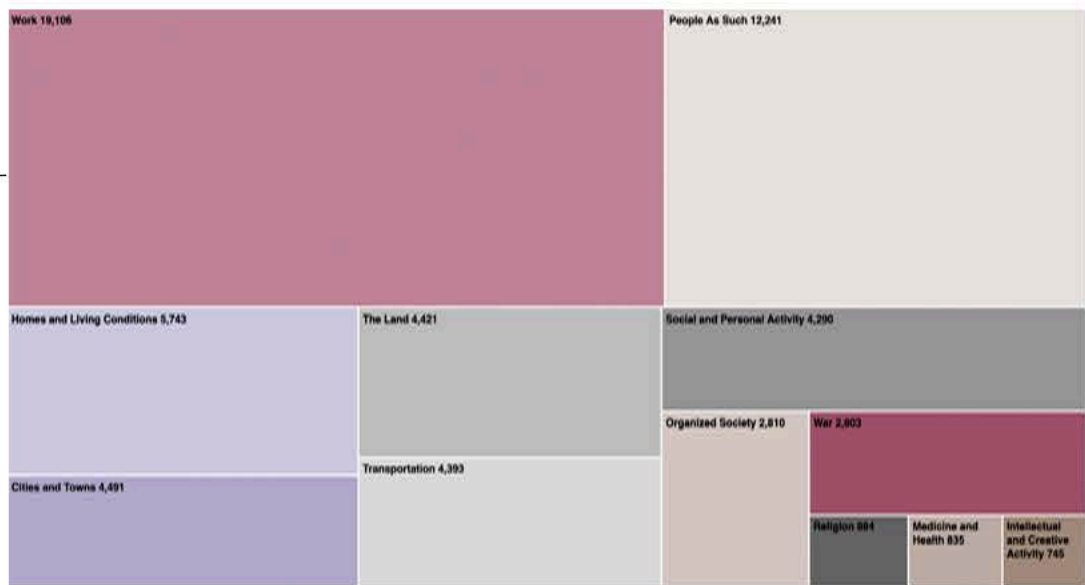
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Gallery view of all photos taken by photographer