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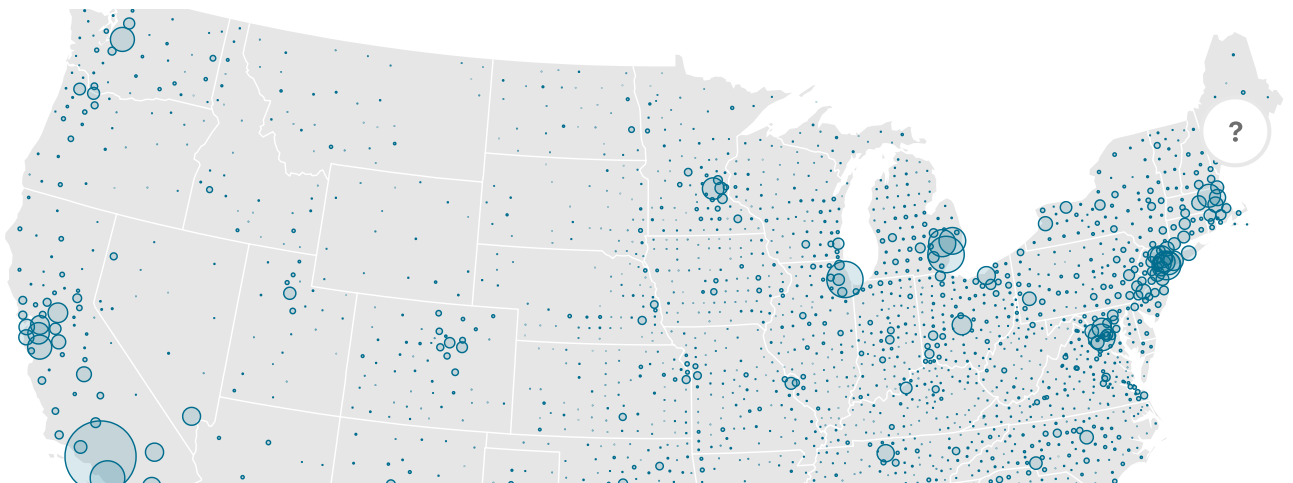
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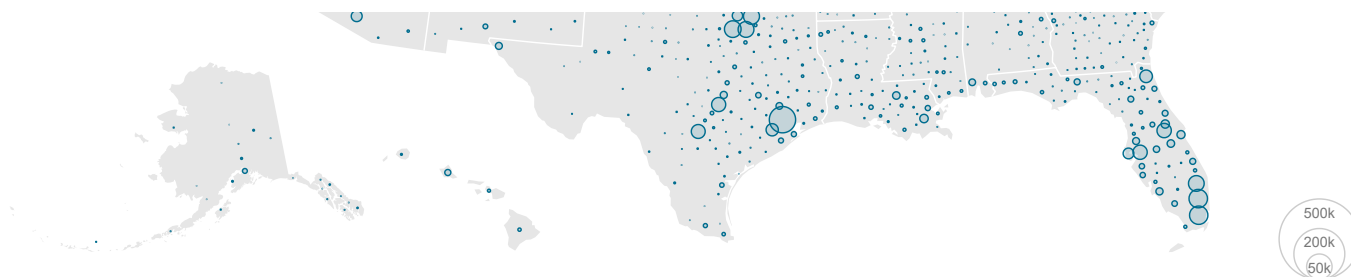
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chart = {
  const width = 960;
  const height = 600;
  var path = d3.geoPath().projection(projection);
  const formatNumber = d3.format(",.0f");
  const radius = d3.scaleSqrt().domain([0, 400000]).range([0, maxRadius]);

  const svg = d3.select(DOM.svg(width, height))
    .style("width", "100%")
    .style("height", "auto");

  svg.append("path")
    .datum(topojson.feature(us, us.objects.nation))
    .attr("fill", "#E6E6E6")
    .attr("d", path);

  svg.append("path")
    .datum(topojson.mesh(us, us.objects.states, (a, b) => a !== b))
    .attr("fill", "none")
    .attr("stroke", "white")
    .attr("stroke-linejoin", "round")
    .attr("d", path);

  const legend = svg.append("g")
    .attr("fill", "#777")
    .attr("transform", `translate(${width - 50}, ${height - 2})`)
    .attr("text-anchor", "middle")
    .style("font", "10px sans-serif")

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    .data([50000, 200000, 500000])
    .join("g");

legend.append("circle")
    .attr("fill", "none")
    .attr("stroke", "#ccc")
    .attr("cy", d => -radius(d))
    .attr("r", radius);

legend.append("text")
    .attr("y", d => -2 * radius(d))
    .attr("dy", "1.3em")
    .text(d3.format(".1s"));

svg.append("g")
    .attr("fill", "#006d8f")
    .attr("fill-opacity", 0.15)
    .attr("stroke", "#006d8f")
    .attr("stroke-width", 1)
    .selectAll("circle")
    .data(topojson.feature(us, us.objects.counties).features
        .map(d => (d.population = population.get(d.id), d))
        .sort((a, b) => b.population - a.population))
    .join("circle")
    .attr("transform", d => `translate(${path.centroid(d.geometry)})`)
    .attr("r", d => radius(d.population))
    .append("title")
    .text(d => formatNumber(d.population));

// svg.append("g")
//   .selectAll("circle")
//   .data(selected_cities)
//   .join("circle")
//     .attr("transform", d => `translate(${path.centroid(d.geometry)})`)
//     .attr("fill", "black")
//     .attr("stroke-width", 0)
//     .attr("r", 3)
//     .attr("data-name", d => d.name)
//   .append("text")
//     .text(d => d.name)
//     .attr("font", "sans")
//     .attr("fill", "black")
//     .attr("dx", "10")
//     .attr("text-anchor", "left")

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DOM.download(() => serialize(chart), undefined, "Save as SVG")
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projection = f(t)
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viewof maxRadius = slider({
  min: 10,
  max: 100,
  value: 25,
  step: 1,
  title: "Maximum radius"
})
```

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csv = ▶ Array(3220) [Object, Object, Object, Object, Object, Object, Object, Object, Object,
```

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projection = d3.geoAlbersUsa()
  .fitSize([960, 600], topojson.feature(us, us.objects.counties))
```

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selected_cities = ▶ Array(7) [Object, Object, Object, Object, Object, Object, Object]
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population = new Map((csv.map(d => [d.fips, +d.swana])))
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csv = await
d3.csv("https://gist.githubusercontent.com/palewire/047b5e4d4db5e8831f7e7725af53744e/raw/
ae8f6f84acabe0f6289d8ac135e85d3d5aa7eb69/swana.csv")
```

```
selected_cities = {
  return cities.filter(
    d => d.population > 1500000 | d.name == "Detroit"
  )
}
```

```
cities = {
  const json = await
d3.json("https://gist.githubusercontent.com/Vudude/cee778c78694fe4183aec99693e104b1/raw/6
108e7f372813f261c29ae085659ec66118285ac/cities.geo.json")
  return json.features.map(d => ({
```

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