

## Assignment One: World Mapper

Choose a map from the “worldmapper” website and explain what it illustrates and the patterns that are evident. Post your map and explanation to the discussion board. View the other post first to make sure you do not duplicate any map that has already been used.

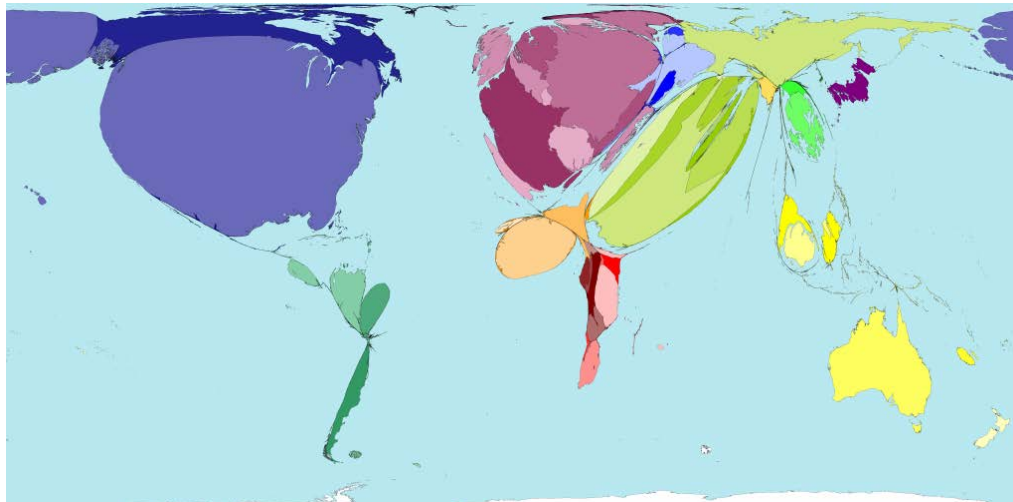
### **Directions:**

1. Click on This link to choose a map: <http://www.worldmapper.org/thumbnails/mapindex13-24.html>
2. Choose a map that interests you (note there are 696 options! Take your time and find an interesting one)
  - a) Note the name of the map and the number
  - b) Explain what the map illustrates
  - c) Explain any patterns that you see.

*\* (For more information it is helpful to open the “PDF poster” version of the map)*

3. Post your map and discussion on the discussion board

### **Example:**



- a) Net Immigration #17
- b) The territory on the map is distorted to show the relative levels of net immigration (the larger the area the more net immigration that occurs). Net immigration is the differences between emigration (outgoing migrants) and immigration (incoming migrants). Larger areas mean there are a lot more incoming migrants than outgoing.
- c) One pattern I see is that Net Immigration is greatest in rich areas like Europe and the United States which isn't surprising because people like money. The United States looks like it has the

largest percentage of immigrants and it looks like people are not moving to places like Africa, Latin America or India. I was surprised to see that the Middle East also has a lot of immigrants. I think this could be for two reasons, first, people are fleeing wars in the Middle East to neighboring countries and, second, there is a lot of oil there and that means a lot of potential jobs and money.