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that the average population per Representative has the least possible

variation between one state and any other. Congress fixes the number of voting Representatives at each apportionment. States delineate the

district boundaries. The first House of Representatives in 1789 had 65 members; currently there are 435. There are non-voting delegates from American Samoa, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the

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