NEW MEXICO!

Wheeler __ is the highest point in the state at 13,161 feet
Notorious gunslinger __ the Kid was killed at Fort Sumner in 1881
Entertainers Demi __ and John Denver are from Roswell
Bordered by Arizona, Colorado, __, Utah, Oklahoma, and Mexico
Home to the Navajo, __, Pueblo, and Comanche Native American tribes
Made up of dry, rugged __ plateau, Rocky Mountains, and grasslands
__ controlled the land after seceding from Spain in 1821
Sheep and cattle ranching has resulted in more livestock than __
The Anasazi were an ancient Native American __ from 1,000 years ago
Leading producer of hot chili __, and stone, glass and clay products
The city of __ is famous for a supposed alien spaceship crash site in 1947
The highest state capital at 7,000 feet elevation
In 1680, Native Americans drove the __ from the region, temporarily
The Sandia Peak aerial __ near Albuquerque is the world's longest
Caverns National Park with over 100 caves was first protected in 1923
New Mexico has the highest percentage of __ people in the U.S.
The fifth largest state in __ __, with 121,593 square miles
The Navajo __ was the basis for an unbreakable code used in WWII
The mountainous areas are rich with precious metals and industrial __
In 1994, the North American Free Trade __ increased trade with Mexico
Hundreds of cliff __ are preserved at Bandelier National Monument
The territory was obtained by the U.S. in the treaty of __ Hidalgo, 1848
__ National Laboratory was established in 1943 to develop the A-bomb
Native American customs are well __ by law and tribal policies
River that runs the entire length of the state to Texas and Mexico
The state bird, rarely seen being chased by cartoon coyotes
Largest city and home to the world's largest hot air balloon festival
Became the __ state on January 6, 1912

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