U.S. State Capitals and Abbreviations

Use this key to check answers and read the explanations.

1. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for California?
   A. Sacramento, CA
   B. Fresno, CA
   C. Sacramento, CO
   D. Fresno, CO
   Correct answer: A. Sacramento, CA
   Sacramento is the capital of California. USPS uses CA for the state.

2. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Texas?
   A. Austin, TN
   B. El Paso, TX
   C. Austin, TX
   D. El Paso, TN
   Correct answer: C. Austin, TX
   Austin is the capital of Texas. USPS uses TX for the state.

3. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for New York?
   A. Rochester, NY
   B. Albany, NY
   C. Albany, NC
   D. Rochester, NC
   Correct answer: B. Albany, NY
   Albany is the capital of New York. USPS uses NY for the state.

4. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Massachusetts?
   A. New Bedford, MI
   B. New Bedford, MA
   C. Boston, MI
   D. Boston, MA
   Correct answer: D. Boston, MA
   Boston is the capital of Massachusetts. USPS uses MA for the state.

5. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Georgia?
   A. Macon, GA
   B. Atlanta, GA
   C. Atlanta, IA
   D. Macon, IA
   Correct answer: B. Atlanta, GA
   Atlanta is the capital of Georgia. USPS uses GA for the state.

6. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Illinois?
   A. Springfield, IL
   B. Chicago, IL
   C. Springfield, IN
   D. Chicago, IN
   Correct answer: A. Springfield, IL
   Springfield is the capital of Illinois. USPS uses IL for the state.

7. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Louisiana?
   A. Alexandria, MA
   B. Alexandria, LA
   C. Baton Rouge, MA
   D. Baton Rouge, LA
   Correct answer: D. Baton Rouge, LA
   Baton Rouge is the capital of Louisiana. USPS uses LA for the state.

8. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for South Carolina?
   A. Columbia, SD
   B. Charleston, SC
   C. Columbia, SC
   D. Charleston, SD
   Correct answer: C. Columbia, SC
   Columbia is the capital of South Carolina. USPS uses SC for the state.

9. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for New Mexico?
   A. Santa Fe, NM
   B. Albuquerque, NM
   C. Santa Fe, NY
   D. Albuquerque, NY
   Correct answer: A. Santa Fe, NM
   Santa Fe is the capital of New Mexico. USPS uses NM for the state.

10. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Idaho?

A. Idaho Falls, IL
B. Idaho Falls, ID
C. Boise, IL
D. Boise, ID

Correct answer: D. Boise, ID
Boise is the capital of Idaho. USPS uses ID for the state.

11. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for West Virginia?

A. Charleston, WI
B. Huntington, WV
C. Charleston, WV
D. Huntington, WI

Correct answer: C. Charleston, WV
Charleston is the capital of West Virginia. USPS uses WV for the state.

12. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Mississippi?

A. Gulfport, MS
B. Jackson, MS
C. Jackson, MO
D. Gulfport, MO

Correct answer: B. Jackson, MS
Jackson is the capital of Mississippi. USPS uses MS for the state.

13. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Missouri?

A. St. Louis, MT
B. St. Louis, MO
C. Jefferson City, MT
D. Jefferson City, MO

Correct answer: D. Jefferson City, MO
Jefferson City is the capital of Missouri. USPS uses MO for the state.

14. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Minnesota?

A. St. Paul, MN
B. Minneapolis, MN
C. St. Paul, MS
D. Minneapolis, MS

Correct answer: A. St. Paul, MN
St. Paul is the capital of Minnesota. USPS uses MN for the state.

15. Which label gives both the correct capital and USPS abbreviation for Michigan?

A. Lansing, MN
B. Detroit, MI
C. Lansing, MI
D. Detroit, MN

Correct answer: C. Lansing, MI
Lansing is the capital of Michigan. USPS uses MI for the state.