

The apportionment bill produces much discussion in Congress, as might be expected, unless the ratio had been determined on before the population in each State was known. The members from each State have a natural aversion to the large fractions.

The representative population of Georgia is 429,544, hence,

A ratio of 42,000 would give us 10 rep. leaving a fraction of 9,544

43,000	9	42,544
44,000	9	33,544
45,000	9	24,544
46,000	9	15,544
47,000	9	6,544
48,000	8	45,544
49,000	8	37,544
50,000	8	29,544
51,000	8	21,544
52,000	8	13,544
53,000	8	5,544
54,000	7	51,544

Forty eight thousand, forty four thousand, forty two thousand and several other ratios have been proposed—none however higher than 48, which will probably pass; giving us the largest fraction in the Union, except Kentucky, whose fraction from that ratio will be 46,704; and larger than any we could have short of a ratio of 54,000.