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Percentage of US wealth owned by top 5 percent of free adult males in 1860: 53

Percentage of US wealth owned by bottom half of free adult males in 1860: 1

Ratio of antebellum white southerners who did not own slaves: 2/3

Percent of US population living in urban areas in 1860: 20

Percentage of southerners living in urban areas in 1860: 10

Number of factories in the North in 1860: 110,000

Number of factories in the South in 1860: 18,000

Ratio of antebellum textile workers who were female: 2/3

Percentage of important patented inventions that came from
free state residents, 1790-1860: 93

Percentage of literate adults in New England: 95

Percentage of literate white adults in South: 80

Percentage of literate adult slaves: 10

Percentage of northern labor force engaged in agriculture in 1860: 40

Percentage of southern labor force engaged in agriculture in 1860: 80

Percentage of world's cotton supplied by South in 1860: 75

Average annual immigration to US, 1845-1855: 300,000 per year

Ratio of immigrants who settled in free states: 7/8

Number of years required to double slave population by natural increase: 26

Ratio of slave marriages broken apart by sale: 1/4

Multiple of southern military officers over northern military officers: 2x

Multiple of northern businessmen over southern businessmen: 3x

Number of years on average between 1815-1850 that a new state
would enter the Union: 3

ANSWER KEY

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