Oregon's unique characteristics give rise to its bounty of soils—more than 1,500 in all. Individual soils result from a combination of local factors: climate, vegetation types, rock (or other parent material) type and landscape position. Each distinct soil is known as a soil series, and each soil series is named for a locale or feature: a Woodburn series in the Willamette Valley; a Bandon series on the south Coast, and so on. Soil classification in the U.S. uses a six-category system: order, suborder, great group, subgroup, family and series. Twelve soil orders categorize all the soils in the U.S.