



The unemployment rate saw little improvement in the Appalachian Region in 2010, after reaching its highest level in decades early in the year. The labor force continues to struggle, as a disproportionate share of the Appalachian workforce gave up the search for jobs and left the labor force altogether.

The rate of job loss during this recession has been more severe in Appalachia than in the nation as a whole: -2.0% in Appalachia vs. -1.7% for the nation between 2007Q4 and 2010Q4. Job loss was most severe in North Central and Southern Appalachia, where the decline was -2.7 and -2.6% respectively over this period; and least severe in Central Appalachia, where employment fell just -0.8%.

While the nation's economy lost 8 million jobs (not seasonally adjusted) from 2007Q4 to 2009Q4 and employment fell back to 2004 levels, Appalachia lost roughly 700,000 jobs, representing all of the jobs gained since 2000. Of the 420 counties in Appalachia, only 35 registered positive employment growth during this recession.

Unemployment trends in Appalachia closely tracked the nation during the recession and the previous expansion, averaging 9.7% in 2010, up from 4.7% at the 2007 peak. Roughly two-thirds of Appalachia's (275 of 420) counties have higher unemployment rates than the nation as a whole.

During the previous expansion, labor force growth was slower in Appalachia than the nation, 0.7% and 1.1% respectively. During the recession the Appalachian labor force contracted more: -0.4% compared to -0.1% for the nation. The labor force declined -0.8% in Southern Appalachia and -1.0% in North-Central Appalachia. More than 200,000 Appalachian workers gave up the search for jobs and left the labor force between 2008Q4 and 2010Q4. These discouraged workers are not counted in the unemployment data.

Population growth between 2000 and 2010 was lower in Appalachia than in the nation as a whole, 6.8% vs. 9.7% respectively, but again it varied widely among different parts of the Region. Population in Northern Appalachia declined -0.8% over the period, but boomed in Southern Appalachia, where it increased 16.6%.

The ratio of employment to population, a rough measure of labor force participation, was more than 2% lower in Appalachia than in the nation as a whole (.428 and .450 respectively). The employment-population ratio varied from a low of .38 in the Central subregion to a high of .45 in the Northern subregion.

Some areas of Appalachia have been harder hit than others in this recession. Employment declined by more than the national average in Appalachian Alabama (-2.9%), Georgia (-2.8%), Maryland (-2.3%), Mississippi (-1.8%), New York (-1.8%), North Carolina (-3.0%), Ohio (-1.8%), and West Virginia (-3.3%). Employment did not decline as severely as the nation in the Appalachian portion of Kentucky, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Unemployment exceeded the national average in 2010 in the Appalachian portion of Georgia (9.9%), Kentucky (11.5%), Maryland (9.6%), Mississippi (12.5%), North Carolina (10.7%), Ohio (11.5%), and South Carolina (10.6%). Unemployment rates were lower than the national average in the Appalachian portion of Alabama, New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Recession has hit harder in Appalachia

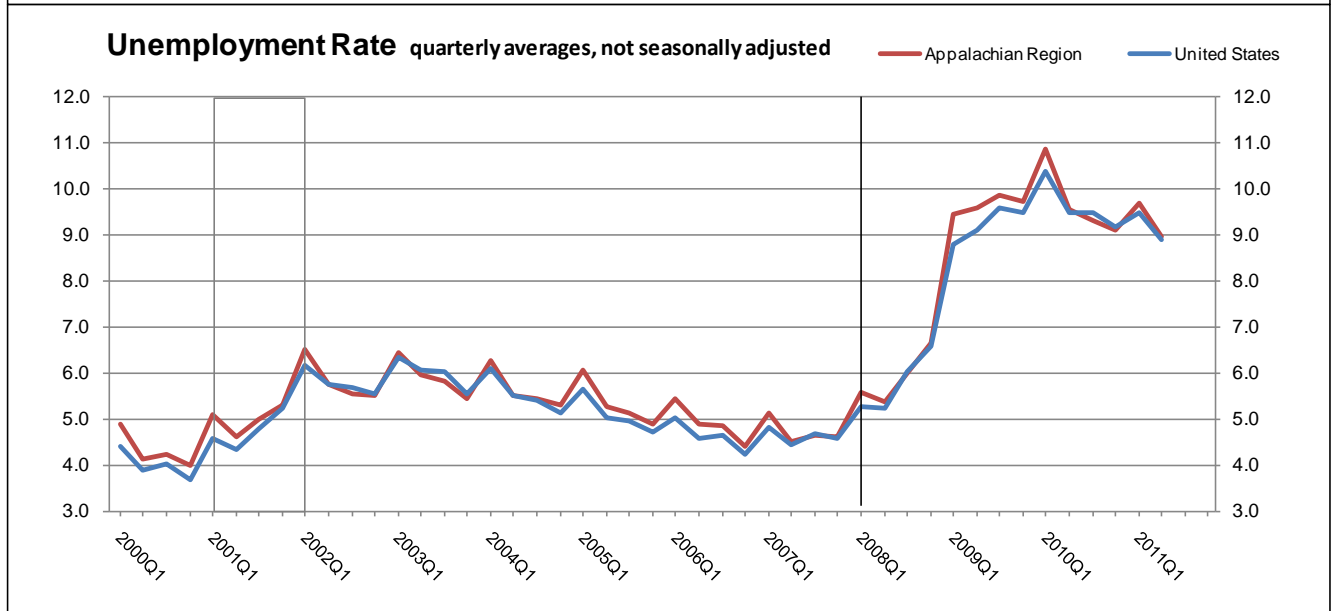
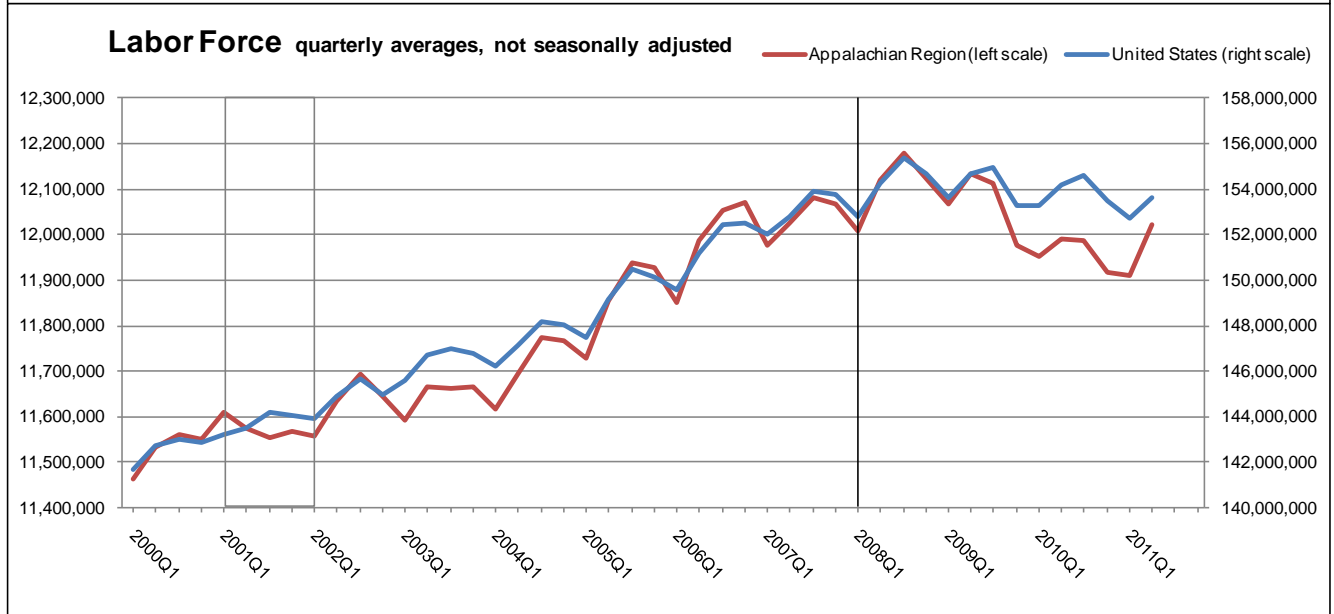
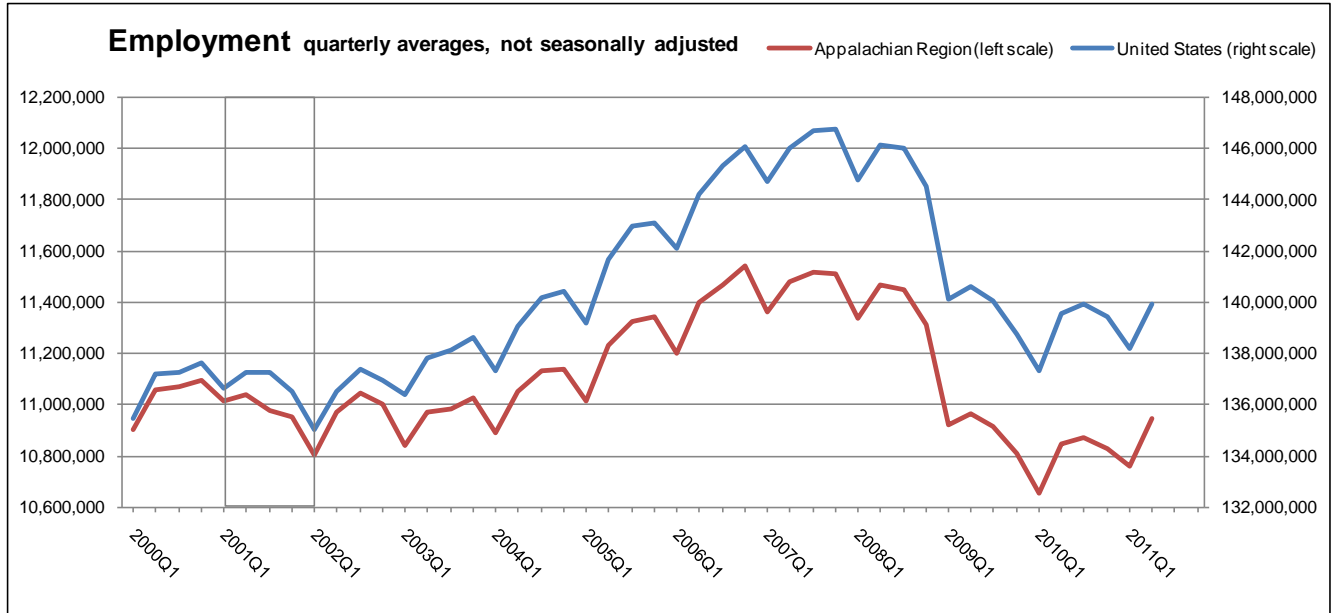
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United States	0.5	1.1	-0.1	-1.2	1.2	-1.7	4.7	5.8	4.6	9.3	9.6	9.7	.450
Appalachian Region	-0.4	0.7	-0.4	-1.9	0.9	-2.0	5.0	5.8	4.7	9.7	9.7	6.8	.428
Northern Appalachia	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	0.3	-1.6	5.2	6.0	4.9	8.8	9.2	-0.8	.450
North Central Appalachia	-0.5	0.6	-1.0	-1.4	0.7	-2.7	5.3	6.1	4.9	8.8	9.8	4.4	.401
Central Appalachia	0.5	0.4	0.9	-0.8	0.6	-0.8	6.2	6.8	6.1	11.1	10.9	1.6	.380
South Central Appalachia	-0.5	0.8	-0.3	-2.4	1.0	-1.8	5.1	5.8	4.6	10.5	9.9	9.8	.434
Southern Appalachia	-1.6	1.3	-0.8	-3.0	1.5	-2.6	4.4	5.2	4.3	10.1	9.9	16.6	.420



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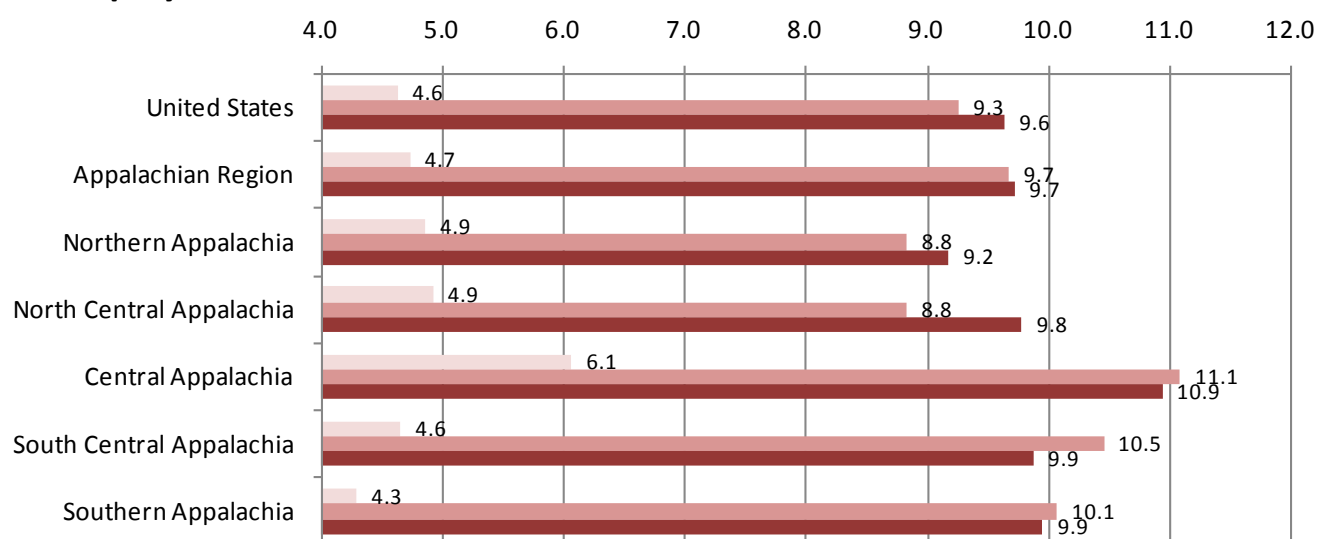
Employment average annual percent change



Civilian labor force average annual percent change



Unemployment rate unemployed/labor force, percent



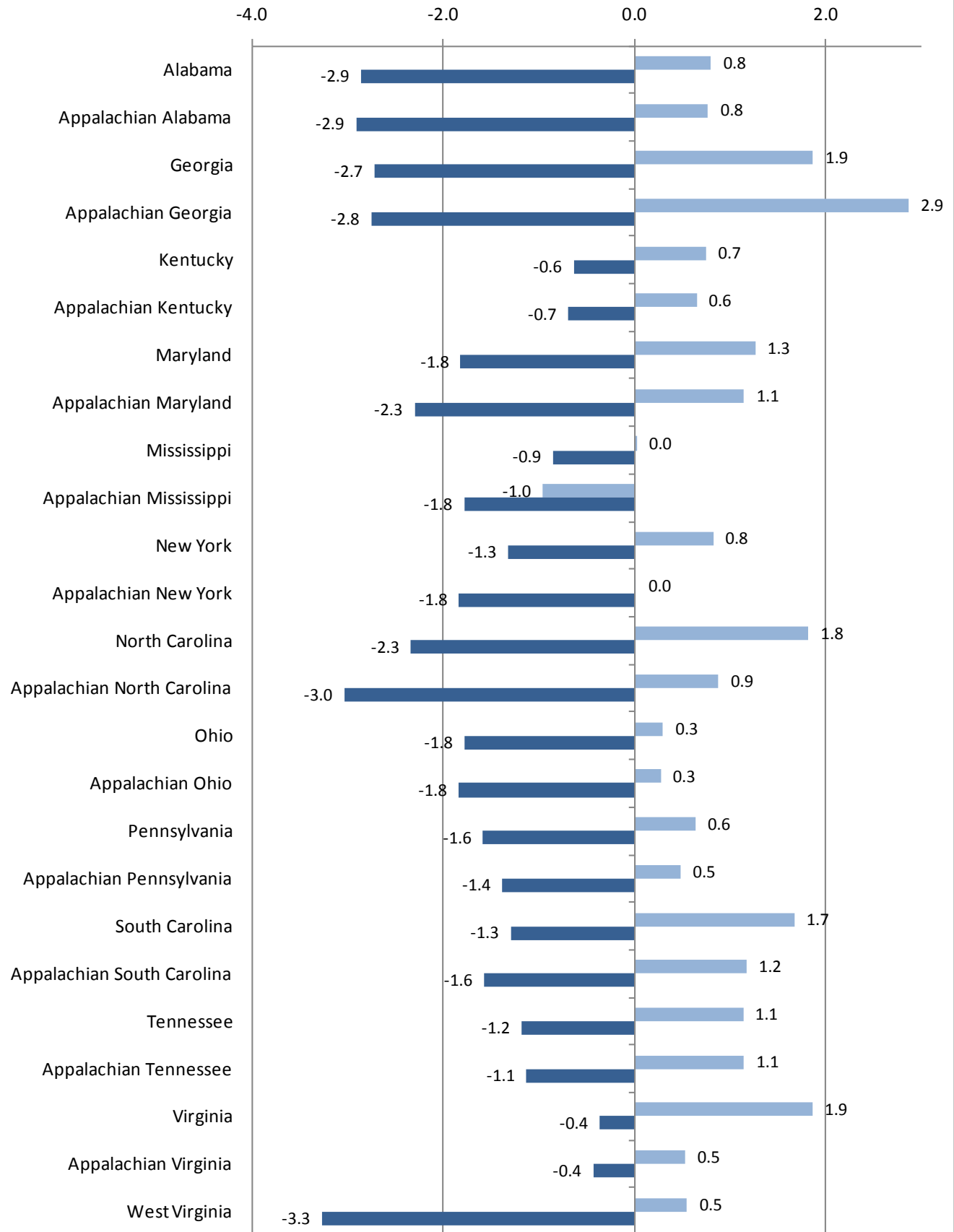


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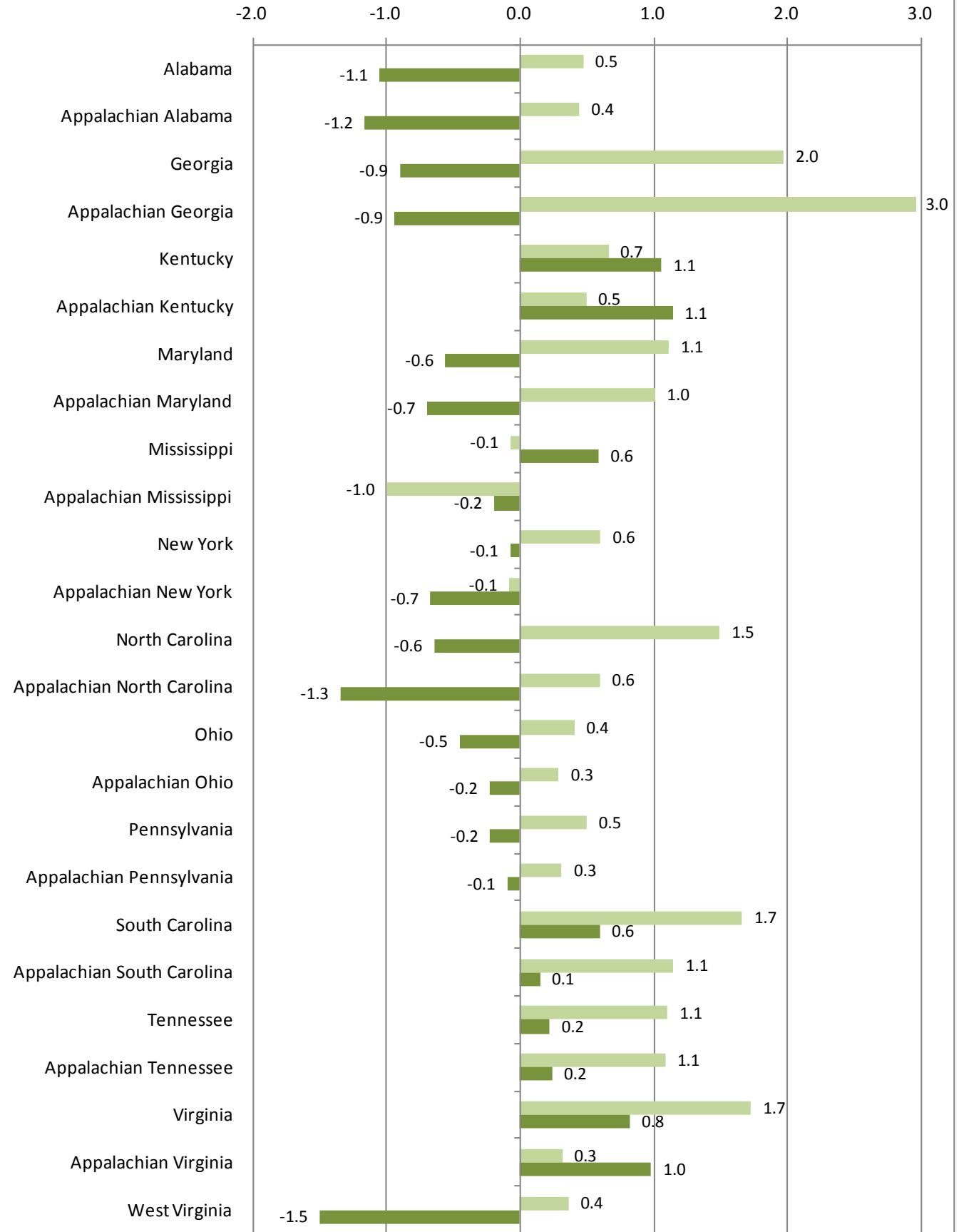




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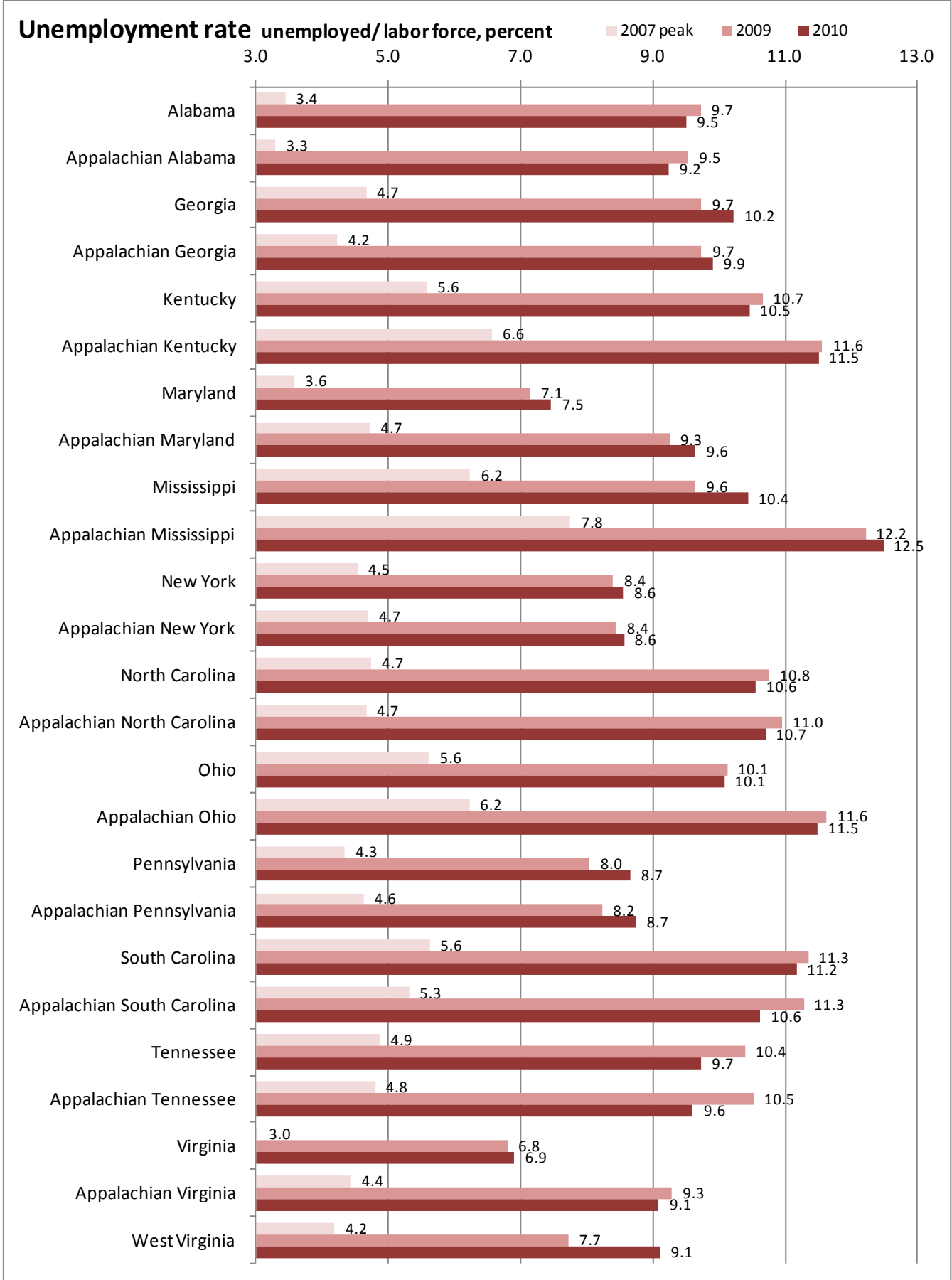
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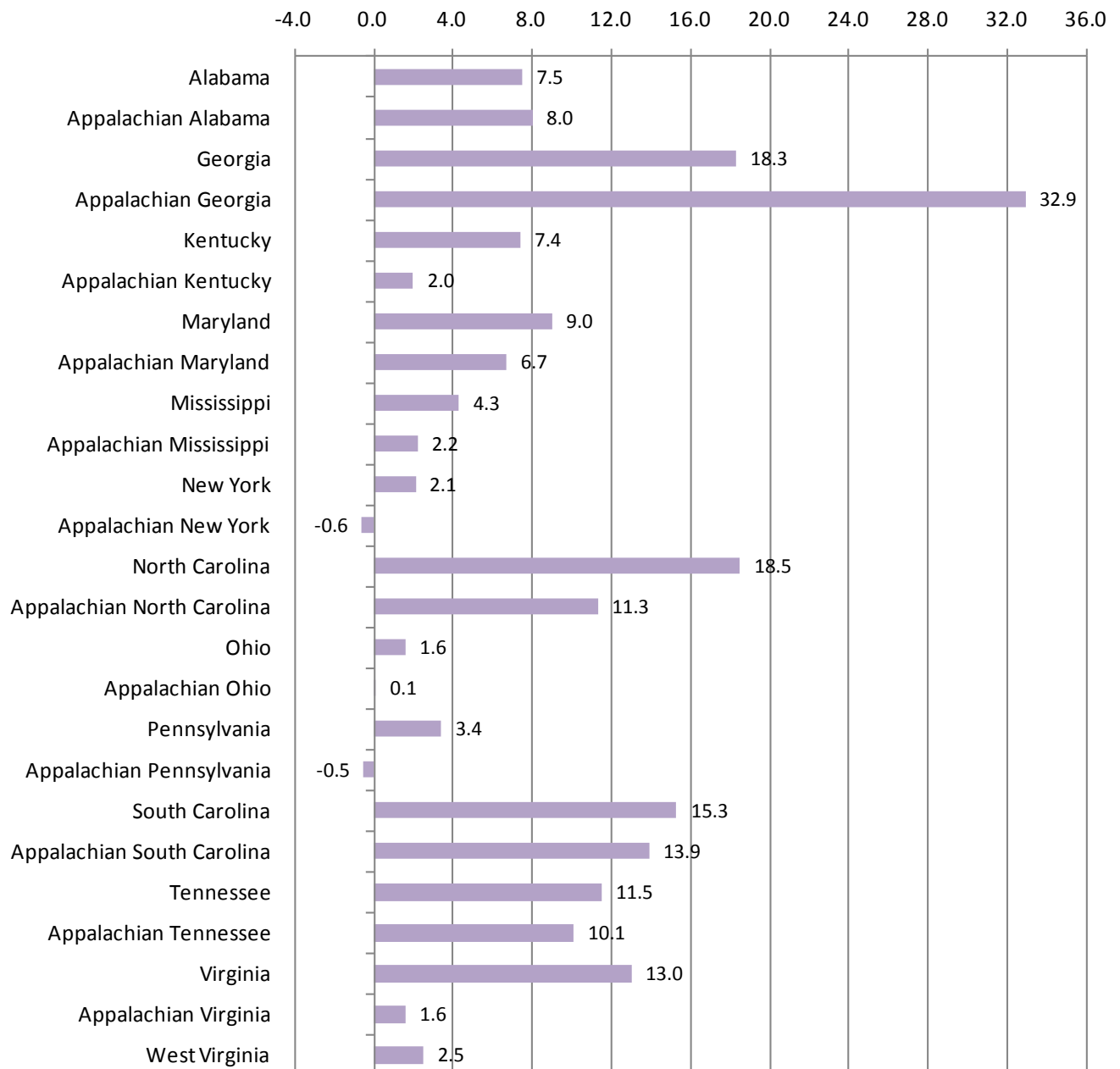
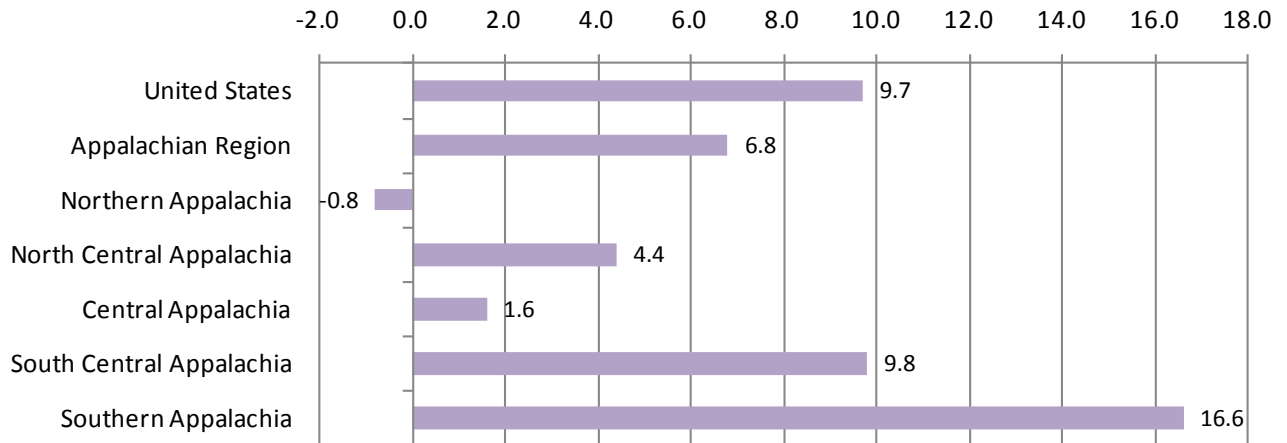
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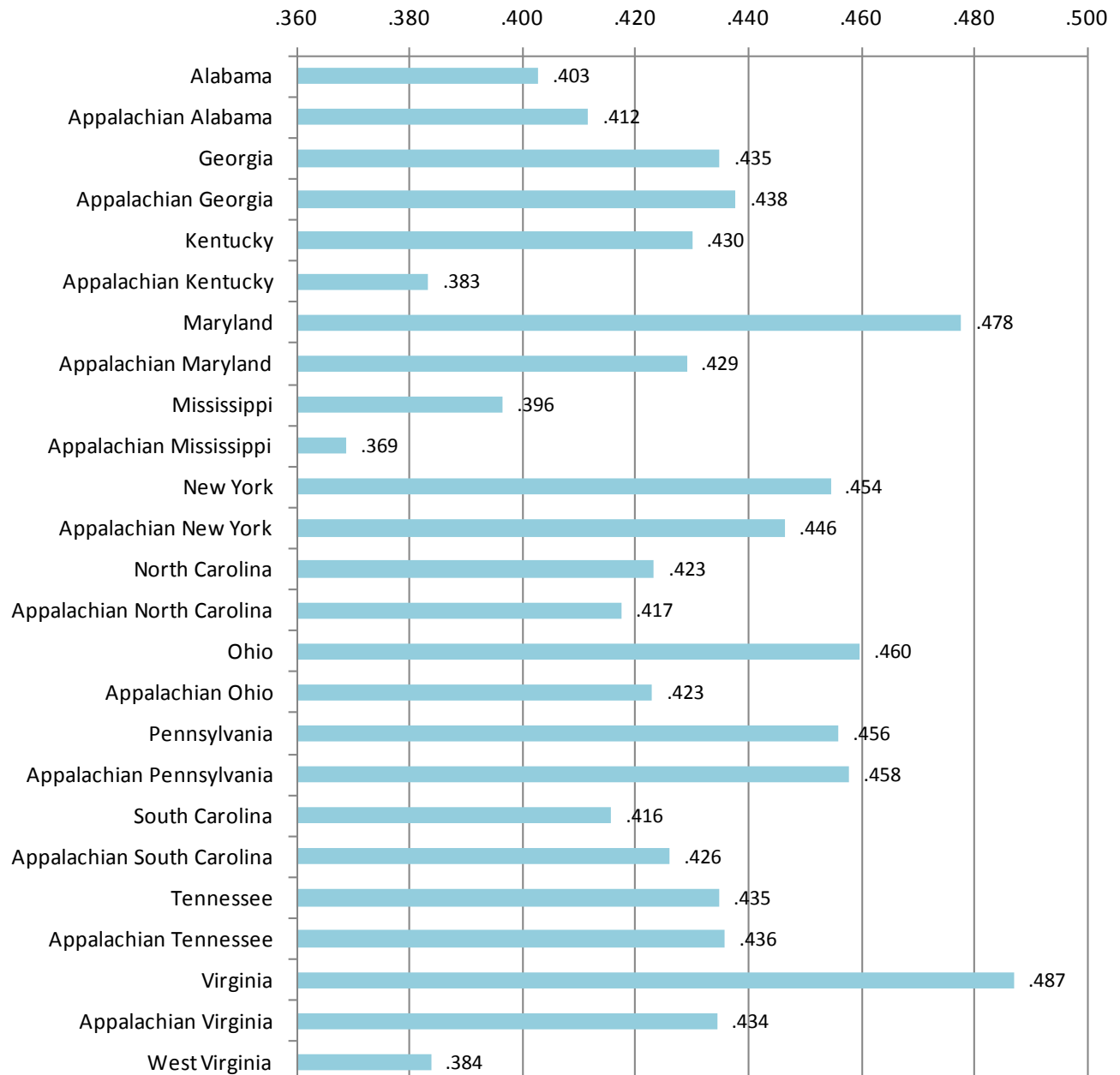
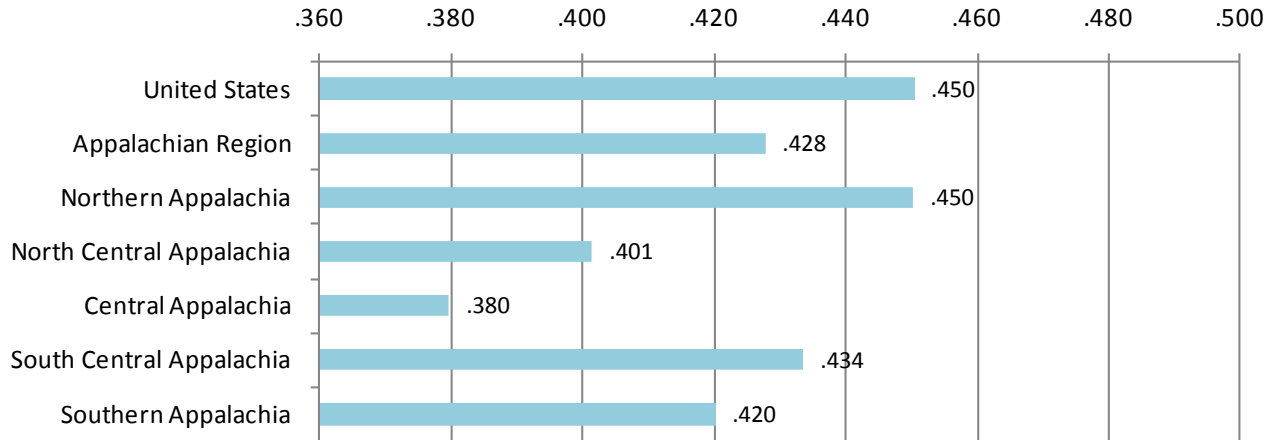


Population percent change 2000-2010





Employment- population ratio 2010



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Appalachian Region	-0.4	0.7	-0.4	-1.9	0.9	-2.0	5.0	5.8	4.7	9.7	9.7	6.8	.428	25,243,456
Northern Appalachia	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	0.3	-1.6	5.2	6.0	4.9	8.8	9.2	-0.8	.450	8,384,817
North Central Appalachia	-0.5	0.6	-1.0	-1.4	0.7	-2.7	5.3	6.1	4.9	8.8	9.8	4.4	.401	2,423,126
Central Appalachia	0.5	0.4	0.9	-0.8	0.6	-0.8	6.2	6.8	6.1	11.1	10.9	1.6	.380	1,918,473
South Central Appalachia	-0.5	0.8	-0.3	-2.4	1.0	-1.8	5.1	5.8	4.6	10.5	9.9	9.8	.434	4,718,420
Southern Appalachia	-1.6	1.3	-0.8	-3.0	1.5	-2.6	4.4	5.2	4.3	10.1	9.9	16.6	.420	7,798,620
Alabama	-2.6	0.5	-1.1	-3.8	0.8	-2.9	4.7	5.4	3.4	9.7	9.5	7.5	.403	4,779,736
Appalachian Alabama	-2.5	0.4	-1.2	-3.8	0.8	-2.9	4.5	5.2	3.3	9.5	9.2	8.0	.412	3,064,522
Georgia	0.4	2.0	-0.9	-0.9	1.9	-2.7	4.0	4.8	4.7	9.7	10.2	18.3	.435	9,687,653
Appalachian Georgia	1.4	3.0	-0.9	0.1	2.9	-2.8	3.6	4.4	4.2	9.7	9.9	32.9	.438	2,933,432
Kentucky	-1.3	0.7	1.1	-2.6	0.7	-0.6	5.2	5.7	5.6	10.7	10.5	7.4	.430	4,339,367
Appalachian Kentucky	0.5	0.5	1.1	-0.7	0.6	-0.7	6.5	6.9	6.6	11.6	11.5	2.0	.383	1,184,278
Maryland	0.3	1.1	-0.6	-0.6	1.3	-1.8	4.1	4.5	3.6	7.1	7.5	9.0	.478	5,773,552
Appalachian Maryland	0.5	1.0	-0.7	-0.2	1.1	-2.3	5.1	5.4	4.7	9.3	9.6	6.7	.429	252,614
Mississippi	-1.1	-0.1	0.6	-3.2	0.0	-0.9	5.6	6.7	6.2	9.6	10.4	4.3	.396	2,967,297
Appalachian Mississippi	-2.7	-1.0	-0.2	-5.1	-1.0	-1.8	6.5	7.9	7.8	12.2	12.5	2.2	.369	629,169
New York	1.2	0.6	-0.1	-0.9	0.8	-1.3	4.9	6.2	4.5	8.4	8.6	2.1	.454	19,378,102
Appalachian New York	1.2	-0.1	-0.7	-1.1	0.0	-1.8	4.5	5.7	4.7	8.4	8.6	-0.6	.446	1,066,421
North Carolina	0.1	1.5	-0.6	-2.2	1.8	-2.3	5.6	6.6	4.7	10.8	10.6	18.5	.423	9,535,483
Appalachian North Carolina	-0.3	0.6	-1.3	-2.6	0.9	-3.0	5.5	6.5	4.7	11.0	10.7	11.3	.417	1,698,908
Ohio	0.2	0.4	-0.5	-1.7	0.3	-1.8	4.4	5.7	5.6	10.1	10.1	1.6	.460	11,536,504
Appalachian Ohio	0.6	0.3	-0.2	-1.1	0.3	-1.8	5.5	6.7	6.2	11.6	11.5	0.1	.423	2,042,040
Pennsylvania	0.7	0.5	-0.2	-0.6	0.6	-1.6	4.8	5.6	4.3	8.0	8.7	3.4	.456	12,702,379
Appalachian Pennsylvania	0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	0.5	-1.4	5.2	6.0	4.6	8.2	8.7	-0.5	.458	5,792,195
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Tennessee	-1.3	1.1	0.2	-3.0	1.1	-1.2	4.7	5.3	4.9	10.4	9.7	11.5	.435	6,346,105
Appalachian Tennessee	-0.7	1.1	0.2	-2.4	1.1	-1.1	4.9	5.4	4.8	10.5	9.6	10.1	.436	2,785,342
Virginia	2.0	1.7	0.8	0.1	1.9	-0.4	3.2	4.2	3.0	6.8	6.9	13.0	.487	8,001,024
Appalachian Virginia	1.3	0.3	1.0	-0.7	0.5	-0.4	5.1	6.2	4.4	9.3	9.1	1.6	.434	770,044
West Virginia	-1.8	0.4	-1.5	-2.3	0.5	-3.3	5.2	5.9	4.2	7.7	9.1	2.5	.384	1,852,994

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Gordon County, GA	-1.5	1.9	-1.8	-1.3	1.8	-4.0	5.2	4.9	4.8	12.7	12.4	25.1	.401	55,186
Gwinnett County, GA	1.4	2.8	-1.0	-0.3	2.7	-2.7	3.3	4.5	4.1	8.8	9.2	36.9	.462	805,321
Habersham County, GA	0.0	1.6	-1.4	-0.5	1.6	-3.3	4.3	4.1	4.1	9.8	10.0	19.9	.409	43,041
Hall County, GA	-0.3	3.9	-0.9	-1.2	3.8	-2.7	3.4	4.1	3.7	9.2	9.1	29.0	.450	179,684
Haralson County, GA	-1.5	0.3	-1.4	-2.4	0.2	-3.7	4.4	4.6	4.8	11.8	11.7	12.0	.379	28,780
Hart County, GA	-3.8	-0.5	-2.2	-5.3	-0.5	-3.8	5.7	5.7	6.7	13.2	11.9	9.6	.354	25,213
Heard County, GA	-3.6	-0.8	-1.2	-3.7	-0.9	-3.5	4.9	5.3	5.2	12.8	12.5	7.5	.352	11,834
Jackson County, GA	0.8	4.4	0.0	-1.1	4.5	-2.1	4.2	5.0	4.3	10.9	10.8	45.4	.400	60,485
Lumpkin County, GA	1.0	3.1	-0.9	0.0	3.0	-3.0	3.3	4.1	4.2	11.5	10.9	42.6	.381	29,966
Madison County, GA	2.8	2.3	-1.2	2.0	2.2	-2.5	3.9	4.0	3.8	8.5	8.4	9.3	.504	28,120
Murray County, GA	1.8	0.8	-2.6	1.0	0.8	-4.9	4.1	4.3	4.7	12.7	12.0	8.6	.427	39,628
Paulding County, GA	3.1	6.0	0.2	1.8	5.7	-1.9	2.9	3.9	4.2	9.9	10.6	74.3	.420	142,324
Pickens County, GA	1.2	2.7	-1.1	0.2	2.6	-3.1	3.2	4.0	3.9	10.4	9.8	28.1	.449	29,431
Polk County, GA	2.7	2.7	-1.8	1.4	2.8	-3.7	4.7	5.2	4.6	10.6	10.6	8.8	.438	41,475
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Towns County, GA	5.9	4.5	-1.3	6.2	4.4	-3.0	3.7	3.8	3.8	8.5	9.6	12.4	.484	10,471
Union County, GA	4.0	5.9	-1.8	3.6	5.9	-3.4	3.6	4.3	3.7	9.3	9.3	23.5	.462	21,356
Walker County, GA	-0.5	1.3	-1.2	-0.7	1.0	-2.8	4.2	4.3	4.6	10.7	9.7	12.6	.416	68,756
White County, GA	1.3	2.7	-2.0	0.5	2.7	-4.0	3.5	4.0	3.7	9.6	10.1	36.1	.404	27,144
Whitfield County, GA	0.7	1.1	-2.4	0.2	1.1	-4.8	4.4	4.3	4.7	12.5	12.0	22.8	.370	102,599
Adair County, KY	0.6	0.4	2.4	-0.1	0.2	0.8	4.8	5.5	6.0	11.1	10.5	8.2	.453	18,656
Bath County, KY	0.3	0.1	0.1	-1.3	0.1	-2.0	7.4	7.5	7.8	15.9	14.2	4.6	.374	11,591
Bell County, KY	-3.5	-0.3	-0.5	-4.7	-0.2	-2.3	8.3	8.7	8.3	12.3	13.7	-4.6	.282	28,691
Boyd County, KY	1.2	0.9	0.5	0.0	1.3	-1.1	6.5	6.3	5.3	8.7	8.9	-0.4	.424	49,542
Breathitt County, KY	-2.1	0.8	1.1	-1.9	1.0	-0.8	7.7	8.0	7.2	10.5	11.7	-13.8	.365	13,878
Carter County, KY	4.4	0.8	0.7	2.8	1.6	-1.4	10.3	9.3	7.3	12.8	12.4	3.1	.433	27,720
Casey County, KY	5.5	0.3	-0.2	3.4	0.7	-2.1	6.8	6.7	5.7	10.9	11.1	3.3	.404	15,955
Clark County, KY	-2.0	0.3	0.5	-3.9	0.6	-1.5	5.3	5.6	5.0	11.3	10.8	7.4	.434	35,613
Clay County, KY	0.4	-1.0	0.8	-2.9	-1.2	-0.9	7.5	10.6	10.9	14.1	13.9	-11.5	.279	21,730
Clinton County, KY	-1.8	0.0	2.1	-5.6	0.3	0.5	6.2	8.7	5.4	9.7	9.6	6.6	.428	10,272
Cumberland County, KY	-1.8	-1.7	2.5	-1.1	-2.0	0.7	5.8	5.7	7.2	13.2	12.3	-4.1	.396	6,856
Edmonson County, KY	-1.8	1.0	0.2	-2.8	1.1	-1.7	6.1	7.1	6.5	14.0	13.2	4.4	.385	12,161
Elliott County, KY	6.0	2.8	3.6	4.3	3.2	1.4	8.8	8.6	7.7	13.8	13.1	16.4	.375	7,852
Estill County, KY	-2.2	0.1	2.5	-2.9	0.1	0.5	6.3	6.5	6.6	12.8	12.3	-4.1	.389	14,672
Fleming County, KY	1.1	-0.6	1.2	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	5.0	5.5	6.6	12.7	12.1	4.0	.403	14,348
Floyd County, KY	1.9	1.1	1.4	2.1	1.1	-0.5	6.7	7.2	6.7	11.3	12.6	-7.0	.347	39,451
Garrard County, KY	-1.6	0.5	1.1	-3.0	0.5	-0.9	4.8	5.5	5.8	12.1	11.8	14.3	.408	16,912
Green County, KY	1.0	0.4	1.1	0.0	0.3	-0.5	5.4	5.4	6.4	12.2	12.0	-2.3	.449	11,258
Greenup County, KY	0.4	1.5	1.3	-0.6	1.8	-0.5	6.3	6.2	5.6	9.6	9.9	0.1	.443	36,910
Harlan County, KY	2.9	-0.3	3.8	2.8	-0.6	3.0	7.8	8.9	9.2	11.2	11.6	-11.8	.333	29,278
Hart County, KY	0.5	1.4	1.4	-0.7	1.7	-0.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	10.6	10.4	4.3	.417	18,199
Jackson County, KY	-0.3	-1.9	1.0	-1.5	-2.3	-0.9	8.2	7.8	14.0	16.9	17.1	0.0	.266	13,494
Johnson County, KY	3.6	-0.1	2.2	3.3	-0.1	0.3	6.1	6.3	6.3	10.6	11.6	-0.4	.381	23,356
Knott County, KY	4.2	1.5	0.2	5.1	1.5	-1.9	6.8	6.8	7.1	10.9	13.4	-7.4	.334	16,346
Knox County, KY	2.7	2.1	0.0	1.3	2.1	-1.8	6.4	7.0	6.9	11.9	11.8	0.3	.351	31,883
Laurel County, KY	1.5	1.2	-0.4	-0.3	1.3	-2.4	5.0	5.9	5.5	10.5	11.1	11.6	.397	58,849
Lawrence County, KY	3.4	0.4	3.1	3.5	0.7	1.3	8.3	8.0	8.0	12.2	12.8	1.9	.351	15,860
Lee County, KY	4.3	1.9	-0.9	4.3	2.1	-3.0	7.2	7.6	6.7	12.1	12.6	-0.4	.308	7,887
Leslie County, KY	-2.2	-1.4	2.5	-4.7	-1.6	0.7	6.1	8.5	9.0	12.8	13.0	-8.8	.288	11,310
Letcher County, KY	1.5	-0.6	0.6	1.8	-0.8	-0.7	6.3	8.3	7.7	11.0	11.4	-3.0	.316	24,519
Lewis County, KY	-3.9	0.3	-0.6	-4.9	0.7	-3.2	8.0	7.8	7.8	15.6	15.0	-1.6	.336	13,870
Lincoln County, KY	0.4	-0.8	0.1	-0.9	-0.8	-2.2	6.1	7.0	6.7	12.9	13.4	5.9	.370	24,742

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	2001q1-2002q1 recession	2001q4-2007q4 expansion	2007q4-2010q4 recession	2001q1-2002q1 recession	2001q4-2007q4 expansion	2007q4-2010q4 recession	2001 peak	2002 trough	2007 peak	2009	2010	2000-2010	2010 ratio	2010	
Values less than the U.S. average are colored red.															
United States	0.5	1.1	-0.1	-1.2	1.2	-1.7	4.7	5.8	4.6	9.3	9.6	9.7	.450	308,745,538	
Appalachian Region	-0.4	0.7	-0.4	-1.9	0.9	-2.0	5.0	5.8	4.7	9.7	9.7	6.8	.428	25,243,456	
Macon County, TN	-3.8	0.1	0.6	-4.8	0.1	-0.7	5.8	5.6	6.2	12.2	10.0	9.1	.427	22,248	
Marion County, TN	-1.7	0.0	-0.9	-3.9	0.0	-2.2	5.3	6.4	6.1	12.2	10.5	1.7	.400	28,237	
Meigs County, TN	2.1	0.2	1.9	-1.7	0.3	0.0	6.8	8.0	6.5	14.5	12.7	6.0	.384	11,753	
Monroe County, TN	-1.8	2.2	-2.1	-4.5	2.5	-4.2	7.3	8.1	6.1	17.4	13.8	14.3	.357	44,519	
Morgan County, TN	4.7	1.1	1.8	-0.5	1.4	0.3	6.3	9.5	6.0	11.3	10.7	11.3	.359	21,987	
Overton County, TN	0.3	0.8	-0.7	-2.3	0.6	-1.2	6.3	6.5	7.5	13.3	10.6	9.8	.403	22,083	
Pickett County, TN	-11.9	-1.5	-1.3	-18.3	-1.3	-3.2	9.1	9.6	8.4	14.9	14.3	2.7	.313	5,077	
Polk County, TN	-2.9	-0.6	0.1	-4.4	-0.7	-1.8	5.0	5.9	5.2	12.5	11.6	4.8	.372	16,825	
Putnam County, TN	1.2	1.7	1.0	-1.0	1.8	-0.2	4.8	5.5	4.7	9.6	9.0	16.1	.457	72,321	
Rhea County, TN	-2.7	0.6	0.1	-4.2	0.7	-2.0	5.7	5.8	6.0	13.4	12.6	12.0	.365	31,809	
Roane County, TN	0.8	1.3	1.4	-1.5	1.4	0.4	4.8	5.5	4.6	9.1	8.0	4.4	.471	54,181	
Scott County, TN	-0.6	0.0	-1.6	-8.8	0.3	-5.5	6.9	10.8	7.3	18.2	18.9	5.2	.303	22,228	
Sequatchie County, TN	0.6	2.0	0.8	-1.6	2.4	-0.8	4.9	5.0	5.0	12.3	10.5	24.1	.397	14,112	
Sevier County, TN	-0.3	3.2	0.9	-2.0	3.2	-0.7	5.6	5.9	5.2	10.8	10.3	26.3	.491	89,889	
Smith County, TN	-3.4	0.7	-0.2	-3.5	0.4	-0.8	5.0	5.1	5.6	13.5	10.4	8.2	.430	19,166	
Sullivan County, TN	-1.5	0.0	0.7	-3.2	0.1	-0.5	4.3	5.3	4.1	8.7	8.4	2.5	.437	156,823	
Unicoi County, TN	-0.1	0.4	0.1	-2.8	0.6	-1.1	6.1	6.9	5.4	11.5	10.4	3.7	.414	18,313	
Union County, TN	-0.7	0.7	0.7	-1.4	0.7	-0.7	4.4	4.8	4.6	10.8	9.3	7.3	.422	19,109	
Van Buren County, TN	-2.7	-0.8	-2.0	-5.9	-0.4	-3.9	6.4	7.0	6.2	14.8	13.3	0.7	.365	5,548	
Warren County, TN	1.2	-0.9	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-2.1	6.7	6.6	6.6	14.3	11.5	4.1	.380	39,839	
Washington County, TN	-0.2	1.8	1.0	-1.8	2.0	-0.1	4.9	5.5	4.2	8.6	8.3	14.7	.470	122,979	
White County, TN	-1.6	-0.3	1.5	-3.4	-0.2	-0.3	6.0	6.7	6.3	14.1	11.9	11.9	.372	25,841	
Allegheny County, VA	4.4	-1.8	0.6	1.7	-1.8	-1.2	4.3	5.5	4.8	9.5	9.5	-5.6	.404	22,211	
Bath County, VA	-1.9	1.6	-2.5	-4.3	1.9	-3.6	3.7	4.4	3.2	6.3	6.3	-6.3	.543	4,731	
Bland County, VA	-0.3	2.2	1.5	-1.2	2.7	0.5	5.6	5.3	3.8	7.5	6.7	-0.7	.490	6,824	
Botetourt County, VA	3.1	0.8	-0.2	1.7	0.9	-1.2	2.7	3.6	2.6	6.4	6.3	8.7	.498	33,148	
Buchanan County, VA	3.9	-0.6	3.2	4.2	-0.6	2.6	6.0	7.1	4.9	8.7	8.2	-10.7	.361	24,098	
Carroll County, VA	-1.1	-0.6	1.3	-1.6	-0.4	-0.6	6.7	6.8	5.6	10.8	10.9	2.8	.428	37,084	
Craig County, VA	1.7	0.4	-1.8	0.0	0.3	-2.8	2.9	4.0	3.7	7.5	7.8	1.9	.439	5,190	
Dickenson County, VA	3.5	1.0	4.9	3.5	1.2	4.2	7.0	7.8	5.2	8.8	8.4	-3.0	.385	15,903	
Floyd County, VA	-2.6	0.8	1.7	-3.4	1.0	0.3	4.3	4.4	3.5	7.8	7.5	10.1	.456	15,279	
Giles County, VA	2.1	0.7	0.3	0.1	1.1	-1.0	5.7	6.0	4.5	9.3	9.2	3.8	.440	17,286	
Grayson County, VA	-1.7	-1.4	1.3	-1.3	-1.0	-1.2	7.6	8.0	5.1	10.9	11.4	-13.3	.423	15,533	
Henry County, VA	-1.4	-1.4	-0.4	-6.0	-1.2	-2.7	6.3	10.5	6.0	15.0	14.5	-7.3	.398	67,972	
Highland County, VA	-5.7	0.0	1.2	-6.3	-0.1	-0.2	3.1	3.9	3.4	7.6	7.8	-8.5	.467	2,321	
Lee County, VA	4.8	0.9	2.2	3.2	1.2	1.0	5.0	5.7	4.2	7.3	7.9	8.5	.370	25,587	
Montgomery County, VA	0.9	1.6	0.7	-0.9	1.7	-0.7	3.4	4.2	3.3	7.4	7.7	11.4	.448	110,800	
Patrick County, VA	0.5	-0.7	0.6	-3.9	-0.4	-1.8	5.3	8.4	4.0	11.3	11.2	-4.7	.451	18,490	
Pulaski County, VA	2.7	0.0	-0.1	-0.9	0.7	-1.3	7.1	6.3	5.5	11.1	9.3	-0.7	.465	34,872	
Rockbridge County, VA	0.1	0.9	0.4	-1.3	0.9	-1.0	3.2	4.0	3.3	7.4	8.1	5.8	.445	35,999	
Russell County, VA	1.0	0.0	0.8	0.3	0.2	-0.5	6.4	6.3	5.1	10.7	10.1	-4.7	.381	28,897	
Scott County, VA	0.8	0.1	0.1	-1.1	0.2	-1.3	4.6	5.3	4.6	9.7	9.5	-1.0	.388	23,177	
Smyth County, VA	-1.3	-0.4	0.6	-2.9	-0.1	-1.1	6.3	8.0	5.4	11.3	10.5	-2.6	.423	32,208	
Tazewell County, VA	5.1	0.7	1.6	3.8	0.7	1.1	4.9	5.8	4.5	7.7	6.8	1.1	.443	45,078	
Washington County, VA	1.5	0.8	0.3	-0.7	0.9	-0.9	4.8	5.8	4.7	9.0	9.0	6.2	.444	72,711	
Wise County, VA	4.9	1.0	5.6	3.6	1.1	4.5	4.7	5.8	3.9	6.7	7.1	3.1	.452	45,410	
Wythe County, VA	0.7	1.4	1.6	-1.4	1.9	-0.1	6.8	6.2	4.5	10.6	9.6	5.9	.504	29,235	
Barbour County, WV	3.1	-0.1	0.0	4.0	0.2	-2.1	6.8	7.2	5.0	8.7	10.2	6.6	.366	16,589	
Berkeley County, WV	-0.6	2.7	-1.4	-1.3	2.8	-3.5	4.0	4.7	3.8	8.5	9.5	37.2	.389	104,169	
Boone County, WV	-1.0	-0.1	-2.5	-2.2	0.1	-3.9	5.3	7.6	4.3	7.8	8.0	-3.5	.329	24,629	
Braxton County, WV	1.1	0.8	-1.1	0.9	1.0	-3.3	6.6	7.6	5.0	8.3	10.5	-1.2	.357	14,523	
Brooke County, WV	-3.9	-0.4	-2.5	-5.1	-0.5	-4.9	5.1	5.9	5.4	11.0	13.1	-5.4	.378	24,069	
Cabell County, WV	-1.9	0.9	-3.1	-2.6	1.2	-4.5	5.0	5.3	3.7	6.7	8.1	-0.5	.407	96,319	

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Appalachian Region	-0.4	0.7	-0.4	-1.9	0.9	-2.0	5.0	5.8	4.7	9.7	9.7	6.8	.428	25,243,456
Calhoun County, WV	1.3	-0.4	0.4	1.0	0.0	-2.5	10.5	10.9	6.5	12.8	14.6	0.6	.311	7,627
Clay County, WV	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-1.8	0.0	-3.6	7.4	10.1	6.4	11.2	15.0	-9.1	.315	9,386
Doddridge County, WV	-1.3	-0.3	-0.8	-2.5	0.0	-2.7	5.6	6.6	4.5	7.8	9.0	10.8	.307	8,202
Fayette County, WV	-1.7	-0.1	-0.7	-1.6	0.2	-2.7	6.4	7.3	5.0	8.4	10.1	-3.2	.345	46,039
Gilmer County, WV	0.8	1.0	0.8	-0.2	1.3	-0.7	5.6	6.8	3.7	6.6	7.8	21.4	.335	8,693
Grant County, WV	-1.2	-1.8	-3.4	-2.8	-1.8	-5.9	4.5	6.4	4.8	10.0	12.4	5.6	.355	11,937
Greenbrier County, WV	0.8	0.7	-1.9	0.4	0.9	-3.6	6.0	6.6	5.6	9.3	9.3	3.0	.375	35,480
Hampshire County, WV	-4.5	0.9	-2.6	-4.7	1.1	-4.6	3.8	4.7	3.3	8.2	10.0	18.6	.340	23,964
Hancock County, WV	-4.2	-0.5	-2.4	-5.3	-0.6	-5.1	4.5	5.3	5.3	11.2	13.5	-6.1	.388	30,676
Hardy County, WV	4.5	0.2	-3.7	4.7	0.2	-5.8	3.8	4.1	3.9	8.9	10.3	10.7	.411	14,025
Harrison County, WV	-1.8	0.2	-0.7	-2.5	0.5	-2.1	5.4	5.9	3.9	6.5	7.8	0.7	.407	69,099
Jackson County, WV	-3.1	-0.5	-3.3	-3.9	-0.3	-5.8	5.6	6.4	4.4	11.4	12.5	4.3	.330	29,211
Jefferson County, WV	-0.6	1.8	-1.9	-1.3	1.9	-3.4	3.4	3.9	2.9	6.6	7.1	26.8	.415	53,498
Kanawha County, WV	-3.2	-0.5	-1.7	-3.6	-0.3	-3.3	4.8	5.3	3.7	6.3	7.8	-3.5	.421	193,063
Lewis County, WV	-1.5	0.0	1.6	-2.6	0.2	0.0	5.6	6.6	4.7	7.3	8.2	-3.2	.431	16,372
Lincoln County, WV	-1.2	0.0	-1.2	-2.2	0.4	-3.6	6.9	8.2	5.0	9.6	11.3	-1.8	.318	21,720
Logan County, WV	-1.8	-0.8	0.0	-2.0	-0.7	-1.8	5.8	7.4	4.8	8.1	9.9	-2.6	.314	36,743
McDowell County, WV	1.2	-0.1	1.0	1.7	0.1	-1.2	8.1	9.7	6.8	11.5	11.9	-19.1	.284	22,113
Marion County, WV	-2.9	-0.2	-0.8	-3.6	0.1	-2.2	5.2	6.0	3.9	5.9	7.7	-0.3	.419	56,418
Marshall County, WV	-4.4	-0.5	-1.2	-4.6	-0.4	-3.2	6.1	6.7	4.8	8.8	10.7	-6.8	.390	33,107
Mason County, WV	1.4	-0.3	-2.0	0.6	0.0	-4.4	7.5	8.4	6.3	11.7	13.5	5.3	.309	27,324
Mercer County, WV	-1.5	-0.4	-1.0	-1.1	-0.2	-2.6	5.1	5.6	3.8	6.5	8.4	-1.1	.355	62,264
Mineral County, WV	-1.9	0.9	-0.6	-2.7	1.1	-2.2	5.6	6.6	4.3	7.3	8.7	4.2	.429	28,212
Mingo County, WV	-3.8	0.2	-0.8	-4.3	0.5	-2.8	6.6	8.6	5.2	8.9	10.5	-5.0	.288	26,839
Monongalia County, WV	-1.6	2.9	0.5	-1.9	3.1	-0.6	3.9	4.4	2.9	4.4	5.5	17.5	.480	96,189
Monroe County, WV	0.4	0.5	-2.5	1.1	0.5	-3.7	4.6	5.0	4.3	7.2	7.6	-7.4	.379	13,502
Morgan County, WV	-3.3	-0.2	-2.6	-4.1	-0.2	-4.6	4.1	4.4	4.3	8.8	10.1	17.4	.340	17,541
Nicholas County, WV	-1.1	-0.1	-0.8	-2.1	0.1	-3.0	5.9	7.2	4.6	8.7	10.4	-1.2	.355	26,233
OH County, WV	-3.9	-0.3	-1.0	-4.6	-0.2	-2.9	4.5	5.1	3.9	7.6	9.3	-6.3	.420	44,443
Pendleton County, WV	-0.7	0.2	-3.2	0.6	0.3	-4.7	4.9	4.6	3.4	7.6	8.5	-6.1	.406	7,695
Pleasants County, WV	-2.6	-0.4	-2.2	-3.1	-0.4	-4.0	5.9	6.9	5.3	10.2	11.0	1.2	.354	7,605
Pocahontas County, WV	-3.1	-0.2	-2.7	-3.5	0.0	-5.0	6.8	6.9	6.7	11.9	12.7	-4.5	.348	8,719
Preston County, WV	-0.7	2.2	0.1	-1.2	2.5	-1.6	5.2	6.2	4.0	7.0	8.1	14.3	.414	33,520
Putnam County, WV	-1.3	1.1	-1.4	-1.7	1.4	-3.0	4.4	5.0	3.4	6.1	7.6	7.6	.443	55,486
Raleigh County, WV	-1.9	0.2	-1.1	-2.1	0.3	-2.7	5.1	5.8	4.1	7.2	8.5	-0.5	.367	78,859
Randolph County, WV	-1.5	0.4	-3.4	-2.2	0.6	-5.5	5.9	6.6	4.7	8.9	10.9	4.0	.362	29,405
Ritchie County, WV	-0.5	0.7	-2.8	-1.2	1.1	-4.5	6.8	7.1	4.7	9.3	9.7	1.0	.367	10,449
Roane County, WV	-6.8	-0.6	-1.3	-4.4	-0.2	-4.1	10.1	8.9	5.9	12.0	13.9	-3.4	.310	14,926
Summers County, WV	0.7	0.3	-0.9	0.2	0.5	-2.7	6.8	7.2	5.5	7.9	9.7	7.1	.296	13,927
Taylor County, WV	-2.0	0.2	-0.2	-2.3	0.4	-2.0	5.5	5.8	4.5	7.1	8.2	5.0	.375	16,895
Tucker County, WV	-1.2	-1.0	-3.6	-3.5	-0.9	-6.2	5.9	7.8	5.6	11.3	13.2	-2.5	.330	7,141
Tyler County, WV	-0.2	-0.3	-1.7	-1.7	-0.2	-3.8	6.1	6.8	5.7	10.5	11.3	-4.0	.339	9,208
Upshur County, WV	0.2	0.0	-1.6	-0.5	0.2	-3.4	5.4	6.4	4.0	8.4	9.1	3.6	.392	24,254
Wayne County, WV	-2.4	0.5	-3.0	-3.0	0.8	-4.8	5.7	6.3	4.3	7.9	9.6	-1.0	.352	42,481
Webster County, WV	3.1	0.8	-2.9	3.8	1.1	-5.2	6.9	6.7	5.2	10.4	12.2	-5.8	.298	9,154
Wetzel County, WV	-2.2	-1.1	-1.7	-2.1	-0.8	-4.2	8.3	8.1	6.3	11.7	13.5	-6.3	.319	16,583
Wirt County, WV	-3.0	0.0	-3.5	-3.7	0.2	-5.7	6.7	8.0	5.5	12.1	12.9	-2.7	.348	5,717
Wood County, WV	-2.3	0.0	-2.8	-3.1	0.1	-4.5	4.9	5.6	4.3	8.5	9.8	-1.2	.401	86,956
Wyoming County, WV	3.1	-1.1	-0.7	3.8	-1.0	-2.8	6.3	6.6	5.6	10.0	11.0	-7.4	.298	23,796