

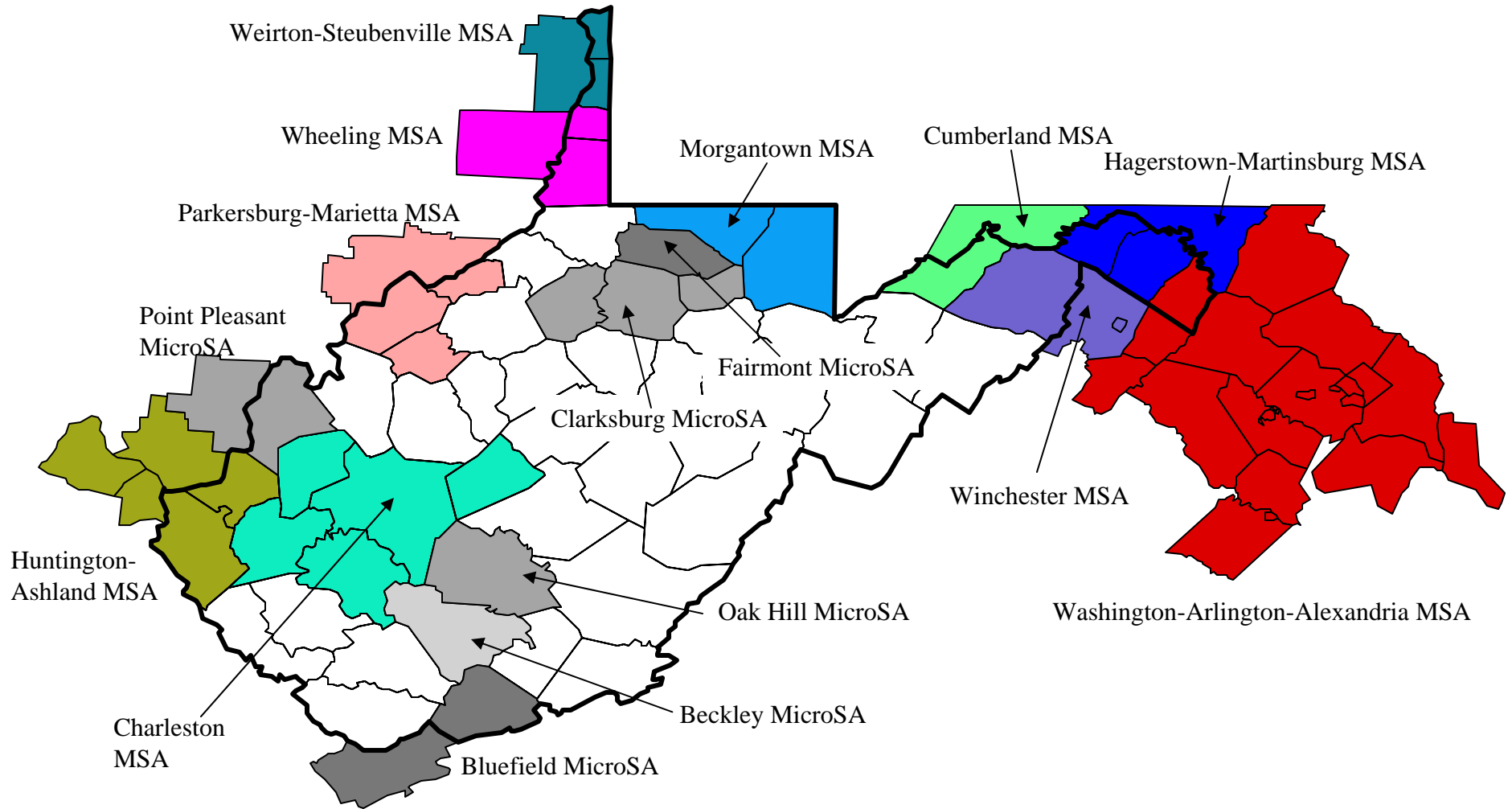
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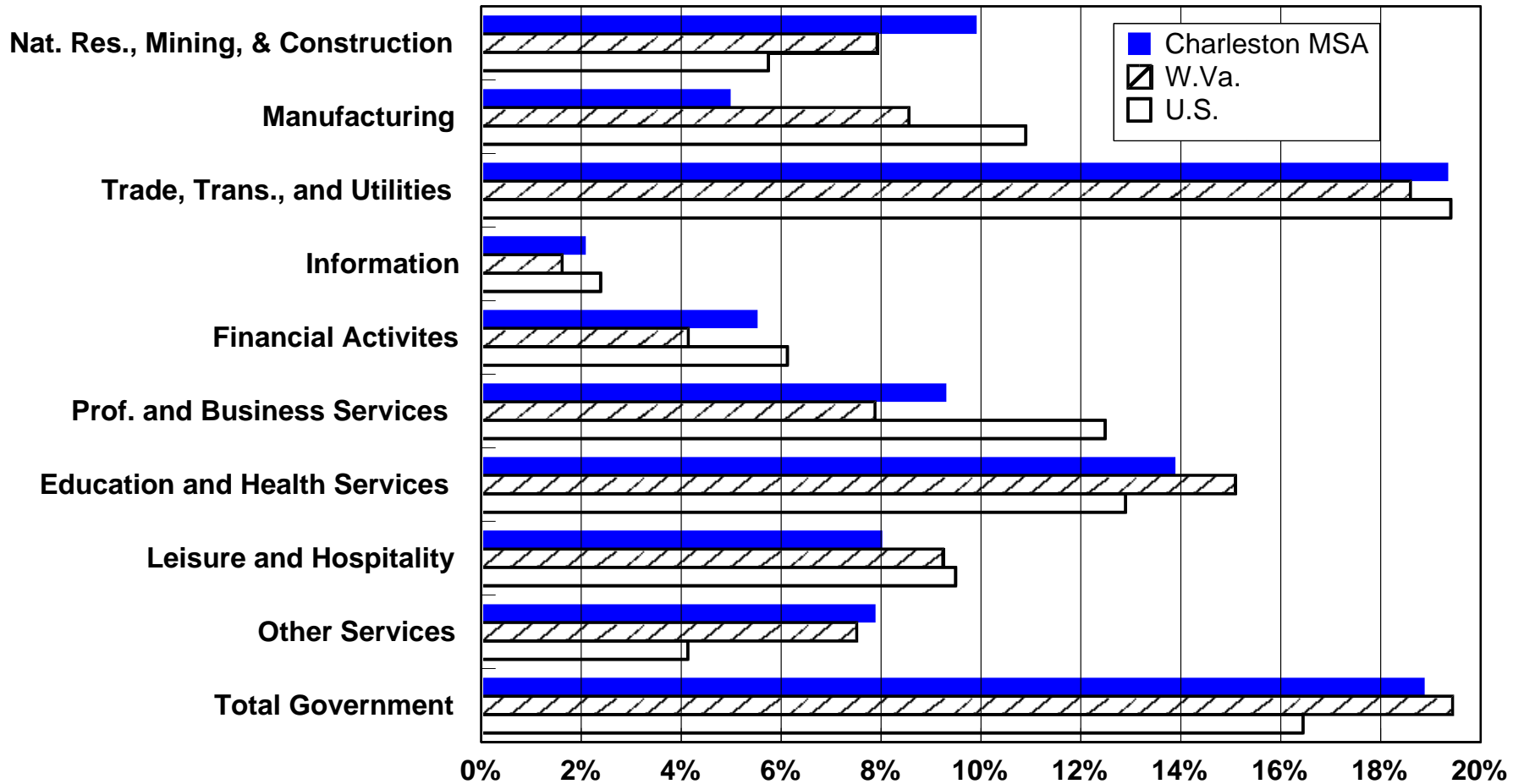
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West Virginia's Statistical Areas Census 2000



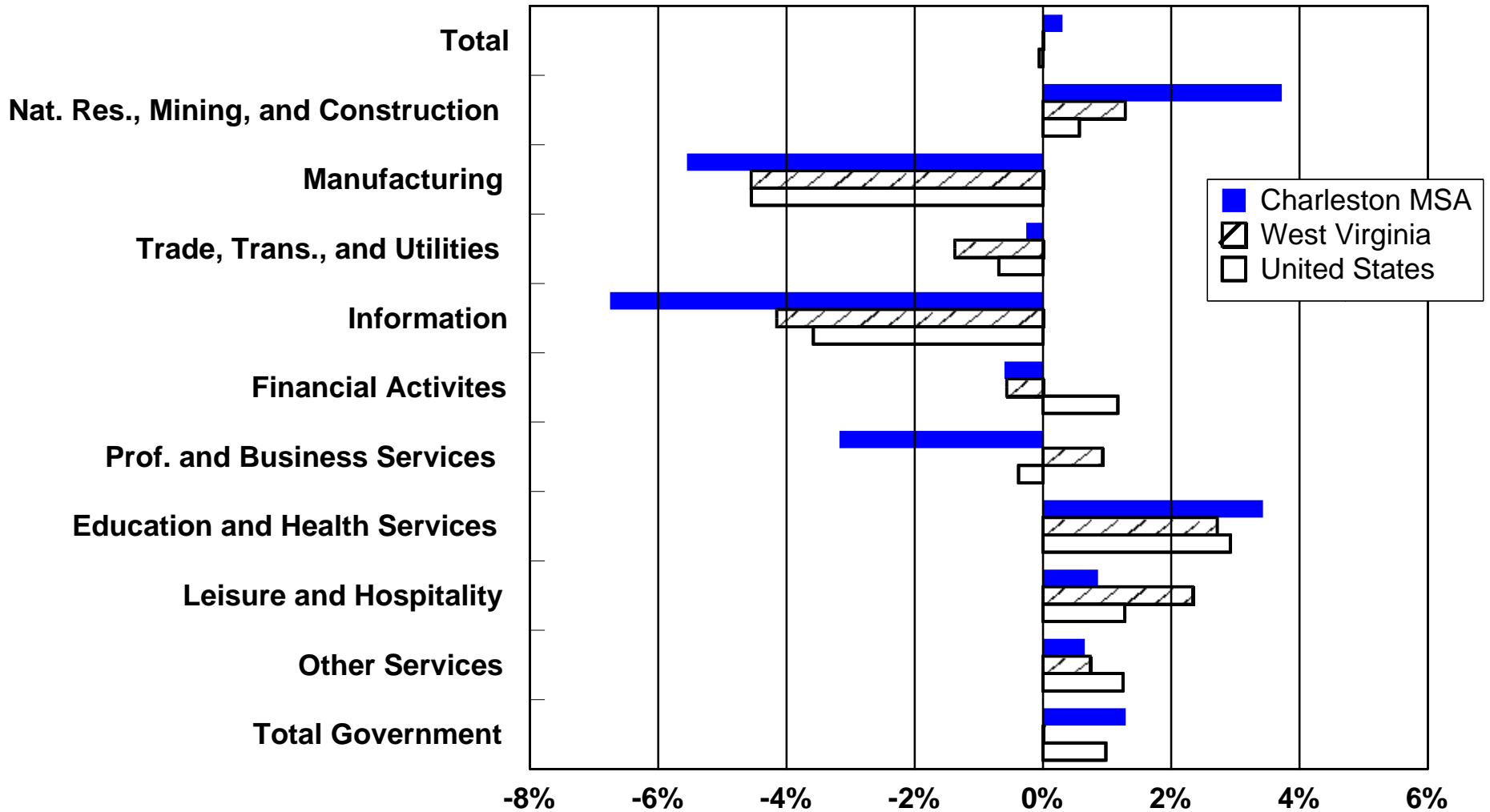
Charleston MSA Employment Shares* Compared to the State And Nation for 2004



*Employment shares are based on nonfarm employment data.

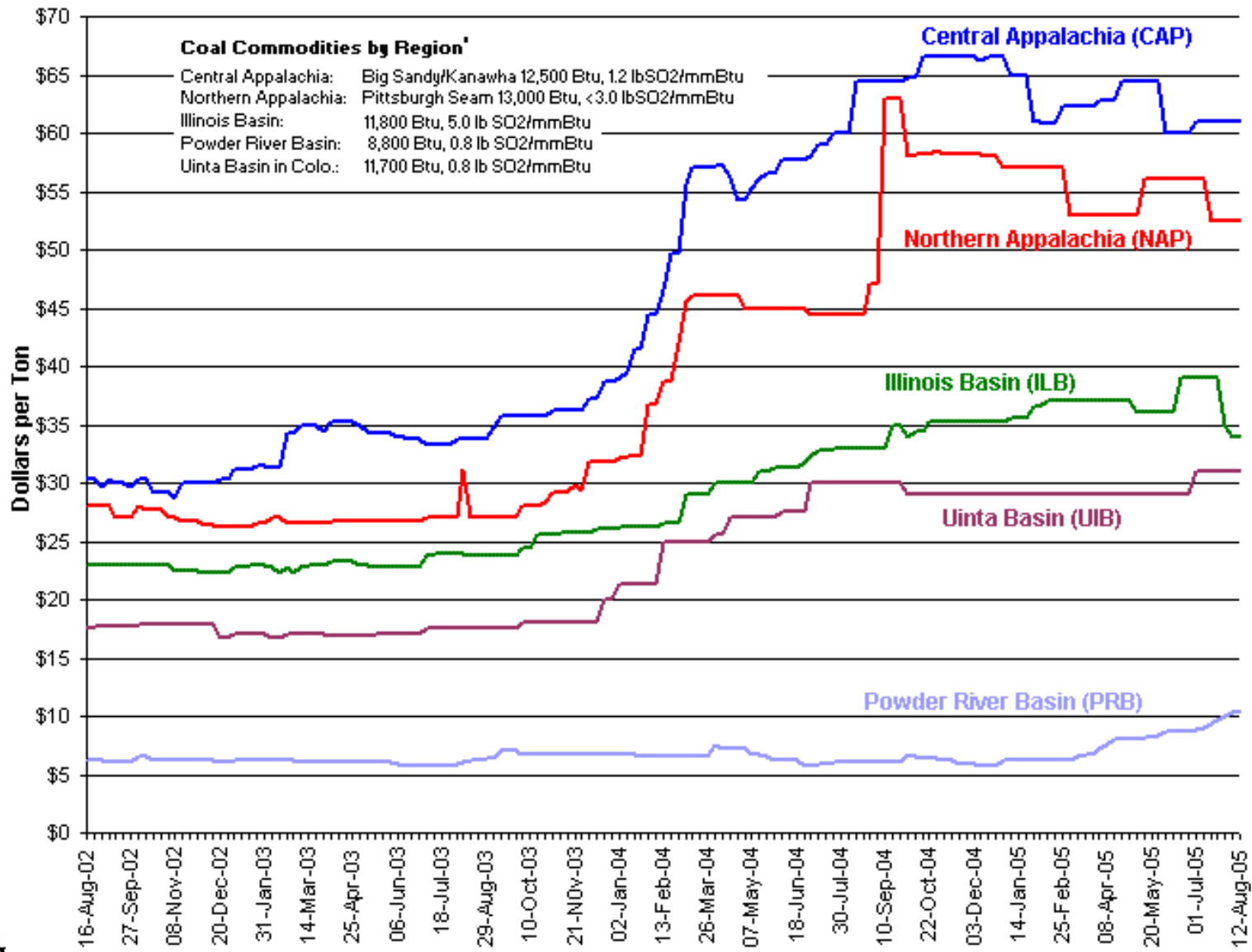
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*Annual Job Growth: 2000-2004



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Average Weekly Coal Commodity Spot Prices Business Week Ended August 14, 2005



Spot Price West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil--Real and Nominal \$/bbl

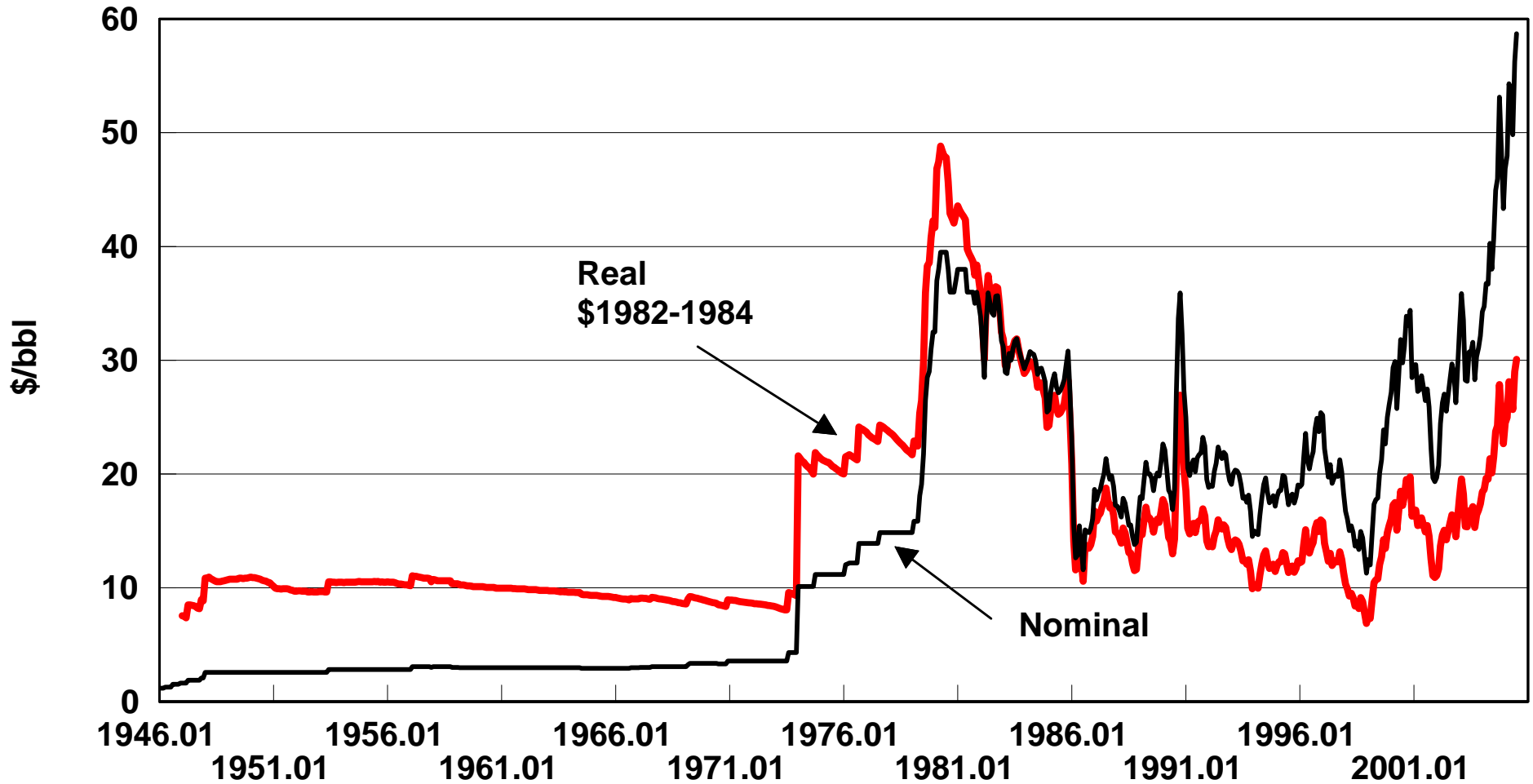
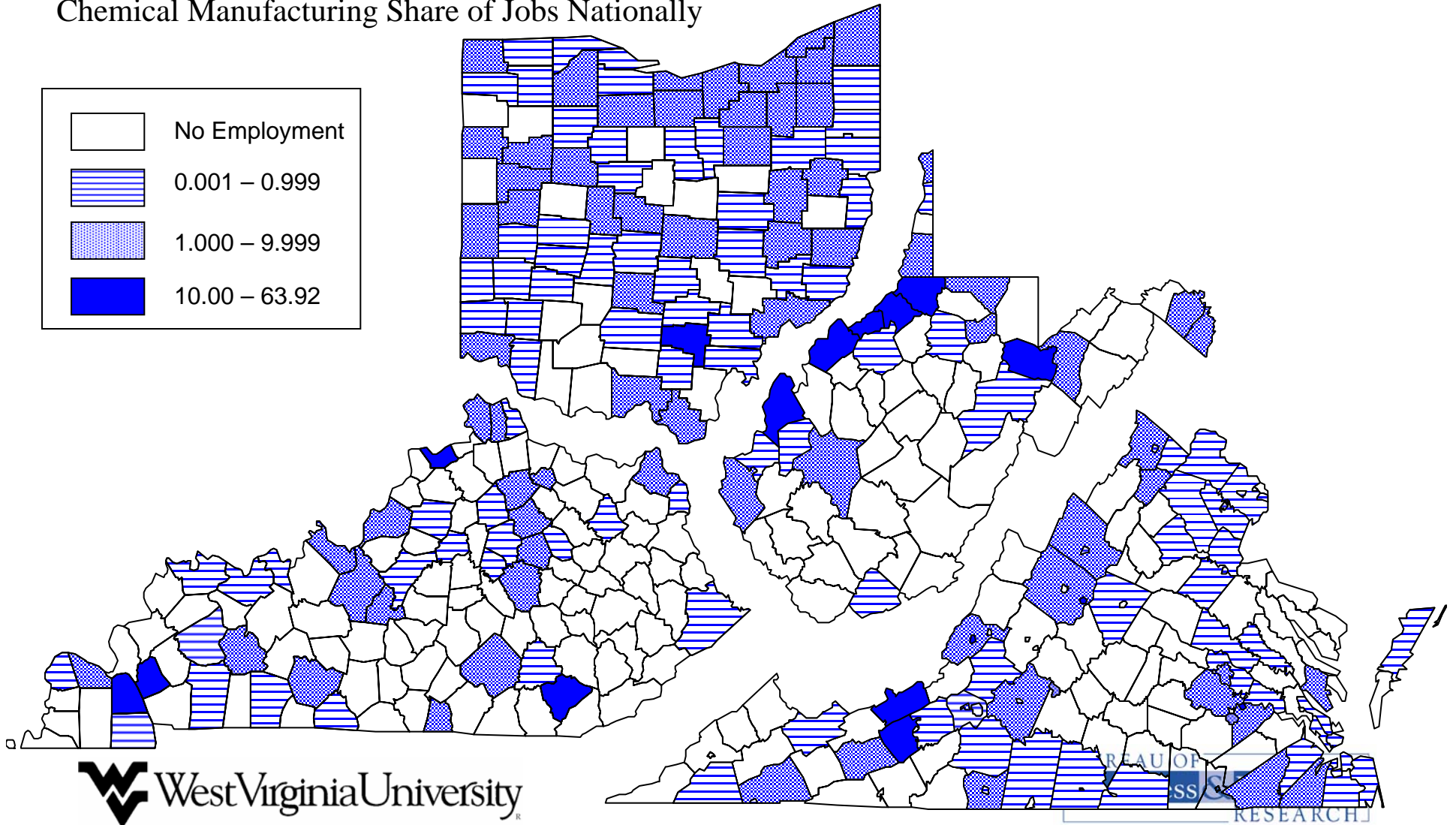
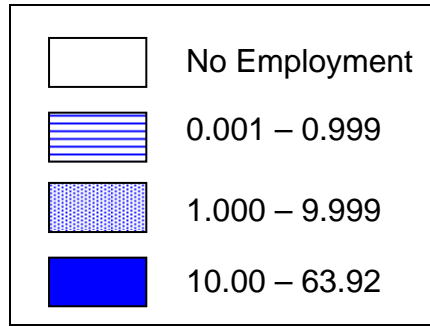


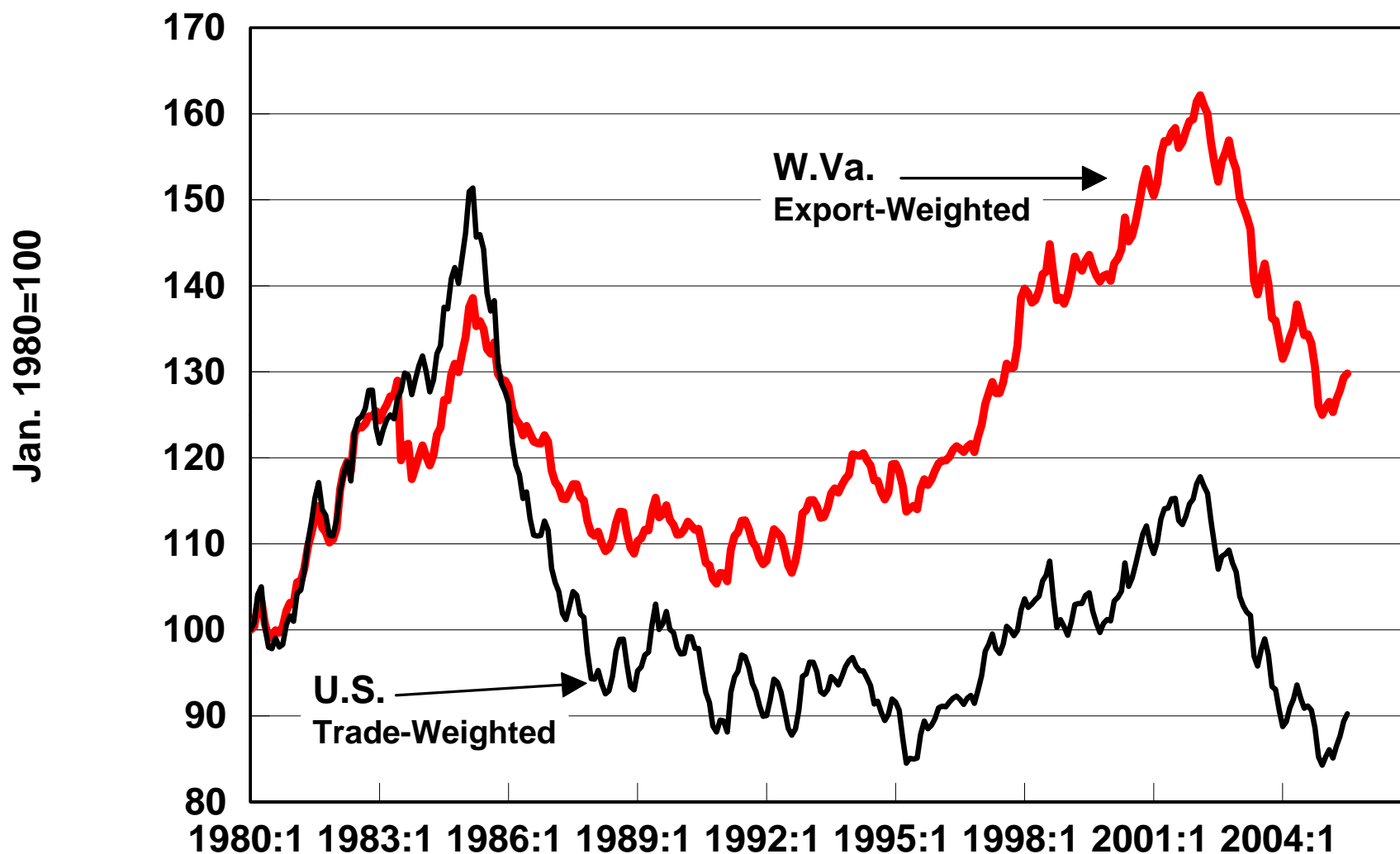
Figure 3

Concentration of Chemical Manufacturing Jobs (Naics 325)

Chemical Manufacturing Share of Jobs Locally
Chemical Manufacturing Share of Jobs Nationally

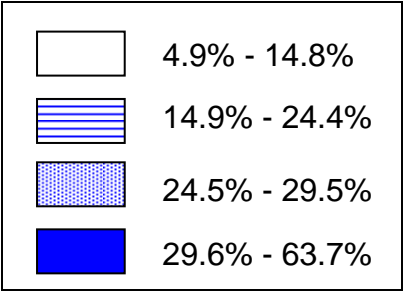


W.Va. And U.S. Trade-Weighted Value Of The U.S. Dollar

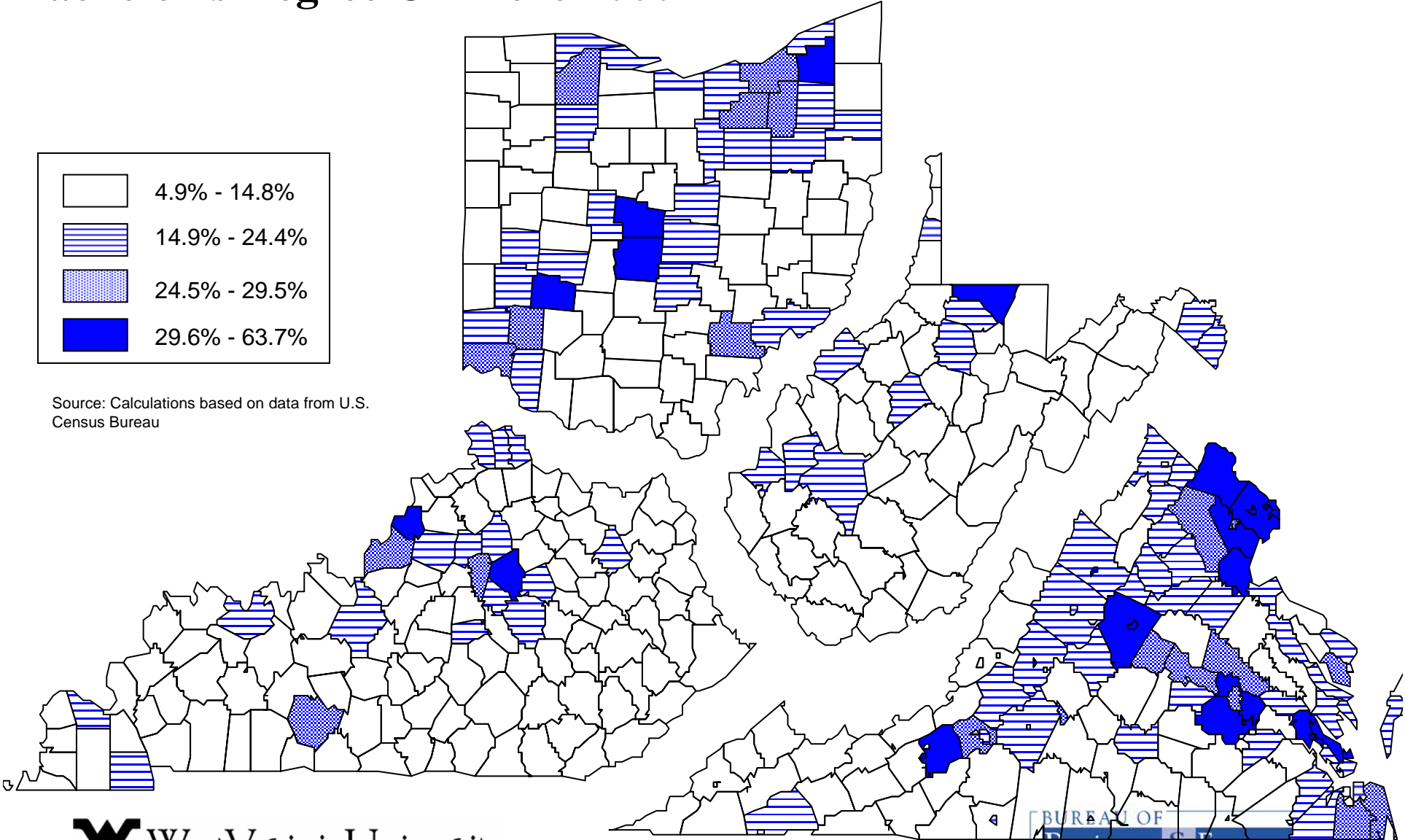


Educational Attainment

Bachelor's Degree Or More 2000



Source: Calculations based on data from U.S. Census Bureau



Charleston MSA Annual Growth Rate Summary

2000-2004

	Charleston MSA	West Virginia	U.S.
Job Growth	0.3	0.0	-0.1
Population Growth	-0.1	0.1	1.0
Real PCPI* Growth	1.7	1.9	0.2

All growth rates are compound annual rates.

*PCPI is Per Capita Personal Income. Charleston PCPI growth is from 2000 to 2003.

The Charleston MSA includes Boone, Clay, Kanawha, Lincoln, and Putnam counties.



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