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AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule discusses several policy changes affecting Medicare payment for physician services including payment for diagnostic services and transportation in connection with furnishing diagnostic tests. The proposed rule also discusses comprehensive locality changes and changes in the procedure status codes for a variety of services.

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In addition, because of the many organizations and terms to which we refer by acronym in this final rule, we are listing these acronyms and their corresponding terms in alphabetical order below:

AMA	American Medical Association
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CPT	[Physicians'] Current Procedural Terminology [4th Edition, 1996, copyrighted by the American Medical Association]
CY	Calendar year
EKG	Electrocardiogram
FSA	Fee Schedule Area
FY	Fiscal year
GAF	Geographic adjustment factor
GPCI	Geographic practice cost index
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration
HCPAC	Health Care Professional Advisory Council
HCPCS	HCFA Common Procedure Coding System
HHS	[Department of] Health and Human Services
MEI	Medicare Economic Index
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area
OBRA	Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
PMSA	Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
RVU	Relative Value Unit
TC	Technical Component

I. Background

A. Legislative History

The Medicare program was established in 1965 by the addition of title XVIII to the Social Security Act (the Act). Since January 1, 1992, Medicare pays for physician services under section 1848 of the Act, "Payment for Physicians' Services." This section contains three major elements: (1) A fee schedule for the payment of physician services; (2) a Medicare volume performance standard for the rates of increase in Medicare expenditures for physician services; and (3) limits on the amounts that nonparticipating physicians can charge beneficiaries. The Act requires that payments under the fee schedule be based on national uniform relative value units (RVUs) based on the resources used in furnishing a service. Section 1848(c) of the Act requires that national RVUs be established for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense.

Section 1848(c)(2)(B)(ii)(II) of the Act provides that adjustments in RVUs because of changes resulting from a review of those RVUs may not cause total physician fee schedule payments to differ by more than \$20 million from

what they would have been had the adjustments not been made. If this tolerance is exceeded, we must make adjustments to the conversion factors to preserve budget neutrality.

B. Published Changes to the Fee Schedule

We published a final rule on November 25, 1991 (56 FR 59502) to implement section 1848 of the Act by establishing a fee schedule for physician services furnished on or after January 1, 1992. In the November 1991 final rule (56 FR 59511), we stated our intention to update RVUs for new and revised codes in the American Medical Association's (AMA's) Physicians' Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) through an "interim RVU" process every year. The updates to the RVUs and fee schedule policies follow:

- November 25, 1992, as a final notice with comment period on new and revised RVUs only (57 FR 55914).

- December 2, 1993, as a final rule with comment period (58 FR 63626) to revise the refinement process used to establish physician work RVUs and to revise payment policies for specific physician services and supplies. (We solicited comments on new and revised RVUs only.)

- December 8, 1994, as a final rule with comment period (59 FR 63410) to revise the geographic adjustment factor (GAF) values, fee schedule payment areas, and payment policies for specific physician services. The final rule also discussed the process for periodic review and adjustment of RVUs not less frequently than every 5 years as required by section 1848(c)(2)(B)(i) of the Act.

- December 8, 1995, as a final rule with comment period (60 FR 63124) to revise various policies affecting payment for physician services including Medicare payment for physician services in teaching settings, the RVUs for certain existing procedure codes, and to establish interim RVUs for new and revised procedure codes. The rule also included the final revised 1996 geographic practice cost indices.

This proposed rule would affect the regulations set forth at 42 CFR part 405, which encompasses regulations on Federal health insurance for the aged and disabled; part 410, which consists of regulations on supplementary medical insurance benefits and part 415, which contains regulations on services of physicians in provider settings, supervising physicians in teaching settings, and residents in certain settings.

II. Specific Proposals for Calendar Year 1997

A. Payment Area (Locality) and Corresponding Geographic Practice Cost Index Changes

1. Background

From the inception of Medicare in 1966 until 1992, Medicare payments for physicians' services were made under the reasonable charge system. Under the reasonable charge system, Medicare payment localities for physicians' services were set by local Medicare carriers based on their knowledge of local physician charging patterns. As such, payment areas have had no consistent geographic basis. In general, localities tended to be geographic or political subdivisions such as States, counties, or cities, or designations such as urban and rural. Most of the localities changed little between 1966 and 1992. There were about 240 localities, including 16 States with statewide localities, under the reasonable charge system.

Section 1848 of the Act replaced the reasonable charge system of paying for physician services under section 1842(b) of the Act, with the physician fee schedule effective January 1, 1992. Section 1848(j)(2) of the Act defines a physician fee schedule payment area as the locality existing under section 1842(b) of the Act for purposes of computing payment amounts for physician services. Section 1848 did not, however, delete section 1842 of the Act, which gives the Secretary the authority to set localities. We believe the Congress enacted section 1848(j)(2) to allow us to retain existing localities to facilitate the statutory transition to the physician fee schedule, but not to preclude us from making locality changes if warranted. All locality changes are now made by HCFA through the rulemaking process. Medicare carriers are not allowed to set or revise physician fee schedule payment localities.

In the June 5, 1991 proposed rule for the physician fee schedule (56 FR 25832), we acknowledged the lack of consistency among localities and the significant demographic and economic changes that had occurred since localities were originally established. We also stated that we planned no large-scale locality changes until we evaluated the various studies on localities being done within HCFA and by outside groups such as the Physician Payment Review Commission and until after the statutory transition from the reasonable charge system to the fee schedule was completed in 1996. We

stated that until we decide on ultimate large-scale changes, the only locality changes we would consider would be requests for converting individual States with multiple localities to a single statewide locality if “* * * overwhelming support from the physician community for the changes can be demonstrated.” This position was repeated in the November 1991 final rule on the physician fee schedule (56 FR 59514). This willingness to consider applications from physicians in a State for conversion to a statewide locality, if overwhelming support on the part of winning and losing physicians has been demonstrated, reflects our belief that statewide localities generally are preferable to the present Medicare localities because they simplify program administration and encourage physicians to practice in rural areas by reducing urban/rural payment differentials.

We received inquiries from a number of State medical societies concerning conversions to a statewide payment area. Under the law, payments vary among physician fee schedule areas only to the extent that resource costs vary as measured by the Geographic Practice Cost Index (GPCI). The GPCI is an index developed to measure resource cost differences among areas in the three components of the physician fee schedule—physician work, practice expenses, and malpractice expenses. Area geographic adjustment factors (GAFs) are weighted composites of the area GPICs and are useful in comparing overall resource cost and payment level differences among areas. (A comprehensive explanation of the GPICs and GAFs can be found in the June 24, 1994 proposed rule (59 FR 32756)).

We explained to the States inquiring about conversions to a statewide payment area that these conversions involve taking a weighted average of the existing locality GPICs to form a new statewide GPCI. This means that there may be “losing” (usually urban) areas, as well as “winning” (usually rural) areas within a State if a conversion is made. We further informed the States that a simple resolution passed by the State medical society is not sufficient proof of overwhelming support among both rural and urban physicians for the change. To assist States in deciding whether to convert to a statewide payment area, we published an informational list of projected statewide GPICs in the June 1991 proposed rule (56 FR 25972). A slightly revised list of projected statewide GPICs was published in the December 1993 final rule (58 FR 63638). The revisions were made to ensure that any change to a

statewide payment area would be done on a budget-neutral basis. That is, that the same amount of payments would be made within a State after the conversion to a statewide payment area as would have been made had the conversion not been made. A comprehensive revision of all GPICs was made in 1995. A list of revised projected statewide GPICs was published at Addendum E of the June 1994 proposed rule (59 FR 32789).

In most cases, States have been unable to generate the support of the losing physicians for the change. However, three States—Minnesota, Nebraska, and Oklahoma—were converted to statewide payment areas in 1992. (These conversions were announced in the November 1991 final rule (56 FR 59514).) Two additional States—North Carolina and Ohio—were converted to statewide payment areas in 1994. (These conversions were announced in the December 1993 final rule (58 FR 63638).) Iowa was converted to a statewide payment area in 1995. (This conversion was announced in the December 1994 final rule (59 FR 63416).) There are currently 210 payment areas under the physician fee schedule: 22 States with single payment areas; the District of Columbia (with surrounding Maryland and Virginia suburbs), Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands are 3 more single payment areas; and 28 multiple-locality States containing 185 payment areas. Table 1 summarizes existing physician fee schedule payment areas.

TABLE 1.—1996 MEDICARE PHYSICIAN FEE SCHEDULE PAYMENT LOCALITIES BY STATE AND OTHER

State	Localities
Single locality States:	
Alaska	1
Arkansas	1
Colorado	1
Delaware	1
Hawaii/Guam	1
Iowa	1
Minnesota	1
Montana	1
Nebraska	1
New Hampshire	1
New Mexico	1
North Carolina	1
North Dakota	1
Ohio	1
Oklahoma	1
Rhode Island	1
South Carolina	1
South Dakota	1
Tennessee	1
Utah	1
Vermont	1
Wyoming	1

TABLE 1.—1996 MEDICARE PHYSICIAN FEE SCHEDULE PAYMENT LOCALITIES BY STATE AND OTHER—Continued

State	Localities
22 States	22
Other:	
Wash. D.C.	1
Puerto Rico	1
Virgin Islands	1
3 Other	3
Multiple locality States:	
Alabama	6
Arizona	6
California	28
Connecticut	4
Florida	4
Georgia	4
Idaho	2
Illinois	16
Indiana	3
Kansas	3
Kentucky	3
Louisiana	8
Maine	3
*Maryland	3
Massachusetts	2
Michigan	2
Mississippi	2
Missouri	7
Nevada	4
New Jersey	3
New York	8
Oregon	5
Pennsylvania	4
Texas	32
*Virginia	4
Washington	3
West Virginia	5
Wisconsin	11
28 States	185

Total 1996 Physician Fee Schedule Payment Localities=210.

*The Maryland and Virginia localities do not include the parts of Maryland (Prince Georges and Montgomery Counties) and Virginia (Fairfax and Arlington Counties and the city of Alexandria) included in the Washington, D.C. locality.

2. Locality Study

There are numerous possibilities for realigning payment localities. After considerable internal discussion, we narrowed the possibilities to four general options. A major goal in selecting these options is to continue to reduce the number of areas, leading to greater simplicity, understandability, ease of administration, reduction in urban/rural payment differences, reduction in payment differences among adjacent areas, and stability of payment updates resulting from the periodic GPCI revisions. Larger payment areas would mean larger data samples thereby leading to less volatile changes in the statutory periodic GPCI revisions. We contracted with Health Economics

Research, Inc. to conduct an analysis of these options. The four general fee schedule area (FSA) options are briefly summarized as follows:

- Option 1: Use current localities as building blocks. The 22 States currently with single localities would remain statewide FSAs. Statewide FSAs would be created in the 28 remaining States, except for current localities whose GAF exceeds the State GAF by a specified percentage threshold (for example, 5 percent).
- Option 2: Use metropolitan areas (Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas (PMSAs), and New England County Metropolitan Areas) as building blocks. The 22 States currently with single localities would remain statewide FSAs. Statewide FSAs would be created in the 28 remaining States, except for metropolitan areas whose GAF exceeds the State GAF by a specified percentage threshold.
- Option 3: Use metropolitan areas as building blocks. The 22 States currently with single localities would remain statewide FSAs. Each of the 28 remaining States would be divided into 2 to 5 FSAs based on metropolitan area population size: greater than 3 million; 1 to 3 million; .25 to 1 million; less than .25 million; nonmetropolitan.
- Option 4: Use metropolitan areas as building blocks. Designate five nationwide FSAs based on metropolitan area population size: greater than 3 million; 1 to 3 million; .25 to 1 million; less than .25 million; nonmetropolitan.

We also asked Health Economics Research, Inc. for any suggestions for variations on these options that might improve them. We specifically requested that it recommend restructuring FSAs in the 11 States that have subcounty localities. These subcounty configurations, usually cities or zip codes, create unnecessary complexity and administrative burden.

Health Economics Research, Inc. issued its final report to us on November 1, 1995. The report consists of three volumes and can be obtained by requesting the following titles from the National Technical Information Service by calling 1-800-553-NTIS, or (703) 487-4650 in Springfield, Virginia:

- "Assessment and Redesign of Medicare Fee Schedule Areas (Localities)," Volume I: Text, NTIS PB96-118815.
- "Assessment and Redesign of Medicare Fee Schedule Areas (Localities)," Volume II: Appendix Tables, NTIS PB96-118823.
- "Assessment and Redesign of Medicare Fee Schedule Areas

(Localities)," Volume III: Maps. NTIS PB96-118187.

3. Nonselected Options

While we began with four basic options, numerous variations are possible merely depending on which threshold GAF difference is selected. For example, Option 1 is based on the difference between the existing FSA GAF and the State GAF. Many variants on this option are available merely depending upon what threshold GAF difference between the FSAs and the State is selected, for example, 1 percent, 3 percent, 5 percent, 10 percent. Likewise, Option 2 produces many variations depending on the selected threshold GAF difference between the metropolitan area GAF and the State GAF. The major goal of revising FSAs is to simplify the payment areas and reduce payment differences among geographic areas while maintaining accuracy in tracking input price differences among areas. All options involve a certain trade-off between simplicity and understandability and accuracy of tracking of input prices. Many of the variations will produce a similar number of FSAs, but some do so at the expense of producing undesirable payment differences at boundaries or inaccuracies in tracking input prices.

After careful examination of all options and their variants, we believe that a variant of Option 1 is clearly the best choice. Before discussing, in depth, our reasons for selecting this option, the following is a brief discussion of why we eliminated Options 2, 3, and 4, in order of the least promising option. A more detailed discussion of these options with tables and maps can be found in the Health Economics Research, Inc. report.

Option 4 is the least promising approach to constructing FSAs. While it has the smallest number of FSAs, five nationwide, it is unacceptably inaccurate in tracking input price differences and creates too many large and inappropriate GAF differences across FSA boundaries. Grouping all metropolitan areas of the same size into a single category, regardless of geographic location, would substantially underpay some areas while overpaying others.

For example, the following large metropolitan areas would be substantially underpaid under Option 4 (Option 4 GAF/actual GAF is indicated in parenthesis): San Francisco (1.024/1.141); New York City (1.102/1.176); Nassau-Suffolk, New York (1.024/1.199); and Miami (1.024/1.116). Conversely, the following large cities would be overpaid under Option 4:

Houston (1.102/1.030); Chicago (1.102/1.061); and Philadelphia (1.102/1.066). In addition to these inaccuracies, Option 4 creates some severe boundary problems. For example, the Houston-Galveston, Texas difference under Option 4 is 1.102 versus 0.937, a nearly 20 percentage point difference, versus an actual area GAF cost difference of 1.030 versus 1.001. Other examples may be found in the tables and maps in the Health Economics Research, Inc. report. In short, State-specific and metropolitan-area-specific factors, which Option 4 ignores, appear to be important influences on input prices. These factors are not captured by nationwide average inputs based on population size. While New York and Houston are in the same metropolitan area size classification of greater than 3 million, they have less in common with each other in terms of practice costs than they do with neighboring metropolitan areas of smaller size.

Option 3, we believe, is also unpromising. It creates the largest number of FSAs of any option and is geographically more complex than either Option 1 or Option 2. This option suffers from inadequate tracking of input price variations and inappropriate differences across boundaries, which are caused, as in Option 4, by grouping metropolitan areas by population class. Under this option, within a State, a metropolitan area's costliness is assumed to be dependent only on its population. This is not always an accurate assumption. A small metropolitan area that is a component of a major metropolitan region (for example, a PMSA) may have much higher input prices than a small freestanding metropolitan area surrounded by nonmetropolitan counties. Grouping these types of metropolitan areas together can lead to inaccurate GAFs and inappropriate differences at FSA boundaries. For example, Houston is the only Texas metropolitan area in the highest population category of 3 million or more, and has a GAF under Option 3 of 1.030. The contiguous Galveston PMSA is in the smallest population class of under 250,000. Its actual GAF is 1.001, but under Option 3 it is averaged with other small Texas metropolitan areas and is assigned a GAF of 0.926. Option 3, thus, underpays Galveston and creates a much larger GAF difference at the Houston-Galveston boundary than is warranted by the actual difference in input prices. Expensive Miami and Fort Lauderdale (with GAFs of 1.116 and 1.100) are grouped with lower-price Orlando and Tampa-St. Petersburg (with

GAFs of 1.008 and 0.992) under this option.

Option 2 is more promising than Options 3 and 4, but less promising than Option 1. While producing similar types and numbers of FSAs in some instances, depending on the threshold used, Option 1 has some advantages over Option 2. First, Option 1 is less disruptive because it uses existing localities as building blocks. Second, the urban payment localities in Option 1 tend to be smaller and more focused on high-cost urban counties and track input price variations better than the larger metropolitan area definitions used in Option 2. The metropolitan areas (MSAs, PMSAs, and New England County Metropolitan Statistical Areas) used as building blocks in this option are based on commuting patterns and are generally much larger than the current urban localities used in Option 1. Examples are the Washington, D.C. locality versus the Washington, D.C. PMSA; the Dallas locality versus the Dallas PMSA; the Chicago locality versus the Chicago PMSA; and the Houston locality versus the Houston PMSA. Input prices in the suburban counties in these PMSAs may be significantly lower than in the urban core and more similar to prices in other parts of the State. This may be especially true of some rural counties on the fringes of metropolitan areas that are categorized as part of the metropolitan area based on commuting patterns. For example, the Washington, D.C. PMSA includes portions of rural West Virginia. Under Option 2, this FSA would have a GAF of 1.090, compared to the actual GAF of Washington, D.C. of 1.122, and the actual GAF of the West Virginia counties included in the Washington, D.C. PMSA of 0.950. Input prices in the parts of rural West Virginia included in the Washington, D.C. PMSA have little in common with input prices in the Washington, D.C. urban core. Also, Option 2 presents significant problems in handling metropolitan areas that cross State boundaries.

4. Proposal

a. Proposed Variant of Option 1 (Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold)

Under standard Option 1, the 22 States with a single FSA would remain statewide FSAs. Option 1 then presumes for the remaining 28 States that FSAs should be statewide for each State unless a sub-State payment locality has sufficiently higher input prices (as measured by its GAF) than the average input prices of its State (as measured by the State GAF) to meet a threshold difference. If the percentage

difference between the locality's GAF and the State GAF exceeds a specified threshold, that locality would remain a distinct FSA. Otherwise, the locality would be merged into a residual FSA for that State. If no sub-State locality had sufficiently higher prices than the State average to meet the threshold difference, the State would become a single statewide locality. For example, Alabama currently has six localities. The GAFs range from a high of 0.957 for Locality 05, Birmingham, to a low of 0.902 for Locality 06, rest of Alabama. The State GAF is 0.932. Using a threshold of 5 percent, Alabama becomes a statewide locality as the Birmingham GAF exceeds the State GAF by only 2.68 percent. Using a threshold of 2.5 percent, Birmingham would remain a distinct FSA, while the other five localities would become one residual FSA as none of the other current localities exceed the State GAF by 2.5 percent.

Option 1 has several advantages over Options 2, 3, and 4. By using the current localities as building blocks, it is the most conservative of the options, is likely to be the least disruptive to physicians, and imposes the least administrative burden on HCFA and the Medicare carriers. GAFs for the largest, highest priced cities and metropolitan areas will not change under this option. Neither will the GAFs of current single locality States change. Many smaller cities and rural areas are combined into residual State areas, eliminating GAF differences among these areas and, thereby, increasing payments in rural areas and substantially reducing the number of localities. Since these areas usually have the smallest price input differences, combining them reduces the number of FSAs at the smallest loss in accuracy of input price tracking. In summation, Option 1 tends to divide States with large variation in input prices among localities into multiple FSAs, albeit significantly fewer than now exist in these States, while combining localities in States with little price variation into a single statewide locality.

However, the standard version of Option 1 has two shortcomings. First, some mid-sized metropolitan areas in large States such as California and Texas do not remain distinct FSAs despite their considerably higher input prices than in the rural and small city areas of their States with which they would be combined into a single residual area. Second, some large metropolitan areas in small States, such as Baltimore, Maryland, do not remain distinct FSAs. This is because the State GAF to which all locality GAFs are compared contains

the high cost area GAFs. This makes it difficult for the mid-sized areas in large States to exceed the State GAF, even though their own GAFs may substantially exceed the GAF of all other localities in the residual area to which they would be assigned under Option 1. In large States with a wide range of GAFs, the mid-sized cities and metropolitan areas tend to be combined with the residual rest-of-State area. Their GAFs are sharply reduced, lessening the accuracy of input price tracking and creating large boundary differences in GAFs between large and mid-sized cities and at rural State boundaries that are not reflective of true input price differences.

For example, with the current payment localities, the contiguous California counties of Los Angeles and Ventura have 1996 GAFs of 1.103 and 1.079, respectively, a 2.4 percentage point difference. Under Option 1, with a 2.5-percent threshold, Ventura becomes part of the residual State area. Its GAF is reduced to 1.012, while Los Angeles's GAF remains at 1.103, a difference of 9.1 percentage points. Other examples of this large boundary effect, all assuming a 2.5-percent threshold, are: San Francisco versus Marin, California (1.153/1.063 currently versus 1.153/1.012 under Option 1); Dallas versus Fort Worth, Texas (1.006/0.977 currently versus 1.006/0.934 under Option 1). In the case of Baltimore, its GAF of 1.032 is primarily responsible for bringing the State GAF up to 1.016. Under Option 1, with a 2.5-percent threshold, it becomes part of a single statewide locality (excluding Maryland counties in the Washington, D.C. locality) with a GAF of 1.016, when in reality it is much more expensive than the rest of the State, which has a combined GAF excluding Baltimore of 0.964.

These problems are addressed in our proposed option, Option 1i, 5-percent threshold, a variant of Option 1. In this variant, the GAF of a locality is compared to the average GAF of lower-price localities in the State, rather than to the statewide average. (Like standard Option 1, the 22 States currently having single statewide localities remain statewide localities.) If this difference exceeds a percentage threshold, 5 percent in our proposal, the locality remains a distinct FSA. Otherwise, it becomes part of a statewide or rest-of-State residual FSA. Specifically, a State's localities are ranked from the highest to the lowest GAF. The GAF of the highest-price locality is compared to the weighted average GAF of all lower-price localities. If the percentage difference exceeds a specified threshold,

the highest-price locality remains a distinct FSA. If not, the State becomes a single statewide locality. If the highest-price locality remains a distinct FSA, the process is repeated (iterated), hence the designation Option 1i) for the second-highest-price locality. Its GAF is compared to the statewide average GAF excluding the two highest-price localities. If this difference exceeds the threshold, the second-highest-price locality remains a distinct FSA. The logic is repeated (iterated), moving down the ranking of localities by costliness, until the highest-price locality does not exceed the threshold and does not remain a distinct FSA. No further comparisons are made, and the remaining localities become a residual rest-of-State FSA. The GAF of a locality always is compared only to the average GAF of all lower-price localities. This ensures that the statewide or residual State FSA has relatively homogeneous input prices.

Option 1i, thus, has all of the advantages of Option 1, while addressing the problems inherent in Option 1: unwarranted boundary differences and large higher-price areas not being separate FSAs in small States. In comparison to Option 1, Option 1i breaks out more payment areas in large States containing a wide range of GAFs by defining more mid-sized cities/areas as distinct FSAs; it more consistently defines homogeneous residual State FSAs; and reduces unwarranted boundary differences.

As with Option 1 and Option 2, numerous variants of Option 1i are possible depending on the GAF threshold difference selected. We are proposing Option 1i with a 5-percent threshold. We believe that this option would attain the goal of simplifying the payment areas and reducing payment differences among areas while maintaining accuracy in tracking input prices.

A summary measure of an FSA option's accuracy in tracking input prices is the average percentage difference between the county GAF and the GAF of the payment locality to which that county is assigned. These differences are weighted by total physician services RVUs in each county so that inaccuracies in areas where more services are provided are emphasized. A summary measure of payment differences among adjacent geographic areas in an FSA option is the average difference of the GAFs between unique pairs of contiguous counties, weighted by the sum of the RVUs of the two counties. Table 2 shows these summary measures of input price accuracy and small area payment differences for proposed Option 1i, 5-percent threshold, compared to the current localities, statewide localities, and the extremes of a national fee schedule (the same payment everywhere for a specific service) and separate FSAs for all 3,223 counties.

TABLE 2.—PAYMENT ACCURACY AND SMALL AREA PAYMENT DIFFERENCE

Fee schedule area	Number of FSAs	Average county/FSA input price difference* (percent)	Average county boundary difference* (percent)
National States	1	6.86	0.00
Option 1i, 5% Threshold	**53	4.06	0.73
1996 Localities	87	2.09	1.78
Counties	210	1.67	2.30
	3223	0.00	3.18

*Weighted by total physician services RVUs.

**Includes Washington D.C., Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Note: Input price accuracy is measured by the average absolute difference (weighted by total county RVUs) between the county GAF and the FSA GAF. Boundary differences are measured by the average absolute difference in county GAFs between all unique, contiguous county pairs, weighted by the sum of total RVUs of the contiguous counties.

At one extreme is a single national FSA with no geographic adjustments. Lack of a GAF obviously does not track input prices at all, resulting in an average payment error of 6.86 percent, but also avoids any payment boundary differences. At the other extreme is an FSA for each of the 3,223 counties, which perfectly tracks county input prices, but has the largest number of, and largest average difference across, payment boundaries. These two extremes highlight the tradeoff between tracking input price variations and avoiding differences among nearby areas.

The current payment localities result in an average payment error of 1.67 percent, with an average difference across boundaries of 2.30 percent. Our proposed Option 1i, 5-percent threshold, by itself, without the subcounty payment restructuring

discussed below, would significantly reduce the number of payment areas from 210 to 87. It would reduce the average county boundary difference from 2.30 percent to 1.78 percent while increasing the average county input price error by only 0.42 percentage points from 1.67 percent to 2.09 percent.

b. Proposed Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold, with Subcounty Payment Area Restructuring

We further propose to refine payment areas by combining with proposed Option 1i, 5-percent threshold, an additional restructuring of localities in the 11 States that currently have subcounty localities. Three of these States—California, Mississippi, and Pennsylvania—define subcounty localities by zip code. Eight States—Arizona, Connecticut, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nevada, New

York, and Oregon employ city/town limits to define localities. The use of subcounty localities creates unnecessary complexity and administrative burden. One of the most compelling reasons to eliminate subcounty payment areas from payment localities is to reduce the administrative work required to maintain zip-code-to-locality crosswalks. Many States employ a zip-code-to-locality crosswalk when processing claims, but the continuous creation, deactivation, and redefinition of U.S. Postal Codes poses a significant obstacle in the maintenance of accurate locality definitions. Town boundaries can also be ambiguous. Since county boundaries are unambiguous and rarely change, aggregating subcounty parts to the county level would minimize the administrative burden of maintaining crosswalks.

Another reason to eliminate subcounty localities is simplicity. By aggregating subcounty areas to the county level, a uniform fee schedule system with no area smaller than a county can be introduced nationwide. Furthermore, since the input price data for GPCIs, and ultimately GAF values, are not available at a subcounty level, the subcounty areas provide no additional accuracy in measuring practice input price variations. More often, subcounty localities unnecessarily complicate the calculation of GAF values by requiring laborious tracking by zip code of the subcounty parts. The obvious method for eliminating subcounty localities is to expand a current locality's city/town or zip code boundaries to the surrounding county borders. In exploring this option, we defined "County Equivalent Localities" based on the following criteria:

- For a current locality that includes multiple cities/towns in noncontiguous counties, all counties with any areas in the current locality are incorporated into the new County Equivalent Locality definition.

- Counties currently divided between two localities are assigned to the locality where the largest portion of physician fee schedule services (RVUs) are provided.

The County Equivalent Option may be applied to the 11 subcounty locality States independent of our proposed basic Option 1i, indeed independent of any other changes in payment localities. When adopted with our basic Option 1i, 5-percent threshold, changes are made automatically or easily in 8 of the 11 States:

- Five States—Arizona, Connecticut, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Nevada become statewide payment areas.

- California currently has eight subcounty areas, all of which are in Los Angeles County. These areas have the same GAF and payment level and can be aggregated into a single FSA. (These eight localities were kept separate from 1992 to 1995 to facilitate the statutory fee schedule transition period.)

- In New York, existing subcounty areas are included in the residual rest-of-State area.

- In Oregon, the current town-based "Portland" locality, which includes parts of Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties, can be redefined to encompass the boundaries of these three counties.

Because of their unique circumstances, we believe the remaining three subcounty FSA States of Massachusetts, Missouri, and Pennsylvania require simple

fundamental payment area reconfigurations.

Massachusetts—Massachusetts currently has two noncontiguous payment areas: "Urban" and "Suburban." Under Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold, Massachusetts would become a single statewide locality. The shortcoming of both the current localities and Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold, is that the high cost Boston area, comprised of parts of Suffolk, Norfolk, and Middlesex counties, is not separated from lower-cost central and western Massachusetts. The problem is caused by the composition of the current "Urban Massachusetts" locality, which groups the Worcester, Springfield, and Pittsfield areas with the substantially higher-cost Boston area. We, therefore, propose to change Massachusetts to two new localities: 01—Boston Metropolitan Area (comprised of Suffolk, Norfolk, and Middlesex counties) and 02—rest of Massachusetts.

Missouri—Missouri currently has seven noncontiguous payment areas: Northern Kansas City; Kansas City; St. Louis/large East Cities; St. Joseph; Rural Northwest counties; small East Cities; and rest of Missouri. Under our proposed Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold, Missouri would become a statewide payment area. This result would fail to recognize the significant price differences between the Kansas City and St. Louis metropolitan areas and the rest of the State and would result in significant payment area input price difference tracking inaccuracies. To correct this problem, we propose to change Missouri to three payment areas: 01—Kansas City Metropolitan Area (Platte, Clay, and Jackson counties); 02—St. Louis Metropolitan Area (St. Louis City, St. Louis, Jefferson, and St. Charles counties); and 03—rest of Missouri (all other counties).

Pennsylvania—Pennsylvania currently has four noncontiguous payment localities: 01—Philadelphia/Pittsburgh medical schools; 02—large Pennsylvania Cities; 03—smaller Pennsylvania Cities; and 04—rest of Pennsylvania. Under proposed Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold, areas 03 and 04 are combined into a residual rest-of-State area. The problem is that the high cost Philadelphia area is split into two areas, parts of 01 and 02, and is not clearly distinguished from the lower-cost Pittsburgh area and the rest of area 02. The five counties comprising the Philadelphia MSA are the most costly in Pennsylvania and clearly belong together in a "Philadelphia Metropolitan Area" locality. Allegheny County, which contains Pittsburgh and,

therefore, part of which is grouped with part of Philadelphia in locality 01, is much less expensive than the Philadelphia area and does not belong in the same locality, either cost-wise or geographically. Thus, we propose that Pennsylvania be divided into two localities: 01—Philadelphia Metropolitan Area (Montgomery, Philadelphia, Delaware, Bucks, and Chester counties); and 02—rest of Pennsylvania (all other counties).

c. Effects of Proposed Option 1i, 5-Percent Threshold, with Subcounty FSA Restructuring

We believe that our proposed restructuring of Medicare payment areas meets the major goal of simplifying payment areas and reducing payment differences among adjacent geographic areas while maintaining accuracy in tracking input prices among areas. It significantly reduces the number of FSAs from 210 to 89, and increases the number of statewide payment areas from 22 to 34, thereby simplifying program administration. It also provides a more rational and understandable basis for localities, reduces urban/rural payment differences, and maintains separate payment areas for relatively high-priced large and mid-sized cities in large States. It decreases the number of payment areas by almost 60 percent, while at the same time reducing average county boundary payment differences, yet reduces average county input price accuracy by only 0.42 percent.

The GPCIs, and, therefore, the GAFs, for the proposed new payment areas would be budget neutral within each State. That is, an adjustment would be made to them later in the year (to incorporate the most recent data into the adjustments) to yield the same total physician fee schedule payments within that State that would have been made had the payment areas not been changed. We are anticipating the adjustments to be minor. While some current individual payment areas will experience slight increases in payments and some areas will experience slight decreases in payments under our proposed FSA changes, the effects on the overwhelming majority of areas will be minimal. Of the total current areas in the 28 States currently having multiple FSAs, 82 percent change less than 3 percent, 93 percent change less than 4 percent, and 96 percent change less than 5 percent. Forty-three percent of the areas will experience increases in payments, 33 percent will experience decreases, and 24 percent will experience no change. Addendum A, "1996 Geographic Adjustment Factors (GAFs) by Medicare Payment Locality/

Locality Part for January 1, 1996 Localities and Proposed Option, Fee Schedule Areas (FSAs) in Descending Order of Difference" shows the effects for each of the current localities in multiple FSA States (as previously mentioned, the 22 States currently having a single statewide locality remain statewide localities) of our proposed locality reconfiguration by comparing existing GAFs to the GAFs for the new localities. Because our proposal eliminates subcounty areas, we are also publishing Addendum B, "Medicare Fee Schedule Areas (Localities) and 1996 Geographic Adjustment Factors (GAFs), Current and Proposed Option by State and County/County Part" that shows, alphabetically by State and county, the current locality and GAF and the proposed locality and GAF for each county.

As can be seen from Addendum A, only four areas will lose more than 4 percent under our proposal: Pennsylvania area 01, Philadelphia/Pittsburgh Medical Schools; Pennsylvania area 02, large Pennsylvania Cities; Missouri area 01, St. Louis/large Eastern Cities; and Massachusetts area 01, Urban Massachusetts. These are unique situations and require explanation. As the asterisks on these areas indicate, these losing areas are only part of an existing locality and are in States in which we are recommending fundamental restructuring of FSAs because of existing subcounty FSAs and the current combining of areas with widely different input prices into a single area. In actuality, only part of the existing area will lose. As Addendum A shows, the remaining part of the area will win under our proposal. For example, the largest projected loser, Pennsylvania area 01, is in reality only the part of Pittsburgh that is currently included in area 01. The Philadelphia portion of Pennsylvania area 01 is a projected winner under our proposal. As mentioned earlier, while Pittsburgh is in Allegheny County, which has considerably lower input prices than the Philadelphia area, part of Pittsburgh is included with part of Philadelphia in area 01. This has the effect of overpaying the Pittsburgh part of area 01 and underpaying the Philadelphia part of area 01. Our proposal remedies this situation by grouping Philadelphia with similar priced counties in the Philadelphia MSA, while grouping Pittsburgh with similar priced areas in the rest of Pennsylvania. This also explains why Pennsylvania area 02 shows up as both one of the four largest losers and as the largest winner. Under

our proposal, the part of area 02 comprised of larger cities outside of the Philadelphia MSA is no longer included with the higher priced counties in the Philadelphia MSA, but is included in the residual Pennsylvania FSA. This lowers their GAFs, while increasing the GAFs of the higher priced counties in the Philadelphia MSA that now become part of the Philadelphia FSA.

The same logic holds true for Massachusetts and Missouri. The losing parts of current Massachusetts locality 01 are the Worcester, Springfield, and Pittsfield areas which, while having substantially lower costs than Boston, are currently included in the same locality. The winning part of Massachusetts locality 01 is the higher-cost Boston metropolitan area. In Missouri, the losing parts of locality 01, St. Louis/large East Cities, are the lower-cost Columbia, Springfield, and Jefferson City areas that are currently included with higher-cost St. Louis. The winning part of this locality is the St. Louis metropolitan area. These four largest losing areas then result from our correcting the current anomalous situation created by including low-cost and high-cost areas in a single locality by reconfiguring the localities to more accurately reflect input price variations.

We welcome comments on our proposed payment area changes. Our proposal is based on the application of statistical criteria to aggregate localities within a State that are not significantly different as indicated by current GAFs. We would welcome alternative rationale and criteria for exceptions to this statistically based methodology. While we are open to considering exceptions to this statistically based realignment, commenters suggesting variations on our proposal should submit an analysis of why their variation is preferable. For example, commenters suggesting that their particular area, which would become part of a residual rest-of-state area under our proposal, should be retained as a separate payment area should submit data to show that their area costs exceed the costs of the other areas in the residual payment area by the 5-percent threshold.

As mentioned earlier, the great majority of existing FSAs would experience only very minor changes in payment levels under the proposed new payment area configuration. We are concerned, however, about the few areas estimated to experience the largest reductions in payments. To lessen the impact on these areas, we propose phasing in the effect of the proposed new payment areas over a 2-year period in States containing a locality that is estimated to experience a decrease in

payments that exceeds a certain threshold. We selected a 2-year period because when we implement the GPCI revisions required by law every 3 years, the law provides for a 2-year transition period. Revising localities requires calculating GPCIs to correspond to the revised localities.

A transition period, however, adds another element to the changes to the physician fee schedule. For example, the law requires that the conversion factor be updated each year. In addition, we annually add new RVUs for new and revised services. In 1997, we will implement the comprehensive changes in work RVUs required by law. In 1998, the law requires us to implement new resource-based practice expense RVUs. In 1998 and 1999, we will implement new GPCIs as required by law. A transition period for our locality changes would add one more payment change to these other changes. Since most payment areas would experience very minor changes, we believe that transitioning these areas would unnecessarily add another change.

Since the purpose of the proposed phase-in is to limit the effect on the areas estimated to experience the largest decrease in payments because of our proposed payment area revisions, we propose that no area be allowed to lose more than 4 percent in the first year. We selected the 4-percent threshold because that is about one-half of the largest estimated area payment decrease. The proposed payment area changes would be fully effective in 1997 in all States not containing an area whose payments are estimated to decrease by more than 4 percent under our proposal. Under this phase-in, only two States, Pennsylvania and Missouri, would be transitioned as they are the only States with areas that would experience a decrease of more than 4 percent. In these States, areas estimated to lose more than 4 percent would be assigned 1997 GPCIs whose values would limit the loss to 4 percent. Since the proposed new payment area changes would be budget-neutral within a State, all areas within a State would be subject to the 2-year phase-in if the State contained an area whose payment level is estimated to decrease by more than 4 percent. This means that areas estimated to receive increases in payments in these States would receive only part of the increase in 1997 as transitional 1997 GPCIs would be calculated to maintain budget neutrality within the State. In 1998, all areas in these transitioned States would be totally incorporated into their new localities and be assigned the fully implemented new locality GPCIs. We have designed this transition approach

to cushion the effect of the change for the localities that would be experiencing the greatest losses. We invite comments on this transition proposal and are open to suggestions about alternative transition approaches.

Our proposal would leave 16 States with multiple payment areas. We believe our proposal justifies multiple areas in these States because of input price differences within these States. However, as stated earlier in the background discussion on this issue, we are generally in favor of statewide payment areas as they simplify program administration and encourage physicians to practice in rural areas by eliminating urban/rural payment differentials within the State. Therefore, to continue to be responsive to the physician community, even if our proposed payment area reconfiguration is adopted, we will continue to consider converting any of the remaining multiple payment area States into a single statewide payment area if overwhelming support among physicians in both winning and losing areas can be demonstrated. This proposed policy change does not require a change to the regulations set forth in § 414.4 ("Fee schedule areas").

B. Special Rules for the Payment of Diagnostic Tests, Including Diagnostic Radiologic Procedures

1. Background

The payment for diagnostic procedures, including diagnostic radiologic procedures, under the Medicare program is made under two statutory benefits. Section 1861(s)(1) of the Act describes physician services as part of the medical and other health services benefit. This paragraph describes the professional component of a diagnostic test, which is the interpretation of the test. Under the physician fee schedule and the Medicare carrier payment systems, these services are coded with the CPT modifier "26."

Payment for taking a test is made under section 1861(s)(3) of the Act. We have termed the taking of a test the technical component of the test, and it is indicated under the physician fee schedule with the "TC" modifier.

Section 2070.1 of the Medicare Carriers Manual provides that for a diagnostic test to be covered, the service must be related to a patient's illness or injury (or symptom or complaint) and ordered by a physician. This instruction was intended to relate a diagnostic test to a patient's illness or injury, symptom, or complaint. The results of the test were to be used to treat the patient or

refer him or her for treatment. It has come to our attention from various sources, including carrier medical directors, that, in some cases, the intent of this instruction has been frustrated. We have heard of instances in which a physician is employed for the sole purpose of ordering tests. This physician has no relationship to the beneficiary, and it is highly likely that tests by this physician would not be medically necessary. We believe this practice generates unnecessary diagnostic tests and places Medicare beneficiaries at needless risk both medically and financially. We propose to further clarify this long-standing manual instruction requirement that tests be ordered by a physician by specifying that the physician ordering the test must be the physician treating the patient. This proposed policy would link the ordering of the diagnostic test to the physician who will use the test results to treat the patient.

2. Proposal

We propose that for diagnostic tests, including diagnostic radiologic procedures, to be covered, they must be ordered by the physician who treats the beneficiary. The physician who treats the beneficiary is the physician responsible for the treatment of the patient and who orders the test or radiologic procedure to use the results in the management of the beneficiary's specific medical problem(s). (Physicians can order tests while they are consulting for another physician.) We believe this requirement is fundamental for coverage and payment of diagnostic tests and, therefore, are including it in the regulations at § 410.32 ("Diagnostic X-ray tests, diagnostic laboratory tests, and other diagnostic tests: Conditions").

3. Chiropractor Exception

A physician who orders the x-ray that is used by a chiropractor to demonstrate the subluxation of the spine in a beneficiary who is receiving manual manipulation treatments would be exempted from this rule. Because no payment can be made for a diagnostic test ordered by a chiropractor under § 410.22(b)(2), we propose to allow payment for the x-ray when ordered by a physician who will not be treating the patient for subluxation of the spine. Otherwise, beneficiaries would always have to pay out-of-pocket for these x-rays, which would frustrate their use of the chiropractic benefit.

4. Non-Physician Practitioners

Certain non-physician practitioners who provide services that would be physician services if furnished by a

physician under a specific enumerated benefit in the statute would be considered as the physician treating the beneficiary for the purpose of this section. Non-physician practitioners who meet this definition are physician assistants (section 1861(s)(2)(K)(i) of the Act); and nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists (sections 1861(s)(2)(K)(ii) and 1861(s)(2)(K)(iii) of the Act), operating within the scope of their State licenses.

C. Transportation in Connection with Furnishing Diagnostic Tests

Section 1861(s)(3) of the Act establishes coverage for diagnostic x-rays furnished in a place of residence used as the patient's home if the performance of the tests meets health and safety conditions established by the Secretary. This provision is the basis for payment of x-ray services furnished by approved portable suppliers to beneficiaries in their homes and in nursing facilities.

Although the Congress did not explicitly so state, we determined that, because of the increased costs in transporting the x-ray equipment to the beneficiary, the Congress intended that we pay an additional amount for transportation expenses. Therefore, we established HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes R0070 and R0075 (for single-patient and multiple-patient trips, respectively) to pay approved portable x-ray suppliers a transportation "component" when they furnish the services listed in section 2070.4.C of the Medicare Carriers Manual.

We later added the taking of an electrocardiogram (EKG) tracing to the list of services approved suppliers of portable x-ray services may furnish (section 2070.4.F of the Medicare Carriers Manual) and established HCPCS code R0076 to pay for the transportation of EKG equipment. In the December 1995 final rule (60 FR 63149), we published our revised policy of precluding separate payment for the transportation of diagnostic equipment except under certain circumstances. These circumstances include standard EKG procedures furnished by an approved supplier of portable x-ray services or by an independent physiological laboratory (section 2070.1.G of the Medicare Carriers Manual) under HCPCS code R0076 in connection with the provision of CPT codes 93000 (Electrocardiogram, complete) or 93005 (Electrocardiogram, tracing).

After further review of this policy, we have decided that the exceptions are inconsistent with the law and legislative

history regarding the payment for transportation of EKG equipment. Section 1861(s)(3) discusses only the coverage of x-rays furnished in a beneficiary's place of residence. Because there is no mention in the statute about the coverage of EKGs furnished in a beneficiary's place of residence, we are returning to our original interpretation of the law.

We propose allowing separate payment only for the transportation of x-ray equipment furnished by approved suppliers of portable x-ray services. As a result, we would not allow separate payment for the transportation of EKG equipment furnished by any supplier. Therefore, we propose to eliminate HCPCS code R0076. Payment for CPT codes 93000 and 93005 will not change, nor will the coverage of these services change. This proposed policy change is not explicitly addressed in our regulations.

D. Bundled Services

1. Hot or Cold Packs

The application of hot or cold packs to one or more areas is billed using CPT code 97010. These modalities (that is, physical agents applied to produce therapeutic change to biologic tissue) are primarily used in conjunction with therapeutic procedures to provide analgesia, relieve muscle spasm, or reduce inflammation and edema. Generally, hot packs are used for subacute or chronic conditions, while cold packs are used for acute and chronic conditions.

The results of a comprehensive analysis of Medicare claims data indicate that CPT code 97010 is being used extensively with a wide variety of services such as office visits and physical medicine and rehabilitative services. Therefore, we are proposing to bundle payment for CPT code 97010 into the payment for all other services including, but not limited to, those with which it historically has been billed with the greatest frequency (such as office visits and physical therapy).

We believe that our proposal to bundle payment and, thus, to preclude separate payment for the application of hot and cold packs is justified for three reasons:

- As a therapy, hot and cold packs are easily self-administered. Generally, we do not cover procedures that are basically self-administered; hot and cold packs, by their nature, do not require the level of professional involvement as do the other physical medicine and rehabilitation modalities.
- Although we acknowledge that professional judgment is involved in the

use of hot and cold packs, much less judgment is demanded for them than for other modalities. These packs are commonly used in the home, and, thus, require a minimal level of professional attention.

- The application of hot and cold packs is usually a precursor to other interventions and, as such, is appropriately used in combination with other procedures. Our data analysis supports this conclusion because the majority of claims for CPT code 97010 occurred in conjunction with claims for other services performed on the same day.

We propose to change the status indicator for CPT code 97010 to "B" to indicate that the service is covered under Medicare but payment for it is bundled into the payment for other services. Separate payment for CPT code 97010 would not be permitted under this proposed change. This change would be implemented in a budget neutral manner across all other procedures. Because the RVUs for this procedure would be redistributed across all physician fee schedule services, there would be no measurable impact. This proposed policy change is not explicitly addressed in our regulations.

2. Dermatology Procedures

a. Bundling of Repair Codes into Excision Codes

Currently, the RVUs for the dermatology excision codes (CPT codes 11400 through 11446 and 11600 through 11646) include services described by the simple repair codes (CPT codes 12001 through 12018). The dermatologist can bill separately for the intermediate or complex repair (closure) codes (CPT codes 12031 through 12057 and 13100 through 13152, respectively) in addition to the excision codes. We do not allow separate billing for closure for any other surgical procedure. The closure is included in the comprehensive procedure. We believe that applying the same standard to dermatologists is appropriate.

Therefore, we propose to cease paying separately for the repair codes when billed in conjunction with the excision codes. We are proposing to bundle the RVUs for the intermediate and complex repair codes (CPT codes 12031 through 12057 and CPT codes 13100 through 13152, respectively) into both the benign and malignant skin lesion excision codes (CPT codes 11400 through 11446 and 11600 through 11646, respectively). Under our proposal, we would redistribute the RVUs for the repair codes across CPT codes 11400 through 11446 and 11600

through 11646. We would base the number of RVUs for redistribution on the frequency with which the repair codes are billed with the excision codes.

We are not proposing to assign these repair codes a "B" status indicator because we acknowledge that these codes are not used exclusively with excision services. Instead, we would implement this proposed policy change through our correct coding initiative. This proposed change would standardize our policy for payment for wound closure. This proposed policy change is not explicitly addressed in our regulations.

b. Skin Lesion Destruction Codes

There are several CPT codes that describe the destruction of various benign or premalignant lesions. Within this group of codes, the reporting methods vary. Sometimes the code describes the destruction of a single lesion but requires reporting multiple codes for the destruction of several lesions; other times it describes destruction of as many as 15 lesions. Thus, it is sometimes not clear how many codes to report. The codes are specific to particular areas of the body or particular types of lesions. Because these categories are not mutually exclusive, the coding system provides the opportunity to report the destruction of a given lesion in more than one way. Finally, this complicated coding structure has produced anomalies in work relative values. We propose to simplify the reporting of and payment for the destruction of benign or premalignant skin lesions.

We propose to assign a "G" status indicator to CPT codes 11050 through 11052, 11200 and 11201, 17000 through 17105, 17110, and 17200 and 17201 to indicate that these CPT codes are not valid for Medicare purposes and that there is another code to use for the reporting of and payment for these services.

To report the destruction of benign and premalignant skin lesions, we propose to create two HCPCS codes. The first code would describe the destruction of up to and including 15 lesions. The second code would describe destruction of each additional 10 lesions. To assign RVUs to these codes, we propose to take a weighted average of the RVUs assigned to CPT codes 11050 through 11052, 11200 and 11201, 17000 through 17105, 17110, and 17200 and 17201 based on the billing frequencies and the code descriptors. This proposed policy change is not explicitly addressed in our regulations.

E. Change in Coverage Status for Screening and Obsolete Procedures

1. Vital Capacity Testing

CPT code 94150 (Vital capacity, total) is a screening measure. It is typically performed on patients who are asymptomatic. Because these tests are performed on patients who do not have symptoms of breathing problems, they represent preventive services that are, by statute, not covered by Medicare.

Some Medicare carriers do not cover this code at present. However, we inadvertently failed to identify CPT code 94150 as noncovered by Medicare on a national basis. Therefore, we propose changing the status indicator for CPT code 94150 from "A" to "N" to represent its noncovered status. This policy change is not specifically addressed in our regulations. It would be reflected in the Medicare physician fee schedule database and in Addendum

B (Relative Value Units and Related Information) of the physician fee schedule final rule, which will be published later this year.

2. Certain Cardiovascular Procedures

In the absence of a national Medicare policy on the following CPT codes, we currently allow our Medicare carriers discretion in deciding whether to allow coverage for these procedures:

CPT code	Descriptor
93201	Phonocardiogram with or without ECG lead; with supervision during recording with interpretation and report (when equipment is supplied by the physician).
93202	Phonocardiogram * * *; tracing only, without interpretation and report (eg, when equipment is supplied by the hospital, clinic).
93204	Phonocardiogram * * *; interpretation and report.
93205	Phonocardiogram with ECG lead, with indirect carotid artery and/or jugular vein tracing, and/or apex cardiogram; with interpretation and report).
93208	Phonocardiogram * * *; tracing only, without interpretation and report.
93209	Phonocardiogram * * *; interpretation and report only.
93210	Phonocardiogram intracardiac.
93220	Vectorcardiogram (VCG), with or without ECG; with interpretation and report.
93221	Vectorcardiogram * * *; tracing only, without interpretation and report.
93222	Vectorcardiogram * * *; interpretation and report only.

As a result of our request for comments on the 5-year review of physician work RVUs in the December 1994 final rule (59 FR 63453), the American College of Cardiology commented that these 10 phonocardiography and vectorcardiography diagnostic tests are outmoded and of little clinical value. Our review of Medicare claims data for these tests supports this contention because the volume of claims for these tests has declined significantly in recent years. Only 17,925 claims were submitted in calendar year 1994 for all 10 tests.

Based on the American College of Cardiology's recommendation, our review of our recent claims history, and our consultation with other medical specialty groups, we propose to discontinue coverage for these 10 diagnostic tests. The status indicators for these 10 procedures would be changed from "A" to "N" to reflect their noncovered status. This proposed policy change is not explicitly addressed in our regulations.

F. Payments for Supervising Physicians in Teaching Settings

1. Definition of Approved Graduate Medical Education Programs

Since publication of the December 1995 final rule, we have received questions about the difference in the definition of an approved residency program for purposes of the teaching physician rules under § 415.152

("Definitions") and the definition used in the direct medical education rules under § 413.86(b) ("Direct graduate medical education payments"). To be consistent, we propose to modify § 415.152 to match the definition of an approved graduate medical education program in § 413.86(b). We would add a reference to programs that are recognized as an "approved medical residency program" under § 413.86(b). By making this change, the regulations text would reflect a common definition of approved graduate medical education programs for Medicare Part A and Part B. This is a technical change and would have no effect on the implementation of our revised policy regarding the payment for supervising physicians in teaching settings that is effective July 1, 1996.

2. Evaluation and Management Services Furnished in Certain Settings

In the December 1995 final rule (60 FR 63135), we revised our policy regarding the payment for supervising physicians in teaching settings. We eliminated the attending physician criteria but clarified the physician presence requirement for services billed to the Medicare carrier. As part of our revised policy, we created a limited exception for residency programs that are fundamentally incompatible with a physical presence requirement. The exception to the physician presence requirement is for certain evaluation and management services (CPT codes 99201, 99202, 99203, 99211, 99212, and

99213) furnished in certain ambulatory care centers within the context of certain types of residency training programs. The exception is set forth in § 415.174 ("Exception: Evaluation and management services furnished in certain centers").

As the exception currently reads, one of the criteria is that "The range of services furnished by residents in the center includes * * * Comprehensive care not limited by organ system, diagnosis, or gender." (§ 415.174(a)(4)(iii)). It has come to our attention that many obstetric and gynecological residency programs have been restructured over the years to have a greater primary care focus. Some of these programs that otherwise qualify for an exception might be denied payment if the gender limitation were strictly applied.

Contrary to suggestions in correspondence we received after publication of the final rule, it was not our intention to prevent obstetric and gynecological residency programs or other residency programs focusing on women's health care from qualifying for the exception solely because of the patient's gender. Thus, we propose to make a technical change to the regulations text to delete the reference to gender in § 415.174(a)(4)(iii) and change the text to "Comprehensive care not limited by organ system or diagnosis." Of course, such programs must satisfy the otherwise applicable criteria to qualify for an exception.

G. Change in Global Periods for Four Percutaneous Biliary Procedures

The Society of Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology advised us that a 90-day global period is inappropriate for four percutaneous biliary procedures. The four procedures are CPT codes 47490 (percutaneous cholecystectomy), 47510 (introduction of percutaneous transhepatic catheter for biliary drainage), 47511 (introduction of percutaneous transhepatic stent for internal and external biliary drainage), and 47630 (biliary duct stone extraction, percutaneous via T-tube tract, basket, or snare (for example, Burhenne technique)). The Society believes that these four procedures should have a "0-day" global period. We agree with the Society's arguments that a 90-day global period is contrary to the widespread practice conventions of percutaneous biliary intervention and is inconsistent with other similar interventions in the biliary tract and urinary tract.

We believe that the global periods for these four codes should be changed. Therefore, we are proposing to change the global periods for these services from 90 days to 0 days. To make this change, we would reduce the work RVUs assigned to these procedures to reflect the lack of postsurgical work in the shortened global period. We propose to reduce the work RVUs for CPT codes 47490, 47510, 47511, and 47630 by 17 percent if we change the global periods. The 17 percent figure was taken from the original data developed by the Harvard School of Public Health Resource-Based Relative Value Study as the measure of the postsurgical work associated with these codes. This proposed policy change is not explicitly addressed in our regulations.

III. Collection of Information Requirements

This document does not impose information collection and recordkeeping requirements. Consequently, it need not be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

IV. Response to Comments

Because of the large number of items of correspondence we normally receive on Federal Register documents published for comment, we are not able to acknowledge or respond to them individually. We will consider all comments we receive by the date and time specified in the **DATES** section of this preamble, and, if we proceed with

a subsequent document, we will respond to the comments in the preamble to that document.

V. Regulatory Impact Analysis

A. Regulatory Flexibility Act

Consistent with the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 through 612), we prepare a regulatory flexibility analysis unless the Secretary certifies that a rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. For purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, all physicians are considered to be small entities.

We anticipate that virtually all of the approximately 500,000 physicians who furnish covered services to Medicare beneficiaries would be affected by one or more provisions of this rule. In addition, physicians who are paid by private insurers for non-Medicare services would be affected to the extent that they are paid by private insurers that choose to use the proposed RVUs.

This proposed rule is expected to have varying effects on the distribution of Medicare physician payments and services. With few exceptions, we expect that the impact would be limited. Although the proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities, we are preparing a voluntary regulatory flexibility analysis.

Section 1848(c)(2)(B) of the Act requires that adjustments in a year may not cause the amount of expenditures for the year to differ by more than \$20 million from the amount of expenditures that would have been made if these adjustments had not been made. If this threshold is exceeded, we would make adjustments to the conversion factors to preserve budget neutrality. The proposals discussed in sections B through H below would have no impact on total Medicare expenditures because the effects of these changes would be neutralized in the calculation of the conversion factors for 1997.

B. Payment Area (Locality) and Corresponding Geographic Practice Cost Index Changes

As mentioned earlier, our proposal would reduce existing urban/rural payment differences. Overall, urban areas would experience an average decrease in payments of -0.14 percent, while rural areas will experience an increase in payments of 1 percent. We analyzed the effects of these changes on physicians by specialty. The changes are quite small and follow the expected pattern. We estimate that overall,

physicians in family practice and general practice will experience modest increases of about 0.3 percent in payments, while most medical and surgical specialties will experience negligible decreases of about -0.1 to -0.2 percent. This pattern results from the tendency of specialists to be disproportionately concentrated in urban areas, which are estimated to experience a slight decrease in payments under our proposal.

The impact on beneficiaries is likewise minor. We examined the impact by beneficiary age, gender, race, and income level. Roughly 20 percent of beneficiaries reside in areas in which payments decrease by less than 5 percent, roughly 50 percent live in areas that experience no change in payments, roughly 25 percent live in areas where payments will increase by less than 5 percent, and about 2 percent live in areas where payments would rise by 5 to 10 percent.

The distribution of beneficiaries by age and gender and of Caucasian beneficiaries are nearly identical to this overall distribution. Minority beneficiaries are more heavily concentrated in areas that experience no change in payments; a lower proportion of minority beneficiaries live in both areas experiencing a loss and areas experiencing a gain than do Caucasian beneficiaries. For example, 14.4 percent of minority beneficiaries live in an area experiencing a loss compared to 21 percent of all beneficiaries who live in these areas. Beneficiaries living below poverty level are less likely than all beneficiaries to be living in an area experiencing a payment decrease under our proposal, 16 percent compared to 21 percent. It does not appear that vulnerable Medicare groups—minorities, the very old, or the poor—would suffer decreases in access resulting from our proposal.

C. Special Rules for the Payment of Diagnostic Tests, Including Diagnostic Radiologic Procedures

Our proposal would require that, to be covered under Medicare, diagnostic tests, including diagnostic radiologic procedures, must be ordered by the physician who treats a beneficiary or furnishes a consultation to the physician who treats the beneficiary. We would allow an exception for x-rays that demonstrate subluxation of the spine that are ordered for a chiropractor. Under § 410.22(b)(2), no payment can be made to a chiropractor who orders diagnostic tests. We propose to allow payment for these x-rays when ordered by a physician who will not be treating the patient for subluxation of the spine.

Non-physician practitioners functioning within the specific benefit would be considered the physician treating the beneficiary for the purpose of the proposal. Putting this requirement in regulations (§ 410.31 "Diagnostic x-ray tests, diagnostic laboratory tests, and other diagnostic tests: Conditions") would codify our current manual instruction. This proposed policy may result in some program savings due to the denial of payment for tests that may not be medically necessary because they were ordered by a physician who was not treating the beneficiary. However, we do not have sufficient data to furnish any reliable estimates of savings.

D. Transportation in Connection with Furnishing Diagnostic Tests

We propose to eliminate payment for the transportation of EKG equipment (HCPCS code R0076) by all billers. In 1994, the last year for which we have complete data, we allowed 260,686 services and paid \$9,192,434. Therefore, were it not for our budget-neutrality adjustment, we estimate that this proposal would result in approximately a \$9.2 million reduction in Medicare payments.

E. Bundled Services

1. Hot or Cold Packs

We propose to change the status indicator for CPT code 97010 (Application of a modality to one or more areas; hot or cold packs) to "B" to indicate that the service is covered under Medicare but payment for it is bundled into payment for other services. Separate payment for CPT code 97010 will not be permitted under this proposed change. The annual expenditures for CPT code 97010 under our current policy are approximately \$41.2 million. Because the RVUs for this procedure will be redistributed across all physician fee schedule services in a budget neutral manner, there will be no measurable impact from this proposal.

2. Dermatology Procedures

a. Bundling of Repair Codes into Excision Codes We propose to cease paying separately for CPT codes 12031 through 12057 and 13100 through 13152 (intermediate and complex repair codes, respectively) if these codes are billed in conjunction with CPT codes 11400 through 11446 and 11600 through 11646 (dermatology excision codes for benign and malignant lesions, respectively). Because we would redistribute the RVUs for the repair codes across the excision codes, there would be little budgetary effect from this proposal.

b. Skin Lesion Destruction Codes

We propose to change the way Medicare pays for the destruction of benign or premalignant skin lesions. Currently there are several CPT codes that describe a variety of ways of reporting the destruction of skin lesions. We propose to assign a "G" status code to CPT codes 11050 through 11052, 11200 and 11201, 17000 through 17105, 17110, and 17200 and 17201 and create two HCPCS codes to report the destruction of skin lesions. Because we will use a weighted average of the current RVUs assigned to the CPT codes that describe the destruction of benign or premalignant skin lesions in valuing the two proposed codes, this proposal would have no significant impact on Medicare expenditures.

F. Change of Coverage Status for Screening and Obsolete Procedures

1. Vital Capacity Testing

We propose changing the coverage status for vital capacity tests (CPT code 94150) from "active" to "noncovered." These vital capacity tests are screening services. With limited exceptions, section 1862(a)(1)(A) of the Act precludes Medicare coverage for screening procedures. This code is infrequently billed; in 1994 only 101,150 services were paid for CPT code 94150 for a total Medicare expenditure of \$1,077,600. We do not believe that the change in coverage status would have a significant impact on Medicare expenditures. We would also budget neutralize the \$1 million across all fee schedule services.

2. Certain Cardiovascular Procedures

We propose changing the coverage status for certain cardiovascular procedures (CPT codes 93201, 93202, 93204, 93205, 93208, 93209, 93210, 93220, 93221, and 93222) to noncovered. Because there has been a decline in the billing of these services in recent years and in 1994, we only allowed a total of 17,925 services with

\$690,326 in allowed charges for all 10 diagnostic tests, we do not believe that the change in coverage status would have a significant impact on Medicare expenditures.

G. Payments for Supervising Physicians in Teaching Settings

This proposed rule would make a technical change to § 415.152 ("Definitions") to make the definition of an approved graduate medical education program consistent with the definition in § 413.86(b) ("Direct graduate medical education payments"). Because this is only a technical change to standardize almost identical definitions, it would have no budgetary impact on Medicare expenditures.

We propose a technical change to remove the word "gender" from § 415.174(a)(4)(iii) ("Exception: Evaluation and management services furnished in certain centers"). We did not include the reference to gender with the intention of excluding obstetric and gynecological or other women's care residency programs solely because of patient gender. This technical change would make clear that the exception criteria would not be applied in such a manner. Because this technical change merely clarifies our intent with respect to a policy that has not yet been implemented, there would be no budgetary effect.

H. Change in Global Period for Four Percutaneous Biliary Procedures

To implement our proposal to change the global periods for four percutaneous biliary procedures (CPT codes 47490, 47510, 47511, and 47630) from 90 days to 0 days, we are proposing to reduce the work RVUs for these procedures by 17 percent. These work RVUs will be redistributed across all services; therefore, there is no significant impact.

I. Rural Hospital Impact Statement

Section 1102(b) of the Act requires the Secretary to prepare a regulatory impact analysis if a rule may have a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals. This analysis must conform to the provisions of section 603 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. For purposes of section 1102(b) of the Act, we define a small rural hospital as a hospital that is located outside of a Metropolitan Statistical Area and has fewer than 50 beds.

This proposed rule would have little direct effect on payments to rural hospitals since this rule would change only payments made to physicians and certain other practitioners under Part B of the Medicare program and would

make no change in payments to hospitals under Part A. We do not believe the changes would have a major, indirect effect on rural hospitals.

Therefore, we are not preparing an analysis for section 1102(b) of the Act since we have determined, and the Secretary certifies, that this rule would not have a significant impact on the operations of a substantial number of small rural hospitals.

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this proposed rule was reviewed by OMB.

List of Subjects

42 CFR Part 410

Health facilities, Health professions, Kidney diseases, Laboratories, Medicare, Rural areas, X-rays.

42 CFR Part 415

Health facilities, Health professions, Medicare, and Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

42 CFR chapter IV would be amended as set forth below:

PART 410—SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICAL INSURANCE (SMI) BENEFITS

A. Part 410 is amended as set forth below:

1. The authority citation for part 410 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 1102 and 1871 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302 and 1395hh), unless otherwise indicated.

2. In §410.32 paragraphs (a) and (b) are redesignated as paragraphs (b) and (c), respectively, and a new paragraph (a) is added to read as follows:

§ 410.32 Diagnostic x-ray tests, diagnostic laboratory tests, and other diagnostic tests: Conditions.

(a) *Ordering diagnostic tests.* All diagnostic x-ray tests, diagnostic laboratory tests, and other diagnostic tests must be ordered by the physician who treats the beneficiary, that is, the physician who is actively furnishing a consultation or treating a beneficiary for a specific medical problem(s) and uses the results in the management of the beneficiary's specific medical problem(s). Physicians who order the x-ray used by a chiropractor to demonstrate the subluxation of the spine in a beneficiary who is receiving manual manipulation treatments are exempted from this requirement. Non-physician practitioners (physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists) who provide services that would be physician services if furnished by a physician and who are operating within the scope of their statutory benefit are considered the physician treating the beneficiary for the purpose of this section.

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PART 415—SERVICES FURNISHED BY PHYSICIANS IN PROVIDERS, SUPERVISING PHYSICIANS IN TEACHING SETTINGS, AND RESIDENTS IN CERTAIN SETTINGS

B. Part 415 is amended as set forth below:

1. The authority citation for part 415 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 1102 and 1871 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302 and 1395hh).

2. In §415.152 the introductory text is republished, and the definition of

“approved graduate medical education (GME) program” is revised to read as follows:

§ 415.152 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

Approved graduate medical education (GME) program means one of the following:

(1) A residency program approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education of the American Medical Association, by the Committee on Hospitals of the Bureau of Professional Education of the American Osteopathic Association, by the Council on Dental Education of the American Dental Association, or by the Council on Podiatric Medicine Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association.

(2) A program otherwise recognized as an “approved medical residency program” under § 413.86(b) of this chapter.

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§ 415.174 [Amended]

3. In §415.174, in paragraph (a)(4)(iii), the phrase “system, diagnosis, or gender” is removed, and the phrase “system or diagnosis” is added in its place.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: June 21, 1996.

Bruce C. Vladeck,
Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

Dated: June 21, 1996.

Donna E. Shalala,
Secretary.

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865	02	* LG PA CITIES	PHILADELPHIA, PA	1.066	1.001	0.065	6.5 %
700	02	* MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	BOSTON, MA	1.108	1.048	0.060	5.7
1380	99	* REST OF OREGON	PORTLAND, OR	0.981	0.924	0.057	6.2
542	02	NE RURAL, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	0.952	0.055	5.8
542	13	KINGS/TULARE, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	0.955	0.052	5.4
951	13	CENTRAL WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.924	0.044	4.8
951	14	SOUTHWEST WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.924	0.044	4.8
951	12	NORTHWEST WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.925	0.043	4.6
621	13	SOUTHEAST IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.882	0.042	4.8
621	07	QUINCY, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.886	0.038	4.3
542	11	FRESNO/MADERA, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	0.971	0.036	3.7
951	36	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.932	0.036	3.9
621	14	SOUTHERN IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.889	0.035	3.9
10230	04	EASTERN CT	CONNECTICUT	1.106	1.072	0.034	3.2
10490	04	REST OF VA	VIRGINIA	0.944	0.912	0.032	3.5
900	04	WESTERN TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.893	0.031	3.5
1030	07	PRESCOTT, AZ	ARIZONA	0.995	0.964	0.031	3.2
510	06	REST OF AL	ALABAMA	0.932	0.902	0.030	3.3
1290	03	ELKO & ELY (CITIES), NV	NEVADA	1.010	0.980	0.030	3.1
542	10	MERCED/SURR.CNTYS, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	0.977	0.030	3.1
621	01	NORTHWEST, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.896	0.028	3.1
660	03	REST OF KENTUCKY	KENTUCKY	0.921	0.895	0.026	2.9
865	01	* PHILLY/PITT MED SCHLS/HOSPS, PA	PHILADELPHIA, PA	1.066	1.041	0.025	2.4
951	19	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.943	0.025	2.7
10490	03	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	VIRGINIA	0.944	0.920	0.024	2.6
630	03	REST OF IN	INDIANA	0.925	0.901	0.024	2.7
700	01	* URBAN MASS	BOSTON, MA	1.108	1.084	0.024	2.2
900	30	SAN ANGELO, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.900	0.024	2.7
951	54	JANESVILLE (S CNTRL), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.946	0.022	2.3
951	60	OSHKOSH (E CNTRL), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.946	0.022	2.3
1030	05	FLAGSTAFF, AZ	ARIZONA	0.995	0.973	0.022	2.3
16510	20	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	WEST VIRGINIA	0.919	0.898	0.021	2.3
865	04	REST OF PA	REST OF PENNSYLVANIA	0.951	0.930	0.021	2.3
900	19	MC ALLEN, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.904	0.020	2.2
900	10	BROWNSVILLE, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.905	0.019	2.1
1030	08	YUMA, AZ	ARIZONA	0.995	0.976	0.019	1.9
900	34	WICHITA FALLS, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.906	0.018	2.0
1040	04	REST OF GA	REST OF GEORGIA	0.935	0.917	0.018	2.0
900	33	LAREDO, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.907	0.017	1.9
951	40	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.951	0.017	1.8
860	03	SOUTHERN NJ	REST OF NEW JERSEY	1.051	1.035	0.016	1.5
10250	01	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	MISSISSIPPI	0.899	0.883	0.016	1.8
11260	01	* ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	ST. LOUIS, MO	0.984	0.968	0.016	1.7
590	01	REST OF FLORIDA	FLORIDA	0.984	0.969	0.015	1.5
900	29	ABILENE, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.909	0.015	1.7
1030	02	TUCSON, AZ	ARIZONA	0.995	0.980	0.015	1.5
10230	01	NW AND N. CNTRL CT	CONNECTICUT	1.106	1.092	0.014	1.3
11260	02	SM E. CITIES, MO	REST OF MISSOURI	0.911	0.897	0.014	1.6
630	02	URBAN IN	INDIANA	0.925	0.912	0.013	1.4
660	02	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	KENTUCKY	0.921	0.908	0.013	1.4
801	04	REST OF NEW YORK	REST OF NEW YORK	0.973	0.960	0.013	1.4
900	02	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.911	0.013	1.4
542	14	BAKERSFIELD, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	0.994	0.013	1.3
510	02	NORTH CENTRAL AL	ALABAMA	0.932	0.920	0.012	1.3
621	03	DE KALB, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.912	0.012	1.3
1290	99	REST OF NEVADA	NEVADA	1.010	0.998	0.012	1.2
11260	03	REST OF MO	REST OF MISSOURI	0.911	0.899	0.012	1.3
528	50	REST OF LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.915	0.011	1.2
510	03	SOUTHEAST AL	ALABAMA	0.932	0.922	0.010	1.1
621	04	ROCK ISLAND, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.914	0.010	1.1
5130	12	NORTH IDAHO	IDAHO	0.911	0.901	0.010	1.1
528	07	ALEXANDRIA, LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.917	0.009	1.0
900	08	TEXARKANA, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.915	0.009	1.0
901	02	WESTERN MD	REST OF MARYLAND	0.964	0.955	0.009	0.9
1380	99	* REST OF OREGON	REST OF OREGON	0.933	0.924	0.009	1.0
16510	19	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	WEST VIRGINIA	0.919	0.910	0.009	1.0
542	08	STOCKTON/SURR. CNTYS, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	0.998	0.009	0.9
650	01	REST OF KANSAS	KANSAS	0.945	0.936	0.009	1.0
528	05	MONROE, LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.918	0.008	0.9
16510	17	WHEELING, WV	WEST VIRGINIA	0.919	0.911	0.008	0.9
510	04	MOBILE, AL	ALABAMA	0.932	0.925	0.007	0.8
865	03	SM PA CITIES	REST OF PENNSYLVANIA	0.951	0.944	0.007	0.7

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621	11	DECATUR, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.918	0.006	0.7
801	01	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	REST OF NEW YORK	0.973	0.967	0.006	0.6
900	16	GRAYSON, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.918	0.006	0.7
1040	03	SMALL GA CITIES 03	REST OF GEORGIA	0.935	0.929	0.006	0.6
1390	03	E CNTRL & NE WA	REST OF WASHINGTON	0.962	0.956	0.006	0.6
528	06	LAFAYETTE, LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.921	0.005	0.5
900	17	LONGVIEW, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.921	0.003	0.3
900	03	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.922	0.002	0.2
900	22	WACO, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.923	0.001	0.1
21200	01	NORTHERN MAINE	REST OF MAINE	0.937	0.936	0.001	0.1
528	01	NEW ORLEANS, LA	NEW ORLEANS, LA	0.977	0.977	0.000	0.0
542	03	MARIN/NAPA/SOLANO, CA	MARIN/NAPA/SOLANO, CA	1.063	1.063	0.000	0.0
542	05	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	1.153	1.153	0.000	0.0
542	06	SAN MATEO, CA	SAN MATEO, CA	1.130	1.130	0.000	0.0
542	07	OAKLAND/BERKLEY, CA	OAKLAND/BERKLEY, CA	1.092	1.092	0.000	0.0
542	09	SANTA CLARA, CA	SANTA CLARA, CA	1.134	1.134	0.000	0.0
580	01	DC + MD/VA SUBURBS	DC + MD/VA SUBURBS	1.105	1.105	0.000	0.0
590	03	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	1.055	1.055	0.000	0.0
590	04	MIAMI, FL	MIAMI, FL	1.114	1.114	0.000	0.0
621	06	KANKAKEE, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.924	0.000	0.0
621	12	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	0.974	0.974	0.000	0.0
621	15	SUBURBAN CHICAGO, IL	SUBURBAN CHICAGO, IL	1.050	1.050	0.000	0.0
621	16	CHICAGO, IL	CHICAGO, IL	1.066	1.066	0.000	0.0
623	01	DETROIT, MI	DETROIT, MI	1.137	1.137	0.000	0.0
740	02	N K.C. (CLAY/PLATTE), MO	METROPOLITAN KANSAS CITY, MO	0.983	0.983	0.000	0.0
740	03	K.C. (JACKSON CNTY), MO	METROPOLITAN KANSAS CITY, MO	0.983	0.983	0.000	0.0
803	01	MANHATTAN, NY	MANHATTAN, NY	1.225	1.225	0.000	0.0
803	02	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	1.170	1.170	0.000	0.0
803	03	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	1.050	1.050	0.000	0.0
860	01	NORTHERN NJ	NORTHERN NJ	1.109	1.109	0.000	0.0
900	09	BRAZORIA, TX	BRAZORIA, TX	1.003	1.003	0.000	0.0
900	11	DALLAS, TX	DALLAS, TX	1.006	1.006	0.000	0.0
900	15	GALVESTON, TX	GALVESTON, TX	1.001	1.001	0.000	0.0
900	18	HOUSTON, TX	HOUSTON, TX	1.034	1.034	0.000	0.0
900	20	BEAUMONT, TX	BEAUMONT, TX	0.973	0.973	0.000	0.0
900	21	LUBBOCK, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.924	0.000	0.0
900	28	FORT WORTH, TX	FORT WORTH, TX	0.977	0.977	0.000	0.0
900	31	AUSTIN, TX	AUSTIN, TX	0.979	0.979	0.000	0.0
901	01	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS. MD	1.032	1.032	0.000	0.0
1040	01	ATLANTA, GA	ATLANTA, GA	1.011	1.011	0.000	0.0
1290	01	LAS VEGAS, ET AL. (CITIES), NV	NEVADA	1.010	1.010	0.000	0.0
1380	01	PORTLAND, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	PORTLAND, ET AL. (CITIES)	0.981	0.981	0.000	0.0
1390	02	SEATTLE (KING CNTY), WA	SEATTLE (KING CNTY), WA	1.023	1.023	0.000	0.0
2050	17	VENTURA, CA	VENTURA, CA	1.079	1.079	0.000	0.0
2050	18	LOS ANGELES (1ST OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	19	LOS ANGELES (2ND OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	20	LOS ANGELES (3RD OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	21	LOS ANGELES (4TH OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	22	LOS ANGELES (5TH OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	23	LOS ANGELES (6TH OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	24	LOS ANGELES (7TH OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	25	LOS ANGELES (8TH OF 8)	LOS ANGELES, CA	1.103	1.103	0.000	0.0
2050	26	ANAHEIM/SANTA ANA, CA	ANAHEIM/SANTA ANA, CA	1.092	1.092	0.000	0.0
14330	04	QUEENS, NY	QUEENS, NY	1.163	1.163	0.000	0.0
21200	03	SOUTHERN MAINE	SOUTHERN MAINE	0.992	0.992	0.000	0.0
623	02	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	REST OF MICHIGAN	1.012	1.013	-0.001	-0.1
21200	02	CENTRAL MAINE	REST OF MAINE	0.937	0.938	-0.001	-0.1
1380	03	SALEM, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	REST OF OREGON	0.933	0.934	-0.001	-0.1
621	08	NORMAL, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.926	-0.002	-0.2
740	06	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	REST OF MISSOURI	0.911	0.913	-0.002	-0.2
1380	02	EUGENE, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	REST OF OREGON	0.933	0.935	-0.002	-0.2
1290	02	RENO, ET AL. (CITIES), NV	NEVADA	1.010	1.013	-0.003	-0.3
621	10	CHAMPAIGN-URBANA, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.927	-0.003	-0.3
900	06	TEMPLE, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.927	-0.003	-0.3
1390	01	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	REST OF WASHINGTON	0.962	0.965	-0.003	-0.3
5130	11	SOUTH IDAHO	IDAHO	0.911	0.914	-0.003	-0.3
590	02	N/NC FL CITIES	REST OF FLORIDA	0.984	0.988	-0.004	-0.4
900	32	VICTORIA, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.928	-0.004	-0.4
900	26	AMARILLO, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.930	-0.006	-0.6
510	01	NORTHWEST AL	ALABAMA	0.932	0.939	-0.007	-0.7
1030	01	PHOENIX, AZ	ARIZONA	0.995	1.002	-0.007	-0.7

ADDENDUM A

1996 GEOGRAPHIC ADJUSTMENT FACTORS (GAFs) BY MEDICARE PAYMENT LOCALITY/LOCALITY PART FOR JANUARY 1, 1996 LOCALITIES AND PROPOSED OPTION, FEE SCHEDULE AREAS (FSAs) IN DESCENDING ORDER OF DIFFERENCE
(includes only multi-locality states)

Carrier Number	Locality Number	January 1, 1996 Locality (* indicates locality part)	Proposed Option	GAF		Percentage Point Difference	Percent Difference
				Proposed Option	Jan 1, 1996 Localities		
542	27	RIVERSIDE, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.014	-0.007	-0.7
700	02	* MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	REST OF MASSACHUSETTS	1.041	1.048	-0.007	-0.7
801	03	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	REST OF NEW YORK	0.973	0.981	-0.008	-0.8
528	02	SHREVEPORT, LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.935	-0.009	-1.0
740	01	ST JOSEPH, MO	REST OF MISSOURI	0.911	0.920	-0.009	-1.0
900	27	TYLER, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.933	-0.009	-1.0
901	03	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	REST OF MARYLAND	0.964	0.974	-0.010	-1.0
860	02	MIDDLE NJ	REST OF NEW JERSEY	1.051	1.062	-0.011	-1.0
542	01	N. COASTAL CNTYS, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.019	-0.012	-1.2
542	15	SAN BERNADINO/E.CTRL CNTYS CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.019	-0.012	-1.2
900	14	EL PASO, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.936	-0.012	-1.3
630	01	METROPOLITAN IN	INDIANA	0.925	0.938	-0.013	-1.4
1380	12	SW OR CITIES (CITY LIMITS)	REST OF OREGON	0.933	0.946	-0.013	-1.4
542	04	SACRAMENTO/SURR. CNTYS, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.020	-0.013	-1.3
10490	02	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS	VIRGINIA	0.944	0.958	-0.014	-1.5
621	05	PEORIA, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.938	-0.014	-1.5
10250	02	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	MISSISSIPPI	0.899	0.913	-0.014	-1.5
528	04	LAKE CHARLES, LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.941	-0.015	-1.6
2050	28	SAN DIEGO/IMPERIAL, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.022	-0.015	-1.5
1040	02	SMALL GA CITIES 02	REST OF GEORGIA	0.935	0.951	-0.016	-1.7
900	24	CORPUS CHRISTI, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.941	-0.017	-1.8
10230	03	S. CNTRL CT	CONNECTICUT	1.106	1.123	-0.017	-1.5
951	46	MILWAUKEE SUBURBS (SE), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.985	-0.017	-1.7
528	03	BATON ROUGE, LA	REST OF LOUISIANA	0.926	0.944	-0.018	-1.9
16510	18	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	WEST VIRGINIA	0.919	0.937	-0.018	-1.9
900	25	ORANGE, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.944	-0.020	-2.1
900	13	ODESSA, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.946	-0.022	-2.3
900	23	MIDLAND, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.946	-0.022	-2.3
16510	16	CHARLESTON, WV	WEST VIRGINIA	0.919	0.941	-0.022	-2.3
801	02	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	REST OF NEW YORK	0.973	0.995	-0.022	-2.2
510	05	BIRMINGHAM, AL	ALABAMA	0.932	0.957	-0.025	-2.6
660	01	LEXINGTON & LOUISVILLE, KY	KENTUCKY	0.921	0.946	-0.025	-2.6
900	07	SAN ANTONIO, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.949	-0.025	-2.6
10490	01	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	VIRGINIA	0.944	0.975	-0.031	-3.2
621	02	ROCKFORD, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.955	-0.031	-3.2
900	12	DENTON, TX	REST OF TEXAS	0.924	0.955	-0.031	-3.2
951	04	MILWAUKEE, WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	0.999	-0.031	-3.1
951	15	MADISON (DANE CNTY), WI	WISCONSIN	0.968	1.002	-0.034	-3.4
2050	16	SANTA BARBARA, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.042	-0.035	-3.4
621	09	SPRINGFIELD, IL	REST OF ILLINOIS	0.924	0.961	-0.037	-3.9
10230	02	SW CT	CONNECTICUT	1.106	1.143	-0.037	-3.2
740	04	SUBURBAN KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	KANSAS	0.945	0.982	-0.037	-3.8
740	05	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	KANSAS	0.945	0.982	-0.037	-3.8
542	12	MONTEREY/SANTA CRUZ, CA	REST OF CALIFORNIA	1.007	1.044	-0.037	-3.5
700	01	* URBAN MASS	REST OF MASSACHUSETTS	1.041	1.084	-0.043	-4.0
865	02	* LG PA CITIES	REST OF PENNSYLVANIA	0.951	1.001	-0.050	-5.0
11260	01	* ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	REST OF MISSOURI	0.911	0.968	-0.057	-5.9
865	01	* PHILLY/PITT MED SHCLS/HOSPS, PA	REST OF PENNSYLVANIA	0.951	1.041	-0.090	-8.6

* Locality part

SOURCE: Health Economics Research, Inc.

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State	County	January 1, 1996 Locality Name	Locality Number		GAF	
			1/1/96	Proposed Option	1/1/96 Localities	Policy Option Basic
ALABAMA	Autauga	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Baldwin	MOBILE, AL	04	99	0.925	0.932
	Barbour	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Bibb	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Blount	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Bullock	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Butler	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Calhoun	NORTH CENTRAL AL	02	99	0.920	0.932
	Chambers	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Cherokee	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Chilton	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Choctaw	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Clarke	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Clay	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Cleburne	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Coffee	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Colbert	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Conecuh	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Coosa	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Covington	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Crenshaw	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Cullman	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Dale	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Dallas	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	DeKalb	NORTH CENTRAL AL	02	99	0.920	0.932
	Elmore	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Escambia	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Etowah	NORTH CENTRAL AL	02	99	0.920	0.932
	Fayette	NORTH CENTRAL AL	02	99	0.920	0.932
	Franklin	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Geneva	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Greene	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Hale	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Henry	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Houston	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Jackson	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Jefferson	BIRMINGHAM, AL	05	99	0.957	0.932
	Lamar	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Lauderdale	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Lawrence	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Lee	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Limestone	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Lowndes	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Macon	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Madison	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Marengo	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Marion	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Marshall	NORTH CENTRAL AL	02	99	0.920	0.932
	Mobile	MOBILE, AL	04	99	0.925	0.932
	Monroe	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Montgomery	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Morgan	NORTHWEST AL	01	99	0.939	0.932
	Perry	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Pickens	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Pike	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Randolph	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Russell	SOUTHEAST AL	03	99	0.922	0.932
	Shelby	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	St. Clair	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Sumter	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Talladega	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Tallapoosa	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Tuscaloosa	NORTH CENTRAL AL	02	99	0.920	0.932
	Walker	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Washington	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Wilcox	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
	Winston	REST OF AL	06	99	0.902	0.932
ALASKA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	01	01	1.128	1.128

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State	County	January 1, 1996 Locality Name	Locality Number		GAF	
			1/1/96	Proposed Option	1/1/96 Localities	Policy Option Basic
ARIZONA	Apache	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Cochise	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	* Coconino	FLAGSTAFF, AZ	05	99	0.973	0.995
	* Coconino	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Gila	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Graham	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Greenlee	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	* Maricopa	PHOENIX, AZ	01	99	1.002	0.995
	* Maricopa	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Mohave	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Navajo	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	* Pima	TUCSON, AZ	02	99	0.980	0.995
	* Pima	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Pinal	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	Santa Cruz	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	* Yavapai	PRESCOTT, AZ	07	99	0.964	0.995
	* Yavapai	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
	* Yuma	YUMA, AZ	08	99	0.976	0.995
	* Yuma	REST OF AZ	99	99	0.988	0.995
ARKANSAS	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	13	13	0.887	0.887
CALIFORNIA	Alameda	OAKLAND/BERKELEY, CA	07	07	1.092	1.092
	Alpine	STOCKTON/SURR. CNTYS, CA	08	99	0.998	1.007
	Amador	STOCKTON/SURR. CNTYS, CA	08	99	0.998	1.007
	Butte	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Calaveras	STOCKTON/SURR. CNTYS, CA	08	99	0.998	1.007
	Colusa	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Contra Costa	OAKLAND/BERKELEY, CA	07	07	1.092	1.092
	Del Norte	N. COASTAL CNTYS, CA	01	99	1.019	1.007
	El Dorado	SACRAMENTO/SURR. CNTYS, CA	04	99	1.020	1.007
	Fresno	FRESNO/MADERA, CA	11	99	0.971	1.007
	Glenn	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Humboldt	N. COASTAL CNTYS, CA	01	99	1.019	1.007
	Imperial	SAN DIEGO/IMPERIAL, CA	28	99	1.022	1.007
	Inyo	SAN BERNADINO/E.CTRL CNTYS CA	15	99	1.019	1.007
	Kern	BAKERSFIELD, CA	14	99	0.994	1.007
	Kings	KINGS/TULARE, CA	13	99	0.955	1.007
	Lake	N. COASTAL CNTYS, CA	01	99	1.019	1.007
	Lassen	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Los Angeles	LOS ANGELES	18-25	18	1.103	1.103
	Madera	FRESNO/MADERA, CA	11	99	0.971	1.007
	Marin	MARIN/NAPA/SOLANO, CA	03	03	1.063	1.063
	Mariposa	MERCED/SURR.CNTYS, CA	10	99	0.977	1.007
	Mendocino	N. COASTAL CNTYS, CA	01	99	1.019	1.007
	Merced	MERCED/SURR.CNTYS, CA	10	99	0.977	1.007
	Modoc	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Mono	SAN BERNADINO/E.CTRL CNTYS CA	15	99	1.019	1.007
	Monterey	MONTEREY/SANTA CRUZ, CA	12	99	1.044	1.007
	Napa	MARIN/NAPA/SOLANO, CA	03	03	1.063	1.063
	Nevada	SACRAMENTO/SURR. CNTYS, CA	04	99	1.020	1.007
	Orange	ANAHEIM/SANTA ANA, CA	26	26	1.092	1.092
	Placer	SACRAMENTO/SURR. CNTYS, CA	04	99	1.020	1.007
	Plumas	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Riverside	RIVERSIDE, CA	27	99	1.014	1.007
	Sacramento	SACRAMENTO/SURR. CNTYS, CA	04	99	1.020	1.007
	San Benito	MONTEREY/SANTA CRUZ, CA	12	99	1.044	1.007
	San Bernardino	SAN BERNADINO/E.CTRL CNTYS CA	15	99	1.019	1.007
	San Diego	SAN DIEGO/IMPERIAL, CA	28	99	1.022	1.007
	San Francisco	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	05	05	1.153	1.153
	San Joaquin	STOCKTON/SURR. CNTYS, CA	08	99	0.998	1.007
	San Luis Obispo	SANTA BARBARA, CA	16	99	1.042	1.007
	San Mateo	SAN MATEO, CA	06	06	1.130	1.130
	Santa Barbara	SANTA BARBARA, CA	16	99	1.042	1.007
	Santa Clara	SANTA CLARA, CA	09	09	1.134	1.134
	Santa Cruz	MONTEREY/SANTA CRUZ, CA	12	99	1.044	1.007
	Shasta	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Sierra	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Siskiyou	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Solano	MARIN/NAPA/SOLANO, CA	03	03	1.063	1.063

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	Sonoma	N. COASTAL CNTYS, CA	01	99	1.019	1.007
	Stanislaus	MERCED/SURR. CNTYS, CA	10	99	0.977	1.007
	Sutter	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Tehama	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Trinity	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
	Tulare	KINGS/TULARE, CA	13	99	0.955	1.007
	Tuolumne	STOCKTON/SURR. CNTYS, CA	08	99	0.998	1.007
	Ventura	VENTURA, CA	17	17	1.079	1.079
	Yolo	SACRAMENTO/SURR. CNTYS, CA	04	99	1.020	1.007
	Yuba	NE RURAL, CA	02	99	0.952	1.007
COLORADO	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.966	0.966
CONNECTICUT	* Fairfield	SW CT	02	99	1.143	1.106
	* Fairfield	S. CNTRL CT	03	99	1.123	1.106
	Hartford	NW AND N. CNTRL CT	01	99	1.092	1.106
	* Litchfield	NW AND N. CNTRL CT	01	99	1.092	1.106
	* Litchfield	SW CT	02	99	1.143	1.106
	Middlesex	EASTERN CT	04	99	1.072	1.106
	* New Haven	NW AND N. CNTRL CT	01	99	1.092	1.106
	* New Haven	S. CNTRL CT	03	99	1.123	1.106
	* New London	NW AND N. CNTRL CT	01	99	1.092	1.106
	* New London	EASTERN CT	04	99	1.072	1.106
	* Tolland	NW AND N. CNTRL CT	01	99	1.092	1.106
	* Tolland	EASTERN CT	04	99	1.072	1.106
	Windham	EASTERN CT	04	99	1.072	1.106
DELAWARE	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	01	01	1.015	1.015
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Alexandria City	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	Arlington	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	District of Columbia	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	Fairfax	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	Fairfax City	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	Falls Church City	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	Montgomery	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
	Prince George's	DC +MD/VA SUBURBS	01	01	1.105	1.105
FLORIDA	Alachua	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Baker	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Bay	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Bradford	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Brevard	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Broward	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Calhoun	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Charlotte	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Citrus	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Clay	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Collier	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Columbia	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Dade	MIAMI, FL	04	04	1.114	1.114
	DeSoto	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Dixie	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Duval	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Escambia	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Flagler	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Franklin	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Gadsden	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Gilchrist	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Glades	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Gulf	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Hamilton	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Hardee	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Hendry	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Hernando	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Highlands	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Hillsborough	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Holmes	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Indian River	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Jackson	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984

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FLORIDA	Jefferson	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Lafayette	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Lake	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Lee	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Leon	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Levy	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Liberty	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Madison	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Manatee	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Marion	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Martin	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Monroe	MIAMI, FL	04	04	1.114	1.114
	Nassau	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Okaloosa	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Okeechobee	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Orange	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Osceola	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Palm Beach	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Pasco	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Pinellas	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Polk	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Putnam	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Santa Rosa	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Sarasota	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Seminole	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	St. Johns	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	St. Lucie	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	03	03	1.055	1.055
	Sumter	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Suwannee	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Taylor	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Union	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Volusia	N/NC FL CITIES	02	99	0.988	0.984
	Wakulla	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Walton	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
	Washington	REST OF FLORIDA	01	99	0.969	0.984
GEORGIA	Appling	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Atkinson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Bacon	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Baker	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Baldwin	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Banks	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Barrow	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Bartow	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Ben Hill	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Berrien	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Bibb	SMALL GA CITIES 02	02	99	0.951	0.935
	Bleckley	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Brantley	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Brooks	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Bryan	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Bulloch	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Burke	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Butts	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Calhoun	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Camden	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Candler	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Carroll	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Catoosa	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Charlton	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Chatham	SMALL GA CITIES 02	02	99	0.951	0.935
	Chattahoochee	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Chattooga	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Cherokee	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Clarke	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Clay	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Clayton	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Clinch	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Cobb	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Coffee	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935

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	Colquitt	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Columbia	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Cook	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Coweta	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Crawford	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Crisp	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Dade	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Dawson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	DeKalb	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Decatur	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Dodge	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Dooly	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Dougherty	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Douglas	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Early	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Echols	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Effingham	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Elbert	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Emanuel	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Evans	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Fannin	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Fayette	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Floyd	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Forsyth	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Franklin	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Fulton	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Gilmer	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Glascock	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Glynn	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Gordon	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Grady	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Greene	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Gwinnett	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Habersham	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Hall	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Hancock	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Haralson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Harris	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Hart	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Heard	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Henry	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Houston	SMALL GA CITIES 02	02	99	0.951	0.935
	Irwin	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Jackson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Jasper	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Jeff Davis	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Jefferson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Jenkins	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Johnson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Jones	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Lamar	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Lanier	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Laurens	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Lee	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Liberty	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Lincoln	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Long	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Lowndes	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Lumpkin	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Macon	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Madison	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Marion	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	McDuffie	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	McIntosh	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Meriwether	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Miller	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Mitchell	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Monroe	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Montgomery	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Morgan	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935

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GA	Murray	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Muscogee	SMALL GA CITIES 02	02	99	0.951	0.935
	Newton	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Oconee	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Oglethorpe	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Paulding	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Peach	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Pickens	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Pierce	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Pike	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Polk	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Pulaski	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Putnam	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Quitman	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Rabun	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Randolph	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Richmond	SMALL GA CITIES 02	02	99	0.951	0.935
	Rockdale	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Schley	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Screven	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Seminole	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Spalding	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Stephens	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Stewart	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Sumter	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Talbot	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Taliaferro	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Tattnall	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Taylor	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Telfair	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Terrell	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Thomas	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Tift	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Toombs	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Towns	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Treutlen	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Troup	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Turner	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Twiggs	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Union	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Upson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Walker	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Walton	ATLANTA, GA	01	01	1.011	1.011
	Ware	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Warren	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Washington	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Wayne	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Webster	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Wheeler	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	White	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Whitfield	SMALL GA CITIES 03	03	99	0.929	0.935
	Wilcox	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Wilkes	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Wilkinson	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
	Worth	REST OF GA	04	99	0.917	0.935
HAWAII/GUAM	STATEWIDE	HAWAII/GUAM	01	01	1.086	1.086
IDAHO	Ada	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Adams	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Bannock	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Bear Lake	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Benewah	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Bingham	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Blaine	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Boise	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Bonner	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Bonneville	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Boundary	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Butte	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911

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IDAHO	Camas	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Canyon	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Caribou	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Cassia	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Clark	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Cleanwater	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Custer	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Elmore	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Franklin	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Fremont	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Gem	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Gooding	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Idaho	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Jefferson	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Jerome	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Kootenai	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Latah	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Lemhi	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Lewis	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Lincoln	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Madison	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Minidoka	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Nez Perce	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Oneida	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Owyhee	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Payette	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Power	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Shoshone	NORTH IDAHO	12	99	0.901	0.911
	Teton	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Twin Falls	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Valley	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
	Washington	SOUTH IDAHO	11	99	0.914	0.911
ILLINOIS	Adams	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Alexander	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Bond	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Boone	ROCKFORD, IL	02	99	0.955	0.924
	Brown	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Bureau	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Calhoun	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Carroll	NORTHWEST, IL	01	99	0.896	0.924
	Cass	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Champaign	CHAMPAIGN-URBANA, IL	10	99	0.927	0.924
	Christian	SPRINGFIELD, IL	09	99	0.961	0.924
	Clark	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	Clay	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Clinton	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Coles	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	Cook	CHICAGO, IL	16	16	1.066	1.066
	Crawford	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Cumberland	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	De Witt	NORMAL, IL	08	99	0.926	0.924
	DeKalb	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Douglas	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	DuPage	SUBURBAN CHICAGO, IL	15	15	1.050	1.050
	Edgar	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	Edwards	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Effingham	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Fayette	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Ford	KANKAKEE, IL	06	99	0.924	0.924
	Franklin	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Fulton	NORMAL, IL	08	99	0.926	0.924
	Gallatin	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Greene	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Grundy	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Hamilton	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Hancock	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Hardin	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Henderson	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924
	Henry	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924

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INDIANA	Iroquois	KANKAKEE, IL	06	99	0.924	0.924
	Jackson	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Jasper	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Jefferson	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Jersey	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Jo Daviess	NORTHWEST, IL	01	99	0.896	0.924
	Johnson	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Kane	SUBURBAN CHICAGO, IL	15	15	1.050	1.050
	Kankakee	KANKAKEE, IL	06	99	0.924	0.924
	Kendall	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Knox	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924
	La Salle	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Lake	SUBURBAN CHICAGO, IL	15	15	1.050	1.050
	Lawrence	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Lee	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Livingston	KANKAKEE, IL	06	99	0.924	0.924
	Logan	NORMAL, IL	08	99	0.926	0.924
	Macon	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	Macoupin	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Madison	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Marion	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Marshall	PEORIA, IL	05	99	0.938	0.924
	Mason	NORMAL, IL	08	99	0.926	0.924
	Massac	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	McDonough	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	McHenry	ROCKFORD, IL	02	99	0.955	0.924
	McLean	NORMAL, IL	08	99	0.926	0.924
	Menard	SPRINGFIELD, IL	09	99	0.961	0.924
	Mercer	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924
	Monroe	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Montgomery	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Morgan	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Moultrie	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	Ogle	NORTHWEST, IL	01	99	0.896	0.924
	Peoria	PEORIA, IL	05	99	0.938	0.924
	Perry	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Piatt	CHAMPAIGN-URBANA, IL	10	99	0.927	0.924
	Pike	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Pope	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Pulaski	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Putnam	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Randolph	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Richland	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Rock Island	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924
	Saline	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Sangamon	SPRINGFIELD, IL	09	99	0.961	0.924
	Schuyler	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Scott	QUINCY, IL	07	99	0.886	0.924
	Shelby	DECATUR, IL	11	99	0.918	0.924
	St. Clair	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Stark	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924
	Stephenson	NORTHWEST, IL	01	99	0.896	0.924
	Tazewell	NORMAL, IL	08	99	0.926	0.924
	Union	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Vermilion	CHAMPAIGN-URBANA, IL	10	99	0.927	0.924
	Wabash	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Warren	ROCK ISLAND, IL	04	99	0.914	0.924
	Washington	EAST ST. LOUIS, IL	12	12	0.974	0.974
	Wayne	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	White	SOUTHEAST IL	13	99	0.882	0.924
	Whiteside	DE KALB, IL	03	99	0.912	0.924
	Will	SUBURBAN CHICAGO, IL	15	15	1.050	1.050
	Williamson	SOUTHERN IL	14	99	0.889	0.924
	Winnebago	ROCKFORD, IL	02	99	0.955	0.924
	Woodford	PEORIA, IL	05	99	0.938	0.924
INDIANA	Adams	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Allen	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Bartholomew	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Benton	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925

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			1/1/96	Proposed Option	1/1/96 Localities	Policy Option Basic
	Blackford	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Boone	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Brown	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Carroll	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Cass	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Clark	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Clay	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Clinton	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Crawford	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Daviess	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	De Kalb	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Dearborn	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Decatur	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Delaware	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Dubois	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Elkhart	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Fayette	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Floyd	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Fountain	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Franklin	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Fulton	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Gibson	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Grant	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Greene	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Hamilton	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Hancock	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Harrison	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Hendricks	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Henry	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Howard	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Huntington	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Jackson	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Jasper	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Jay	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Jefferson	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Jennings	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Johnson	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Knox	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Kosciusko	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	La Porte	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Lagrange	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Lake	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Lawrence	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Madison	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Marion	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Marshall	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Martin	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Miami	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Monroe	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Montgomery	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Morgan	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Newton	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Noble	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Ohio	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Orange	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Owen	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Parke	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Perry	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Pike	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Porter	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Posey	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Pulaski	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Putnam	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Randolph	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Ripley	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Rush	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Scott	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Shelby	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Spencer	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	St. Joseph	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925

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State	County	January 1, 1996 Locality Name	Locality Number		GAF	
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IOWA	Starke	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Steuben	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Sullivan	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Switzerland	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Tippecanoe	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Tipton	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Union	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Vanderburgh	METROPOLITAN IN	01	99	0.938	0.925
	Vermillion	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Vigo	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Wabash	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Warren	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Warrick	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Washington	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Wayne	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	Wells	URBAN IN	02	99	0.912	0.925
	White	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	Whitley	REST OF IN	03	99	0.901	0.925
	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.912	0.912
KANSAS	Allen	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Anderson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Atchison	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Barber	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Barton	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Bourbon	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Brown	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Butler	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Chase	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Chautauqua	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Cherokee	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Cheyenne	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Clark	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Clay	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Cloud	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Coffey	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Comanche	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Cowley	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Crawford	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Decatur	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Dickinson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Doniphan	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Douglas	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Edwards	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Elk	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Ellis	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Ellsworth	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Finney	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Ford	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Franklin	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Geary	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Gove	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Graham	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Grant	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Gray	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Greeley	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Greenwood	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Hamilton	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Harper	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Harvey	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Haskell	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Hodgeman	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Jackson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Jefferson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Jewell	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Johnson	SUBURBAN KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	04	99	0.982	0.945
	Kearny	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Kingman	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Kiowa	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945

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KANSAS	Labette	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Lane	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Leavenworth	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Lincoln	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Linn	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Logan	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Lyon	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Marion	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Marshall	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	McPherson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Meade	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Miami	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Mitchell	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Montgomery	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Morris	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Morton	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Nemaha	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Neosho	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Ness	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Norton	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Osage	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Osborne	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Ottawa	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Pawnee	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Phillips	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Pottawatomie	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Pratt	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Rawlins	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Reno	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Republic	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Rice	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Riley	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Rooks	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Rush	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Russell	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Saline	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Scott	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Sedgwick	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Seward	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Shawnee	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Sheridan	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Sherman	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Smith	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Stafford	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Stanton	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Stevens	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Sumner	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Thomas	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Trego	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Wabaunsee	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Wallace	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Washington	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Wichita	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Wilson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Woodson	REST OF KANSAS	01	99	0.936	0.945
	Wyandotte	KANSAS CITY, KANSAS	05	99	0.982	0.945
KENTUCKY	Adair	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Allen	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Anderson	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Anderson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Ballard	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Barren	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Barren	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Bath	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Bell	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Bell	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Boone	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Boone	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Bourbon	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921

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	* Bourbon	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Boyd	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Boyd	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Boyle	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Boyle	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Bracken	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Breathitt	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Breckinridge	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Bullitt	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Bullitt	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Butler	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Caldwell	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Calloway	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Calloway	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Campbell	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Campbell	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Carlisle	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Carroll	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Carter	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Carter	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Casey	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Christian	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Christian	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Clark	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Clark	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Clay	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Clinton	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Crittenden	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Cumberland	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Daviess	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Daviess	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Edmonson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Elliott	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Estill	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Fayette	LEXINGTON & LOUISVILLE, KY	01	99	0.946	0.921
	Fleming	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Floyd	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Floyd	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Franklin	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Franklin	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Fulton	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Gallatin	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Garrard	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Garrard	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Grant	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Graves	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Graves	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Grayson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Green	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Greenup	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Greenup	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Hancock	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Hardin	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Hardin	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Harlan	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Harlan	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Harrison	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Hart	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Henderson	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Henderson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Henry	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Hickman	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Hopkins	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Hopkins	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Jackson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Jefferson	LEXINGTON & LOUISVILLE, KY	01	99	0.946	0.921
	* Jefferson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Jessamine	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Jessamine	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Johnson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921

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	* Kenton	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Kenton	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Knott	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Knox	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Larue	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Laurel	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Lawrence	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Lawrence	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Lee	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Leslie	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Letcher	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Letcher	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Lewis	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Lincoln	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Lincoln	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Livingston	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Logan	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Lyon	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Madison	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Madison	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Magoffin	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Marion	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Marshall	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Martin	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Mason	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* McCracken	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* McCracken	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	McCreary	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	McLean	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Meade	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Menifee	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Mercer	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Metcalfe	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Monroe	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Montgomery	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Montgomery	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Morgan	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Muhlenberg	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Nelson	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Nelson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Nicholas	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Nicholas	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Ohio	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Oldham	LEXINGTON & LOUISVILLE, KY	01	99	0.946	0.921
	* Oldham	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Owen	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Owsley	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Pendleton	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Perry	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Perry	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Pike	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Pike	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Powell	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Powell	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Pulaski	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Robertson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Rockcastle	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Rowan	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Rowan	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Russell	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Scott	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Scott	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Shelby	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Shelby	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Simpson	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Spencer	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Taylor	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Todd	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Todd	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Trigg	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921

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KENTUCKY	Trimble	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Union	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Union	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Warren	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Warren	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Washington	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Wayne	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Webster	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Whitley	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	Wolfe	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
	* Woodford	SM CITIES (CITY LIMITS) KY	02	99	0.908	0.921
	* Woodford	REST OF KENTUCKY	03	99	0.895	0.921
LOUISIANA	Acadia	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Allen	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Ascension	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Assumption	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Avoyelles	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Beauregard	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Bienville	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Bossier	SHREVEPORT, LA	02	99	0.935	0.926
	Caddo	SHREVEPORT, LA	02	99	0.935	0.926
	Calcasieu	LAKE CHARLES, LA	04	99	0.941	0.926
	Caldwell	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Cameron	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Catahoula	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Claiborne	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Concordia	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	De Soto	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	East Baton Rouge	BATON ROUGE, LA	03	99	0.944	0.926
	East Carroll	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	East Feliciana	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Evangeline	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Franklin	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Grant	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Iberia	LAFAYETTE, LA	06	99	0.921	0.926
	Iberville	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Jackson	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Jefferson	NEW ORLEANS, LA	01	01	0.977	0.977
	Jefferson Davis	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	La Salle	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Lafayette	LAFAYETTE, LA	06	99	0.921	0.926
	Lafourche	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Lincoln	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Livingston	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Madison	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Morehouse	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Natchitoches	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Orleans	NEW ORLEANS, LA	01	01	0.977	0.977
	Ouachita	MONROE, LA	05	99	0.918	0.926
	Plaquemines	NEW ORLEANS, LA	01	01	0.977	0.977
	Pointe Coupee	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Rapides	ALEXANDRIA, LA	07	99	0.917	0.926
	Red River	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Richland	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Sabine	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. Bernard	NEW ORLEANS, LA	01	01	0.977	0.977
	St. Charles	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. Helena	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. James	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. John the Baptist	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. Landry	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. Martin	LAFAYETTE, LA	06	99	0.921	0.926
	St. Mary	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	St. Tammany	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Tangipahoa	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Tensas	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Terrebonne	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Union	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Vermilion	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926

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MAINE	Vernon	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Washington	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Webster	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	West Baton Rouge	BATON ROUGE, LA	03	99	0.944	0.926
	West Carroll	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	West Feliciana	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Winn	REST OF LA	50	99	0.915	0.926
	Androscoggin	CENTRAL MAINE	02	99	0.938	0.937
	Aroostook	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Cumberland	SOUTHERN MAINE	03	03	0.992	0.992
	Franklin	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Hancock	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Kennebec	CENTRAL MAINE	02	99	0.938	0.937
	Knox	CENTRAL MAINE	02	99	0.938	0.937
	Lincoln	CENTRAL MAINE	02	99	0.938	0.937
	Oxford	CENTRAL MAINE	02	99	0.938	0.937
	Penobscot	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Piscataquis	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Sagadahoc	CENTRAL MAINE	02	99	0.938	0.937
	Somerset	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Waldo	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	Washington	NORTHERN MAINE	01	99	0.936	0.937
	York	SOUTHERN MAINE	03	03	0.992	0.992
MARYLAND	Allegany	WESTERN MD	02	99	0.955	0.964
	Anne Arundel	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	01	01	1.032	1.032
	Baltimore	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	01	01	1.032	1.032
	Baltimore City	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	01	01	1.032	1.032
	Calvert	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Caroline	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Carroll	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	01	01	1.032	1.032
	Cecil	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Charles	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Dorchester	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Frederick	WESTERN MD	02	99	0.955	0.964
	Garrett	WESTERN MD	02	99	0.955	0.964
	Harford	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	01	01	1.032	1.032
	Howard	BALTIMORE/SURR. CNTYS, MD	01	01	1.032	1.032
	Kent	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Queen Anne's	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Somerset	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	St. Mary's	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Talbot	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Washington	WESTERN MD	02	99	0.955	0.964
	Wicomico	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
	Worcester	SOUTH & E. SHORE MD	03	99	0.974	0.964
MASSACHUSETTS	Barnstable	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Berkshire	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Berkshire	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Bristol	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Bristol	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	Dukes	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Essex	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Essex	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	Franklin	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Hampden	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Hampden	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Hampshire	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Hampshire	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Middlesex	URBAN MASS	01	01	1.084	1.108
	* Middlesex	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	01	1.048	1.108
	Nantucket	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	* Norfolk	URBAN MASS	01	01	1.084	1.108
	* Norfolk	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	01	1.048	1.108
	* Plymouth	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Plymouth	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041
	Suffolk	URBAN MASS	01	01	1.084	1.108
	* Worcester	URBAN MASS	01	99	1.084	1.041
	* Worcester	MASS SUBURBS/RURAL CITIES	02	99	1.048	1.041

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MICHIGAN†	Alcona	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Alger	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Allegan	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Alpena	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Antrim	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Arenac	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Baraga	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Barry	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Bay	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Benzie	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Berrien	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Branch	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Calhoun	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Cass	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Charlevoix	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Cheboygan	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Chippewa	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Clare	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Clinton	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Crawford	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Delta	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Dickinson	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Eaton	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Emmet	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Genesee	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Gladwin	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Gogebic	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Grand Traverse	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Gratiot	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Hillsdale	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Houghton	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Huron	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Ingham	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Ionia	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Iosco	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Iron	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Isabella	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Jackson	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Kalamazoo	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Kalkaska	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Kent	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Keweenaw	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Lake	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Lapeer	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Leelanau	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Lenawee	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Livingston	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Luce	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Mackinac	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Macomb	DETROIT, MI	01	01	1.137	1.137
	Manistee	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Marquette	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Mason	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Mecosta	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Menominee	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Midland	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Missaukee	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Monroe	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Montcalm	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Montmorency	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Muskegon	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Newaygo	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Oakland	DETROIT, MI	01	01	1.137	1.137
	Oceana	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Ogemaw	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Ontonagon	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Osceola	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Oscoda	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Otsego	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012

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MINNESOTA	Ottawa	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Presque Isle	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Roscommon	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Saginaw	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Sanilac	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Schoolcraft	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Shiawassee	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	St. Clair	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	St. Joseph	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Tuscola	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Van Buren	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
	Washtenaw	DETROIT, MI	01	01	1.137	1.137
	Wayne	DETROIT, MI	01	01	1.137	1.137
	Wexford	MICHIGAN, NOT DETROIT	02	99	1.013	1.012
MINNESOTA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.961	0.961
MISSISSIPPI	Adams	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Alcorn	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Amite	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Attala	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Benton	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Bolivar	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Calhoun	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Carroll	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Chickasaw	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Choctaw	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Claiborne	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Clarke	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Clay	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Coahoma	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Copiah	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Covington	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	DeSoto	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Forrest	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Forrest	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	Franklin	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	George	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Greene	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Grenada	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Hancock	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Hancock	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	* Harrison	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Harrison	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	* Hinds	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Hinds	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	Holmes	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Humphreys	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Issaquena	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Itawamba	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Jackson	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Jackson	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	Jasper	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Jefferson	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Jefferson Davis	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Jones	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Kemper	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Lafayette	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Lamar	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Lauderdale	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Lauderdale	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	Lawrence	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Leake	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Lee	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Lee	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	Leflore	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Lincoln	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Lowndes	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Madison	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Marion	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899

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MISSISSIPPI	Marshall	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Monroe	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Montgomery	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Neshoba	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Newton	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Noxubee	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Oktibbeha	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Panola	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Pearl River	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Perry	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Pike	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Pontotoc	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Prentiss	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Quitman	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Rankin	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	* Rankin	URBAN MISSISSIPPI	02	99	0.913	0.899
	Scott	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Sharkey	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Simpson	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Smith	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Stone	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Sunflower	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Tallahatchie	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Tate	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Tippah	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Tishomingo	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Tunica	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Union	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Walthall	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Warren	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Washington	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Wayne	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Webster	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Wilkinson	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Winston	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Yalobusha	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
	Yazoo	REST OF MISSISSIPPI	01	99	0.883	0.899
MISSOURI	* Adair	SM E. CITIES, MO	02	99	0.897	0.911
	* Adair	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Andrew	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Atchison	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Audrain	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Barry	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Barton	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Bates	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Benton	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Bollinger	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	* Boone	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	99	0.968	0.911
	* Boone	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Buchanan	ST JOSEPH, MO	01	99	0.920	0.911
	* Butler	SM E. CITIES, MO	02	99	0.897	0.911
	* Butler	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Caldwell	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Callaway	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Camden	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	* Cape Girardeau	SM E. CITIES, MO	02	99	0.897	0.911
	* Cape Girardeau	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Carroll	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Carter	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Cass	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Cedar	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Chariton	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Christian	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Clark	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Clay	N K.C. (CLAY/PLATTE), MO	02	01	0.983	0.983
	Clinton	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	* Cole	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	99	0.968	0.911
	* Cole	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Cooper	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911

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	Crawford	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Dade	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Dallas	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Daviess	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	DeKalb	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Dent	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Douglas	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Dunklin	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Franklin	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Gasconade	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Gentry	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	* Greene	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	99	0.968	0.911
	* Greene	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Grundy	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Harrison	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Henry	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Hickory	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Holt	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Howard	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Howell	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Iron	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Jackson	K.C. (JACKSON CNTY), MO	03	01	0.983	0.983
	* Jasper	SM E. CITIES, MO	02	99	0.897	0.911
	* Jasper	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Jefferson	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	02	0.968	0.984
	Johnson	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Knox	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Laclede	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Lafayette	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Lawrence	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Lewis	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Lincoln	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Linn	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Livingston	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Macon	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Madison	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Maries	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	* Marion	SM E. CITIES, MO	02	99	0.897	0.911
	* Marion	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	McDonald	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Mercer	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Miller	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Mississippi	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Moniteau	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Monroe	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Montgomery	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Morgan	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	New Madrid	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Newton	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Nodaway	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Oregon	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Osage	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Ozark	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Pemiscot	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Perry	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Pettis	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Phelps	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Pike	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Platte	N K.C. (CLAY/PLATTE), MO	02	01	0.983	0.983
	Polk	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Pulaski	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Putnam	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Ralls	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Randolph	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Ray	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Reynolds	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Ripley	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Saline	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Schuyler	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Scotland	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911

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	* Scott	SM E. CITIES, MO	02	99	0.897	0.911
	* Scott	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Shannon	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Shelby	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	St. Charles	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	02	0.968	0.984
	St. Clair	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	St. Francois	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	St. Louis	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	02	0.968	0.984
	St. Louis City	ST. LOUIS/LG E. CITIES, MO	01	02	0.968	0.984
	Ste. Genevieve	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Stoddard	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Stone	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Sullivan	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Taney	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Texas	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Vernon	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Warren	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Washington	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Wayne	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Webster	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
	Worth	RURAL NW COUNTIES, MO	06	99	0.913	0.911
	Wright	REST OF MO	03	99	0.899	0.911
MONTANA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	01	01	0.907	0.907
NEBRASKA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.894	0.894
NEVADA	Carson City	RENO, ET AL. (CITIES), NV	02	99	1.013	1.010
	Churchill	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	* Clark	LAS VEGAS, ET AL. (CITIES), NV	01	99	1.010	1.010
	* Clark	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Douglas	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	* Elko	ELKO & ELY (CITIES), NV	03	99	0.980	1.010
	* Elko	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Esmeralda	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Eureka	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Humboldt	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Lander	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Lincoln	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Lyon	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Mineral	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Nye	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Pershing	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	Storey	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	* Washoe	RENO, ET AL. (CITIES), NV	02	99	1.013	1.010
	* Washoe	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
	* White Pine	ELKO & ELY (CITIES), NV	03	99	0.980	1.010
	* White Pine	REST OF NEVADA	99	99	0.998	1.010
NEW HAMPSHIRE	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	40	40	1.003	1.003
NEW JERSEY	Atlantic	SOUTHERN NJ	03	99	1.035	1.051
	Bergen	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Burlington	MIDDLE NJ	02	99	1.062	1.051
	Camden	SOUTHERN NJ	03	99	1.035	1.051
	Cape May	SOUTHERN NJ	03	99	1.035	1.051
	Cumberland	SOUTHERN NJ	03	99	1.035	1.051
	Essex	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Gloucester	SOUTHERN NJ	03	99	1.035	1.051
	Hudson	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Hunterdon	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Mercer	MIDDLE NJ	02	99	1.062	1.051
	Middlesex	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Monmouth	MIDDLE NJ	02	99	1.062	1.051
	Morris	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Ocean	MIDDLE NJ	02	99	1.062	1.051
	Passaic	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Salem	SOUTHERN NJ	03	99	1.035	1.051
	Somerset	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Sussex	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109

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NEW MEXICO	Union	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	Warren	NORTHERN NJ	01	01	1.109	1.109
	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	05	05	0.937	0.937
NEW YORK	* Albany	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Albany	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Allegany	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	Bronx	NYC SUBURBS/LONG I., NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	* Broome	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Broome	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Cattaraugus	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	Cayuga	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Chautauqua	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Chemung	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Chenango	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Clinton	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Columbia	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Cortland	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Delaware	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Dutchess	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Erie	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	Essex	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Franklin	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Fulton	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Genesee	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	Greene	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Hamilton	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Herkimer	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Jefferson	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Kings	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	Lewis	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Livingston	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	02	99	0.995	0.973
	Madison	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Monroe	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	02	99	0.995	0.973
	Montgomery	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Nassau	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	New York	MANHATTAN, NY	01	01	1.225	1.225
	Niagara	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	* Oneida	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Oneida	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	* Onondaga	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Onondaga	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Ontario	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	02	99	0.995	0.973
	Orange	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Orleans	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	Oswego	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	* Otsego	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Otsego	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Putnam	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Queens	QUEENS, NY	04	04	1.163	1.163
	* Rensselaer	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Rensselaer	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Richmond	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	Rockland	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	* Saratoga	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Saratoga	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	* Schenectady	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* Schenectady	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Schoharie	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Schuyler	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Seneca	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	02	99	0.995	0.973
	* St. Lawrence	N. CENTRAL CITIES, NY	03	99	0.981	0.973
	* St. Lawrence	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Steuben	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Suffolk	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	Sullivan	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050
	Tioga	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Tompkins	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Ulster	POUGHKPSIE/N NYC SUBURBS, NY	03	03	1.050	1.050

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	Warren	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Washington	REST OF NEW YORK	04	99	0.960	0.973
	Wayne	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	02	99	0.995	0.973
	Westchester	NYC SUBURBS/LONG ISLAND, NY	02	02	1.170	1.170
	Wyoming	BUFFALO/SURR. CNTYS, NY	01	99	0.967	0.973
	Yates	ROCHESTER/SURR. CNTYS, NY	02	99	0.995	0.973
NORTH CAROLINA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.924	0.924
NORTH DAKOTA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	01	01	0.898	0.898
OHIO	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.973	0.973
OKLAHOMA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	00	00	0.910	0.910
OREGON	Baker	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Benton	SALEM, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	03	99	0.934	0.933
	* Benton	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Clackamas	PORTLAND, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	01	01	0.981	0.981
	* Clackamas	REST OF OREGON	99	01	0.924	0.981
	Clatsop	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Columbia	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Coos	EUGENE, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	02	99	0.935	0.933
	* Coos	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Crook	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Curry	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Deschutes	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Douglas	EUGENE, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	02	99	0.935	0.933
	* Douglas	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Gilliam	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Grant	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Harney	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Hood River	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Jackson	SW OR CITIES (CITY LIMITS)	12	99	0.946	0.933
	* Jackson	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Jefferson	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Josephine	SW OR CITIES (CITY LIMITS)	12	99	0.946	0.933
	* Josephine	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Klamath	SW OR CITIES (CITY LIMITS)	12	99	0.946	0.933
	* Klamath	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Lake	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Lane	EUGENE, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	02	99	0.935	0.933
	* Lane	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Lincoln	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Linn	SALEM, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	03	99	0.934	0.933
	* Linn	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Malheur	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Marion	SALEM, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	03	99	0.934	0.933
	* Marion	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Morrow	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Multnomah	PORTLAND, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	01	01	0.981	0.981
	* Multnomah	REST OF OREGON	99	01	0.924	0.981
	Polk	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Sherman	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Tillamook	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Umatilla	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Union	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Wallowa	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Wasco	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	* Washington	PORTLAND, ET AL. (CITIES), OR	01	01	0.981	0.981
	* Washington	REST OF OREGON	99	01	0.924	0.981
	Wheeler	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
	Yamhill	REST OF OREGON	99	99	0.924	0.933
PENNSYLVANIA	Adams	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Allegheny	PHILLY/PITT MED SCHOOLS/HOSPS	01	99	1.041	0.951
	* Allegheny	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Armstrong	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Beaver	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Bedford	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951

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	Berks	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Blair	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Bradford	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Bucks	LG PA CITIES	02	01	1.001	1.066
	Butler	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Cambria	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Cambria	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Cameron	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Carbon	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Centre	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Centre	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Chester	LG PA CITIES	02	01	1.001	1.066
	Clarion	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Clearfield	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Clinton	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Columbia	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Crawford	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Cumberland	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Dauphin	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Delaware	LG PA CITIES	02	01	1.001	1.066
	Elk	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Erie	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Fayette	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Forest	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Franklin	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Fulton	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Greene	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Huntingdon	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Indiana	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Jefferson	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Juniata	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Lackawanna	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Lancaster	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Lawrence	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Lebanon	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Lehigh	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Luzerne	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Lycoming	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Mc Kean	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Mercer	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Mifflin	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Monroe	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Montgomery	LG PA CITIES	02	01	1.001	1.066
	Montour	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Northampton	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	* Northampton	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Northumberland	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	* Perry	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Perry	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Philadelphia	PHILLY/PITT MED SCHOOLS/HOSPS	01	01	1.041	1.066
	Pike	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Potter	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	* Schuylkill	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Schuylkill	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Snyder	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	* Somerset	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	* Somerset	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Sullivan	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Susquehanna	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Tioga	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Union	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Venango	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Warren	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Washington	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
	Wayne	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	Westmoreland	LG PA CITIES	02	99	1.001	0.951
	Wyoming	REST OF PA	04	99	0.930	0.951
	York	SM PA CITIES	03	99	0.944	0.951
PUERTO RICO	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	20	20	0.794	0.794

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RHODE ISLAND	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	01	01	1.068	1.068
SOUTH CAROLINA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	01	01	0.915	0.915
SOUTH DAKOTA	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	02	02	0.880	0.880
TENNESSEE	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	35	35	0.923	0.923
TEXAS	Anderson	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Andrews	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Angelina	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Aransas	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Archer	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Armstrong	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Atascosa	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Austin	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Bailey	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Bandera	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Bastrop	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Baylor	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Bee	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Bell	TEMPLE, TX	06	99	0.927	0.924
	Bexar	SAN ANTONIO, TX	07	99	0.949	0.924
	Blanco	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Borden	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Bosque	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Bowie	TEXARKANA, TX	08	99	0.915	0.924
	Brazoria	BRAZORIA, TX	09	09	1.003	1.003
	Brazos	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Brewster	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Briscoe	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Brooks	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Brown	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Burleson	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Burnet	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Caldwell	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Calhoun	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Callahan	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Cameron	BROWNSVILLE, TX	10	99	0.905	0.924
	Camp	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Carson	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Cass	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Castro	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Chambers	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Cherokee	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Childress	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Clay	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Cochran	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Coke	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Coleman	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Collin	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Collingsworth	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Colorado	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Comal	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Comanche	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Concho	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Cooke	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Coryell	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Cottle	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Crane	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Crockett	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Crosby	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Culberson	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Dallam	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Dallas	DALLAS, TX	11	11	1.006	1.006
	Dawson	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	DeWitt	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Deaf Smith	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Delta	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924

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	Denton	DENTON, TX	12	99	0.955	0.924
	Dickens	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Dimmit	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Donley	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Duval	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Eastland	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Ector	ODESSA, TX	13	99	0.946	0.924
	Edwards	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	El Paso	EL PASO, TX	14	99	0.936	0.924
	Ellis	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Erath	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Falls	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Fannin	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Fayette	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Fisher	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Floyd	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Foard	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Fort Bend	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Franklin	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Freestone	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Frio	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Gaines	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Galveston	GALVESTON, TX	15	15	1.001	1.001
	Garza	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Gillespie	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Glasscock	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Goliad	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Gonzales	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Gray	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Grayson	GRAYSON, TX	16	99	0.918	0.924
	Gregg	LONGVIEW, TX	17	99	0.921	0.924
	Grimes	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Guadalupe	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Hale	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hall	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hamilton	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Hansford	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hardeman	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hardin	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Harris	HOUSTON, TX	18	18	1.034	1.034
	Harrison	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Hartley	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Haskell	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hays	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Hemphill	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Henderson	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Hidalgo	MC ALLEN, TX	19	99	0.904	0.924
	Hill	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Hockley	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hood	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Hopkins	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Houston	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Howard	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hudspeth	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Hunt	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Hutchinson	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Irion	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Jack	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Jackson	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Jasper	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Jeff Davis	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Jefferson	BEAUMONT, TX	20	20	0.973	0.973
	Jim Hogg	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Jim Wells	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Johnson	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Jones	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Karnes	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Kaufman	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Kendall	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Kenedy	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924

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	Kent	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Kerr	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Kimble	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	King	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Kinney	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Kleberg	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Knox	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	La Salle	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Lamar	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Lamb	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Lampasas	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Lavaca	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Lee	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Leon	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Liberty	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Limestone	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Lipscomb	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Live Oak	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Llano	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Loving	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Lubbock	LUBBOCK, TX	21	99	0.924	0.924
	Lynn	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Madison	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Marion	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Martin	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Mason	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Matagorda	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Maverick	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	McCulloch	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	McLennan	WACO, TX	22	99	0.923	0.924
	McMullen	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Medina	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Menard	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Midland	MIDLAND, TX	23	99	0.946	0.924
	Milam	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Mills	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Mitchell	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Montague	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Montgomery	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Moore	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Morris	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Motley	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Nacogdoches	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Navarro	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Newton	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Nolan	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Nueces	CORPUS CHRISTI, TX	24	99	0.941	0.924
	Ochiltree	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Oldham	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Orange	ORANGE, TX	25	99	0.944	0.924
	Palo Pinto	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Panola	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Parker	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Parmer	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Pecos	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Polk	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Potter	AMARILLO, TX	26	99	0.930	0.924
	Presidio	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Rains	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Randall	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Reagan	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Real	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Red River	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Reeves	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Refugio	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Roberts	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Robertson	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Rockwall	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Runnels	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Rusk	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924

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	Sabine	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	San Augustine	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	San Jacinto	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	San Patricio	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	San Saba	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Schleicher	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Scurry	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Shackelford	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Shelby	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Sherman	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Smith	TYLER, TX	27	99	0.933	0.924
	Somervell	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Starr	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Stephens	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Sterling	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Stonewall	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Sutton	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Swisher	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Tarrant	FORT WORTH, TX	28	28	0.977	0.977
	Taylor	ABILENE, TX	29	99	0.909	0.924
	Terrell	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Terry	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Throckmorton	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Titus	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Tom Green	SAN ANGELO, TX	30	99	0.900	0.924
	Travis	AUSTIN, TX	31	31	0.979	0.979
	Trinity	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Tyler	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Upshur	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Upton	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Uvalde	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Val Verde	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Van Zandt	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Victoria	VICTORIA, TX	32	99	0.928	0.924
	Walker	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Waller	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Ward	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Washington	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Webb	LAREDO, TX	33	99	0.907	0.924
	Wharton	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Wheeler	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Wichita	WICHITA FALLS, TX	34	99	0.906	0.924
	Wilbarger	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Willacy	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Williamson	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Wilson	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Winkler	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Wise	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Wood	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Yoakum	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
	Young	NORTHEAST RURAL TX	02	99	0.911	0.924
	Zapata	SOUTHEAST RURAL TX	03	99	0.922	0.924
	Zavala	WESTERN TX	04	99	0.893	0.924
UTAH	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	09	09	0.926	0.926
VERMONT	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	50	50	0.955	0.955
VIRGIN ISLANDS	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	50	50	0.974	0.974
VIRGINIA	Accomack	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Albemarle	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	01	99	0.975	0.944
	Alleghany	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Alleghany	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Alleghany	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Amelia	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Amherst	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Appomattox	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Augusta	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Augusta	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944

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	Augusta	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Bath	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Bedford	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Bedford City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Bland	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Botetourt	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Bristol City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Brunswick	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Buchanan	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Buckingham	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Campbell	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Caroline	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Carroll	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Charles City	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Charlotte	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Charlottesville City	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	01	99	0.975	0.944
	Chesapeake City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Chesterfield	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	01	99	0.975	0.944
	Clarke	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Colonial Heights City	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	01	99	0.975	0.944
	Craig	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Culpeper	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Cumberland	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Danville City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Dickenson	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Dinwiddie	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Essex	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Fauquier	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Floyd	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Fluvanna	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Franklin	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Frederick	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Frederick	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Fredericksburg City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Giles	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Gloucester	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Goochland	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Grayson	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Grayson	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Greene	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Greensville	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Greensville	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Halifax	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Halifax	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Hampton City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Hanover	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Henrico	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	01	99	0.975	0.944
	Henry	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Henry	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Highland	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Hopewell City	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Isle of Wight	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	James City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	King George	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	King William	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	King and Queen	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Lancaster	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Lee	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Loudoun	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Louisa	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Lunenburg	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Lynchburg City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Madison	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Manassas Park City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Manassas City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Mathews	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Mecklenburg	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Middlesex	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Montgomery	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
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	Nelson	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	New Kent	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Newport News City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Norfolk City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Northampton	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Northumberland	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Nottoway	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Orange	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Page	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Patrick	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Petersburg City	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Pittsylvania	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Poquoson City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Portsmouth City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Powhatan	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Prince Edward	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Prince George	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Prince William	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Pulaski	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Rappahannock	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Richmond	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Richmond City	RICHMOND & CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA	01	99	0.975	0.944
	Roanoke	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Roanoke City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Rockbridge	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Rockbridge	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Rockbridge	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Rockingham	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Rockingham	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Russell	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Salem City	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Scott	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Shenandoah	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Smyth	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Southampton	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Southampton	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Spotsylvania	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Stafford	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Suffolk City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Surry	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Sussex	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Tazewell	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Virginia Beach City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Warren	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Washington	SM TOWN/INDUSTRIAL VA	03	99	0.920	0.944
	Westmoreland	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Williamsburg City	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
	Wise	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Wise	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	Wythe	REST OF VA	04	99	0.912	0.944
	York	TIDEWATER & N VA CNTYS, VA	02	99	0.958	0.944
WASHINGTON	Adams	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Asotin	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Benton	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Chelan	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Clallam	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Clark	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Columbia	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Cowlitz	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Douglas	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Ferry	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Franklin	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Garfield	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Grant	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Grays Harbor	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Island	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Jefferson	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	King	SEATTLE (KING CNTY), WA	02	02	1.023	1.023
	Kitsap	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962

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WEST VIRGINIA	Kittitas	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Klickitat	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Lewis	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Lincoln	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Mason	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Okanogan	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Pacific	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Pend Oreille	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Pierce	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	San Juan	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Skagit	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Skamania	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Snohomish	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Spokane	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Stevens	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Thurston	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Wahkiakum	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Walla Walla	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Whatcom	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Whitman	E CNTRL & NE WA	03	99	0.956	0.962
	Yakima	W & SE WA (EXCL SEATTLE)	01	99	0.965	0.962
	Barbour	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Berkeley	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Boone	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Braxton	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Brooke	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Cabell	CHARLESTON, WV	16	99	0.941	0.919
	Calhoun	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Clay	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Doddridge	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Fayette	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Gilmer	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Grant	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Greenbrier	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Hampshire	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Hancock	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Hardy	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Harrison	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Jackson	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Jefferson	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Kanawha	CHARLESTON, WV	16	99	0.941	0.919
	Lewis	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Lincoln	CHARLESTON, WV	16	99	0.941	0.919
	Logan	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Marion	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Marshall	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Mason	CHARLESTON, WV	16	99	0.941	0.919
	McDowell	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Mercer	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Mineral	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Mingo	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Monongalia	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Monroe	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Morgan	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Nicholas	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Ohio	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Pendleton	EASTERN VALLEY, WV	18	99	0.937	0.919
	Pleasants	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Pocahontas	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Preston	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Putnam	CHARLESTON, WV	16	99	0.941	0.919
	Raleigh	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Randolph	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Ritchie	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Roane	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Summers	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
	Taylor	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Tucker	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Tyler	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919

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	Upshur	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Wayne	CHARLESTON, WV	16	99	0.941	0.919
	Webster	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Wetzel	WHEELING, WV	17	99	0.911	0.919
	Wirt	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Wood	OHIO RIVER VALLEY, WV	19	99	0.910	0.919
	Wyoming	SOUTHERN VALLEY, WV	20	99	0.898	0.919
WISCONSIN	Adams	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Ashland	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Barron	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Bayfield	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Brown	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Buffalo	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Burnett	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Calumet	OSHKOSH (E CNTRL), WI	60	99	0.946	0.968
	Chippewa	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Clark	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Columbia	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Crawford	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Dane	MADISON (DANE CNTY), WI	15	99	1.002	0.968
	Dodge	JANESVILLE (S CNTRL), WI	54	99	0.946	0.968
	Door	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Douglas	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Dunn	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Eau Claire	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Florence	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Fond du Lac	OSHKOSH (E CNTRL), WI	60	99	0.946	0.968
	Forest	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Grant	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Green	JANESVILLE (S CNTRL), WI	54	99	0.946	0.968
	Green Lake	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Iowa	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Iron	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Jackson	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Jefferson	JANESVILLE (S CNTRL), WI	54	99	0.946	0.968
	Juneau	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Kenosha	MILWAUKEE SUBURBS (SE), WI	46	99	0.985	0.968
	Kewaunee	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	La Crosse	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Lafayette	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Langlade	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
	Lincoln	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
	Manitowoc	OSHKOSH (E CNTRL), WI	60	99	0.946	0.968
	Marathon	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
	Marinette	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Marquette	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Menominee	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Milwaukee	MILWAUKEE, WI	04	99	0.999	0.968
	Monroe	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Oconto	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Oneida	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
	Outagamie	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Ozaukee	MILWAUKEE SUBURBS (SE), WI	46	99	0.985	0.968
	Pepin	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Pierce	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Polk	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Portage	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
	Price	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Racine	MILWAUKEE SUBURBS (SE), WI	46	99	0.985	0.968
	Richland	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Rock	JANESVILLE (S CNTRL), WI	54	99	0.946	0.968
	Rusk	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Sauk	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Sawyer	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Shawano	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Sheboygan	OSHKOSH (E CNTRL), WI	60	99	0.946	0.968
	St. Croix	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968
	Taylor	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Trempealeau	LA CROSSE (W CNTRL), WI	19	99	0.943	0.968

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	Vernon	SOUTHWEST WI	14	99	0.924	0.968
	Vilas	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
	Walworth	JANESVILLE (S CNTRL), WI	54	99	0.946	0.968
	Washburn	NORTHWEST WI	12	99	0.925	0.968
	Washington	MILWAUKEE SUBURBS (SE), WI	46	99	0.985	0.968
	Waukesha	MILWAUKEE SUBURBS (SE), WI	46	99	0.985	0.968
	Waupaca	GREEN BAY (NORTHEAST), WI	40	99	0.951	0.968
	Waushara	CENTRAL WI	13	99	0.924	0.968
	Winnebago	OSHKOSH (E CNTRL), WI	60	99	0.946	0.968
	Wood	WAUSAU (N CNTRL), WI	36	99	0.932	0.968
WYOMING	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE	21	21	0.925	0.925

† Michigan FSAs are the same under Policy Options Basic and Extended as under the 1/1/95 localities. The GAFs differ slightly because of rounding error.

SOURCE: Health Economics Research file of county input prices.

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