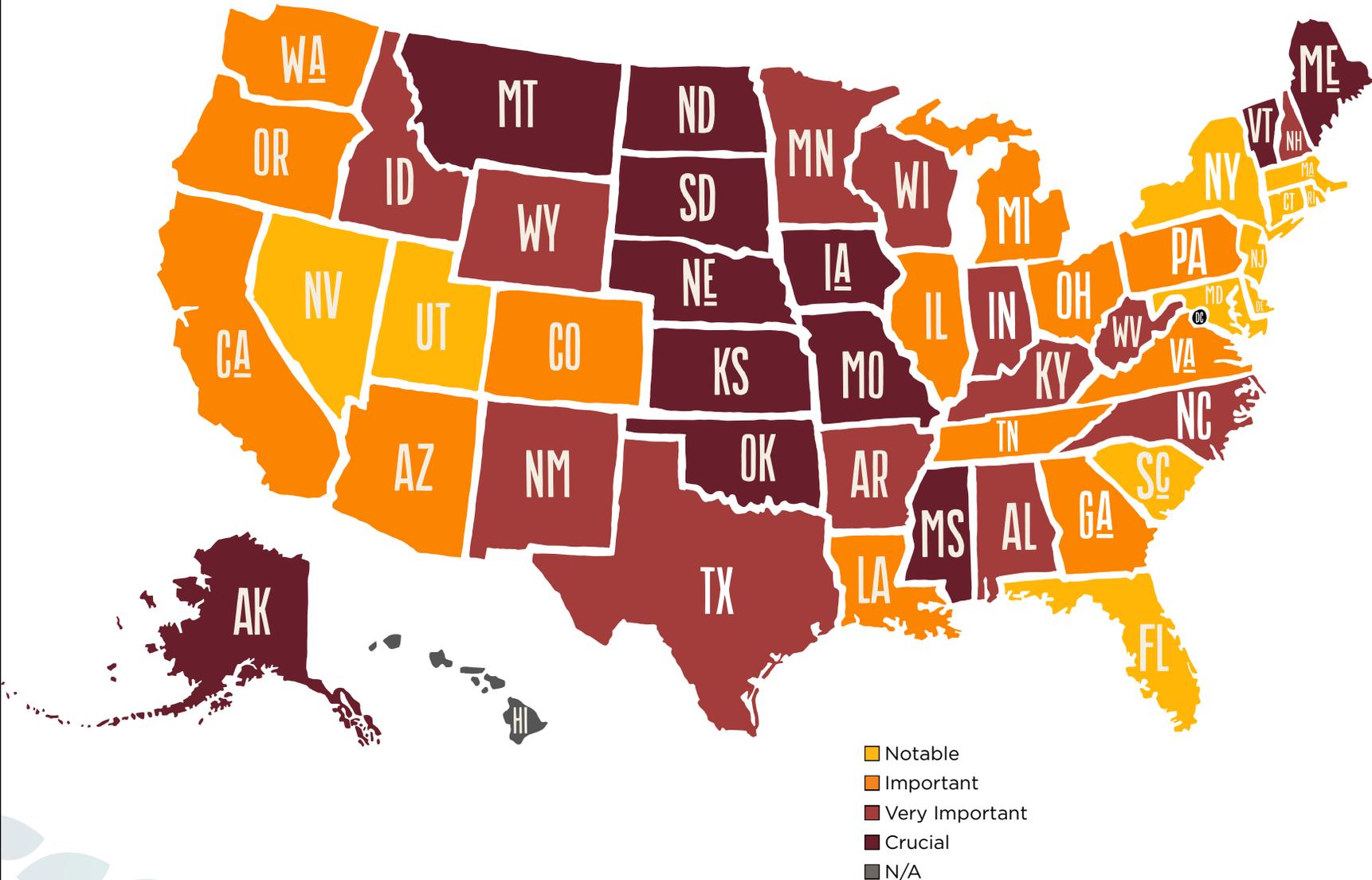
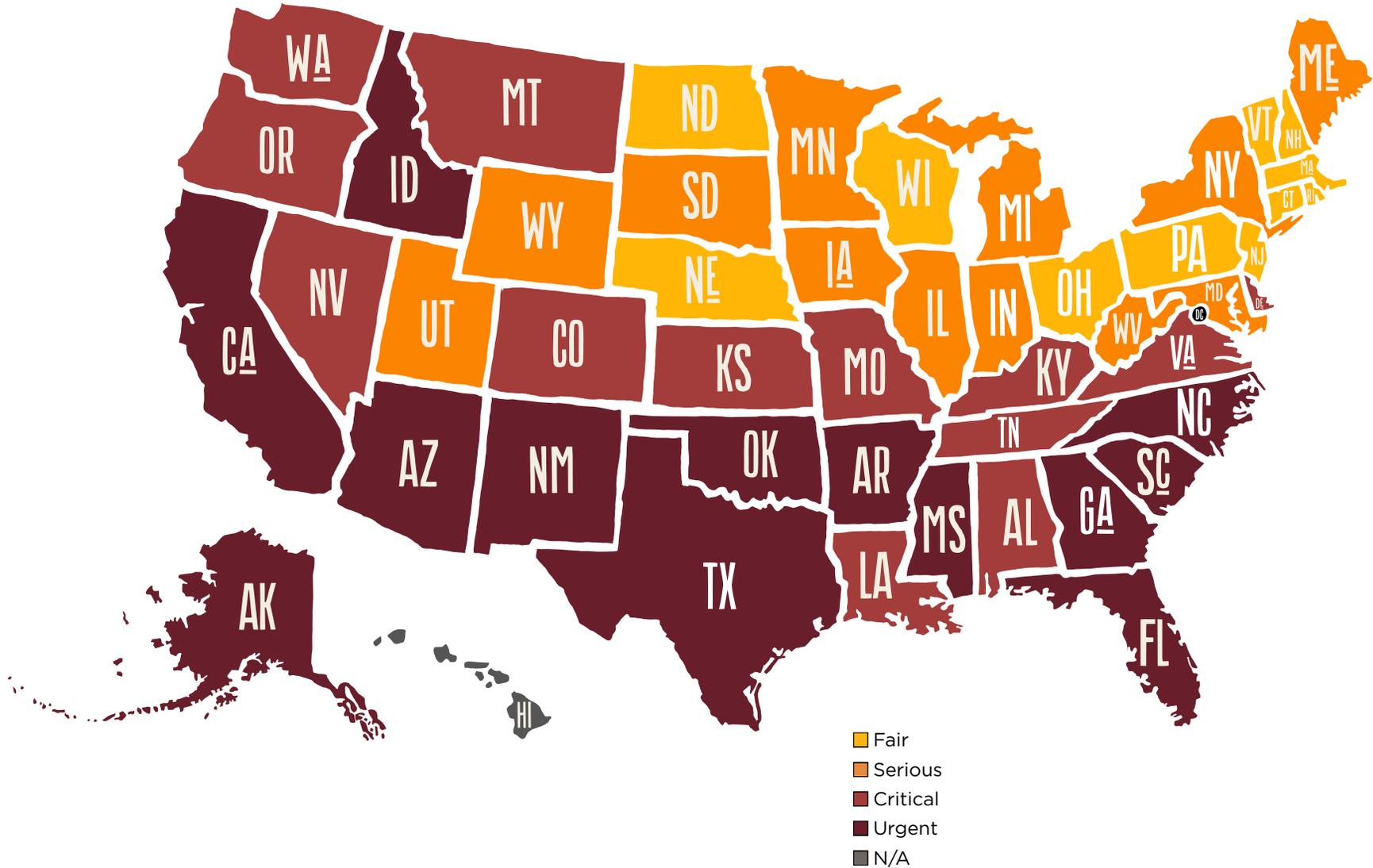


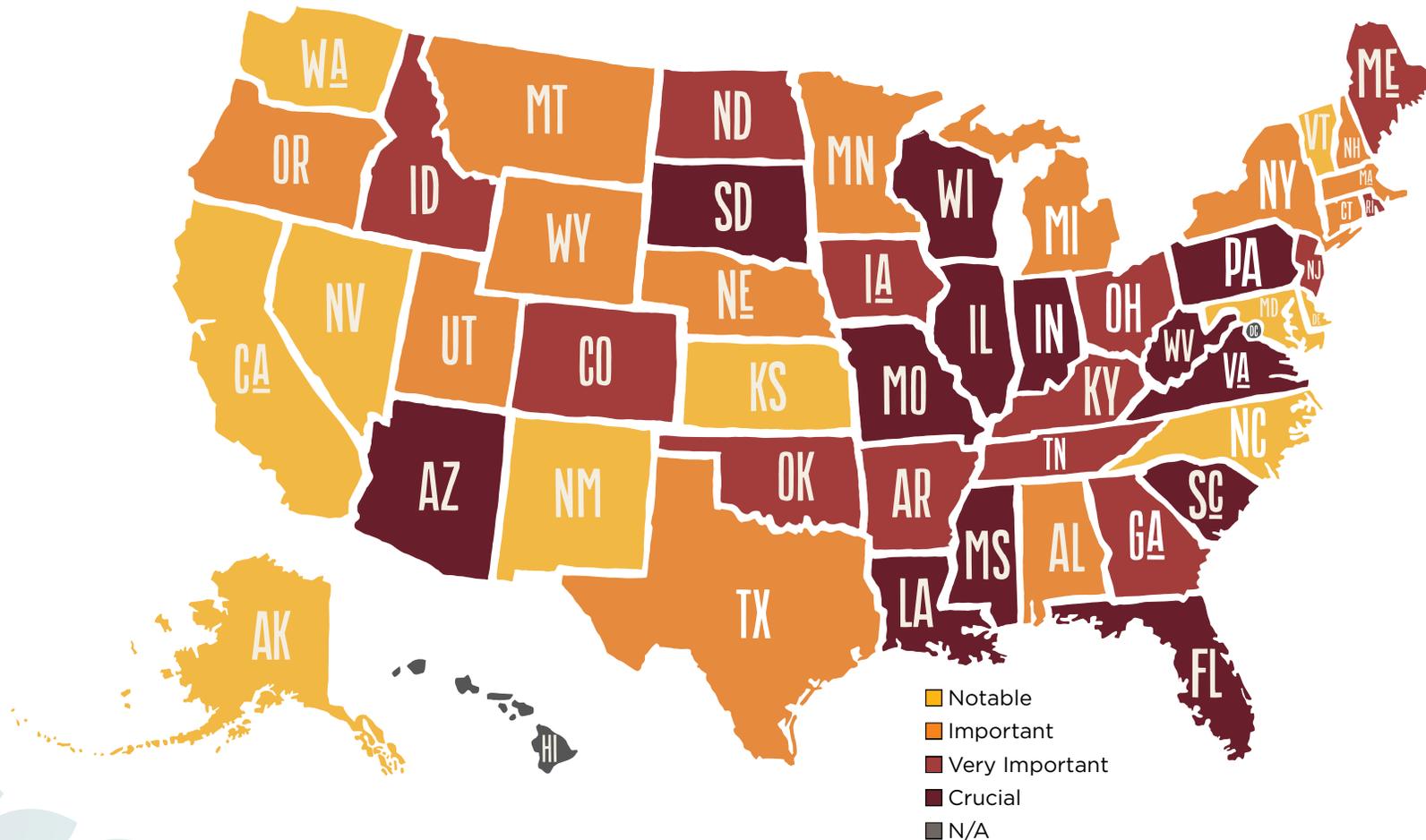
Rural Education Footprint Gauge



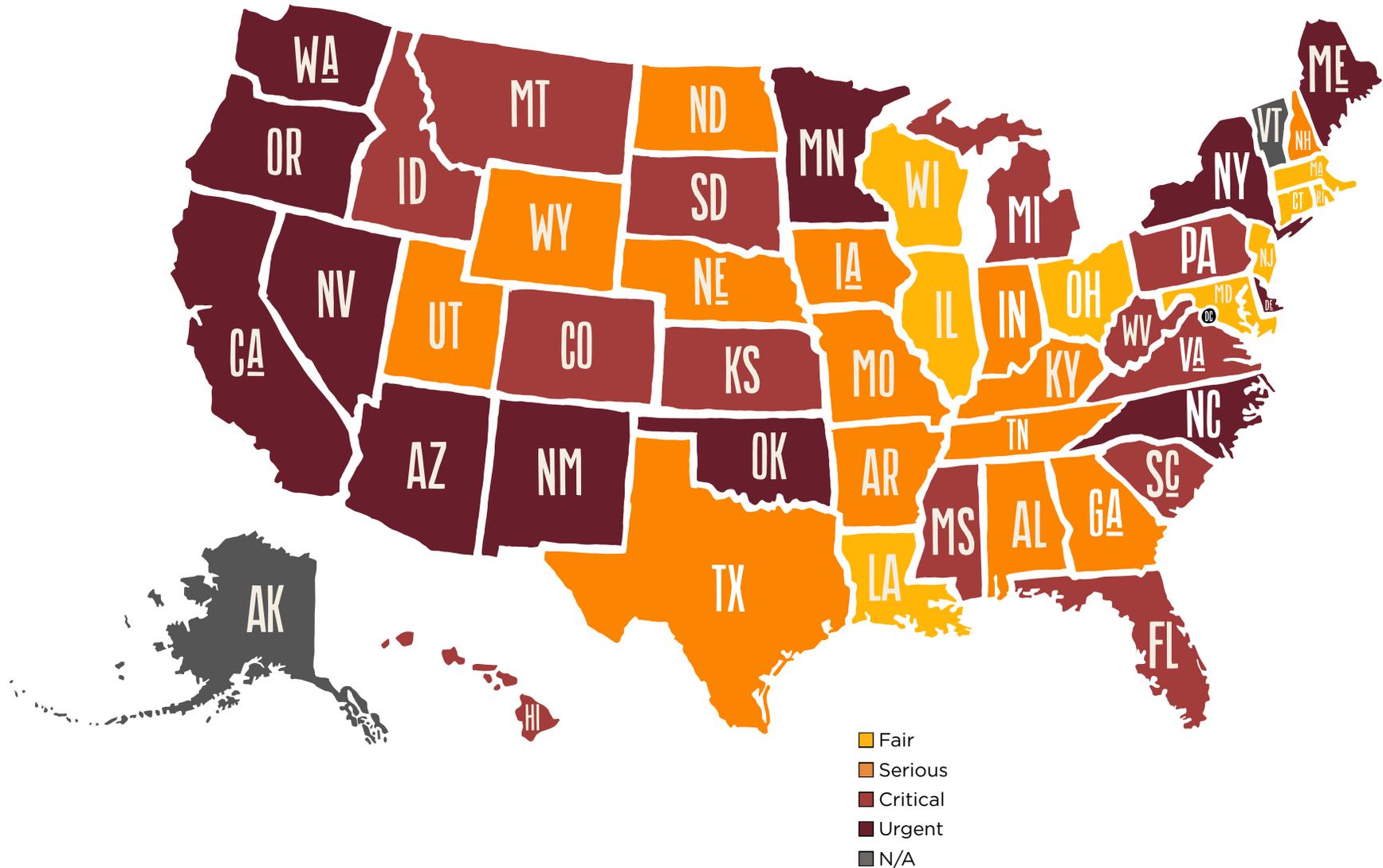
Student and Family Characteristics Gauge



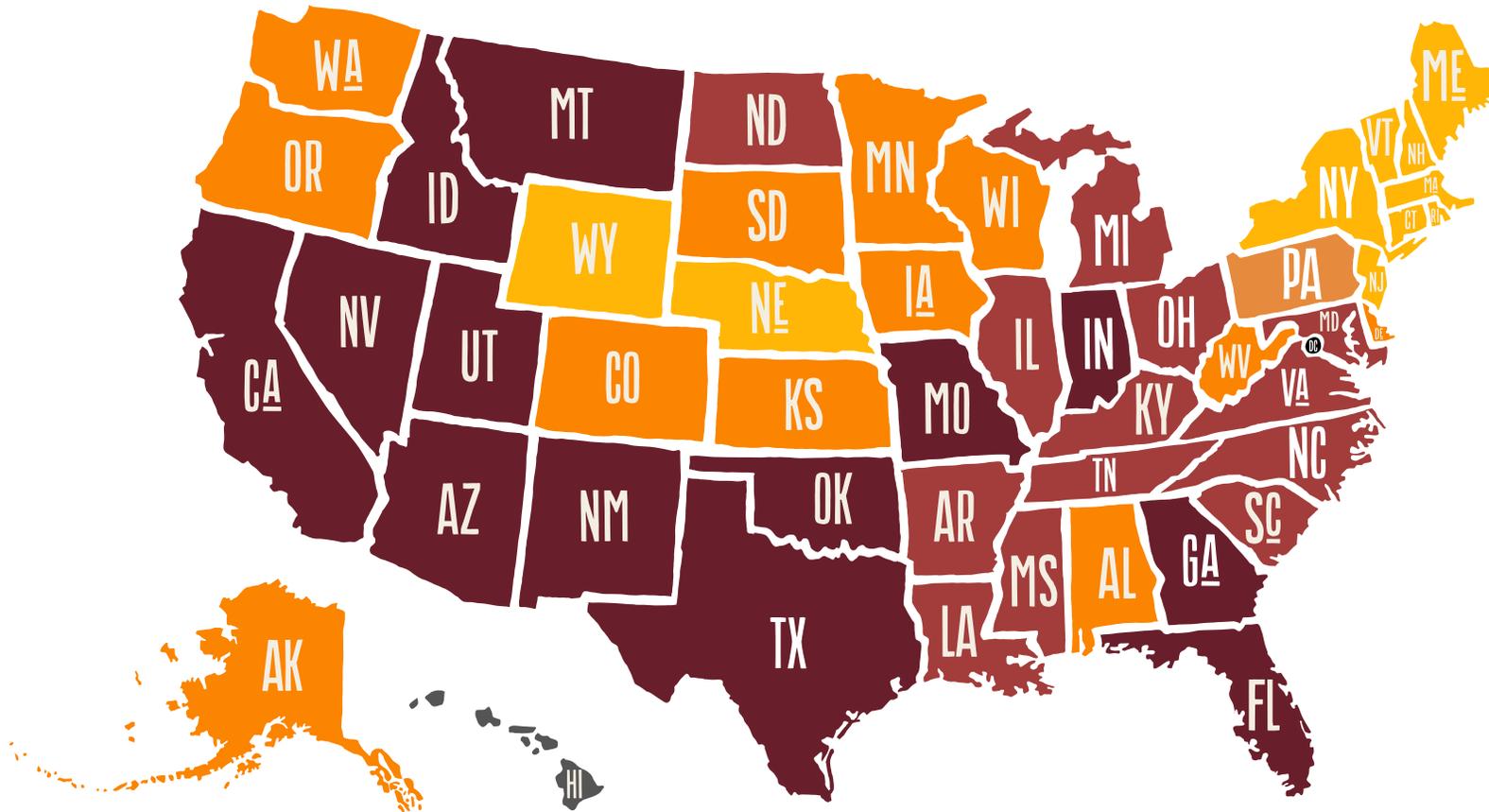
Educational Policy Context Gauge



Educational Outcomes Gauge



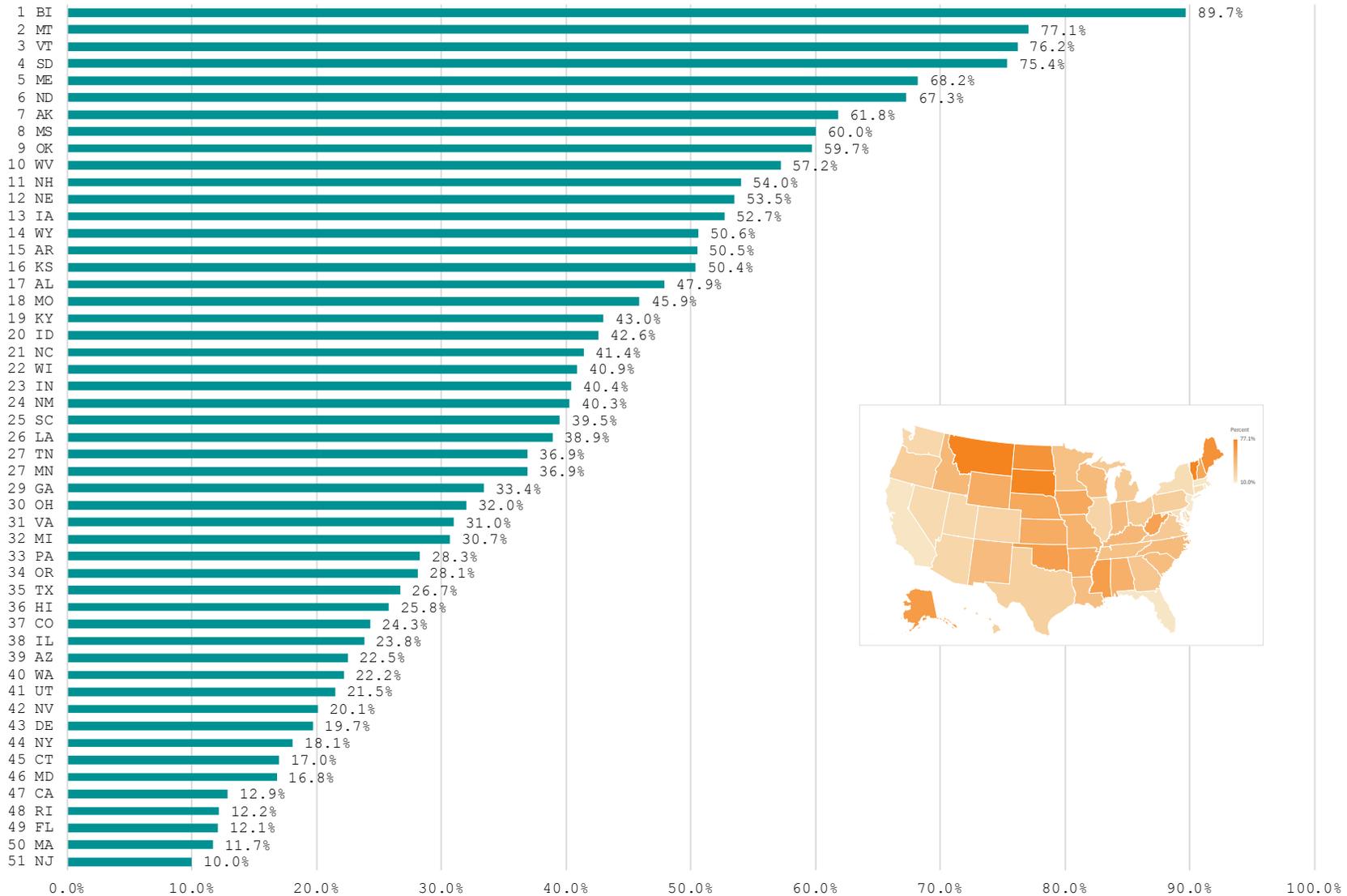
Access to Supports for Well-Being Gauge



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- Serious
- Critical
- Urgent
- N/A

Percent Rural Schools

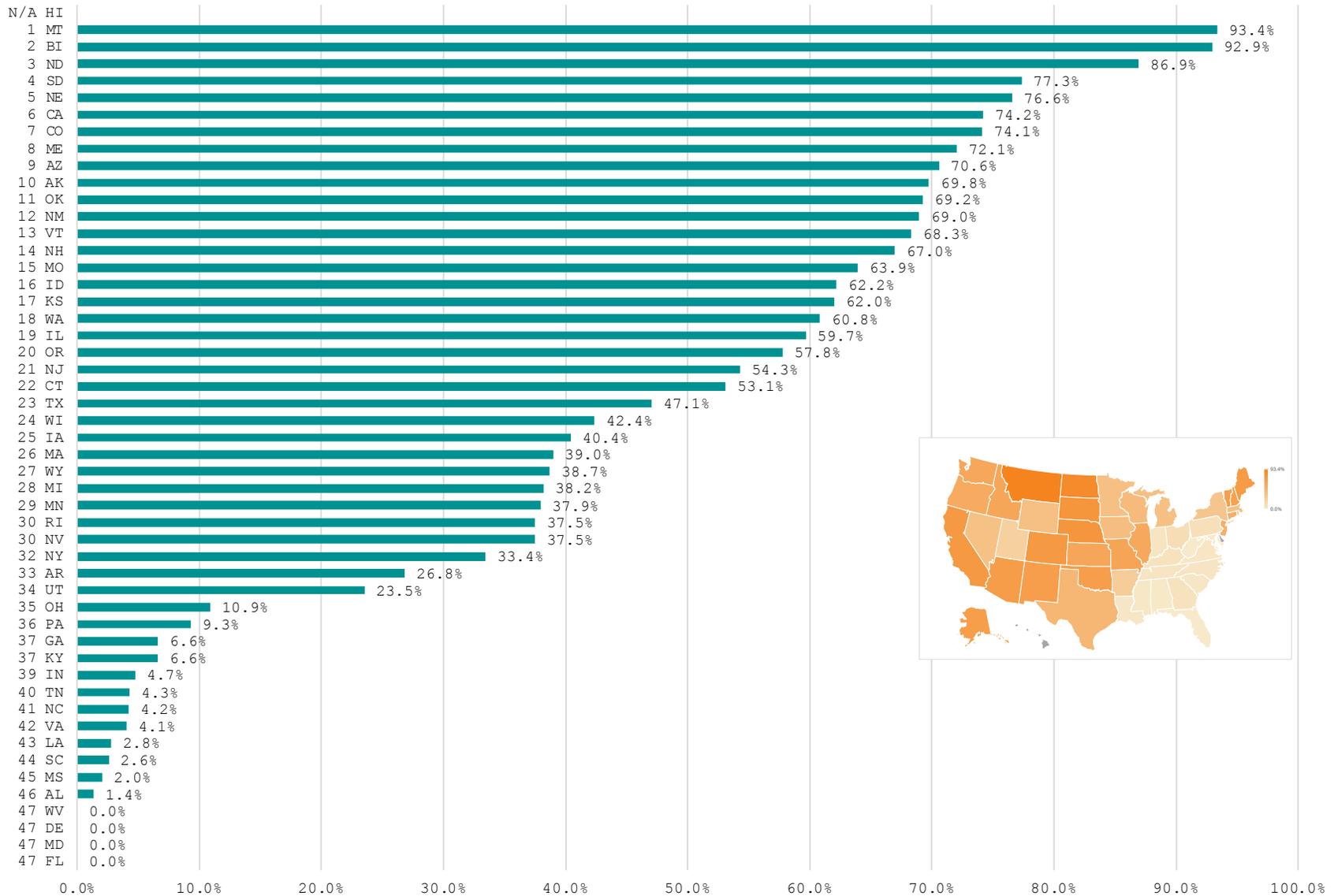
The percent of PreK12 public schools designated as rural by NCES, regardless of whether they are located in a rural-designated district. For example, a 30% means that 30% of the public schools in the state are classified as rural.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2023-2024

Percent Small Rural Districts

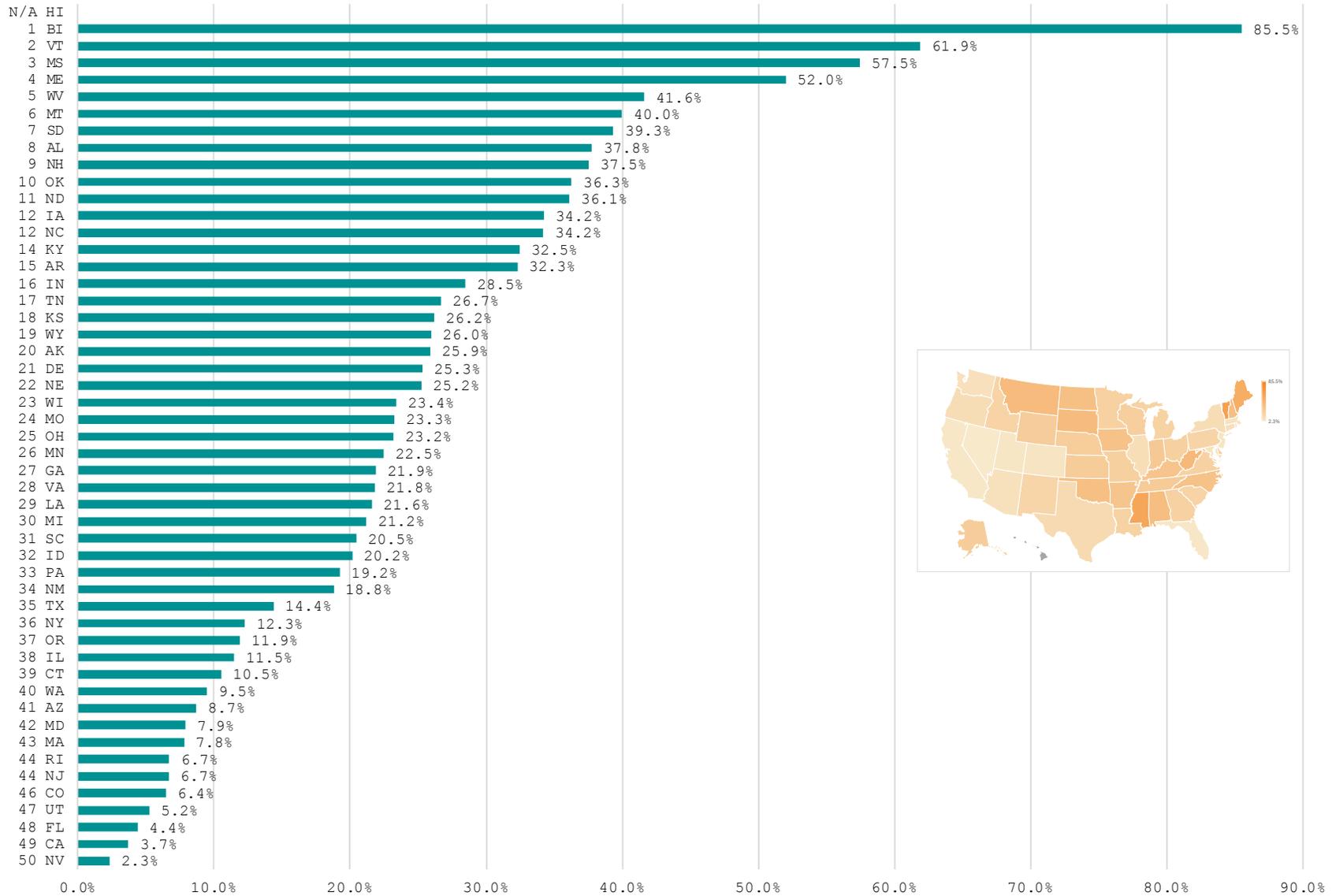
The percent of rural school districts that are below the median enrollment size for all rural school districts in the U.S.
(median = 526 students).



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Percent Rural Students

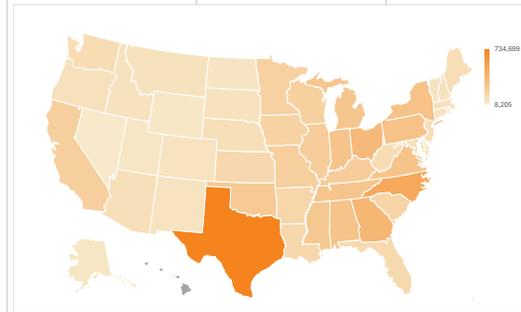
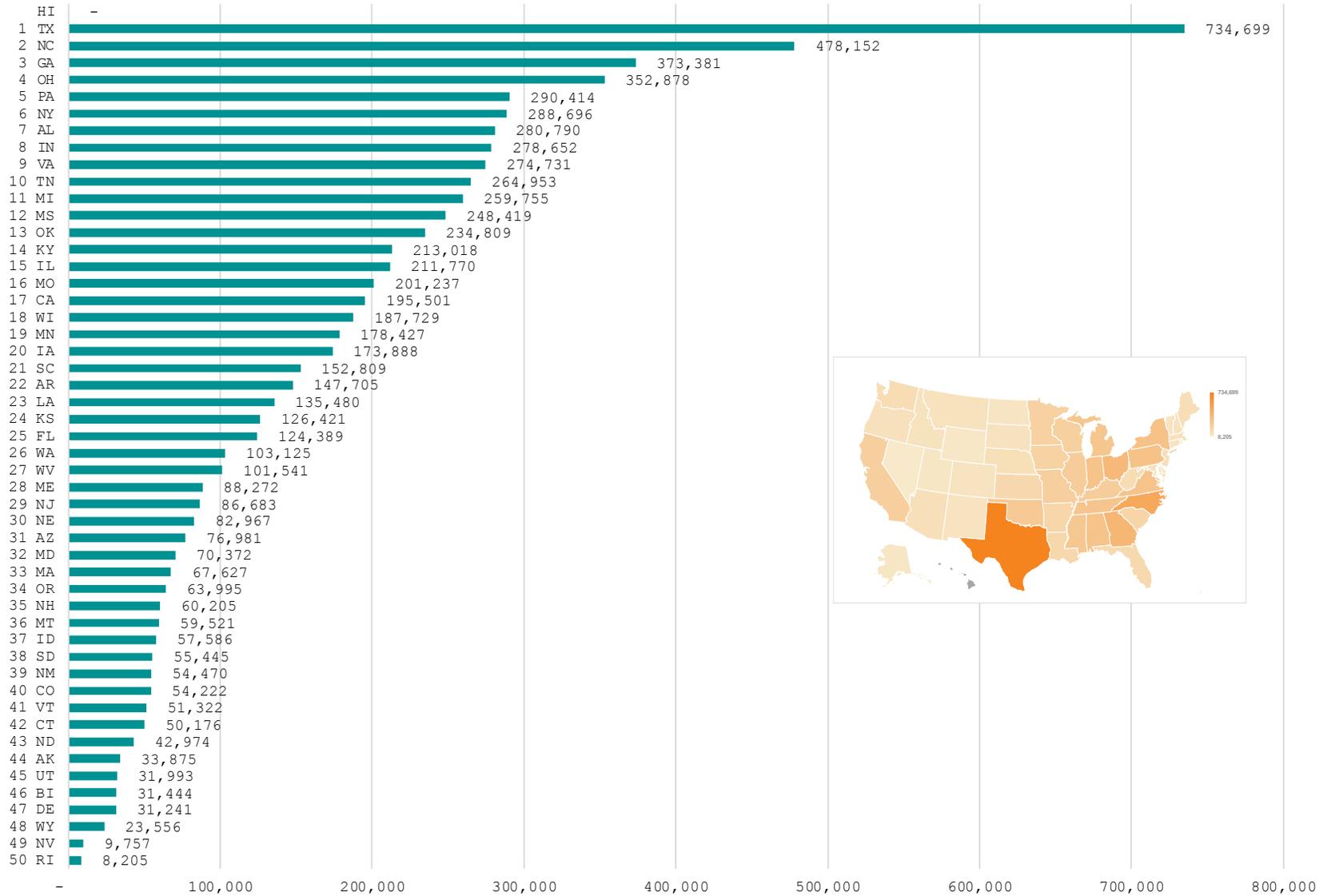
The number of public school students enrolled in rural districts, whether they attend rural schools or not, divided by the total number of public school students in the state.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2023-2024

Number of Rural Students

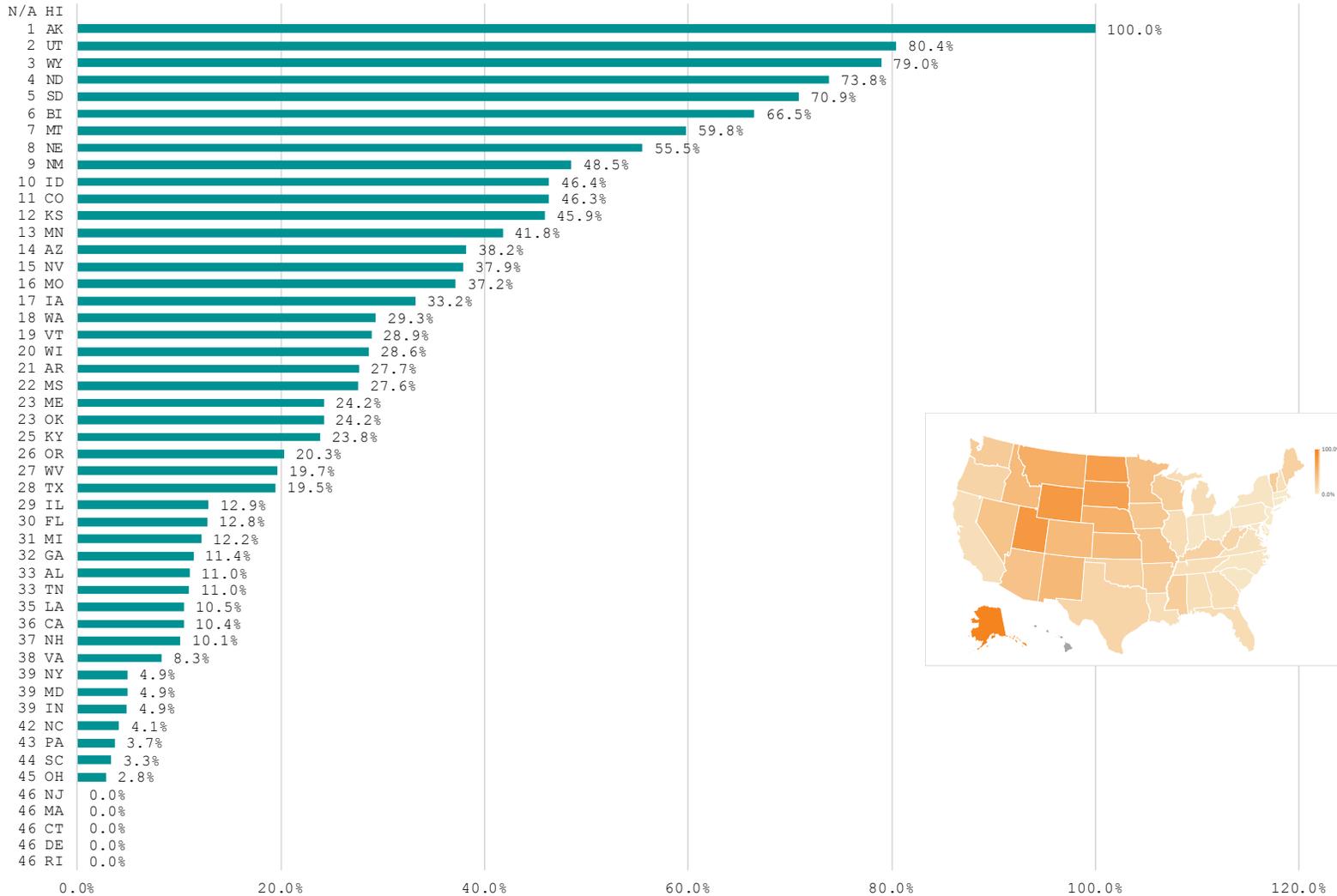
The total number of students enrolled in public school districts designated as rural by NCES.



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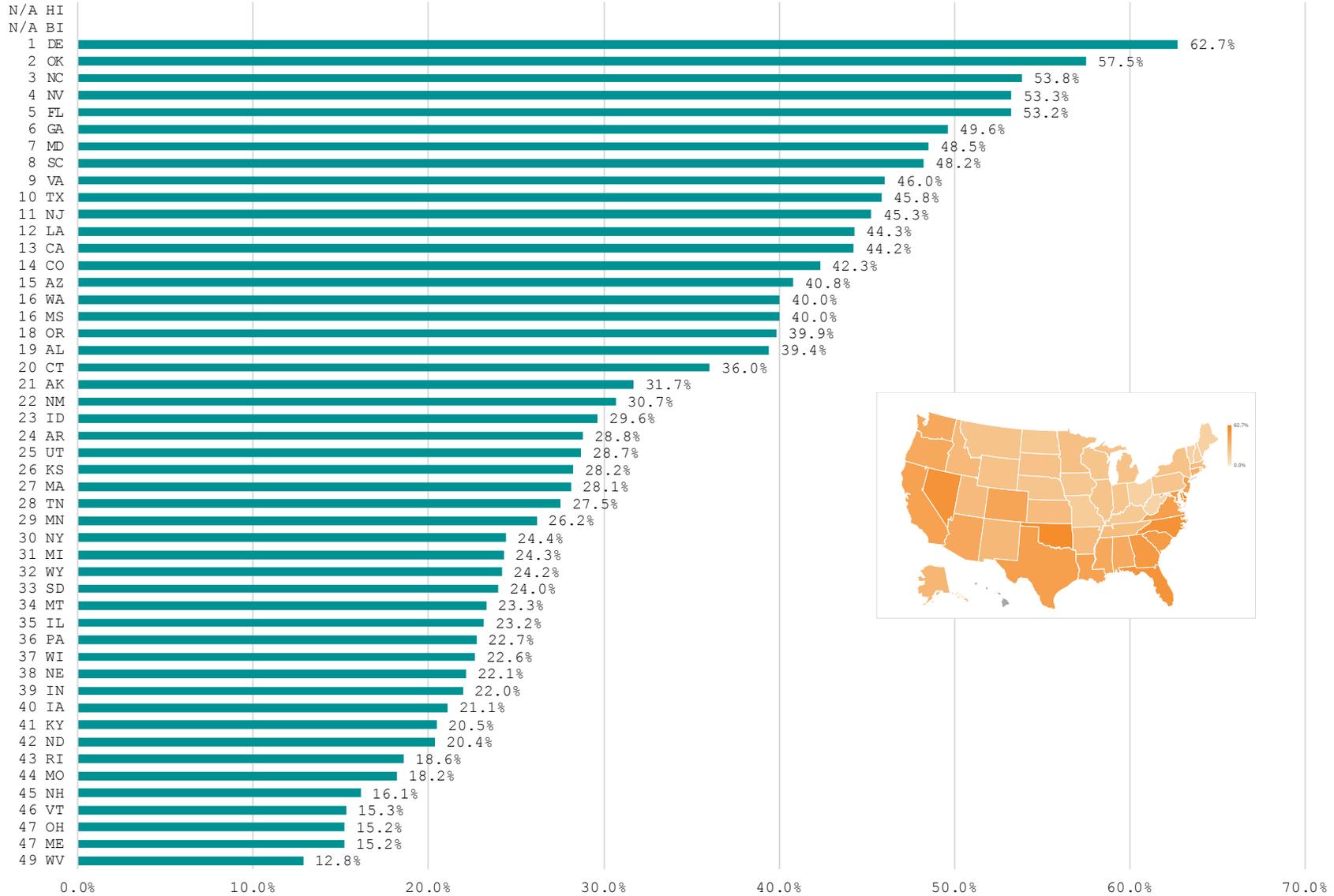
Percent Rural Students in a Remote Rural District

The total number of students enrolled in public school districts designated as remote rural by NCES divided by the total number of students enrolled in public school districts designated as rural by NCES.



Rural Diversity Index

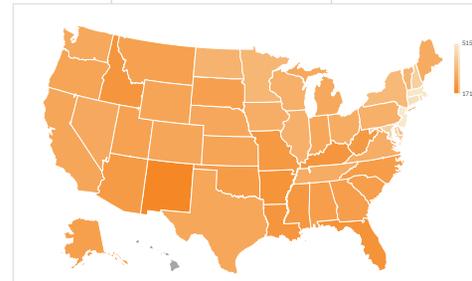
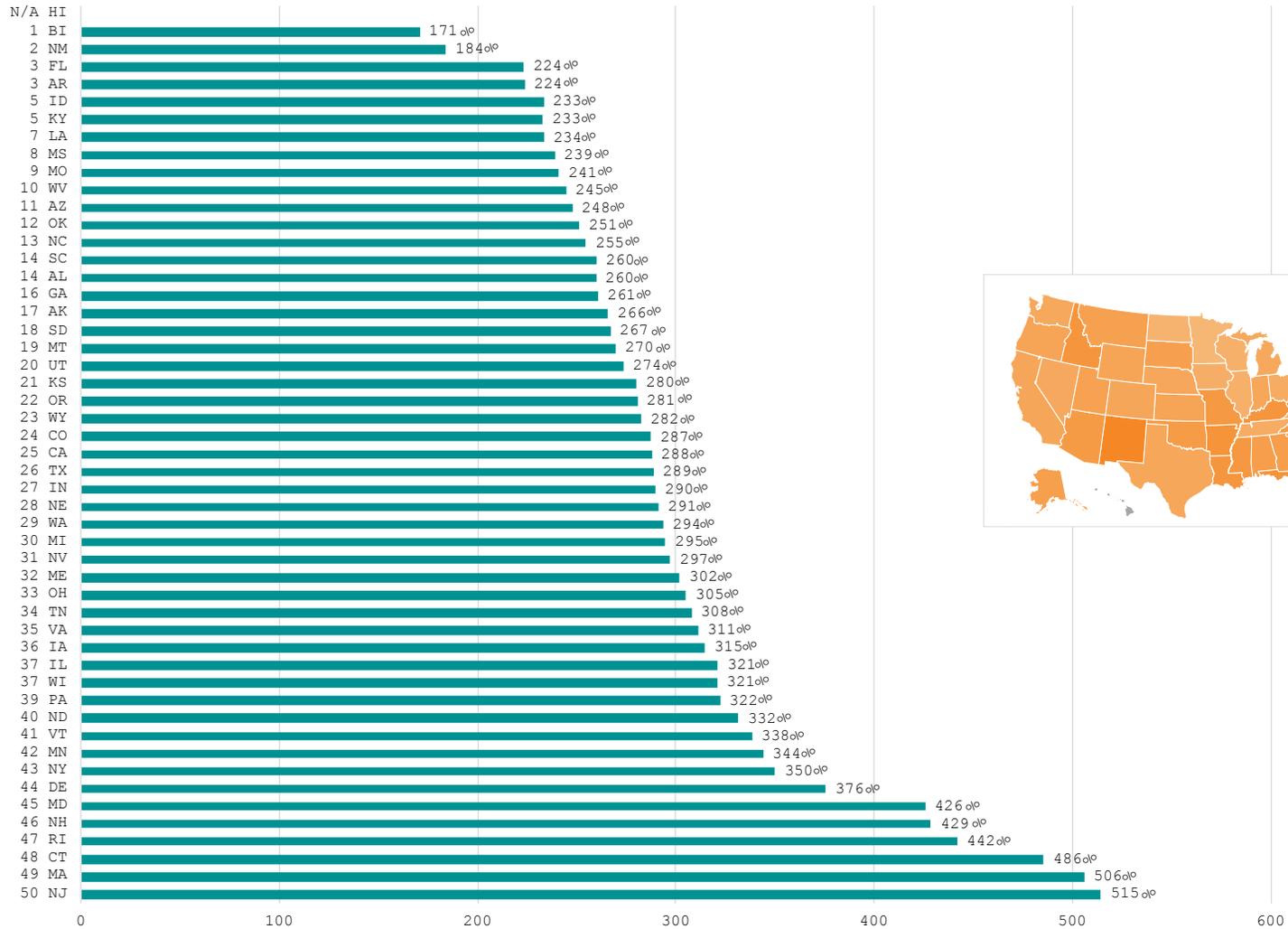
If you randomly choose a school in a rural district, then randomly select 2 students from this school, this is the chance the students would be of a different race/ethnicity (of the 7 NCEs categories: (1) American Indian/Alaska Native, (2) Asian or Asian/Pacific Islander, (3) Hispanic, (4) Black or African American, (5) White, (6) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, (7) Two or more races).



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2023-2024

Poverty Level in Rural School Communities

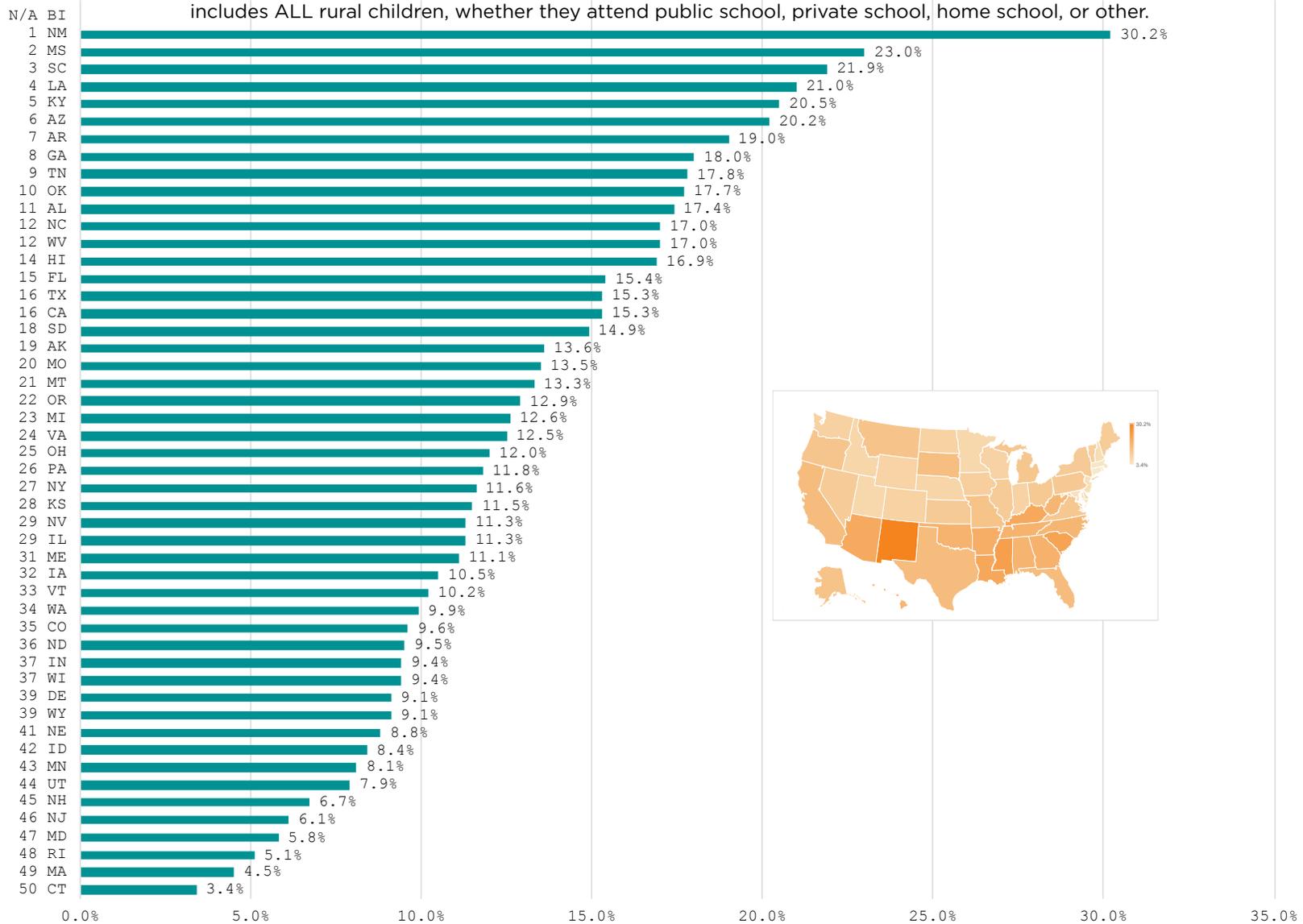
For each school, NCES collected data using the American Community Survey on the 25 nearest households with school-aged children. A weighted average of these households' incomes was then reported as a percentage of the poverty line. For example, 240% means that the average school-aged household in the neighborhoods of rural schools had an income 240% (2.4 times) that of the poverty line. Higher percentages means wealthier neighborhoods for rural schools.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2021-2022, Education Demographic and Geographic Estimates, 2021-2022

Percent Rural School-aged Children Experiencing Poverty

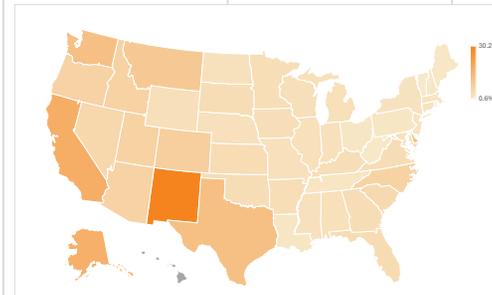
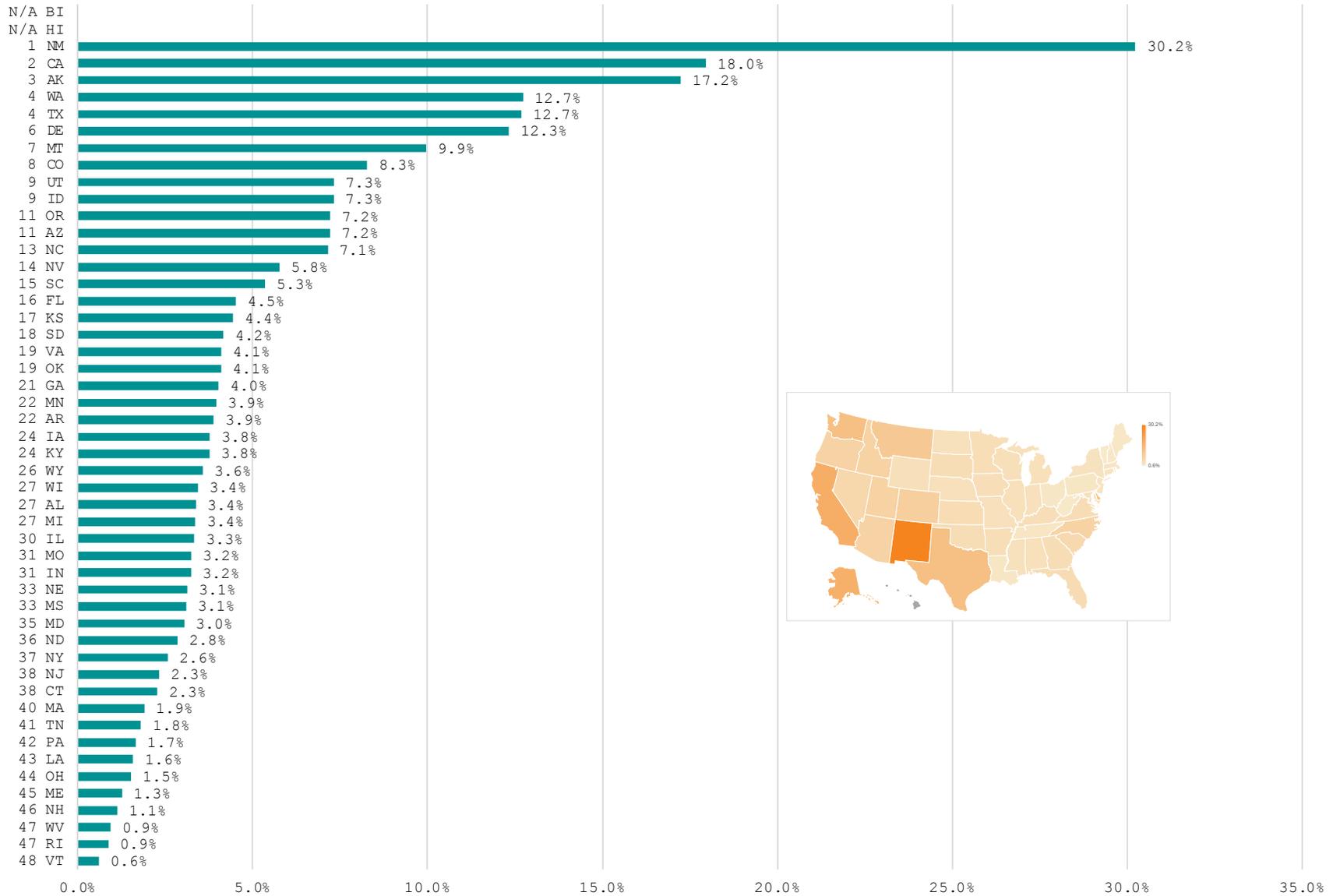
The percent of rural children between the ages of 5 and 17 living in a household with an income below the poverty line. Note that this includes ALL rural children, whether they attend public school, private school, home school, or other.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2023 (1-year estimates)

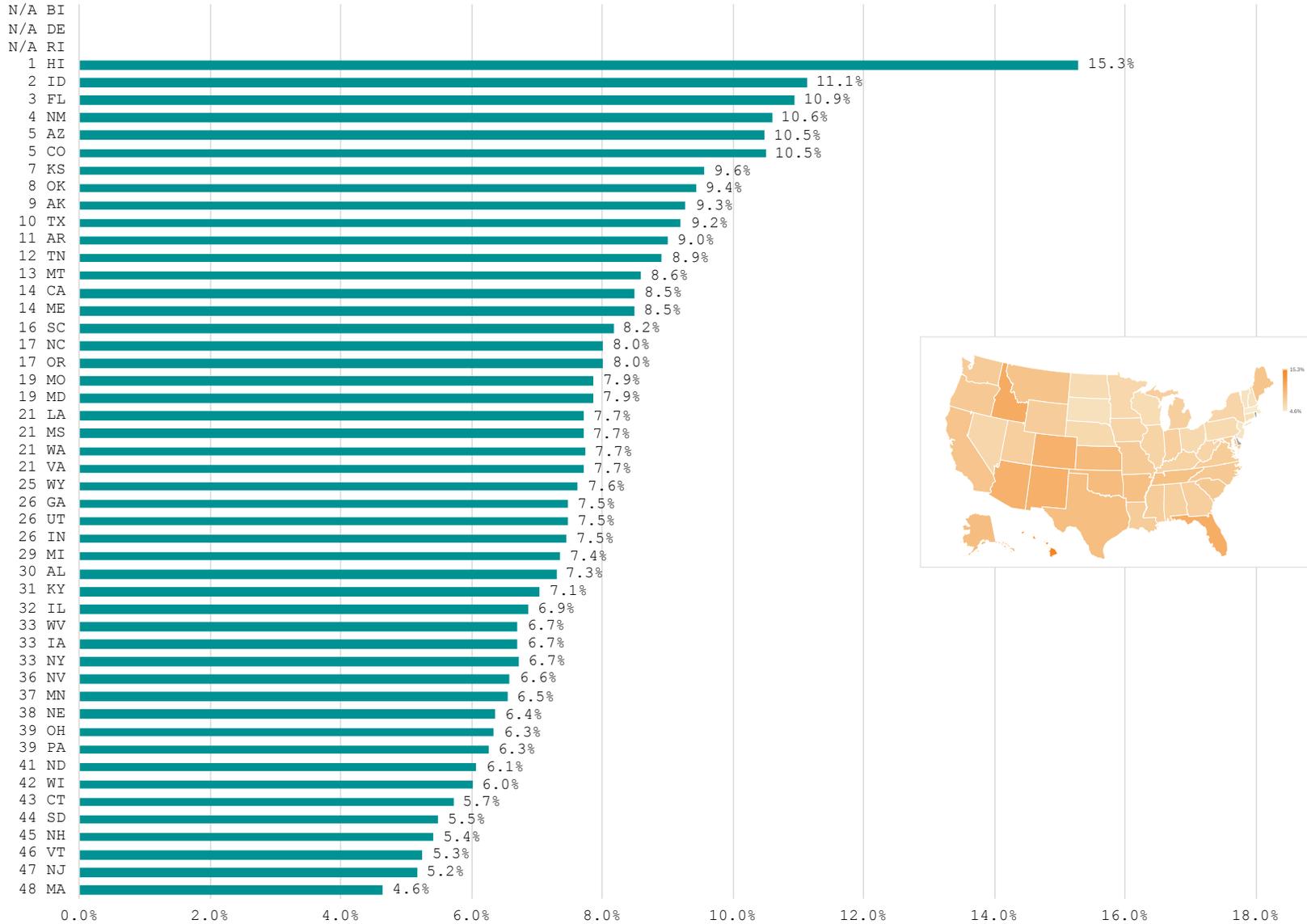
Percent Rural Multilingual Learners

The number of students in rural districts who are categorized as multilingual learners, divided by the total number of students in rural districts for which sufficient multilingual learner data is available.



Percent Rural Household Mobility

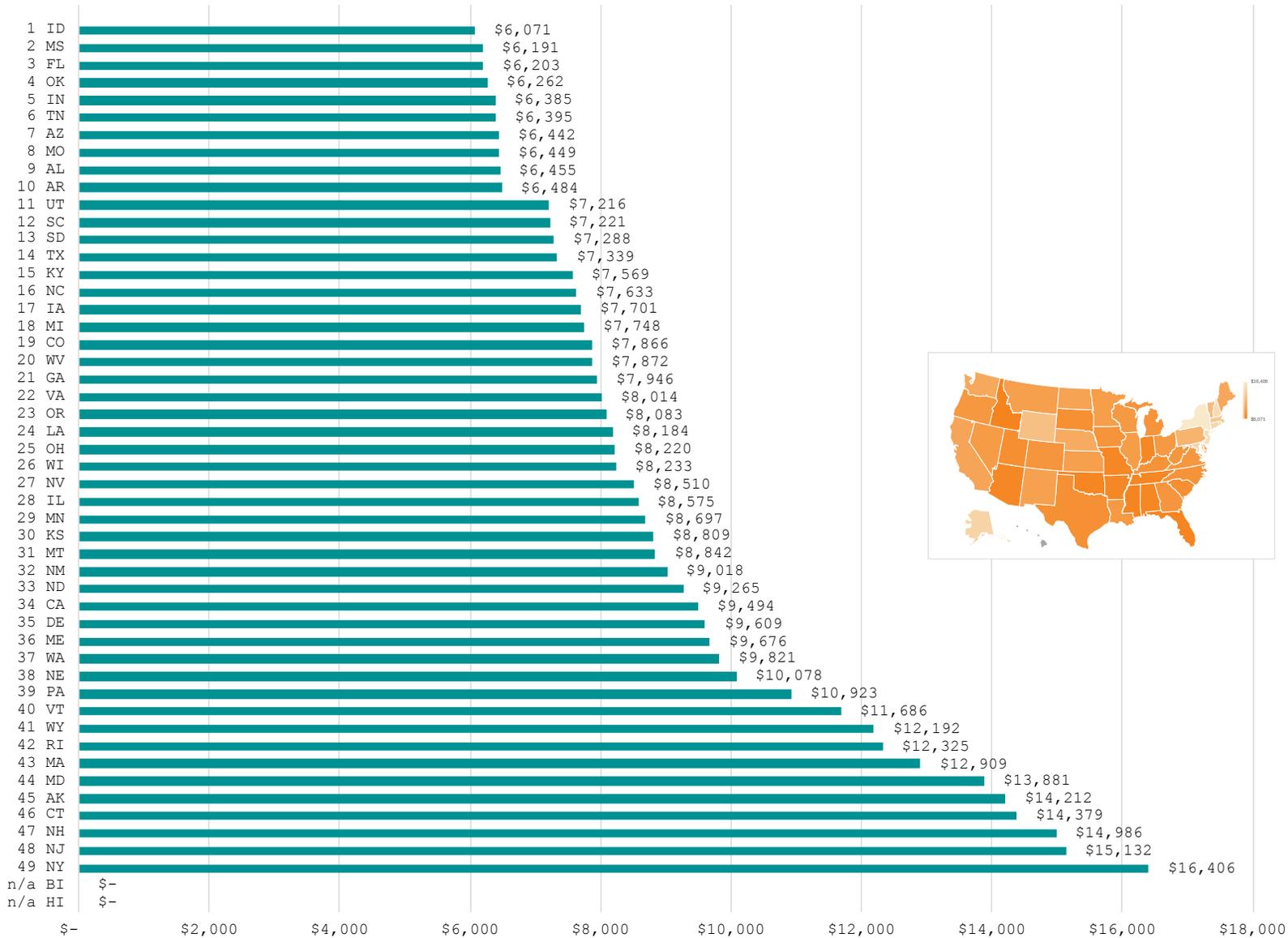
The percent of households with school-age children who changed residences within the previous 12 months, per U.S. Census figures.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2023 (1-year estimates)

Rural Instructional Expenditures Per Pupil

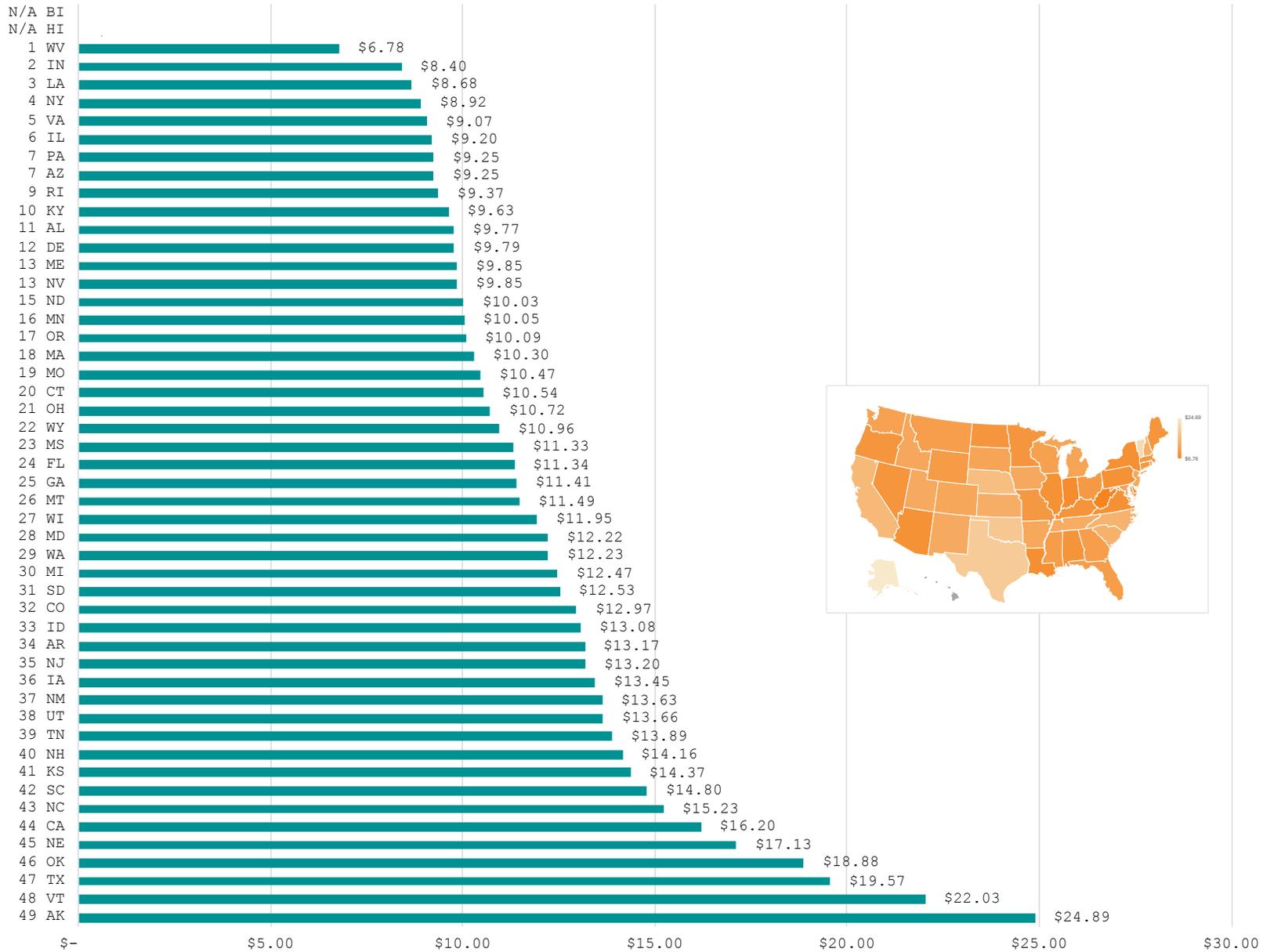
The total current expenditures for instruction in rural public school districts divided by the total number of students enrolled in those same districts.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2021-2022

Ratio of Instructional to Transportation Expenditures

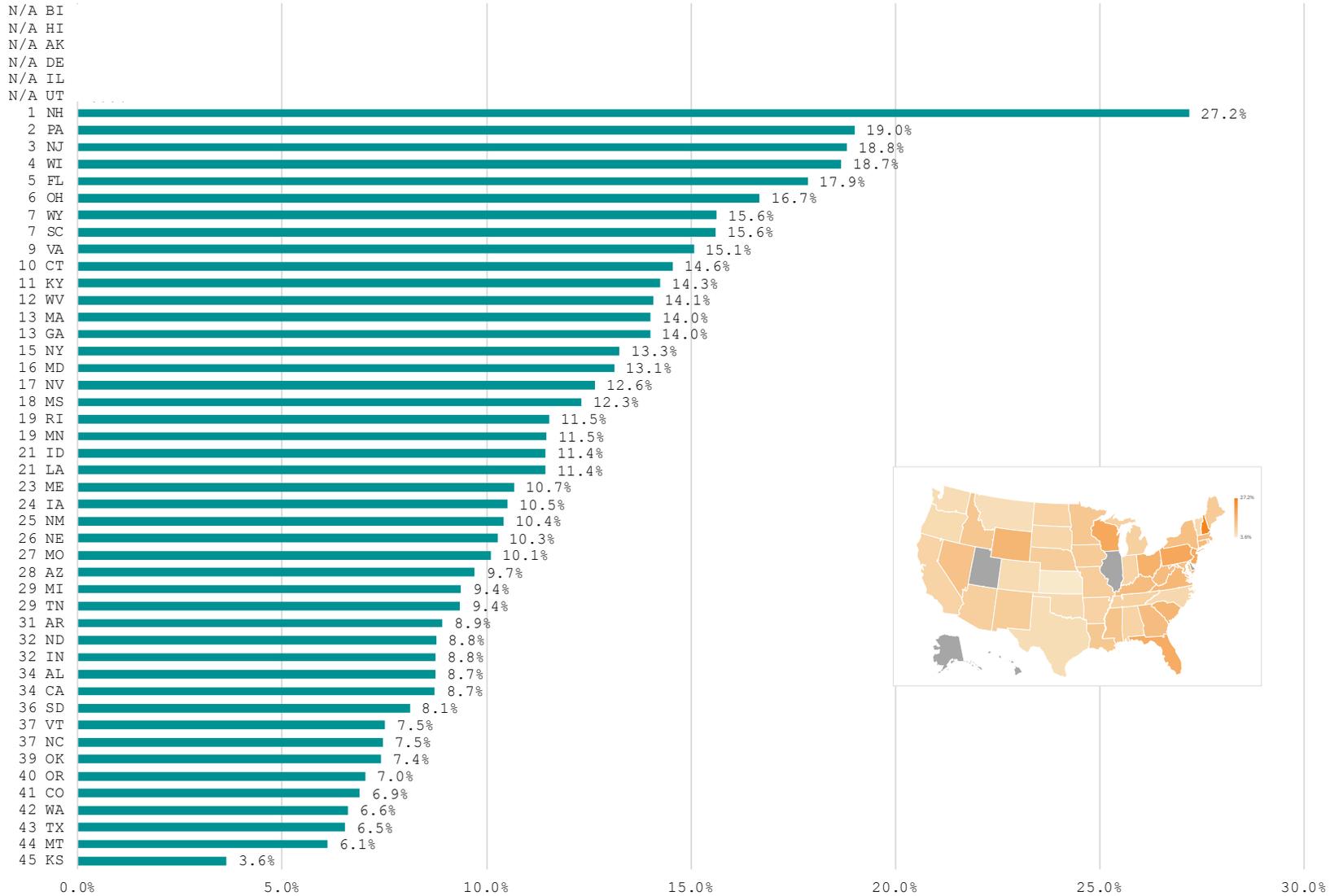
The amount of money spent on instruction for every \$1 spent on transportation in the rural districts.



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Percent Instructional Salaries for Special Education

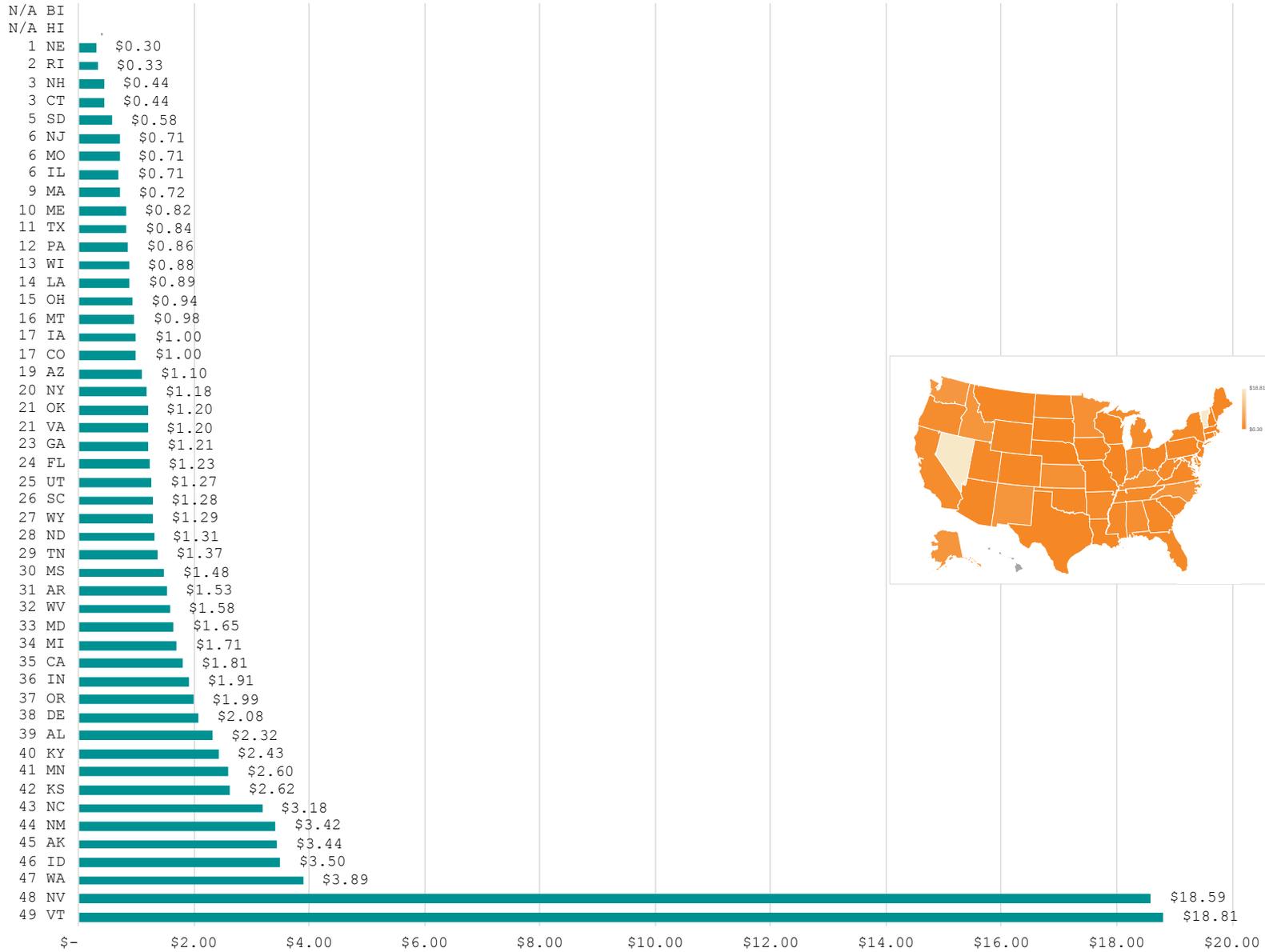
The amount of money spent on instructional salaries for special education divided by the total amount of money spent on instructional salaries.



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State Revenue to Schools Per Local Dollar

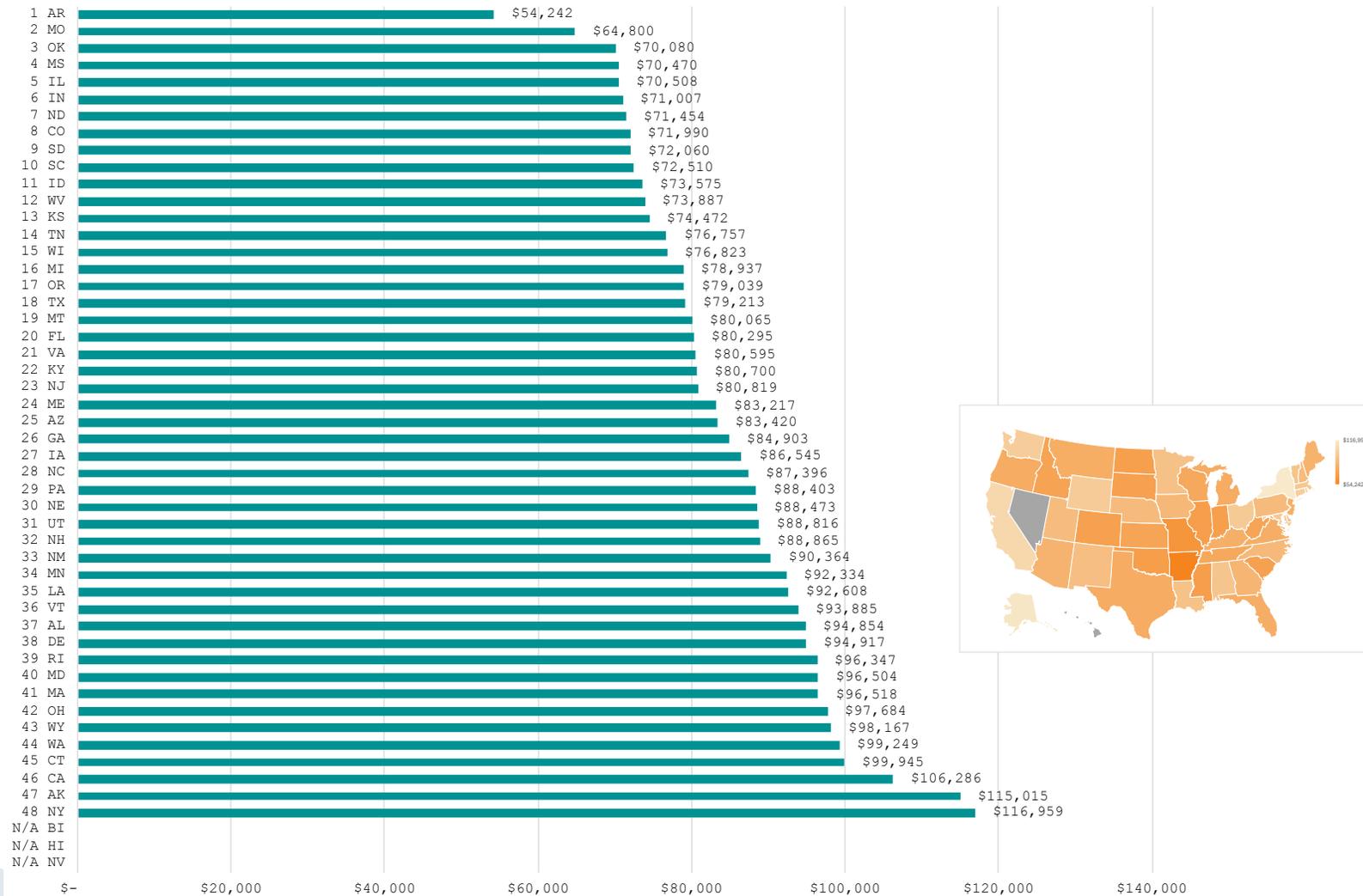
The amount of state funding to rural districts for every dollar of local funding.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2021-2022

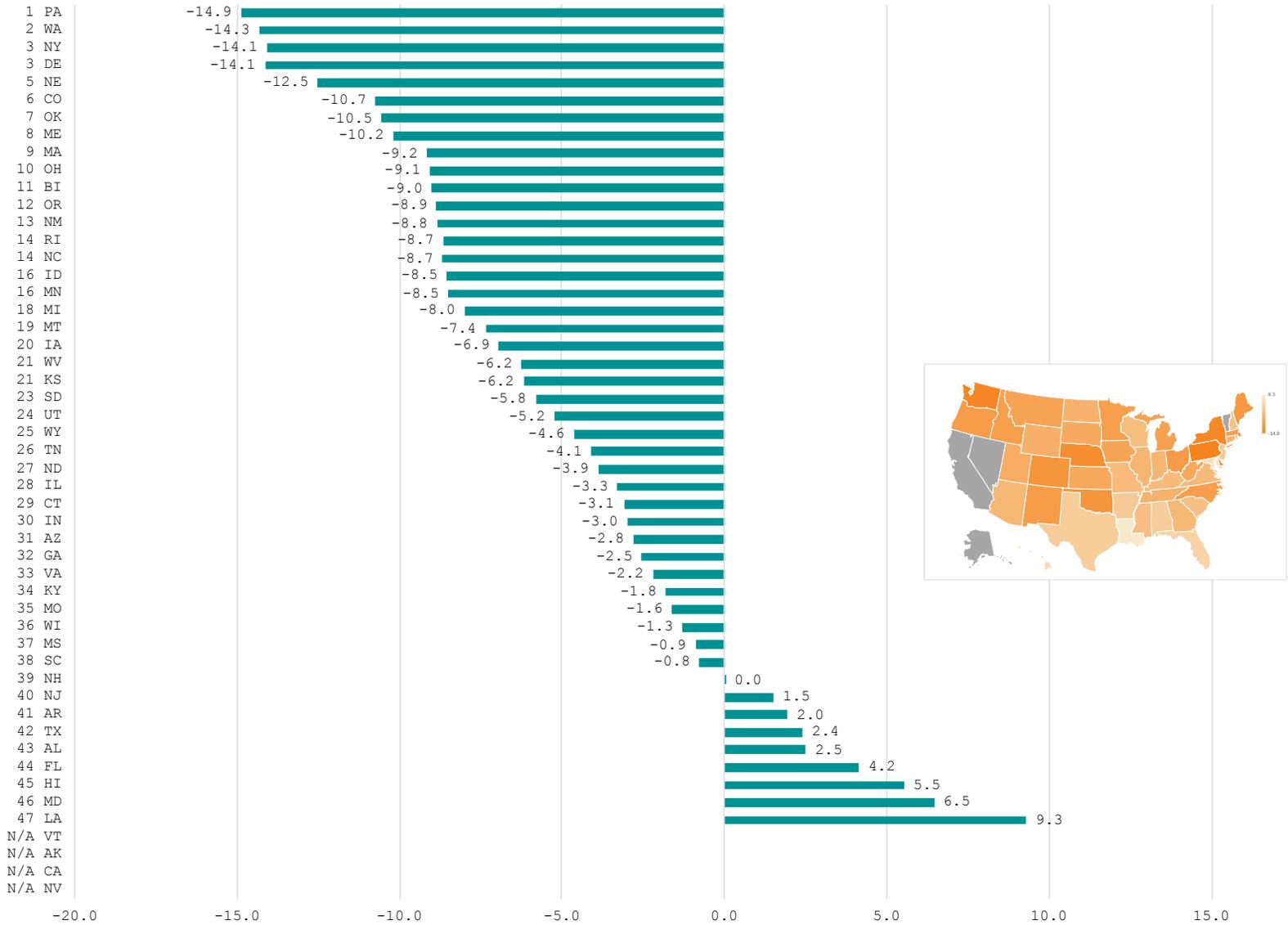
Rural Adjusted Salary Expenditures Per Instructional FTE

The total dollar amount spent on instructional salaries, divided by the NCES's Comparable Wage Index for Teachers for that district, divided by the total number of instructional staff members.



Change in Rural Grade 4 NAEP Reading Score

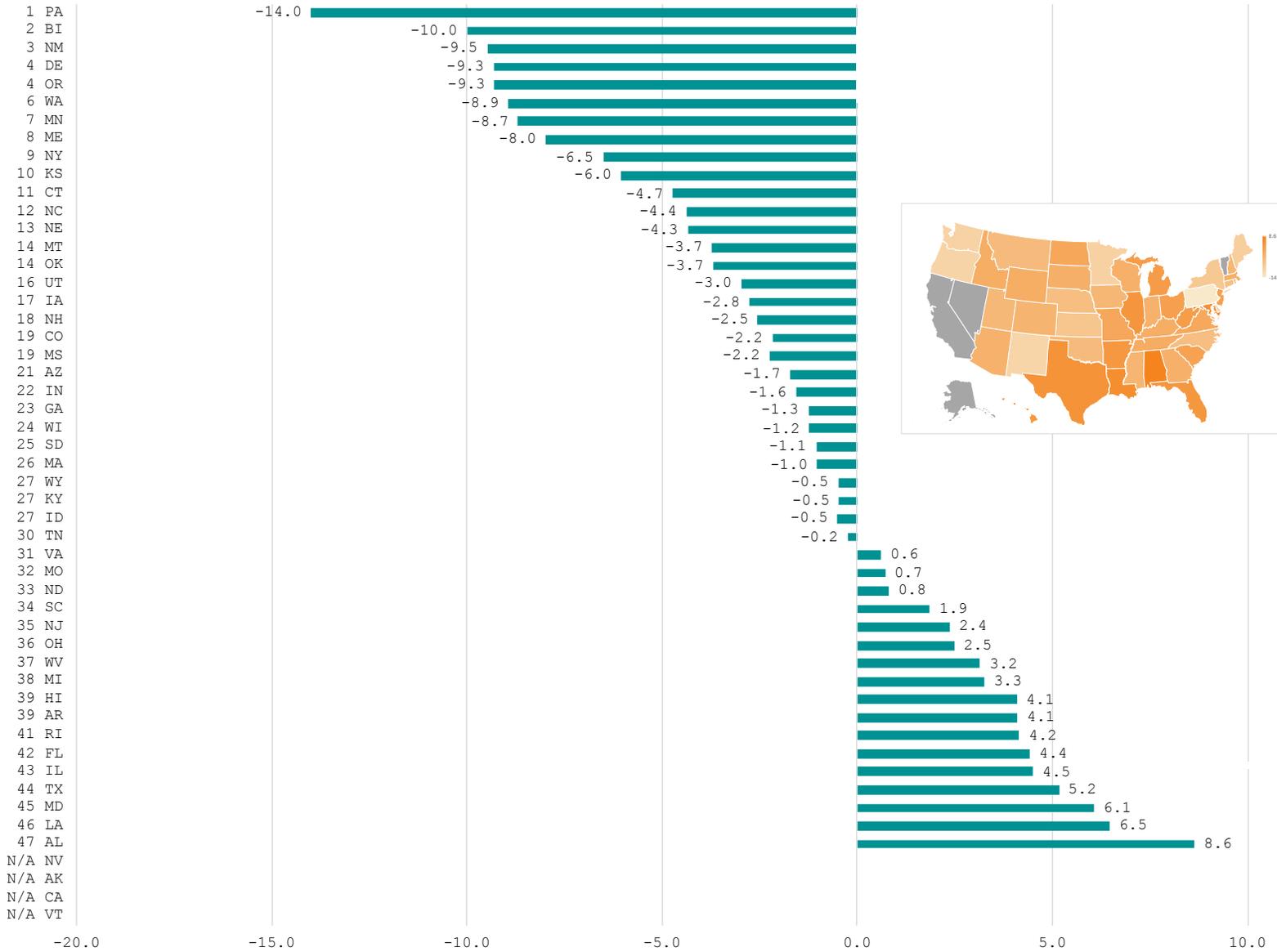
The 2024 Grade 4 NAEP Reading score for rural districts minus the 2019 Grade 4 NAEP Reading score for rural districts



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress, 2019 and 2024

Change in Rural Grade 4 NAEP Math Score

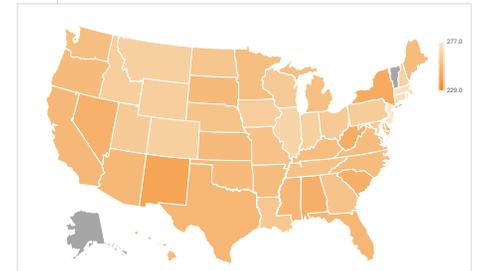
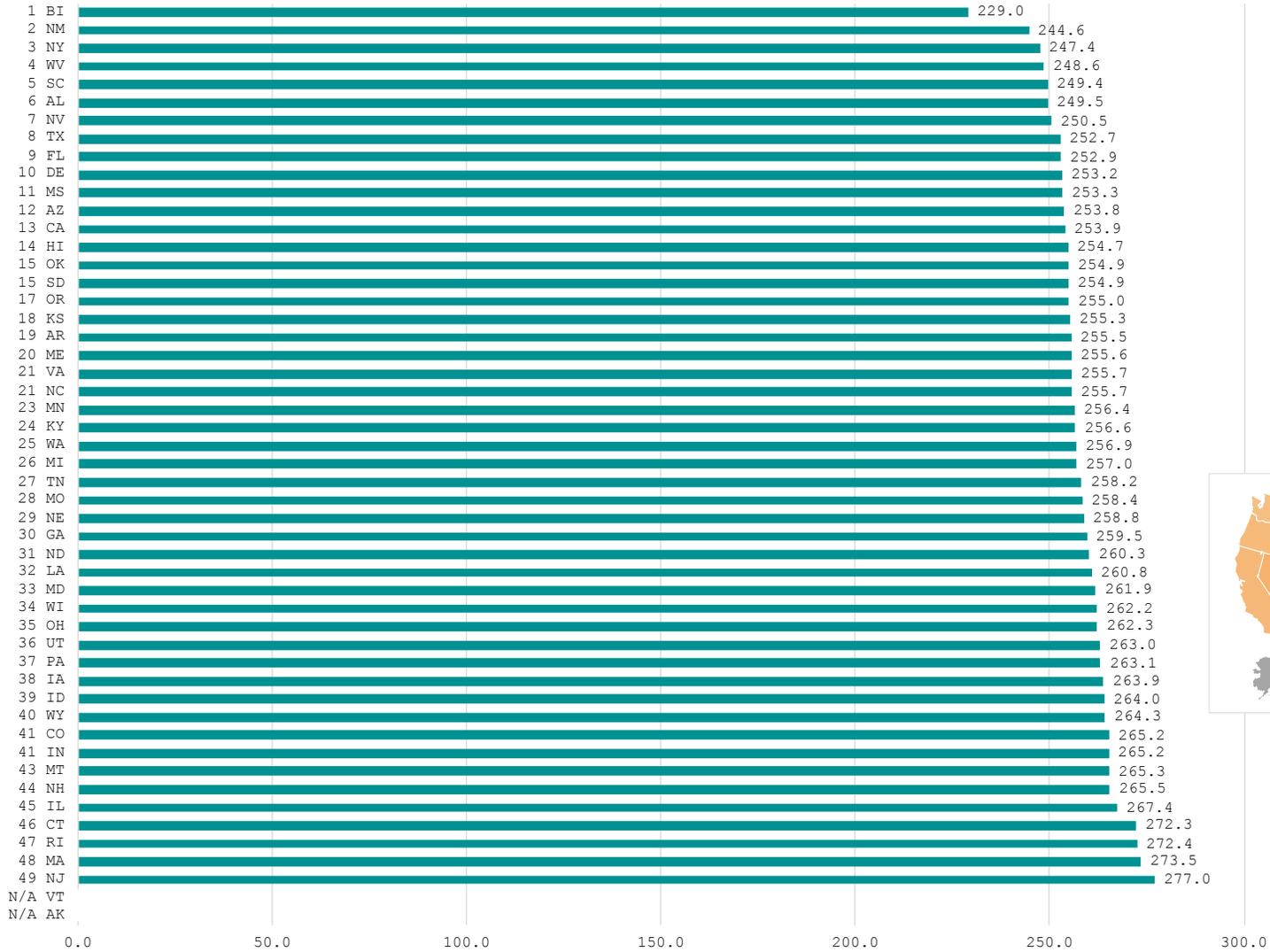
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Rural Grade 8 NAEP Reading Score

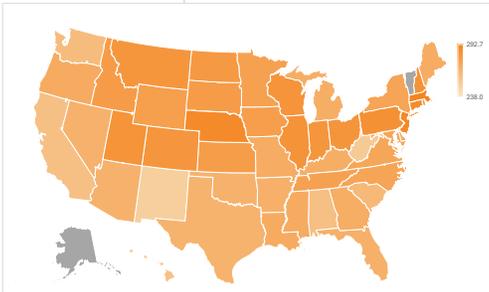
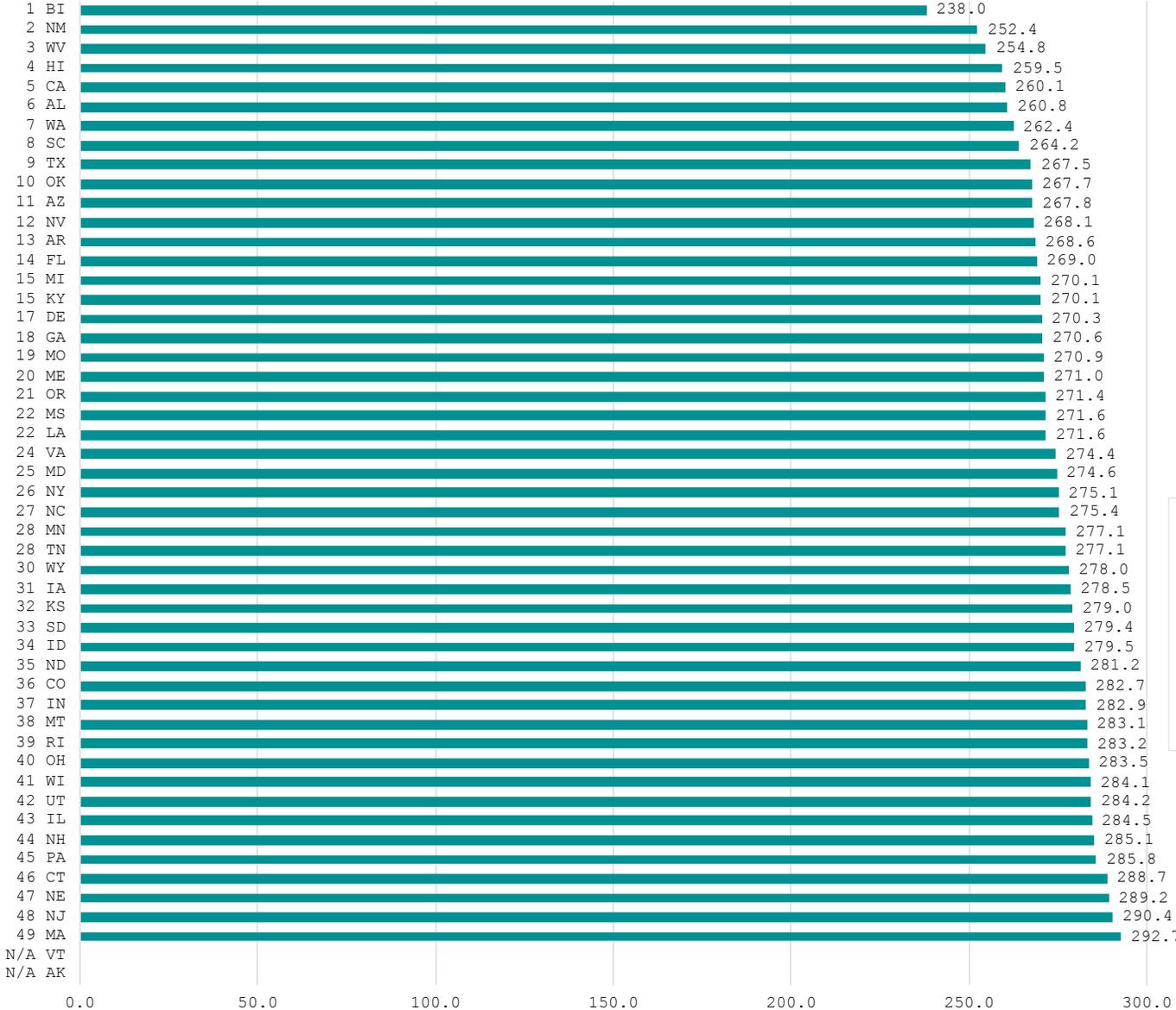
The average score in rural districts on the 2024 Grade 8 NAEP Reading test



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress, 2024

Rural Grade 8 NAEP Math Score

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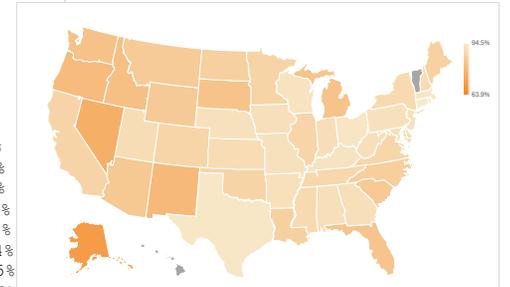
Educational Outcomes Gauge

Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress 2024



Rural High School Graduation Rate

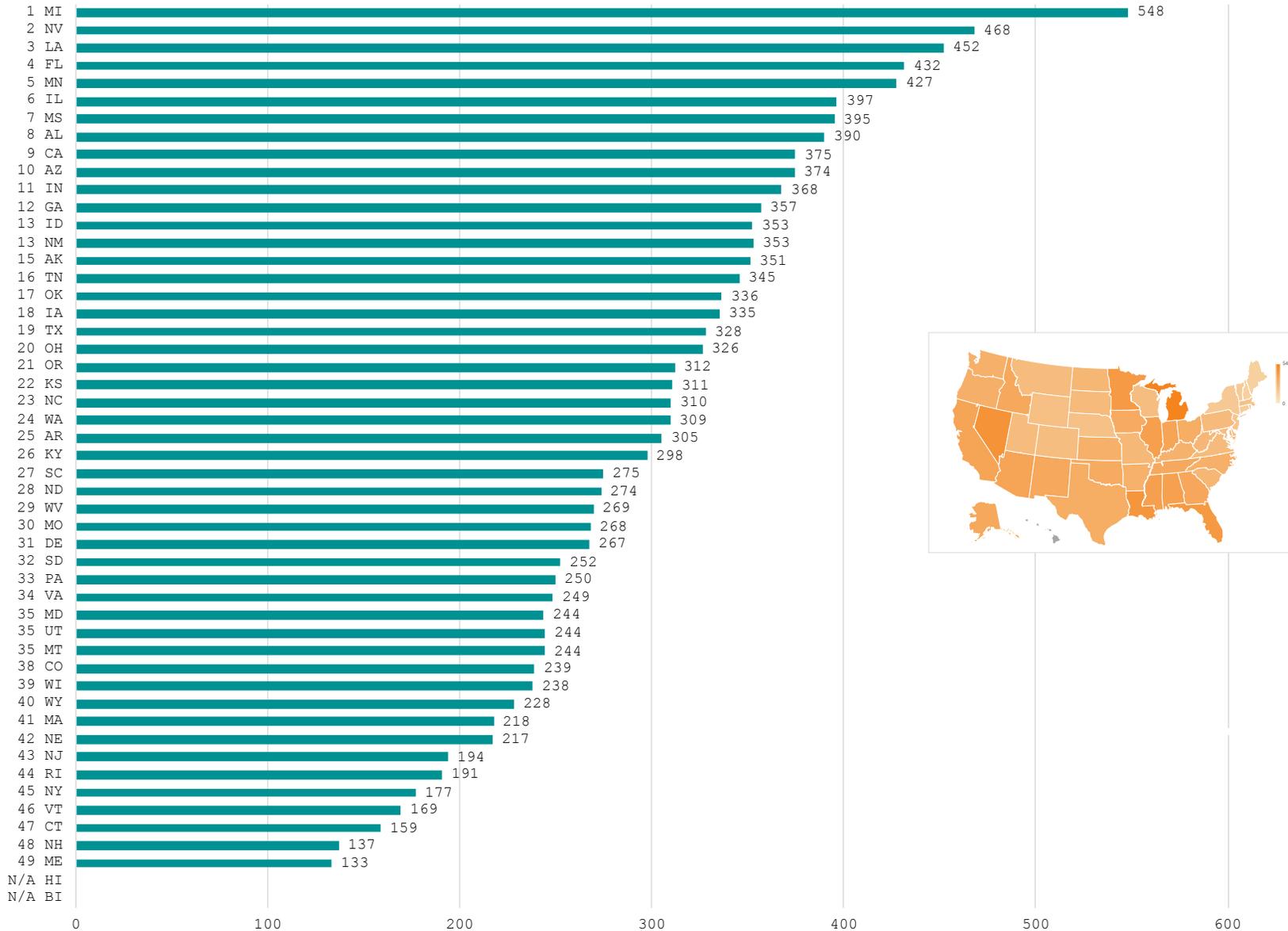
The weighted average high school graduation rate in rural districts (Note: “Graduation rate” is the number of graduating seniors in rural school districts divided by the total number of students who started with the cohort four years earlier, adjusted for transfer students.)



Source: U.S. Department of Education, EdFacts, Four-Year Adjusted-Cohort Graduation Rates, 2022-2023

Rural Students Per Psychologist/School Counselor

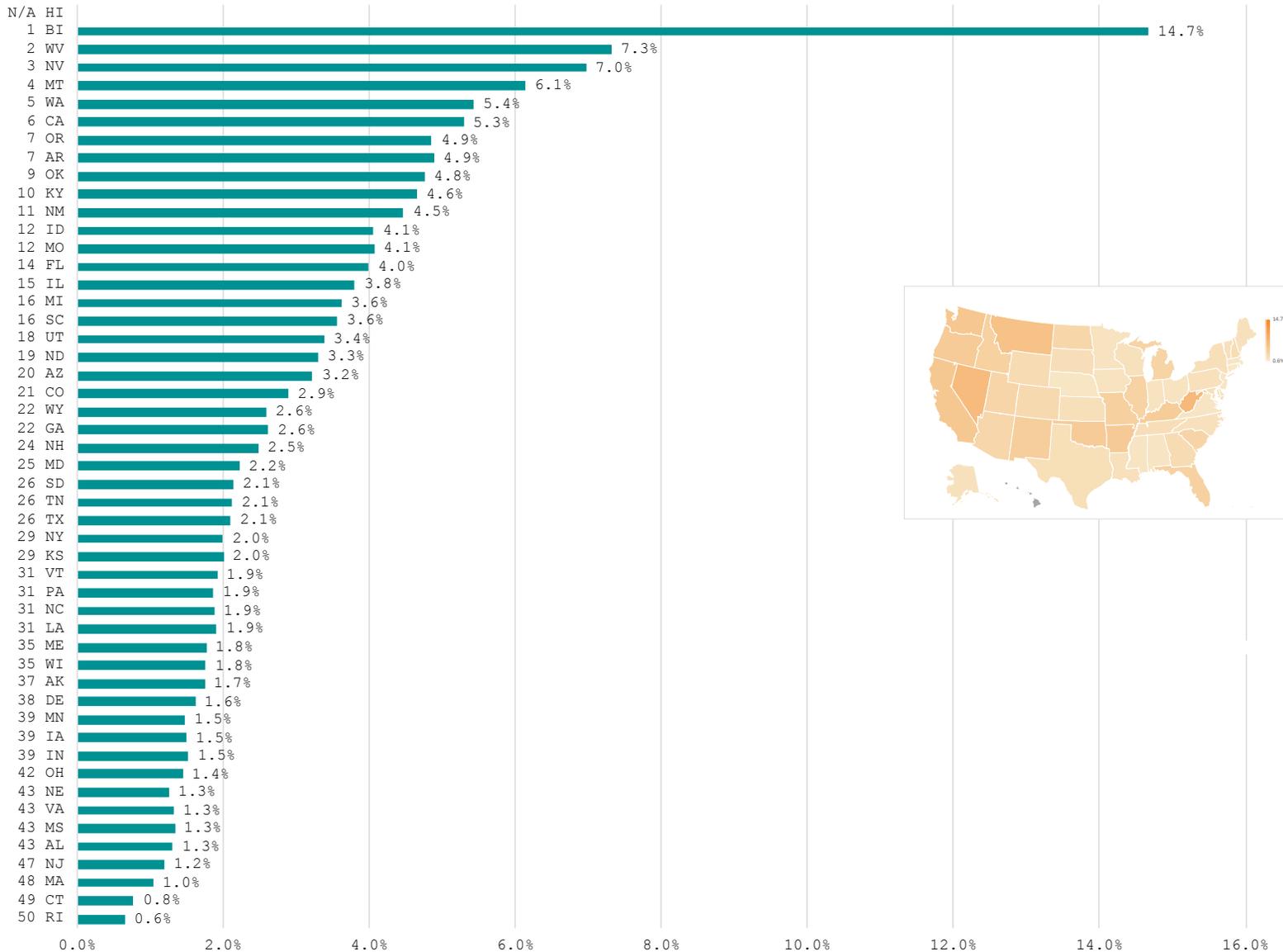
The number of students in rural districts divided by the number of psychologists and guidance counselors in those same districts.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2023-2024

Percent Rural Children Who Are Unhoused

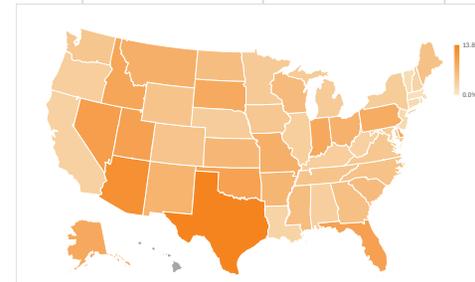
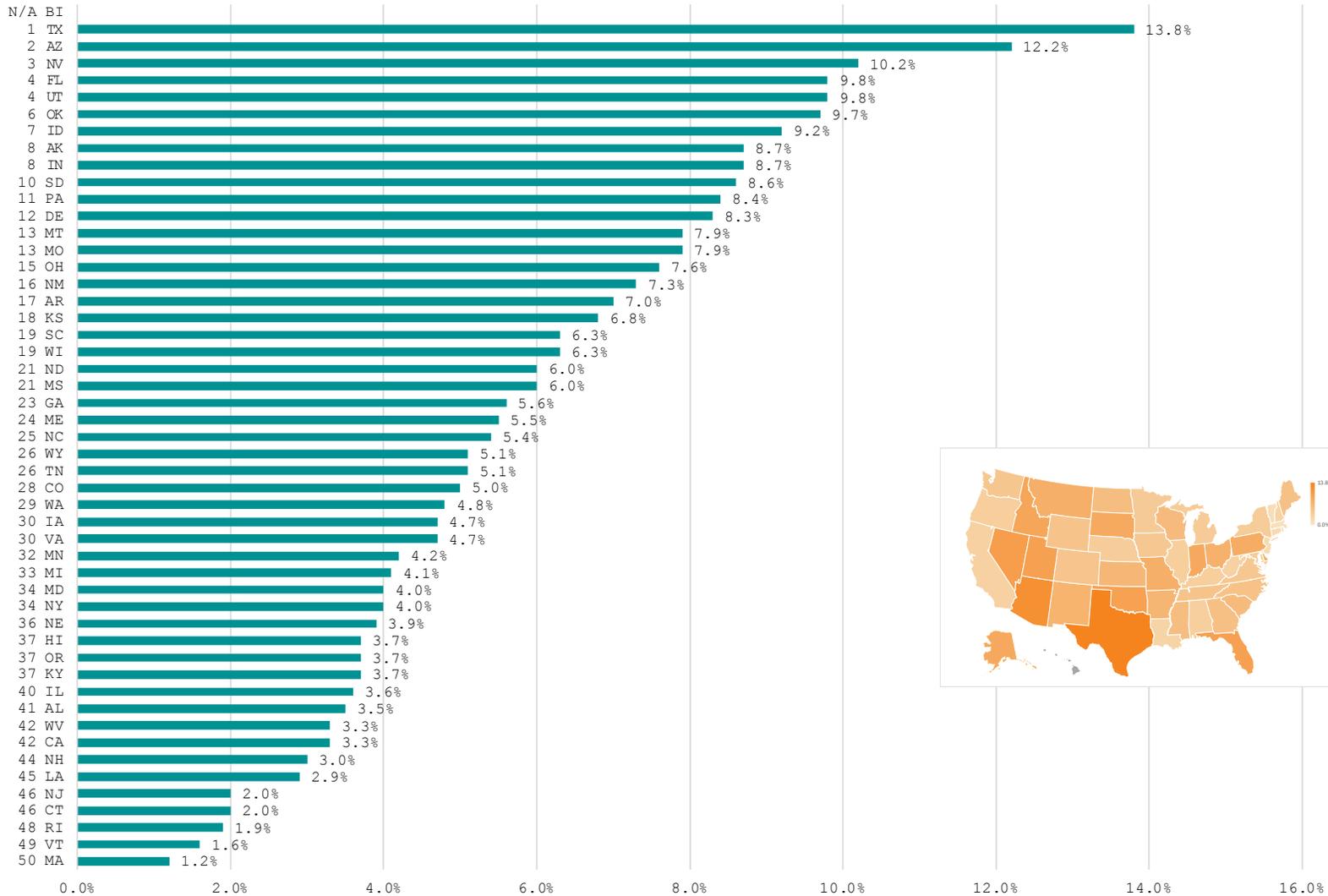
The number of students in rural districts who are categorized as “unhoused,” divided by the total number of students in rural districts for which sufficient unhoused data is available.



Source: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, ED Data Express, Public School Universe, 2022-2023

Percent Rural School-Aged Children Without Health Insurance Coverage

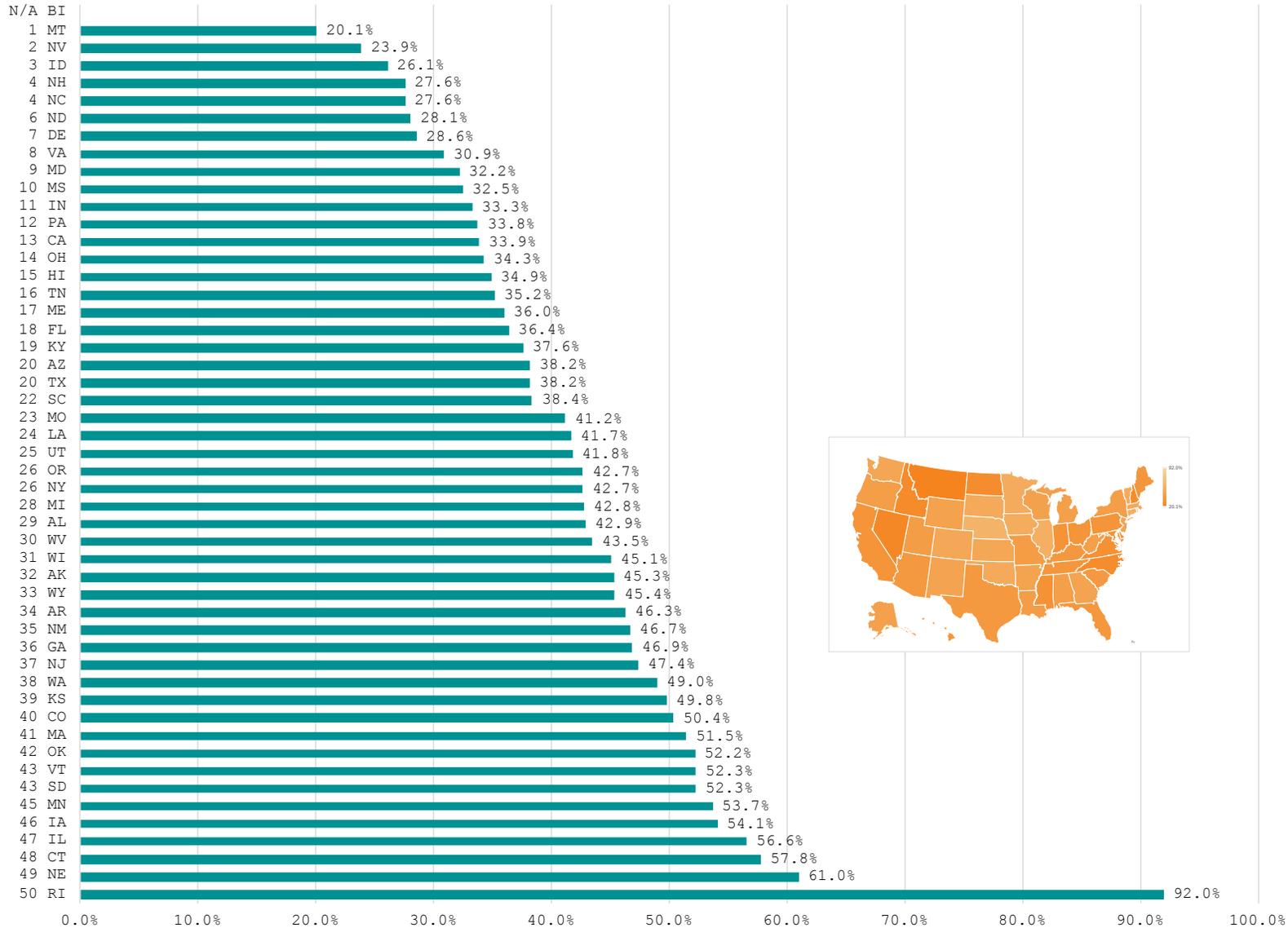
The percent of rural children age 6 to 18 who are not covered by health insurance.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2023 (1-year estimates)

Percent Rural Enrollment in Public Preschool

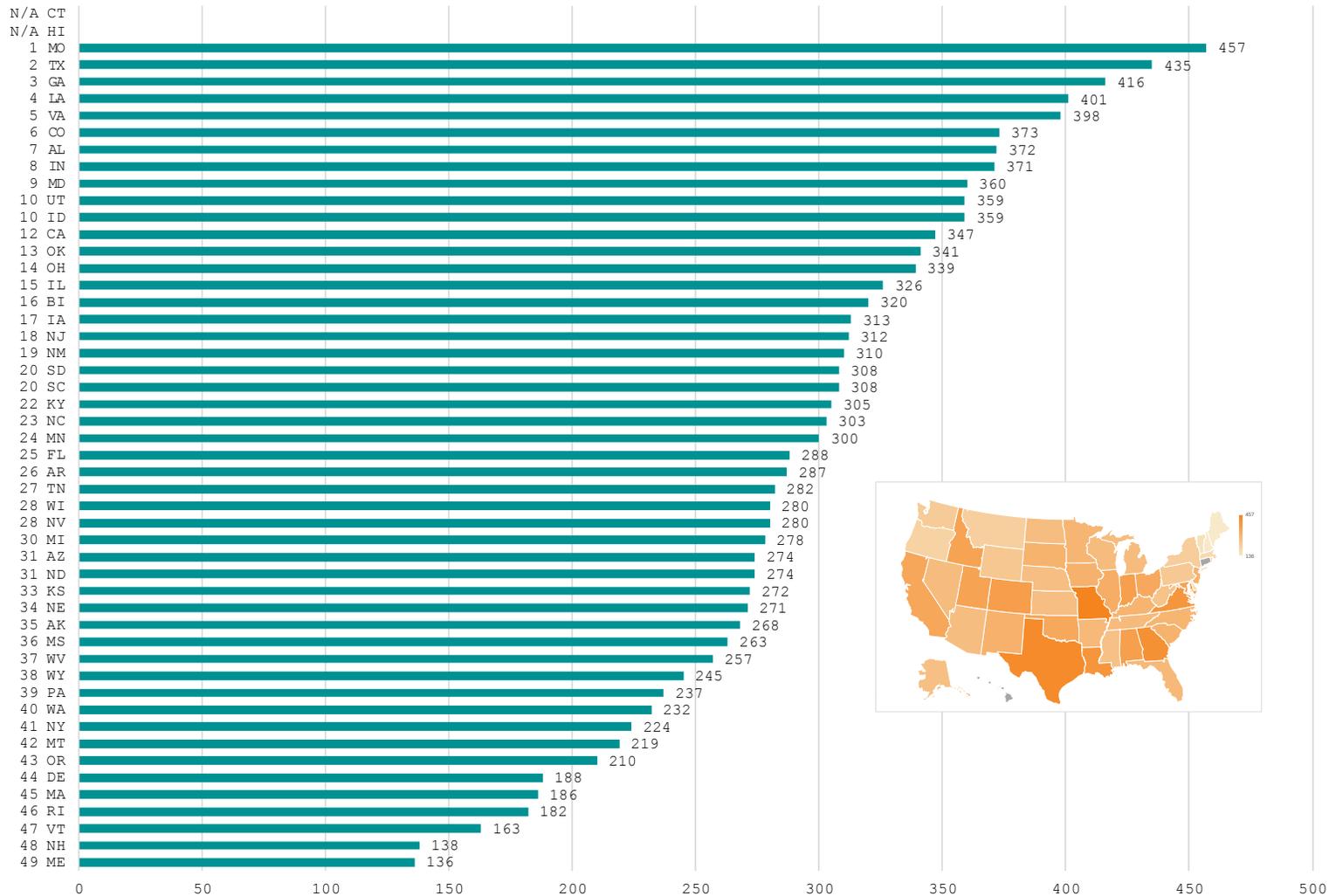
The number of students attending a public preschool in a rural area divided by 40% of the rural children age 0 to 4.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2023 (1-year estimates)

Rural Students Per Primary Care Clinician

The number of students in rural school districts in a county divided by the number of primary care clinicians. “Primary care clinicians” are estimated from the number of MD/DOs in family medicine and pediatrics primary care practice and 0.6 times the number of physician assistants and nurse practitioners (the reduced percentage accounts for ones who are not available for primary care). The state-level ratio is then weighted by how many of the state’s rural district students attend school in each county.



Source: U.S. Bureau of Health Workforce, Area Health Resources Files, 2021 data; U.S. Census Bureau, 2020; U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data, Public School Universe, 2023-2024