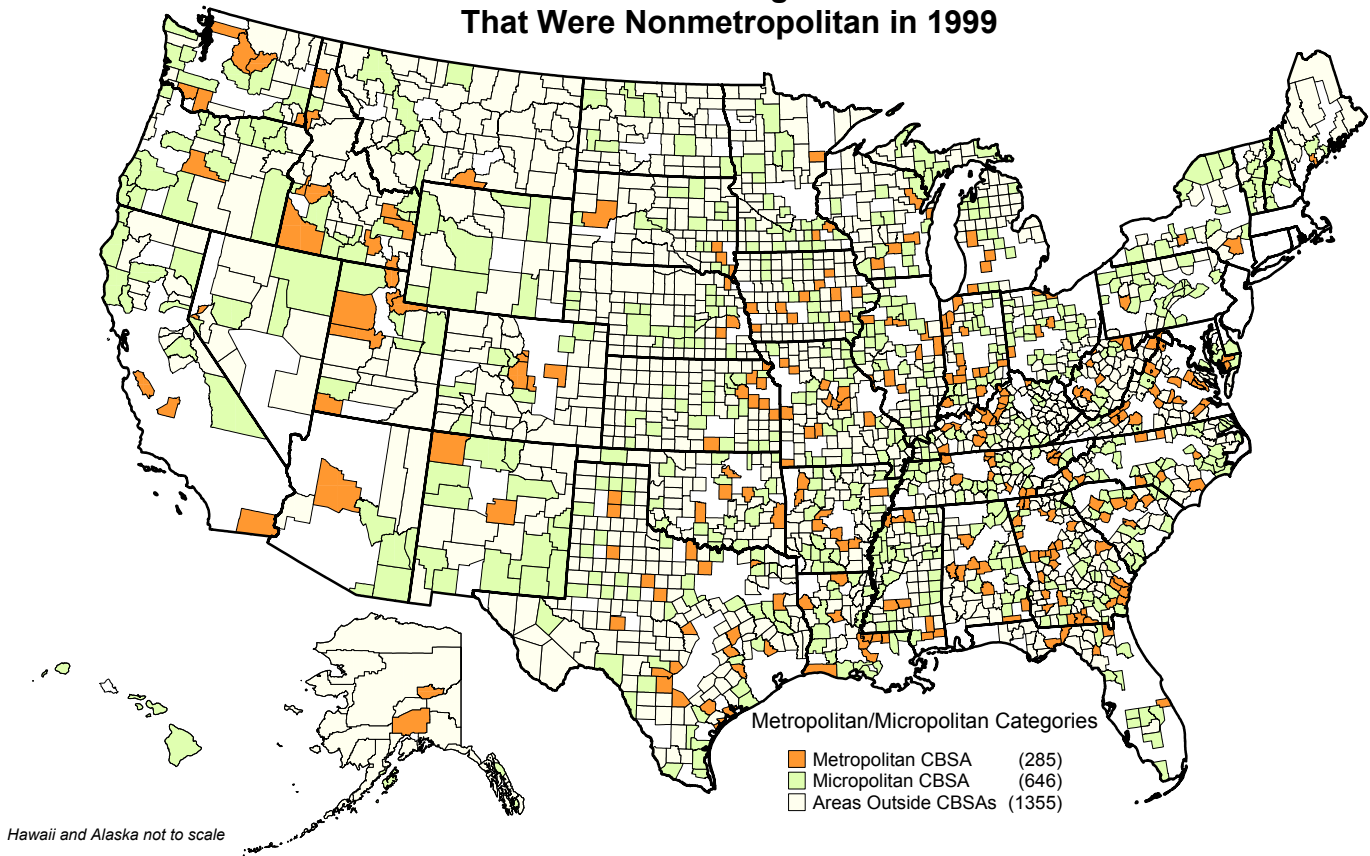
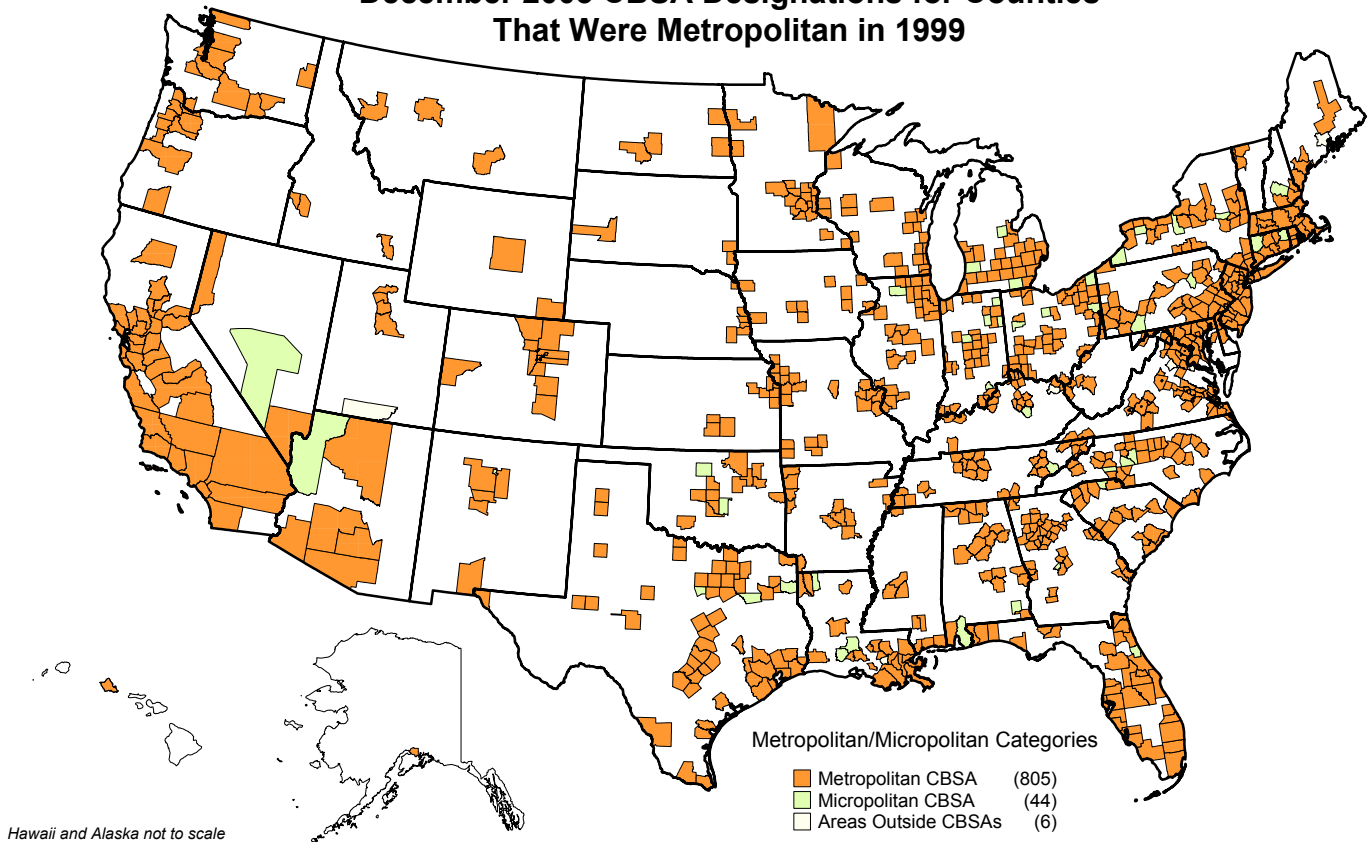


Classification Change, 1999 to 2003: Office of Management and Budget Metropolitan Areas and Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSAs)

December 2003 CBSA Designations for Counties That Were Nonmetropolitan in 1999



December 2003 CBSA Designations for Counties That Were Metropolitan in 1999



Notes: "Core Based Statistical Area" (CBSA) is the OMB's collective term for Metropolitan and Micropolitan statistical areas. OMB has not defined an affirmative title for areas outside CBSAs. Initial CBSA designations were issued in June 2003 and updated with an effective date of December 2003. This map is based on the updated December designations. Sources: County Boundaries - U.S. Census Bureau, 2000. CBSA Designations - U.S. Census Bureau and Office of Management and Budget, 2003. Prepared by the North Carolina Rural Health Research and Policy Analysis Center, Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.