

CHAPTER 3: RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN

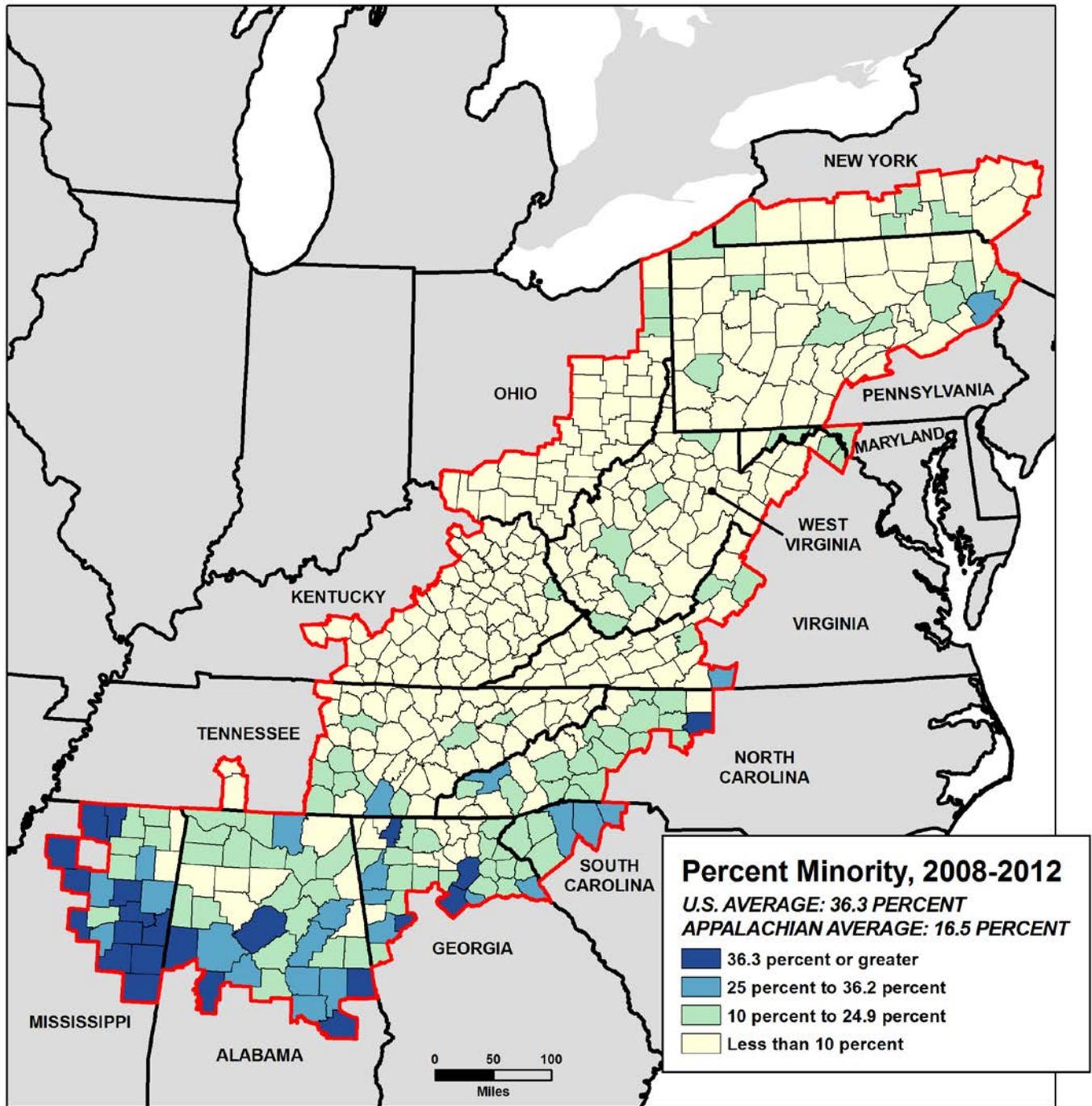
Table 3.1: Population in the Appalachian Region by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2008-2012

Population by Race and Hispanic Origin	Total Population, 2008-2012	Percent of Population				
		White Alone, Not Hispanic	Minority			
			Total	Black Alone, Not Hispanic	Hispanic or Latino	Other, Not Hispanic
United States	309,138,711	63.7	36.3	12.2	16.4	7.7
Appalachian Region	25,233,601	83.5	16.5	9.1	4.2	3.1
Subregions						
Northern Appalachia	8,377,805	89.5	10.5	5.1	2.4	2.9
North Central Appalachia	2,420,540	93.3	6.7	2.7	1.2	2.8
Central Appalachia	1,915,597	95.4	4.6	1.9	1.2	1.5
South Central Appalachia	4,716,965	85.5	14.5	7.0	4.5	2.9
Southern Appalachia	7,802,694	69.9	30.1	18.6	7.5	4.0
County Types						
Large Metros (pop. 1 million +)	5,780,046	74.8	25.2	14.8	5.7	4.7
Small Metros (pop. <1 million)	10,184,048	83.1	16.9	9.1	4.6	3.2
Nonmetro, Adjacent to Large Metros	1,693,460	88.5	11.5	4.8	4.0	2.6
Nonmetro, Adjacent to Small Metros	5,039,432	90.0	10.0	4.9	3.0	2.1
Rural (nonmetro, not adj. to a metro)	2,536,615	88.9	11.1	7.8	1.6	1.6
Alabama	4,777,326	67.0	33.0	26.2	3.8	3.0
Appalachian Alabama	3,061,793	71.0	29.0	21.8	4.3	2.8
Non-Appalachian Alabama	1,715,533	59.9	40.1	33.9	2.9	3.3
Georgia	9,714,569	55.8	44.2	30.2	8.8	5.2
Appalachian Georgia	2,939,195	68.1	31.9	13.3	12.7	5.9
Non-Appalachian Georgia	6,775,374	50.5	49.5	37.5	7.1	4.9
Kentucky	4,340,167	86.3	13.7	7.7	3.0	2.9
Appalachian Kentucky	1,183,655	95.4	4.6	1.9	1.3	1.5
Non-Appalachian Kentucky	3,156,512	82.9	17.1	9.9	3.7	3.5
Maryland	5,785,496	54.7	45.3	29.0	8.2	8.2
Appalachian Maryland	252,606	86.4	13.6	7.9	2.6	3.2
Non-Appalachian Maryland	5,532,890	53.2	46.8	29.9	8.4	8.4
Mississippi	2,967,620	58.0	42.0	37.0	2.6	2.4
Appalachian Mississippi	628,451	64.7	35.3	31.5	2.3	1.5
Non-Appalachian Mississippi	2,339,169	56.2	43.8	38.5	2.8	2.6
New York	19,398,125	58.3	41.7	14.5	17.7	9.6
Appalachian New York	1,064,968	90.1	9.9	2.6	3.1	4.3
Non-Appalachian New York	18,333,157	56.4	43.6	15.1	18.5	9.9
North Carolina	9,544,249	65.2	34.8	21.2	8.3	5.2
Appalachian North Carolina	1,696,854	81.2	18.8	8.7	6.8	3.2
Non-Appalachian North Carolina	7,847,395	61.8	38.2	23.9	8.7	5.7
Ohio	11,533,561	81.1	18.9	12.0	3.1	3.8
Appalachian Ohio	2,038,670	91.8	8.2	4.3	1.6	2.3
Non-Appalachian Ohio	9,494,891	78.8	21.2	13.7	3.4	4.1
Pennsylvania	12,699,589	79.4	20.6	10.4	5.7	4.5
Appalachian Pennsylvania	5,789,026	89.5	10.5	5.3	2.4	2.8
Non-Appalachian Pennsylvania	6,910,563	71.0	29.0	14.7	8.4	5.9
South Carolina	4,630,351	64.1	35.9	27.7	5.0	3.2
Appalachian South Carolina	1,173,255	74.4	25.6	16.4	5.8	3.4
Non-Appalachian South Carolina	3,457,096	60.6	39.4	31.5	4.8	3.1
Tennessee	6,353,226	75.6	24.4	16.6	4.5	3.3
Appalachian Tennessee	2,786,292	88.6	11.4	5.4	3.3	2.7
Non-Appalachian Tennessee	3,566,934	65.4	34.6	25.3	5.5	3.8
Virginia	8,014,955	64.8	35.2	19.1	7.9	8.2
Appalachian Virginia	768,355	90.4	9.6	5.3	1.9	2.4
Non-Appalachian Virginia	7,246,600	62.1	37.9	20.6	8.5	8.8
West Virginia (entire state)	1,850,481	93.0	7.0	3.1	1.2	2.7

"Other" includes these racial groups: (a) American Indian and Alaska Native alone; (b) Asian alone; (c) Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone; (d) Some other race alone; and (e) Two or more races.

Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey.

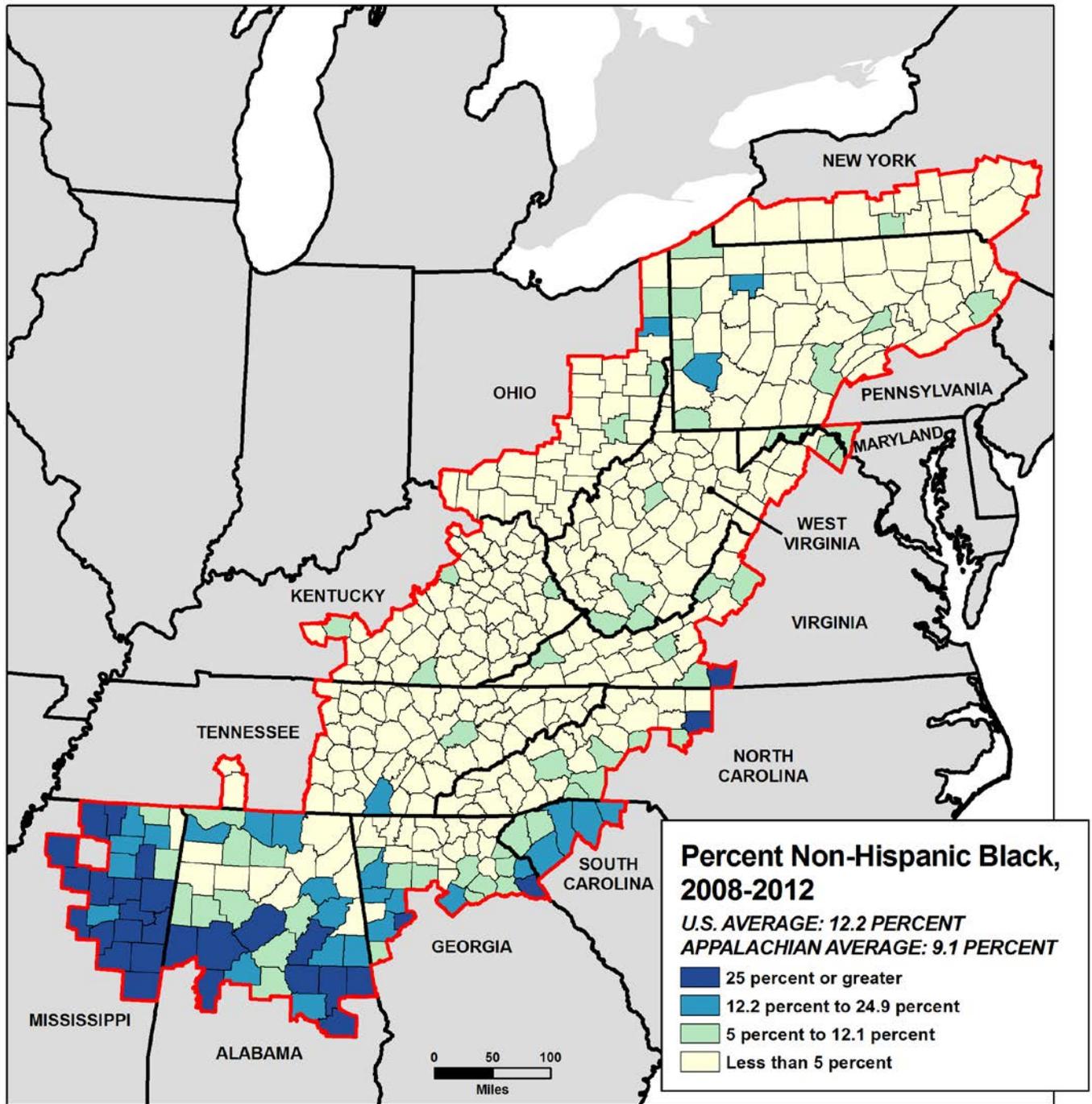
Figure 3.1: Percent of Population in the Appalachian Region That Is Minority, 2008-2012



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The Appalachian Region is significantly less racially and ethnically diverse than the United States as a whole, and most parts of the Region have remained far below the national average in their minority populations. In two-thirds of Appalachian counties, minorities (defined as anyone who identifies with a racial or ethnic group *other than* “white alone, not Hispanic”) made up less than 10 percent of the population during the 2008-2012 period. There were just 22 counties—all but one in Southern Appalachia—where minorities’ share of the population matched or exceeded the national average.

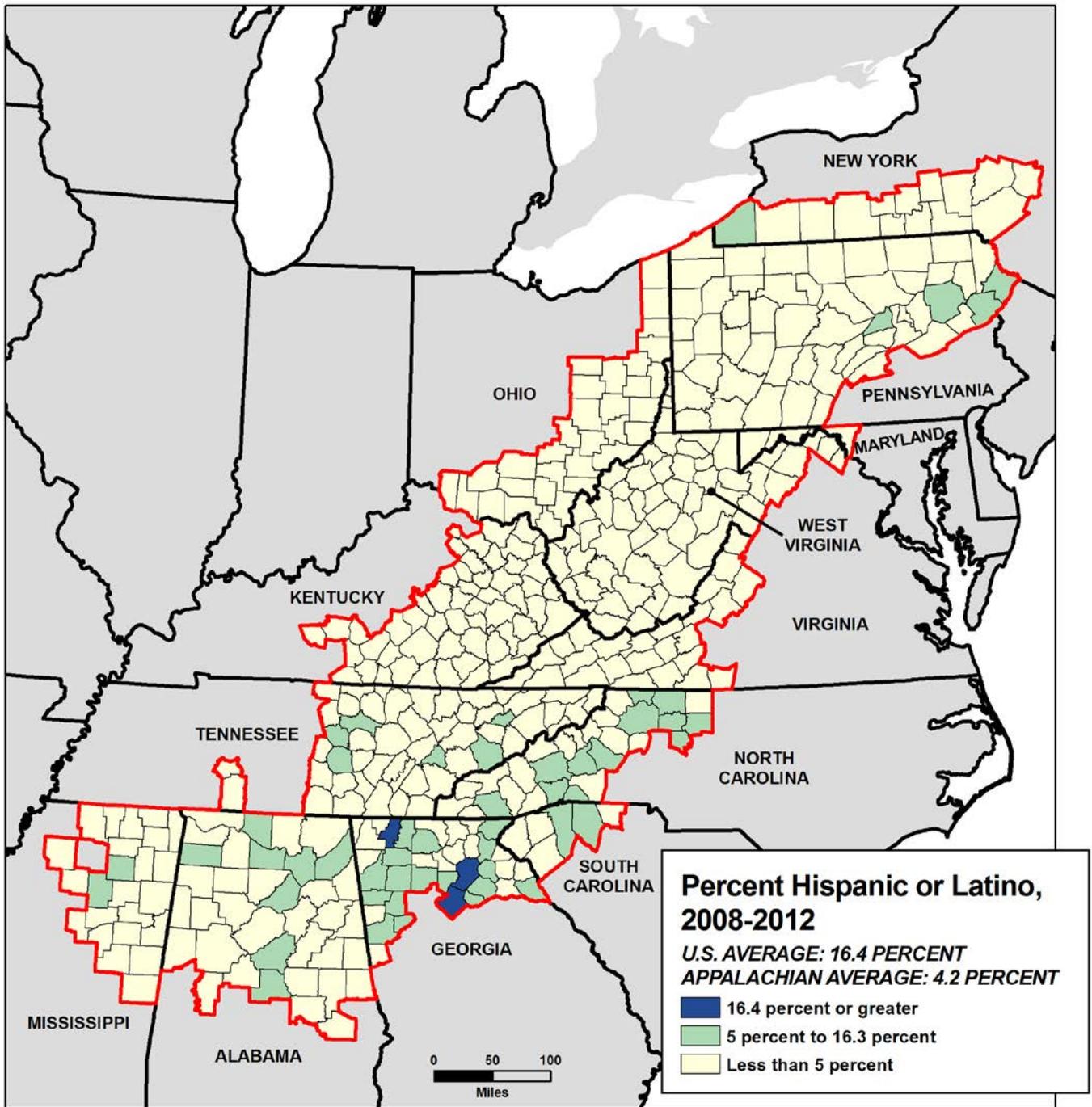
Figure 3.2: Percent of Population in the Appalachian Region That Is Black Alone, not Hispanic, 2008-2012



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Although non-Hispanic African Americans remained the largest single minority group in Appalachia during the 2008-2012 period, their share of the Region’s total population was still lower than in the United States as a whole. Within the Region, the largest proportions were in Southern Appalachia—the only subregion where blacks’ share of the population exceeded the national average. Southern Appalachia also had 51 of the 57 counties where the black share of the population matched or surpassed that of the nation. At the other end of the spectrum, persons who were “black alone, not Hispanic” accounted for less than 5 percent of the residents in nearly three-fourths of Appalachian counties.

Figure 3.3: Percent of Population in the Appalachian Region That Is Hispanic or Latino, 2008-2012



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Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008-2012 American Community Survey.

Although Hispanics have become the United States' largest minority group, they made up only 1 in 25 residents in the Appalachian Region during the 2008-2012 period. The county patterns reflect this fact, as Hispanics were at least 5 percent of the population in just 55 of Appalachia's 420 counties. Moreover, just three Appalachian counties (Gwinnett, Hall, and Whitfield—all in Georgia) had Latino population shares that matched or exceeded the national average.