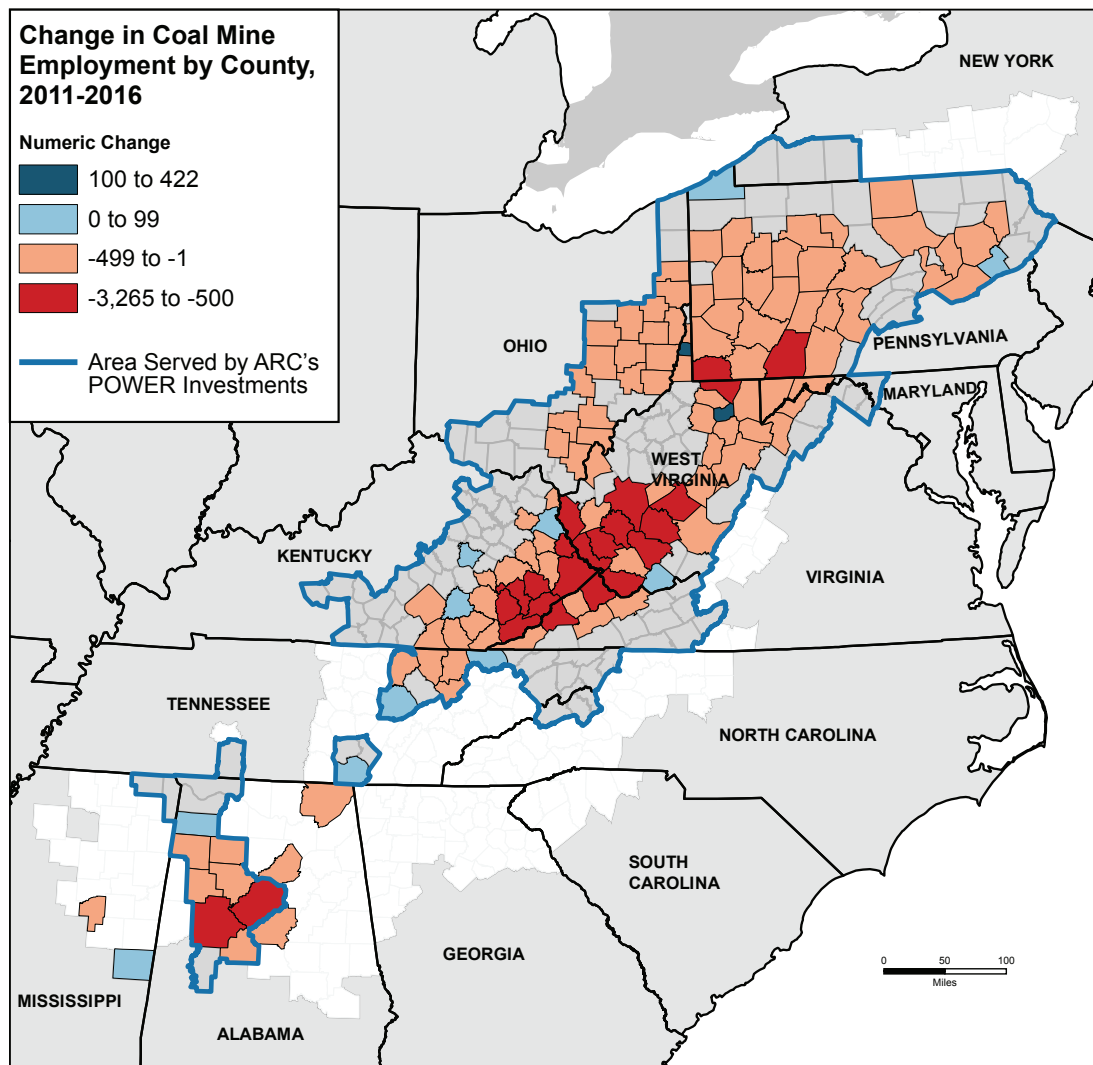


# INVESTING IN COAL-IMPACTED APPALACHIA

According to [ARC research](#), Appalachia lost a total of 33,500 coal mining jobs between 2011 and 2016, representing 82 percent of America’s job losses in this sector. While coal mining job losses are spread across the Region, the highest concentration of these losses is in the Central Appalachian coalfields of Kentucky and West Virginia. The Appalachian Regional Commission has now invested a total of over \$94 million specifically to diversify the economy in 250 coal-impacted counties across 11 Appalachian states. Together these investments are projected to create or retain almost 8,800 jobs, benefit thousands of workers and students, and leverage an additional \$210 million into the Region’s economy. Learn more at [www.arc.gov/POWER](http://www.arc.gov/POWER).



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