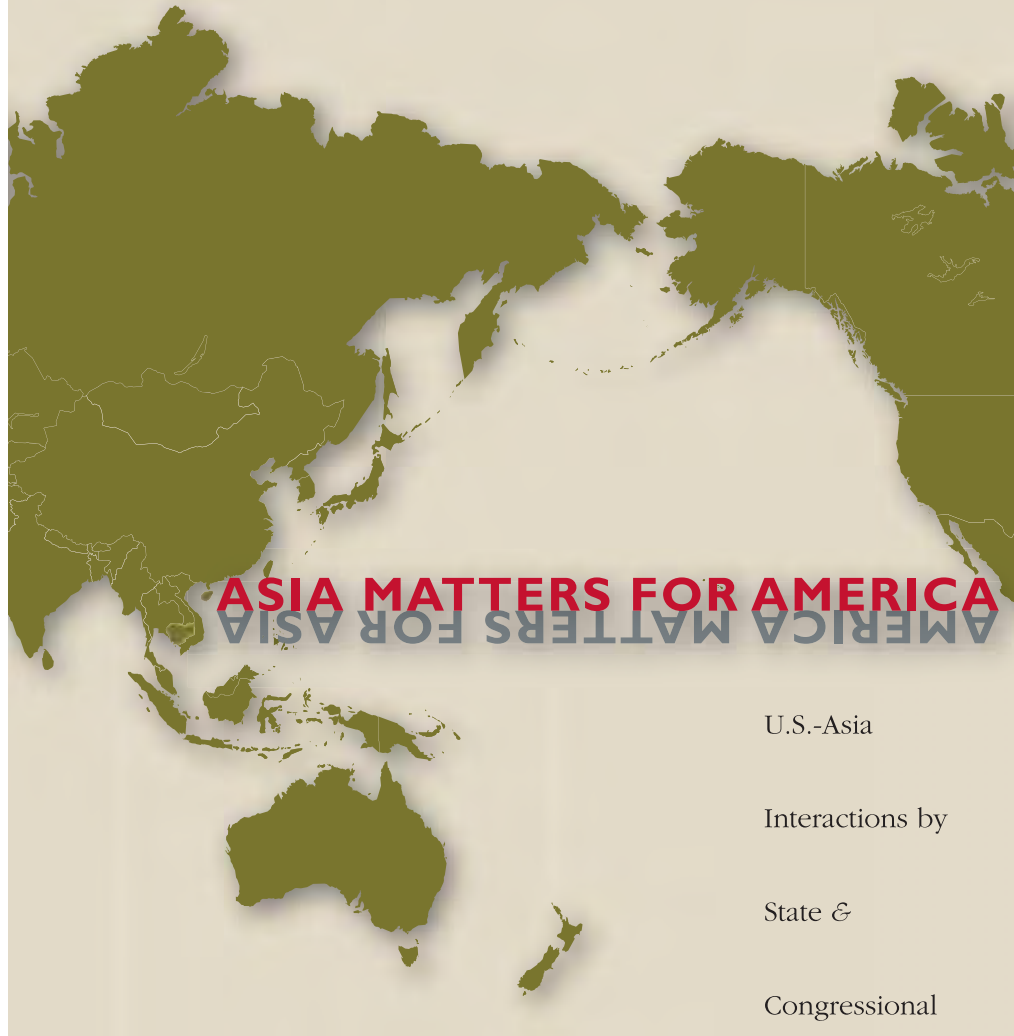




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13 million Americans identify themselves as "Asian alone"

Chinese are the single largest subgroup of the "Asian alone" population in the United States, numbering 3.1 million. Among other groups there are 2.5 million Indians, 2.3 million Filipinos, 1.5 million Vietnamese, 1.3 million Koreans, 830,000 Japanese and 1.1 million other Asians.

The "Asian alone" population grew 8% from 2004 to 2006, while the general U.S. population grew 2% in the same period. The fastest growing Asian

subgroups are Vietnamese (16%), Indian (11%) and Filipino (8%).

For comparison, 44 million Americans identify themselves as "Hispanic or Latino" and 37 million as "Black or African American alone."

New York has an "Asian alone" population of 1.3 million, second only to California. Chinese, Indians and Koreans make up 76% of the state's Asian alone population.

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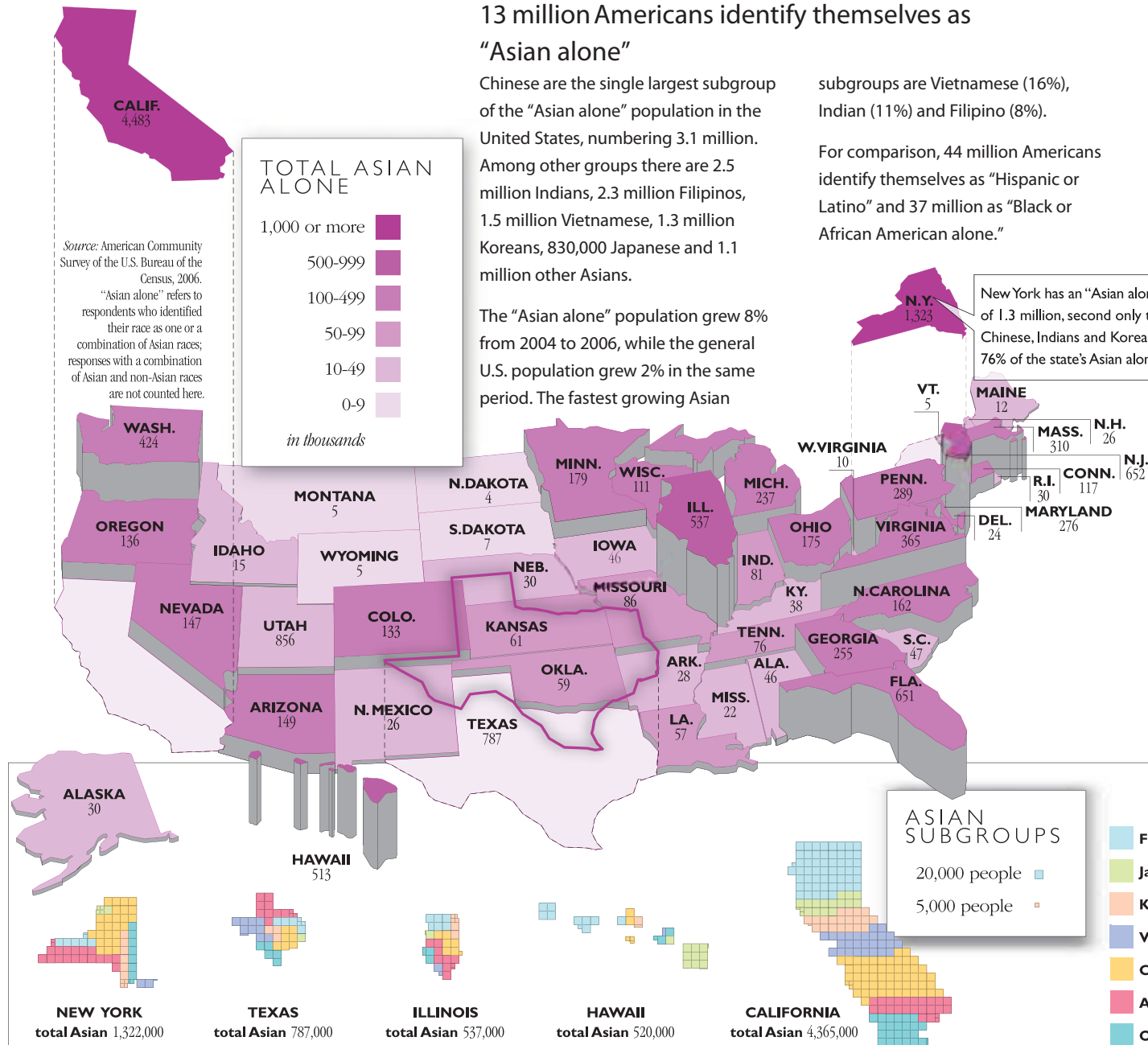
Fastest growth 2002-2006, Asian alone, %

WYOMING	93
MONTANA	82
SOUTH DAKOTA	70
NEW HAMPSHIRE	65
NEVADA	57
MISSISSIPPI	50
ALABAMA	45
WEST VIRGINIA	43
IDAHO	43
ARIZONA	40

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Asian alone population 2006, %

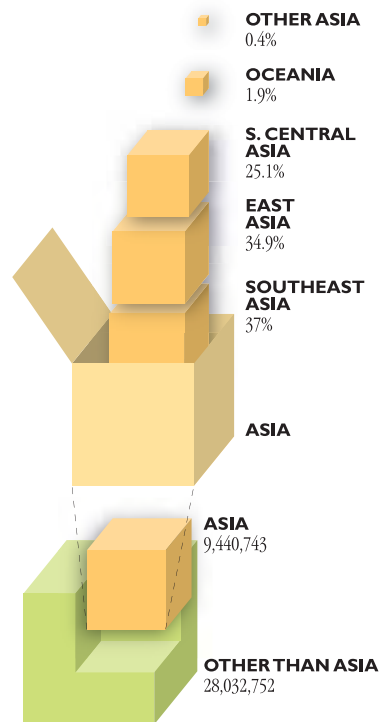
HAWAII	40
CALIFORNIA	12
NEW JERSEY	8
NEW YORK	7
WASHINGTON	7
NEVADA	6
MARYLAND	5
MASSACHUSETTS	5
VIRGINIA	5
ALASKA	4



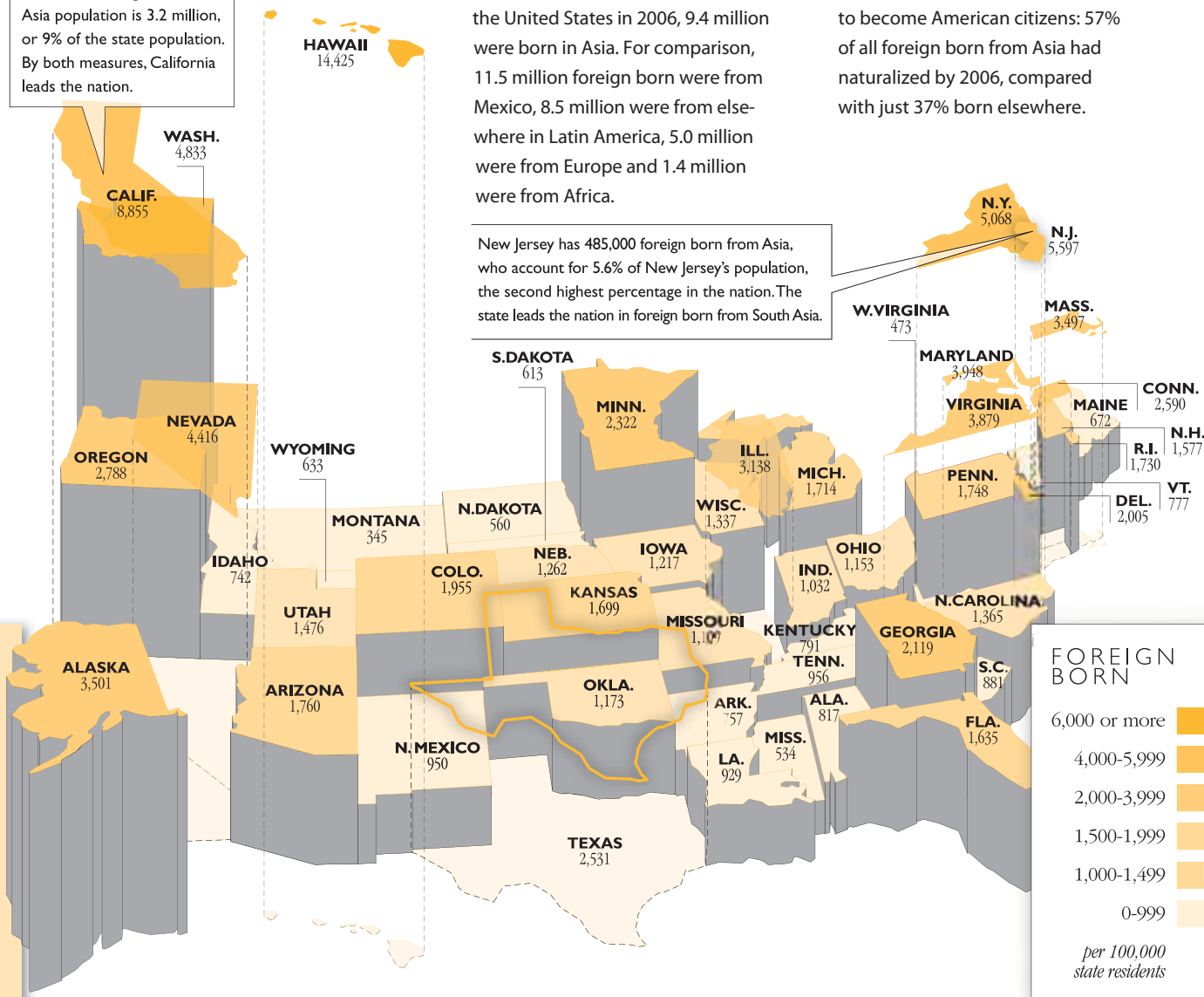
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	N.Y.	TEXAS	ILLINOIS	HAWAII	CALIF.
Filipino	107,000	95,000	114,000	185,000	1,085,000
Japanese	39,000	19,000	21,000	201,000	312,000
Korean	139,000	60,000	58,000	26,000	402,000
Vietnamese	41,000	184,000	24,000	8,000	539,000
Chinese	520,000	136,000	104,000	53,000	1,114,000
Asian Indian	349,000	195,000	167,000	2,000	450,000
Other Asian	127,000	98,000	49,000	45,000	463,000

Foreign Born in the United States



California's foreign born from Asia population is 3.2 million, or 9% of the state population. By both measures, California leads the nation.



25 percent of America's foreign born population comes from Asia

Of the 37.5 million foreign born in the United States in 2006, 9.4 million were born in Asia. For comparison, 11.5 million foreign born were from Mexico, 8.5 million were from elsewhere in Latin America, 5.0 million were from Europe and 1.4 million were from Africa.

Asians are more likely than others to become American citizens: 57% of all foreign born from Asia had naturalized by 2006, compared with just 37% born elsewhere.

New Jersey has 485,000 foreign born from Asia, who account for 5.6% of New Jersey's population, the second highest percentage in the nation. The state leads the nation in foreign born from South Asia.

Source: American Community Survey of the U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2006.

Merchandise exports to Asia earn America \$305 billion

The United States exports more merchandise to Asia than it does to the European Union (\$230 billion) and nearly as much as it does to NAFTA (\$358 billion).

Trade with Asia is increasing faster than with any other region. Merchandise exports to Asia grew 67% from 2001 to 2007, while those to NAFTA grew 47% and those to the EU grew 53%.

Exports to Asia make up 12% of state GDP of Washington, the most in the nation. The U.S. average is 2.3%.

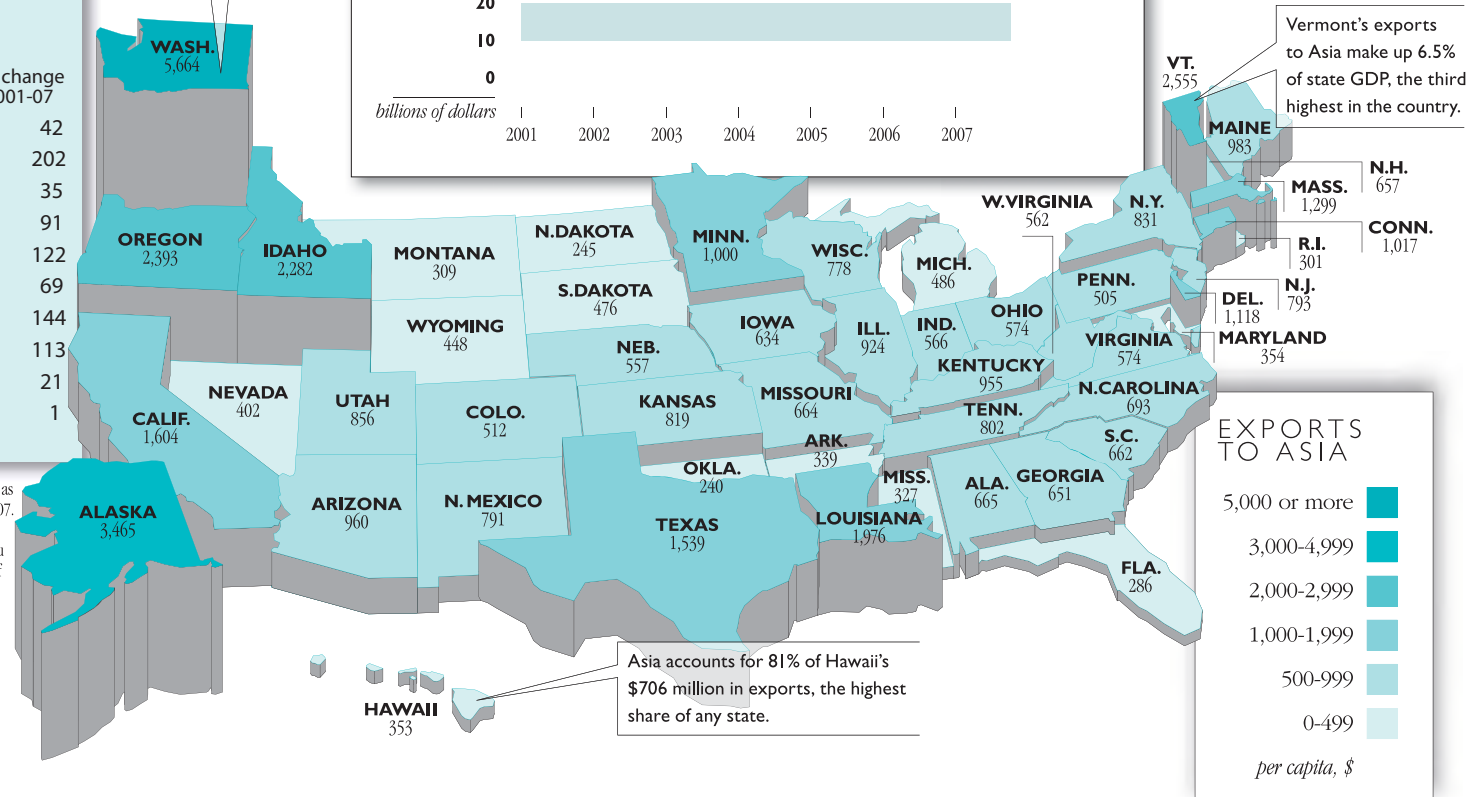
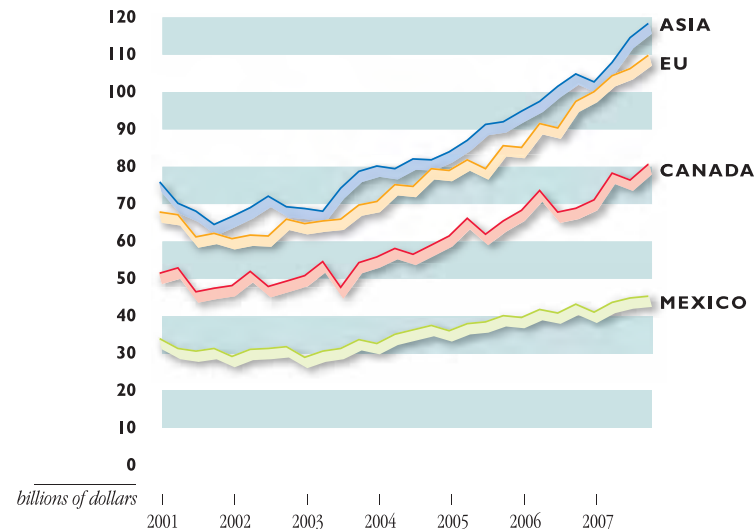
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Merchandise Exports to Asia, 2007

	% share of all exports	% change 2001-07
HAWAII	81	42
IDAHO	73	202
ALASKA	61	35
NEW MEXICO	60	91
WASHINGTON	55	122
OREGON	54	69
MAINE	47	144
VERMONT	46	113
CALIFORNIA	44	21
COLORADO	34	1

Source: Merchandise Exports by WISERTrade as reported by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2007. Census data does not include service exports. Exports of Goods and Services data is by Bureau of Economic Analysis of the U.S. Department of Commerce. European Union figure includes data from 27 countries.

U. S. Exports of Goods and Services, 2001-2007

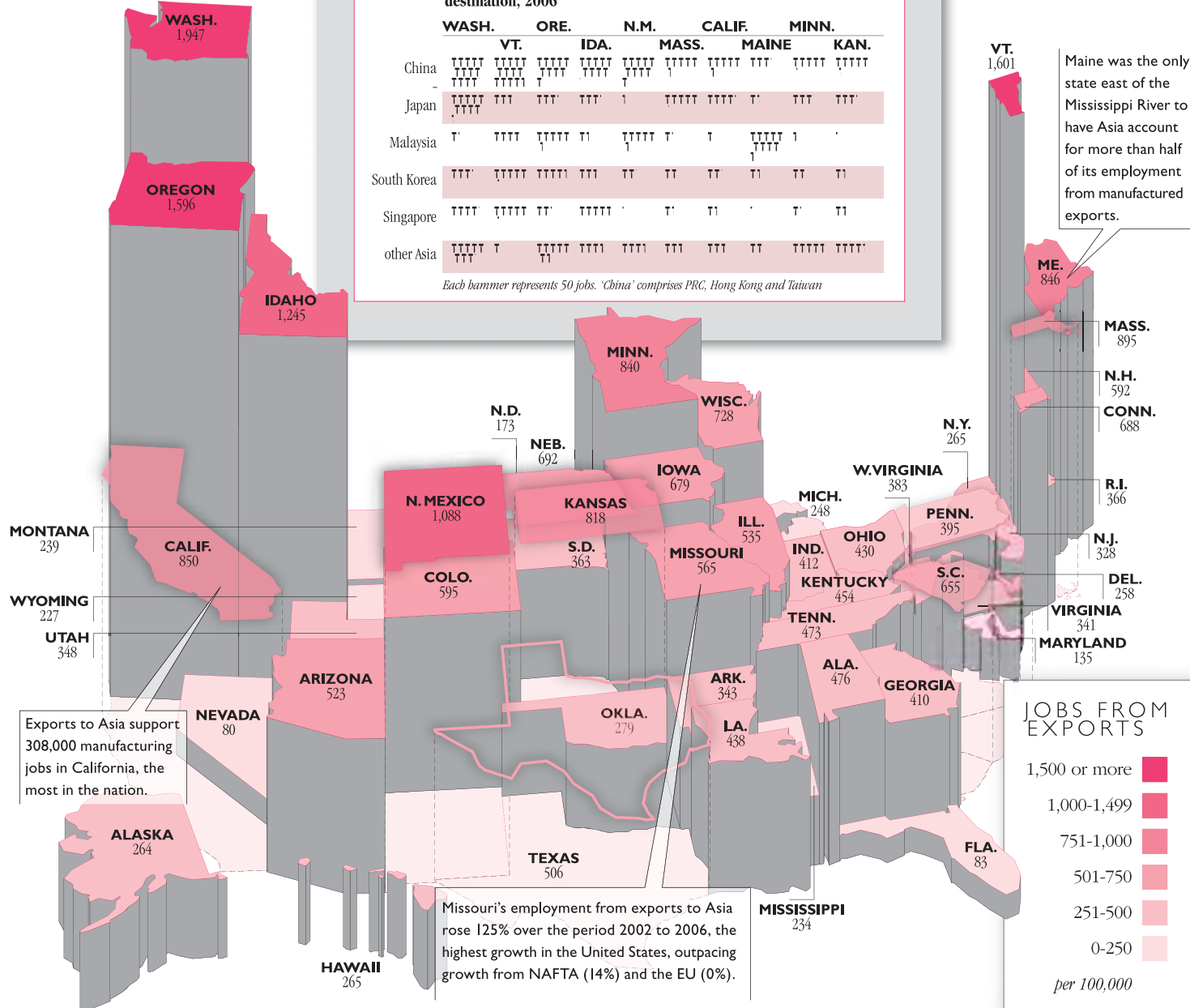


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Jobs from exports, per 100,000 state residents by export destination, 2006

	WASH.	VT.	ORE.	IDA.	N.M.	MASS.	CALIF.	MAINE	MINN.	KAN.
China	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT
Japan	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT
Malaysia	T	TTTTT	TTTTT	T	TTTTT	T	T	TTTTT	1	
South Korea	TTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTT	TT	TT	TT	TT	TT	TT
Singapore	TTTT	TTTTT	TT	TTTTT		T	TT		T	TT
other Asia	TTTTT	T	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT	TTTT	TTTT	TTTT	TTTTT	TTTTT

Each hammer represents 50 jobs. 'China' comprises PRC, Hong Kong and Taiwan



Asia accounts for 27 percent of total U.S. jobs from exports

Exports to Asia account for 1.6 million manufacturing jobs in the United States. As a share of all employment from exports, NAFTA accounts for 35% and the European Union accounts for 21%.

Employment from exports to Asia grew 12% from 2002 to 2006, compared to 8% to NAFTA and 11% to the EU.

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Asia share of employment related to manufactured exports 2006, %

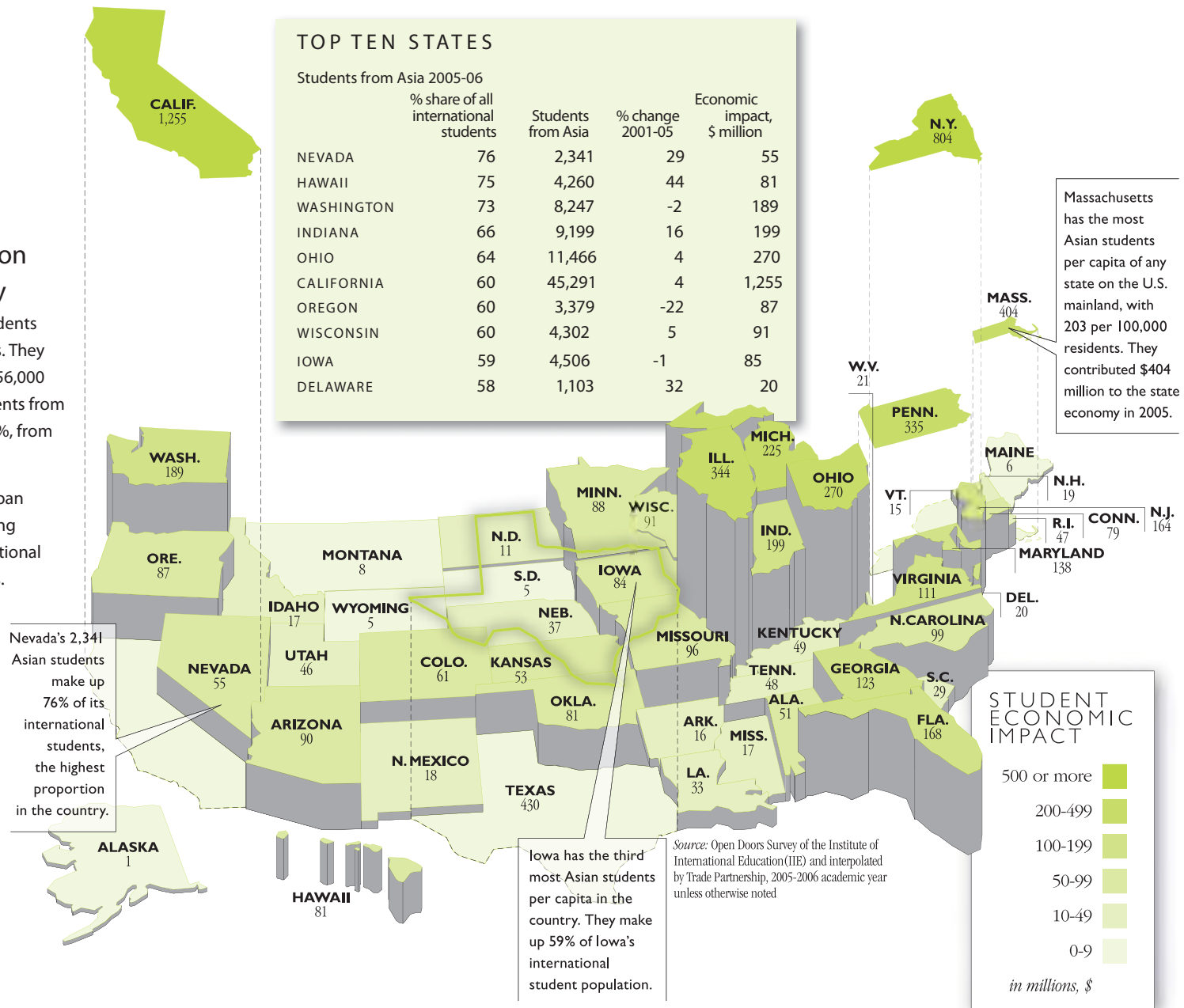
HAWAII	96
NEW MEXICO	65
IDAHO	62
ALASKA	58
MAINE	51
OREGON	51
WASHINGTON	50
CALIFORNIA	44
VERMONT	39
WYOMING	27
U.S. average	32

Source: WISERTrade based on data from the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the U.S. Department of Commerce, 2006. Commerce data tabulates manufacturing employment only and does not include employment from services.

Students from Asia contribute \$6.7 billion to the U.S. economy

There are nearly 283,000 students from Asia in the United States. They make up 51% of America's 556,000 international students. Students from Asia increased by 7,000, or 2%, from 2001 to 2005.

India, China, South Korea, Japan and Taiwan are the five leading countries of origin of international students in the United States.



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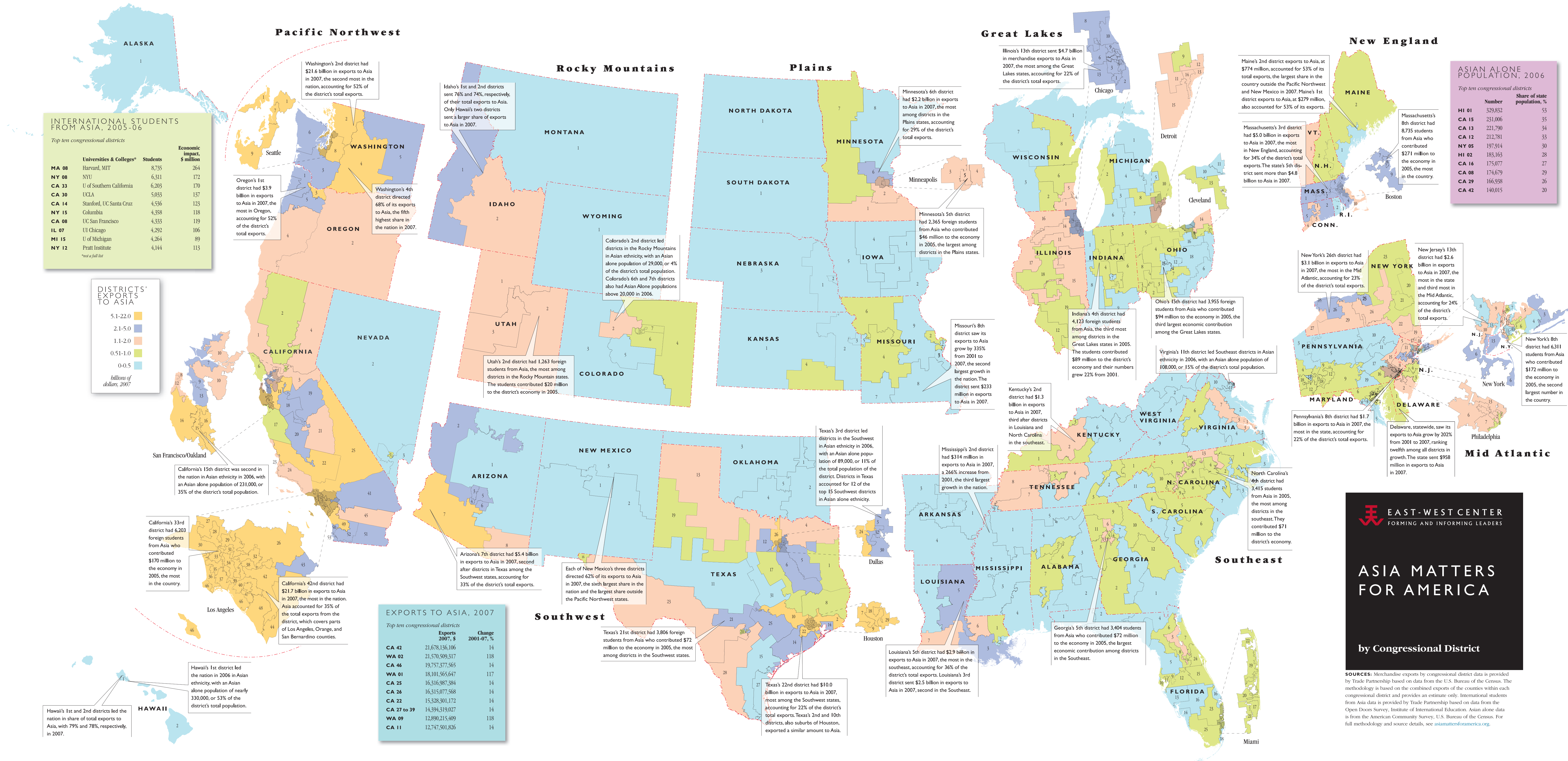
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