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Population and Selected Economic Indicators for New Mexico Counties

Area	BBER Population Estimates		Total Covered Wage and Salary Employment ¹		Total Personal Income		Per Capita Personal Income	
	% Chg.		% Chg.		% Chg.		% Chg.	
	July 1, 2008 ^p	'07-'08	2008 ^r	'07-'08	2007 ^p (\$000s)	'06-'07	2007 ^p	'06-'07
New Mexico	2,080,048	1.3	825,736	0.5	\$60,318,370	6.1	\$30,706	4.6
Bernalillo	651,612	1.2	332,615	-0.3	21,961,523	4.7	34,983	3.1
Catron	3,939	0.4	650	2.8	65,743	4.8	19,257	4.6
Chaves	64,087	1.0	22,246	-0.3	1,764,729	9.7	28,254	8.0
Cibola	28,886	0.2	8,822	4.6	605,934	6.2	22,252	5.2
Colfax	14,653	0.2	5,351	0.5	350,981	5.3	26,624	6.4
Curry	48,005	1.6	16,830	0.8	1,325,412	4.7	29,449	6.0
De Baca	2,284	0.2	504	4.6	43,844	4.7	23,039	5.2
Dona Ana	209,224	1.9	69,105	1.9	4,972,238	7.4	25,106	4.9
Eddy	52,903	0.4	23,207	5.3	1,759,308	10.3	34,523	9.6
Grant	32,113	0.6	10,283	-0.1	772,097	6.3	26,007	5.2
Guadalupe	4,839	0.1	1,314	-5.0	73,352	1.7	16,611	1.2
Harding	809	-1.0	191	8.5	12,074	1.0	16,863	3.8
Hidalgo	5,978	-0.1	1,700	5.7	117,748	10.1	23,967	8.6
Lea	59,711	2.1	29,566	5.4	1,887,659	12.3	32,550	10.0
Lincoln	23,236	2.0	7,162	1.4	519,627	6.5	25,100	7.0
Los Alamos	20,048	0.2	16,989	-5.7	1,019,351	-0.4	55,109	0.5
Luna	28,319	0.5	8,030	-1.4	561,122	6.5	20,933	5.0
McKinley	80,387	0.6	21,837	-1.3	1,452,414	6.6	20,755	7.3
Mora	5,542	0.4	874	0.5	93,932	5.6	18,589	5.5
Otero	67,472	0.8	17,611	-1.4	1,463,129	4.6	23,310	4.2
Quay	10,291	0.2	2,878	4.0	223,277	5.9	24,947	6.5
Rio Arriba	44,167	0.6	11,531	2.6	979,145	2.8	24,053	2.7
Roosevelt	19,243	0.8	6,975	1.4	540,750	12.1	28,273	10.7
Sandoval	127,928	3.4	29,843	1.7	3,465,926	6.9	29,476	1.7
San Juan	130,093	0.9	52,253	2.4	3,495,749	7.8	28,598	7.3
San Miguel	31,204	0.6	8,561	-0.8	724,021	5.7	25,290	6.3
Santa Fe	147,869	1.1	65,710	-0.3	6,005,763	6.4	42,184	5.1
Sierra	13,933	1.1	3,287	8.4	288,022	6.5	23,508	7.5
Socorro	18,863	0.4	5,635	2.2	431,674	4.3	23,873	4.4
Taos	32,494	0.5	11,258	-1.0	909,271	6.2	28,858	5.5
Torrance	17,923	0.4	3,296	-3.9	416,273	3.8	25,184	4.7
Union	4,448	-0.6	1,427	6.7	115,610	7.7	30,731	7.5
Valencia	77,545	2.3	15,717	0.8	1,900,672	6.0	26,715	3.4

p Preliminary. **r** Revised. **1** Covered refers to those workers covered under New Mexico Unemployment Insurance (UI) laws and related acts. The state total in 2008 includes 12,480 workers who could not be assigned to a county. **2** Taxable receipts include food and medical deductions. The 2008 data are estimated to compensate for large, one-time adjustments to these deductions. **3** The New Mexico total in 2008 includes \$880 million in receipts from out-of-state businesses. These are businesses that do not report from a location in New Mexico but still transact business in the state.

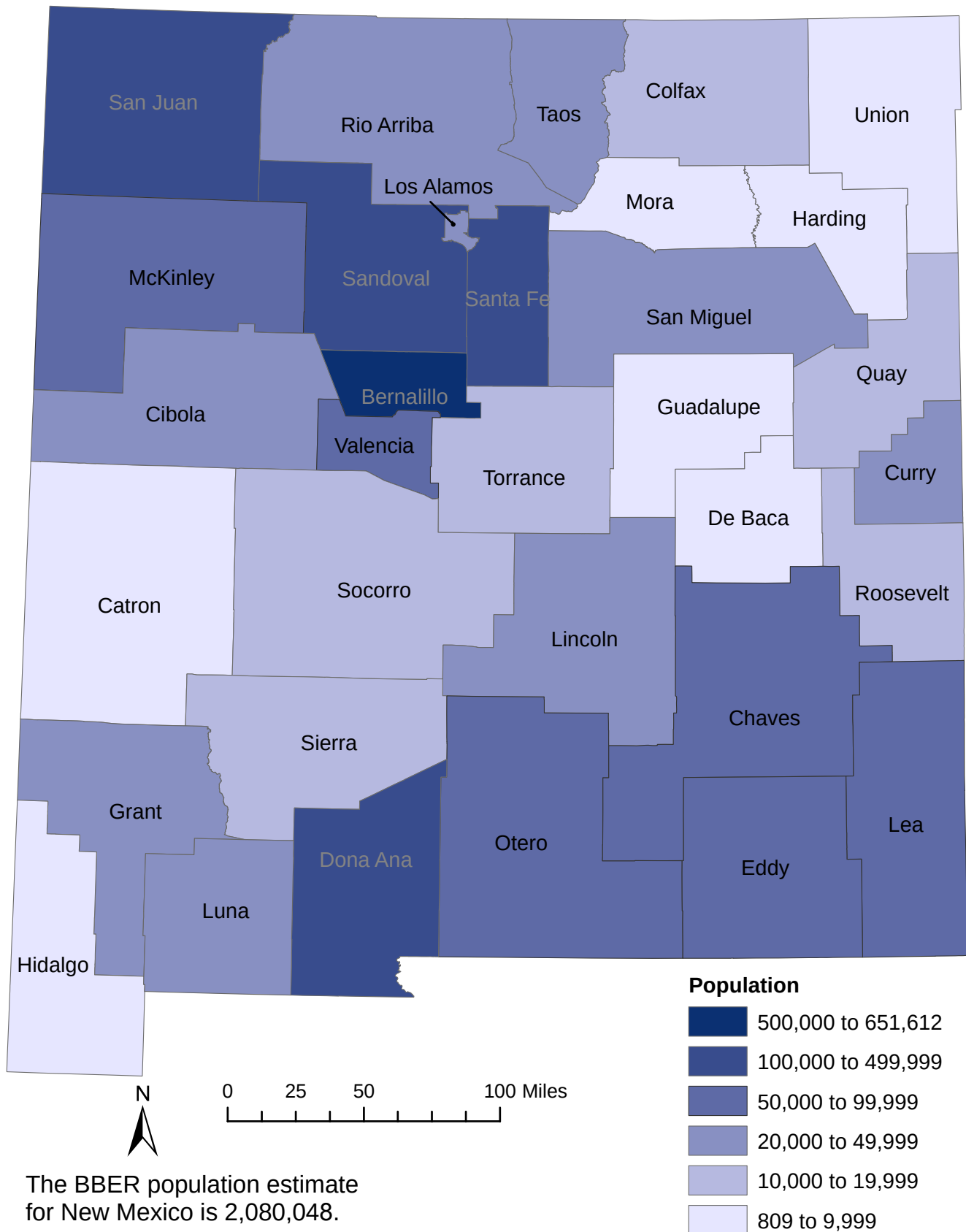
**Population and Selected Economic Indicators for New Mexico Counties
(Continued)**

Area	Average Annual Wages for Covered Workers		Retail Taxable Gross Receipts ^{2,3}		Unemployment Rate (%)
	2008 ^r	% Chg. '07-'08	2008 (\$000s)	% Chg. '07-'08	2008 ^p
New Mexico	\$37,910	4.2	\$15,412,128	2.1	4.2
Bernalillo	40,088	3.5	5,447,917	0.7	4.1
Catron	28,031	0.7	6,767	-4.0	4.9
Chaves	30,914	4.6	464,396	7.7	4.0
Cibola	31,366	9.0	107,357	4.7	4.4
Colfax	27,710	1.7	93,499	-5.2	4.1
Curry	29,006	4.8	329,794	-3.8	3.0
De Baca	26,308	1.1	6,208	-8.0	3.6
Dona Ana	32,894	4.7	1,097,781	1.7	4.4
Eddy	44,075	8.1	606,424	12.5	2.8
Grant	32,843	12.1	185,040	14.1	4.6
Guadalupe	24,869	5.8	23,371	-3.7	5.7
Harding	29,052	2.4	1,763	2.2	2.5
Hidalgo	33,527	5.7	22,889	24.1	3.9
Lea	45,898	12.1	640,966	18.1	2.6
Lincoln	26,695	1.6	179,983	-1.9	3.3
Los Alamos	71,179	8.1	77,462	7.3	2.8
Luna	28,761	8.7	123,373	-7.2	11.3
McKinley	29,802	-2.6	541,042	-7.3	5.2
Mora	28,786	2.4	6,826	6.7	8.2
Otero	29,822	3.5	328,201	-1.6	4.1
Quay	25,438	2.2	51,449	10.0	4.5
Rio Arriba	28,998	0.7	204,810	-7.2	5.1
Roosevelt	27,499	5.4	106,438	4.4	2.9
Sandoval	38,421	-2.6	487,087	10.1	4.9
San Juan	41,155	6.7	1,093,728	-1.3	3.7
San Miguel	28,997	3.8	130,704	3.2	4.6
Santa Fe	38,646	3.3	1,412,805	2.3	3.5
Sierra	26,044	4.2	49,170	10.6	3.7
Socorro	32,658	3.2	65,519	1.8	3.3
Taos	29,109	7.6	229,259	-0.1	5.2
Torrance	29,030	1.5	52,768	-2.8	5.1
Union	29,006	10.0	32,650	44.3	2.5
Valencia	27,468	3.5	324,832	1.7	4.8

Sources: Population - UNM, Bureau of Business and Economic Research, Population Estimates and Projections Program; Covered Wage and Salary Employment and Average Annual Wages - U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Total Personal Income and Per Capita Personal Income - U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis; Retail Taxable Gross Receipts - NM Taxation and Revenue Dept.; and Unemployment Rate - NM Dept. of Workforce Solutions.
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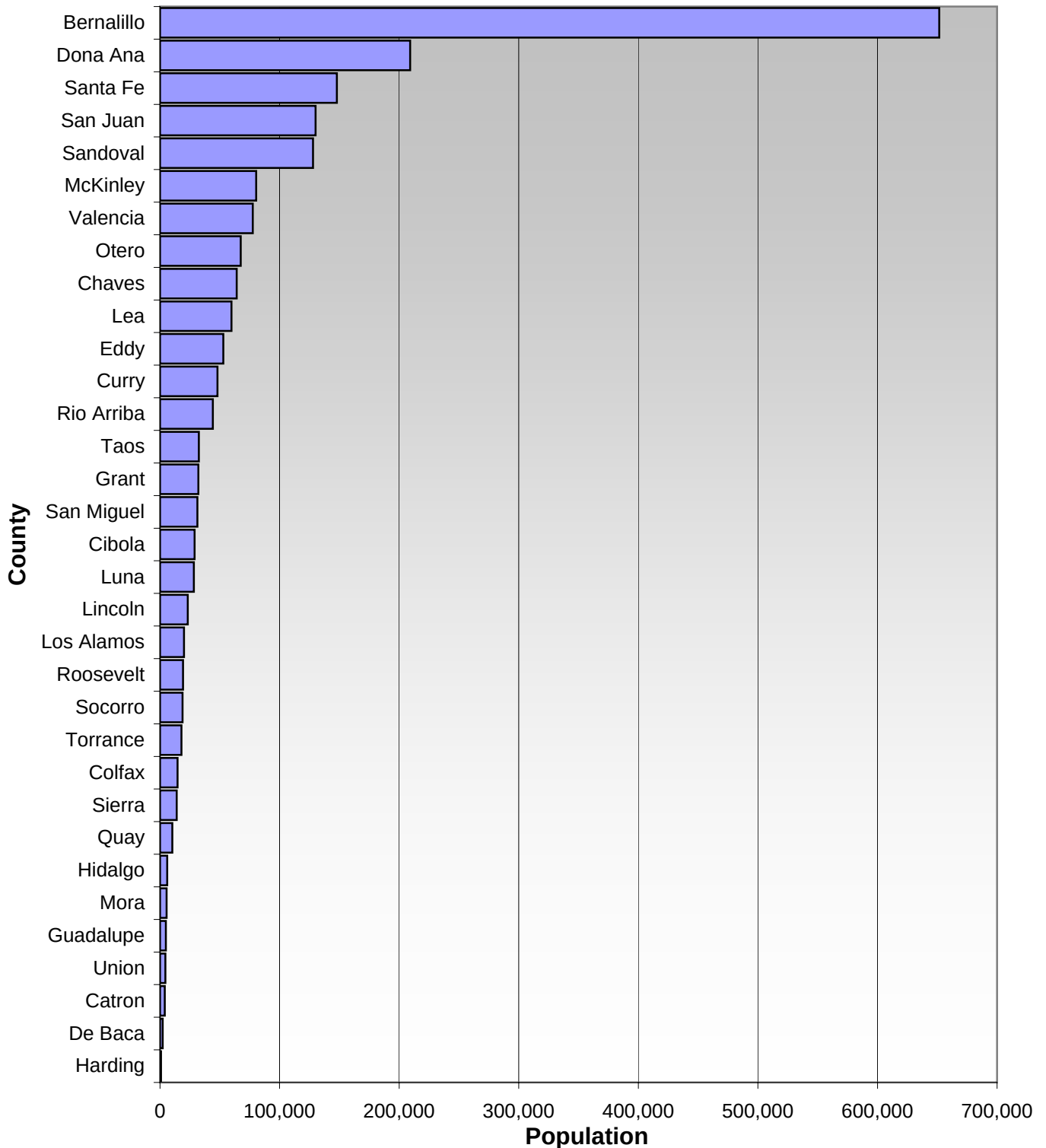
BBER Population Estimates by County

July 1, 2008



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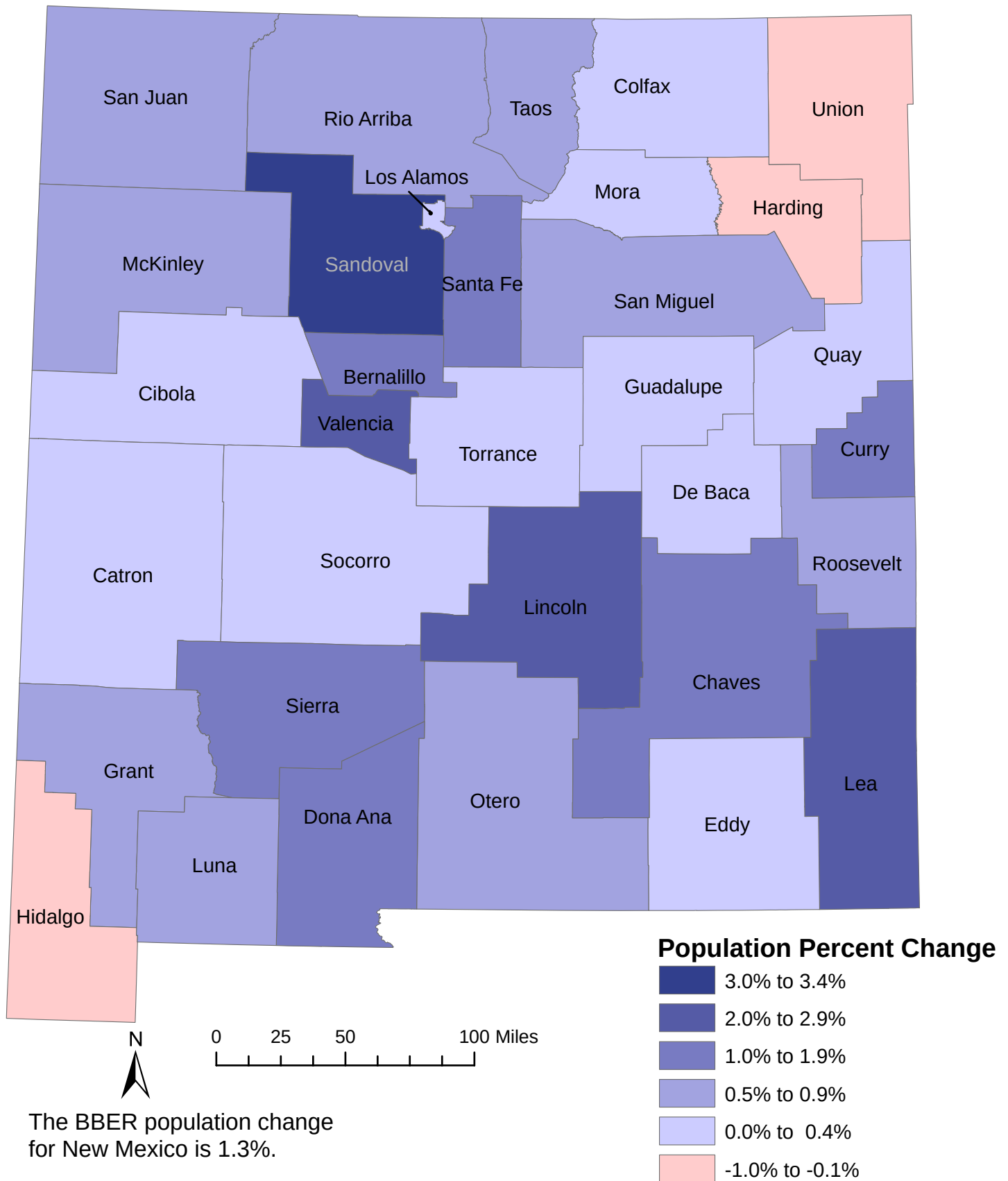


The BBER population estimate for New Mexico is 2,080,048.

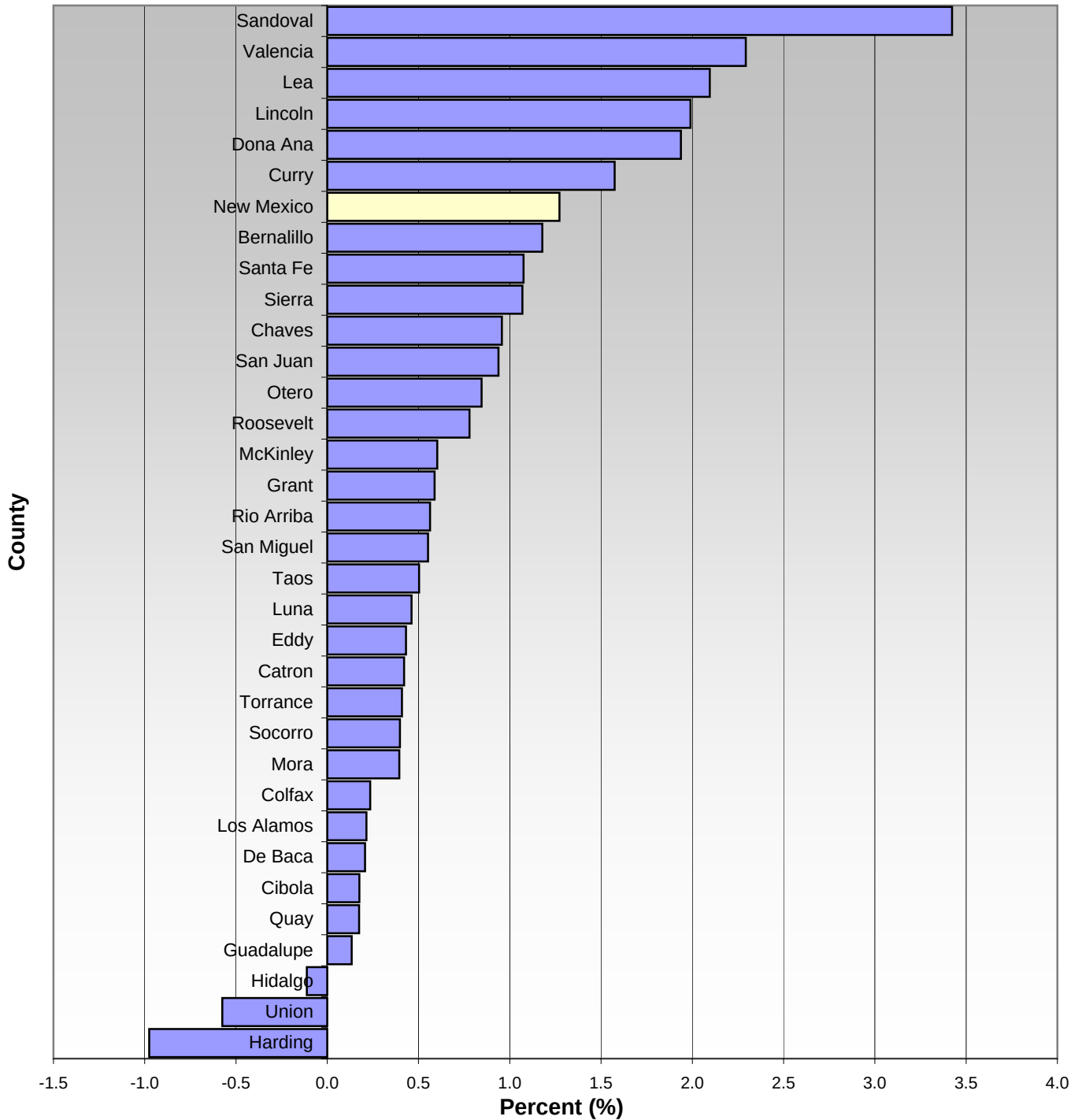
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Percent Change in BBER Population Estimates by County July 1, 2007 to July 1, 2008



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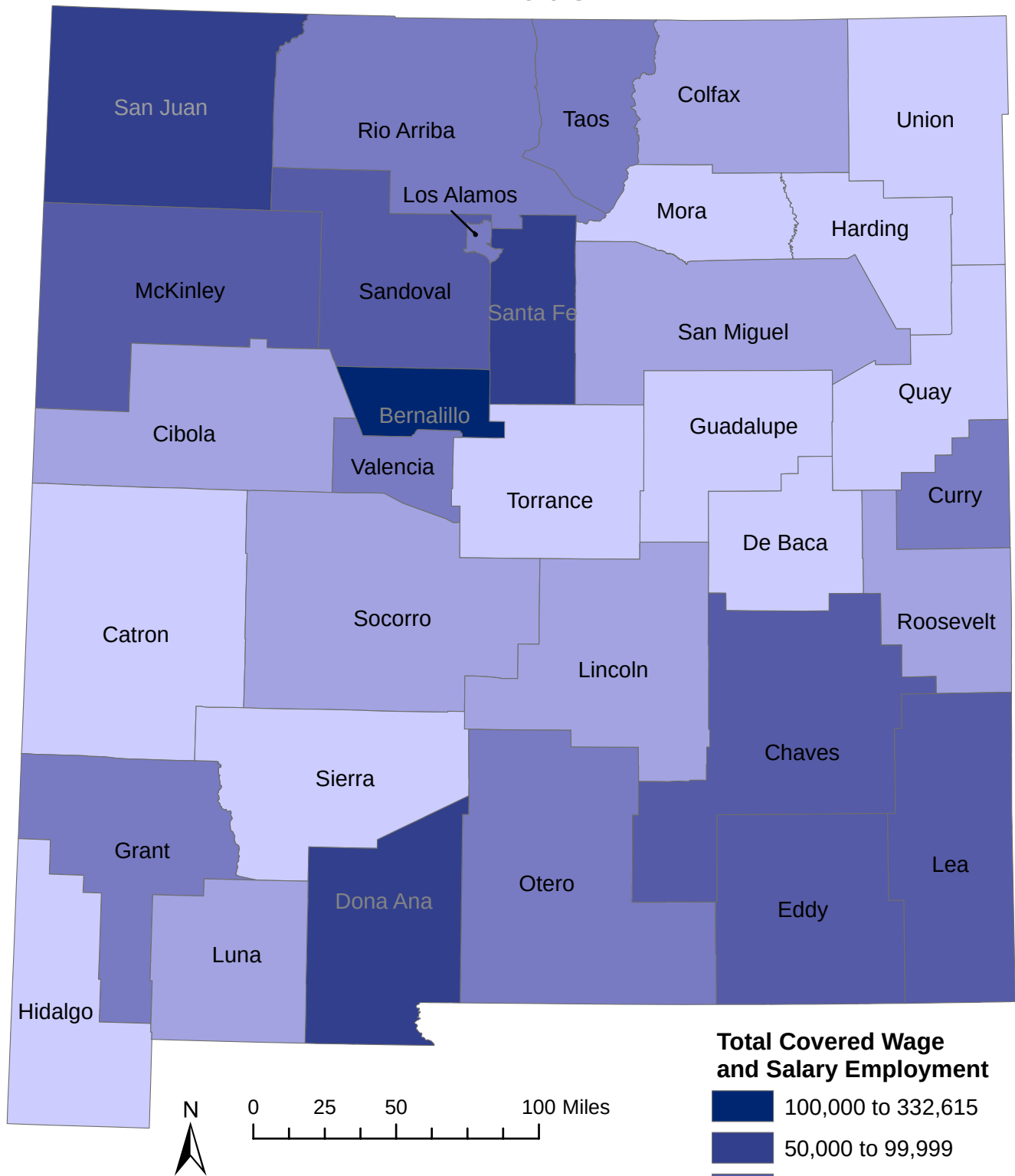


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Total Covered Wage and Salary Employment by County 2008



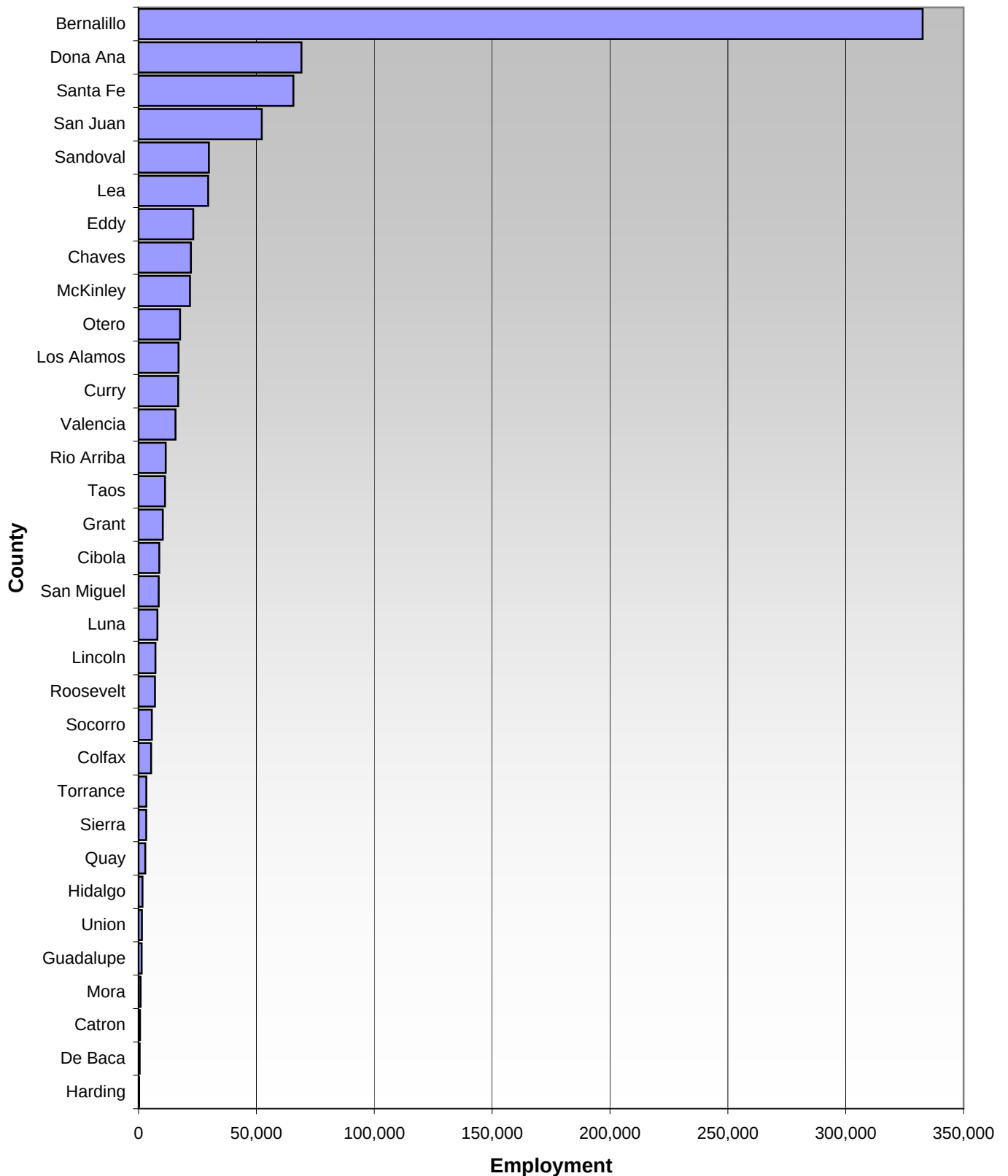
New Mexico employment is 825,736.

Note: Covered refers to those workers covered under New Mexico Unemployment Insurance (UI) laws and related acts. The state total includes 12,480 workers who could not be assigned to a county.

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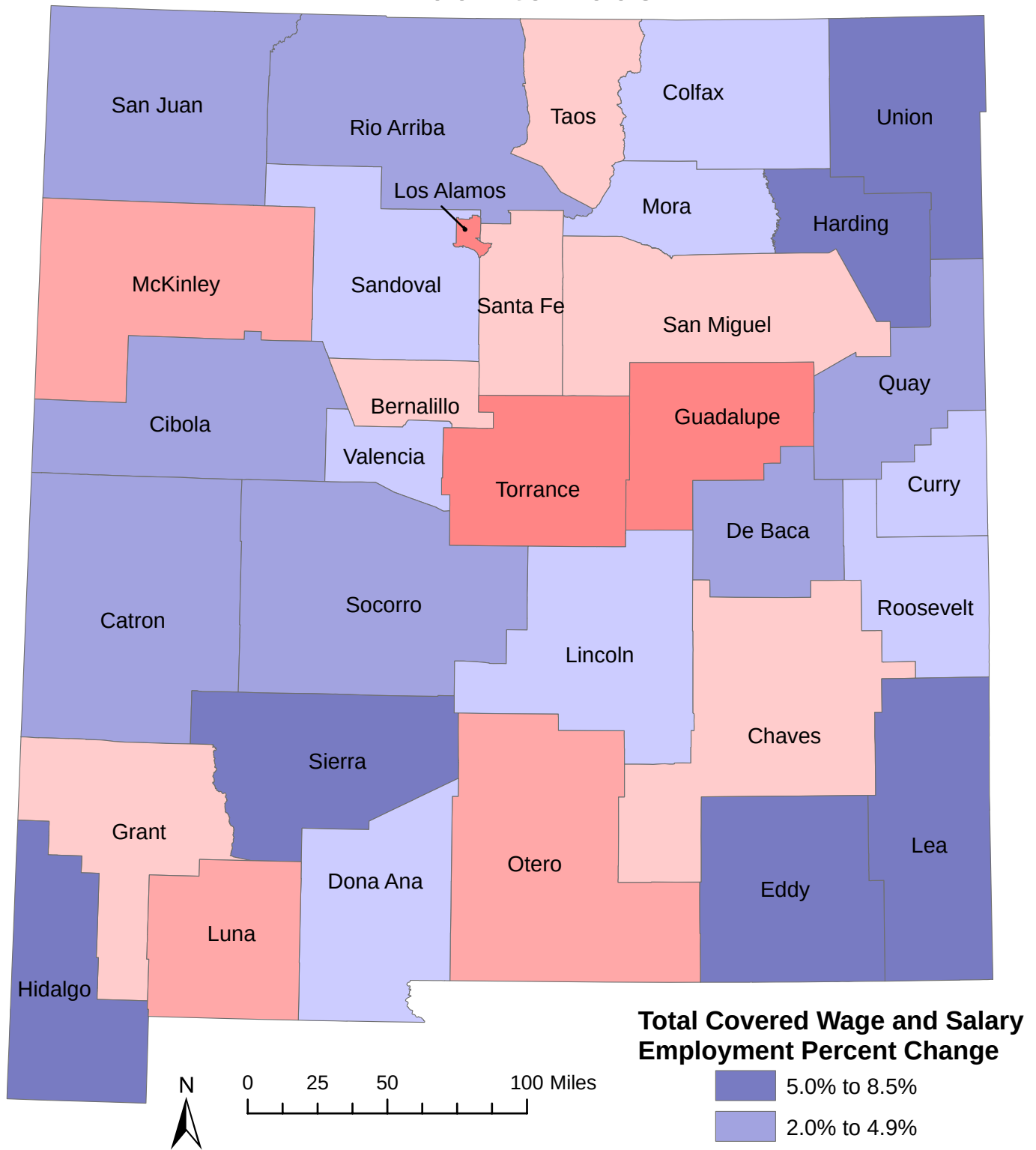


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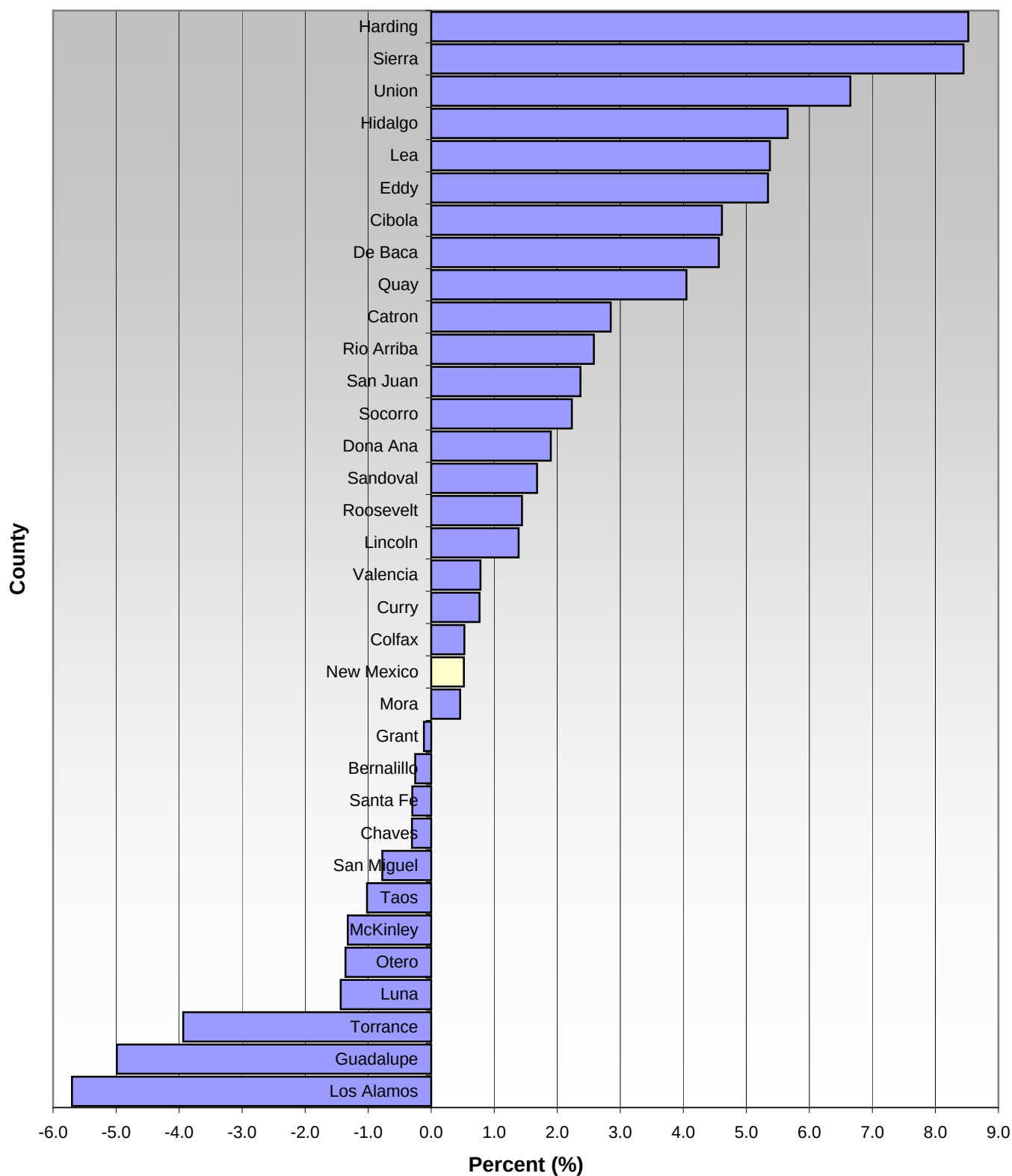
The change in New Mexico total covered wage and salary employment is 0.5%.

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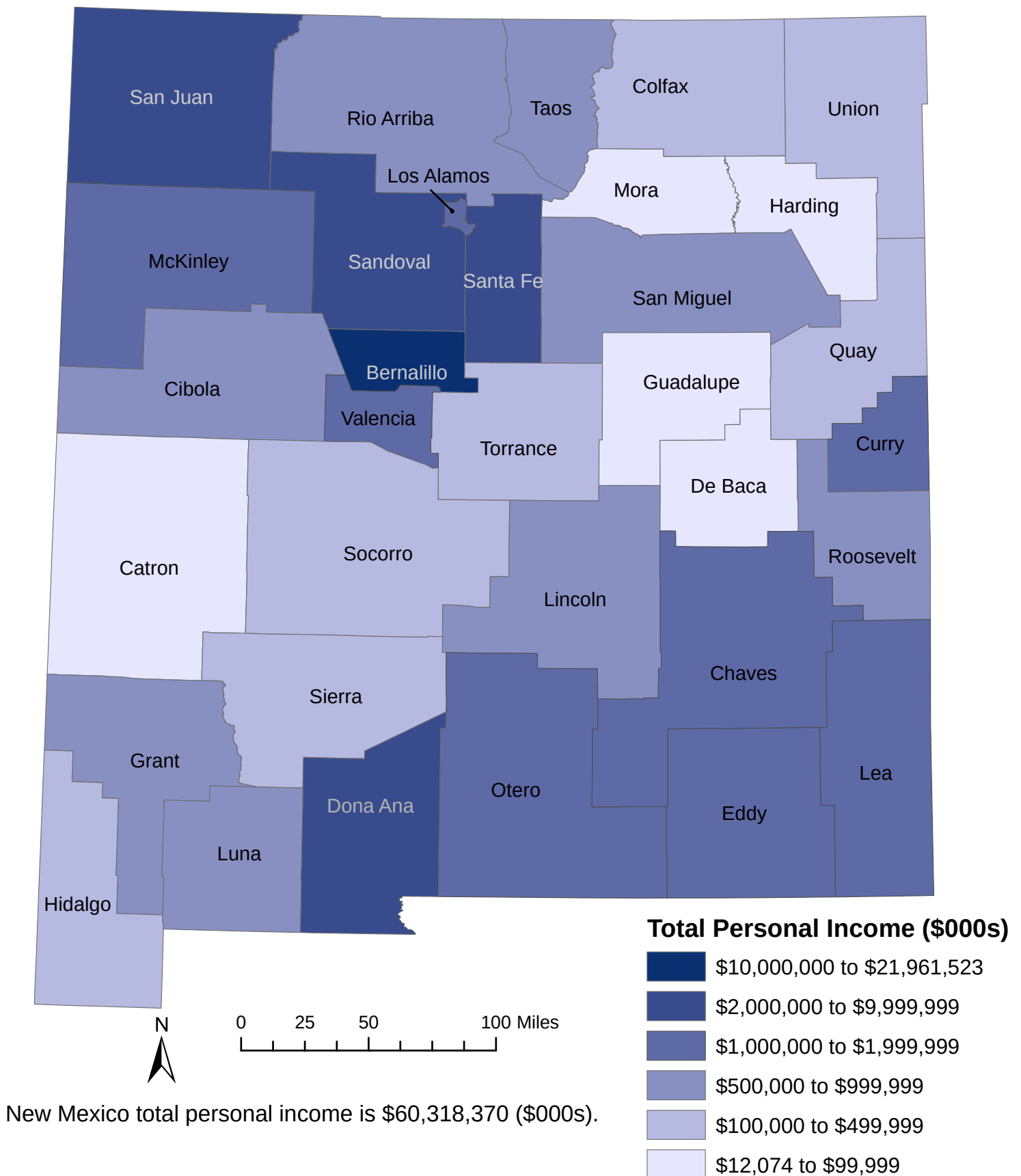


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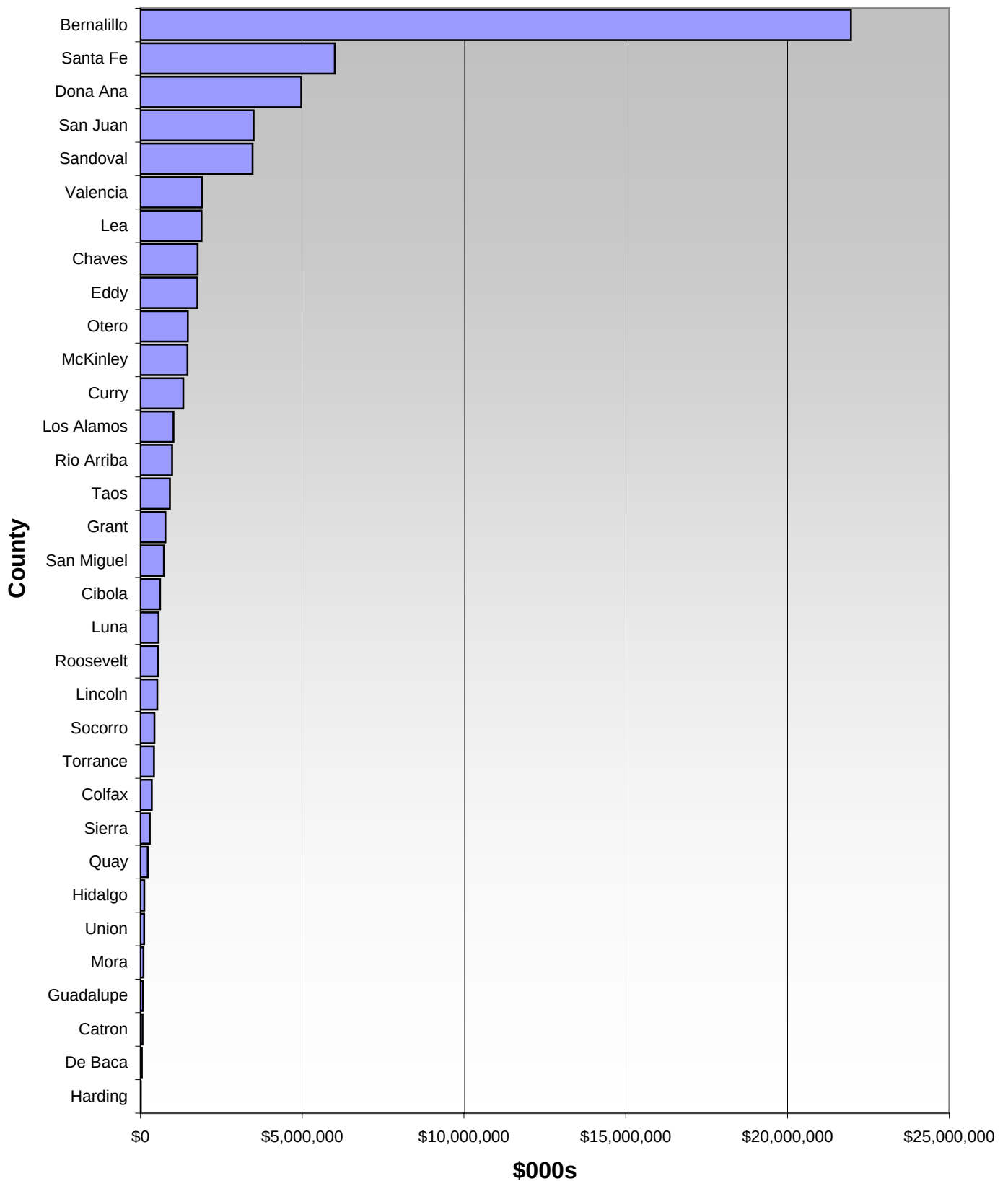
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Total Personal Income (\$000s) by County 2007



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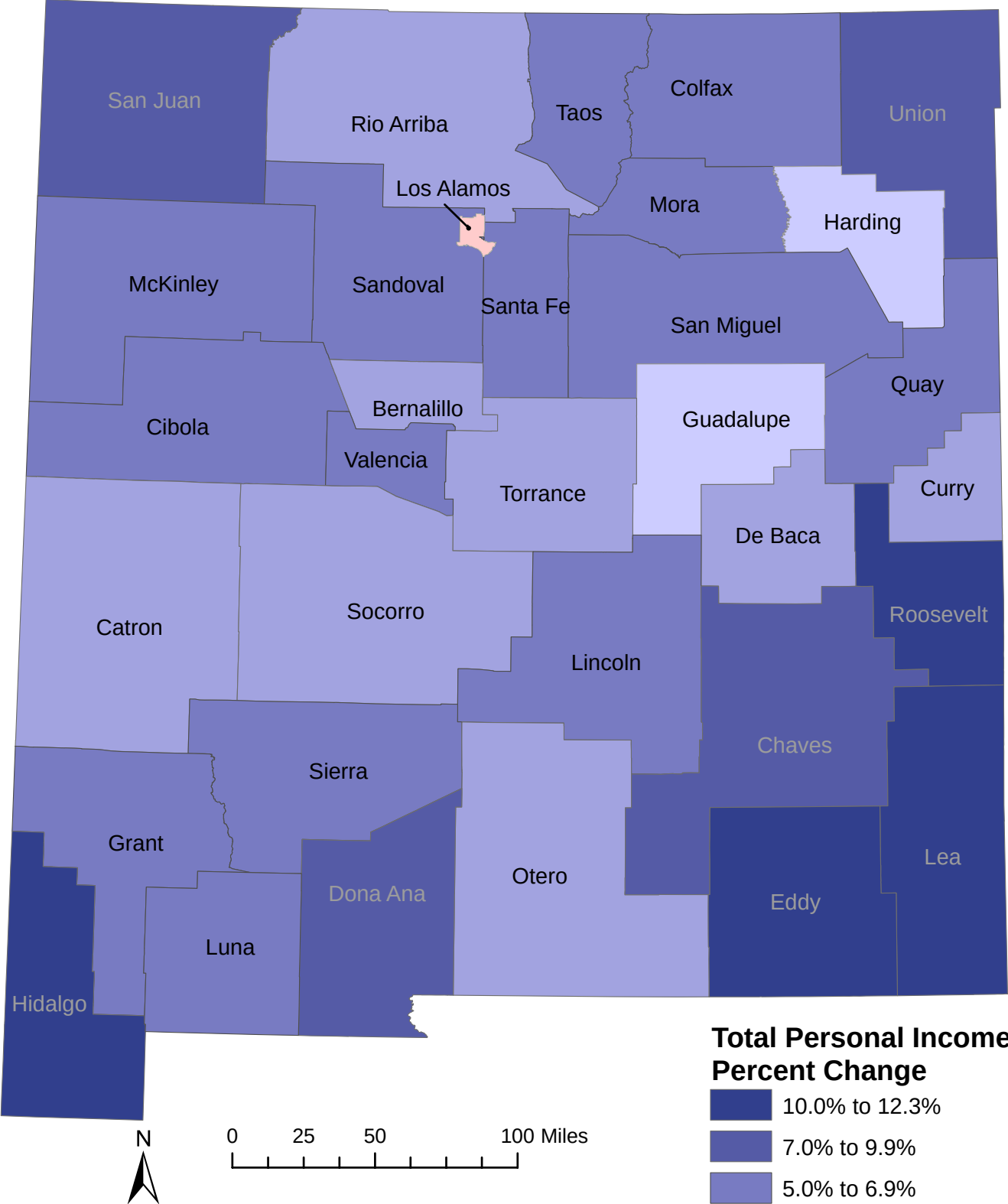


New Mexico total personal income is \$60,318,370 (\$000s).

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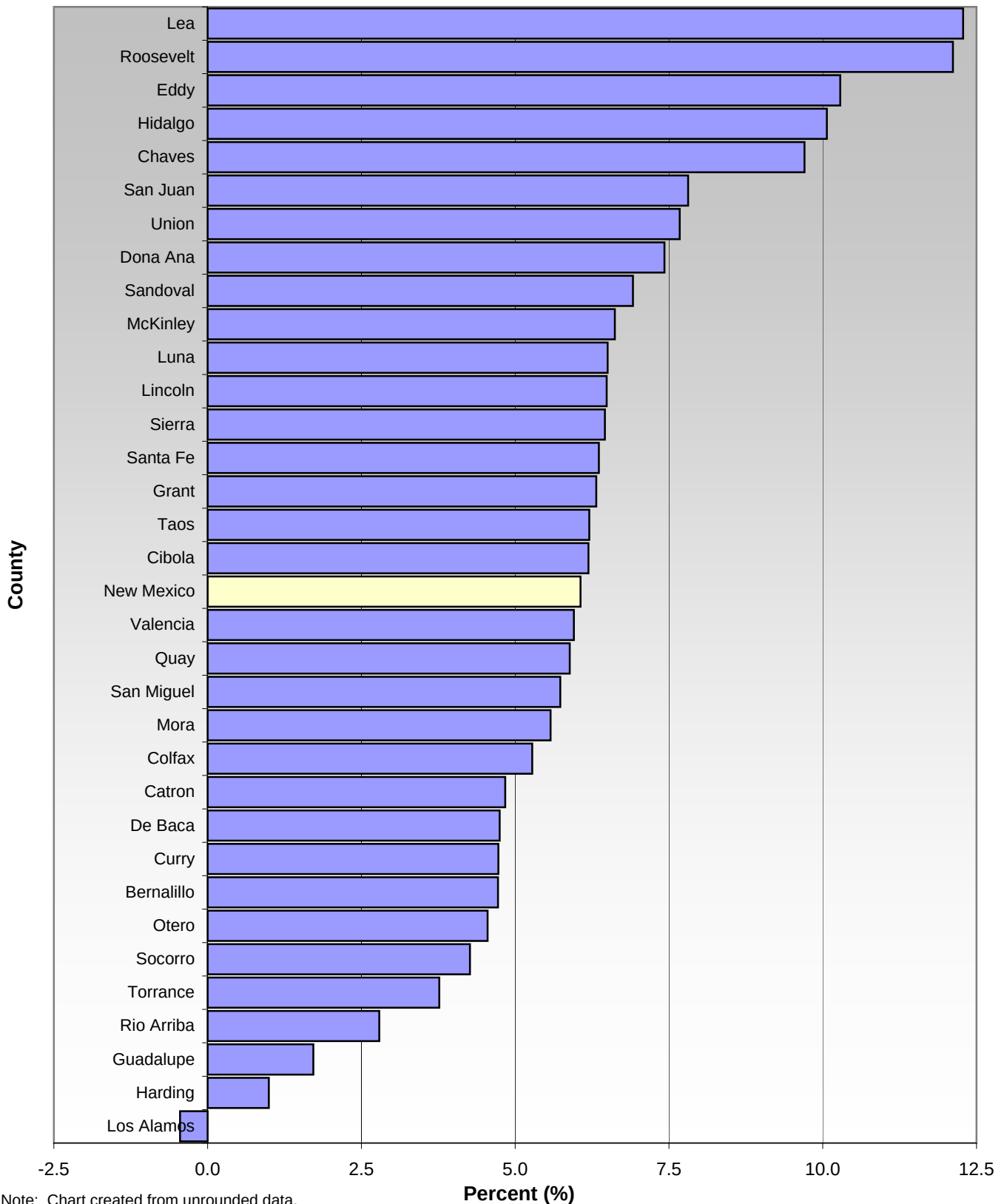
Percent Change in Total Personal Income by County 2006 to 2007



The change in New Mexico total personal income is 6.1%.

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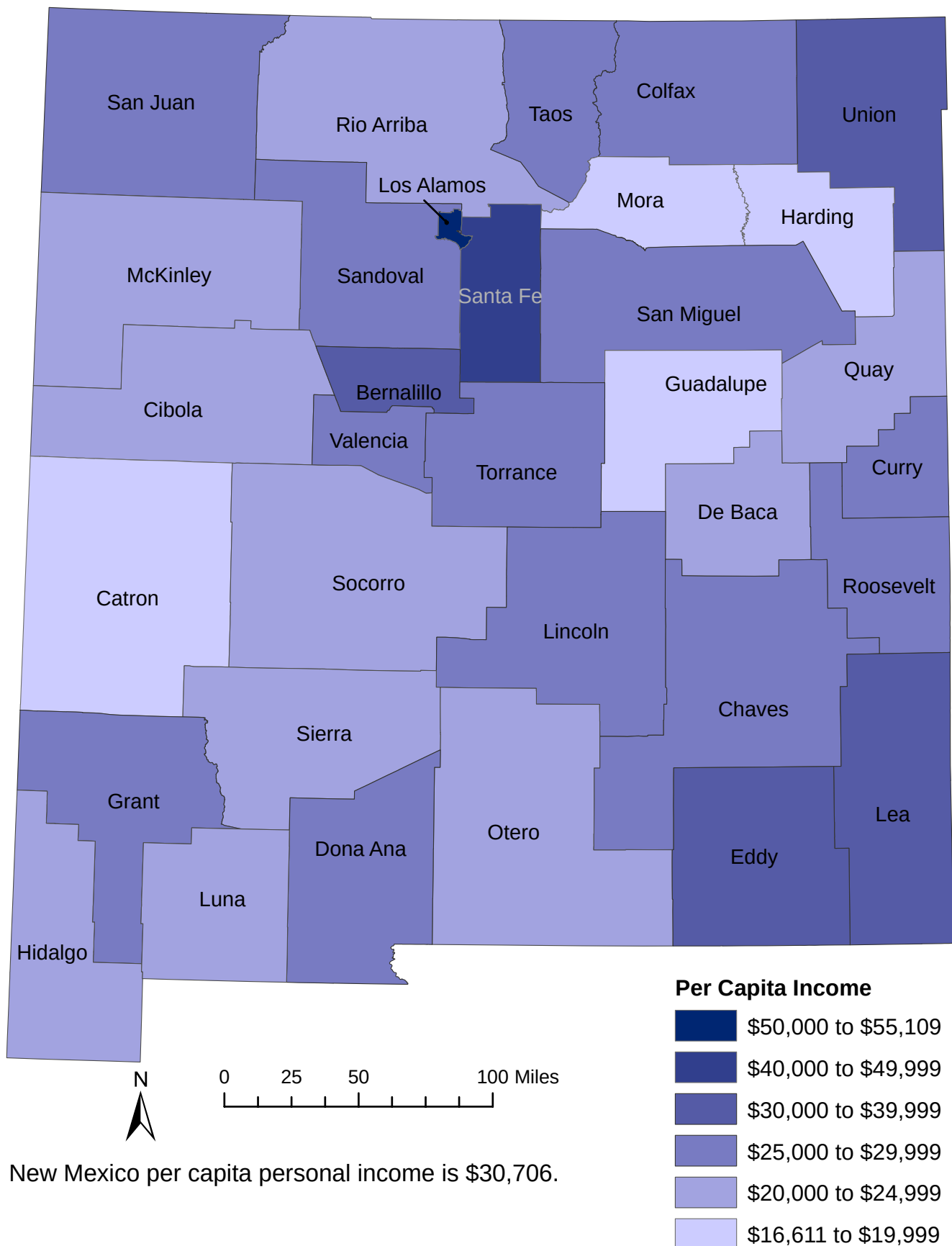


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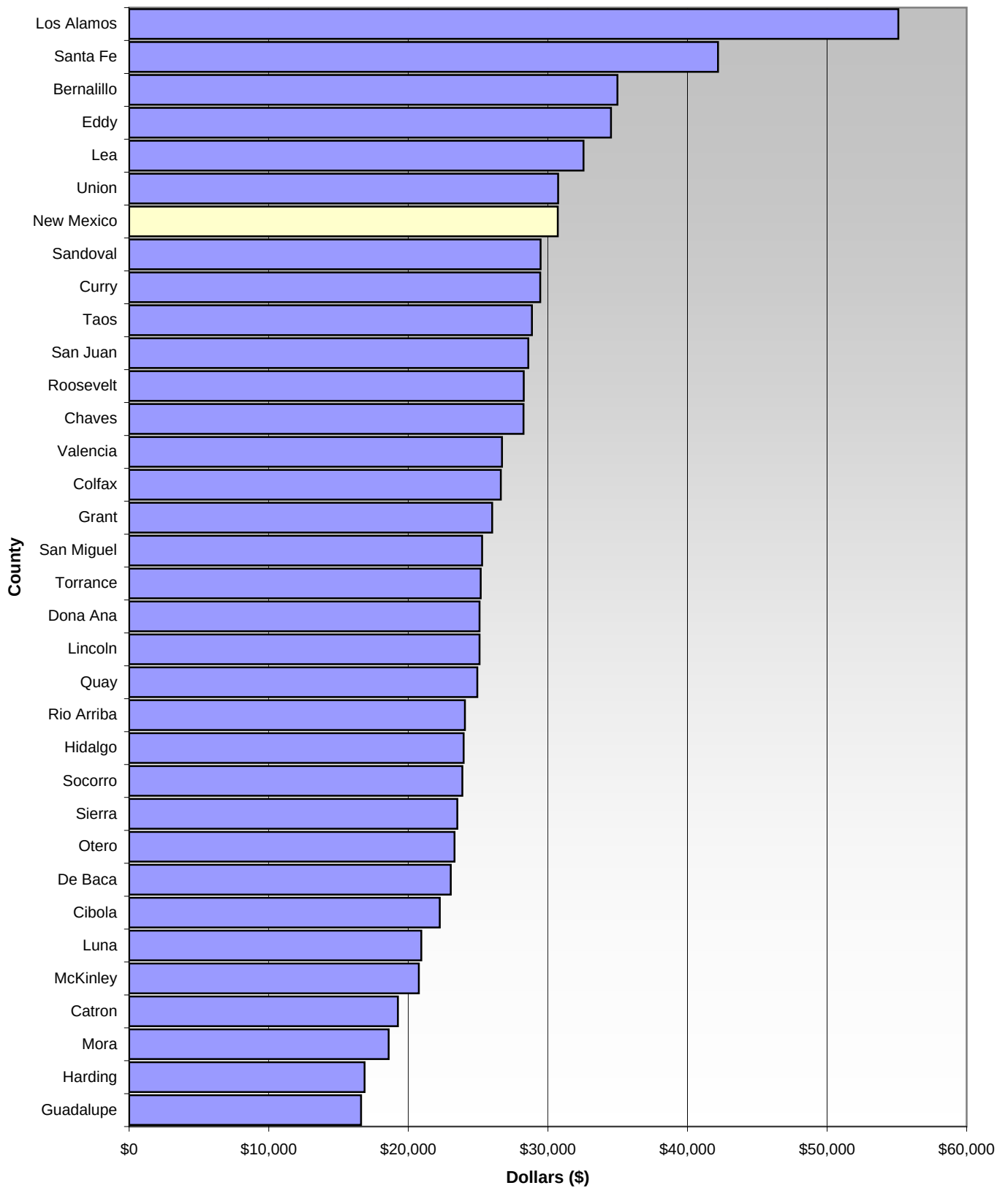
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Per Capita Personal Income by County 2007



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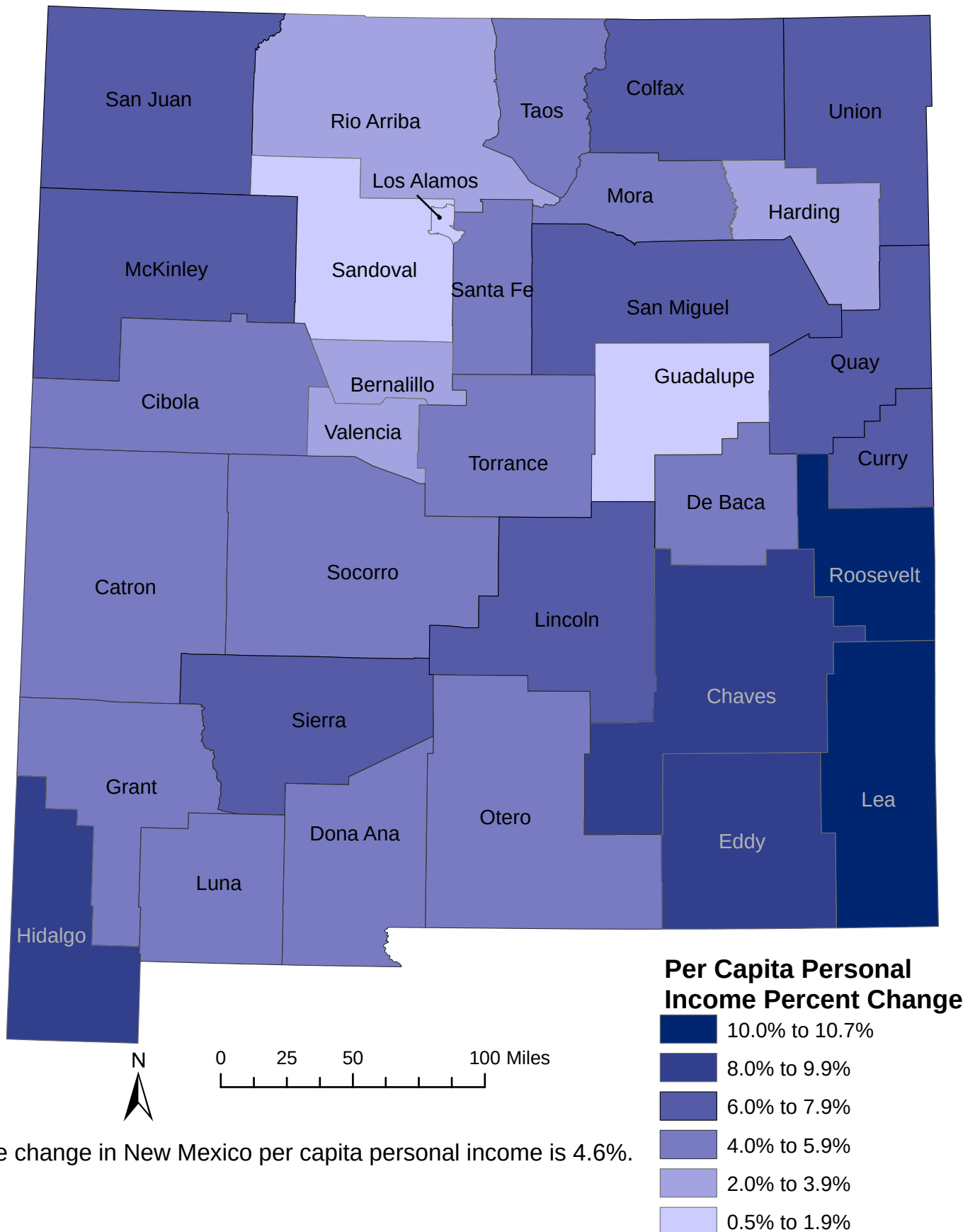
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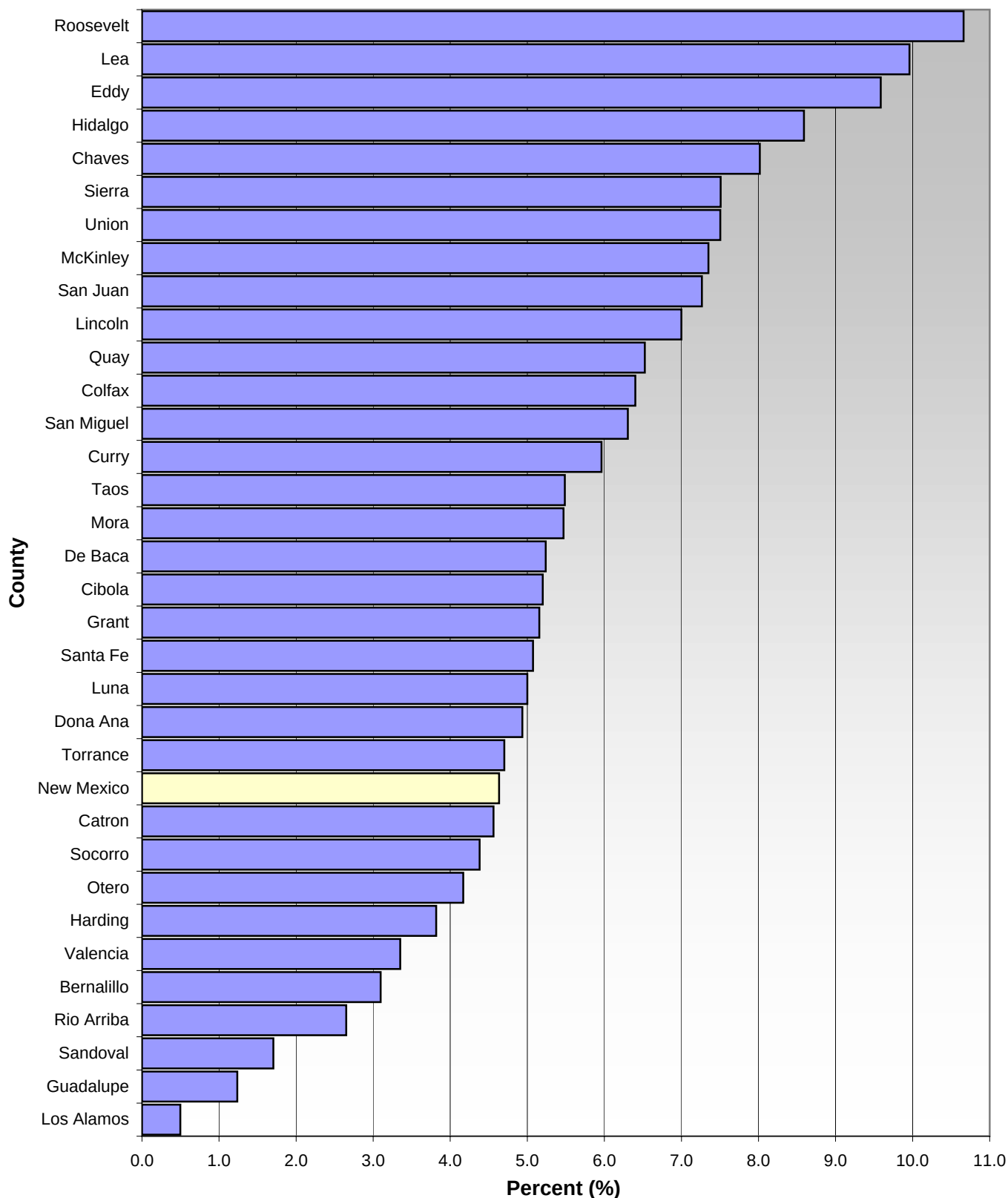
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Percent Change in Per Capita Personal Income by County 2006 to 2007



The change in New Mexico per capita personal income is 4.6%.

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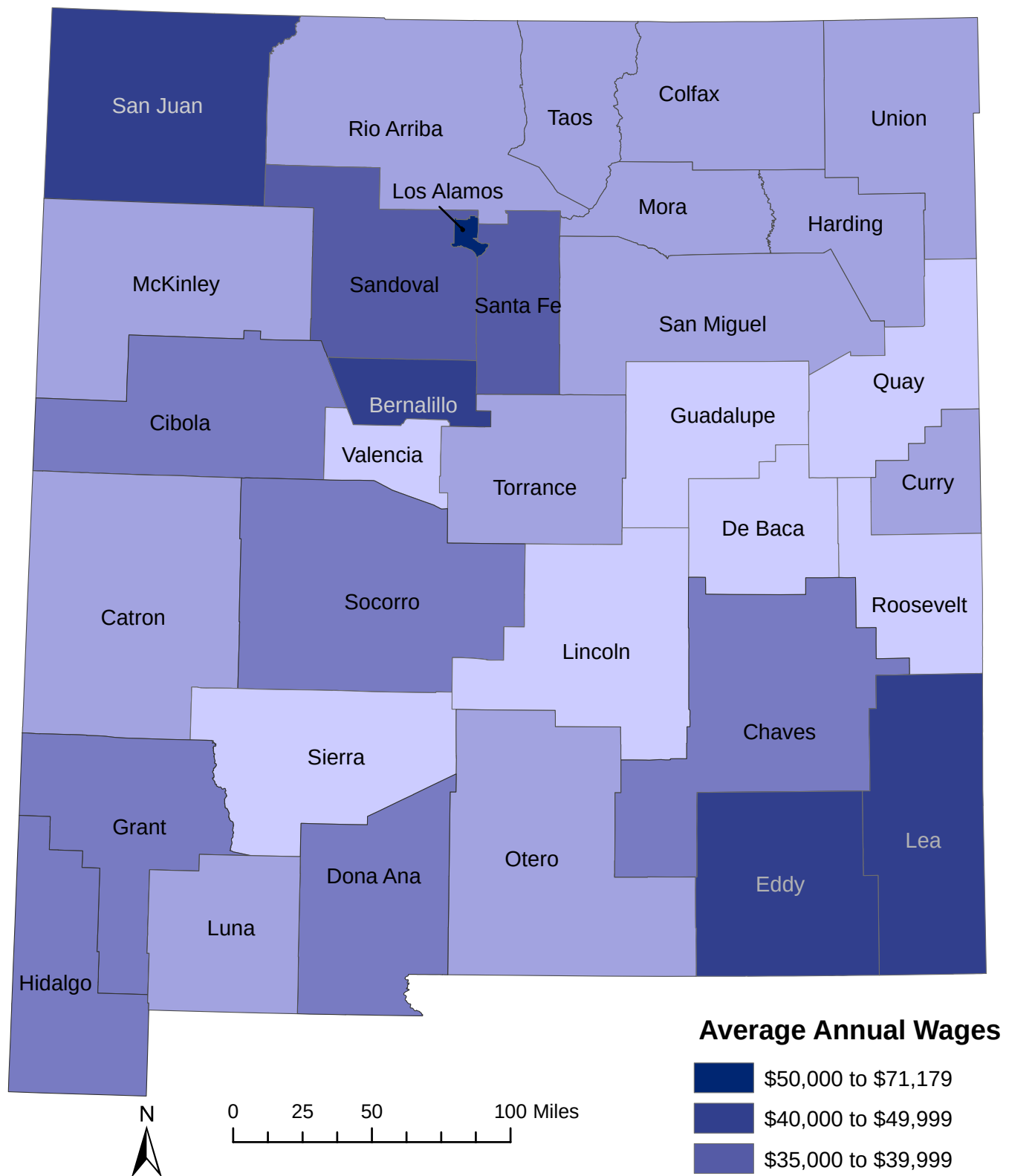


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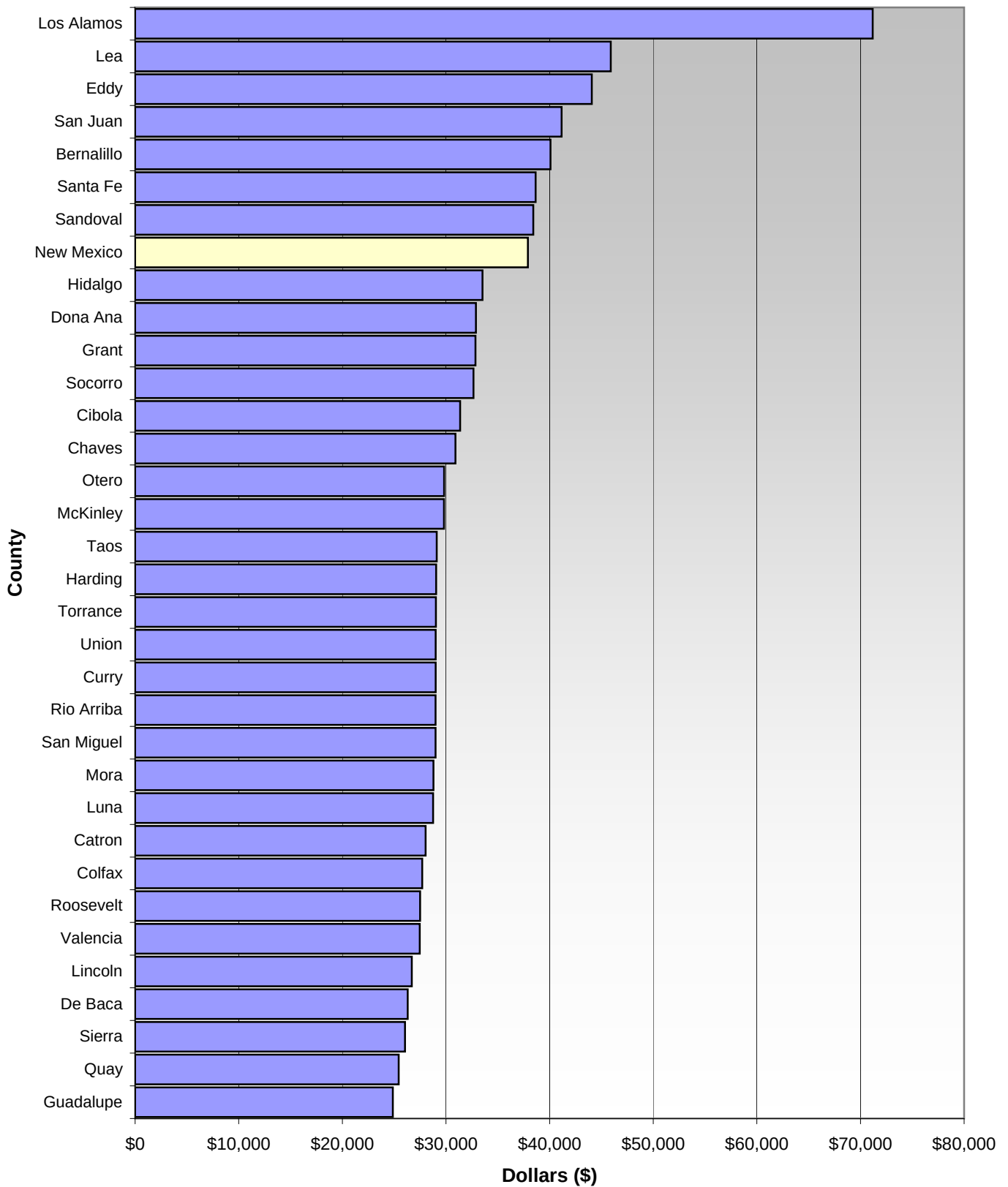
The New Mexico average annual wage is \$37,910.

Note: Average wages are calculated as total wage and salary disbursements divided by all full- and part-time wage and salary workers. The data are by place of work rather than by place of residence.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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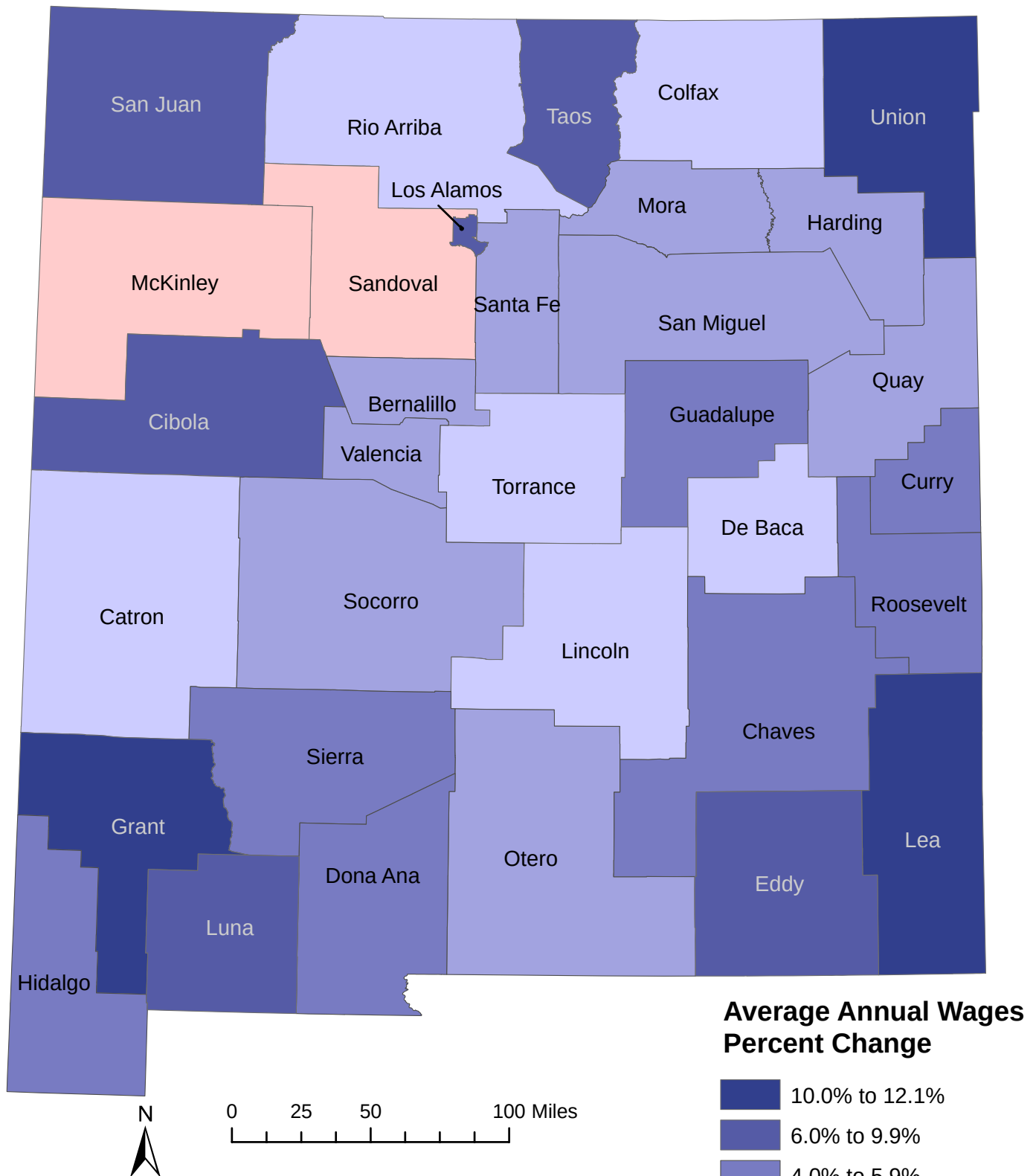
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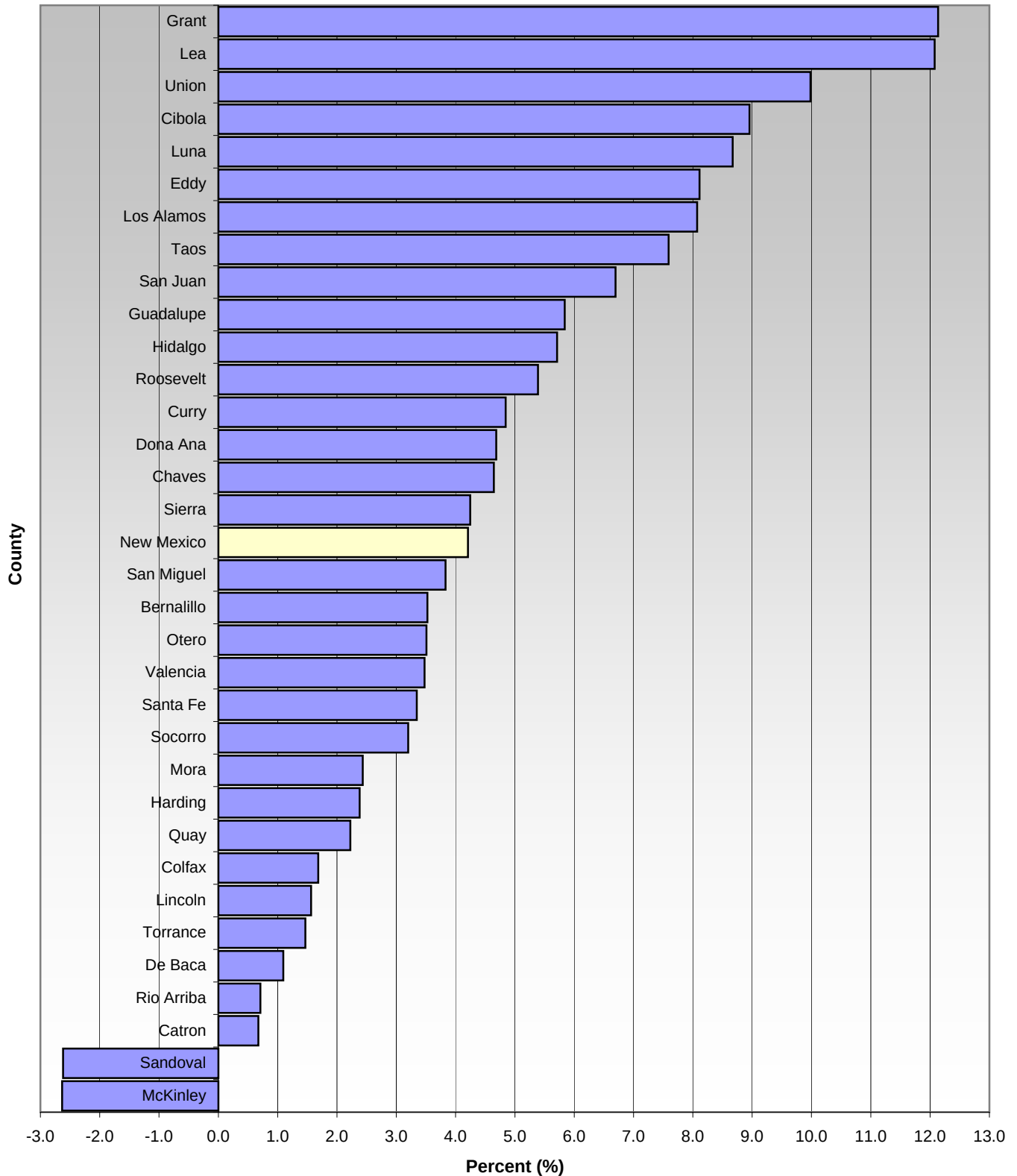
The change in the New Mexico average annual wage is 4.2%.

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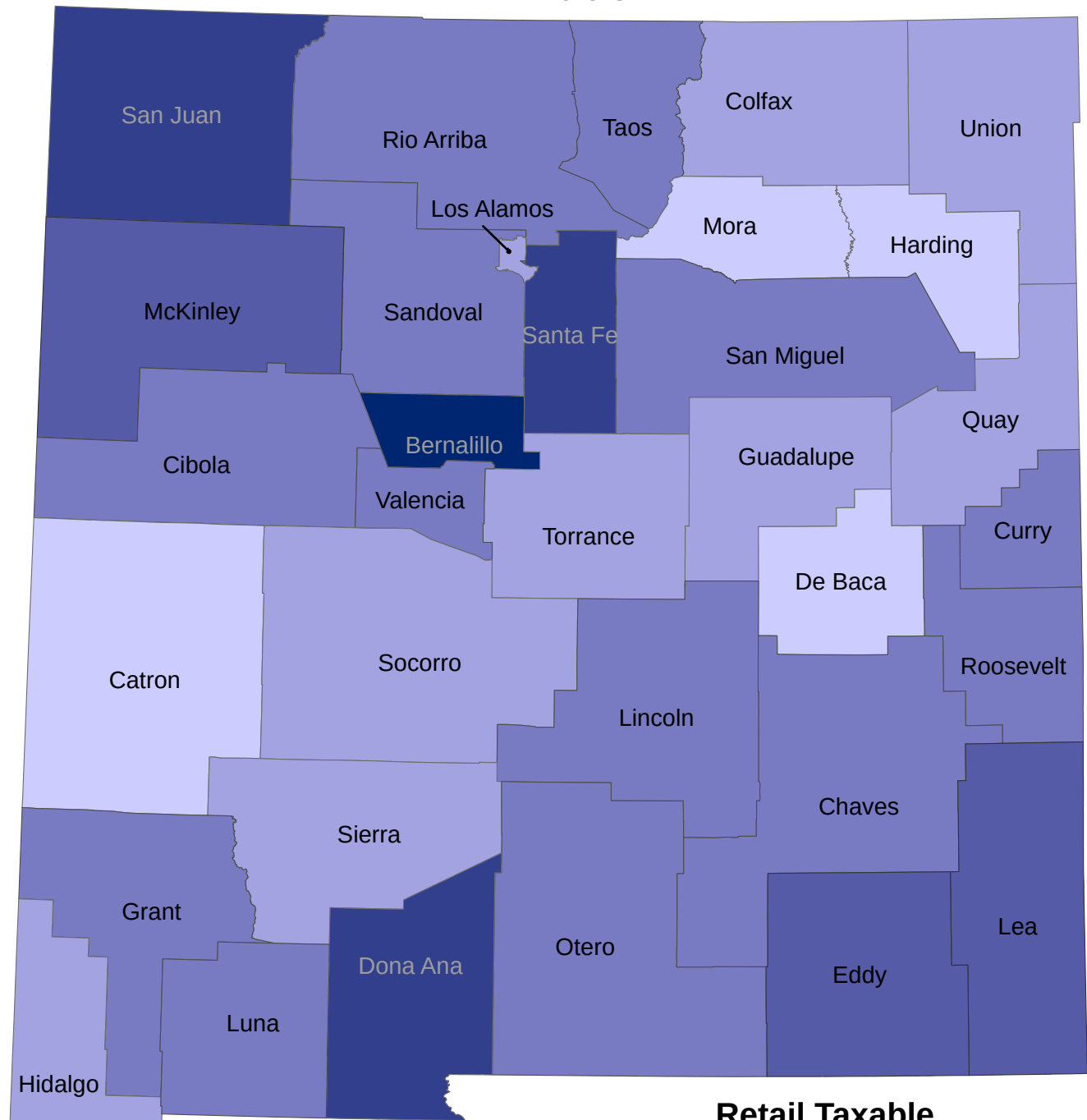


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Retail Taxable Gross Receipts (\$000s) by County 2008



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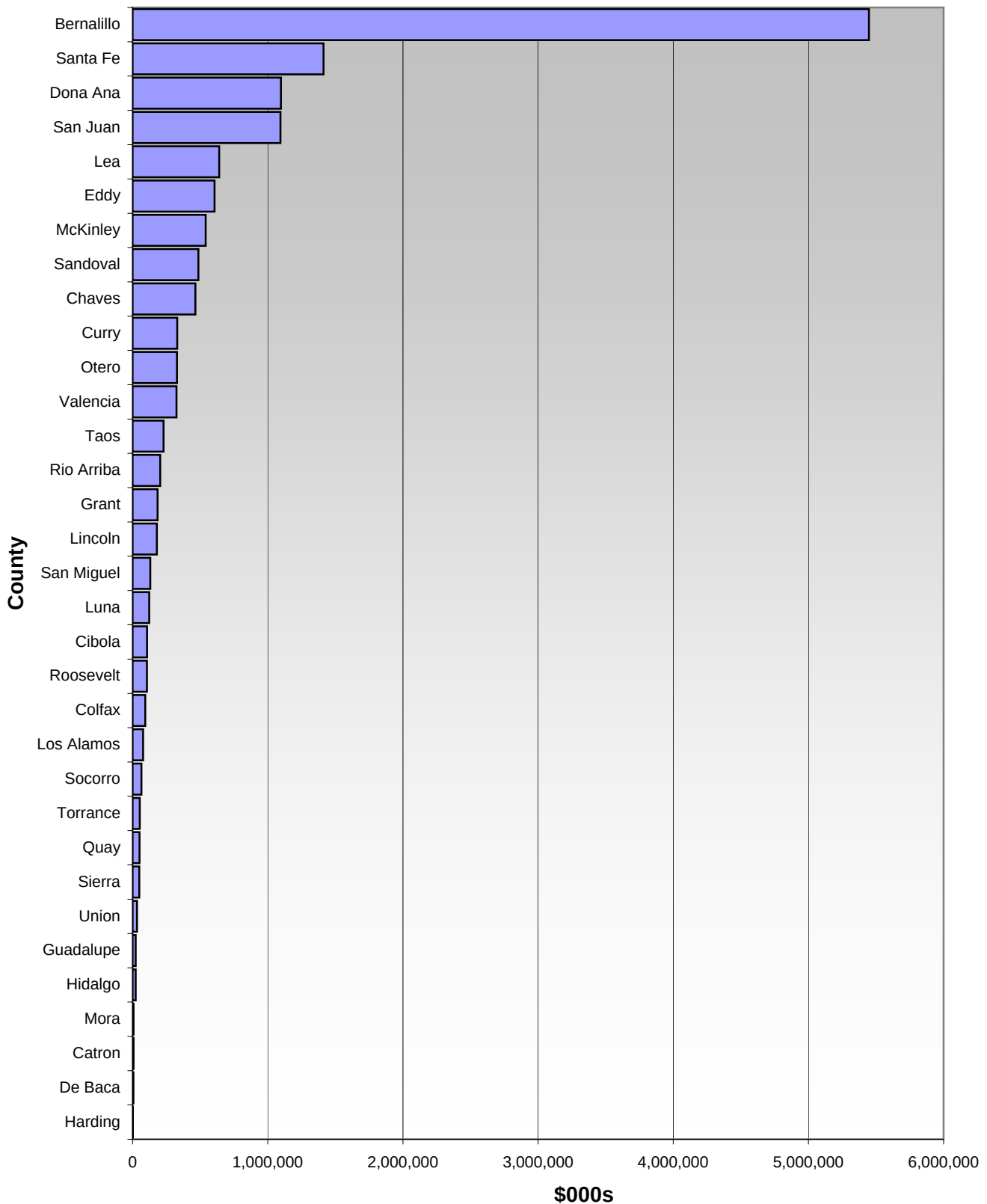


New Mexico retail taxable gross receipts amount to \$15,412,128 (\$000s).

Note: Taxable receipts include food and medical deductions.
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Source: NM Taxation and Revenue Dept.

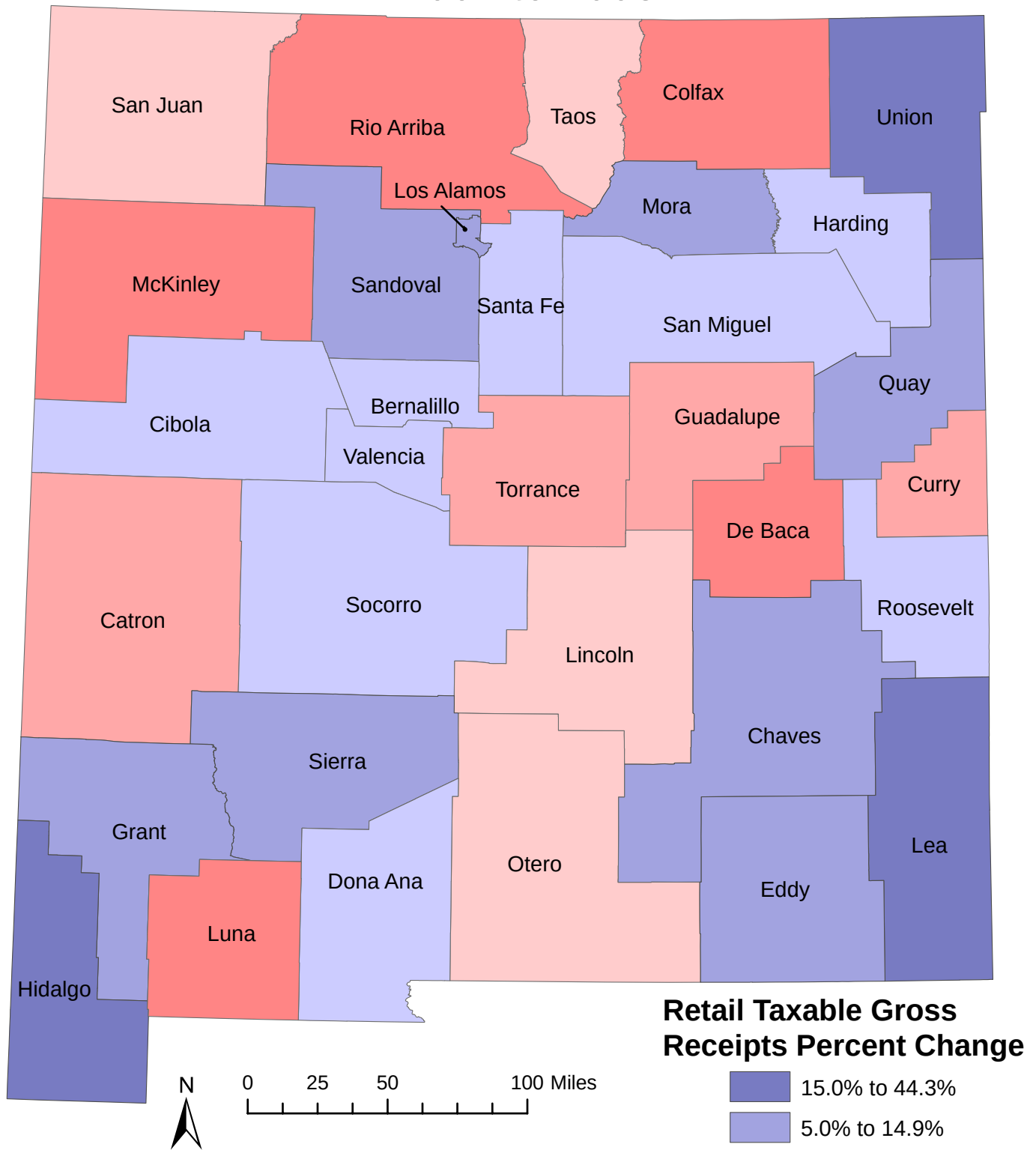
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Percent Change in Retail Taxable Gross Receipts by County 2007 to 2008



The change in retail taxable gross receipts for New Mexico is 2.1%.

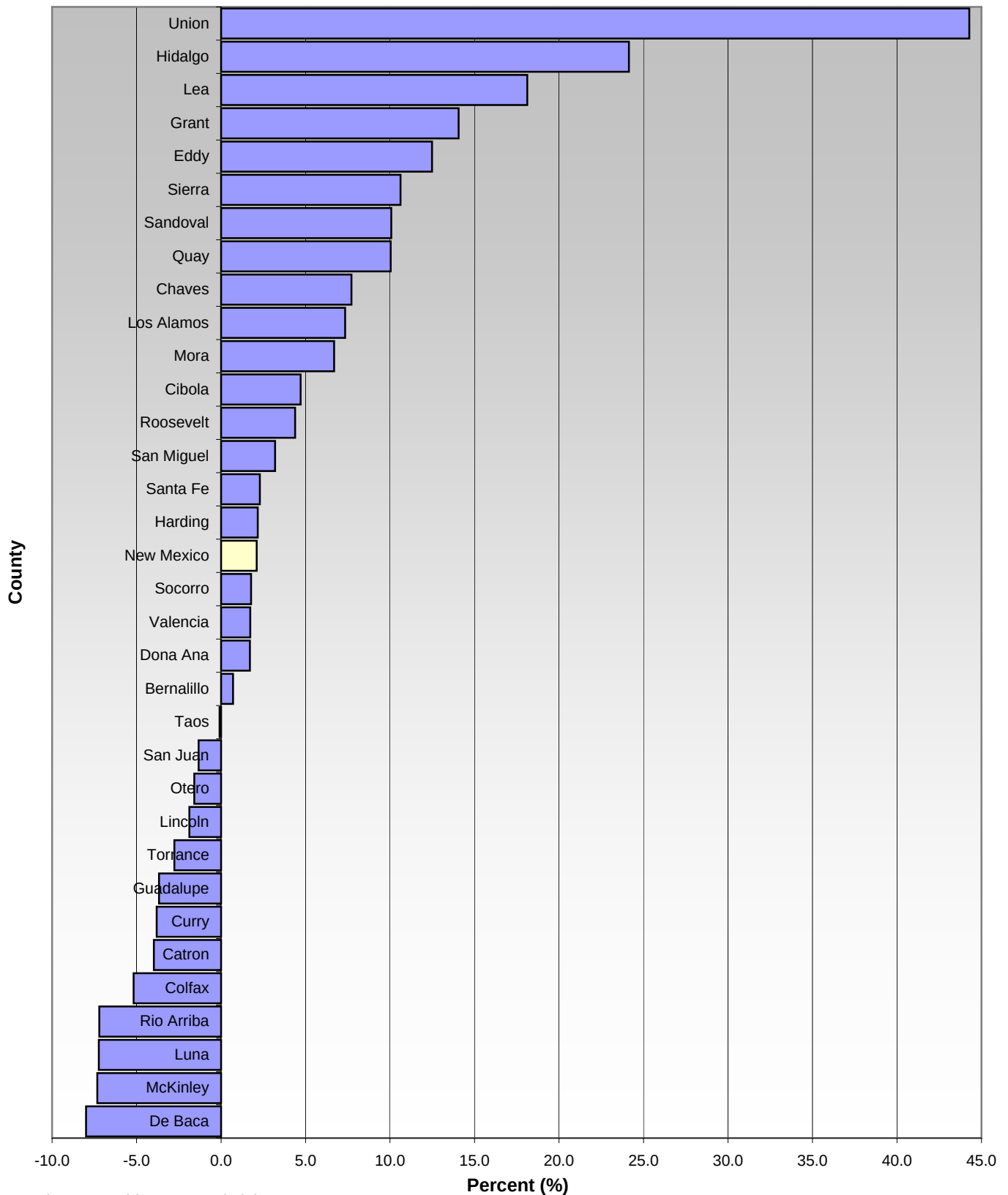
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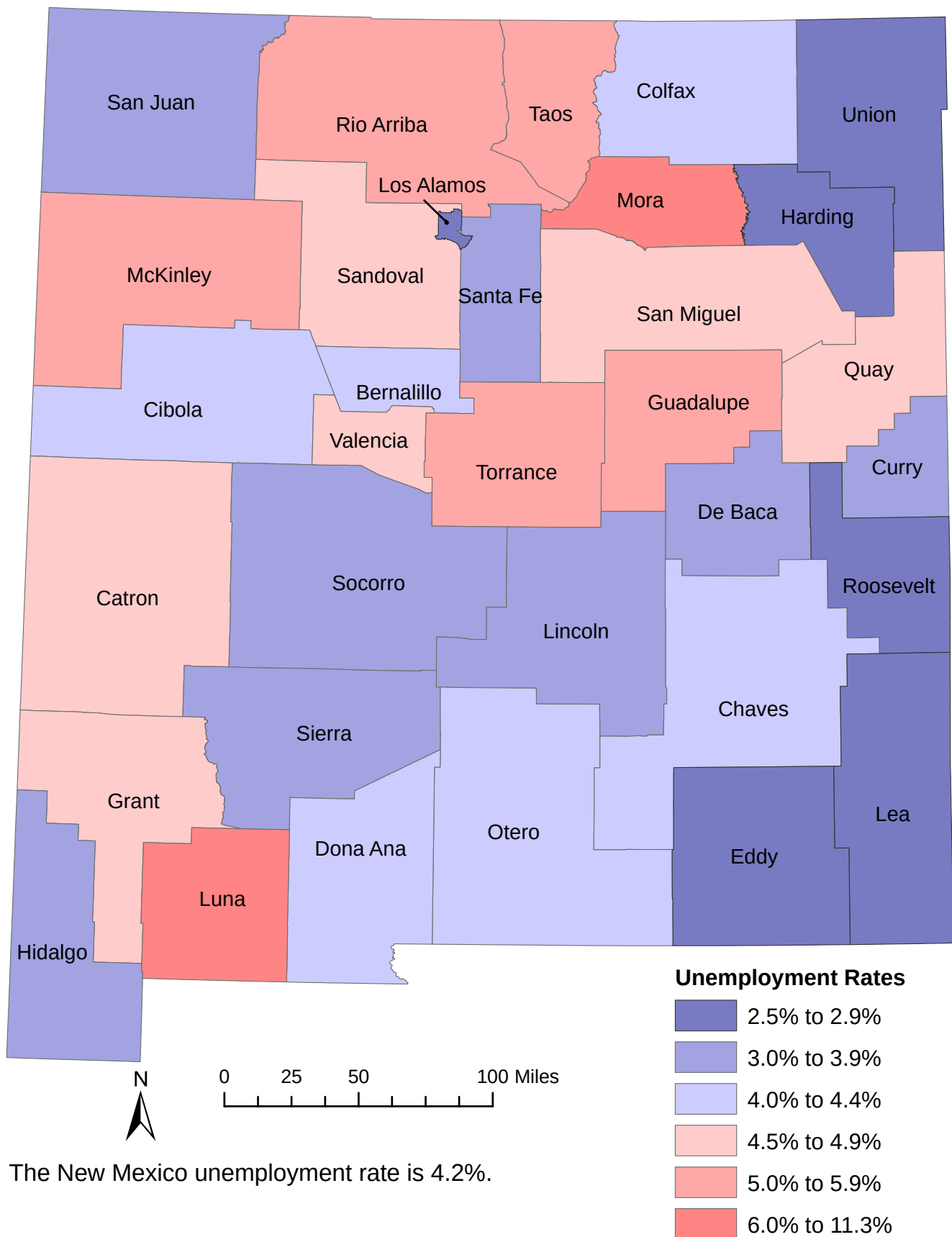


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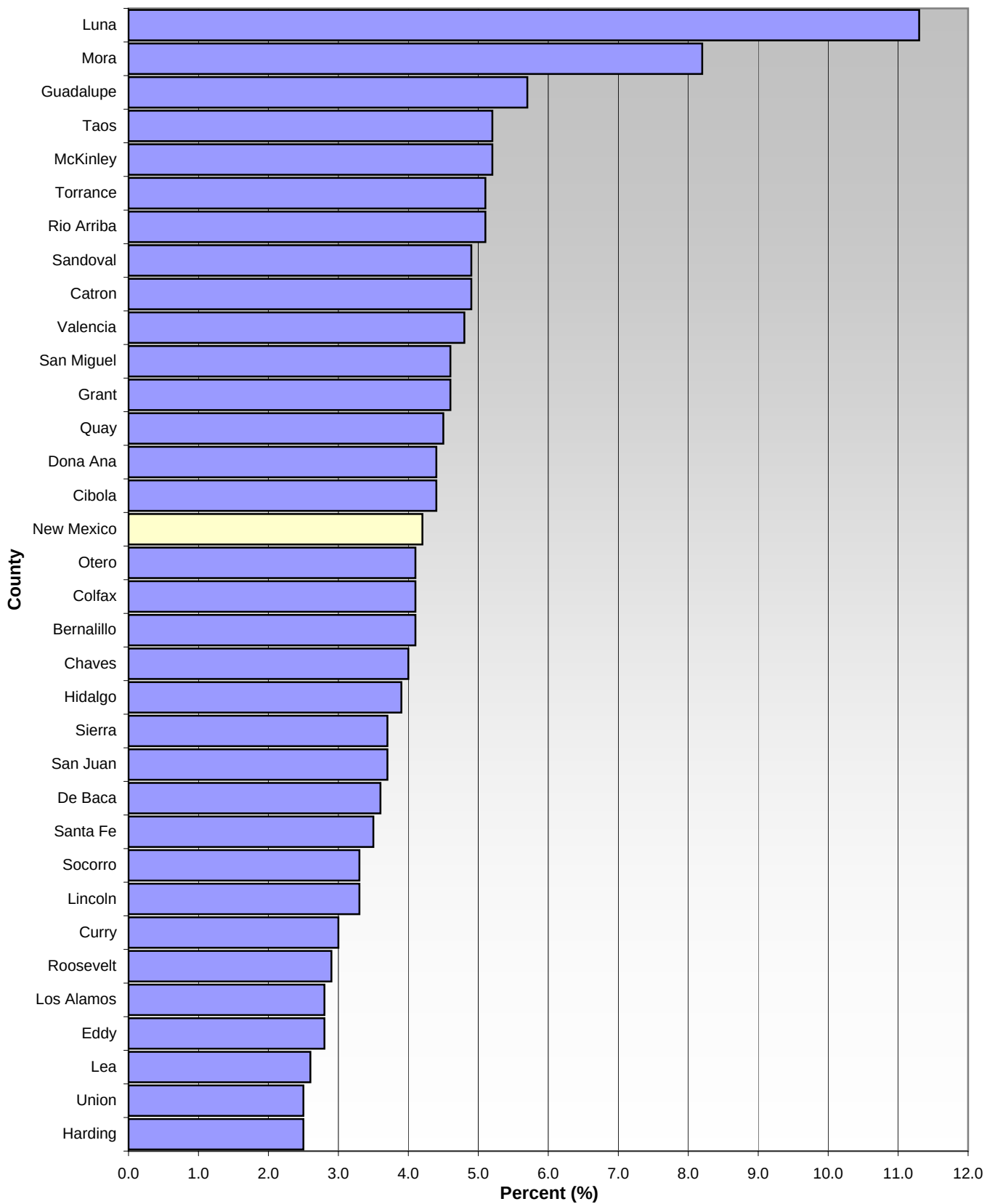
Unemployment Rates (%) by County 2008



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Unemployment Rates (%) by County 2008



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Glossary

Average Annual Wages for Covered Workers – Average wages are total covered wage and salary disbursements divided by the average number of covered wage and salary jobs for the year.

Wages consist of the monetary remuneration of employees, including the compensation of corporate officers; commissions, tips, and bonuses; and receipts in kind, or pay-in-kind, such as the meals furnished to the employees of restaurants. It reflects the amount of payments disbursed, but not necessarily earned during the year.

See the definition of total covered wage and salary employment below for an explanation of the term “covered”.

Civilian Labor Force – The civilian labor force is the total labor force, excluding persons in the Armed Forces. The civilian labor force consists of both employed and unemployed persons 16 years of age and older.

Employed – Employed persons are those individuals, 16 years of age and older, who did any work at all during the survey week as paid employees, or in their own business, profession or farm, or who worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in a family operated business. Also counted as employed are those persons who had jobs or businesses from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, bad weather, vacation, labor-management dispute, or personal reasons. Individuals are counted only once even though they may hold more than one job. Employment figures relate to place of residence, and not to place of work. Persons in the Armed Forces are excluded.

Unemployed – Persons 16 years and over who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the 4-week period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not have been looking for work to be classified as unemployed.

Per Capita Personal Income – Per capita personal income is the total personal income of an area divided by the resident population.

Population – Total population is the mid-year estimate of all persons residing in the state.

Total Covered Wage and Salary Employment (Jobs) – Covered employment data consist of most full- and part-time, private and government, wage and salary workers. These worker counts are interpreted as counts of jobs on a place-of-work basis and represent the number of workers on the payroll during the pay period including the 12th day of the month. The database includes private sector employees that are covered under the New Mexico Unemployment Compensation Law (UI). This law and separate acts extend coverage to workers in households, non-profits, most state and local government entities, federal workers, and parts of the agricultural sector. About 97% of nonagricultural workers are in the database. Exclusions are as follows: independent insurance and real estate agents working solely on commission; students in the employ of the school, college or university in which they are enrolled and regularly attending classes; services performed in the employment of churches or church-sponsored organizations operated primarily for religious purposes; most railroad workers; the self-employed; unpaid volunteers or family workers; members of the military; and services performed in agricultural and nonagricultural labor when the employing unit does not meet the employment and payroll requirements for coverage, i.e., workers are not covered if their employers have total payrolls or employee counts that fall below the minimum thresholds required for coverage.

Prior to June 2006 Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) workers were also excluded because they were employees of the State of California and were covered under California rather than New Mexico UI law. However, in June 2006 Los Alamos National Security, LLC, (a group of private and public organizations) replaced the University of California as the management and operating contractor at LANL. Because of this change in lab management, LANL was assigned to the professional & technical services sector and lab employment was recorded in this database for the first time.

Total Personal Income – Personal income data are by place of residence. Total income includes income received by persons from all sources. It includes income received from participation in production as well as from government and business transfer payments (such as, Social Security benefit payments and Medicaid payments to health care providers on behalf of low income persons). It is the sum of compensation of employees (received), supplements to wages and salaries, proprietors' income with inventory valuation adjustment (IVA) and capital consumption adjustment, rental income of persons, personal income receipts on assets, and personal current transfer receipts, less contributions for government social insurance.

Retail Taxable Gross Receipts – “Gross receipts” is defined as the total amount of money or value of other consideration received from selling property (including tangible personal property handled on consignment) in New Mexico, from leasing property employed in New Mexico and from performing services in New Mexico. The definition excludes cash discounts allowed and taken, New Mexico gross receipts tax, local option gross receipts taxes, gross receipts or sales tax imposed by an Indian tribe or pueblo, and any type of time-price differential.

There are a large number of *exemptions* from gross receipts (exempt amounts are never reported as gross receipts) as well as a large number of *deductions* from gross receipts. Deductions are subtracted from gross receipts to arrive at **taxable gross receipts** – the amount the relevant gross receipts tax rate is applied to.

The data appearing in this report show retail taxable gross receipts. These are total retail sales less all applicable exemptions and deductions. Thus, taxable receipts should not be construed as total retail sales. Examples of retail sales that are exempt from the New Mexico gross receipts tax include the sales of gasoline, motor vehicles, and purchases of food with food stamps. The application of deductions results in the omission of even more retail sales, since sales for resale and various statutorily determined items are subtracted. Food and various medical deductions were implemented in 2005. The data shown in this report have been adjusted to maintain comparability with information before 2005. Thus, food and medical deductions were added back to taxable gross receipts. For the most part, exemptions and deductions are designed to make the gross receipts tax reach only receipts from sales to “final users”.

Unemployment Rate – The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed persons residing in an area expressed as a percent of the area's civilian labor force.

Appendix A

U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates

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New Mexico Counties

	July 1 Estimates		% Change 2007-2008
	2007	2008	
New Mexico	1,964,402	1,984,356	1.0
Bernalillo	627,785	635,139	1.2
Catron	3,414	3,405	-0.3
Chaves	62,460	63,060	1.0
Cibola	27,230	27,285	0.2
Colfax	13,183	12,962	-1.7
Curry	45,007	43,755	-2.8
De Baca	1,903	1,907	0.2
Dona Ana	198,048	201,603	1.8
Eddy	50,960	51,360	0.8
Grant	29,688	29,844	0.5
Guadalupe	4,416	4,346	-1.6
Harding	716	684	-4.5
Hidalgo	4,913	4,910	-0.1
Lea	57,992	59,155	2.0
Lincoln	20,702	20,793	0.4
Los Alamos	18,497	18,150	-1.9
Luna	26,805	27,227	1.6
McKinley	69,979	70,724	1.1
Mora	5,053	5,052	0.0
Otero	62,768	62,776	0.0
Quay	8,950	8,929	-0.2
Rio Arriba	40,707	40,692	0.0
Roosevelt	19,126	18,889	-1.2
Sandoval	117,583	122,298	4.0
San Juan	122,239	122,500	0.2
San Miguel	28,629	28,558	-0.2
Santa Fe	142,369	143,937	1.1
Sierra	12,252	12,437	1.5
Socorro	18,082	18,180	0.5
Taos	31,508	31,546	0.1
Torrance	16,529	16,269	-1.6
Union	3,762	3,777	0.4
Valencia	71,147	72,207	1.5

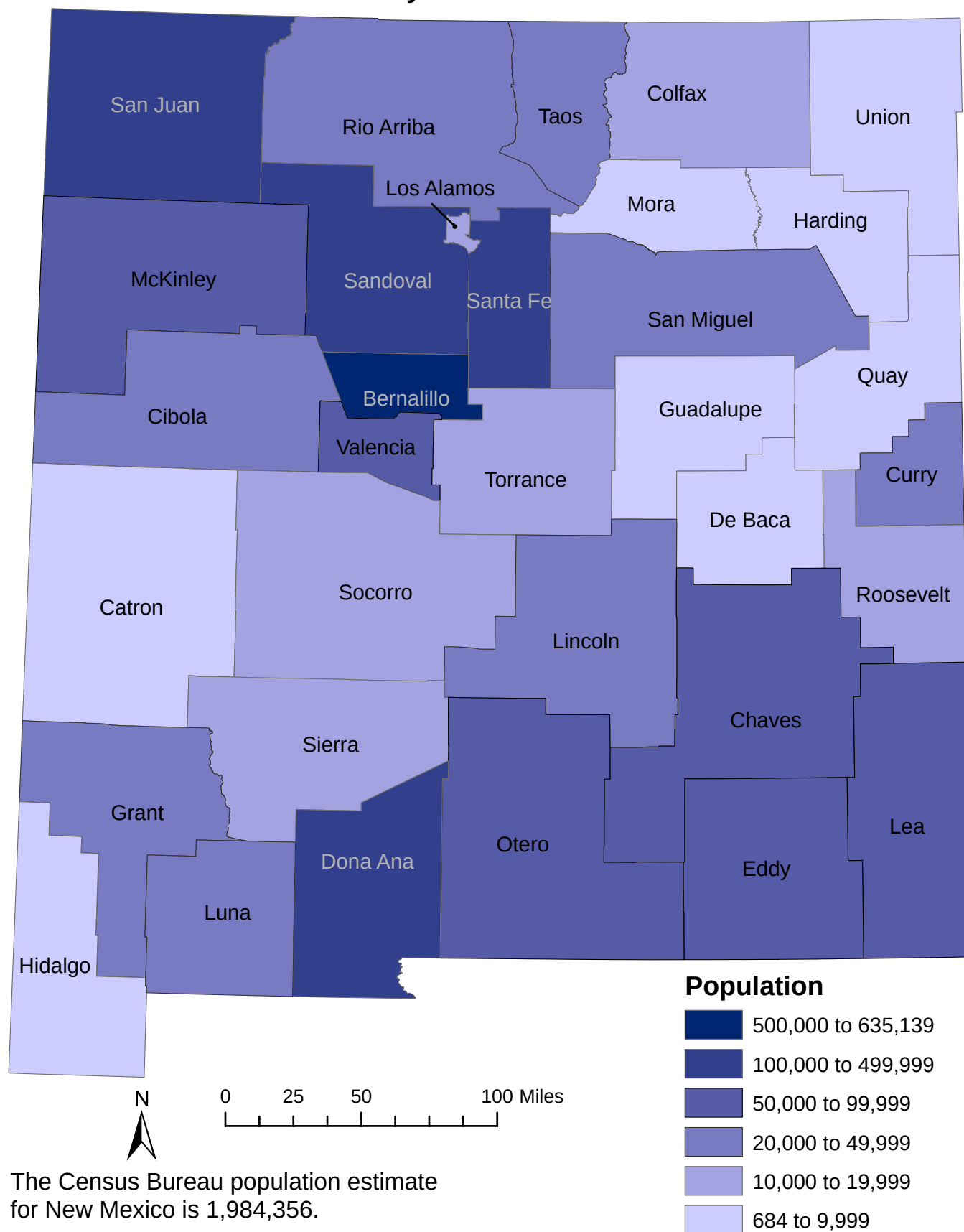
Note: The July 1, 2008 population estimate for New Mexico, published by the Census Bureau (2008 round of estimates) is 1,984,356. This represents an increase of 9.1% since April 1, 2000 (1.0% from 2007). Bureau of Business and Economic Research (BBER) analysis indicates that this growth rate is low in light of other economic and demographic indicators for the state. The BBER estimate of 2,080,048 for July 1, 2008 shows a 14.3% increase since April 1, 2000 (1.3% from 2007).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, 2008 round of estimates.

Appendix A

U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates by County

July 1, 2008

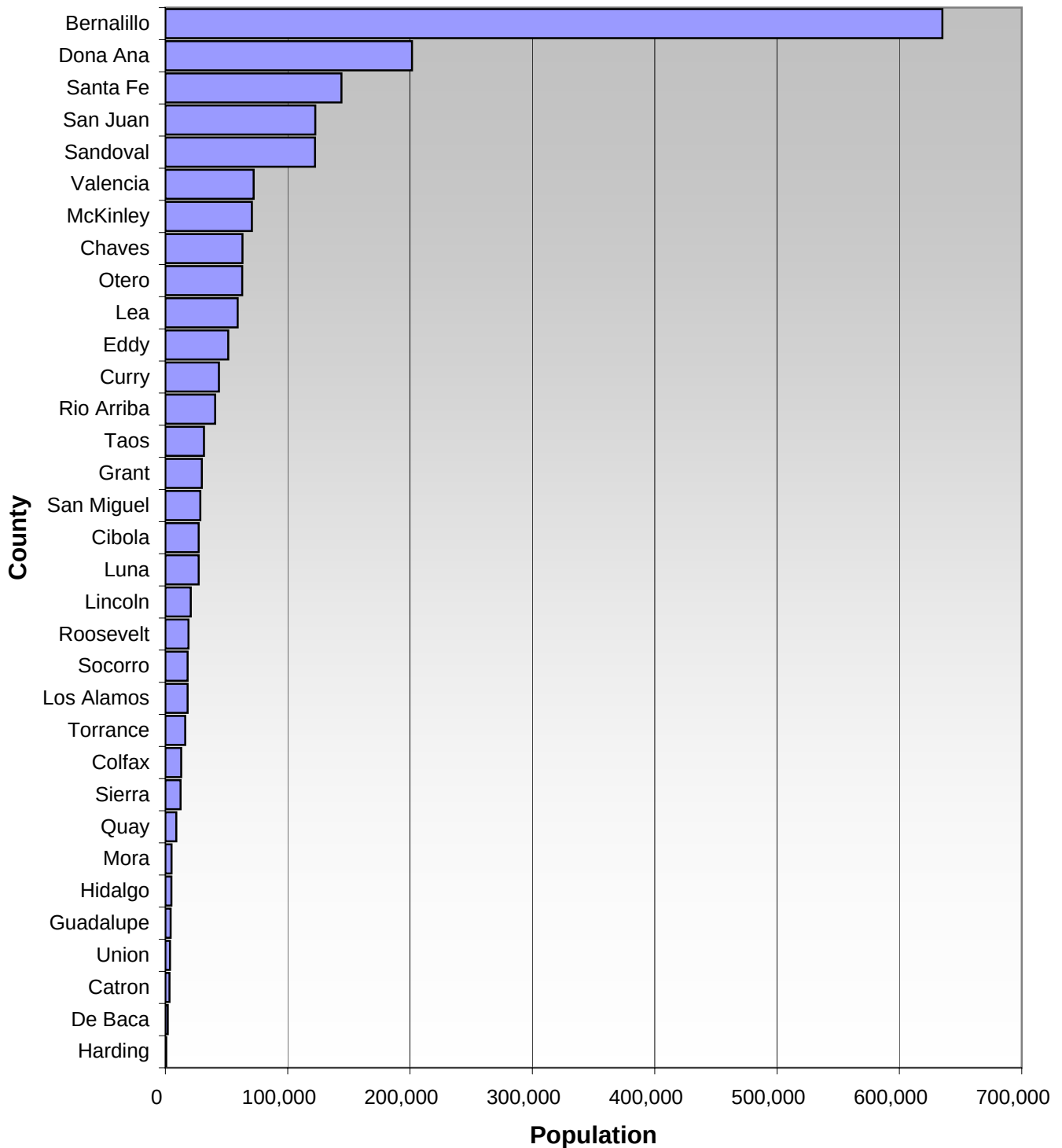


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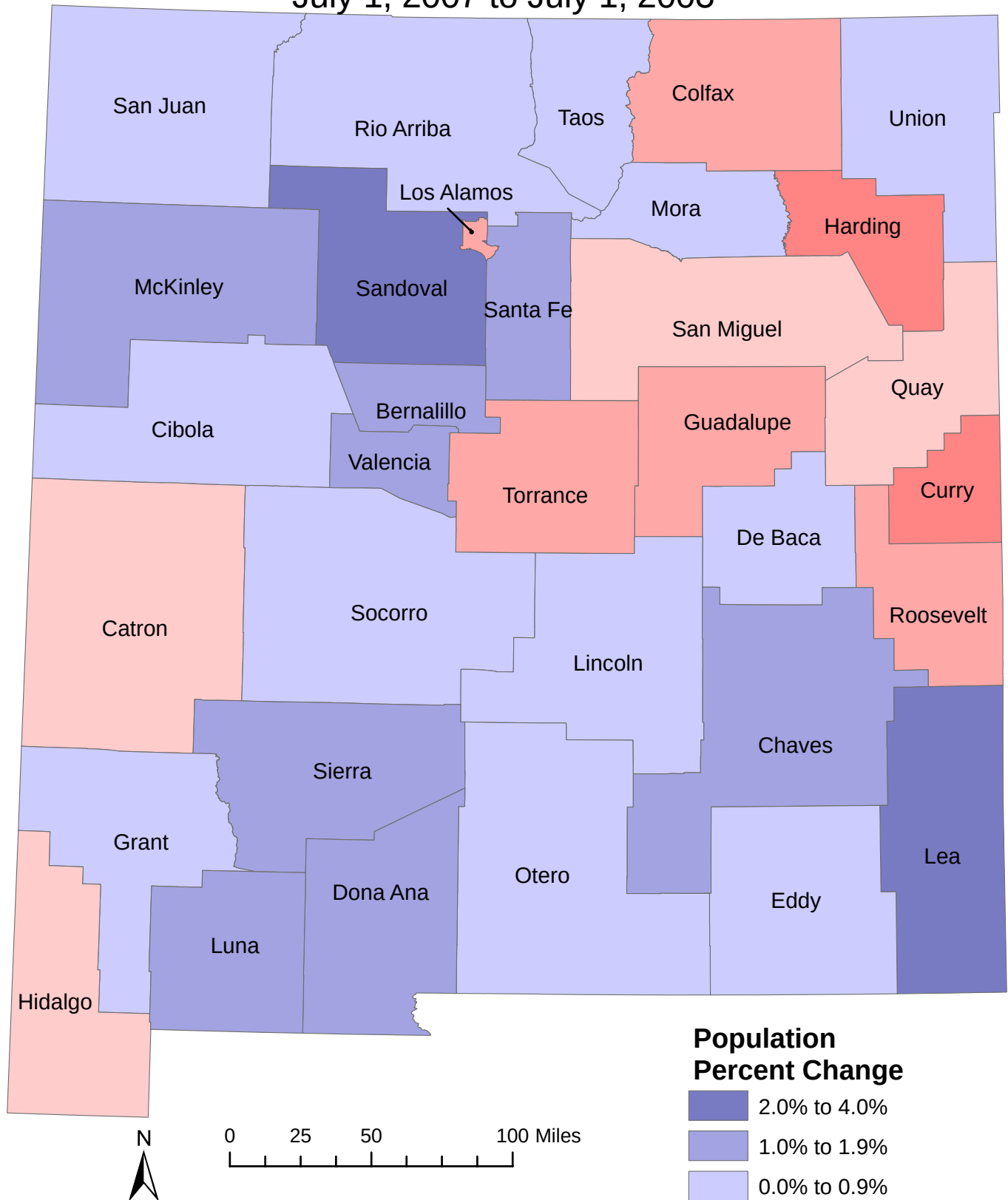


The New Mexico population estimate is 1,984,356.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division.

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Percent Change in U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates by County July 1, 2007 to July 1, 2008



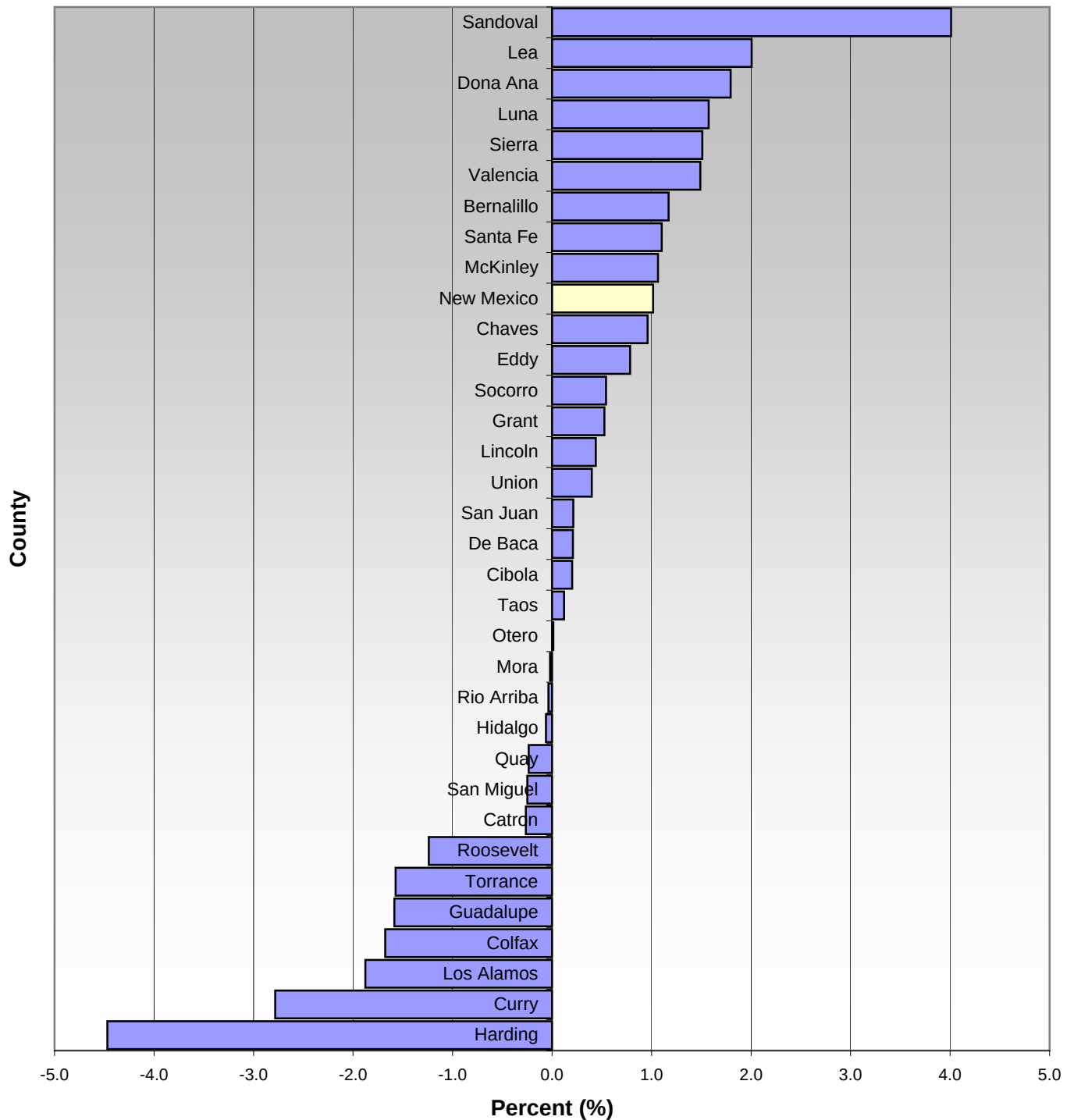
The change in the Census Bureau population estimate for New Mexico is 1.0%.

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Percent Change **U.S. Census Bureau Population Estimates by County** **July 1, 2007 to July 1, 2008**



Note: Chart created from unrounded data.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division.

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