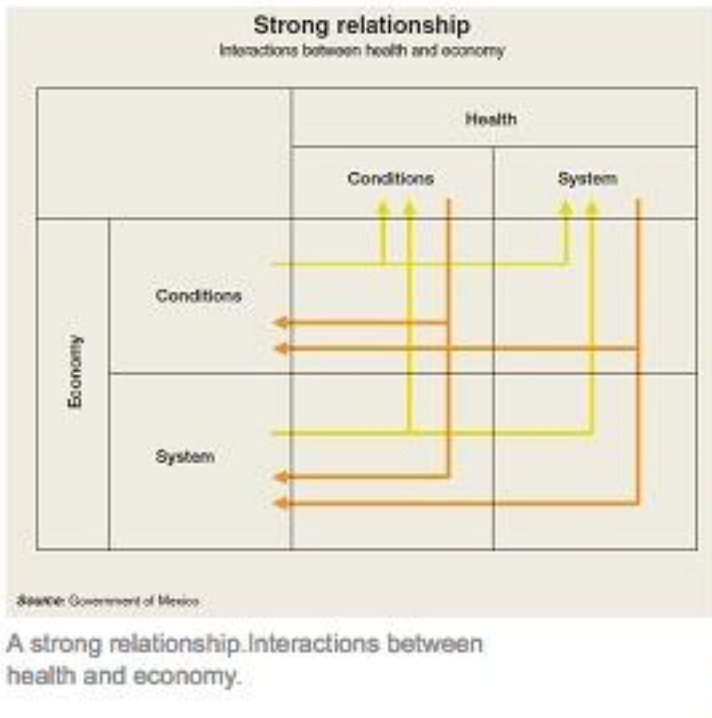


Human health and the economy: a vital relationship



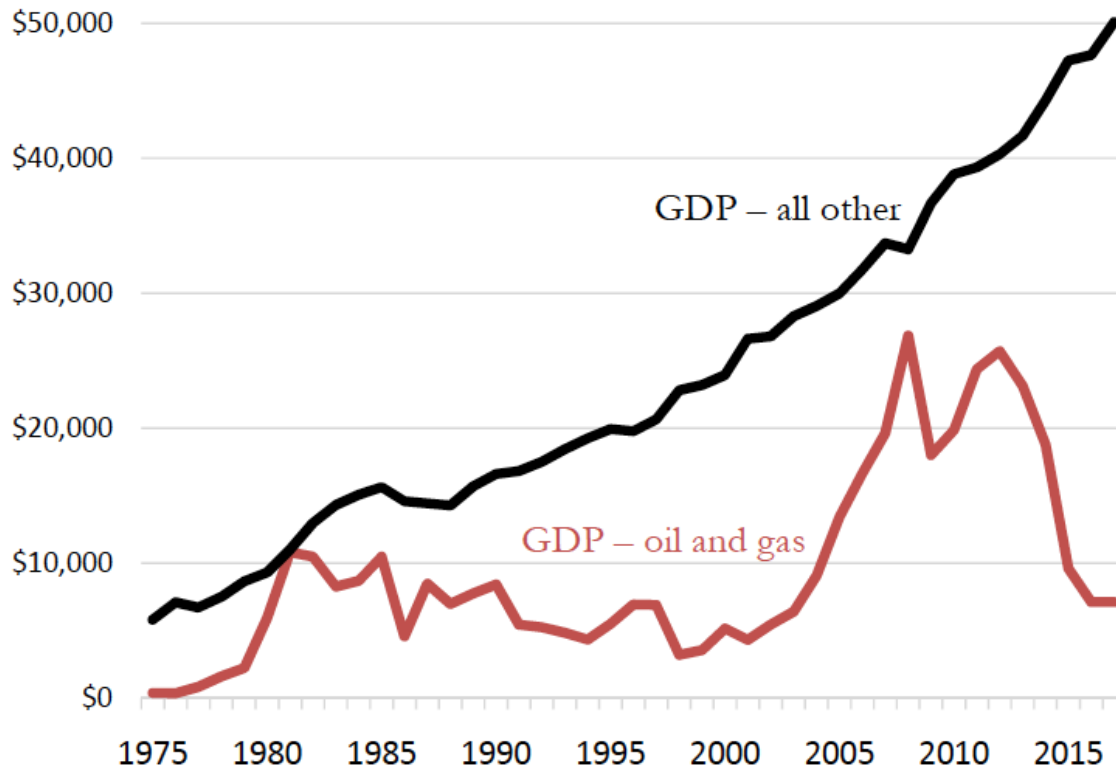
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Alaska Gross Domestic Product
Nominal dollars in millions



Alaska's economy has diversified and grown over time. There must be a link between economic growth and the state services needed to support it.

Pharmaceuticals



- HB 43 New Drugs for Terminally Ill
- SB 32 Biological Substances
- HB 240 Drug pricing; Pharmacy Benefit Mgrs
- SB 37 Wholesale distributor licensing

Costs

- HB 176 Emergency Medical Transport
- HB 215 Public Health Fees
- SB 105 Health care pricing

- HB 103 Optometry & Optometrists





Substance Use Disorder

- HB 159 Opioids; prescriptions, database, licenses
- HB 312 Crimes; controlled substances
- SB 91 Opioid epidemic, standing orders
- SB 104 Educ curriculum; MJ educ/tx fund
- SB 169 Behavioral Health access



Insurance topics

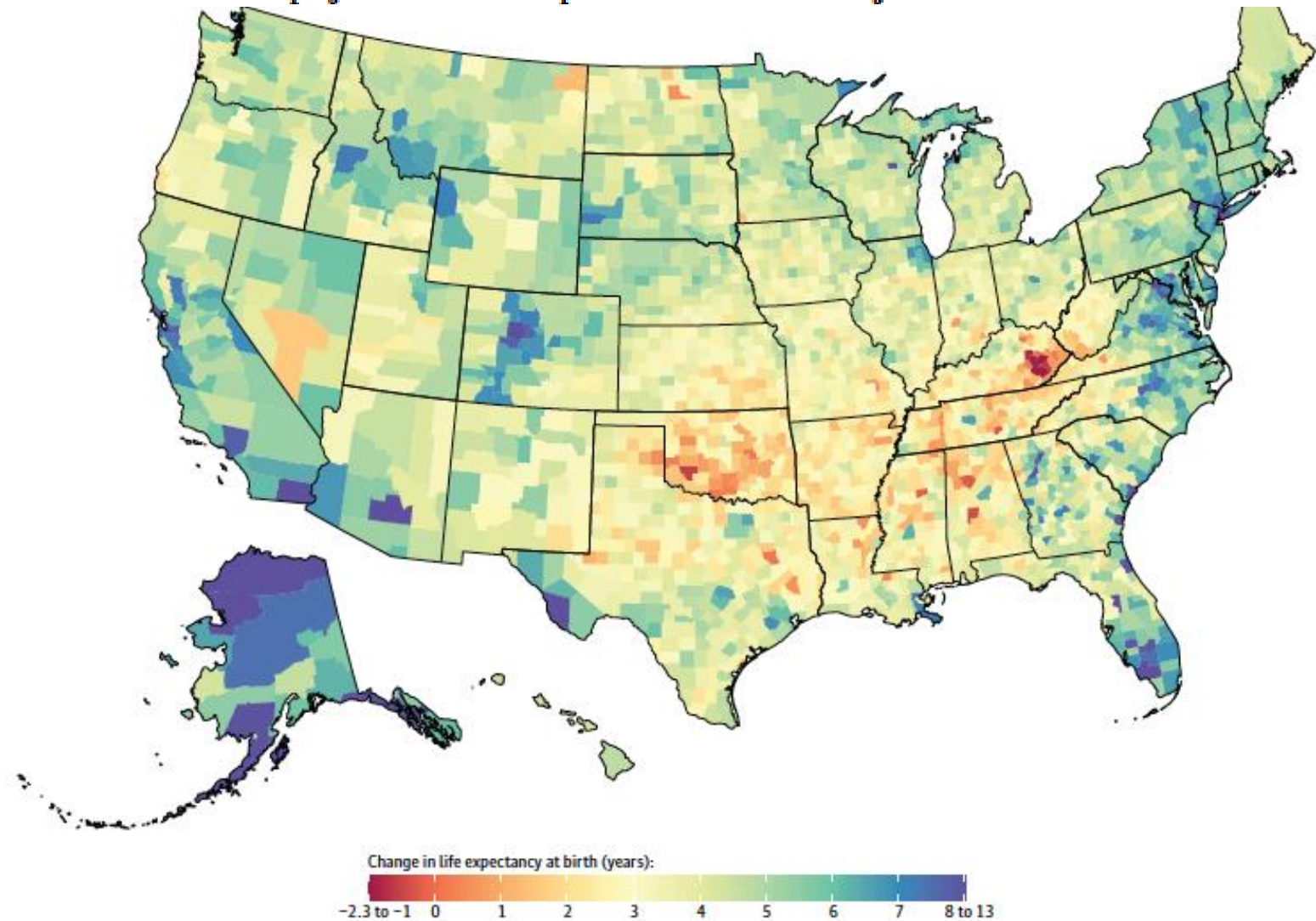
- SB 165 Comprehensive Health Insurance fund
- HB 23 Insurance-dependents of deceased pub safe
- SB 112 Work Comp Reform
- SB 129 80th percentile Reform



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Figure 2. Change in Life Expectancy at Birth by County, 1980 to 2014

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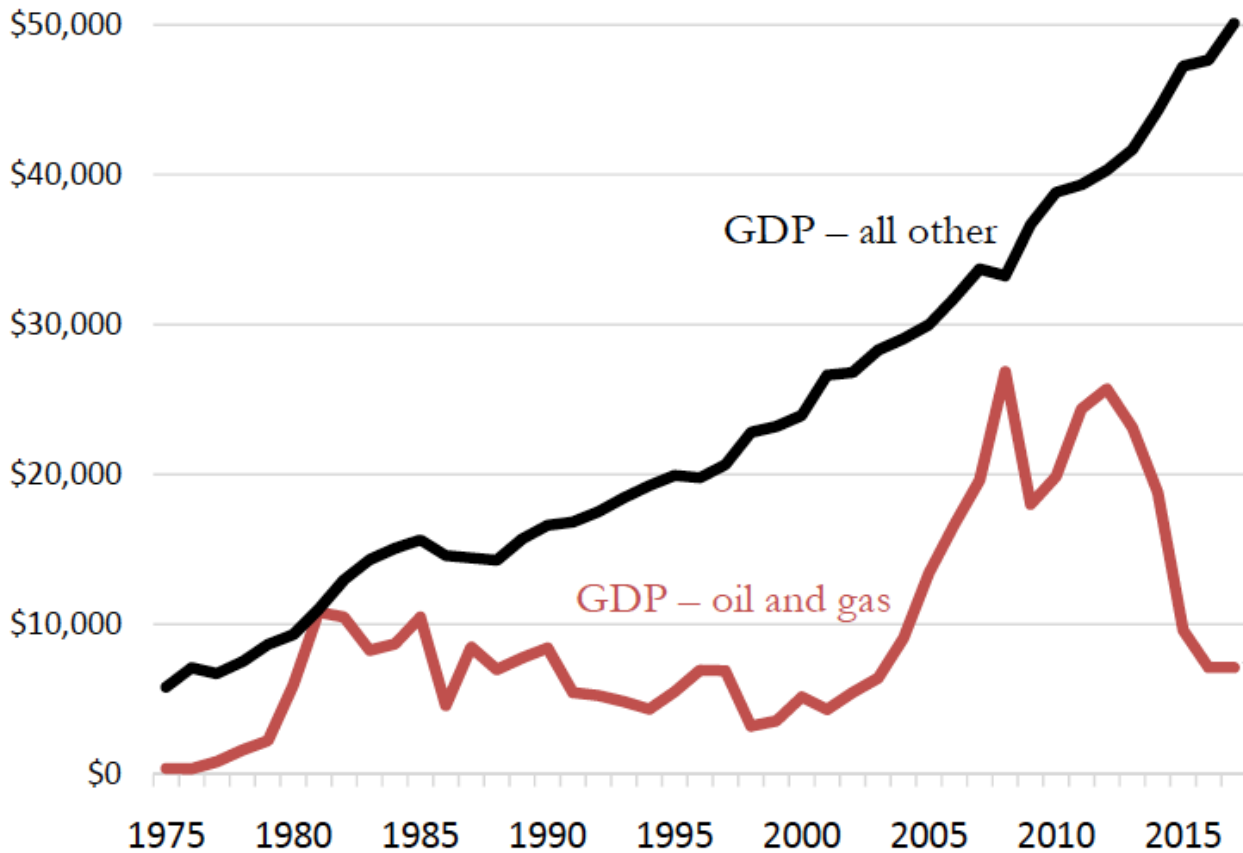


Compared with the national average, counties in central Colorado, Alaska, and along both coasts experienced larger increases in life expectancy between 1980

and 2014, while some southern counties in states stretching from Oklahoma to West Virginia saw little, if any, improvement over this same period.

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Winston Churchill

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