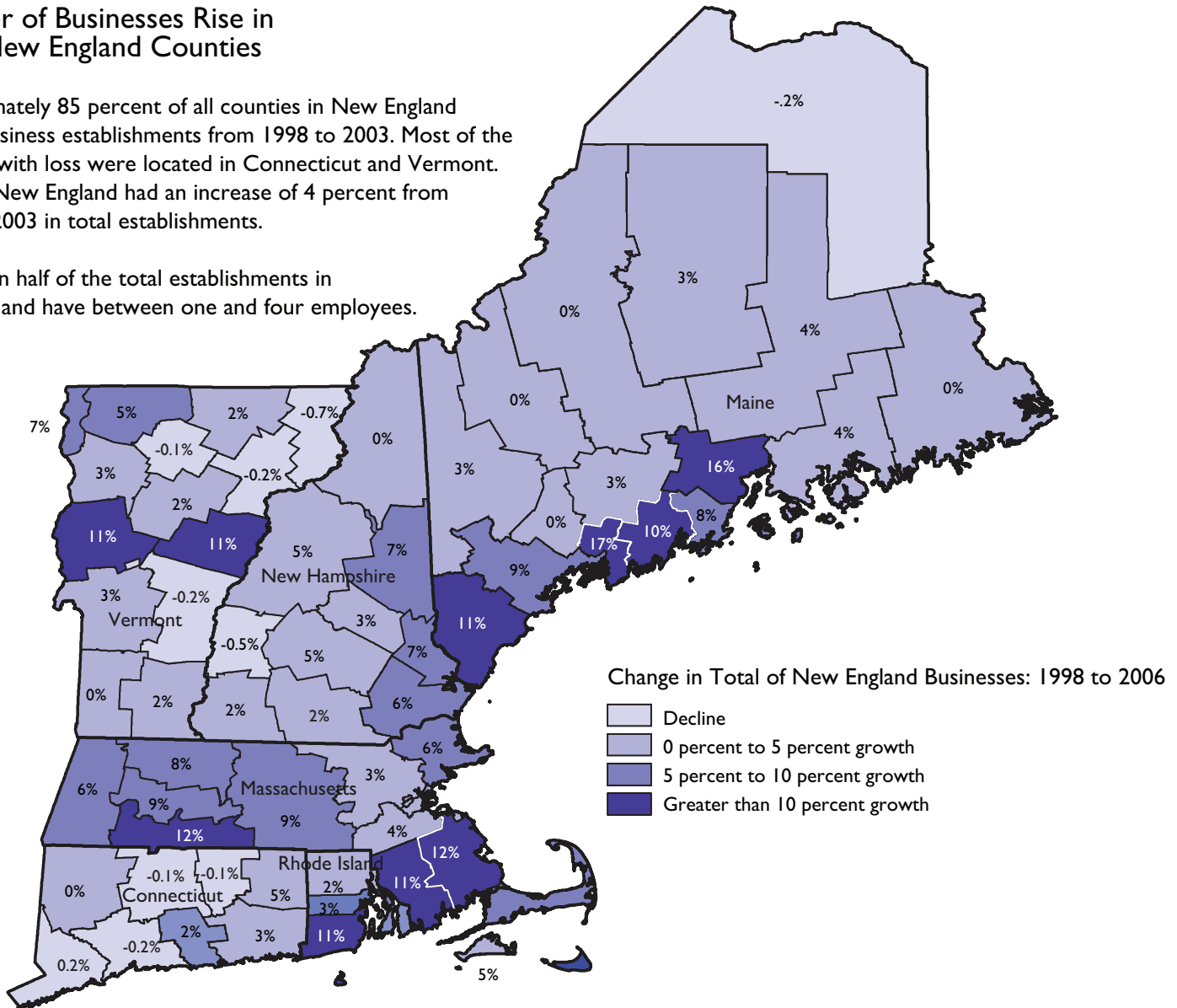


# Mapping New England

## Number of Businesses Rise in Most New England Counties

Approximately 85 percent of all counties in New England gained business establishments from 1998 to 2003. Most of the counties with loss were located in Connecticut and Vermont. Overall, New England had an increase of 4 percent from 1998 to 2003 in total establishments.

More than half of the total establishments in New England have between one and four employees.



Source: 1998 and 2003 County Business Patterns: The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)  
 Note: County Business Patterns provides data on the total number of establishments, mid-March employment, first quarter and annual payroll, and the number of establishments by nine employment-size classes and by detailed industry for all counties in the United States and the District of Columbia. The data from 1998 to 2003 is the most recent five-year trend.

Map: Ricardo Borgos, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston