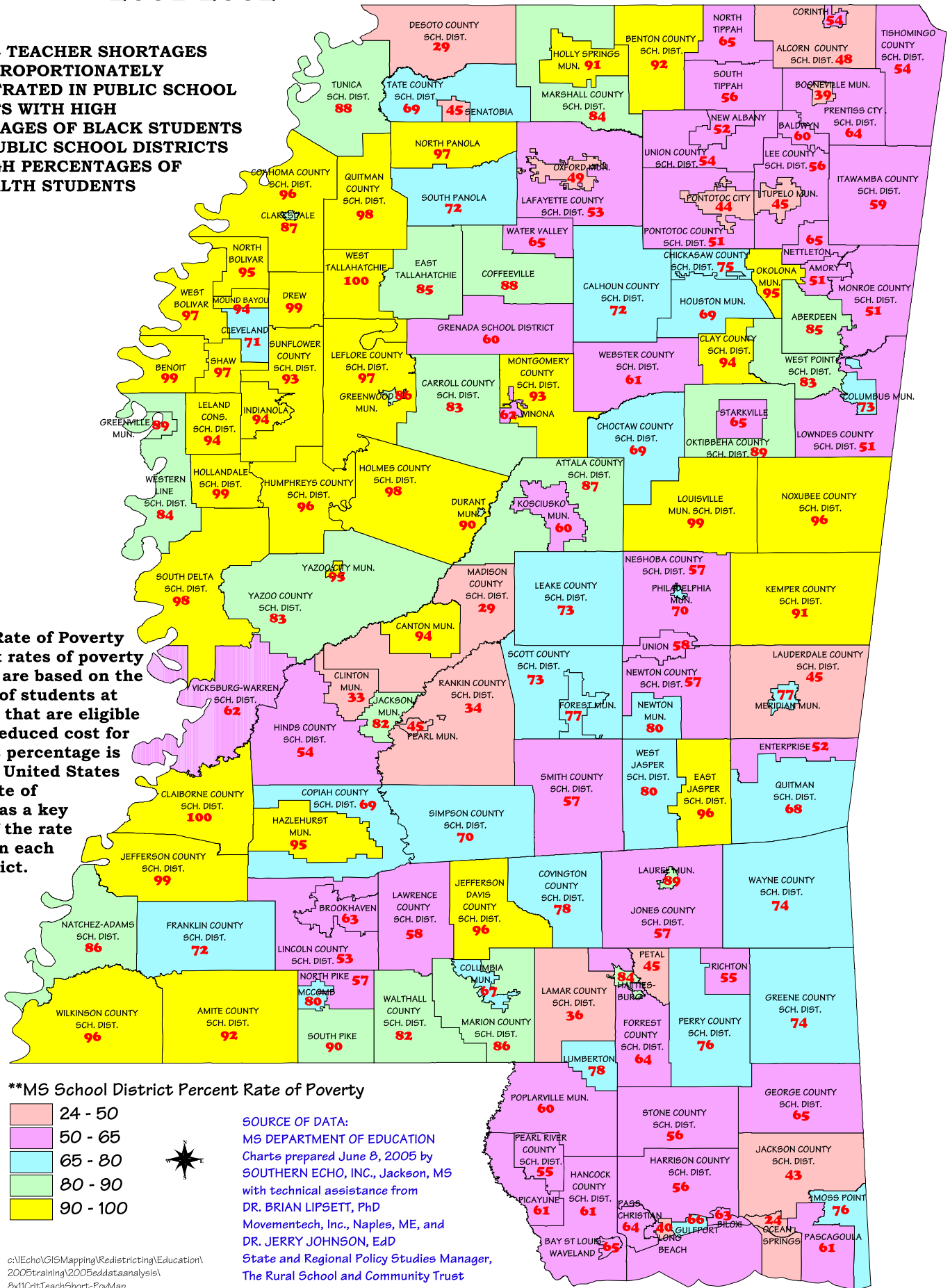


PERCENT RATES OF POVERTY **

-- MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL DISTRICTS --

2001-2002

CRITICAL TEACHER SHORTAGES ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY CONCENTRATED IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH HIGH PERCENTAGES OF BLACK STUDENTS AND IN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH HIGH PERCENTAGES OF LOW-WEALTH STUDENTS



**** Percent Rate of Poverty**
 The percent rates of poverty in this map are based on the percentage of students at each school that are eligible for free or reduced cost for lunch. This percentage is used by the United States and the State of Mississippi as a key indicator of the rate of poverty in each school district.