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§1. BASIC FINDINGS

aving explored intentional job discrimination nationally and in each state, this Chapter compares the states by the severity and persistence of intentional job discrimination in large and mid-sized establishments within each of thirty nine 39 states and the District of Columbia. These forty jurisdictions had sufficient data to permit a comparative analysis. Ranked states are grouped in four quartiles, with the most severe discrimination in the first quartile. Separate rankings are provided for Women, Black, Hispanic and Asian Pacific origin workers. Only Illinois and Wisconsin rank in the top quartile for all four groups.

Black workers make up 49% of the minority employees in the study, and 57% of all minority workers affected by intentional job discrimination. The top ten states where discrimination against Blacks is most severe and persistent are Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Missouri, Virginia, Kentucky, and Ohio.

Hispanic workers make up 33% of minority employees in the study, and 28% of all minority affected workers. The top ten states where discrimination against Hispanics is most severe and persistent are Indiana, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Connecticut, Wisconsin, Illinois, Rhode Island, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Minnesota.

Asian-Pacific origin workers make up 17% of minority employees in the study, and 11% of all minority affected workers. The top ten states where this discrimination against Asian Pacific origin workers is most severe and persistent are Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Michigan, Utah, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Carolina, and Texas.

Women make up 47% of all the employees in the study, and 42% of all workers affected by intentional job discrimination. The top ten states where this discrimination is most severe and persistent are Illinois, Kansas, Wisconsin, North Carolina, Delaware, Ohio, Rhode Island, Georgia, Michigan, and Texas.

Full comparisons appear in Tables 2, 3 and 4 of this Chapter.

§2. BACKGROUND - STATISTICAL MEASURES OF THE QUALITY OF WORK LIFE

After the national report on the extent of intentional job discrimination in medium and large private employers was released in July, 2002, followed by individual state reports (all available at www.eeo1.com), several journalists asked how their states compared with others. We found this question to be quite complicated. First, women and each of the minority groups fared differently in the various states. Only Illinois and Wisconsin are in the top quartile for all four groups. Therefore a single number to rank the states would be misleading. Although it is more complicated, only by comparing the states separately for each group, could there be a reflection of the reality of discrimination. Secondly, how could an analysis based on numbers reflect the quality of discrimination so that it could be compared from state to state?

A. NUMBERS OF WORKERS AFFECTED BY DISCRIMINATION IN EACH STATE

We discarded some of the obvious possibilities. The number of discriminating establishments in a state would reflect the extent of industry; the number of workers affected by discrimination would reflect the size of the labor force. Neither provided a reasonable basis for comparing establishments in one state with those in another. For example, if employers in states were measured by the number of minority and female workers affected by discrimination, California would top the list for Women, Minorities, Hispanics and Asians. [See Table 1, below.]

Table 1 COMPARING STATES BY NUMBER OF WORKERS AFFECTED BY														
DISCRIMINATION														
WOM	EN WORKERS	BLA	CK WORKE	RS	HISPA	NIC WORK	ERS	ASIAN PAC WKRS						
		_					_							
NAT'	L AV. 15,213	NATIO	NAL AV. 18,4	118	NATIC	NAL AV. 14	1,699	NA ⁻	Γ'L AV. 7,0	NAT'L AV. 3,869				
CA	75,843 1	CA	109,026	1	IL	58,373	1	CA	69,107	1	CA	56,647	1	
IL	51,323 2	IL	83,411	2	NY	51,648	2	TX	39,857	2	IL	15,561	2	
TX	48,895 3	NY	71,408	3	TX	39,873	3	IL	34,029	3	NY	12,160	3	
NY	48,181 4	TX	70,480	4	GA	39,276	4	FL	25,976	4	TX	10,213	4	
PA	33,016 5	FL	44,433	5	МІ	38,372	5	NY	21,566	5	NJ	7,838	5	
ОН	30,998 6	MI	41,759	6	FL	34,364	6	NJ	10,980	6	WA	5,896	6	
FL	27,060 7	GA	39,172	7	VA	31,862	7	AZ	9,815	7	VA	4,036	7	
MI	25,386 8	PA	37,877	8	ОН	30,422	8	MA	6,950	8	PA	3,872	8	
NJ	24,587 9	NJ	35,671	9	CA	28,706	9	co	5,074	9	MA	3,502	9	
GA	21,764 10	ОН	33,531	10	PA	28,033	10	GA	4,898	10	MI	3,338	10	
NC	20,002 11	VA	32,203	11	NJ	25,134	11	NC	4,827	11	MD	3,156	11	
MA	19,529 12	MD	26,879	12	MD	23,490	12	MD	4,124	12	MN	3,067	12	
MN	17,272 13	NC	25,431	13	NC	22,188	13	NV	3,874	13	FL	2,426	13	
VA	15,408 14	MA	23,648	14	MO	16,563	14	PA	3,751	14	NV	2,039	14	
MD	13,968 15	MO	18,173	15	IN	12,490	15	IN	3,439	15	GA	1,818	15	
MO WI	12,920 16 11,873 17	IN AZ	15,570	16 17	TN MA	11,654 10,431	16 17	CN WA	2,854	16 17	OR NC	1,621	16 17	
WA	11,645 18	WI	13,320 12,165	18	LA	9,508	18	WI	2,685 2,398	18	DC	1,544 1,140	18	
AZ	11,163 19	TN	11,874	19	WI	9,308	19	MI	2,396	19	CO	996	19	
IN	11,023 20	MN	11,553	20	AL	8,901	20	VA	2,272	20	WI	962	20	
TN	9,825 21	WA	11,072	21	SC	7,883	21	MN	2,212	21	AZ	899	21	
co	9,392 22	CO	9,616	22	KY	5,978	22	ОН	1,973	22	ОН	868	22	
CN	6,377 23	LA	9,464	23	CN	5,401	23	OR	1,866	23	UT	714	23	
SC	5,972 24	CN	9,186	24	MN	5,081	24	МО	1,660	24	CN	563	24	
KS	5,803 25	sc	8,665	25	KS	3,702	25	DC	1,606	25	ок	510	25	
KY	5,577 26	AL	8,579	26	СО	3,693	26	UT	1,500	26	ΙA	444	26	
OR	5,572 27	KY	6,852	27	MS	3,226	27	OK	1,384	27	KS	418	27	
AL	4,617 28	NV	5,592	28	AR	3,014	28	NM	1,335	28	AR	335	28	
UT	4,417 29	KS	5,104	29	OK	2,707	29	SC	1,140	29	MO	283	29	
DC	4,380 30	AR	4,060	30	WA	2,389	30	TN	1,058	30	TN	252	30	
LA	4,258 31	OR	4,049	31	DC	2,041	31	NE	983	31	DE	224	31	
OK	4,056 32	OK	3,911	32	DE	1,883	32	AR	982	32	IN	189	32	
NV	3,931 33	MS	3,072	33	NV	1,808	33	KS	903	33	SC	171	33	
NE	3,223 34	UT	2,594	34	AZ	1,543	34	AL	585	34	RI	150	34	
IA	2,768 35	NE	2,481	35	NE	1,440	35	RI	551	35	NE	142	35	
AR	2,711 36	DE	2,278	36	IA	914	36	IA	542	36	KY	99	36	
DE	2,175 37	IA	2,234	37	OR	738	37	LA	361	37	AL	67	37	
RI	2,002 38	DC	2,219	38	RI	418	38	KY	344	38	LA	46	38	
MS	1,636 39	NM	1,398	39	UT	158	39	DE	114	39	NM	32	39	
NM	1,128 40	RI	1,309	40	NM	61	40	MS	20	40	MS	8	40	

California stands so high on these lists of affected workers because of the basic methodology of this study. Our analysis is based on employer reports to the federal government identifying the race, sex and national origin of their workers in nine occupational categories and more than 200 industries. We identified intentional job discrimination in business establishments which employ Minorities, Women, Blacks, Hispanics and Asians so far below the average of similarly situated employers that they "stick out like a sore thumb."

The number of affected minority or female workers is the difference between the number employed in an establishment in a specific industry and occupation, and the average of all the establishments in the same labor market, industry and occupation. This approach mirrors Supreme Court decisions on remedies for intentional job discrimination. California has the largest population and the largest labor force we could observe, and therefore the largest number of affected workers. It thus leads the nation with respect to Women, Hispanics, Asian Pacific Origin workers, and ranked ninth with respect to Black workers.

B. PROBABILITY OF INTENTIONAL JOB DISCRIMINATION IN ANY INDUSTRY

If we adopted another measure of comparison – for example the probability that a woman or minority would face discrimination in any industry – the results were strikingly different. Using this standard, California ranked 27th with respect to women, 33rd with respect to Blacks, 37th with respect to Hispanics, and 38th with respect to Asian Pacific origin workers. These differences between methods of ranking states and the impact of discrimination on different groups in each state led us to discard the idea of a single factor to compare discrimination between the states. We would have to compare discrimination in the states separately for Women, Blacks, Hispanics and Asians, and search for meaningful comparisons.

Statistical measures that reflected the difference in the quality of worklife between the states were essential for useful comparisons to be made. The probability of facing discrimination in any industry is a factor that reflects the quality of worklife experience. It addresses the question that may arise when a minority or woman is denied a job, or an opportunity during employment. "Was the denial influenced by my race, sex or national origin?" The state with a high average likelihood of discrimination in an industry has a lower quality of worklife for minorities or women than a state where the average is lower. This measure reflects an aspect of the human condition. It appeared in each state report as the proportion of comparisons that reflect discrimination. Table 2, below, shows these comparisons.

Table 2 COMPARING STATES BY RISK OF FACING DISCRIMINATION IN ANY INDUSTRY BY

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GROUP, RANKED FROM THE HIGHEST RISK TO THE LOWEST														
	RISK OF			RISK OF	Γ		RISK OF			RISK OF				
DIS	CRIMINAT	ION	DIS	CRIMINATION	ON	DISC	RIMINATIO	N	DIS	DISCRIMINATION				
AGAIN	NST BLAC	KS IN	AGAI	NST HISPAI	NICS	AGAIN	IST ASIANS	S IN	AGA	NST WON	IEN IN			
AN'	Y INDUST	RY	IN A	NY INDUST	RY	ANY	'INDUSTR'	Y	AN AN	IY INDUS	TRY			
N.A	AT'L AV. 34	۱%	NA1	Γ'L AV. 29%		NAT	"L AV. 34%	6	l N	NAT'L AV. 22%				
UT	59%	1	SC	53%	1	IA	62%	1	IL	25%	1			
WI	43%	2	MO	50%	2	SC	55%	2	KS	25%	2			
IL	41%	3	AR	48%	3	WI	51%	3	WI	25%	3			
IA	40%	4	MD	46%	4	AL	47%	4	GA	25%	4			
MA	40%	5	ОН	45%	5	PA	44%	5	DE	24%	5			
MI	40%	6	GA	45%	6	NC	43%	6	UT	24%	6			
MN	40%	7	NC	45%	7	RI	43%	7	RI	24%	7			
VA	39%	8	PA	43%	8	MI	42%	8	NJ	24%	8			
IN	39%	9	IN	42%	9	OK	42%	9	NC	23%	9			
ОН	38%	10	DC	41%	10	GA	42%	10	MI	23%	10			
МО	37%	11	WI	40%	11	UT	41%	11	TN	23%	11			
NE	37%	12	ок	40%	12	NE	41%	12	TX	23%	12			
PA	37%	13	TN	39%	13	IL	40%	13	ОН	23%	13			
KY	36%	14	AL	38%	14	IN	40%	14	PA	23%	14			
RI	36%	15	MN	38%	15	KY	40%	15	MN	23%	15			
GA	36%	16	MA	38%	16	OH	40%	16	OR	23%	16			
OR	35%	17	IA	35%	17	MN	39%	17	AR	23%	17			
CO	35%	18	MI	35%	18	KS	_ 38%	18	KY	23%	18			
AR KS	35%	19	NE CN	34%	19	MO TX	37%	19	IN CN	23%	19			
	35%	20		34%	20		37%	20		23%	20			
NY	34%	21	IL	33%	21	MA	_ 36%	21	MA	23%	21			
TN	34%	22	WA	31%	22	TN	_ 36%	22	NY	22%	22			
NJ CN	33%	23	MS LA	31%	23	NM MD	35%	23	MS OK	22%	23			
OK	33% 33%	24 25	OR	31% 30%	24 25	FL	_ 35% 35%	24	MO	22% 22%	24			
MD	32%	26	DE	30%	26	NJ	- 35% - 33%	25 26	DC	22%	25 26			
NC	31%	27	NJ	30%	27	AZ	- 33 <i>%</i> - 33%	27	CA	22%	27			
TX	31%	28	FL	29%	28	CO	33%	28	IA	22%	28			
MS	31%	29	RI	28%	29	DC	- 33 % 32%	29	VA	22%	29			
FL	31%	30	AZ	27%	30	CN	32%	30	NE	22%	30			
AL	30%	31	NY	26%	31	LA	32%	31	sc	21%	31			
LA	29%	32	TX	26%	32	VA	31%	32	WA	21%	32			
CA	29%	33	VA	25%	33	OR	31%	33	MD	21%	33			
sc	29%	34	KS	25%	34	NY	29%	34	CO	21%	34			
NM	27%	35	KY	25%	35	DE	29%	35	AZ	21%	35			
AZ	27%	36	CO	24%	36	WA	28%	36	NV	20%	36			
WA	27%	37	CA	24%	37	CA	28%	37	FL	19%	37			
DE	25%	38	UT	22%	38	NV	26%	38	AL	19%	38			
NV	19%	39	NV	20%	39	MS	25%	39	LA	18%	39			
DC	14%	40	NM	19%	40	AR	18%	40	NM	17%	40			

This method of comparison is helpful in comparing the human risks of discrimination in each state, but it does not address the persistence of discrimination.

C. Proportion Of Workers Affected By "Hard Core" Discriminators Over Time

In Chapter 7 of the National Report we had identified four degrees of intentional job discrimination, including discrimination that was carried on by a group of establishments we labeled "hard core" because the discrimination had persisted for at least ten years. They are so far below average utilization in a labor market, industry and occupation that there is at most only a one in one hundred chance that the result occurred by accident (2.5 standard deviations) in 1999 and either 1998 or 1997, and in at least one year between 1991 and 1996, and never average or above between 1991 to 1996. Some were far more deviant than 2.5 standard deviations, and had been so for longer than ten years.

Nationally, some 22,000 of these establishments have been responsible for discrimination against about 50% of all minority affected workers, and 13,000 were responsible for nearly 40% of all affected women. 183 We knew the number of affected workers in each state in each group, and could identify the percentage of these workers who had been affected by the "Hard Core" establishments. A higher percentage suggests that the discrimination, not only had more impact, but was more persistent and thus would more deeply affect the community than would a lower percentage. Conversely, the lower the percentage, the more favorable the state would compare with other states. At the same time, a low percentage might reflect that the group had only recently increased its presence in the state, and were being accepted, or that discrimination against it had not had time to become routine. California is a good example of the importance of this measure. As noted earlier, if the state was measured by the number of affected workers, it would rank in the top quartile [Table 1]. Using this measure, California falls into the lowest quartile with respect to Blacks, the highest with respect to Hispanics, the second with respect to Asians, and the third with respect to Women.

Table 3 COMPARING STATES BY PERCENT OF AFFECTED WORKERS ATTRIBUTABLE TO "HARD													
CORE" ESTABLISHMENTS, RANKED FROM HIGHEST PERCENTAGE TO LOWEST BLACK WORKERS HISPANIC WORKERS ASIAN-PACIFIC ORIGIN WOMEN WORKERS													
	ORKE % HC				ORKE % HC			ASIAN-PACI State	FIC OR	Rnk			RS Rnk
Michigan	64%	1		Rhode Is	52%	1		Nevada	52%	1	Michigan	48%	1
Wisconsir		2		Illinois	51%	2		Illinois	51%	2	DC	45%	2
Pennsylva		3		New York	45%	3		Utah	48%	3	North Car		3
Nevada	59%	4		Pennsylva	45%	4		Pennsylvai	44%	4	New York		4
Illinois	58%	5		DC	45%	5		Michigan	43%	5	Illinois	44%	5
New York		6		Nevada	44%	6		New Jerse	41%	6	Nebraska	44%	6
Indiana	57%	7		California	40%	7		Florida	41%	7	Kentucky	44%	7
Missouri	57%	8		New Jerse	40%	8		New York	41%	8	Louisiana	43%	8
Maryland	57 % 55%	9		Texas	39%	9		South Carc		9	Minnesota		9
Kentucky	55%	10		Florida	39%	10		Minnesota	40 % 40%	10	Wisconsii	43 % 43 %	10
Arkansas	52%	11			39%	11		Texas	39%	11	Ohio	43 %	11
Louisiana		12		lowa	38%	12		Louisiana	39% 38%	12	Missouri	41%	12
	52% 52%	13		Oregon Connectic		13		California	38%	13	Massachi	41%	13
Virginia Massachu		14		Minnesota		14		Maryland	30% 37%	14	Pennsylva	41%	14
Connectic		15						lowa	37 <i>%</i> 35%	15	lowa	39%	15
Ohio	50% 50%	16		Washingto Wisconsin		15				16			16
		17				16		Oregon	34%	17	Tennesse	39%	17
North Car				Nebraska	33%	17		Kansas	34%		Alabama	39%	
Alabama	46%	18		Michigan	32%	18		Tennessee	32%	18	Indiana	38%	18
South Car		19		Indiana	32%	19		Kentucky	30%	19	Rhode Isl	38%	19
Mississip		20		Missouri	30%	20		Washingto	30%	20	Kansas	38%	20
New Jers€		21		Virginia	28%	21		Virginia	29%	21	South Car	38%	21
Florida	45%	22		Massachu		22		North Caro	27%	22	Oregon	37%	22
Kansas	44%	23		Maryland	27%	23		DC	27%	23	California	37%	23
Georgia	42%	24		Colorado	27%	24		Wisconsin	26%	24	Georgia	36%	24
DC	42%	25		Oklahoma	27%	25		Rhode Isla	25%	25	Maryland	36%	25
Texas	41%	26		Arizona	25%	26		Massachus	25%	26	Texas	35%	26
Minnesota		27		Georgia	24%	27		Ohio	25%	27	Nevada	35%	27
Oklahoma		28		Arkansas	23%	28		Indiana	25%	28	Connectic		28
Tennesse		29		North Carc				Oklahoma	24%	29	New Jerse	33%	
Colorado	38%	30		Louisiana	21%	30		Connecticu	21%	30	Arkansas	32%	30
California	38%	31		Kansas	20%	31		Nebraska	18%	31	Florida	31%	31
Iowa	35%	32		New Mexic				Arizona	17%	32	Oklahoma	31%	32
Nebraska	32%	33		Utah	13%	33		Georgia	13%	33	Arizona	31%	33
Rhode Isla		34		Ohio	11%			Colorado	9%	34	Delaware	30%	34
Washingto		35		South Care	10%	35		Delaware	4%	35	Washingt	30%	35
Arizona	26%	36		Kentucky	8%	36		New Mexic	0%	36	Virginia	28%	36
Oregon	22%	37		Delaware	7%	37		Missouri	0%	37	Mississip	28%	37
Delaware	19%	38		Tennesse€	6%	38		Mississipp	0%	38	Colorado	28%	38
New Mexic	0%	39		Alabama	1%	39		Arkansas	0%	39	Utah	27%	39
Utah	0%	40		Mississipp	0%	40		Alabama	0%	40	New Mexi	22%	40

D. COMBINING RANKINGS AND INTRODUCING QUARTILES TO COMPARE STATES: THE FINAL RANKINGS

By combining the ranking by the probability of discrimination in an industry in the state with the ranking by percentage of affected workers associated with "hard core" employers, a numerical figure was attached to each state. The states were then ranked by this combined figure with respect to each of the four groups. We did not seek to weigh these two factors, but treated them equally. We then divided the outcome into four equal groups of ten jurisdictions because the methodology was not sufficiently specific to permit a more exact ranking. Nevertheless, the quartiles provide a generalized comparison within which states are ranked. The lower the total numeral ranking, the more severe and persistent the discrimination appears to be. These rankings appear in Table 4.

[See next page.]

Table 4 Combined ranking of risk of industry discrimination and workers affected by																	
"hard core" employers BLACK WORKERS HISPANIC WORKERS ASIAN PACIFIC ORIGIN WOMEN WORKERS																	
BLAC	K WOI	KNEK	'	HISPA	NIC WC	KKER	(5	ASIAN	PACIFI	CORIG	IN	WOW	WOMEN WORKERS				
State	RANK # 1- INDU	RANK #2- % HARD	TO TA	State	# 1-	RANK #2- % HARD	TO TA	State	# 1-	RANK #2- % HARD	TO TA	State	# 1-	RANK #2- % HARD	ТО		
	STRY	CORE	L		TRY	CORE	L		TRY	CORE	L		TRY	CORE			
Wis	2	2	4	Indiana	10	2	12	Penn	6	4	10	Illinois	1	1	2		
Mich	6	1	7	Penn	9	4	13	S Car	3	9	12	Kansas	2	2	4		
Illinois	3	5	8	Missouri	3	20	23	Mich	9	5	14	Wis	3	5	8		
Indiana	9	7	16	Connt	21	5	26	Utah	12	3	15	N Car	9	4	13		
Penn	13	3	16	Wis	12	16	28	Illinois	14	2	16	Del	5	11	16		
Mass	5	14	19	Illinois	22	7	29	Iowa	1	15	16	Ohio	13	3	16		
Missou	11	8	19	Rhode Is	30	1	31	Minn	18	10	28	Rhode I	7	10	17		
Virginia	8	13	21	Ark	4	28	32	Wis	4	24	28	Georgia	4	15	19		
Kentuck	14	10	24	Kentuck	2	31	33	N Car	7	22	29	Mich	10	9	19		
Ohio	10	16	26	Minn	16	18	34	Texas	21	11	32	Texas	12	7	19		
New York	21	6	27	MaryInd	5	30	35	Florida	26	7	33	Penn	14	6	20		
Ark	18	11	29	New Yrk	32	3	35	NJersey	27	6	33	NJersey	8	13	21		
Minn	7	27	34	N Jersey	28	8	36	Rhode I	8	25	33	Oregon	16	8	24		
MaryInd	26	9	35	S Carolin	1	35	36	Kentuck	16	19	35	Utah	6	18	24		
lowa	4	32	36	Del	27	10	37	Kansas	19	17	36	Tenn	11	14	25		
Conn	24	15	39	lowa	18	19	37	Ark	2	37	39	Ark	17	12	29		
Georgia	16	24	40	N Car	8	29	37	MaryInd	25	14	39	Kentuck	18	16	34		
Utah	1	40	41	Nebrask	20	17	37	Okla	10	29	39	Indiana	19	24	43		
Kansas	19	23	42	Miss Okla	24	14	38	Nevada	39	1	40	Minn Cal	15	29	44		
Nevada	39	4	43		13	25	38	Alabama	5	36	41		27	19	46		
Louisiana		12	44	Oregon	26	12	38	Tenn	23	18	41	DC	26	20	46		
N. Jersey	23	21	44	Wash	23	15	38	Indiana	15	28	43	Conn	20	27	47		
Nebraska	12	33	45	Mass	17	23	40	New York		8	43	Neb	30	17	47		
N. Car	29	17	46	Ohio	6	34	40	Georgia	11	33	44	New Yrk	22	25	47		
Missi	28	20	48	Mich	19	22	41	Louisiana		12	44	lowa	28	21	49		
Alabama Rhode Is	31 15	18 34	49 49	Texas Nevada	33 39	9 6	42 45	Nebraska Ohio	13 17	31 27	44 44	Mass Wash	21 32	33 22	54 54		
	15 20	34 30	50 50	Kansas	39 35	6 11	45	Mass	17 22	21 26	44	Missour	32 25	32	54 57		
Colorado Tenn	20 22	30 29	51	Georgia	35 7	40	46 47	Oregon	22 34	26 16	48 50	Arizona	25 35	32 23	5 <i>1</i> 58		
Florida	30	29	52	DC	, 11	40 37	48	California		13	50 51	Marylnd	33	23 26	59		
Okla	25	28	53	Col	36	13	49	DC	30	23	53	Okla	24	36	60		
S. Car	34	19	53	Tenn	14	38	52	Virginia	33	21	54	Virginia	29	31	60		
Texas	27	26	53	Ala	15	39	54	Wash	37	20	57	Missi	23	40	63		
Oregon	17	37	54	Virginia	34	21	55	Missouri	20	39	59	Nevada	36	28	64		
Cal	33	31	64	Florida	29	27	56	Arizona	28	32	60	Florida	37	30	67		
DC	40	25	65	Arizona	31	26	57	Connection		30	61	S Car	31	38	69		
Arizona	36	36	72	Cal	37	24	61	Col	29	34	63	Col	34	37	71		
Wash	37	35	72	Louisian	25	36	61	New Mexi		40	64	Ala	38	35	73		
N. Mex	35	39	74	Utah	38	33	71	Del	36	35	71	Louisia	39	34	73		
Del	38	38	76	N Mexico	40	32	72	Miss	40	38	78	N Mex	40	39	79		

RANK #1- Discrimination by industry; RANK #2 - % affected workers by Hard Core establishments; TOTAL = Rank 1 + Rank 2

§3. No Absolution For Lower Ranked States

These rankings will show intentional job discrimination, but do not absolve establishments in those with lower rankings. The fundamental principle of the methodology is to build on the reality of how employers in a given area, industry and occupation actually utilize minorities and women. We identified intentional discriminators by finding establishments that were so far below that average that the law would presume intent. The average itself is a fact, not a conclusion imposed from outside the data and it varies with each area, industry and occupation within industries. There is no single average for an employer.

The average is neither fair, nor non-discriminatory. It includes the employers who are discriminators. If the major part of an industry is discriminating against a group, it will lower the average for that group and thus conceal those who might be discriminating. Our data cannot tell us if that is the case. Moreover, if hiring patterns reflect geographical or historical mores so that most establishments follow a similar pattern, even one discriminatory by other criteria, there will be few deviant establishments, and thus little intentional discrimination would be visible. Office and clerical work, for example, remains a largely women's job, and has a comparatively low probability of discrimination, because of the continuation of the hiring pattern.

In addition, for the average to identify serious underutilization of qualified workers, the labor market must include a sufficient number of qualified workers already employed in the industry and occupation. For example, many states exhibit high proportions of minorities and women in professional occupations, but a much lower proportion of officials and managers, many of whom come from professional ranks. But if minorities and women have not yet gotten into managerial ranks in sufficient numbers to raise the average and thus identify laggards, they will not be visible to our analysis. We cannot identify intentional discrimination under the Supreme Court's definition until there is a sufficient number of qualified workers in the occupation, industry and labor market to set an industry standard and identify those who do not follow it. As a result, we cannot say that ranking in the lower quartiles in our Table 4 reflect little intentional discrimination.

§4. GREATER DISCRIMINATION IN HIGHER QUARTILES—THE NORTH AND MIDWEST SURPRISE

Establishments in states in the higher quartiles of Table 4 engage in intentional job discrimination to a greater extent than those in the lower quartiles in their industries, in their location and over a significant period of time. Perhaps the most surprising aspect of Table 4 is the large proportion of Northern and Midwestern states that appear in the first quartile of states with the highest proportion of severe and persistent discrimination. At the same time, the Southern states that traditionally have been viewed as more overt discriminators are scattered through the lower quartiles. Part of this result may flow from the location of industrial and commercial growth in the 1990's. Much of this growth came in the Southern and Western states. Industrial and commercial business establishments that started up or grew during this decade would not have had time to develop a ten-year track record to be considered in the "hard core" category.

However, if the hard core ranking is disregarded, the top and bottom quartiles of states remain nearly unchanged, with some shifting in position in the middle quartiles. Kentucky would not be in the top quartile with respect to Blacks, Illinois and Rhode Island would not be in the top quartile with respect to Hispanics, Ohio and Texas would not be in the top quartile with respect to Women. These differences may reflect recent growth in the South and West, but the small number of changes that affect the top quartile confirms that the two factors are measuring aspects of the same underlying phenomena of discrimination.

§5. Endnotes

^{181.} Similarly, Texas, which ranked fourth or higher in the number of affected workers of any group, ranked 27th in the risk of discrimination in any industry with respect to Black workers, 33rd with respect to Hispanics, 21st with respect to Asian-Pacific origin workers, and 12th with respect to women.

^{182.} We examined other measures we had used in the national and state reports, such as the probability of discrimination in at least one occupation. This methodology was discarded because we concluded that industry patterns, rather than occupational patterns better reflected the risks of discrimination for comparison purposes.

^{183.} See Chapter 9 of the National Report.

^{184.} See Chapter 2, §3 of the National Report.