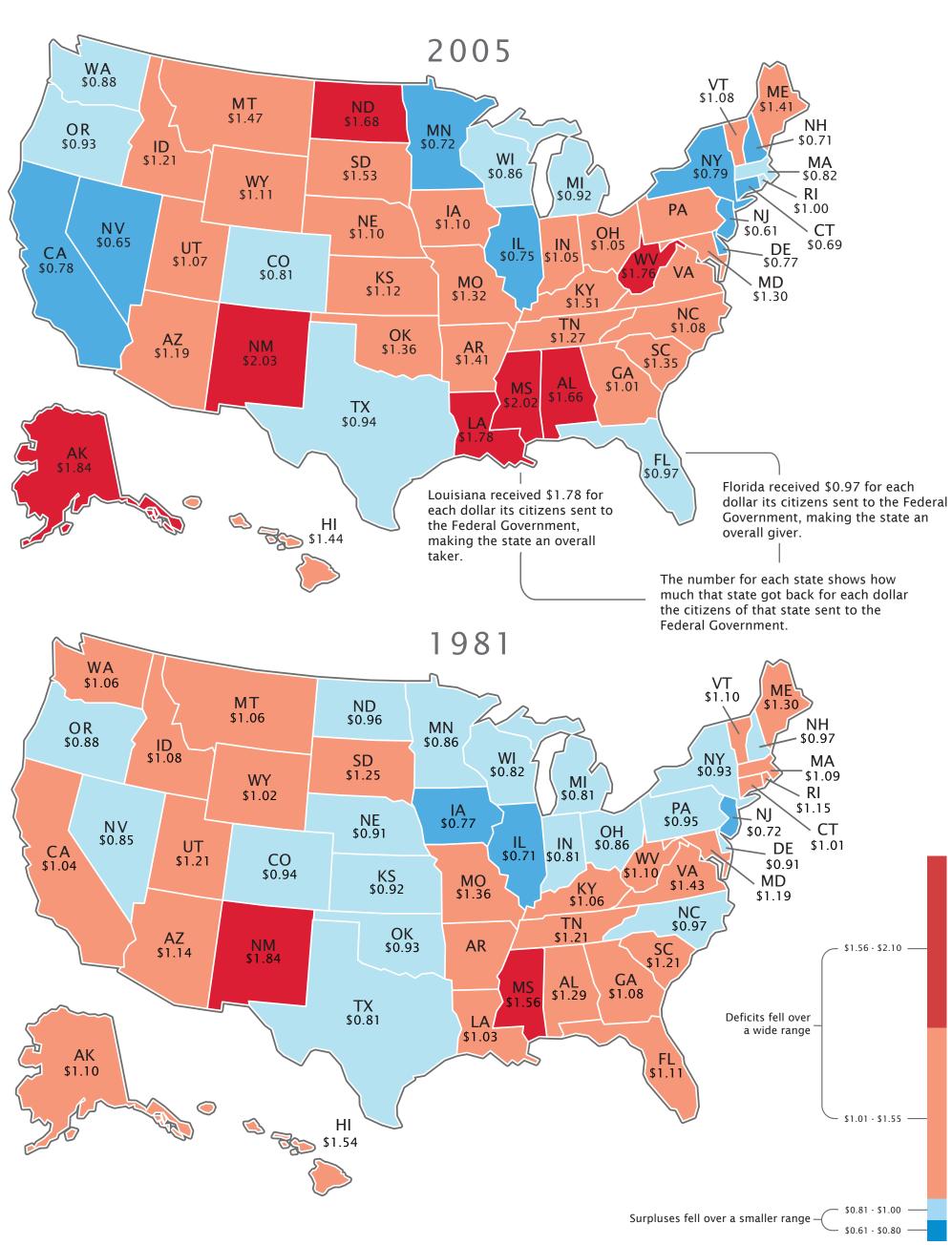
Give and Take

Shifts in American Federal Deficit Spending 1981-2005



The years from 1981 to 2005 saw dramatic changes in the pattern of Federal deficit spending. The Federal government ran a deficit in each of those years, but the pattern of which states gave more to the Federal government than they received, and which received more than they gave, changed in significant ways. There was a clear regional component to the changing pattern.