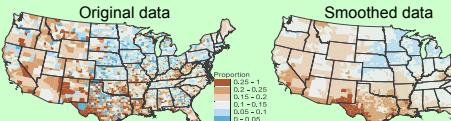


### III. Geovisualization Tools Development

#### Weighted Nonparametric Smoothing (Headbanging)

Proportion of residents with no health insurance  
CDC Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System



Data: Pickle & Su, *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*, 2002  
Headbanging: Mungiole et al., *Statistics in Medicine*, 1999

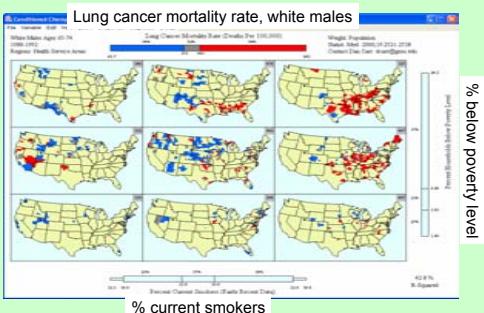
#### Tools implemented as ArcGIS Extensions

- Headbang smoothing
- Color choices (ColorBrewer.org)
- Utility to format SEER\*Stat data for mapping
- SaTScan clustering



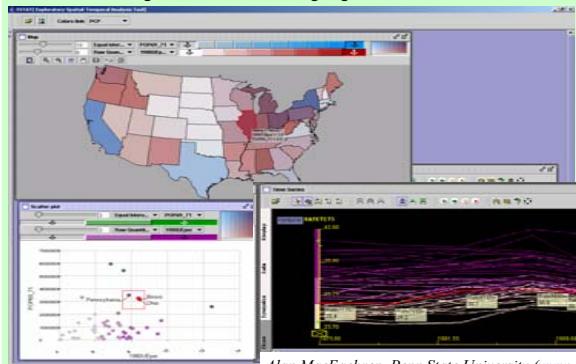
#### Conditioned choropleth maps\*

- Decomposes a single choropleth map into strata according to 1 or 2 other factors
- Interactive tool – users control classifications of mapped variable (red/gray/blue) & stratifiers by sliders



\*Carr, Wallin, and Carr, *Statistics in Medicine* 2000

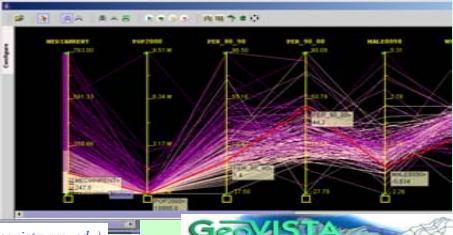
#### Combining statistical clustering algorithms with new visualization tools



Alan MacEachren, Penn State University ([www.geovista.psu.edu](http://www.geovista.psu.edu))

#### Exploratory Spatio-Temporal Analysis Tool (ESTAT)

- Time trend plots of cancer rates
- Parallel coordinate plot of risk factors, confounders
- Scatter plots, maps
- Statistical summaries
- Supports linking, brushing, variable & option selection



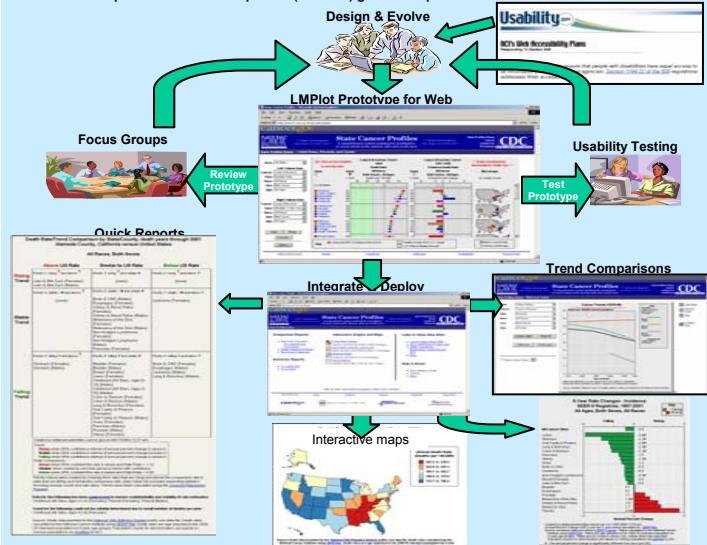
**Geovista**

### IV. Communication of georeferenced statistics

#### A. State Cancer Profiles ([statecancerprofiles.cancer.gov](http://statecancerprofiles.cancer.gov))

- Goal: Focus cancer control efforts on places and persons who can most benefit.
- Audience: Health planners, policy makers, and advocates.
- Approach: Use interactive data visualization tools to explore the U.S. cancer burden.

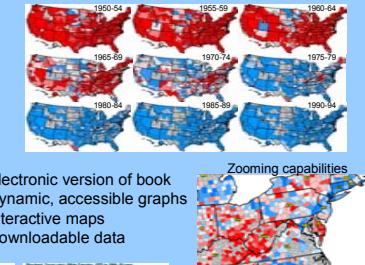
Example: Linked Micromap Plots (LMPLOTS) go from Paper to the Web



#### B. Cancer mortality atlas ([cancer.gov/atlasplus](http://cancer.gov/atlasplus))



#### Cervix uteri cancer mortality, white females, 1950-94



- Electronic version of book
- Dynamic, accessible graphs
- Interactive maps
- Downloadable data

