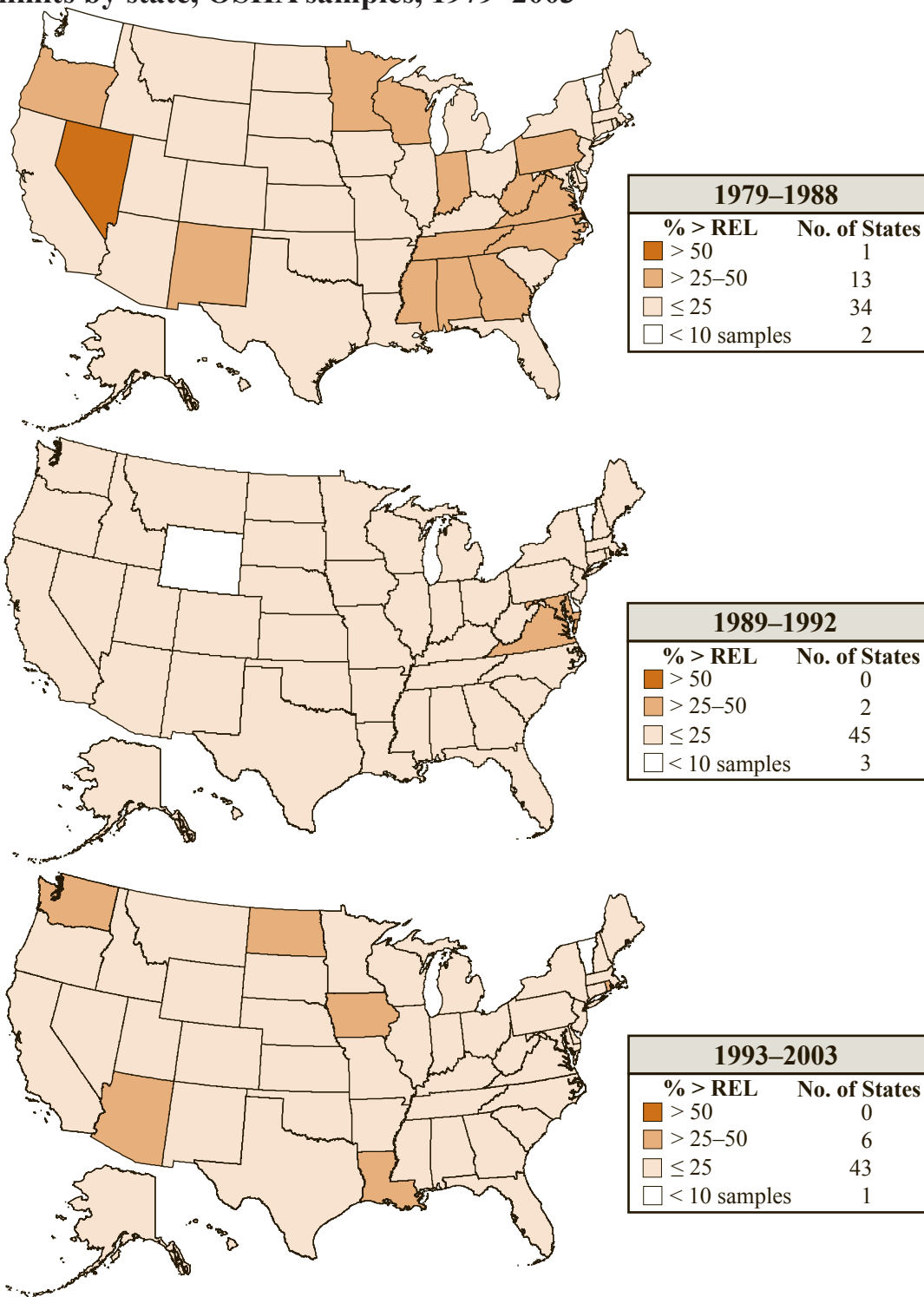


**Pneumoconiotic agents: Percent of exposures exceeding the NIOSH recommended exposure limits by state, OSHA samples, 1979–2003**



REL - recommended exposure limit    PEL - permissible exposure limit    OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NOTE: From March 1, 1989 to March 22, 1993, many OSHA PELs in force differed from those employed before and after those dates. See appendices for source description, methods, and agents.

SOURCE: OSHA Integrated Management Information System.