# House Prices and Mortgage Performance in Jefferson County

March 22, 2012

#### Julia S. Maués

Policy Analyst Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

These comments reflect my own views, not necessarily those of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis or the Federal Reserve System.

# Goal

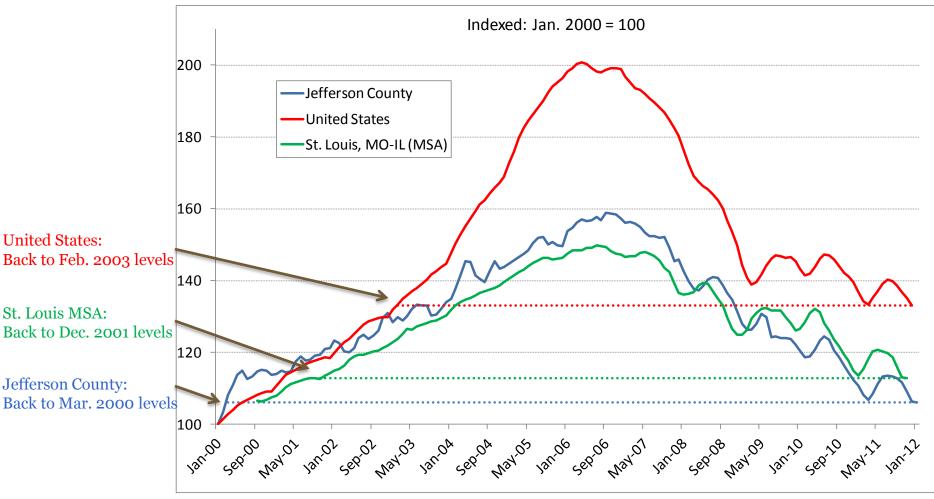
- Provide an overview of the evolution and current conditions of house prices and mortgage performance in Jefferson County
- Compare Jefferson County with the St. Louis MSA and the nation.

# FEDERAL RESERVE BANK of ST. LOUIS CENTRAL tO AMERICA'S ECONOMY

# **House Prices**

## **House Prices**

#### the boom, the bust and where we are today



Source: CoreLogic

#### House prices in Jefferson County:

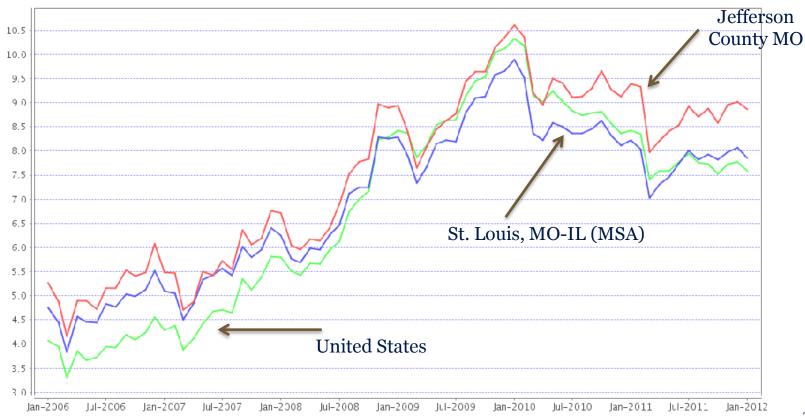
- Increased less during the boom but fell just as much during the bust as in the U.S.
- Are currently at levels not seen since March 2000

What does this mean for mortgage performance?

# FEDERAL RESERVE BANK of ST. LOUIS CENTRAL tO AMERICA'S ECONOMY"

# Delinquencies

#### Delinquencies fell in early 2011, but have increased again

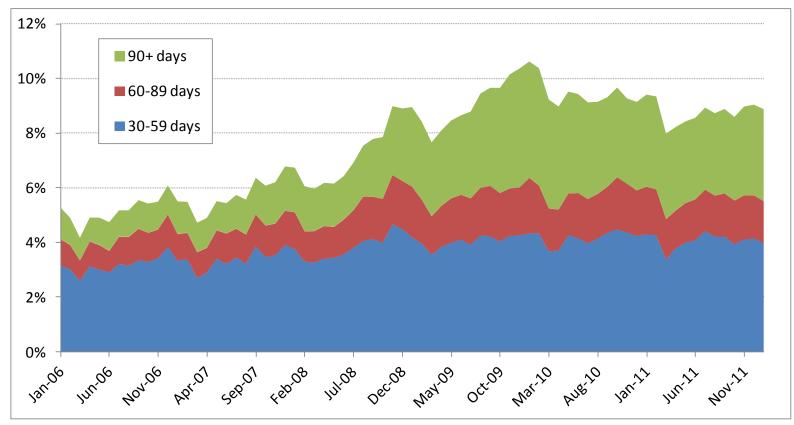


Share of mortgages delinquent 30+ days

Source: Lender Processing Services (LPS)

## Seriously delinquent loans increased in early 2009 and have remained high

Share of Jefferson Co. mortgages at various stages of delinquency : Jan. 2006 – Jan. 2012



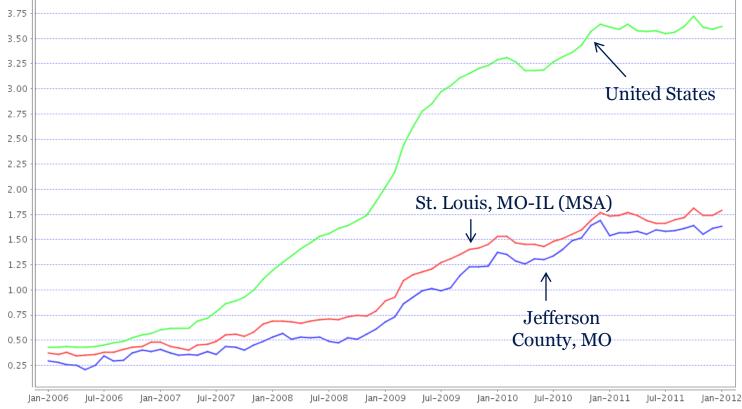
Source: Lender Processing Services (LPS)

# FEDERAL RESERVE BANK of ST. LOUIS

## **Foreclosures**

#### Foreclosures are at peak levels, but much lower than in the U.S.

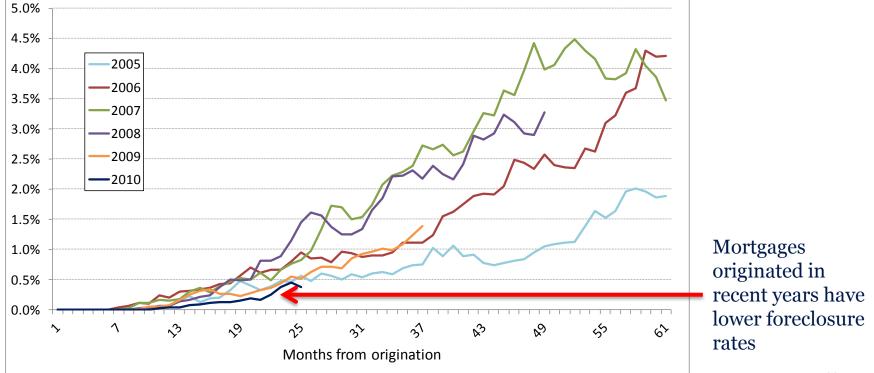




Source: Lender Processing Services (LPS)

### Mortgages originated near the peak of prices have worse performance

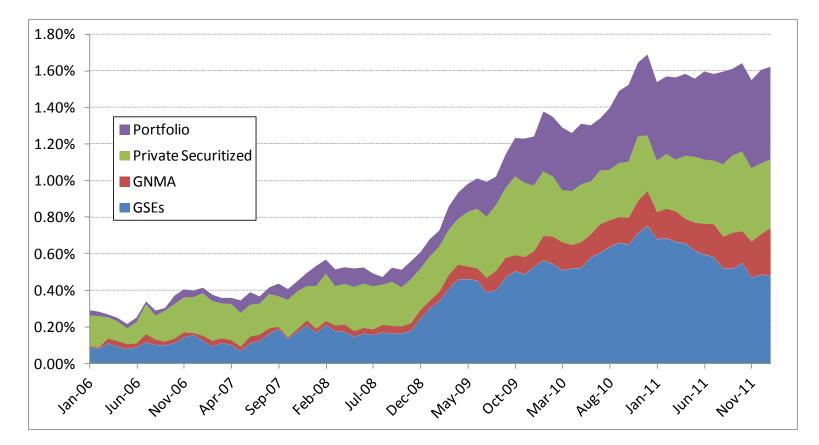
Share of Jefferson Co. Mortgages in Foreclosure By Origination Vintage: 2005 - 2010



Source: Lender Processing Services (LPS)

#### Who owns the mortgages in foreclosure?

#### Jefferson Co. mortgages in foreclosure by investor

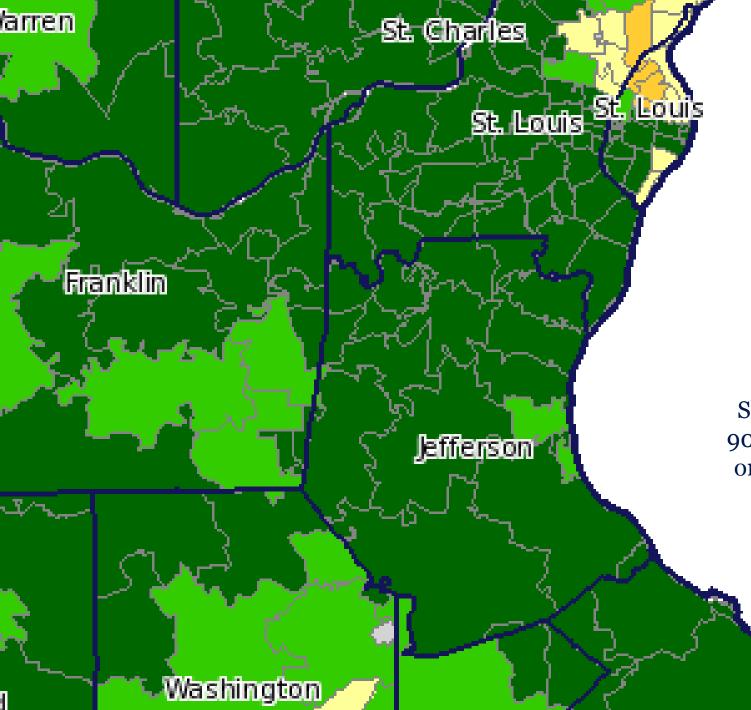


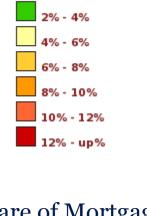
#### Source: Lender Processing Services (LPS)

#### Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

CENTRAL to AMERICA'S ECONOMY™

# Mortgage performance maps





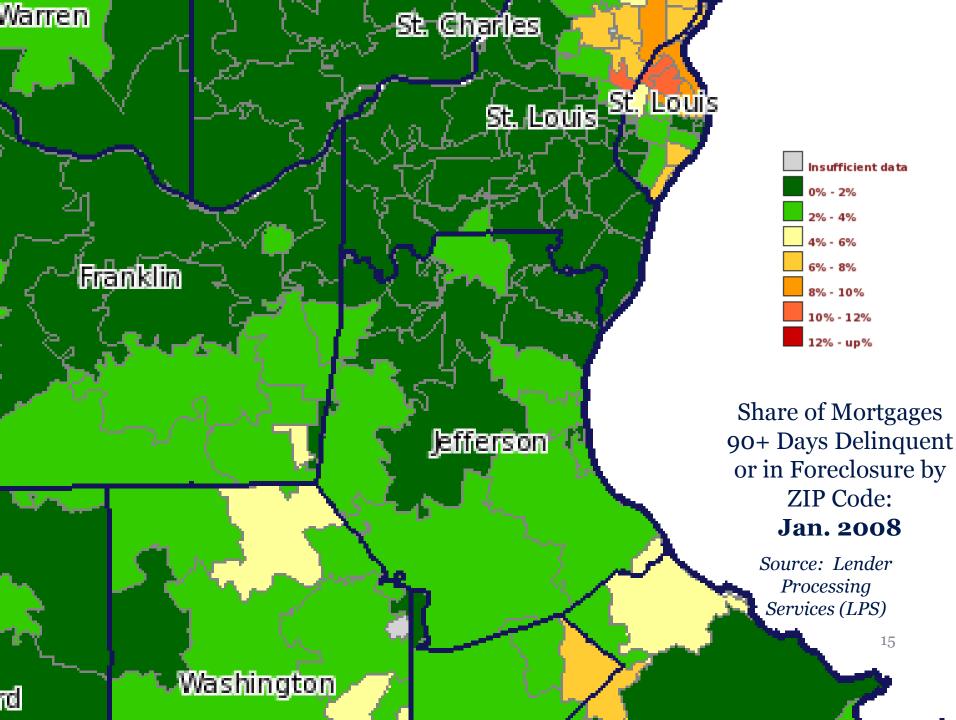
Insufficient data

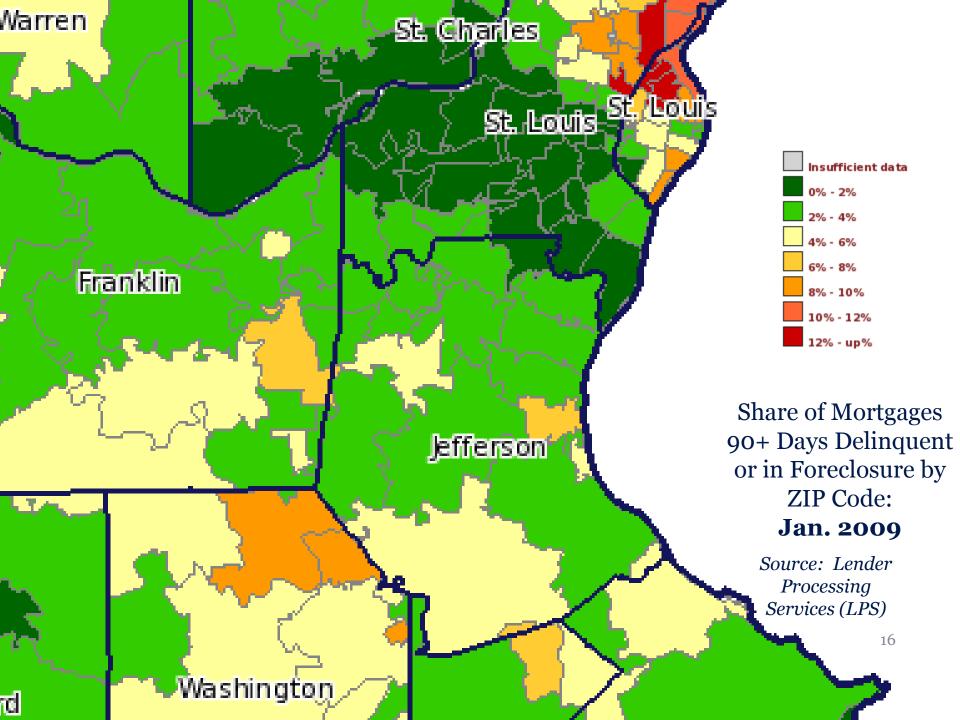
0% - 2%

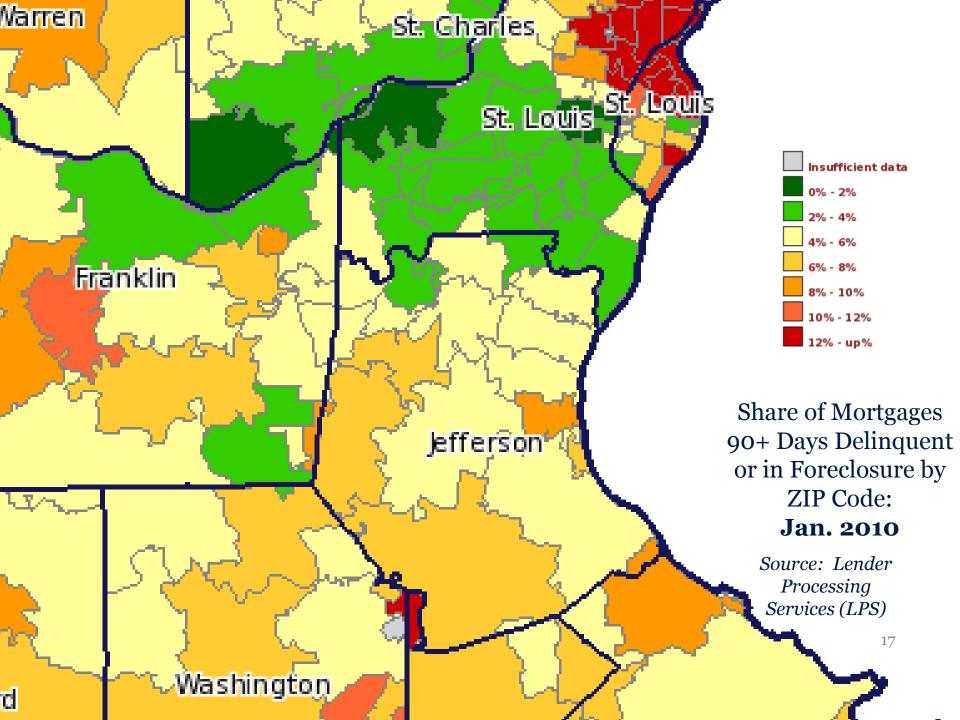
Share of Mortgages 90+ Days Delinquent or in Foreclosure by ZIP Code: Jan. 2007

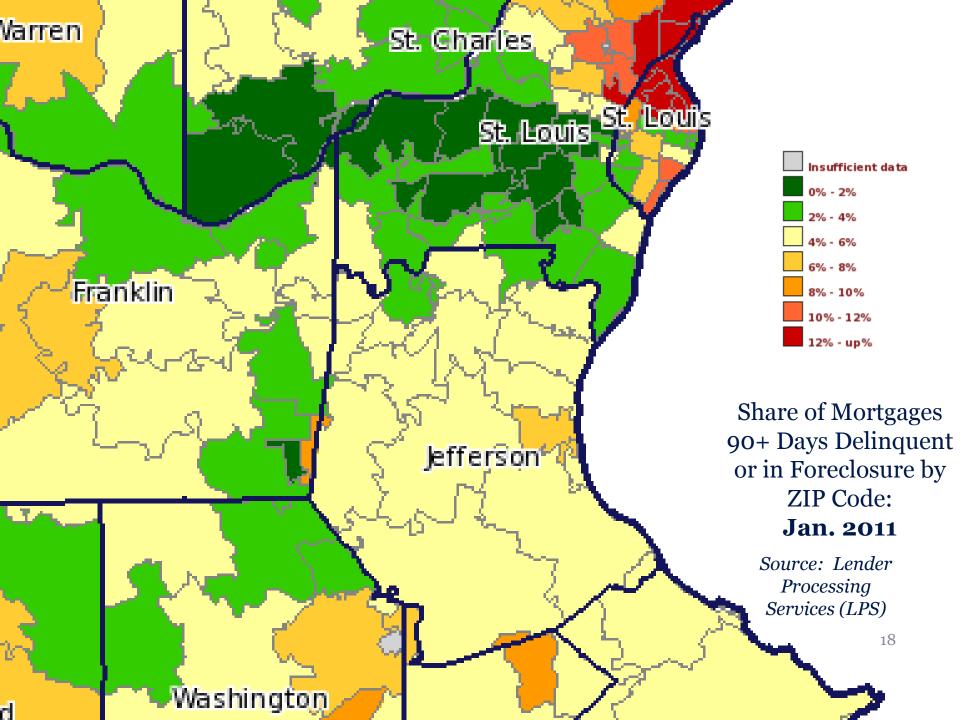
> Source: Lender Processing Services (LPS)

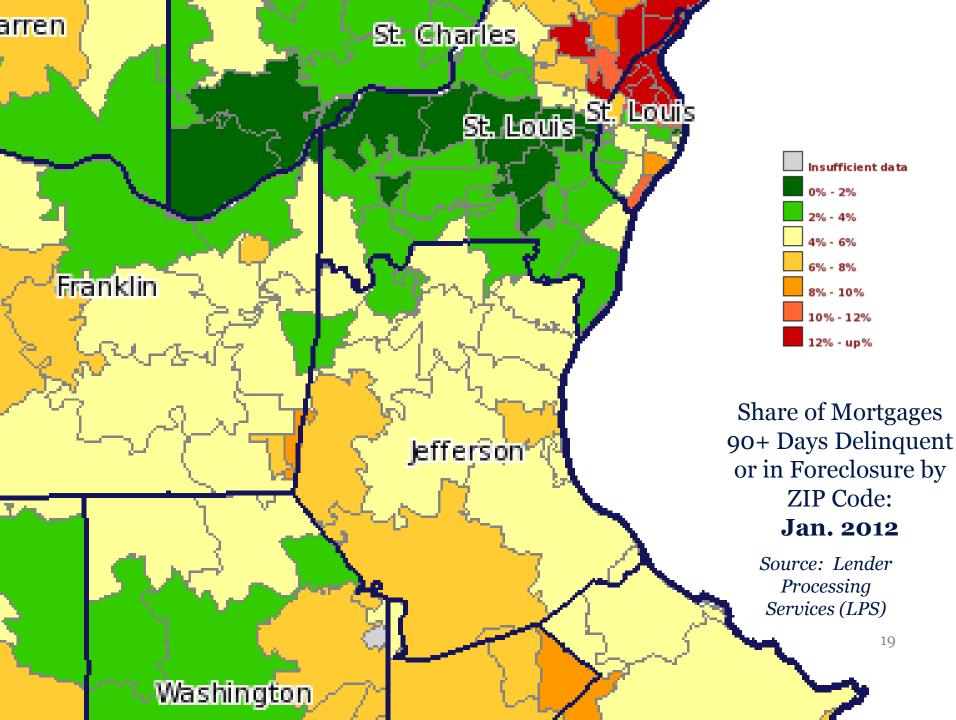
> > 14











# **Geographical Concentration**

- Mortgage performance is relatively homogeneous across Jefferson County.
- Southwest and central-east zip codes slightly more stressed than ones in the north.

# **In Summary:**

- House prices:
  - ▶ Increased less than in the U.S., but fell just as much
  - Current price levels not seen since March 2000
- Foreclosures and delinquencies in Jefferson County remain at very high levels.
  - $\blacktriangleright$  1.6% of mortgages are in the foreclosure process.
  - $\succ$  10.5% of mortgages are in some stage of distress.
  - Although slightly better from two years ago, mortgage distress is widespread across the county—most Jefferson County ZIP codes still have high delinquency rates.

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

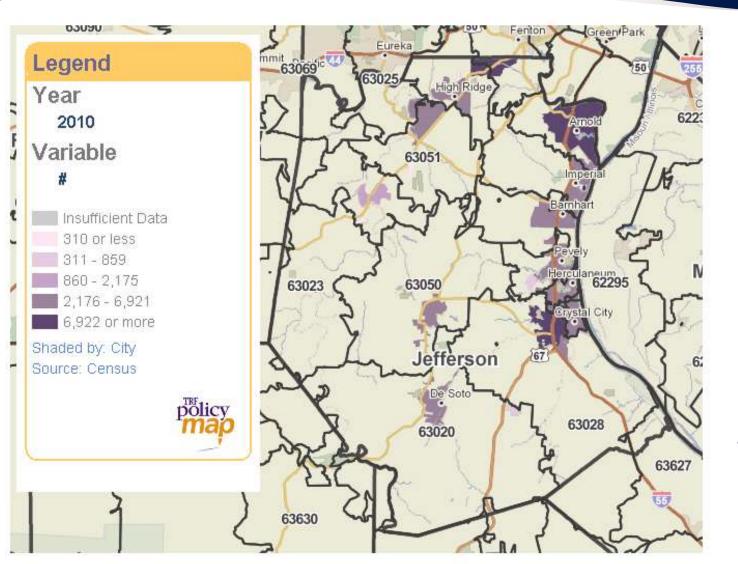
CENTRAL to AMERICA'S ECONOMY™

# Questions?

# To receive a copy of my slides, please e-mail me at:

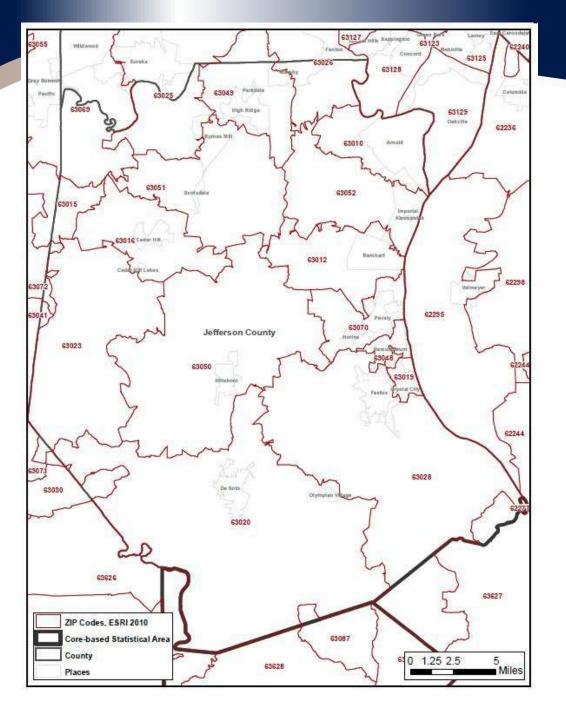
# julia.s.maues@stls.frb.org

## FEDERAL RESERVE BANK of ST. LOUIS



# Jefferson Co. population in 2010

Source: Census and PolicyMap



#### Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

CENTRAL to AMERICA'S ECONOMY"

# Jefferson Co. zip codes

# Jefferson County unemployment rate is slightly above that of the St. Louis MSA

