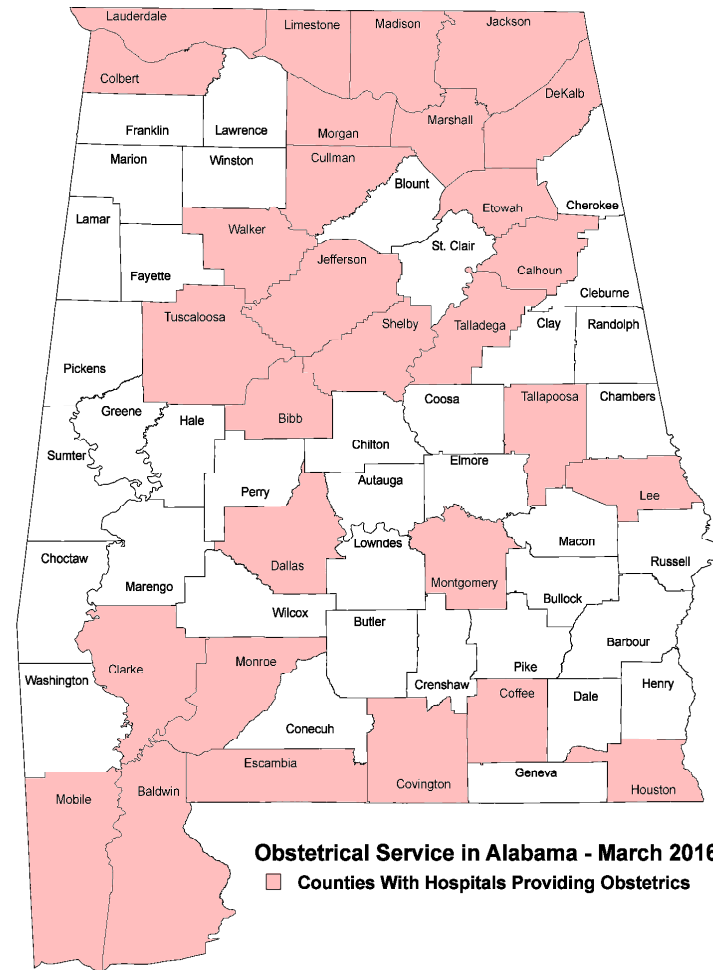
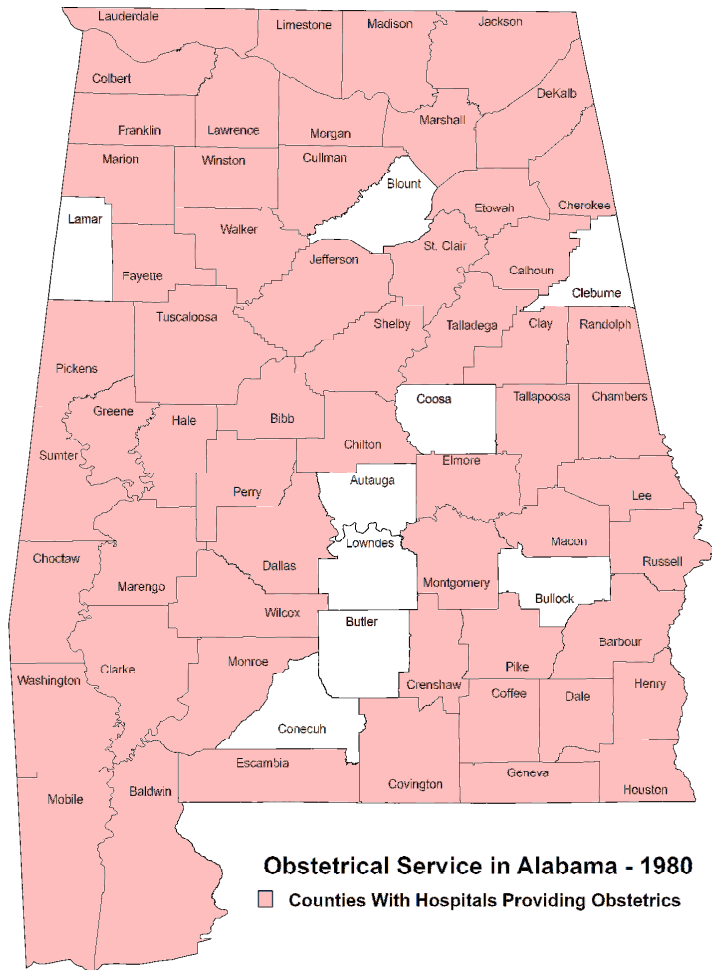


A PICTURE OF THE LOSS OF RURAL OBSTETRICAL SERVICE IN ALABAMA SINCE 1980



45 of the 54 counties currently considered **RURAL** had hospitals providing obstetrical service in **1980**

16 of the 54 counties currently considered **RURAL** have hospitals providing obstetrical service **TODAY**

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