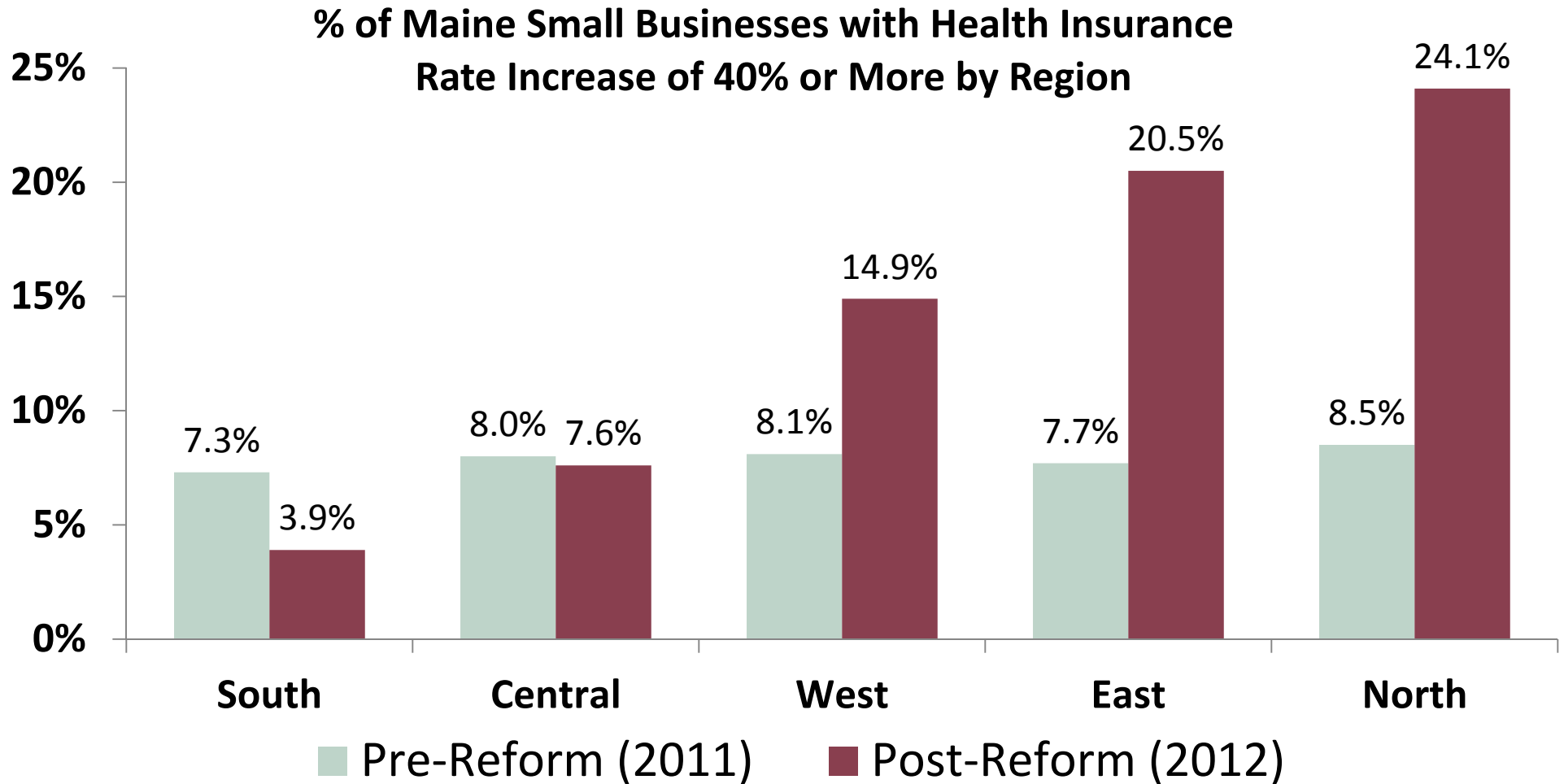


Maine's New Health Insurance Law: Rates Soar for Rural Small Businesses



Source: Graph prepared by the Maine Center for Economic Policy with data from Consumers for Affordable Health Care analysis of Maine Bureau of Insurance data and contained in the report *"Few Winners, Many Losers: Evaluating the Impact of Key Provisions of Maine's New Health Insurance Law to Date"* available at www.maineceph.org. Counties by region include: South (Cumberland, York); Central (Androscoggin, Kennebec, Sagadahoc); West (Franklin, Oxford, Somerset); East (Hancock, Lincoln, Knox, Waldo, Washington); North (Aroostook, Piscataquis, Penobscot)