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# 7 U.S. Code § 2009bb-5

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## Distressed counties and areas and nondistressed counties

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### **(a) Designations**

Not later than 90 days after May 13, 2002, and annually thereafter, the Authority, in accordance with such criteria as the Authority may establish, shall designate—

- (1) as distressed counties, counties in the region that are the most severely and persistently distressed and underdeveloped and have high rates of poverty, unemployment, or outmigration;
- (2) as nondistressed counties, counties in the region that are not designated as distressed counties under paragraph (1); and

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