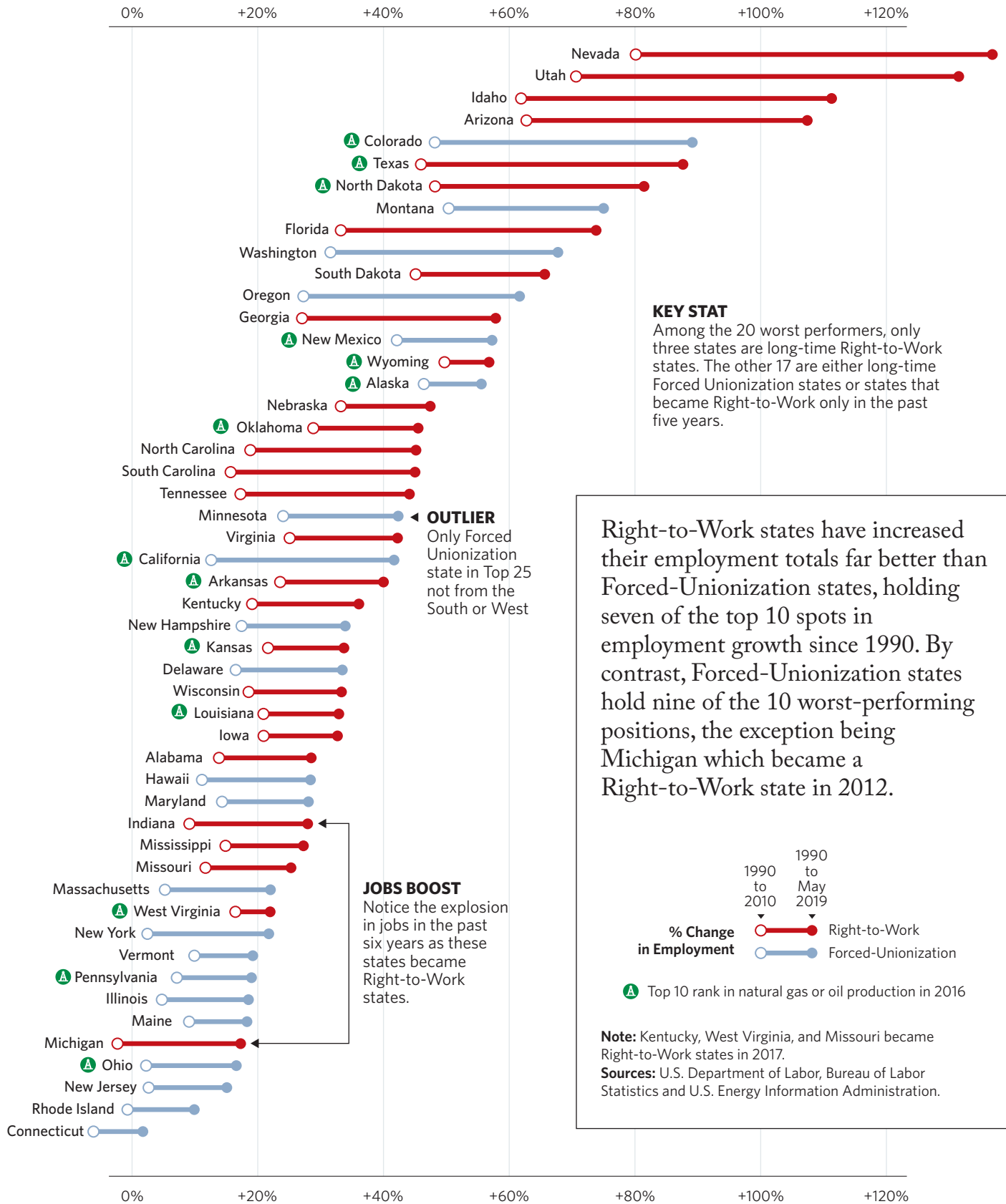


# Right-to-Work States Dominate Economic Recovery



Right-to-Work states have increased their employment totals far better than Forced-Unionization states, holding seven of the top 10 spots in employment growth since 1990. By contrast, Forced-Unionization states hold nine of the 10 worst-performing positions, the exception being Michigan which became a Right-to-Work state in 2012.

**Note:** Kentucky, West Virginia, and Missouri became Right-to-Work states in 2017.  
**Sources:** U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and U.S. Energy Information Administration.