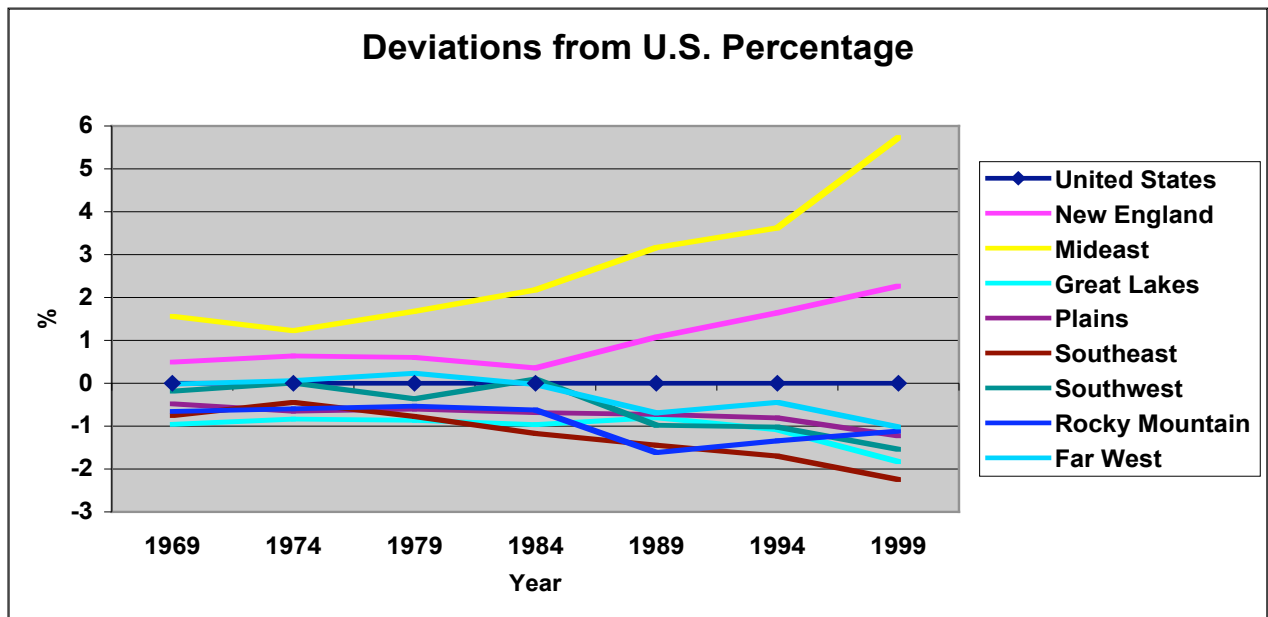
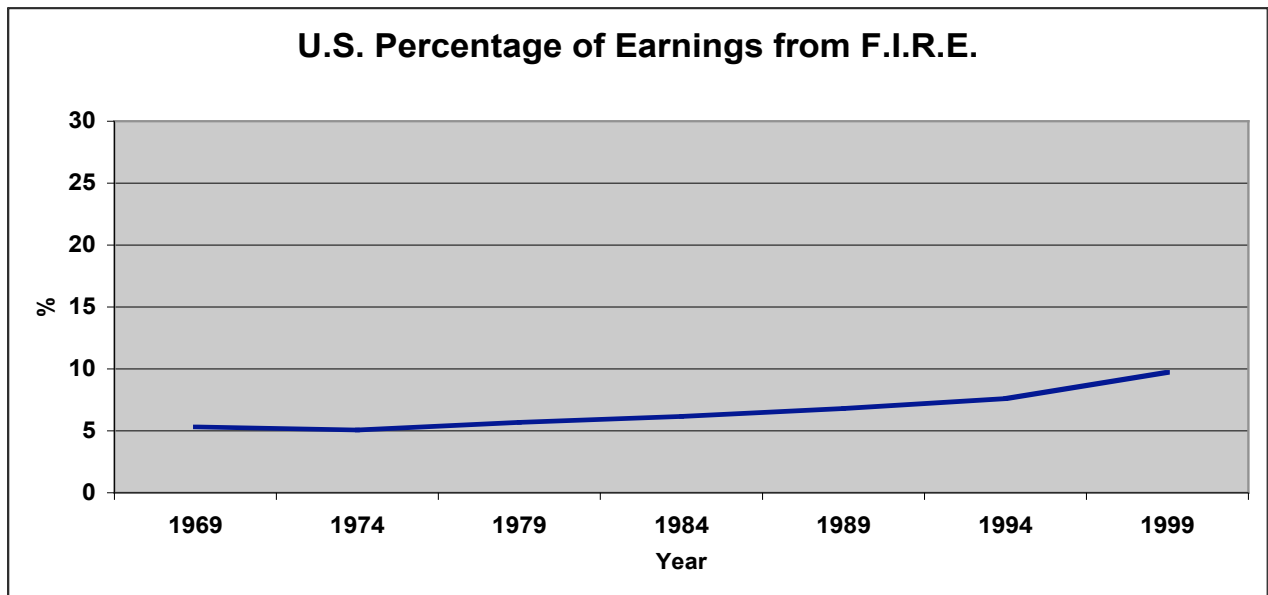


Percentage of Earnings from the F.I.R.E. Sector 1969-1999



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

The nation as a whole saw an increase in the percentage of income from the F.I.R.E. sector. There was large regional variation. The Mid-east region was almost 6% above the national percentage in 1999.

*Values end at 1999 because the F.I.R.E. sector is a SIC classification and does not exist in the new NAICS classification system. In the NAICS system, this sector is broken down into two parts: Finance and Insurance, and Real Estate.