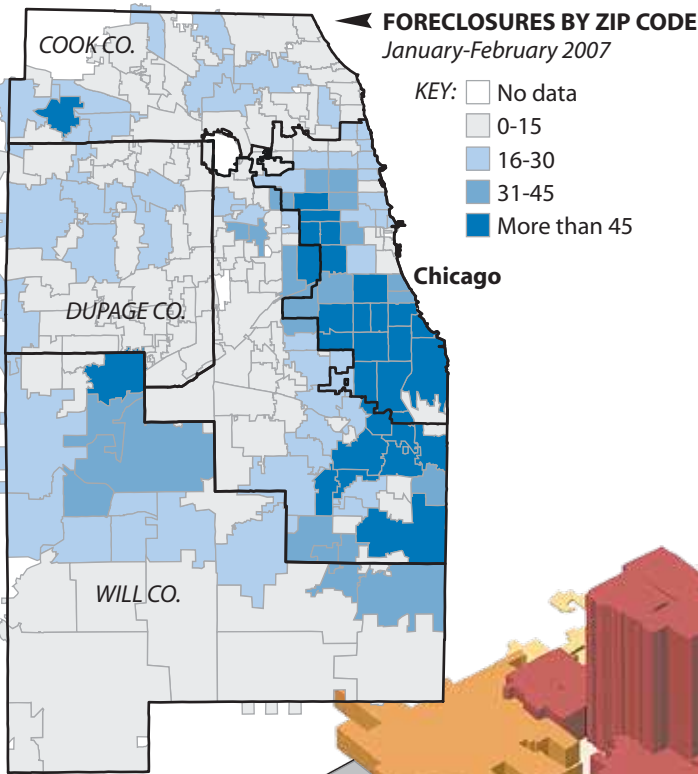
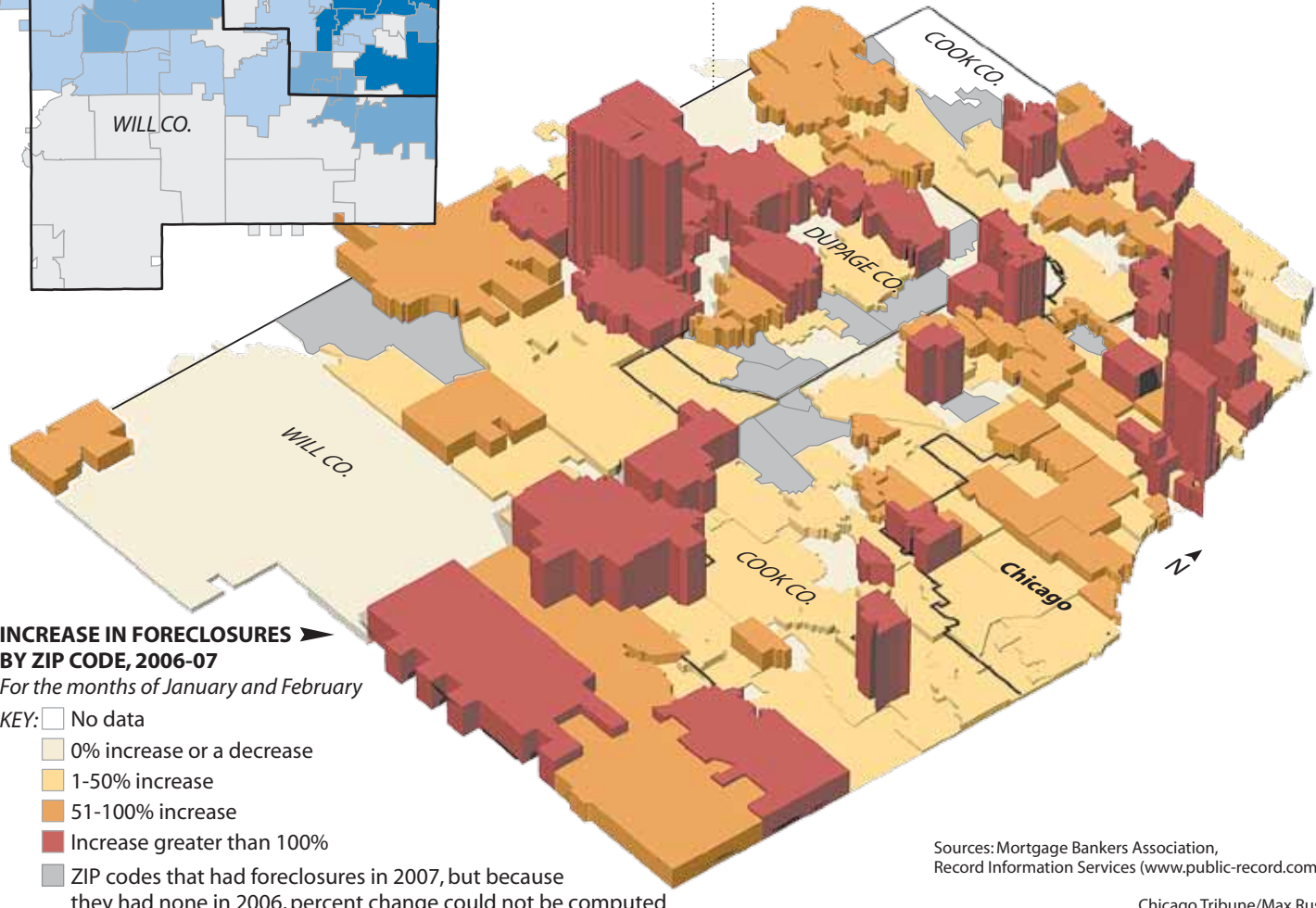
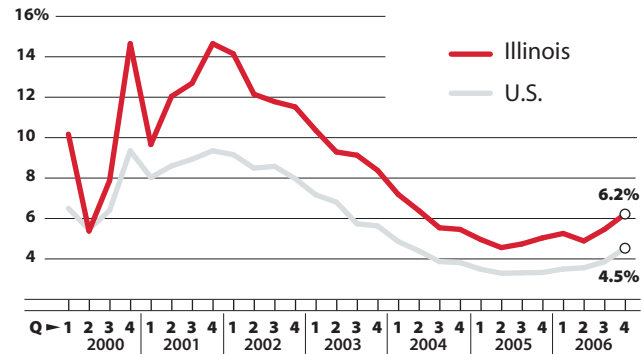


Subprime mortgages a factor in growing rate of foreclosures

Chicago-area housing foreclosures in the first two months of the year were concentrated in the South Side and south suburbs, but the increase in foreclosures was felt throughout the region. The rising rate of foreclosures on subprime loans has contributed to the upturn.



SUBPRIME LOANS ENDING IN FORECLOSURES By quarter



Sources: Mortgage Bankers Association, Record Information Services (www.public-record.com)