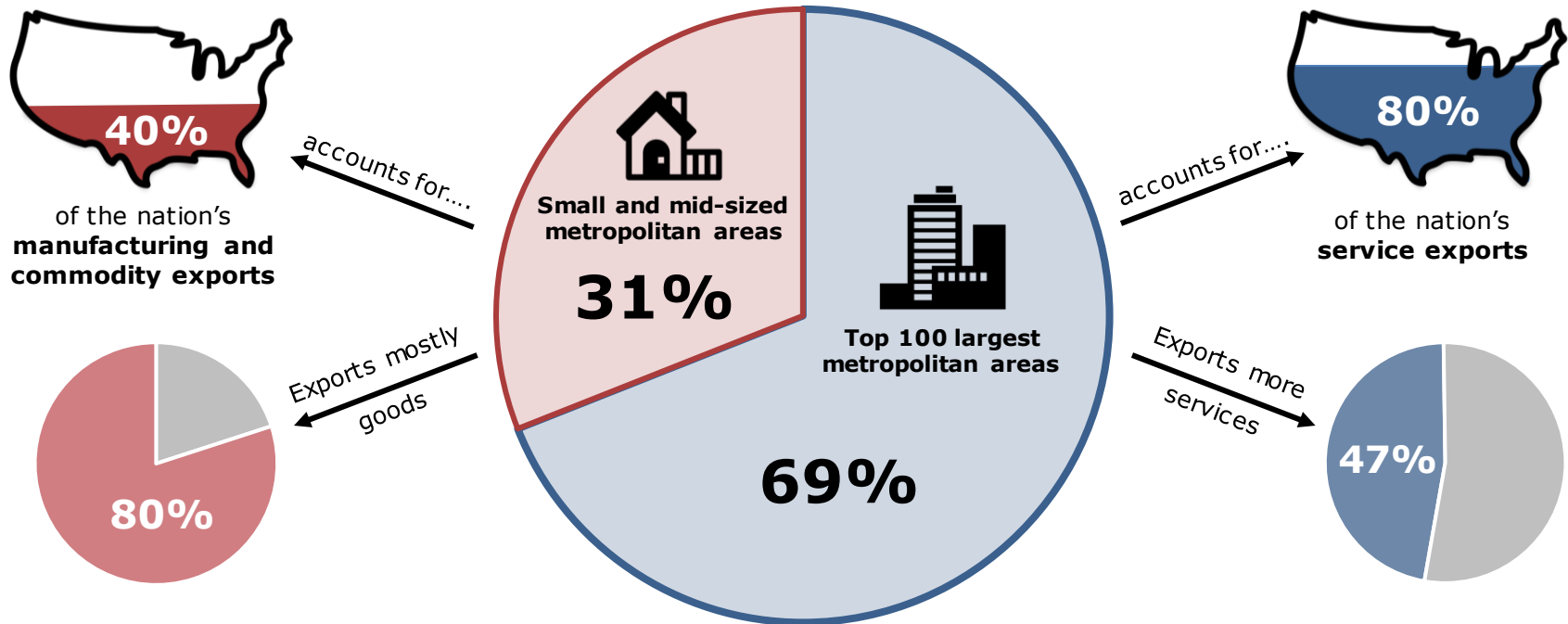


According to Ron Brownstein, “trade adds another wedge” to split between large and small metropolitan areas in the US

U.S. exports by locality



“The difference reflects the concentration of many of the most attractive services in bigger urban hubs: gold-plated higher-education institutions, medical facilities, and tourism, all of which count as exports when they attract foreign consumers; high-end legal, professional, and business services; and entertainment and technology products.”

– Ron Brownstein

Source: Ron Brownstein, “Trade divide grows between Trump and big cities,” National Journal Daily, August 23, 2017.