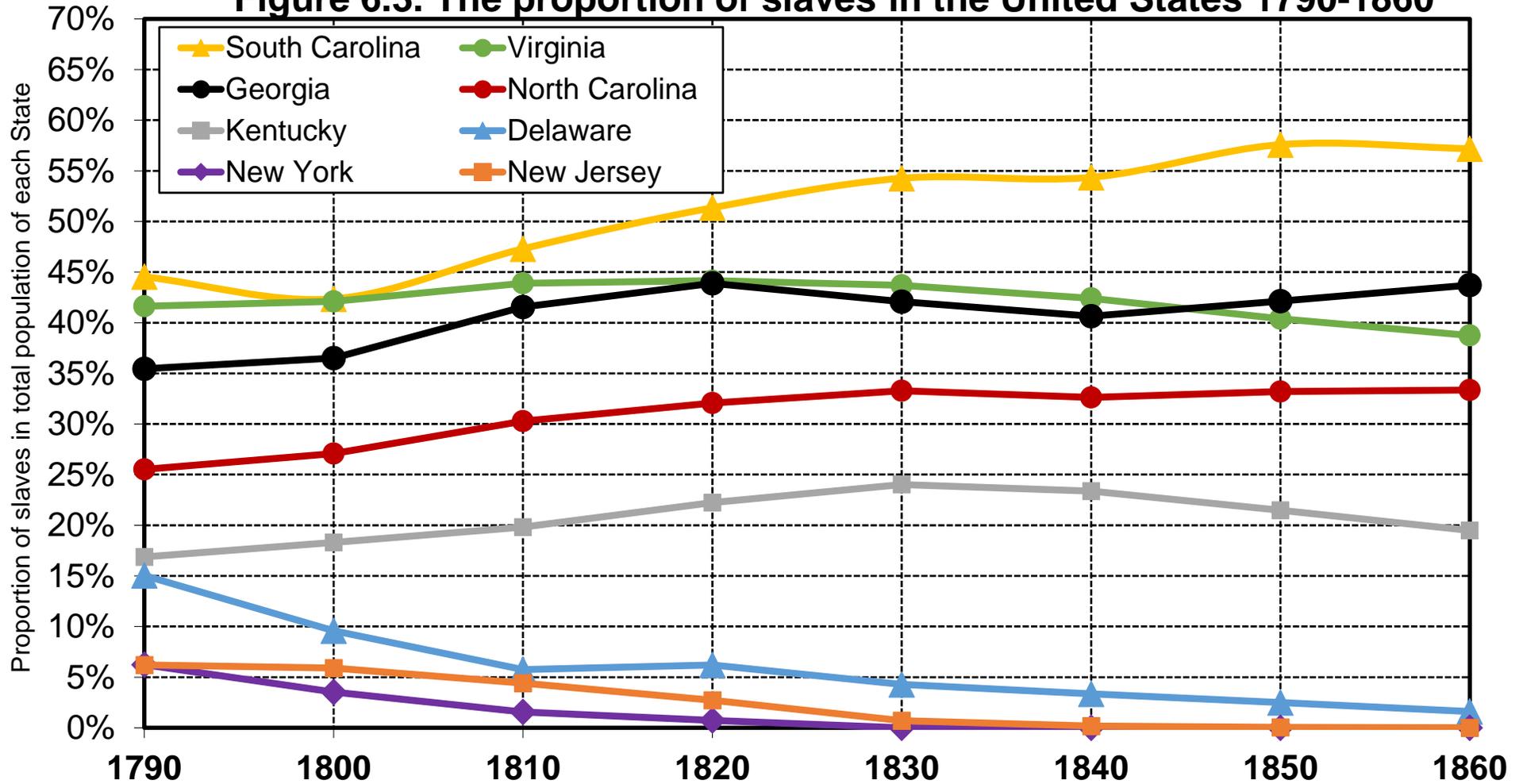


Figure 6.3. The proportion of slaves in the United States 1790-1860



Interpretation. The proportion of slaves in total population rose or remained stable at a high level in the main southern slave States between 1790 and 1860 (between 35% and 55% in 1850-1860, up to 57%-58% in South Carolina), while slavery dropped or disappeared in Northern States. Sources and series: voir piketty.pse.ens.fr/ideologie.