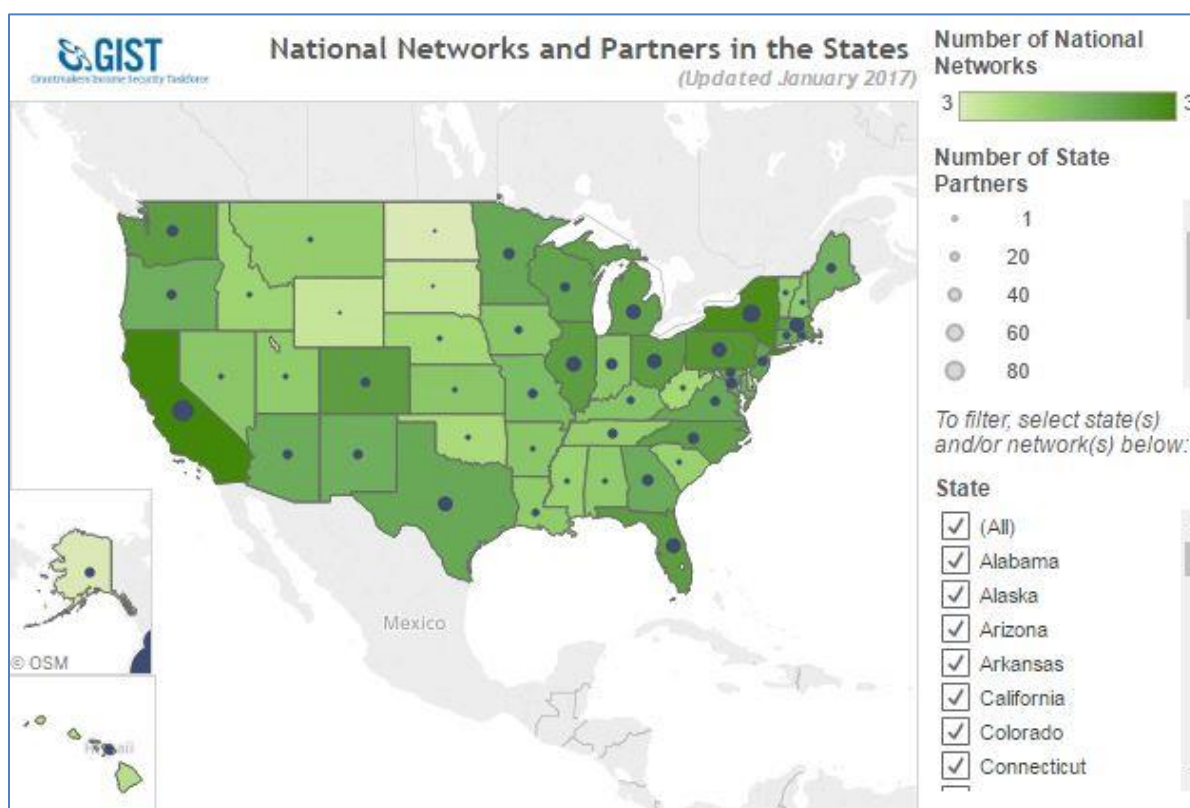


Geographic Tracking Summary Memo

Winter 2016 Update

Since 2011, GIST has engaged in geographic mapping efforts to identify and illustrate the state groups and national networks funders are working with and to foster connections across these efforts. **Visit our online, interactive mapping tool at <http://www.gistfunders.org/geographicmapping.php>.**



To date, 39 national networks and 1,382 state groups are represented on the map. GIST updates the maps and creates a companion analysis annually in the winter. This analysis aims to provide context to the data that is collected and represented on the maps. *Note that this is a work in progress. Not all key national efforts are represented here. State and local partners and priorities may change over the course of the year.*

National Networks Represented

Thirty-nine national networks provided data on the key state organizations they work with:

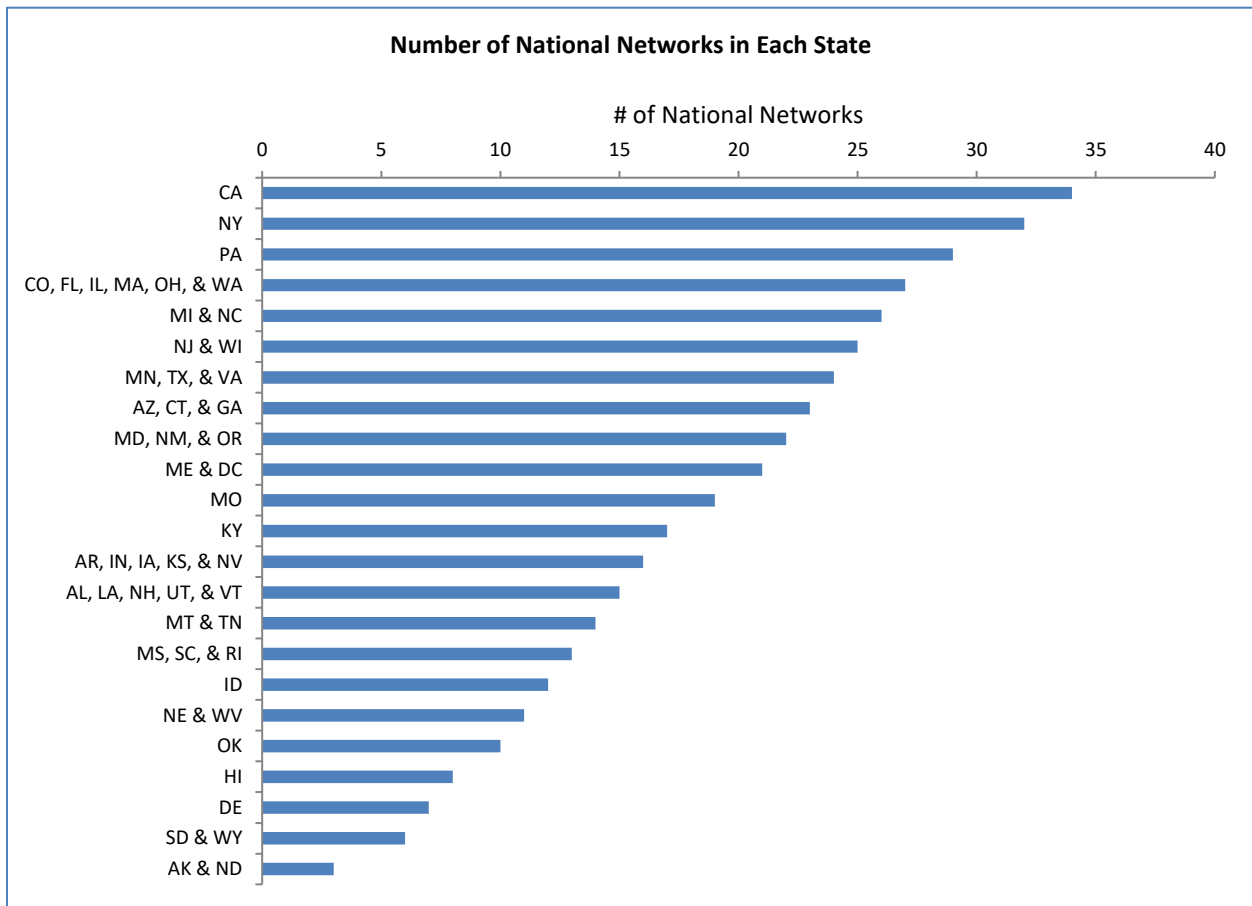
1. American Sustainable Business Council
2. Asian Americans Advancing Justice
3. Asset & Opportunity Coalition
4. Bus Federation
5. Campaign for Youth Justice
6. Center for Community Change
7. Center for Popular Democracy
8. Community Catalyst
9. Council for a Strong America
10. Economic Analysis and Research Network
11. Every Child Matters Education Fund
12. Fair Share
13. Family Values @ Work
14. First Focus
15. Food Research and Action Center
16. Georgetown University Center for Children and Families
17. Interfaith Worker Justice
18. Jobs with Justice
19. KIDS COUNT
20. Local Initiatives Support Corporation
21. Main Street Alliance
22. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
23. National Council for Occupational Safety and Health
24. National Council of La Raza
25. National Employment Law Project
26. National People's Action
27. National Urban League
28. New Majority Network
29. Partnership for America's Children
30. PICO National Network
31. ProgressNow
32. Small Business Majority
33. Southern Leaders for Social Engagement
34. State Priorities Partnership
35. State Voices
36. Student Action
37. The Partnership for Working Families
38. The Working Poor Families Project
39. Youth First

Some Questions to Have in Mind when Reviewing this Document

- Where am I working? What other initiatives are in those places?
- What could I do to develop connections between efforts to improve efficiency and outcomes?
- What places are missing deep concentrations of efforts? Does this make sense given the political dynamics? Given the needs?
- What could we be doing as a funder collective to increase coordination and improve learning between state-based efforts?

National Network Representation in States

- The states with the most representation from the 39 national networks are California (34), New York (32), and Pennsylvania (29).
- The states with the least representation from the 39 national networks are Alaska (3), North Dakota (3), South Dakota (6), and Wyoming (6).
- On average, each state has representation from 19 national networks, with a median of 17.
- There is substantial variation in the average number of national networks in each region. The average number of national networks in Western states is 28 (heavily skewed by California). The average number of national networks in Midwestern states is 23. The average number of national networks in Southeastern and north eastern states is 21. The average number of national networks in Plains states is 10.
- KIDS COUNT is the only national network working in every state and DC.



Source: GIST Geographic Mapping 2016

Concentration of Efforts in States

National networks were asked to identify state organizations or groups that they lead projects with or that they work with most frequently. *It's important to note that national networks may have interpreted this differently and many networks may work with additional groups not listed in the geographic maps.*

- The 39 national networks report working with 1,382 unique state or local organizations across the country. Approximately 1,183 (or 86%) of these organizations work with only one national network, compared with 76% in 2015 and 84% in 2014.
- The states with the greatest number of organizations working with national networks are California (152 organizations), New York (80), and Illinois (59).
- The states with the least number of organizations working with national networks are North Dakota (3), Wyoming (4), Alaska (5), and South Dakota (5).
- The national networks are working with an average of 27 organizations in each state. The median is 23. In 2015, the average was 34 organizations per state. In 2017, the average number of organizations working with national partners is skewed by significant efforts in California and New York. If these states are taken out of the calculation, the average drops from 27 to 23.
- Several state organizations work with seven or more national networks:
 - Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families (9 national networks)
 - Children's Action Alliance (Arizona, 9)
 - Center for Public Policy Priorities (Texas, 8)
 - Voices for Utah Children (8)
 - NC Child (7)
 - New Mexico Voices for Children (7)

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