



Intelligent Efficiency Conference

Track A: Integrating Distributed Resources

1A Enabling the Virtual Power Plant

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Agenda



Background



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Regulation Overview &
Impacts



Key Take-Aways



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33 years serving Utilities, Commercial & Industrial Customers, Government

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Leaders in EM&V approach and methods: DOE's UMP, IPMVP

\$ % Experts on DSM policy and planning, cost-effectiveness, and market effects analysis



Specialize in Energy Systems Engineering, Emerging Technology, EM&V



Understand regulatory environment underlying power planning methods

IoT, Smart Grid, HEMS

- **Internet of Things (IOT)**
 - network connectivity for objects (and not just people)
- **Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)**
 - utility meter with two way communications
- **Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model** – framework for communication over a network
- **Home Energy Management System (HEMS)**
- **Home Area Network (HAN)**



Source:

http://gargaszi.info/how_internet_works_i_think.pdf

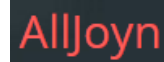
Networking & Data

Protocol - set of rules for communication between two devices (e.g., Bluetooth)

Standard - adopted guidelines for communication (which often reference specific protocols, e.g., 802.11n)

Green Button – DOE initiative for customer energy data access

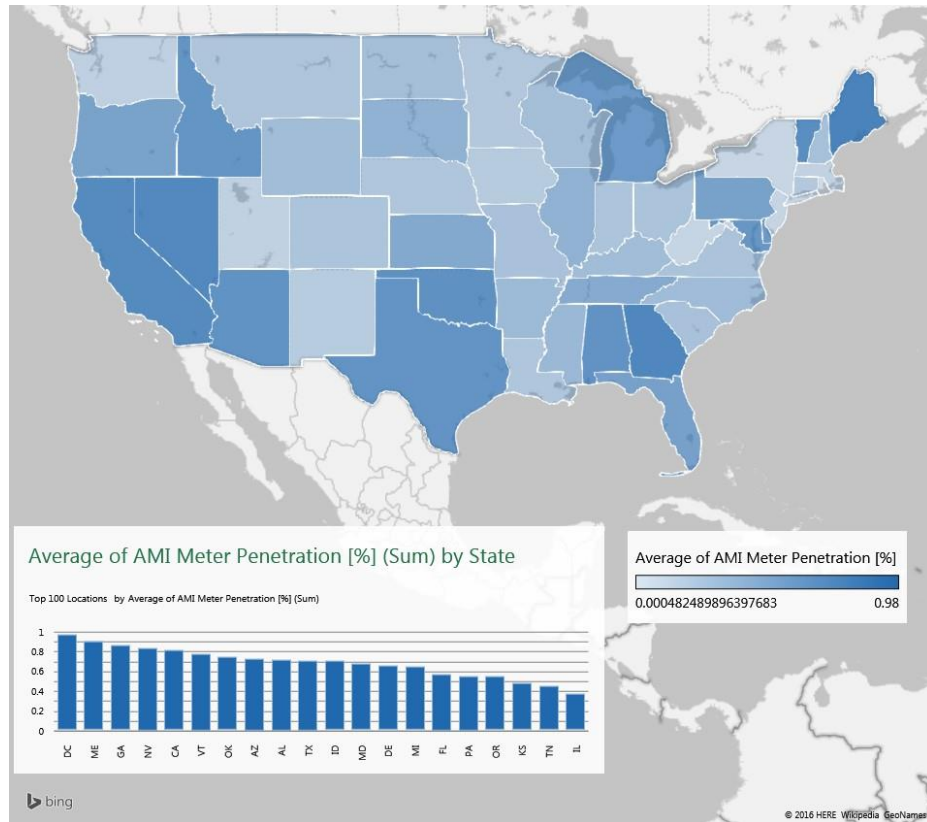
Latency – network transit time



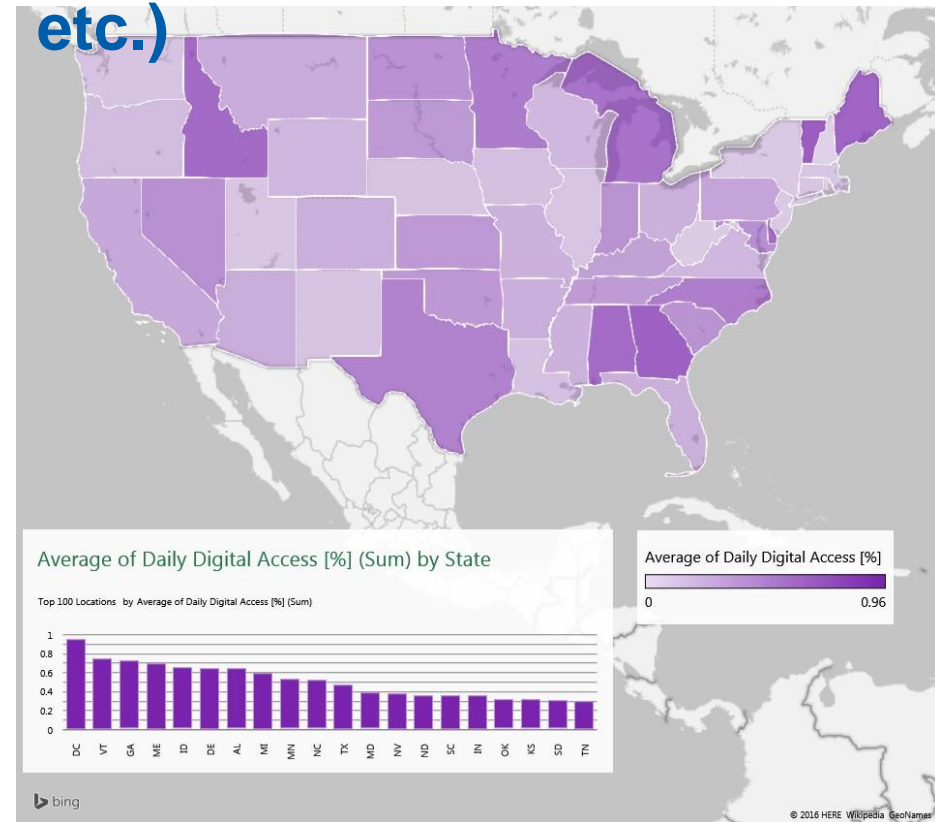
Cellular (GSM,
CDMA)

2015 Smart Meters & Energy Data

AMI Meter



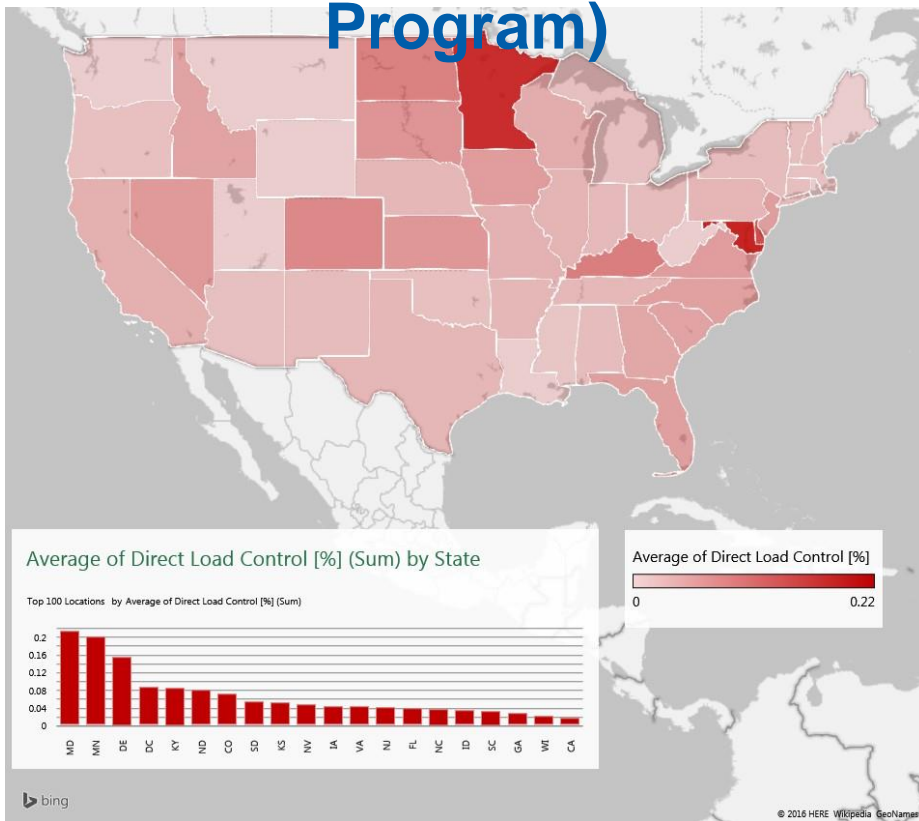
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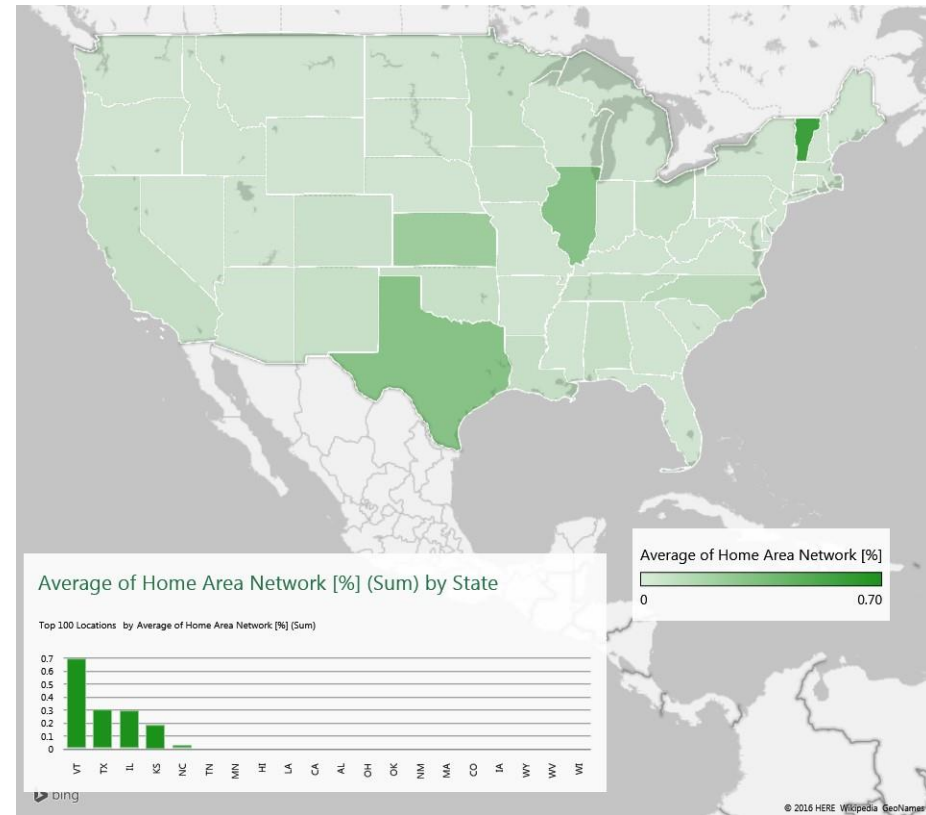
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2015 Load Control & Local Network

Load Control (by Utility Program)



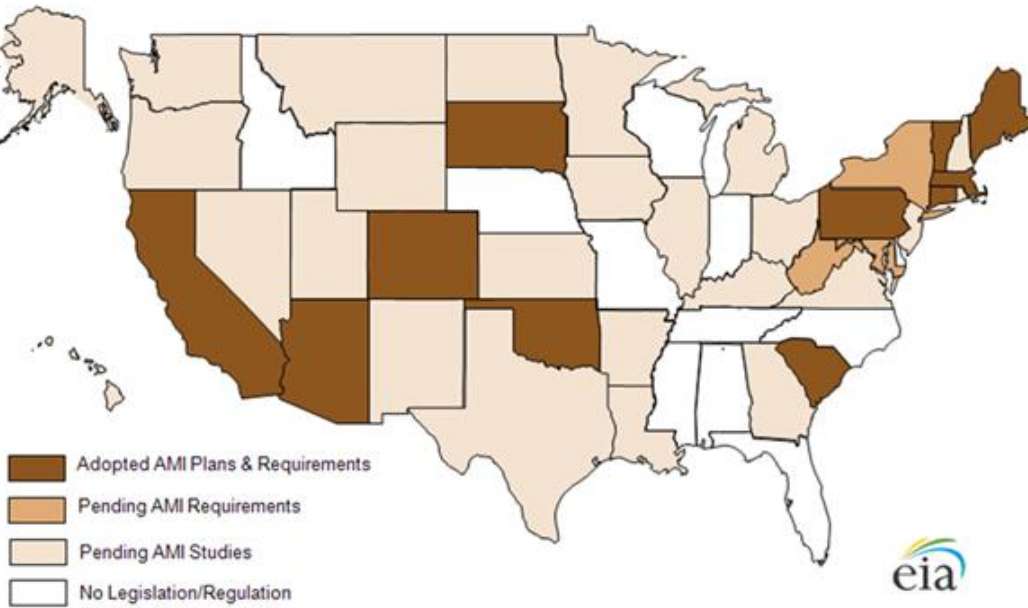
HAN Gateway Enabled



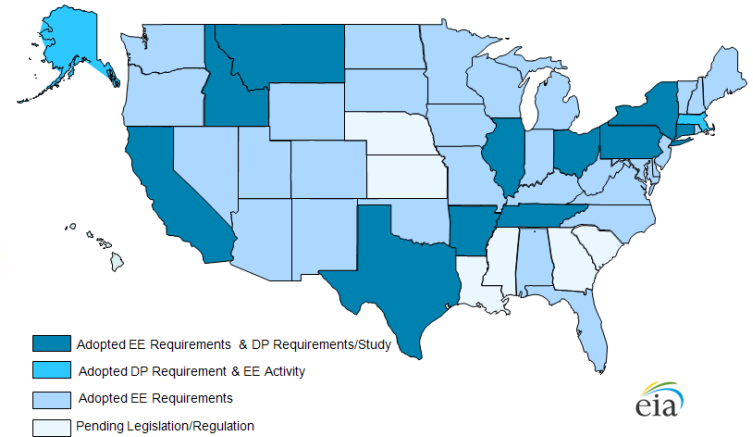
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Regulation Overview

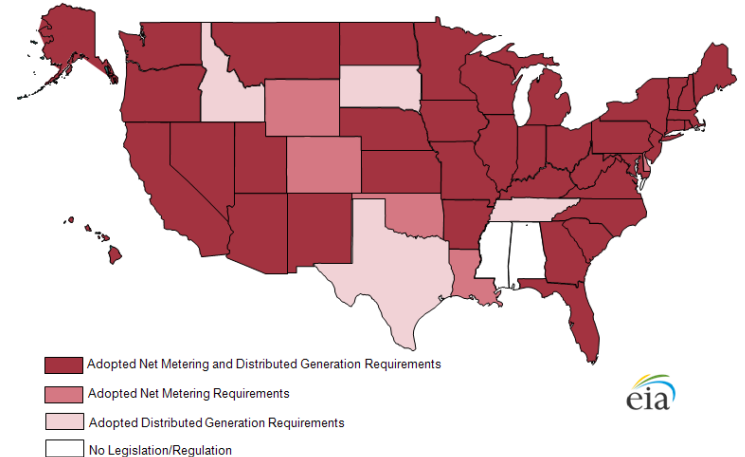
Advanced metering legislation & regulation



Demand response legislation & regulation



Net metering & distributed generation legislation & regulation



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Regulation Impacts

British Columbia, Canada (100% AMI)

- 1.9 million smart meters, 100% IPv6
- BC Energy Plan and Clean Energy Act mandated 100% AMI by 2012
- Vision for Multiservice Grid Network

Maine (91% AMI)

- 820,000 customers statewide
- \$96 million in Smart Grid Investment Grants (American Recovery & Reinvestment Act)

California (82% AMI)

- 12.5 million AMI meters statewide out of 15.2 million total meters
- San Diego Gas & Electric awarded \$28 million in SGIG / ARRA funds; Sacramento Municipal Utility District awarded \$127 million
- Widespread implementation of Green Button initiatives
- Commission funded Pacific Gas & Electric HAN pilot in 2013, ~5000 customers

Illinois (38% AMI)

- Largest relative increase (>20%) in AMI penetration from 2014-2015
- Energy Infrastructure Modernization Act (EIMA) of 2011
- Ameren Illinois investing in IoT infrastructure & testing
- Offering HAN integration, vetting technology

Wisconsin (24% AMI)

- Heterogeneous mix (>90 utilities)
- Madison Gas & Electric awarded \$5 million in SGIG / ARRA funds
- No major regulation regarding AMI / IoT

Indiana (17% AMI)

- 5 large utilities, greatest AMI penetration is 7%
- No major regulation regarding AMI / IoT

Massachusetts (3 %) vs. Rhode Island (0% AMI)

- One electric utility operates in RI
- Same utility operates in MA - AMI & data access available

Key Take-Aways

1 IoT energy technology is dynamic ecosystem – signs of convergence are appearing

2 IoT energy infrastructure is spreading at varied rates

3 Regulation is helping to drive adoption and growth; lack of regulation *may be* hindering adoption & growth

4 Demand Side Management & Energy Efficiency professionals must plan for future, mitigate risks

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