

# Governors' Advisors Energy Policy Institute

**August 20 - 25, 2020** 

National Governors Association Center for Best Practices



## Welcome & Day 2 Recap

Jessica Rackley, Program Director, National Governors
Association

## **Upcoming Opportunity: Planning for the Future Workshop**

- NGA will be hosting a virtual workshop on strategies to help governor's meet their energy goals on October 27-29<sup>th</sup>
- This Workshop will provide states with policy and regulatory solutions to help meet their state energy goals, address areas for regional collaboration, and allow time for small group discussions
- Topics covered during this workshop include:
  - Enhancing energy procurement targets to meet clean energy and related goals,
  - Integrating high volumes of new technologies such as renewables on the grid, and
  - Leveraging new technologies to improve system resilience, reliability, and affordability.
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# Keynote: The Future of U.S. Carbon Pricing

Speaker:

Robert N. Stavins, Harvard Kennedy School of Government

Moderated by:

Jessica Rackley, Program Director, National Governors Association

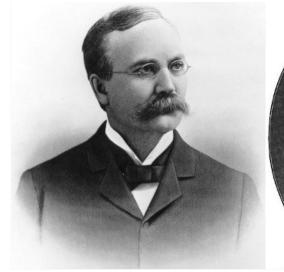
#### Trivia!

 Which state once had 3 governors during the same day?

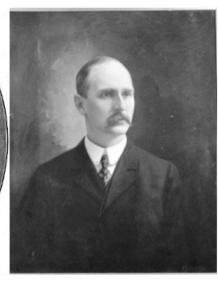


#### Answer:

Colorado – March 16, 1905











# The Future of the Energy Workforce

#### Speakers:

Reice Haase, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum

Randi Tveitaraas Jack, Manager of International Development, Kansas Department of Commerce

Moderated by:

Timothy Schoonhoven, Policy Analyst, National Governors Association

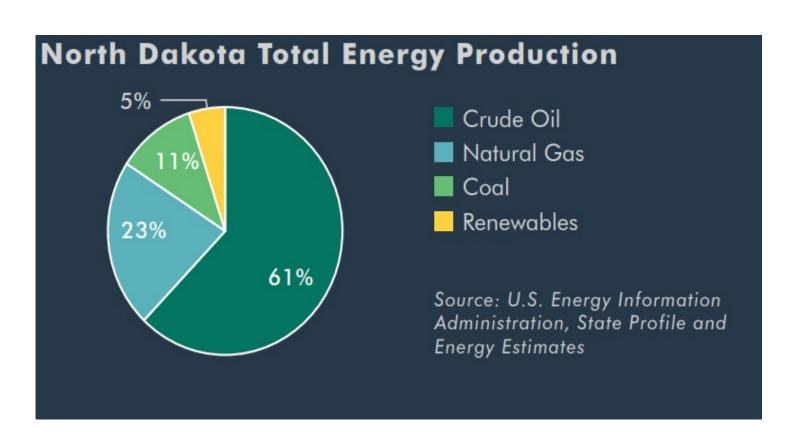


#### FUTURE OF ENERGY WORKFORCE

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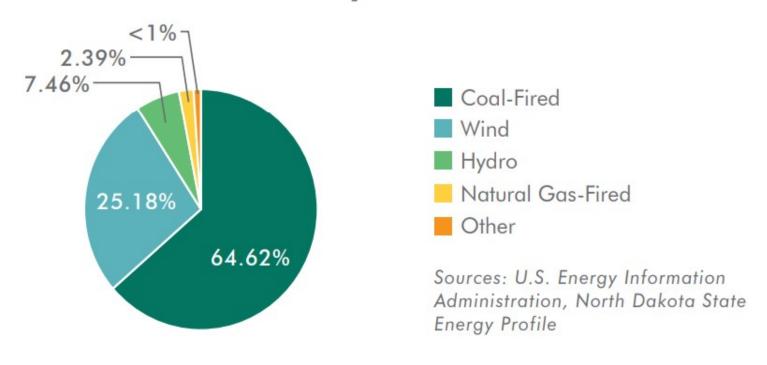
### NORTH DAKOTA'S GEOLOGIC JACKPOT LED TO AN ALL-OF-THE-ABOVE ENERGY POLICY



- 800-year supply of lignite
- Over 26 billion barrels of technically recoverable oil
- Over 38 trillion cubic feet of natural gas
- Abundant wind resources
- 189 million bushels annually converted to biofuels

## DIVERSE GENERATION PORTFOLIO ENSURES GRID RELIABILITY

#### **North Dakota Electricity Production**



#### **Baseload:**

- 4,046 MW of Lignite (Mine to mouth)
- 583 MW of Hydro

#### **Intermittent:**

- 3,501 MW of Wind
- 506 MW of Natural Gas (Peaking)
- ~100 KW Solar (Growing interest)

CHALLENGES
(AND
OPPORTUNITIES)
TO BE
ADDRESSED BY
FUTURE ENERGY
WORKFORCE

COVID Pandemic Demand-shock

Market Demand for Environmental, Social and Governance Sustainability

Maintaining Diverse Workforce to Ensure Grid Reliability

### BAKKEN RESTART TASK FORCE FORMED TO ADDRESS COVID DEMAND-SHOCK

- Three Focus Areas:
  - Regulatory Relief
    - In-person requirements waived
    - Inspection flexibility
  - Economic
    - \$66m from CARES Act for Orphan Well Plugging and Reclamation
  - Long-term Capital Access
    - State Investment Board authority for private equity investments
    - ESG Scores

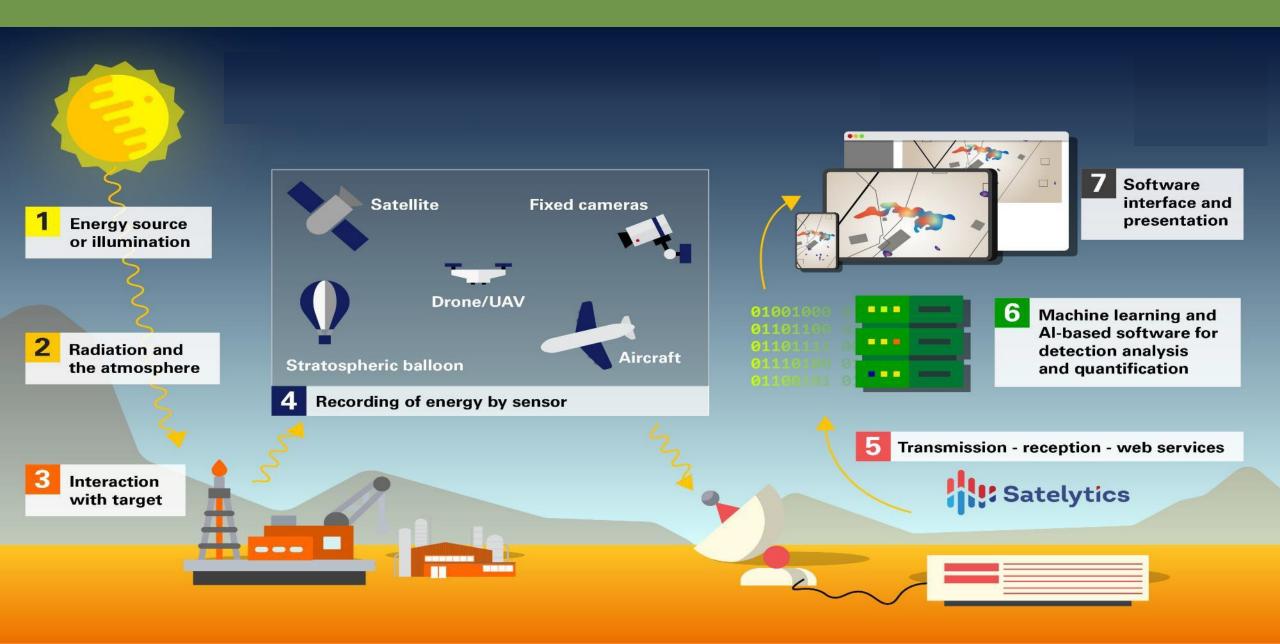


### POLICY OF "INNOVATION, NOT REGULATION", LEVERAGING OPPORTUNITIES FROM SHIFTING MARKETS

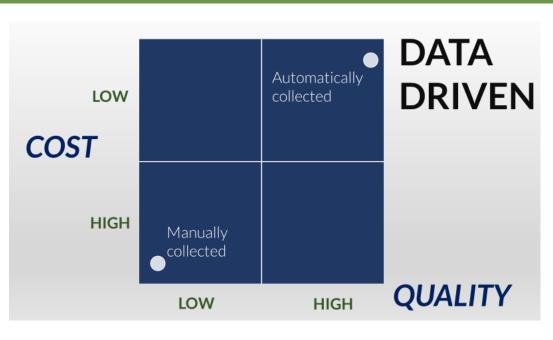
- \$45 trillion in capital contingent on meeting ESG goals
- Over \$100m in Oil and Gas/Lignite taxes re-invested in research and development
  - Value-added (rare earth minerals, fly ash re-use, co-located ethanol plants)
  - Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage:
    - ND first state with Class VI UIC primacy
    - \$15m invested in Project Tundra to capture and market CO2 from Lignite Power Plant
    - Co-located greenhouses
    - Native grasses on range lands
- iPipe Program funds emerging technologies for detecting and preventing pipeline leaks

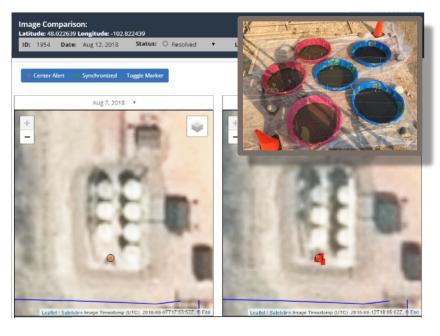


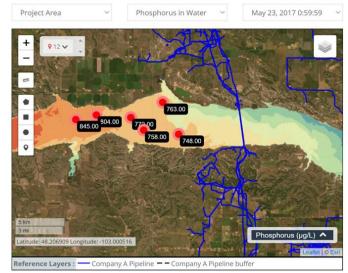
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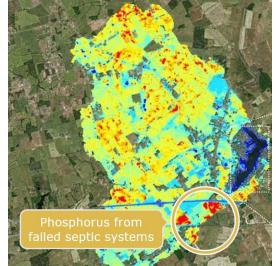


### LEVERAGING AUTOMATICALLY-COLLECTED DATA TO RE-PRIORITIZE WORKFORCE RESOURCES











#### MAINTAINING DIVERSE ENERGY WORKFORCE IS KEY TO ENSURE GRID RELIABILITY

- MISO Renewable Integration Impact Assessment:
  - Increased complexity once grid reaches 40% from non-dispatchable energy sources
  - Baseload retirements as fleet ages
  - Meeting peak demand with intermittent sources
  - Meeting demand in non-summer months
- Diversity of technologies and geography improves ability to meet demand growth
  - Ensure baseload survival
  - Hybrid approach to ensure resource adequacy
- Level playing-field to attract investment in all sources







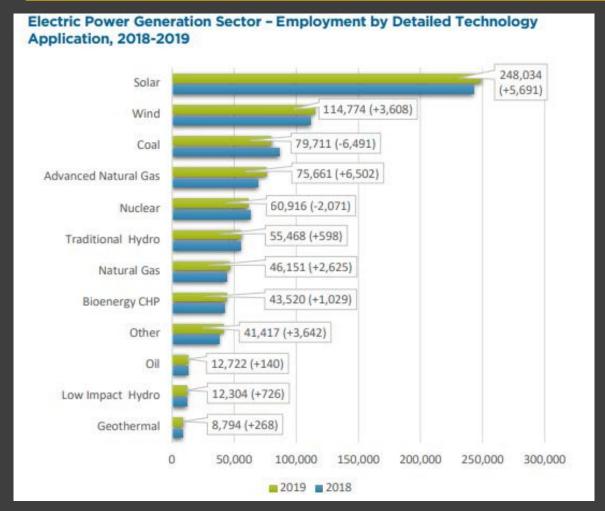
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#### US Energy + Employment Report Employment by Technology

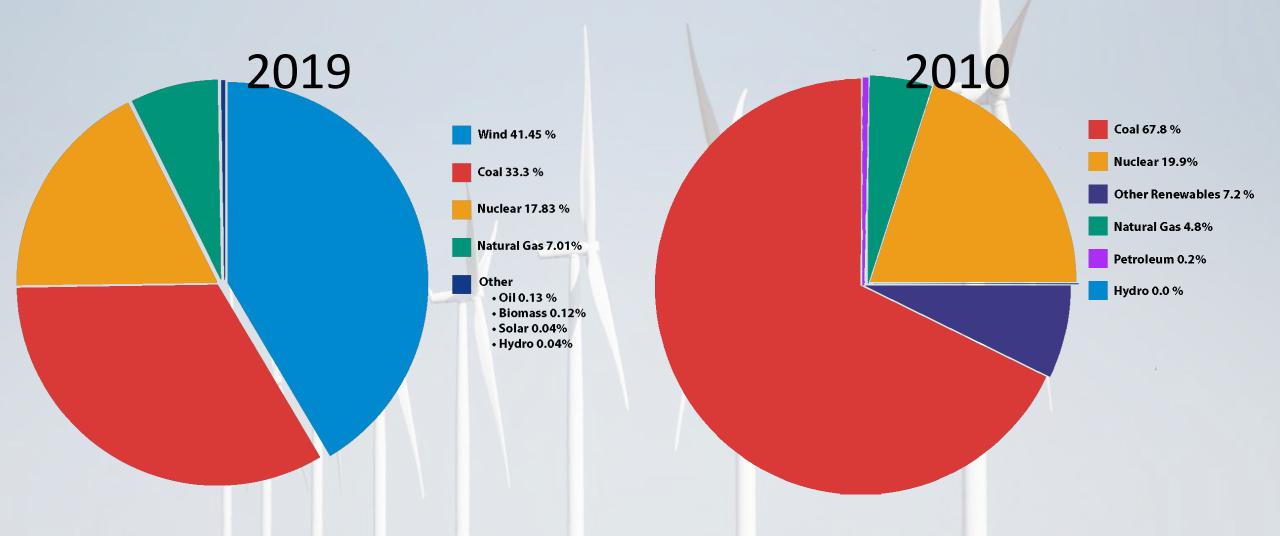




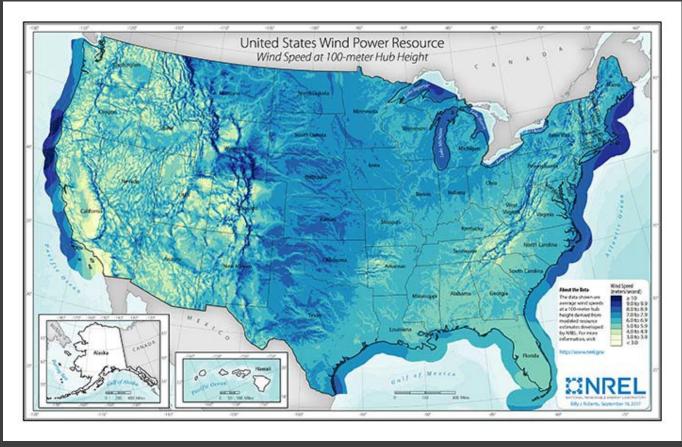
Electric Power Generation and Fuels Employment by Major Energy Technology Application and Detailed Technology Application<sup>32</sup>

	Electric Power Generation	Fuels	Total
Oil/Petroleum	12,722	615,528	628,250
Natural Gas	121,812	275,924	397,736
Traditional Gas	46,151	275,924	322,074
Advanced Gas	75,661	-	75,661
Majority-Time Solar Employment*	248,034		248,034
Coal	79,711	75,443	155,154
Bioenergy	13,178	107,915	121,093
Corn Ethanol	-	34,866	34,866
Other Ethanol/ Non-Woody Biomass, including Biodiesel	-	20,694	20,694
Woody Biomass Fuel for Energy and Cellulosic Biofuels	-	33,426	33,426
Other Biofuels	-	18,928	18,928
Wind	114,774	-	114,774
Other Generation/ Other Fuels	41,417	64,677	106,094
Nuclear	60,916	9,406	70,323
Hydroelectric Generation	67,772	-	67,772
Low Impact Hydroelectric Generation	12,304	-	12,304
Traditional Hydropower	55,468	-	55,468
СНР	30,342	-	30,342
Geothermal	8,794	-	8,794

#### Kansas Electricity Generation by Source



## North American Wind Corridor: Central Location



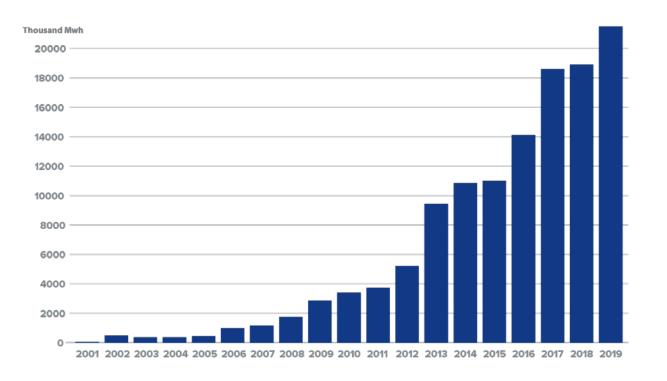




#### Kansas:

#### **Wind Industry Growth**

#### **Kansas Wind Industry**

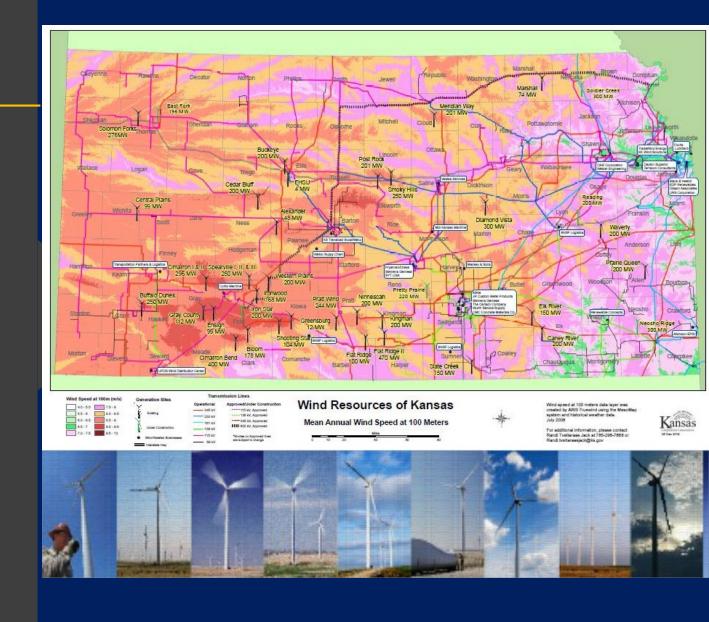




#### Kansas:

#### Wind Energy Leader

- 1st Wind as % of total electricity sales
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wind as % of total generation
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Corporate wind purchases
- 4th Wind power installations
- \$11+ billion investment
- 6500 MW installed/operating
- 5000 6000 jobs





#### Kansas:

#### **Workforce Resources**

- Career Technical Education
  - Cloud County Community College
    - Wind Technician, Blade Repair
    - Solar Technician
    - UAS
  - Colby Community College Wind & Solar Certificate
  - Hutchinson Community College Manufacturing Technology
- University Engineering Initiative
  - Kansas State University Wind & Solar Engineering
  - Wichita State University Sustainable Energy Technology
  - University of Kansas Bioenergy
- Industry Engagement / Future Pipeline
  - KidWind
  - Wind for Schools
  - Collegiate Wind Competition





## Energy Workforce Future Opportunities

- Wind Energy Energy Storage/Hybrid Development
- Solar Energy Commercial Development
- Biofuels/Biomass New Technology, Renewable Natural Gas

Description	2020 - 2030 % Change
Crude Petroleum Extraction	(14%)
Natural Gas Extraction	(10%)
Drilling Oil and Gas Wells	(20%)
Support Activities for Oil and Gas Operations	(16%)
Fossil Fuel Electric Power Generation	11%
Nuclear Electric Power Generation	(17%)
Solar Electric Power Generation	0%
Wind Electric Power Generation	29%
Geothermal Electric Power Generation	0%
Biomass Electric Power Generation	0%
Electric Bulk Power Transmission and Control	19%
Electric Power Distribution	(11%)



#### Thank You!

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#### Trivia!

 Which state was the first to declare Christmas a legal holiday?



#### Answer:

Alabama – in 1836. The US followed suit in 1870







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#### The Utility Customer Financial Impact of COVID-19:

#### The Need For Flexibility and Reform in Utility Billing, Credit and Collections



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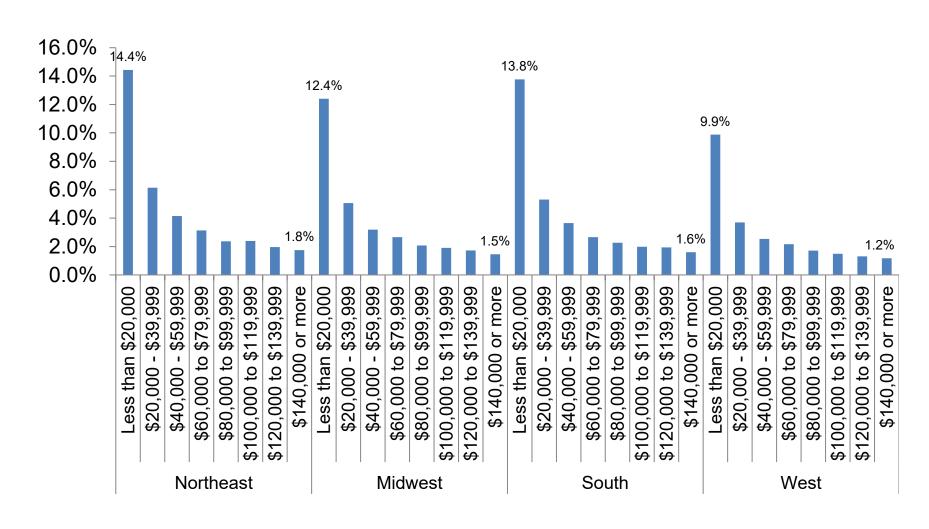
#### **Energy Security**

- Uninterrupted, affordable access to basic residential home energy services without
  - Disconnection notices
  - Involuntary disconnection of service
  - Foregoing other necessities to retain service
  - Maintaining unhealthy indoor temperature

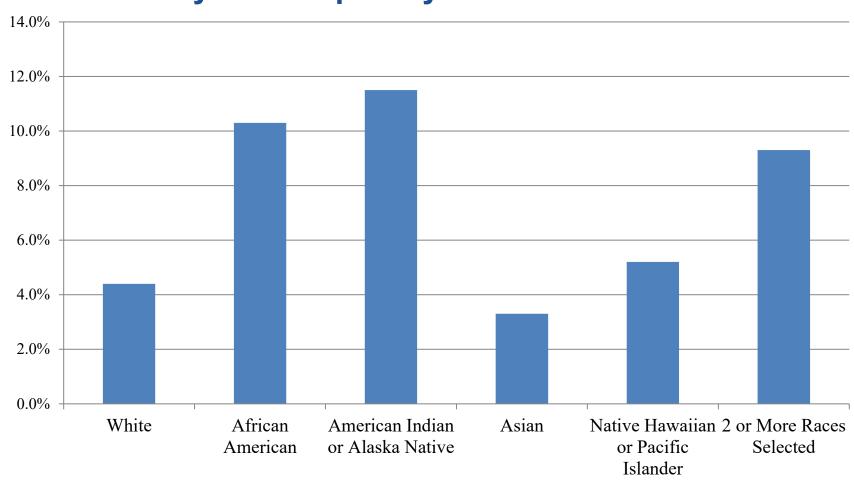
#### **Utility Service a Basic Necessity**

- Consequences of energy insecurity include (but are not limited to):
  - Threats to health and safety
    - Illness, hospitalization
    - House fires
    - Loss of life
  - Inflated Covid-19 risk
  - Spoiled food
  - Eviction
  - Reduced academic and worker performance

### Median 2015 Home Energy Burdens by Income Category and Census Region



## Loss of Heat in the Past Year Due to Unafforable Utility Service, Fuel or Heating System Repair by Race: 2015 - U.S.



# Electricity Disconnected Inability to Pay \* Race of Householder \* Region: U.S. Household at or Below 150% Poverty in 2009

			Race and Latino Descent of Householder				
			White	African- American	Latino	2 or More Races	Total
Northeast	No	Count	2644306	725791	1094894	61542	3803830
		%	95.2%	94.2%	92.6%	76.0%	94.5%
	Yes	Count	108494	45005	61541	19410	197145
		%	3.9%	5.8%	5.2%	24.0%	4.9%
Midwest	No	Count	3419706	1341659	638667	104388	5194320
		%	93.1%	92.6%	95.9%	81.7%	93.1%
	Yes	Count	253091	107983	27431	23451	384525
		%	6.9%	7.4%	4.1%	18.3%	6.9%
South	No	Count	7077186	2183720	1840937	14125	9890996
		%	93.4%	83.9%	92.4%	100.0%	91.1%
	Yes	Count	503159	418555	152349	0	965375
		%	6.6%	16.1%	7.6%	0.0%	8.9%
West	No	Count	4035675	388463	2310679	78936	5012604
		%	96.3%	95.6%	96.8%	84.9%	96.4%
	Yes	Count	144626	18047	66223	14047	176720
		%	3.5%	4.4%	2.8%	15.1%	3.4%
Total	No	Count	17176873	4639633	5885177	258991	23901750
		%	94.3%	88.7%	94.5%	82.0%	93.1%
	Yes	Count	1009370	589590	307544	56908	1723765
		%	5.5%	11.3%	4.9%	18.0%	6.7%



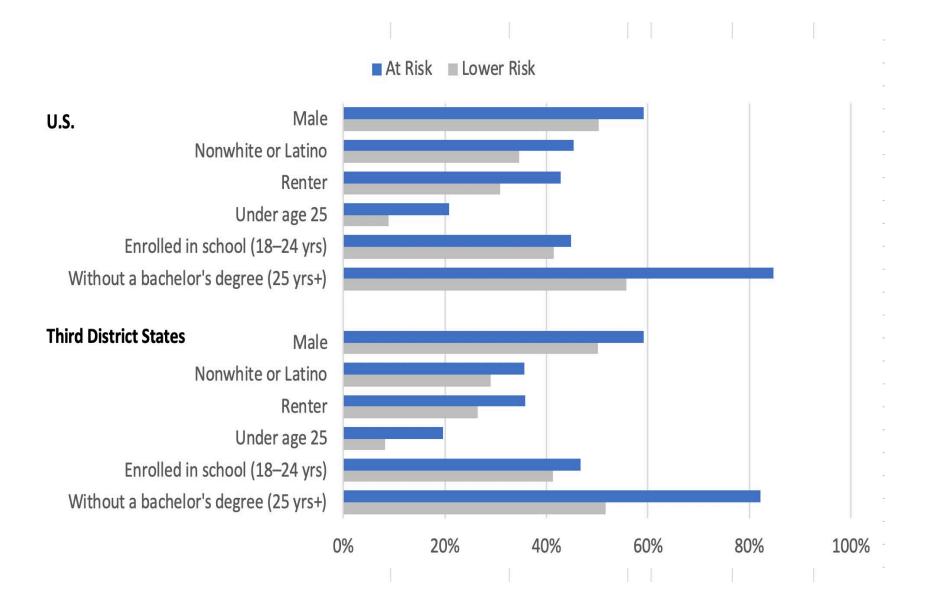
Total Employment and Percent of Total for Each Risk Group						
	Total Employment	Share of Total Employment				
All Occupations	144,731,220					
Employed in Occupations at "Low Risk" of Layoff	77,944,910	54%				
Employed in "Essential" Occupations	24,840,280	17%				
Employed in Occupations Possible to Work from Home	48,204,920	33%				
Employed in Other Salaried Occupations	4,899,710	3%				
Employed in Occupations at "High Risk" of Layoff	66,786,310	46%				
Food Preparation and Serving-Related Occupations	13,374,170	9%				
Sales and Related Occupations	10,443,460	7%				
Production Occupations	8,313,750	6%				
Installation, Maintenance and Repair Occupations	5,628,890	4%				
All Other "High-Risk" Occupations	29,026,040	20%				

SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Employment Statistics (2018) and Charles Gascon's calculations. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

#### Economic Conditions of Workers by Occupational Risk

	At Risk	Lower Risk
Median earnings	\$23,141	\$41,535
Median share of household earnings	50%	59%
Working fewer than 35 hours/week	30%	17%
No health insurance	19%	7%
Income below the poverty line	11%	5%
Housing cost burdened	28%	18%

Sources: Authors' calculations using American Community Survey One-Year Public Use Microdata Sample (2017), USDOL/ETA Occupational Information Network (O\*NET) (24.2 database), and BLS Occupational Employment Statistics (May 2018).



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia: "COVID-19: Which Workers Will Be Most Impacted?" April 2020.

### Covid-19 Residential Utility Customer Credit and Collections Impacts Remain Uncertain

- The need for comprehensive monthly reporting of credit and collections data
- Data reporting lag
- Credit, collections and energy security outcomes to be determined by
  - Public health and economic crisis scenarios
  - Assistance and consumer protection funding
  - Credit and collection reforms

# Post-moratorium Energy Security Programs and Policies

- During public health crisis, restore access to service for any utility customer whose service has been cut off without requiring a down payment
- Waive late payment fees and security deposit
- For past-due bills, provide extended deferred payment plan options that are affordable based on a household's actual income and expenses (12 – 18 mo)
- For households with low incomes, use debt forgiveness programs that avoid adding to current monthly bills.
- Expand bill payment programs that reduce monthly bills to an affordable level.
- As weatherization crews safely return to work, expand access to comprehensive whole-house energy efficiency and retrofit opportunities
- Require more comprehensive utility tracking and reporting of data on residential customer overdue bills, disconnections, and repayment efforts.
- Utility cost recovery over time in return for non-punitive credit and collections practices and reductions in involuntary disconnections.

#### What Data Do We Need?

- Number of residential accounts
- Total billed and received amounts
- Number and dollar value of late payment fees
- Number and dollar value of unpaid accounts by vintage(30-60, 60-90, 90+)
- Number and duration of new payment agreements
- Number of accounts sent notice of disconnection for non-payment
- Number of disconnections for non-payment
- Number of service restorations after disconnection for non-payment
- Number & percent of customers completing an extended payment plan
- Average duration of service disconnection for restored accounts
- Number and dollar value of accounts written off as uncollectible
- Many of these should be reported by zip code

## Illinois a leader

- Docket ICC 20-0309, June 10 settlement
- Terminated customers get restored.
- Moratorium continues until "30 days after the Stipulated Moratorium Period ends," or Aug. 1 (now, later date)
- Payment plans 18 mos., or 24 mos. for financially struggling (no down payments for those).
- Debt forgiveness for LIHEAP customers, \$300-\$500.
- No adverse credit reporting, and no low-income deposits for 6 months.
- Stakeholder discussions to improve affordability.
- Zip-code level data reporting.
- Agreement on cost-recovery for companies (lost late fees, increased uncollectibles, COVID expenses.)

## Some NCLC Tools

- Residential Electric Utility Arrearage Scenarios
  - https://bit.ly/covid-state-electric-arrears
- Data Collection
  - http://bit.ly/brief-covid-19-data
- Program Design Template
  - https://bit.ly/RPT-covid-19-program-design



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## Day 3 Recap of Key Ideas and Insights

- 1. What did you hear today that resonated?
- 2. What remaining questions do you have?
- 3. How can NGA provide assistance on these topics?

