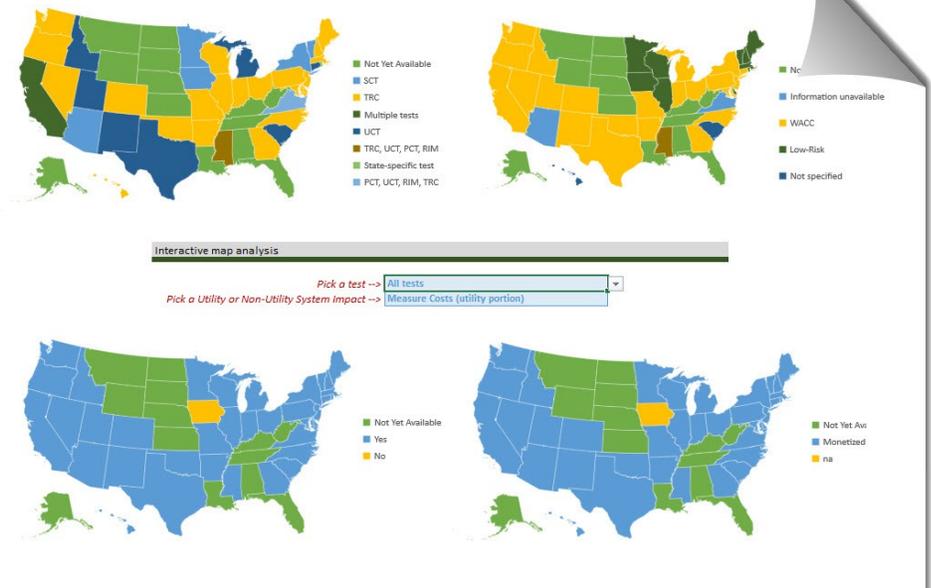


New! DSESP Interactive Maps



Database of State Efficiency Screening Practices

**INSIDE
 THIS
 ISSUE:**

New states referencing the NSPM

How are states citing and applying the NSPM framework? NSPM reference-tracker, blog, and case study updates provide insight into the framework application process.

NSPM and BCA Modeling

Can the NSPM be applied using traditional BCA models? Learn how the models align with the NSPM framework in Apex Analytics' new paper.

DSESP Updates—New States, Features, and an ACEEE report

What does cost-effectiveness testing look like in various U.S. states? How can you use the DSESP in your work? ACEEE's forthcoming paper will answer these questions and provide thoughtful analysis. Also, the state database now includes 38 jurisdictions and interactive diagrams.

Expanding the NSPM to other DERs

The NSPM for DERs project is launching this month. Here's what it will cover...

Events: NARUC, IEPEC This Summer

Upcoming and recent NSPM events of interest: Webinars, workshops and conferences.

INTRO NOTE

BY JULIE MICHALS

Thank you for downloading the second *NSPM Quarterly*, where you will find updates and developments on all things NSPM. I'm excited to report a first commission order that takes key steps toward implementing NSPM recommendations. Plus: The DSESP is nearly fully populated, and NESP is about to launch the next big phase of the NSPM.

For past issues of the *NSPM Quarterly* and other cost-effectiveness (CE) testing news, see the [NESP News page](#).

DSESP Update: New States and Features

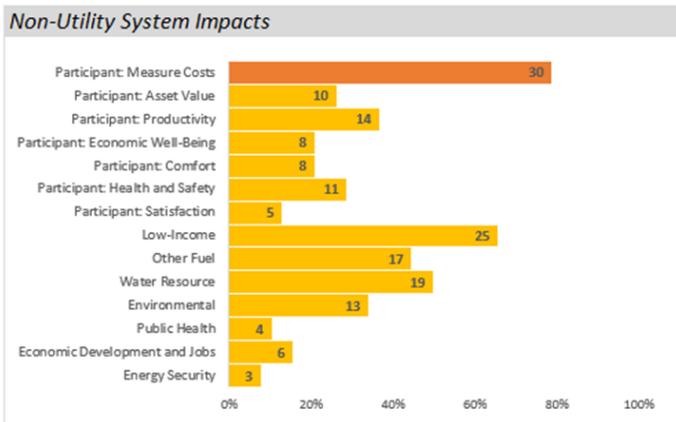
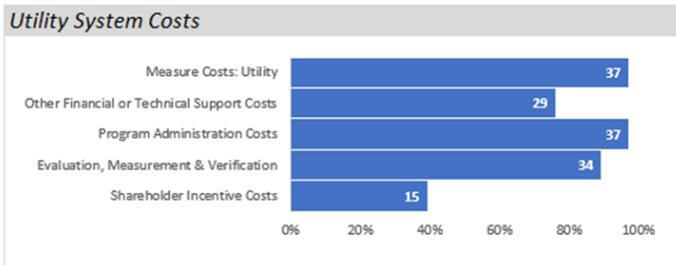
Thirty-eight down and 14 more to go! [The Database of State Efficiency Screening Practices](#) was updated with eight new states this month: Georgia, Indiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Virginia. The next update will provide the balance of 14 jurisdictions in early fall. Also, [NARUC's report: The Value of Resilience for DERs; An Overview of Current Analytical](#)

[Practice](#) has been added to the Guidance Docs tab in the DSESP for easy access.

If you have updates on state efficiency screening practices to share, or see any incorrect information in the database, contact NSPM@nationalefficiencyscreening.org. Your suggestions for improving the DSESP interface are also welcome.

| Regions in the DSESP (as of June 2019 - Updated) | | | | | | | | | |
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| WV | WY | Already in DSESP | | Added to DSESP June 2019 | | | Will be added to DSESP fall 2019 | | |

Pick a test --> 38 States using selected test



NEW INTERACTIVE VISUALS ADDED TO THE DSESP

The June update includes two new interactive visual tabs to support your CE test analyses. The **Maps** tab (see page 1 of this newsletter) provides a graphical representation of state CE testing practices: primary test, discount rate, cost and benefit inputs, and quantification methods used for these impacts.

The second new feature is the **Impacts Summary** tab, which shows how many states include each utility and non-utility

system impact in their CE tests. Users can sort by specific test. This provides a simple “snapshot” that can inform what is common practice versus less so, and the extent to which states account for a range of impacts (see example, left).

Remember that the DSESP is also a useful source of CE testing guidance documents. Keep an eye out for updates to the **Guidance Documents** this fall.

ACEEE TOPIC BRIEF ON THE DSESP

How are people using the Database of State Efficiency Screening Practices (DSESP) and what else can it be used for? ACEEE's forthcoming DSESP topic brief (see [preview here](#)), scheduled for release in July, will summarize ways that the DSESP supports stakeholder understanding and input into CE testing processes, based on a user survey conducted in April. The brief will also cover ACEEE's analysis of certain impacts accounted for in different state tests, with suggestions for how advocates and other stakeholders can use the DSESP to support their efforts to improve cost-effectiveness practices in their jurisdictions. The publication will be available [here](#) in July.



Looking Forward: NSPM for DERs

NSPM FOR DERS LAUNCH

This summer, the NESP is launching work on the next edition of the NSPM: *The National Standard Practice Manual for Benefit-Cost Analysis of Distributed Energy Resources* (NSPM for DERs). Funded by E4TheFuture with leveraged funds from other sources, the expanded NSPM will address BCA for DERs beyond energy efficiency, including distributed generation, demand response, storage and electric vehicles. This work is being undertaken to support regulatory interest in using a common cost-effectiveness framework for assessing a range of DERs developed from the NSPM framework, and will provide guidance on specific costs and benefits to be considered in BCA for the range of DERs. The guidance document will also build on and coordinate with other DER valuation efforts around the country, including US DOE and national laboratory efforts. For an overview of the NSPM for DERs project and its work scope, see [this presentation](#).

EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 21-23 [NARUC Summer Policy Summit](#) (Indiana) will include a session on *Revisiting Paradigms for Decision-Making About Customer Side Resources*. E4TheFuture's Julie Michals will be joined by an excellent panel including representatives from Simple Energy, the RI PUC, and WA UTC. They will explore how cost-effectiveness tests can be revised to be consistent with a state's energy policy goals, with a focus on the newly launched NSPM for DER project. The panel will also identify how different commissions are approaching this challenge.

Aug. 20-22 [IEPEC Conference](#) (Colorado) will include a cost effectiveness testing session, *Survival—Why Cost-Effectiveness is Becoming the Biggest Challenge Facing Energy Efficiency Programs*, to discuss current challenges in energy efficiency (EE) CE testing, including what role the NSPM will play in the future of EE. PG&E's Rob Kasman will moderate the panel; Julie Michals will be joined by representatives from CPUC, Recurve, and Lumina. Register for conference [here](#).

We hope to see you at these events, but if you want to learn about the sessions and can't attend please contact NSPM@nationalefficiencyscreening.org.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:

April 25, 2019, Webinar on Quantifying EE and other DER Impacts

This webinar brought together experts Tim Woolf of Synapse Energy Economics, Denise Mulholland of U.S. EPA, Jim Barrett of ACEEE, and Lauren Gage of Apex Analytics to discuss recent innovations and tools for EE CE testing.

Attendees enjoyed diving into the NSPM and DSESP, learning about EPA's new guide to quantifying multiple benefits from EE, and following ACEEE's overview of their winter publication on [measuring economic development benefits of EE](#). Apex Analytics then previewed its work on how well existing BCA models can support use of the NSPM framework (see page 2 "How do Traditional BCA Models Align with the NSPM?")

You can watch the webinar [here](#).

June 3-4, 2019, NASEO Mid-Atlantic

At NASEO's Mid-Atlantic meeting earlier this month, Erin Malone of Synapse Energy Economics presented an overview of the NSPM, DSESP, and forthcoming NSPM for DERs project. Download the slides [here](#).

**That's all for now—watch for our third edition coming September 2019!
And meanwhile, we hope you have a wonderful summer!**