

Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues

Data Analysis Workgroup

August 27, 2024

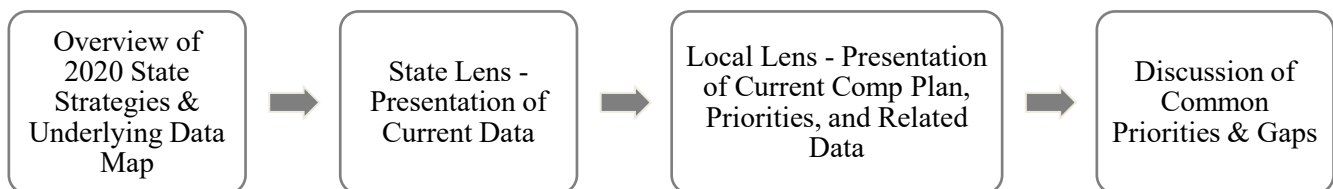
Purpose:

The Cabinet Committee on State Planning Issues (Cabinet Committee) formed the Data Analysis Workgroup (Workgroup) to compile data and conduct analysis of statewide land use, demographic, and infrastructure trends. Engagement between the State and local governments related to State Strategies typically occurs on a 5-year cycle. The Workgroup will facilitate more frequent and targeted discussions between the State and local government planning and policy officials that will help to inform and shape the Strategies for State Policies and Spending Update Process.

In addition to ongoing communication and information sharing among state agencies, local governments, and other stakeholders, the Workgroup is hosting detailed and comprehensive discussions in each county about specific planning related data. The Cabinet Committee will use the information discussed and collected during workshops to inform interagency work plans and priorities, as well as agency specific plans. This includes the update to the State Strategies for Policy and Spending due June 2025.

Tasks:

- The Workgroup will host a meeting with local governments in each county, each open to the public. The meetings will help the Cabinet Committee begin stakeholder outreach and public engagement requirements, as mandated by the State Strategies development process. Meetings are designed for the Workgroup to achieve the following objectives: Present data sets, metrics, and analysis about land use, growth trends, and impacts that are the basis of state policy, strategy development, and spending decisions.
- Present an assessment of the State’s understanding of trends and implications, and what the data means for Delaware’s future.
- Reach an understanding and consensus about what data and data sets exist at state and local government level and what inputs influence state priorities and the development of Strategies for State Policies and Spending.
- Collect data and feedback that will be considered in the update of the Strategies for State Policies and Spending, which is scheduled for update in 2025.



Data Analysis Workgroup Membership:

- Chair: Delaware Department of Transportation. Nicole Majeski, Secretary.
- Delaware Department of Agriculture, Delaware Forest Service. Kyle Hoyd, State Forester.
- Delaware State Housing Authority. Emily Cunningham, Chief of Staff.
- Delaware Population Consortium. Dan Blevins, Wilmapco, DPC Vice Chair.

The Workgroup will be supported by data consultant, Whitman Requardt; workshop facilitator, University of Delaware Institute for Public Administration; and workshop supports, Widener-Delaware Law School. The Office of State Planning Coordination will provide meeting and logistical support, FOIA compliance, coordinate with Data Analysis Workgroup on data analysis and presentation, and also coordinate Workgroup activities with the State Strategies update.