

National States Geographic Information Council 2008 State Summary  
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State of Delaware

Background Information

1	Please Choose the primary contact
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3	Please select the answer that most closely describes your role in statewide GIS coordination.
Officially Recognized Statewide GIS Coordinator	

4	What is your job title?
Other (please specify) Data Coordinator	

5	Enter the name of your agency/organization.
Delaware Office of Management and Budget: Budget Development, Planning, and Administration Section	

6	Please select the answer that best describes the affiliation of your office/agency in state government.
Budget or Fiscal Oversight Agency	

11	Describe your state's top three geospatial accomplishments during the past year. (200 character limit per line)
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[Accomplishment 1.](#)

Deployed new statewide orthophotography and land use/land cover data.

[Accomplishment 2.](#)

Began regular meetings of a policy-level Executive Council of the Delaware Geographic Data Committee.

[Accomplishment 3.](#)

Implementation of an enterprise license agreement with ESRI providing lower-cost GIS software licenses to all state agencies.

12	Describe your state's top three geospatial goals for the coming year. (200 character limit per line)
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[Goal 1.](#)

Creation of a basic strategic plan for enterprise data-sharing among at least state agencies.

[Goal 2.](#)

Redesign and re-energizing of some form of geospatial metadata clearinghouse.

[Goal 3.](#)

Starting work on a central data distribution portal in partnership with our state CIO office.

13	Describe the three most significant geospatial challenges for your state. (200 character limit per line)
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[Challenge 1.](#)

Expanding the use of geospatial data among all state agencies.

[Challenge 2.](#)

Expansion of publishing of metadata, especially by state agencies.

[Challenge 3.](#)

Establishment of dependable funding sources for statewide data projects.

14	Describe any significant cooperative efforts with federal, state or local partners. (200 character limit per line)
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[Cooperative Effort 1.](#)

LIDAR/Elevation partnership with USGS.

[Cooperative Effort 2.](#)

Transportation data partnership with state DOT, county governments, and TeleAtlas.

[Cooperative Effort 3.](#)

On-going partnership with Delaware Geological Survey and state IT agency to serve Framework Data via the DataMIL.

[Cooperative Effort 4.](#)

Partnership of state Environmental agency and USGS to maintain the NHD.

[Cooperative Effort 5.](#)

Growing partnership with State CIO office on enterprise approach to GIS tools and data-sharing.

[Cooperative Effort 6.](#)

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15	Describe any significant data development activities, innovative applications, cost saving measures, contracts, etc. that are on-going or that you have begun over the past year. (200 character limit per line)
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[Activity 1.](#)

Statewide ortho, elevation and land use data.

[Activity 2.](#)

Statewide enterprise licensing for ESRI products

[Activity 3.](#)

Statewide transportation data work with TeleAtlas.

[Activity 4.](#)

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[Activity 5.](#)

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[Activity 6.](#)

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16	Please provide the URL link for the mission statement of your state GIS Council.
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URL:

<http://stateplanning.delaware.gov/dgdc/default.shtml>

17	Please provide the URL link for your state GIS Coordination Office.
No State GIS Coordination Office	
18	Please provide the URL link for your state GIS Coordination Council Web Page.
URL: <a href="http://www.state.de.us/planning/dgdc/default.shtml">http://www.state.de.us/planning/dgdc/default.shtml</a>	
19	Please provide the URL link for your state GIS Clearinghouse Node.
We Are Working on a Clearinghouse Node - Not Yet Available	
20	Is your Clearinghouse Node set up to be harvested by the GOS Portal?
Not Applicable	
21	Please provide the URL link to a list of GIS data stewards for your state.
No List Available	
22	Please provide the URL link to your state GIS Personnel Classifications.
No Specific GIS Classifications	
23	Please provide the URL link for your state GIS data distribution policies.
No State Data Distribution Policy	
24	Please provide the URL link for your state GIS Data Standards.
Digital File Available by E-mail	

## Score Card for the fifty states initiative

1	<p>Which of the following NSGIC Coordination Criteria are in effect in your state?</p> <p>1 = We previously had this function and lost it over the past year</p> <p>2 = No plans at this time for implementing this criteria</p> <p>3 = We currently are planning to implement this within the next 12 to 18 months</p> <p>4 = Progress has been made and we reasonably expect this to be fully implemented within the next 12 months</p> <p>5 = Implemented at this time</p>					
	Not Applicable	1	2	3	4	5
1. A full-time, paid coordinator position is designated and has the authority to implement the state's business and strategic plans.	-	-	-	-	4	-
2. A clearly defined authority exists for statewide coordination of geospatial information technologies and data production.	-	-	-	-	-	5
3. The statewide coordination office has a formal relationship with the state's Chief Information Officer (or similar office).	-	-	-	-	-	5
4. A champion (politician or executive decision-maker) is aware and involved in the process of coordination.	-	-	-	-	-	5
5. Responsibilities for developing the National Spatial Data Infrastructure and a State Clearinghouse are assigned.	-	-	-	-	4	-
6. The ability exists to work and coordinate with local governments, academia, and the private sector.	-	-	-	-	-	5
7. Sustainable funding sources exist to meet projected needs.	-	-	-	3	-	-
8. Coordinators have the authority to enter into contracts and become capable of receiving and expending funds.	-	-	-	-	-	5
9. The Federal government works through the statewide coordinating authority.	-	-	-	-	-	5
2	Please identify the stakeholder groups that participate on your GIS Coordination Council and their level of participation.					

	Actively participates on our Council	Has an official 'seat' or voting privileges on our Council	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Cities and Towns	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Statewide City Organization	Actively participates on our Council	-	-
Counties and Parishes	Actively participates on our Council	-	-
Statewide County Organization	-	-	-
Regional Government Organizations	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
State Agencies	Actively participates on our Council	-	-
Tribal Governments	-	-	-
Federal Agencies	Actively participates on our Council	-	-
Utilities	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Academic (Colleges & Universities)	Actively participates on our Council	-	-
Education (K-12)	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Private Sector (GIS Industry Vendors and Users)	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
General Business Community	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Surveying Community	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Non-Profit Organizations	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
General Public	-	-	Invited to participate in general meetings of our Council
Local URISA Chapter	-	-	-
Local ASPRS Chapter	-	-	-

3	Please provide the URL link to your current Statewide Strategic Plan for GIS.
Under Development - Not Available at this Time	

4	Please provide the URL link to your current Statewide Business Plan for GIS.
Under Development - Not Available at this Time	

5	Please provide the URL link to your current Statewide Marketing Plan for GIS.
Under Development - Not Available at this Time	

6	Please provide the URL link to the Law or Executive Order that established your GIS Coordination Office and/or Council.
URL: <a href="http://delcode.delaware.gov/sessionlaws/ga144/chp103.shtml">http://delcode.delaware.gov/sessionlaws/ga144/chp103.shtml</a>	

7	Please provide a URL link to your state's law(s) related to privacy issues as they affect data and information technology.
URL: <a href="http://delcode.delaware.gov/title29/c090c/sc01/index.shtml">http://delcode.delaware.gov/title29/c090c/sc01/index.shtml</a>	

8	Please provide a URL link to your state's law(s) related to data security issues.
URL: <a href="http://delcode.delaware.gov/title29/c090c/sc01/index.shtml">http://delcode.delaware.gov/title29/c090c/sc01/index.shtml</a>	

9	Does your GIS Coordination Council have adequate funding to support its operation? (This refers only to the activities of the Council and not to your Coordination Office or projects like data development.)
Partially Funded	

10	What fund sources does your Coordination Council use to support its operations? (Check all that apply)
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State General Funds  
Agency Contributions As Required  
Federal Grants

11 | Does your GIS Council officially endorse the use of appropriate OGC, FGDC, ANSI or ISO standards as appropriate?  
No

12 | Does your state make its own GIS Inventory tool available to users?  
No, but we actively support use of the Ramona System

13 | Does your state actively develop and promote the use of data sharing agreements?  
None needed because everyone participates in the public domain

14 | Does your GIS Council or State Coordination Office actively participate in The National Map?  
Yes

### Hot Topics

1 | Does your state have a shared Orthoimagery Program that involves local and state agencies?  
Yes

2 | Have you completed a Return on Investment (ROI) Study or Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) to justify a shared Orthoimagery Program?  
No

3 | Please provide a URL link so we can obtain a copy of your ROI or CBA study.  
Not Applicable

4 | Does your state have a shared Road Centerline file project that involves local and state agencies?  
Yes

5 | Have you completed a Return on Investment (ROI) Study or Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) to justify a shared Road Centerline File program?  
No

6 | Please provide a URL link so we can obtain a copy of your ROI or CBA study.  
Not Applicable

7 | Does your state have a statewide (or multi-jurisdictional) address database? (pick one)  
Yes

8 | Is this database based on individual addresses or address ranges? (pick one)  
Both

9 | Have you completed a Return on Investment (ROI) or Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) to justify this Address program? (pick one)  
No

10 | If applicable, please provide a URL link so we can obtain a copy of your ROI or CBA study. (fill-in if applicable)

### Role of State GIS Coordinators

1 | Please choose the mechanism that created your position.  
Legislation

2 | Please provide the URL link for the document(s) that created your position (Legislation, Executive Order or Other Action).  
URL:  
<http://delcode.delaware.gov/sessionlaws/ga144/chp103.shtml>

3	Which choice most closely matches the title of your boss?
State Department/Agency Division Director	

4	What choice best describes how closely you are aligned with the State CIO?
Not Very Close, But Getting Closer	

5	Please select the number of staff that you supervise.
Less than 3	

6	Does your GIS Coordination Office have adequate funding to support its operation? (This refers only to the activities of your office and not to the Coordination Council, or projects like data development.)
Partially Funded	

7	What fund sources does your Coordination Office use to support its operations? (Check all that apply)
State General Funds	

8	When an administration change occurs following a statewide election is your position?
Not Likely to be Affected	

9 Please rank the importance of these characteristics/skills to the effective performance of your job.					
	Not Important	Not Very Important	Important	Very Important	Critical
GIS Evangelist/Cheerleader	-	-	-	-	Critical
GIS Architect	-	-	Important	-	-
Political Savvy	-	-	-	Very Important	-
Technological Savvy	-	-	-	Very Important	-
General Management Skills	-	-	-	Very Important	-
Procurement/Contracting Skills	-	-	-	Very Important	-
People Skills	-	-	-	-	Critical
Understanding the Business Needs of Your Customers	-	-	-	Very Important	-