# NCEI Customer Engagement Initiatives to Guide Opportunities for Innovation

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## **Topics**

- About NOAA NCEI and Information Services
- Examples of Engagement Progress
- Looking Ahead

## **About Me: Research at NCEI**



- NOAA cooperative research institute, located with the NOAA NCEI in Asheville, NC
- Hosted by NC State University for the University of North Carolina System, under the NCSU Office of Research, Innovation and Economic Development



- Team of 35+ experts in various aspects of environmental data and information services
- Support innovative and interdisciplinary research to operations activities in NOAA and NCEI mission goals



## **NOAA NCEI**

- Responsible for hosting and providing access to one of the most significant archives on Earth, with comprehensive oceanic, atmospheric, and geophysical data
- From the depths of the ocean to the surface of the sun and from million-year-old sediment records to near real-time satellite images
- Nation's leading authority for environmental information





## **NOAA NCEI**

### **Archive U.S. and International Climate Data**

Data spans stone-age to space-age... and across the globe





















## **NOAA NCEI**

## **Serving Wide Range of Users**

Federal Government State/Local Government Consulting Meteorologist Agriculture Infrastructure Utilities Research Media University Insurance Engineering Individual Legal















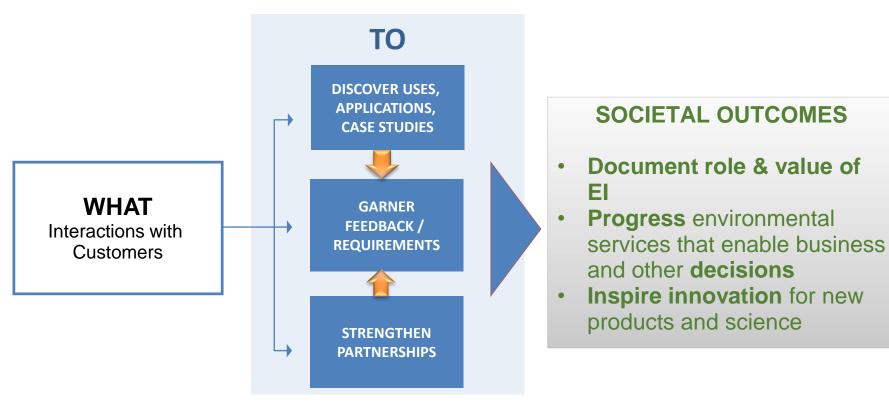




**Private Business** 

## **Supporting NCEI Engagement**

# NCEI is investing in improving capacity to document customer interactions



The dynamic engagement and services model provides a quantitative basis for understanding and supporting the NCEI value for the Nation, its economy and public services.





## **NCEI Engagement Team Efforts**

- Customer analytics and information
- Value of the Data Success Story updates
- Unique data usage vignettes from customer service requests
- Customer feedback and new requirements
- Key engagement events
- Upcoming Products and Tools





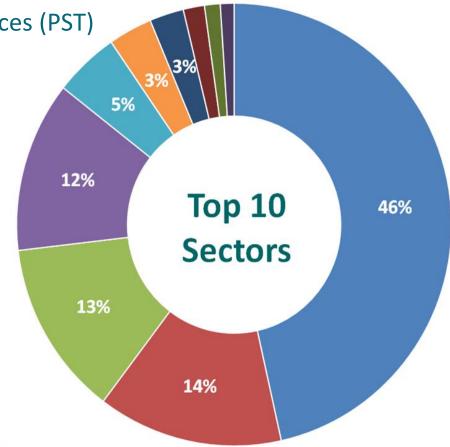
## **Customer Insights: Who and What**



**Top 10 Sectors identified** - include PST, Other Services and Public Administration as largest user groups

Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services (PST)

- Other Services
- Public Administration
- Educational Services
- All Other
- Finance & Insurance
- Construction
- Foreign 2%
- Manufacturing 1%
- Information 1%

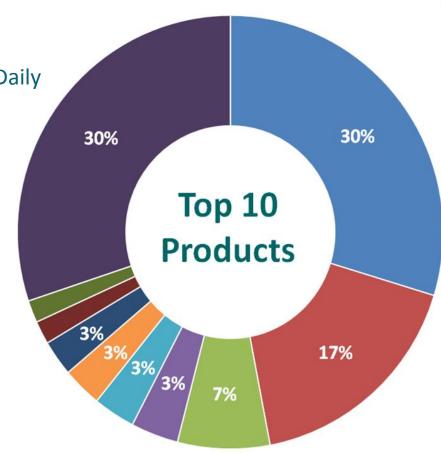


## **Customer Insights**



### Top 10 Products identified - include LCD, GHCN- Daily, and ISD

- Local Climatological Data (LCD)
- Global Historical Climatological Data (GHCN) Daily
- Integrated Surface Data (ISD)
- Service Record Retention System (SRRS)
- Global Summary of the Month (GSOM)
- Cooperative Observation Data (COOP)
- Storm Events Database 2%
- Normals 2%
- Radar Level III 2%
- All Other

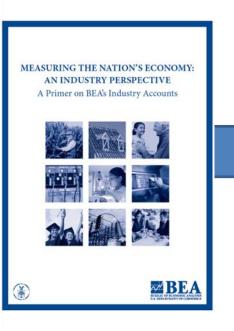


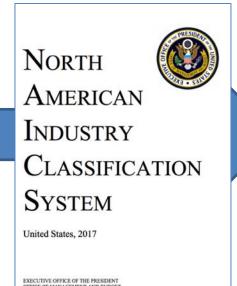
# Documenting How NCEI Provides Socio-Economic Benefits

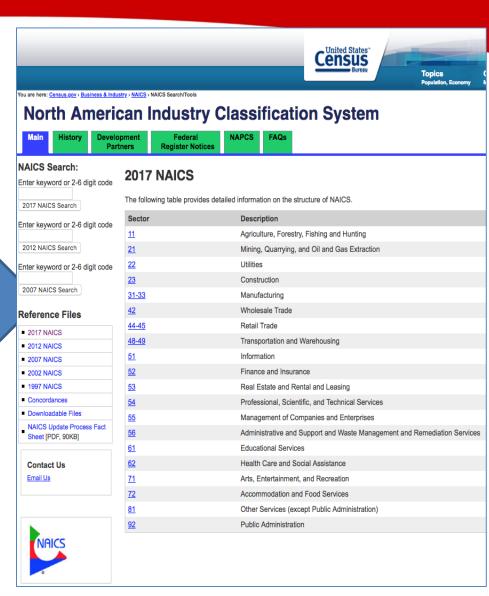
- Businesses: Economic Vitality
- Communities: Quality of Life
- Infrastructure: Security and Resilience
- Energy: Production, Conservation, Use
- Environment: Agricultural and Biodiversity



## **Approach to Our Analysis**









## **Example - Value of NCEI CWC Information**

### Finance & Insurance - Sector Informational Sheet

#### At a Glance

- NOAA National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI) offers
  relevant climate and weather data from NOAA satellite, radar, and in
  situ observing systems that support a range of transactions in the
  finance and insurance sector.
- The performance of U.S. financial and insurance markets, a \$1.5
  trillion economic sector, is influenced by climate and weather events
  including hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and extreme heat and cold.
- The financial sector relies on NCEI's climate and weather data and information to determine insurance premiums and payouts for losses due to extreme events and to inform investment decisions.

### **Applications**

- Catastrophe Models, Insurance, and Reinsurance
- Energy Trading





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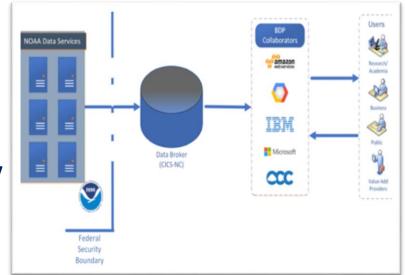
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## Advancing Efforts in Research and Innovation

- ➤ Support improvements in access for NCEI's data and product holdings
  - Data Stewardship Maturity Matrix
  - NOAA's Big Data Project
- ➤ Support innovative research to improve the quality of *in situ* and satellite observations and share the information regarding the Earth's climate
- > Support interagency activities for global, national and regional assessments of climate change
  - USGCRP Climate Science Special
  - Vol. 1 of 4<sup>th</sup> National Climate Assessment:
  - USGCRP 4<sup>th</sup> National Climate Assessment is scheduled for release in late 2018
- Prepare the next generation of climate scientists, engineers and technicians



https://ncics.org/data/noaa-big-data-project/





## **Summary and Looking Ahead**

- Improving methods to document uses, applications, requirements and value of environmental information across select sectors, formally and informally
- Building internal capacity at the moment
- As well we conduct interdisciplinary outreach activities to reach K-12 and other general public outreach









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### **NCEI Environmental Data Archive Volume**

Increasing Data Volumes from Station, Model, Radar, and Satellite Sources

