Policymakers, industry officials and others often need information on the total economic impacts of specific local economic sectors or on the impacts of various changes in the local economy. Changes in employment or output often occur locally as a result of new business locations, plant closings, regulatory changes or other community events and such changes have implications for other parts of the local economy.

**IMPLAN** is an economic impact assessment modeling system that allows the construction of economic models which estimates these impacts in your communities.

- NEPA has the **IMPLAN** Version 3.0 software and the 2008 data sets for Pennsylvania.

It is used to provide information regarding what is the effect on a local economy from a tourist attraction, a manufacturing facility or an industrial park. There are three impacts:

- **Direct** - What is the direct impact from a change in the operation of a facility?
- **Indirect** - What is the impact from the purchasing of inputs that are used to produce a product?
- **Induced** - What is the impact from the spending of households who have people employed at the facility itself or at the supplying industries?

**IMPLAN** can be used to:

- Estimate the economic impact of new businesses
- Estimate the economic effects of establishing and operating tourist attractions
- Estimate the economic contribution of higher education
- Provide supplemental information that can be used for obtaining permits from governments
- Estimate the economic impact of the various alternative scenarios, which must be provided in an Environmental Impact Statement

### Results Generated

- **Employment**
- **Labor Income**
- **Output or Economic Activity**
- **State and Local Taxes**
- **Federal Taxes**

Each of the results are for:

- Direct or the Firm Itself Impacts
- Indirect or Supplier Impacts
- Induced or Household Spending Impacts

Total is the sum of the Direct, Indirect and Induced Impacts

### Statistical Information

Do you have a need for information from the U.S. Census Bureau, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics or other sources?

NEPA is an affiliate of the Pennsylvania State Data Center (PaSDC), a partner of the U.S. Census Bureau and the Commonwealth’s official source of demographic and economic data. NEPA can help by providing you with information from these sources & much more. Information available from various data sources can be used in grant applications and other reports to benefit you and your community.

We can assist you in gathering the information and providing it to you at no charge.

**NEPA can help by providing:**

- **Statistics for grant applications**
- **Sources of local economic & employment growth**
- **Determining industry growth trends locally, in the state or nation**
- **Identifying importing and exporting industries**
- **Employment data for analyzing the local economy - comparing local employment to national or state employment**
- **Data for decision makers in exploring the sharing of government services**
- **Statistics for use in marketing publications**
- **Business attraction, retention and expansion data**
NEPA can also provide data from the following sources:

- Pennsylvania Department of Education
- Pennsylvania Department of Health
- Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry, Center for Workforce Information and Analysis
- The Center for Rural Pennsylvania
- U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
- U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
- U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service

### About NEPA

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance is a regional community and economic development organization in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

NEPA provides a quality menu of programs and valuable services that best match the needs of our partners and add value to our region. NEPA is one of seven regional Local Development Districts that help to coordinate community and economic development activities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Providing assistance to businesses, communities and governments in Carbon, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Schuylkill and Wayne counties.

### About IMPLAN

The U.S. government had developed effective methods of gathering and reporting national economic statistics, but there were no methods for turning that information into functional data for local economies to use, as a result IMPLAN was created.

MIG, Inc. (Formerly “Minnesota IMPLAN Group, Inc.”) is the corporation that is responsible for the production of IMPLAN (IMpact analysis for PLANning) data and software. Using classic input-output analysis in combination with regional specific Social Accounting Matrices and Multiplier Models, IMPLAN provides a highly accurate and adaptable model for its users.

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