

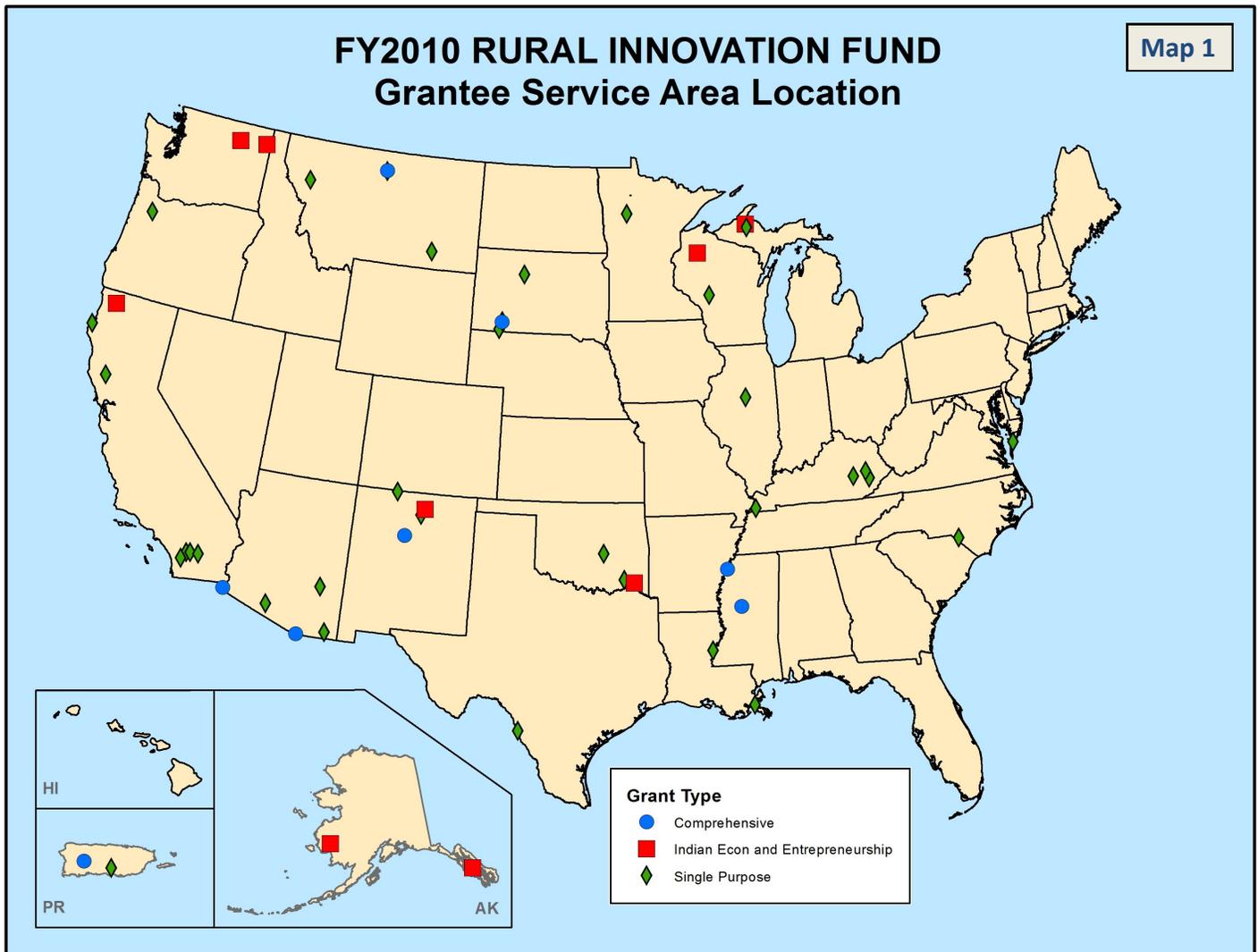
Where are the Rural Innovation Fund Grantees Working?

Overview

In 2011, the Rural Innovation Fund program awarded 51 grants with funding from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010, Public Law 111-117. These grants were awarded across three grant categories with the following breakdown:

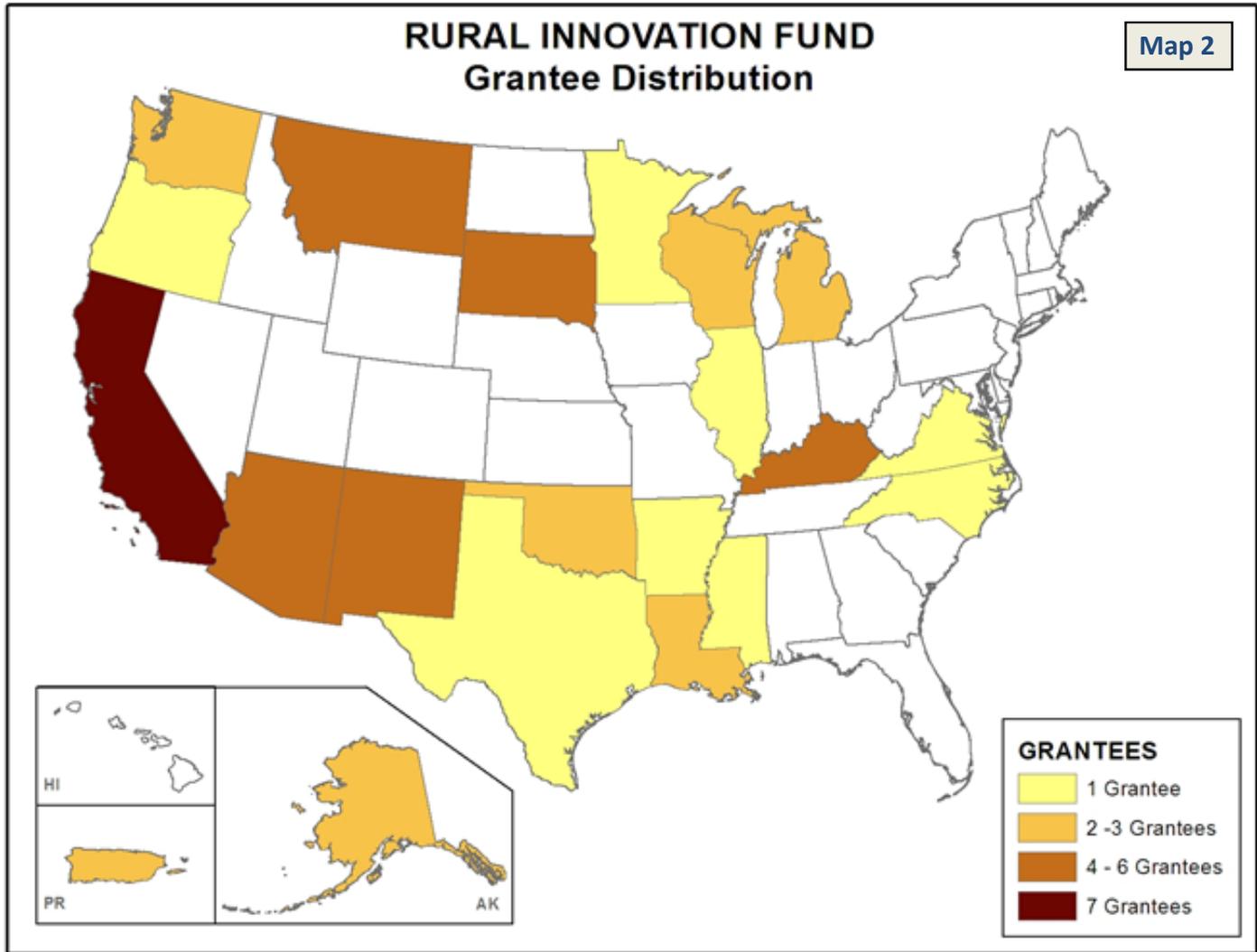
- 8 Comprehensive grantees (\$2,000,000 grant award maximum),
- 34 Single Purpose grantees (\$300,000 grant award maximum), and
- 9 Indian Economic Development and Entrepreneurship grantees (\$800,000 grant award maximum).

In whole, the RIF grants represent 20 States and Puerto Rico (Map 1). California applicants received the most RIF grants with seven, consisting of six Single Purpose and one Indian Economic Development and Entrepreneurship grants (Map 2). California was followed by Arizona (5), Kentucky (4), Montana (4), New Mexico (4), and South Dakota (4) (Graph 1).

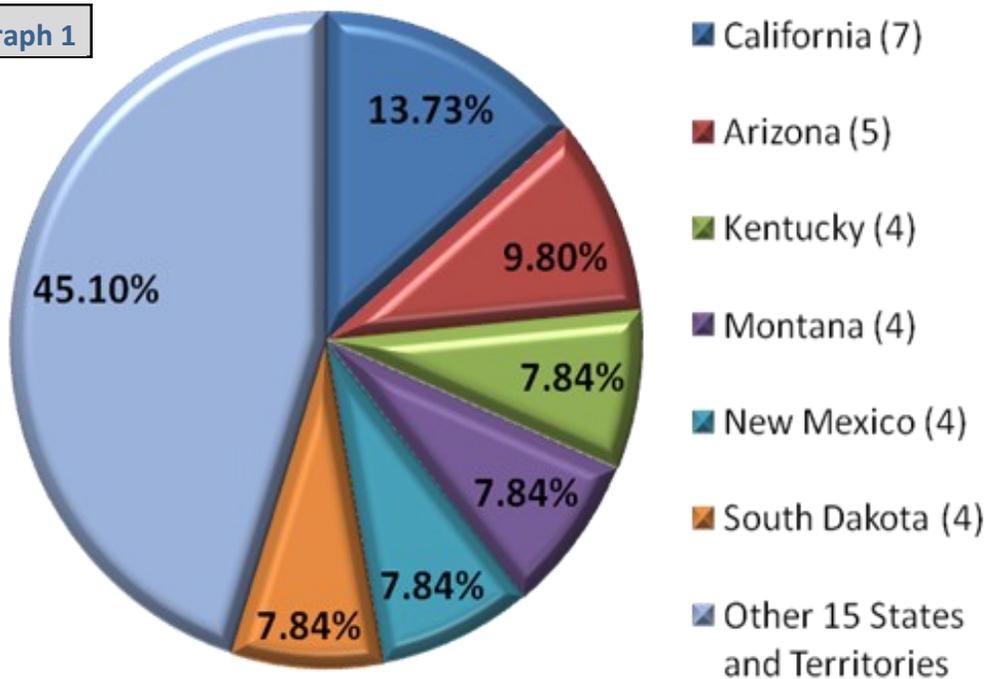


Map 1. Displays the location of the service areas for the 51 Rural Innovation Fund grantees and the type of grant that was awarded. Please refer to the FY2010 RIF NOFA for additional details about the types of project allowed within each grant type category.

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Graph 1



Map 2. Displays the RIF grantee distribution by state with gradient coloration based on density.

Graph 1. Shows the high density of grants in the top six awarded states with the highest number of awards going to California (7).