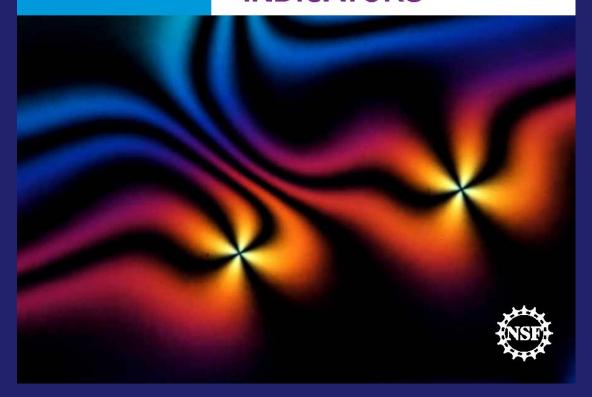
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Reimagining Science and Engineering Indicators: Roadmap

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Guiding Principles for Reimagining Indicators

Improve usability

> Attain production viability for SBE/NCSES and NSB



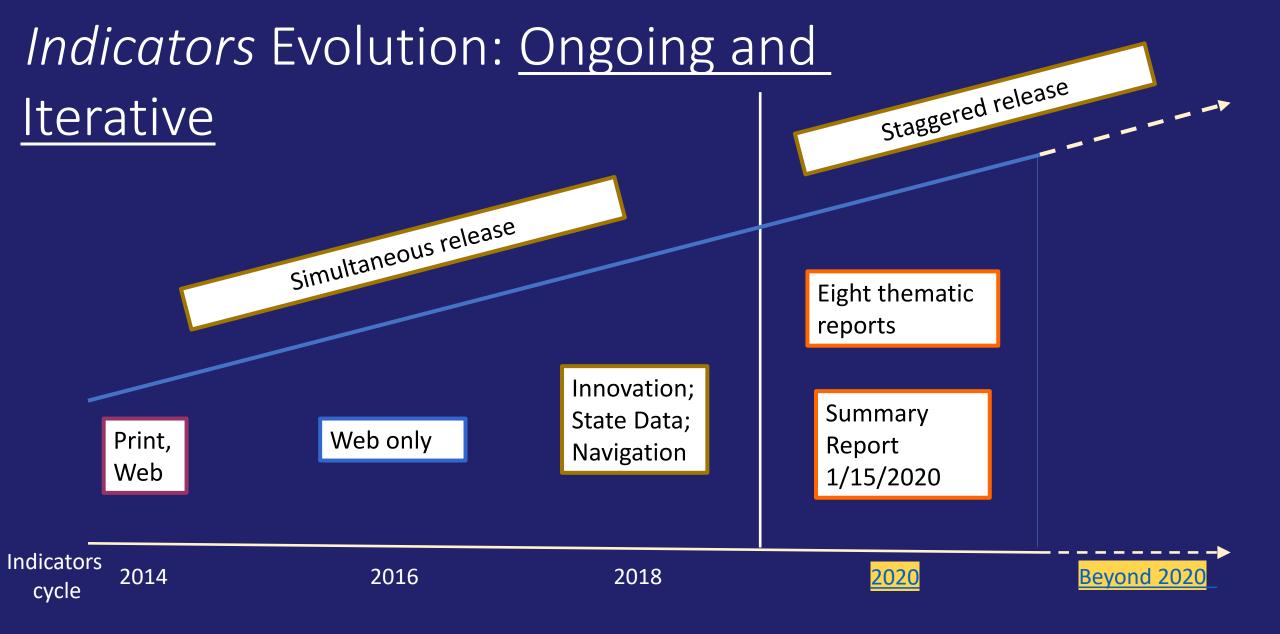
Indicators Evolution: Ongoing and Iterative

- Congressionally-mandated due date
 - Maintain production and implement change

- Stakeholder engagement and input
 - Considered in production plans



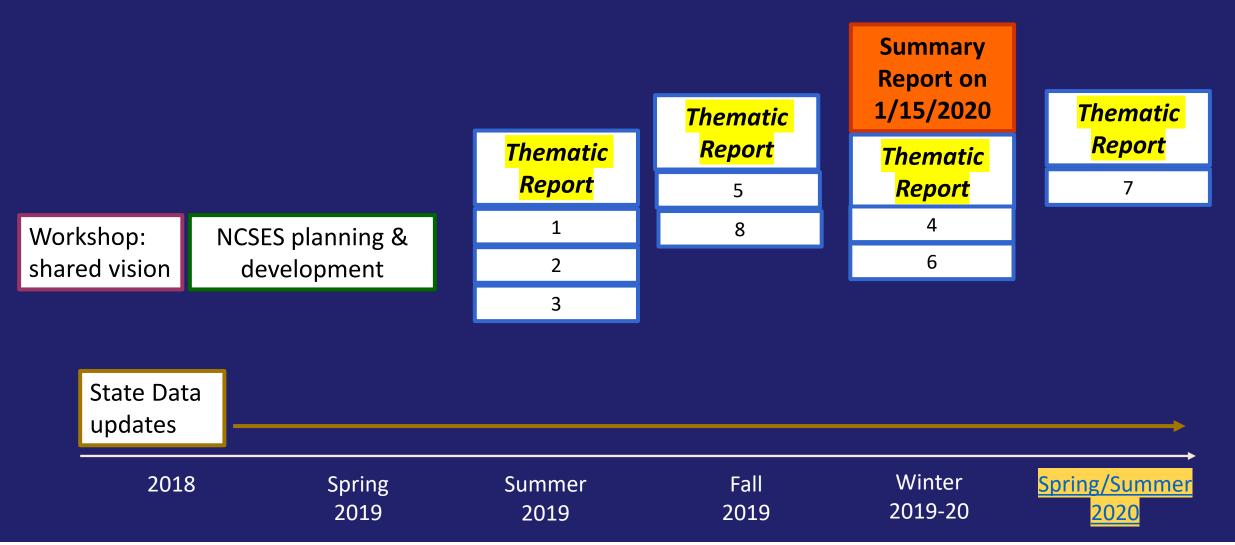








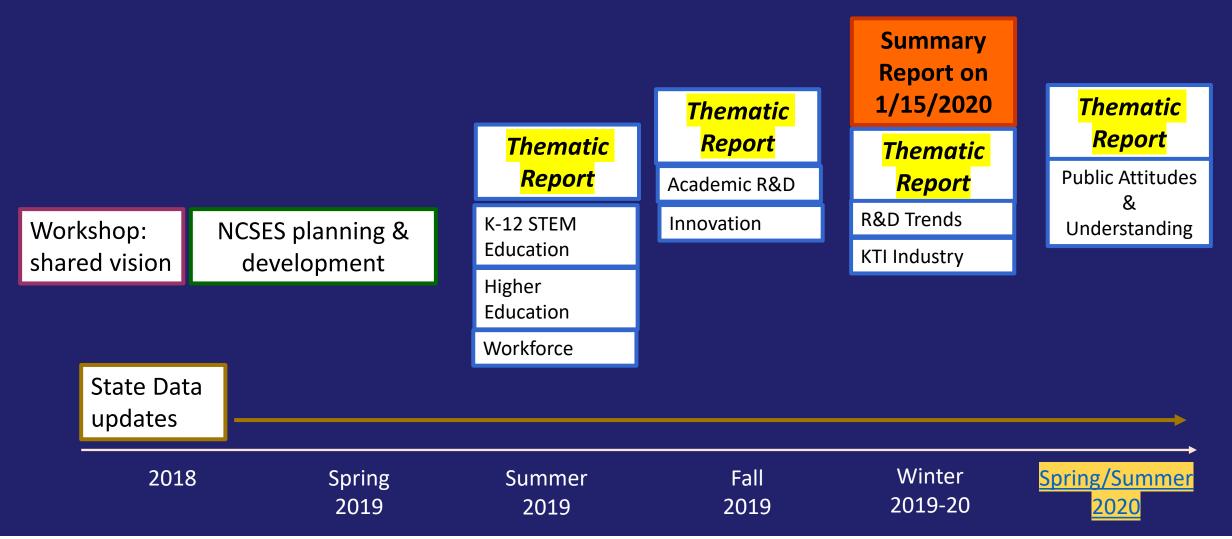
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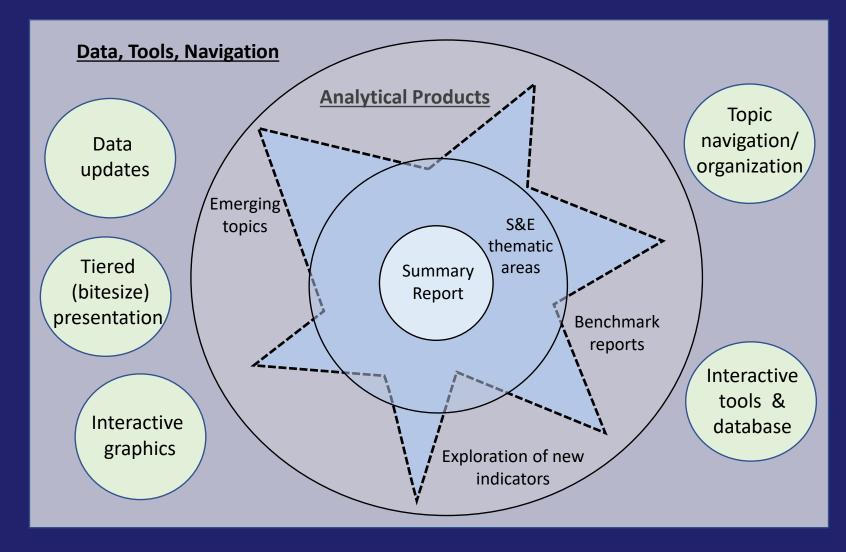
Reimagining *Indicators*: Review of Analytical Content

	<u>Previous cycles</u>		<u>2020 cycle</u>	
Review groups	Chapters (1 – 8, State)	Digest & Overview	Thematic Reports	Summary Report
➤ NSB	$\sqrt{}$	\checkmark	\checkmark	$\sqrt{}$
Experts (including federal agencies)	$\sqrt{}$		\checkmark	
Federal agency concurrence	$\sqrt{}$			$\sqrt{}$
Sequence of review groups	Sequential	NSB only	Parallel	Parallel
Items under review at a given period	All chapters	Two	Report(s) under production	One





Reimagining Indicators: Long-term State, Beyond 2020



Scalable production model

- Revisit product suite
- Prevent continuous growth







Reimagining Indicators: Steps to Long-term State

Indicators cycle	2020	2030	
NSB Policy Companions	Staggered thematic reports → more regular data		
Summary Report	Biennial		
S&E Thematic Reports (TR)	Eight substantially rewritten	Goal: Enhance timeliness and flexibility Approach: Revisit content, format, number Critical factors: Staffing and dissemination	
NCSES Special Reports	Plan future content	Goal: Develop and refine new indicators Approach: Begin with planned list of topics Capability; production steps including review	
Review Process	Similar, parallel Goal: Optimize review process; ensure quality and timeliness Approach: Rethink engagement		
Interactive Data/Tools	State Data periodic updates	Goal: Continue State Data Updates; leverage technology and enhance flexibility Approach: Build on NCSES's tools and capabilities	





We are Reimagining *Indicators* to.....

- Modernize how we provide information
- Leverage digital technology
- Improve agility
 - Dynamic, timely, and nimble reports
 - Viable production

Additional Slides





Reimagining Indicators: 2020 Review

Review groups

+ Focus reviewer expertise

Review groups: Parallel

- + Reduce production time
- + Assess reviewer input more holistically
- Reduce iterative refinement

Items under review

+ Reduce reviewer burden

NSB Communication

+ Streamline beyond NSB meetings -> more nimble production





Considerations for Thematic Reports

Key considerations

- Indicators on the state of the S&E enterprise
- Major findings in an accessible, effective fashion
- Leverage other published reports
- Special, one-time reports
- Maintain quality while improving the efficiency and sustainability of the process



Supplemental data tables to thematic reports

