

PAYT ON THE GO IN CO

Selected Information on PAYT For EPA Region 8 PAYT Grant Program

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KEY ELEMENTS OF THE REGION 8 PROGRAM

- ❑ FREE workshops on PAYT In Region 8 (1st one in Louisville 11/15/07) – sign up on this website
- ❑ FREE “basic” consulting help on PAYT for communities considering PAYT / assessing feasibility (many communities)
- ❑ FREE detailed consulting help for communities designing / evaluating / implementing PAYT
- ❑ FREE PAYT information / tools on website “www.paytwest.org”
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PAYT IMPACTS

- PAYT has the largest single impact of any change you can make on recycling programs
 - Curbside AND drop-off
- *Impacts include:*
 - *Recycling*
 - *Yard waste*
 - *Source reduction*
 - *Environmental impacts*
- *2/3 of communities see no cost increase from PAYT*

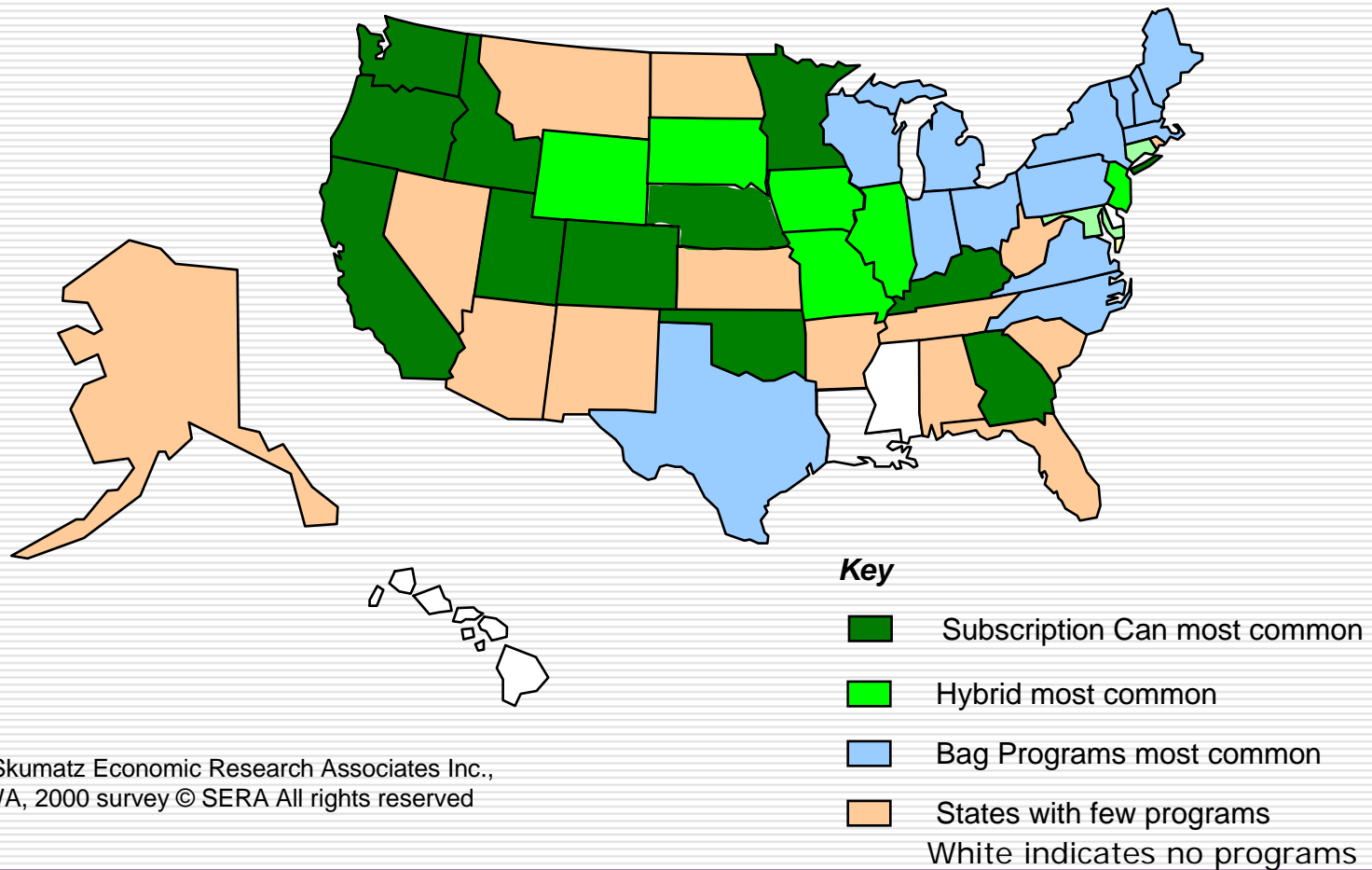


PAYT – BIGGEST IMPACT – BASIC SYSTEM TYPES

- Variable cans/subscription
- Bags
- Tags/stickers
- Hybrid
- Weight-based (GBTP)
- Drop-off variations
- Pros and cons

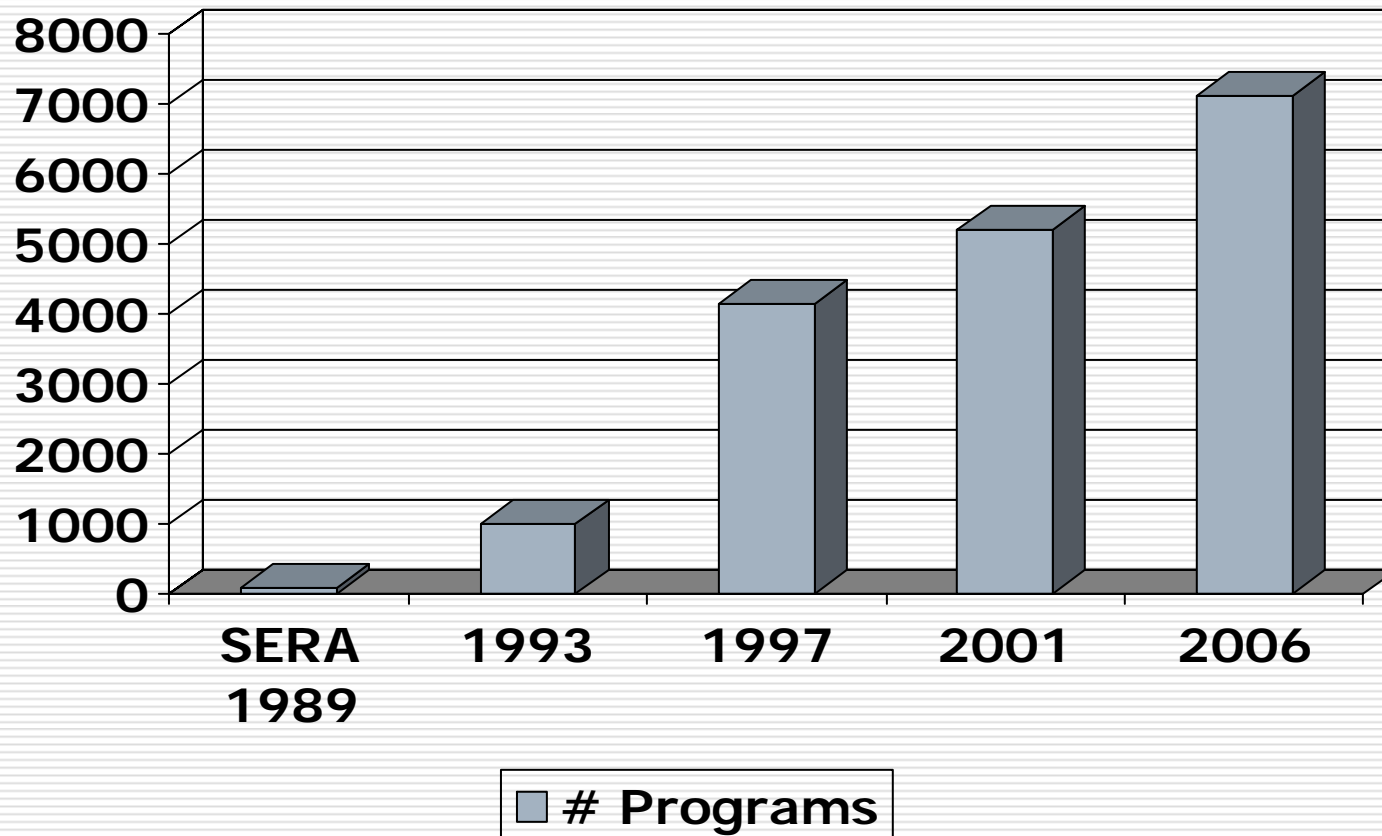


REGIONAL PATTERNS IN PAYT / VR PROGRAM TYPES



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COUNTS OF PROGRAMS NATIONWIDE

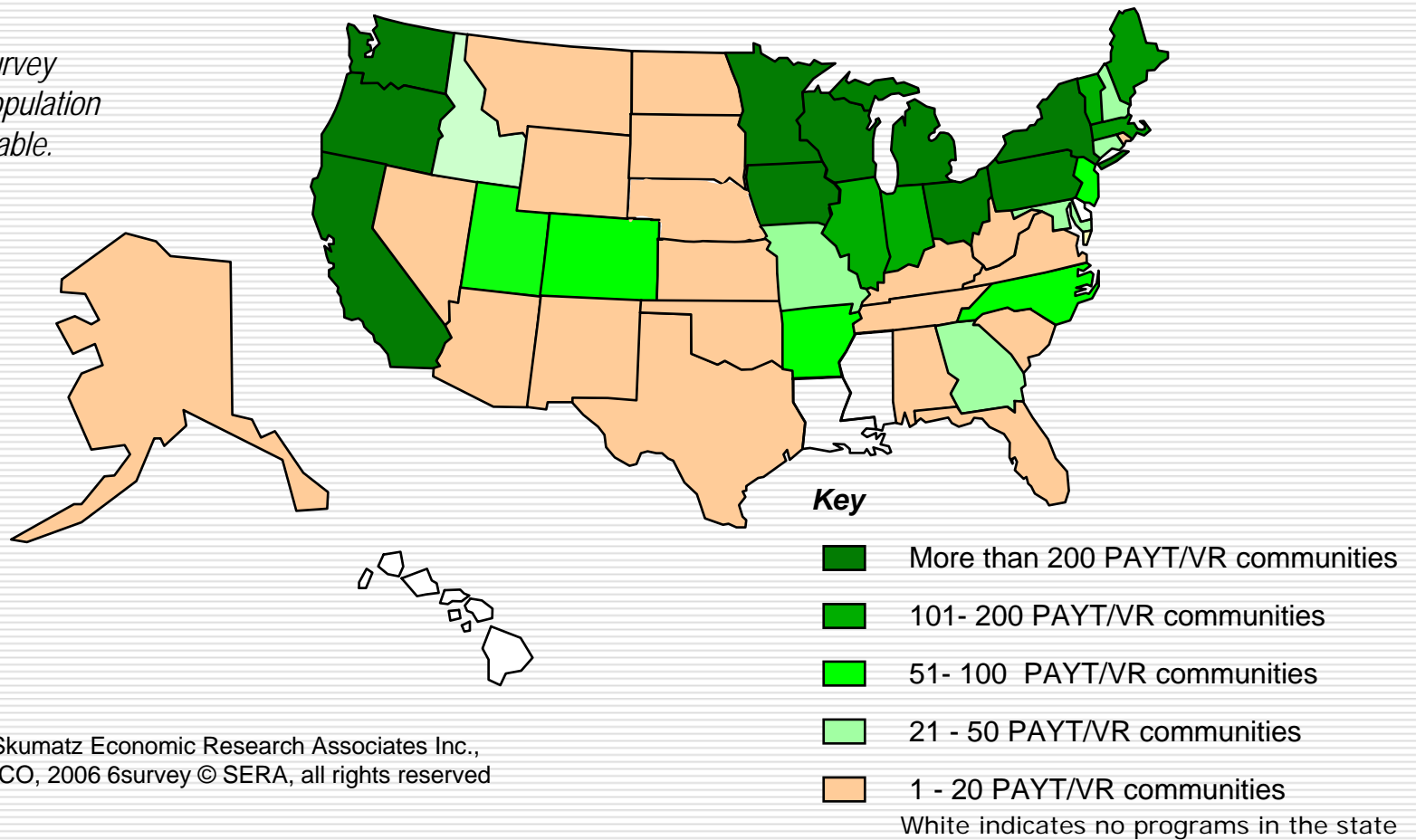


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PAY-AS-YOU-THROW (PAYT) / VARIABLE RATES COMMUNITIES

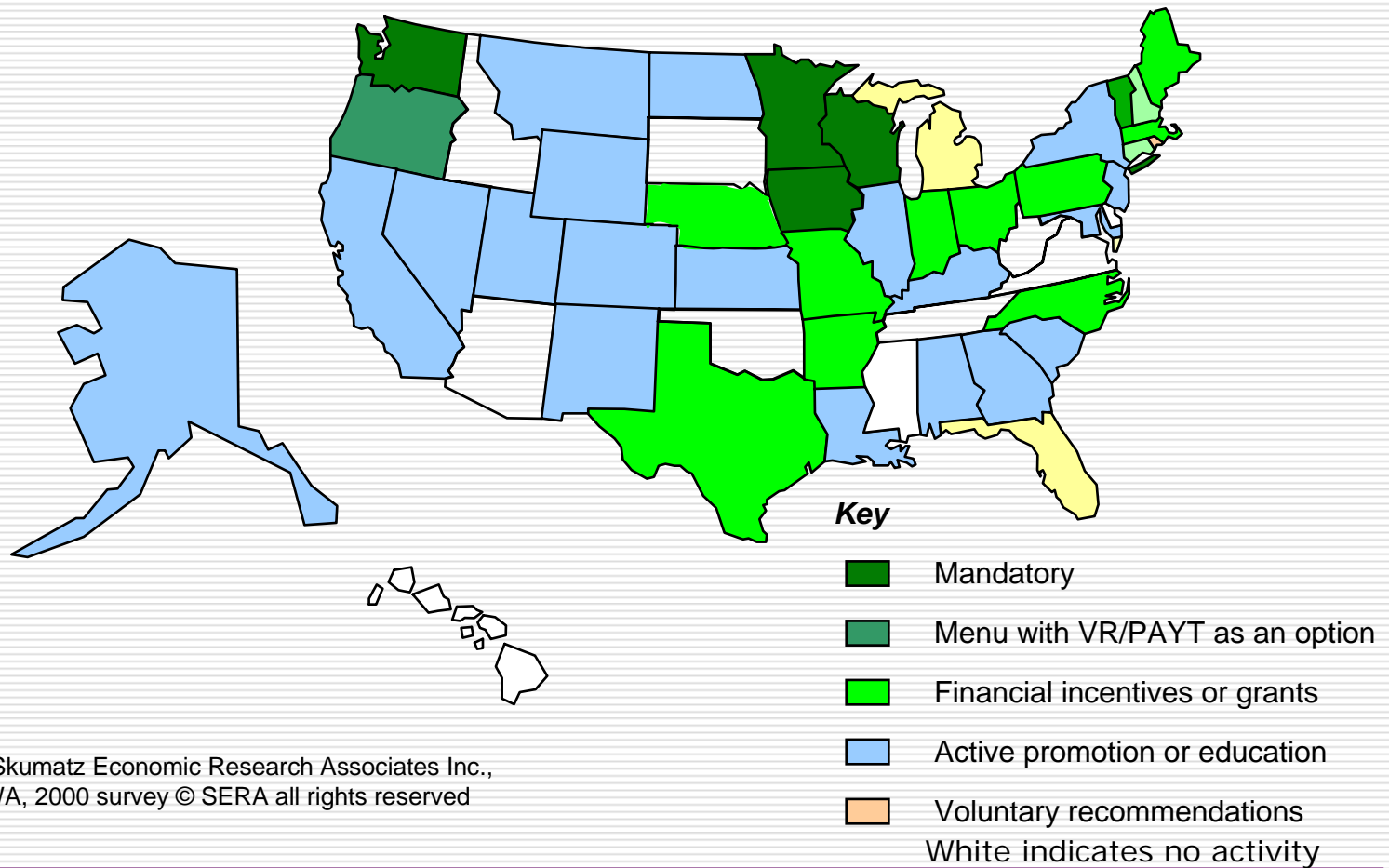
SERA's 2006 survey found almost 7,100 PAYT/VR communities and only 3 states without programs

SERA's 2006 survey
found 25% of population
with PAYT available.



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PAYT/VARIABLE RATES LEGISLATION AT THE STATE LEVEL



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PAYT PROBLEMS: FEAR VS. REALITY (workshops & upcoming tools provide much more detail...)

Fear	Reality
Illegal dumping	Minimal / low, short-lived
Confusion, resistance to change	Continuing education (prior, free stickers)
Non-compliance	Minimal
Contamination	Minimal
Burning	Banned (60%, illegal, seasonal, warn once then remove, charge more)
Self-haul and by-pass	Base fee, mandatory (impacts on rates and setouts)
Revenues (esp. haulers)	Less volatile systems, work with haulers in design, pilot
Private/multiple haulers	Multiple colors, work with haulers
Local and regional economics	Depends on markets, LF ownership, processing, cost structure, prices

PAYT SUMMARY

- ❑ Programs common, urban & rural, including relatively isolated areas
- ❑ Large, demonstrated savings
- ❑ Fair, flexible, recurring INCENTIVE with strong positive impacts
- ❑ Works with other programs & automation & universal & ... (or not)
- ❑ Quick and can be Cost-Effective
- ❑ Communities report **THEY WORK!**

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