

As of January 15, 1966, forty-eight States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands have designated agencies as required for participation under this Act, and forty requests have been received for planning grants.

4. *Level of operations.* (See table 1.)

Program : State Technical Services.

Department or agency, and office or bureau : Department of Commerce; Office of State technical services.

TABLE 1.—*Level of operations or performance, fiscal years 1964-67*

Measure and unit	Fiscal year 1965	Fiscal year 1966 estimate	Fiscal year 1967, estimate
(a) Magnitude of the program (State programs).....	0	40	50
(b) Applicants or participants:			
State government agencies.....	0	40	50
Local communities or governments.....			
Individuals or families.....			
Qualified institutions.....		80	100
(c) Federal finances:			
Obligations.....	0	\$3,500,000	\$8,000,000
Expenditures.....	0	\$2,500,000	\$6,500,000
(d) Matching or additional expenditures for the program.....	0	(1)	(1)
(e) Number of Federal Government employees administering, operating, or supervising the activity.....	0	² 13	³ 29
(f) Non-Federal personnel employed in the program.....	0	(1)	(1)
(g) Other measures of level or magnitude of performance.....			

¹ Supplemental appropriations were only recently received, and no State programs have as yet been evaluated, approved, or implemented.

² 1 administering and 12 operating.

³ 2 administering and 27 operating.

5. *Estimated magnitude of program in 1970*

The need for technical services as defined by this legislation is likely to increase in the future because of the increasing amount of technical information generated and the increasing technical sophistication of American industry.

6. *Prospective changes in program orientation*

The State Technical Services Act of 1965 was only recently signed by the President. Since the signing, a request for a change in the legislation to include the Territory of Guam has been received and is being given consideration. As noted under Sec. 5, it is likely that the need for technical services will increase in the future.

7. *Coordination and cooperation*

(a) *Within our office.*—Coordination and cooperation between the persons responsible for State Programs, the Special Merit Programs, and Central Reference Service will take place. The Central Reference Service provides services for the State Programs and the Special Merit Programs. The Special Merit Programs will support some projects which probably will in later years be absorbed as part of the regular programs in the States.

The proposed rules and regulations for the Office of State Technical Services have been published in the Federal Register, December 29, 1965, Volume 30, Number 250, page 16211.

(b) *With other units of our Department.*—Opportunities for cooperation with the Economic Development Administration in their