

2010 Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) Exhibition

Dr. John Abowd represented the AEA and Consortium of Social Science Associations at the 16th Annual CNSF Exhibition and Reception on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC. The purpose of the event was to educate members of Congress, congressional staff, and other federal employees about the breadth and significance of scientific research supported by the National Science Foundation.

Dr. Abowd's [exhibit](#) featured the Census Bureau's then new "[On the Map](#)" data product, which allows users to create workforce-related maps based on the Census Bureau's Local Employment Dynamics (LED) initiative. The LED is based on longitudinally integrated employer-employee data from multiple administrative record sources, including state agencies that partner with the Census Bureau. The LED data cover 160 million workers and 20 million businesses from 1990 on; they are updated quarterly. "On the Map" uses [state of the art disclosure avoidance](#) methods which allow users to analyze data at the local level while also ensuring that no confidential information about firms or workers could be disclosed.

