How are states using data as a strategic asset?
What is DASA?

Two year study to help increase knowledge about how states can leverage their administrative data for better decision-making
What are we studying?

- Why are states using data?
- What are the rules and policies around data use?
- How are states implementing, funding, and staffing efforts?
- What has helped and hindered efforts?
- To what extent have data influenced decision-making?
What are our methods?

Interviews and document reviews

State CIOs, senior budget staff, auditors/evaluators, and key staff within human services agencies

Relevant statutes, executive orders, administrative rules, strategic plans, and other documents and reports
Deliverables

50-State Assessment

Case Studies

Roadmap

Convening(s) and Presentations

Other Reports
A few examples
Where are we?

90% of Interviews completed
(315 of 350)
Federal-state relationship
What have we learned?

What are states' largest challenges?

- States most frequently say they:
  - Use data to budget, manage performance, and evaluate programs
  - Their largest challenges are staffing issues, lack of funding, and lack of access to good data

Factors that help states are:

- Strong leadership
- Qualified staff
- Data sharing
What has motivated states?
Thank you!

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