

NSS MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS as of February 16, 2016

The tables below are a summary of statistics derived from the membership database used to prepare the 2016 *NSS Members Manual*.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS BY STATE:

STATE	NSS Members		Caver Density ¹	Median ² NSS #	Percent of NSS Numbers under...						Percent of records with...		
	Number	Percent			10K	20K	30K	40K	50K	60K	Phone#	E-mail	Fellows
Alabama	414	4.5	8.7	49184	3	15	27	41	51	66	93	92	8
Alaska	30	0.3	4.2	30602	10	37	47	73	80	87	97	90	20
Arizona	195	2.1	3.1	42660	8	23	36	47	58	72	94	91	8
Arkansas	136	1.5	4.7	55373	2	10	21	26	43	65	90	88	6
California	559	6.0	1.5	45045	7	20	34	43	56	72	94	92	11
Colorado	367	4.0	7.3	41201	8	19	33	47	58	74	95	94	12
Connecticut	68	0.7	1.9	47373	4	13	31	43	57	76	91	91	4
Delaware	21	0.2	2.3	37958	0	29	43	62	76	86	90	90	5
Dist. of Columbia	14	0.2	2.3	63018	14	21	36	43	43	43	93	93	7
Florida	532	5.7	2.8	56717	4	9	17	27	39	58	90	94	5
Georgia	602	6.5	6.2	50644	3	12	23	37	49	66	94	90	7
Hawaii	26	0.3	1.9	43938	4	12	31	38	62	69	96	96	19
Idaho	69	0.7	4.4	48552	4	14	23	36	54	75	93	88	9
Illinois	208	2.2	1.6	44611	5	17	31	44	58	75	92	89	6
Indiana	331	3.6	5.1	43018	6	17	34	46	57	75	95	91	11
Iowa	21	0.2	0.7	27276	10	24	62	67	76	76	90	86	5
Kansas	51	0.6	1.8	32860	10	27	43	57	63	75	94	88	0
Kentucky	230	2.5	5.3	54297	5	15	26	35	44	59	94	94	9
Louisiana	37	0.4	0.8	45376	3	11	41	41	59	68	92	97	5
Maine	15	0.2	1.1	41650	7	20	20	47	60	93	80	93	7
Maryland	267	2.9	4.6	35560	5	24	40	58	72	79	95	92	9
Massachusetts	81	0.9	1.2	45769	14	27	32	46	57	72	91	93	9
Michigan	108	1.2	1.1	37957	3	17	40	53	68	82	93	86	7
Minnesota	50	0.	0.9	56338	8	16	24	32	42	66	98	94	12
Mississippi	26	0.3	0.9	45628	8	23	31	46	50	69	100	92	8
Missouri	285	3.1	4.8	43806	8	20	30	43	55	71	91	86	10
Montana	43	0.5	4.3	41322	7	33	37	49	65	79	95	95	9
Nebraska	6	0.1	0.3	48496	17	17	33	33	50	83	100	100	0
Nevada	67	0.7	2.5	45267	7	24	31	43	52	73	88	90	7
New Hampshire	24	0.3	1.8	17721	29	58	58	62	67	75	79	88	17
New Jersey	110	1.2	1.3	39099	7	16	31	51	62	78	89	90	10
New Mexico	192	2.1	9.3	32575	10	29	45	57	70	82	96	94	23
New York	248	2.7	1.3	46600	7	17	29	42	54	69	92	94	7
North Carolina	181	2.0	1.9	44516	10	23	33	43	54	72	97	96	7
North Dakota	4	0.0	0.6	18239	50	50	75	75	100	100	50	75	0
Ohio	386	4.2	3.3	46572	2	11	26	40	57	73	91	91	6
Oklahoma	75	0.8	2.0	58364	4	12	23	35	44	51	85	85	4
Oregon	100	1.1	2.6	34909	11	26	45	55	58	76	95	98	9
Pennsylvania	467	5.0	3.7	40347	7	19	34	50	64	77	93	88	6
Rhode Island	6	0.1	0.6	47007	0	17	33	50	50	50	100	100	0
South Carolina	66	0.7	1.4	51909	8	11	15	32	44	58	83	94	3
South Dakota	31	0.3	3.8	45868	3	23	35	42	61	68	97	90	23
Tennessee	582	6.3	9.2	49122	6	15	26	40	51	65	95	91	10
Texas	419	4.5	1.7	42670	10	23	34	44	58	69	94	94	11
Utah	87	0.9	3.1	45455	2	14	23	40	59	70	98	99	11
Vermont	37	0.4	5.9	37569	8	27	41	54	68	89	97	92	5
Virginia	598	6.5	7.5	38280	9	25	40	51	66	79	92	91	14
Washington	147	1.6	2.2	44146	6	21	32	45	61	71	95	97	7
West Virginia	212	2.3	11.4	37039	4	25	41	54	72	83	92	86	15
Wisconsin	74	0.8	1.3	37170	8	23	43	55	68	81	96	88	5
Wyoming	39	0.4	6.9	45634	0	18	38	46	51	59	95	95	3
Canada	109	1.2	0.0	58391	7	13	18	28	34	57	93	96	8
Other foreign	203	2.2	0.0	52896	4	12	22	31	44	66	34	96	4
ALL MEMBERS	9,256	100.0	0.0	45393	6	18	31	43	56	71	92	92	9

¹ Caver Density: Number of NSS members per 100,000 population (based on the 2010 U. S. Census).

² Median: Half the NSS numbers are above the median and half are below it. The median is not the average.

NSS MEMBERSHIP BY CATEGORY:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	NUMBER OF MEMBERS	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Regular Member	3,733	40.3
Regular Life	1,923	20.8
Regular Basic	1,829	19.8
Family Regular	1,399	15.1
Family Life	168	1.8
Regular Sustaining	67	0.7
Associate	41	0.4
Institutional	30	0.3
Conservation Life Member	27	0.3
Conservation Member	17	0.2
Spouse of Deceased Life Member	12	0.1
Family Sustaining	10	0.1
Family Associate	0	0.0
TOTAL MEMBERS	9,256	100.0

STATES WITH THE MOST NSS MEMBERS:

STATE	MEMBERS
Georgia	602
Virginia	598
Tennessee	582
California	559
Florida	532
Pennsylvania	467
Texas	419
Alabama	414
Ohio	386
Colorado	367
Indiana	331
Missouri	285

NUMBER OF MEMBERS WITH SOCIETY AWARDS:

AWARD	NUMBER
Fellow of the Society	836
Certificate of Merit	108
Low Bicking Award	42
Honorary Member	38
Wm. J. Stephenson Outstanding Service Award	32
Peter M. Hauer Spelean History Award	30
James G. Mitchell Award	21
Science Award	21
Conservation Award	20
Spelean Arts and Letters Award	19
TOTAL AWARDS	1,167

NSS FELLOW AWARD RECIPIENTS BY NSS NUMBER RANGES:

NSS NUMBERS	#MEMBERS	#FELLOWS	% WITH FELLOWS
1-10000	571	200	35.0
10001-20000	1,108	307	27.7
20001-30000	1,185	169	14.3
30001-40000	1,135	92	8.1
40001-50000	1,174	54	4.6
50001-60000	1,393	54	3.9
over 60000	2,690	1	0.0
Totals	9,256	836	9.0

ZIP CODES WITH THE MOST NSS MEMBERS:

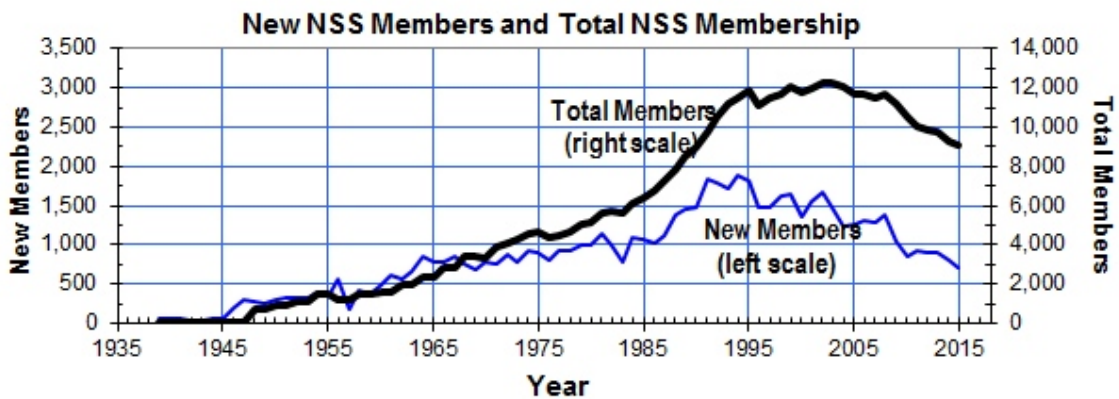
ZIP CODE	#MEMBERS	STATE
300xx	177	Georgia
373xx	113	Tennessee
301xx	101	Georgia
857xx	97	Arizona
326xx	94	Florida
240xx	87	Virginia
320xx	87	Florida
787xx	85	Texas
357xx	79	Alabama
307xx	78	Georgia
358xx	73	Alabama
462xx	73	Indiana

LOWEST ACTIVE NSS NUMBERS:

NSS NUMBER	STATE
247	Virginia
262	Iowa
373	Alabama
509	Texas
518	California
568	Virginia
645	Pennsylvania
742	Maryland
812	Tennessee
835	Missouri
882	Pennsylvania
913	Idaho

NSS NUMBERS ASSIGNED EACH YEAR:

1939	1-46	1952	2015-2340	1965	8108-8897	1978	18710-19640	1991	33129-34954	2004	54444-55686
1940	47-108	1953	2341-2659	1966	8898-9685	1979	19641-20632	1992	34955-36748	2005	55687-56935
1941	109-163	1954	2660-3059	1967	9686-10530	1980	20633-21617	1993	36749-38473	2006	56936-58237
1942	164-205	1955	3060-3411	1968	10531-11289	1981	21618-22751	1994	38474-40360	2007	58238-59529
1943	206-247	1956	3412-3963	1969	11290-11967	1982	22752-23750	1995	40361-42176	2008	59530-60900
1944	248-307	1957	3964-4139	1970	11968-12749	1983	23751-24538	1996	42177-42750	2009	60901-61952
1945	308-356	1958	4140-4564	1971	12750-13512	1984	24539-25619	1997	42751-45147	2010	61953-62810
1946	357-566	1959	4565-4932	1972	13513-14384	1985	25620-26677	1998	45148-46776	2011	62811-63739
1947	567-876	1960	4933-5416	1973	14385-15170	1986	26678-27686	1999	46777-48418	2012	63740-64648
1948	877-1155	1961	5417-6037	1974	15171-16090	1987	27687-28811	2000	48419-49764	2013	64649-65546
1949	1156-1402	1962	6038-6605	1975	16091-16984	1988	28812-30186	2001	49765-51306	2014	65547-66352
1950	1403-1694	1963	6606-7260	1976	16985-17779	1989	30187-31643	2002	51307-52978	2015	66353-67202
1951	1695-2014	1964	7261-8107	1977	17780-18709	1990	31644-33128	2003	52979-54443		



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