Yesterday, NASEO and the Energy Futures Initiative (EFI) released the 2018 U.S. Energy and Employment Report (USEER) at an event co-hosted by Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) and Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA) on Capitol Hill. NASEO Executive Director David Terry, with Senator Cantwell, former Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz, and EFI Distinguished Associate David Foster, announced its publication and presented an overview of its findings. The report is available for download at https://www.usenergyjobs.org/ and a video recording of the launch event is available at http://www.naseo.org/energy-jobs-report.

The 2018 USEER analysis is based on data collected in 2017 from employers in electric power generation and fuels production; transmission, distribution, and storage; energy efficiency; and motor vehicles. Its key finding—that energy employment increased in 2017 by about two percent, or 133,000 net new jobs, representing approximately seven percent of all those created in the U.S. economy—highlights the critical role that energy markets play in economic growth and job creation at the state and local level.

We’d like to bring your attention to a special feature of the 2018 USEER: state-by-state snapshots detailing employment and hiring difficulty by sector and technology. These snapshots provide foundational information that may be useful for your state’s energy planning, program design, policy development, and stakeholder engagement efforts.

NASEO invites your office to develop communications based on the 2018 USEER, to share with your networks and local media contacts. If you would like NASEO’s assistance in developing messaging, news articles, or other resources, please contact me at sfazeli@naseo.org to set up an initial consultation call. We appreciate your help in sharing this important resource.