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CHP Membership in Local HPS Sections

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I was curious what the distribution of CHPs in the local sections around the country were so I set out trying to gather this information, which was a lot easier said than done. The accompanying table lists the relevant data I was able to gather. In summary, complete data was available for 33 of the 48 chapters. The five chapters with the largest number of CHPs are Baltimore-Washington (86), East Tennessee (61), Columbia (57), New England (49), and Northern California (45). The five chapters with the largest percentage of their membership CHPs are Rio Grande (65%), Four Rivers (43%), Eastern Idaho (40%), Columbia (39%), and Deep South (38%).

Another interesting detail is to compare this data against the membership data collected by the Health Physics Society (HPS) and the American Academy of Health Physicists (AAHP). This data shows 683 CHPs as members of local chapters, with a total chapter membership of 3,584, while the AAHP has a total of 1,514 CHPs in its membership and the HPS has a total of 3,472 in its membership. It appears that CHPs are not necessarily members of their local chapters.

Chapter	CHPs	Total Number of Members	% CHPs
Alabama	no data available	no data available	N/A
Arizona	4	94	4%
Arkansas	no data available	no data available	N/A
Atlanta	7	54	13%
Baltimore-Washington	86	265	32%
Bluegrass	no data available	no data available	N/A
Buckeye	2	12	17%
Cascade	9	43	21%
Central Rocky Mountain	17	56	30%
Cincinnati Radiation Society	no data available	no data available	N/A
Columbia	57	147	39%
Connecticut	no data available	no data available	N/A
Deep South	30	80	38%
Delaware Valley Society for Radiation Safety	no data available	173	N/A
East Tennessee	61	231	26%
Eastern Idaho	14	35	40%
Florida	11	101	11%
Four Rivers	3	7	43%
Great Lakes	5	32	16%
Great Salt Lake	7	54	13%
Greater New York	36	155	23%
Greater St. Louis	no data available	no data available	N/A
Hawaii	no data available	no data available	N/A
Hoosier	9	50	18%
Lake Mead	no data available	no data available	N/A
Mid-America	no data available	62	N/A
Mid-South	no data available	no data available	N/A
Midwest	no data available	no data available	N/A
New England	49	174	28%
New Jersey	17	120	14%
North Carolina	26	134	19%
North Central	no data available	127	N/A
North Texas	4	123	3%
Northeastern New York	11	82	13%
Northern California	45	162	28%
Northern Ohio	no data available	no data available	N/A
Prairie State	3	24	13%
Rio Grande	22	34	65%
San Diego	5	53	9%
Savannah River	27	97	28%
Sierra Nevada	11	47	23%
South Texas	34	285	12%
Southern California	no data available	169	N/A
Susquehanna Valley	23	70	33%
Texas Panhandle	3	20	15%
Virginia	12	44	27%
Western New York	16	79	20%
Western Pennsylvania	17	89	19%