



ERS and Cellular

Impact of telecom transition on ERS

Distribution

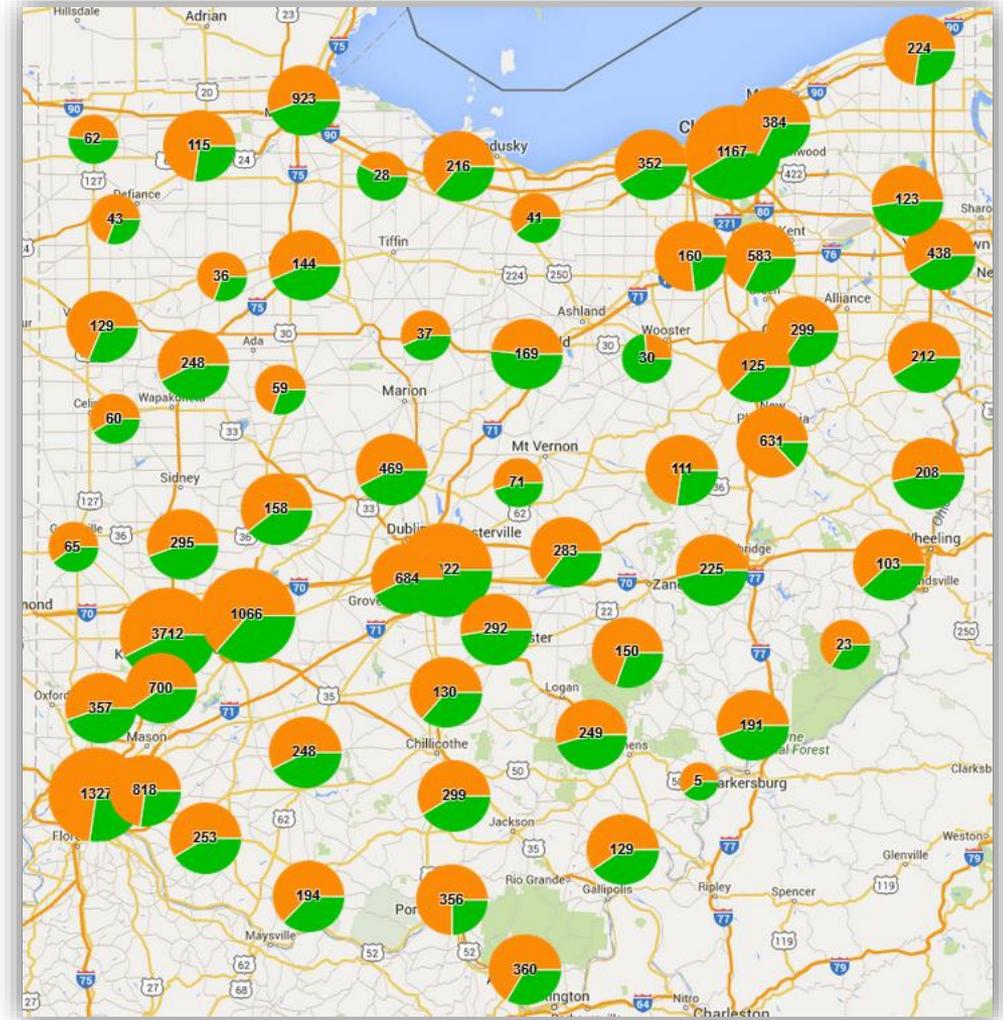
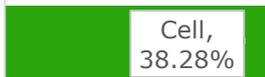
VRI : 23,000
clients across the
State of Ohio

Ohio

Non-Cell



Cell



Points and Impacts

- Affects low-income, rural or elderly
- Cellular doesn't guarantee coverage
- Impacts the most needed services in most disadvantaged areas
- ERS Industry trend is to mobile and cellular
- There must be a secondary option to cellular
- Increase costs to State agencies
- Broadband telephone service requires power