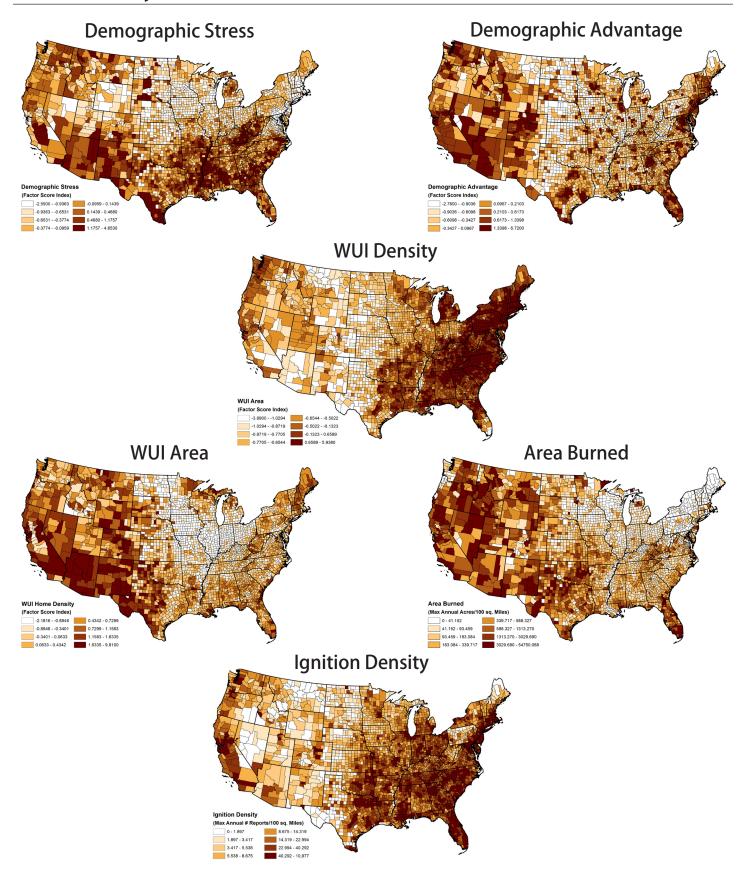
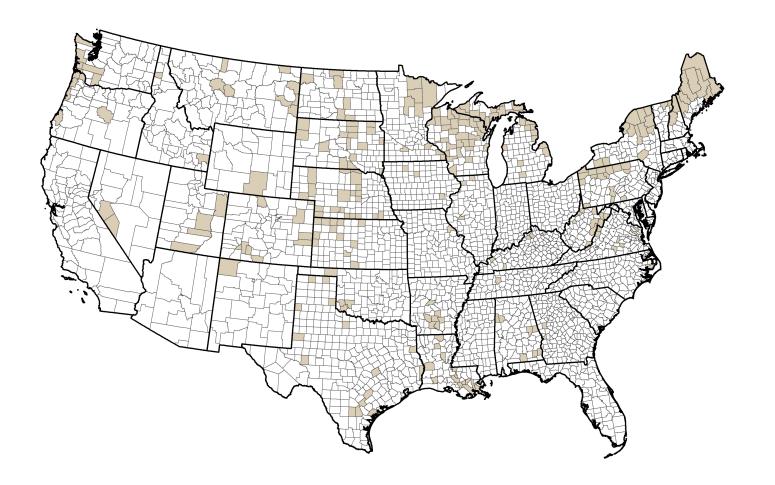
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Community Clusters Belief Network



Community Cluster 1 - Least Fire Activity

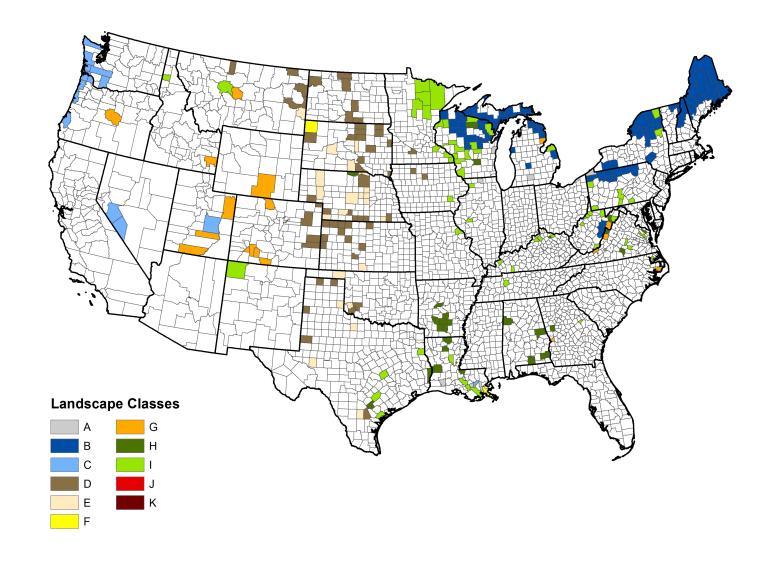


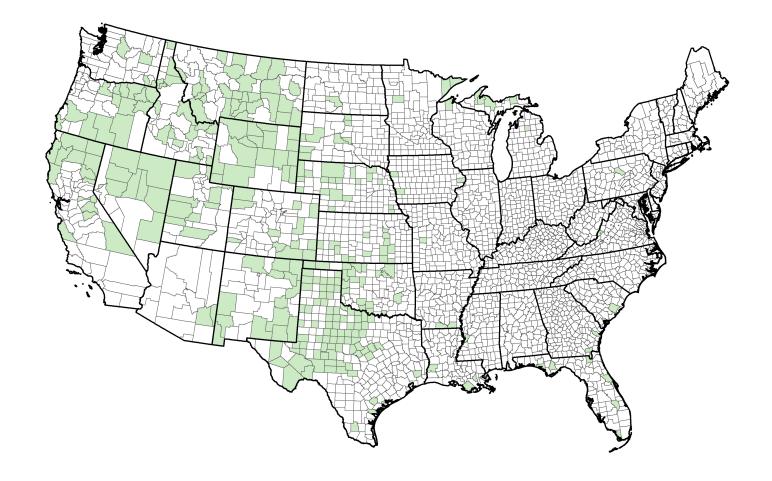
Cluster 1 (280 counties)

These communities experience the least amount of fire and related ignitions.

Community Cluster 1 by Landscape Class

Community Cluster 2 - Western Rural

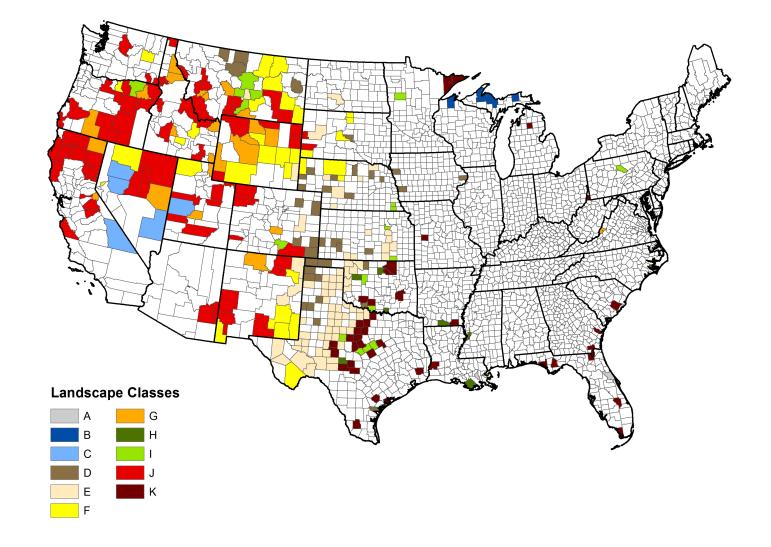




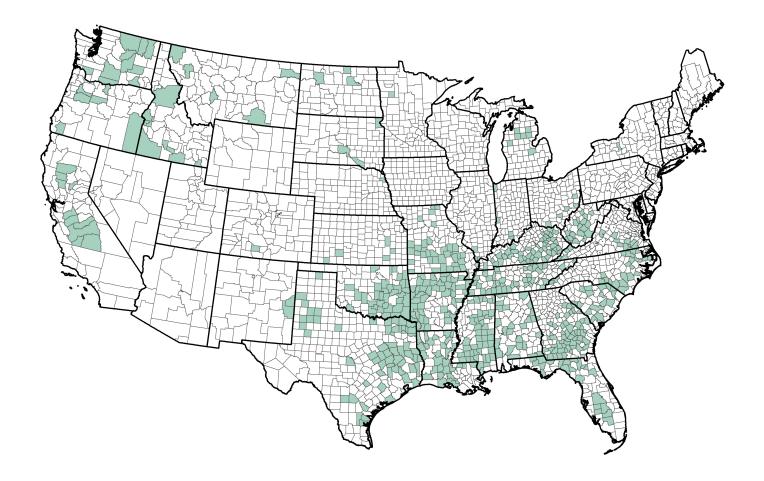
Cluster 2 (318 Counties)

These rural communities are mainly located in the west and have a mix of competing priorities regarding community issues and landscape issues. The concept of "middle ground" resonates in these counties.

Community Cluster 2 by Landscape Class



Community Cluster 3 - Southern Rural

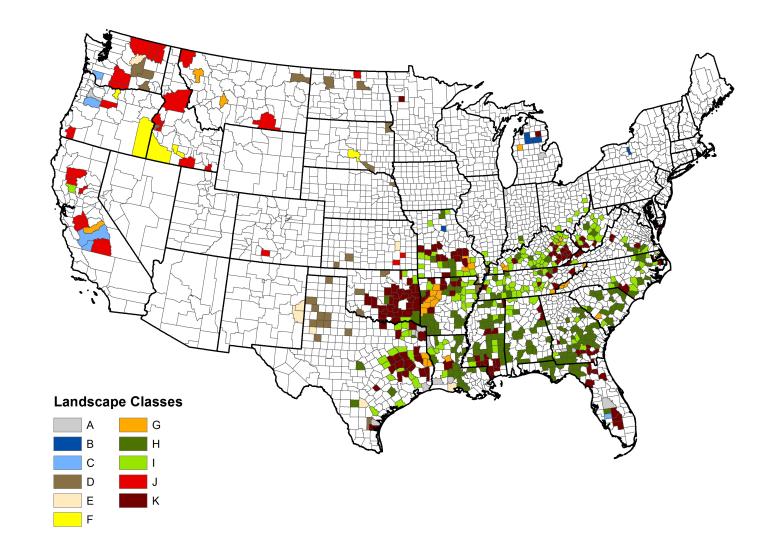


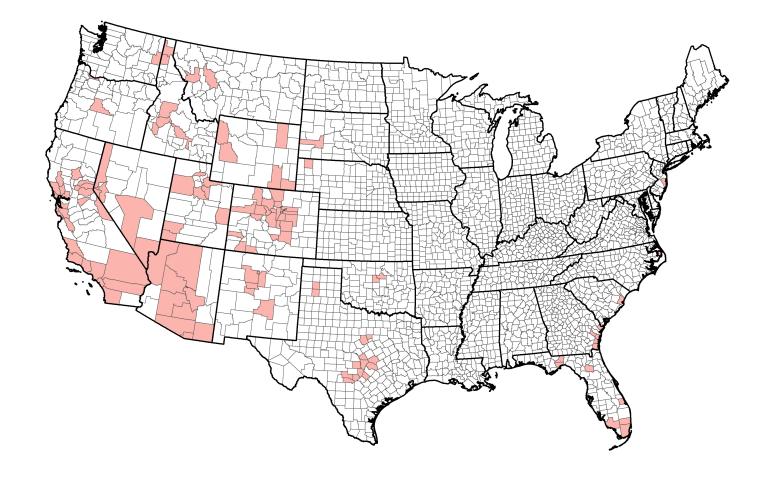
Cluster 3 (606 Counties)

These rural communities are mainly located in the southeast. They have a strong link to agriculture and have a high level of demographic stress. These areas have a high number of ignitions which makes them communities at risk.

Community Cluster 3 by Landscape Class

Community Cluster 4 - Suburbs on the Edge

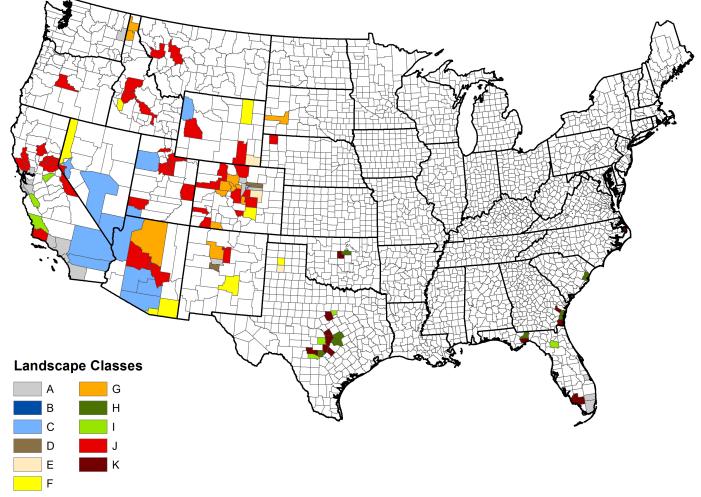




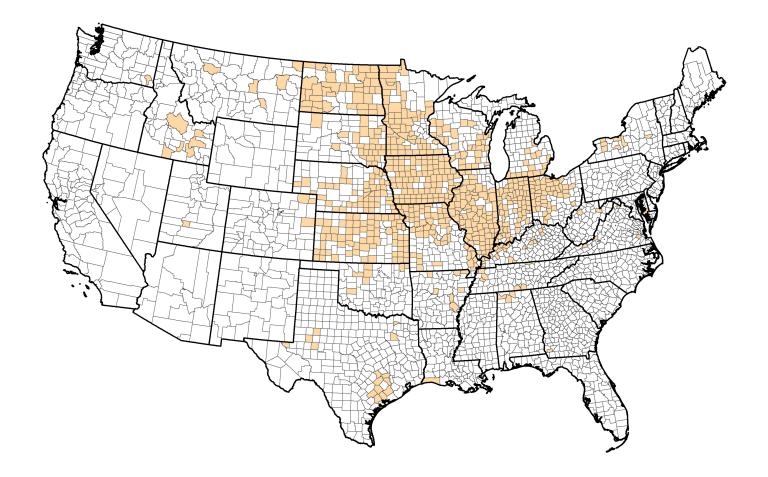
Cluster 4 (133 Counties)

These are suburban communities with a large number of homes in the WUI and are often located near where large fires burn and start. However, they also have a high demographic advantage indicating that they probably possess more local resources to be able to handle some of their fire risks.

Community Cluster 4 by Landscape Class



Community Cluster 5 - Agrarian

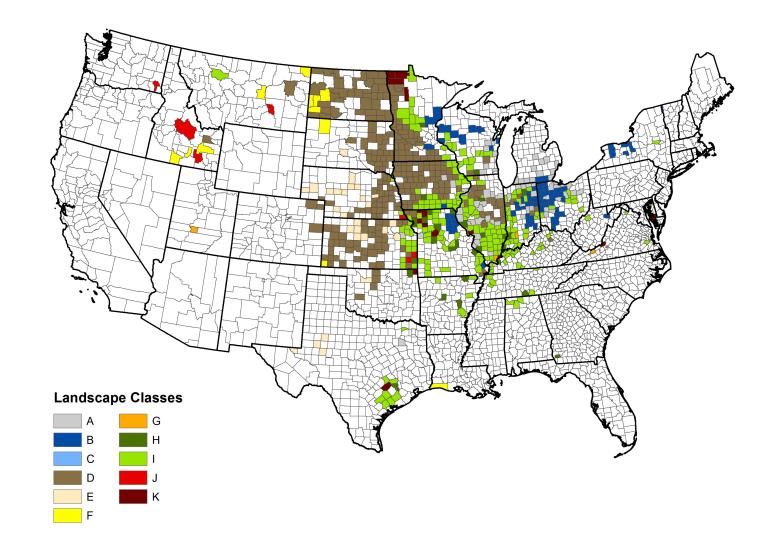


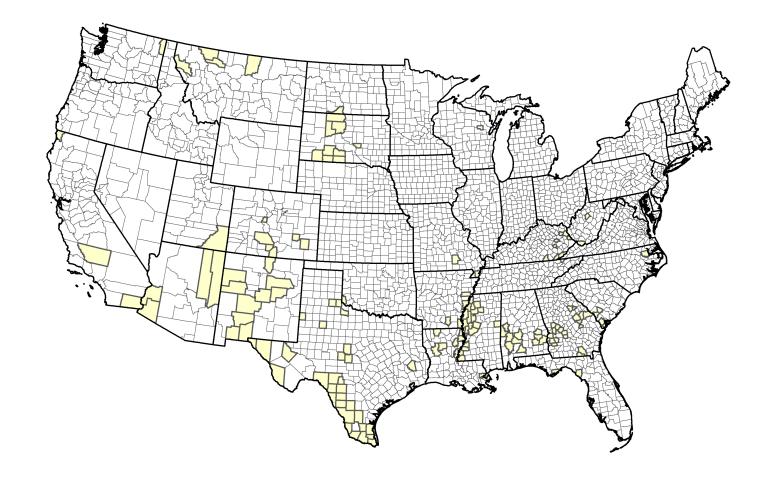
Cluster 5 (717 Counties)

These agricultural communities are dominated by small towns amidst cultivated fields and have a low fire risk.

Community Cluster 5 by Landscape Class

Community Cluster 6 - Disadvantaged Communities



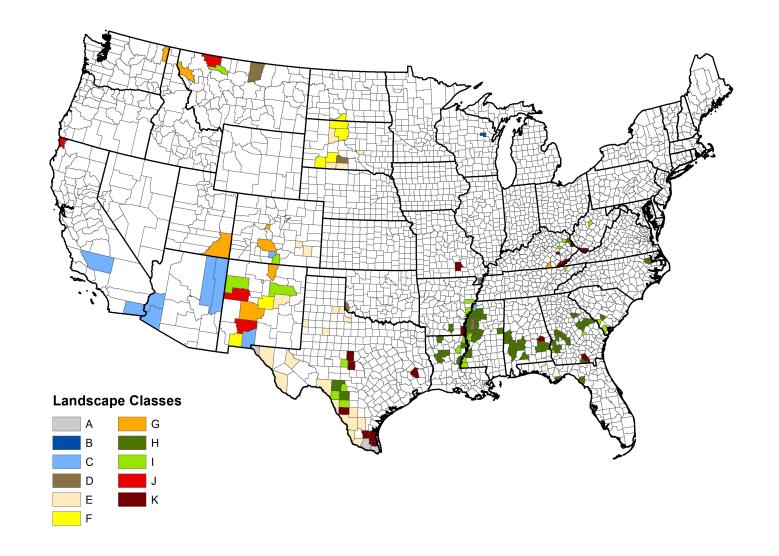


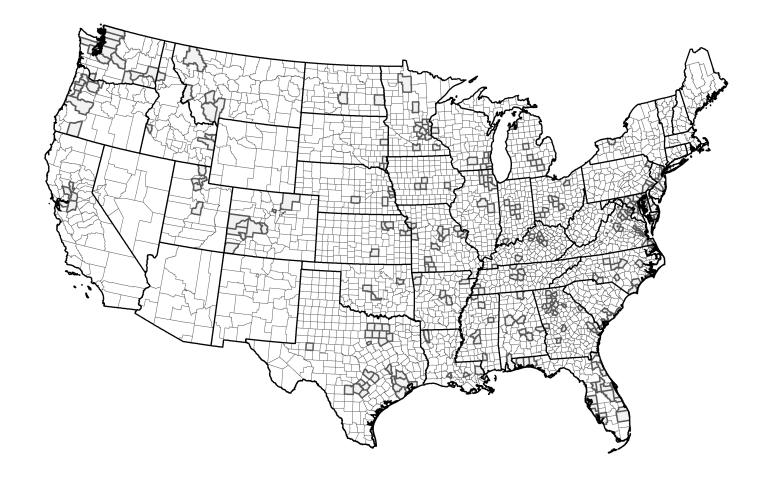
Cluster 6 (154 Counties)

These communities have the highest demographic stress and will therefore have the least ability to deal with their exposure to fire risks.

Community Cluster 6 by Landscape Class

Community Cluster 7 - Urban and Suburban



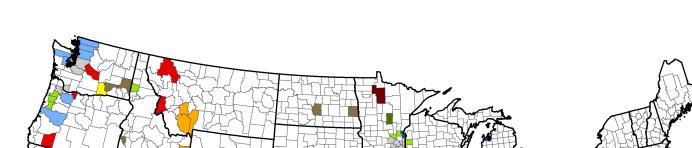


Cluster 7 (305 Counties)

These are urban and large communities that have access to local fire-fighting resources. Although the ignition numbers are high, few fires tend to be large in size due to rapid response resources.

Community Cluster 8 - Eastern Suburbs

Community Cluster 7 by Landscape Class



Cluster 8 (596 Counties)

These Eastern Suburbs demonstrate the highest concentration of homes in the WUI, with lots of fires starting close to homes.

Landscape Classes

Community Cluster 8 by Landscape Class

