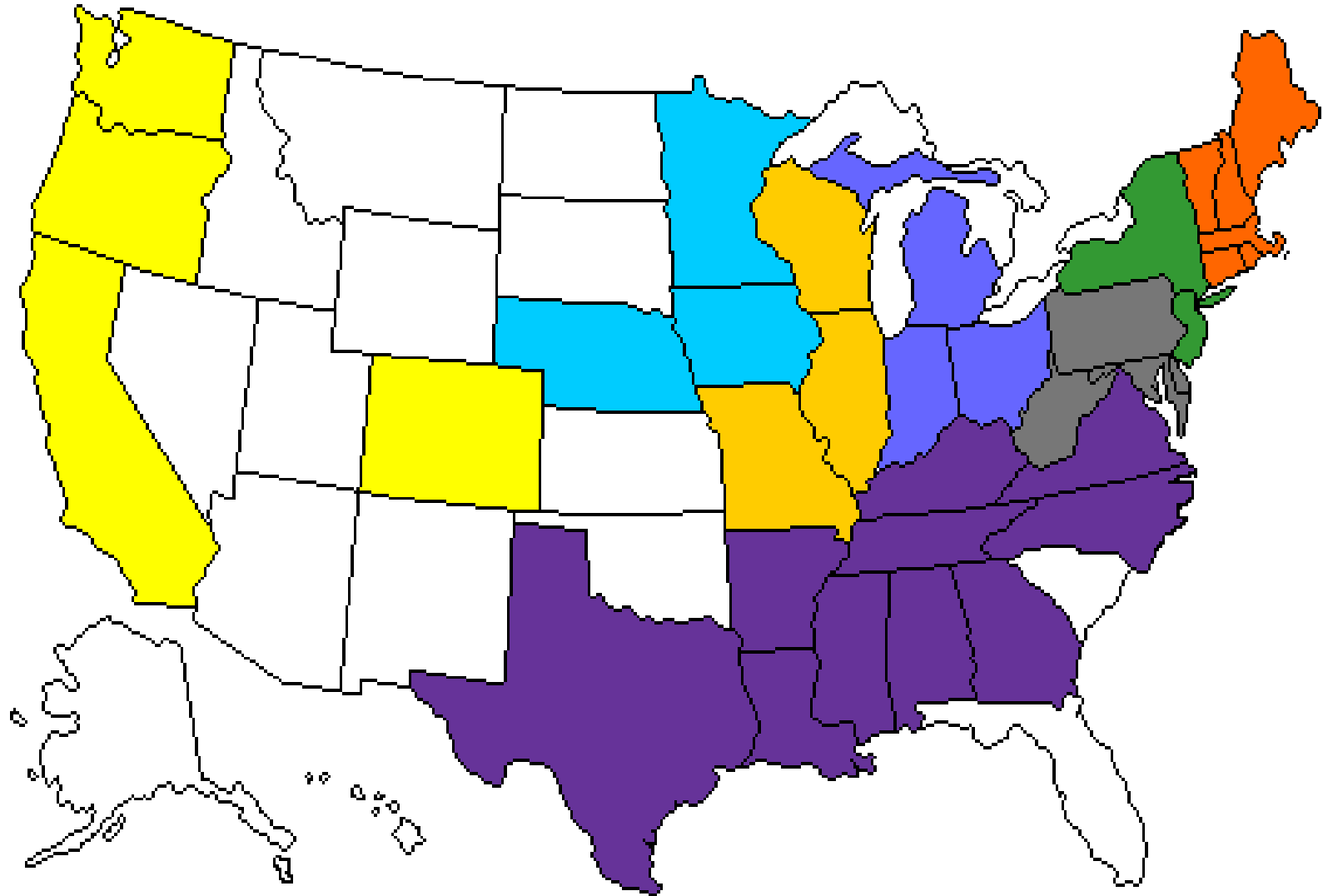


NCAA Division III Cross Country Regional Realignment Proposal



Current NCAA Division III Regions



2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **New England**

Men Complete Teams	48
Men Incomplete Teams	1
Men Runners in Race	323
Women Complete Teams	47
Women Incomplete Teams	4
Women Runners in Race	315

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **Atlantic**

Men Complete Teams	38
Men Incomplete Teams	4
Men Runners in Race	264
Women Complete Teams	33
Women Incomplete Teams	9
Women Runners in Race	239

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **Mideast**

Men Complete Teams	45
Men Incomplete Teams	6
Men Runners in Race	314
Women Complete Teams	44
Women Incomplete Teams	9
Women Runners in Race	311

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **South/Southeast**

Men Complete Teams	24
Men Incomplete Teams	7
Men Runners in Race	174
Women Complete Teams	27
Women Incomplete Teams	8
Women Runners in Race	189

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **Great Lakes**

Men Complete Teams	36
Men Incomplete Teams	2
Men Runners in Race	248
Women Complete Teams	34
Women Incomplete Teams	3
Women Runners in Race	231

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **Midwest**

Men Complete Teams	39
Men Incomplete Teams	5
Men Runners in Race	282
Women Complete Teams	39
Women Incomplete Teams	8
Women Runners in Race	273

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **Central**

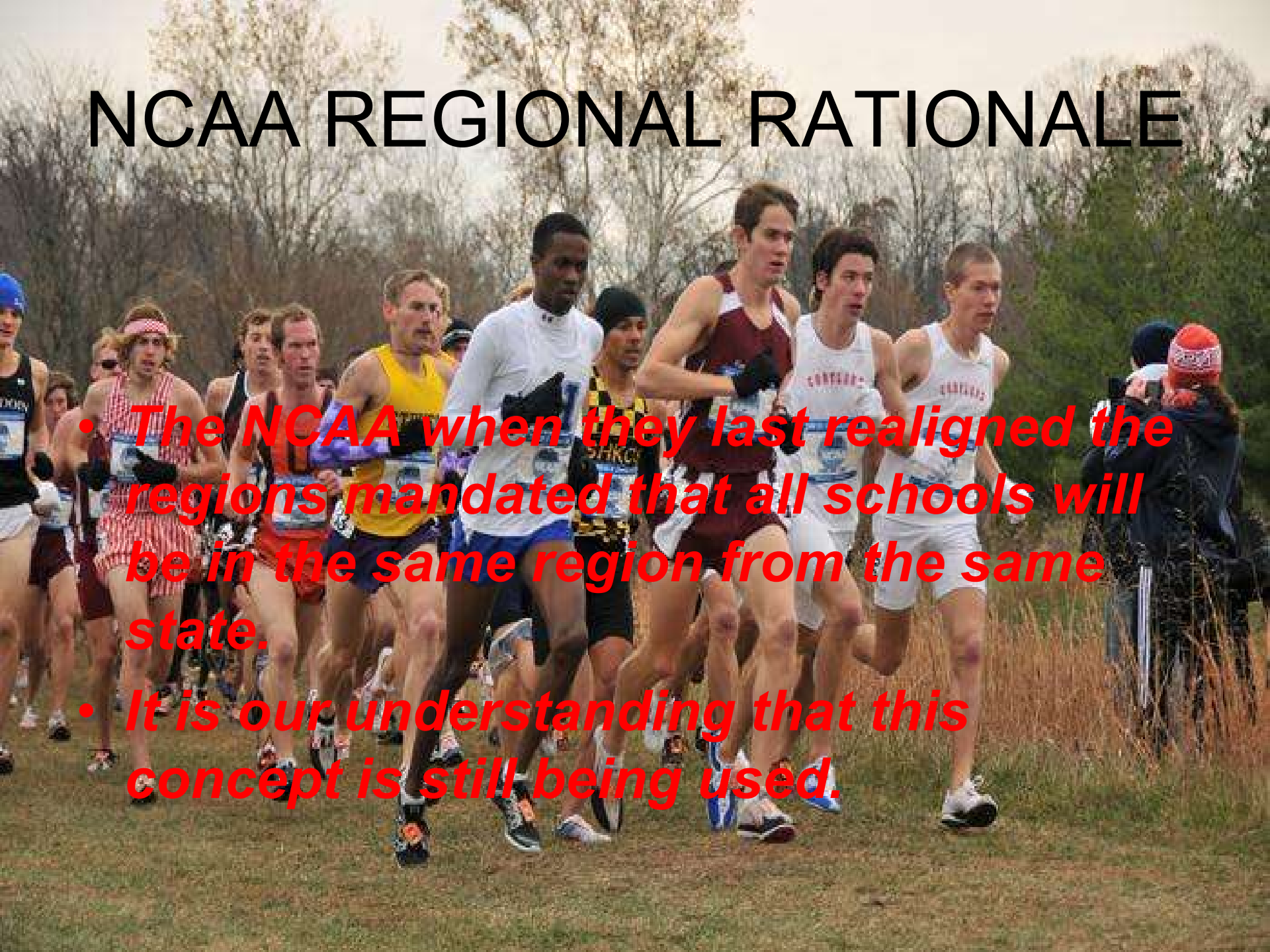
Men Complete Teams	25
Men Incomplete Teams	1
Men Runners in Race	173
Women Complete Teams	26
Women Incomplete Teams	1
Women Runners in Race	183

2009 Regional Participation Numbers

- **West**

Men Complete Teams	16
Men Incomplete Teams	2
Men Runners in Race	105
Women Complete Teams	17
Women Incomplete Teams	1
Women Runners in Race	113

NCAA REGIONAL RATIONALE

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- *The NCAA when they last realigned the regions mandated that all schools will be in the same region from the same state.*
 - *It is our understanding that this concept is still being used.*

Current Regional Breakdown

- **271 Men's teams competed at the 2009 NCAA Regional Championships**
 - **131 of those teams competing came from New England, Atlantic, and Mideast**
- **1,863 Men competed at the 2009 NCAA Regional Championships**
 - **881 of those Male Individuals competing came from New England, Atlantic, and Mideast**



Current Regional Breakdown

- **267 Women's teams competed at the 2009 NCAA Regional Championships**
 - **124 of those teams competing came from New England, Atlantic, and Mideast**
- **1,854 Women competed at the 2009 NCAA Regional Championships**
 - **865 of those Female Individuals competing came from New England, Atlantic, and Mideast**



FUTURE OF REGIONS

- Within the next 2 years the number of Schools sponsoring XC will total 410. The breakdown is as follows:

- New England - 73
58

- South/SE - 58

- Atlantic - 69

- Great Lakes - 39

- Mideast - 67

- Midwest - 51

- Total Schools - 209

- Central - 30

- West - 23

- Total Schools - 201

FUTURE OF REGIONS

- **This means that over 50% of the possible teams competing at regionals would be coming from 3 regions: New England, Atlantic, and Mideast.**
- **On average this would mean approximately 51 schools per region.**
- **We understand that this is not possible with the geographical problems.**
- **NY & PA will have 57 & 55 Schools alone.**
- **Here is where the problem arises: these regions are and will find it even more difficult to find host courses because of the size of the fields.**

Proposed Regional Map Part I

Proposed NCAA Division III Regional Alignment

- - New England
- - New York
- - Coastal
- - Pennsylvania
- - Great Lakes



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New Proposal

- We are looking to add an additional region to the East/Northeast Corridor.
- We are also looking at moving certain states to different regions to make the regions more even.
- We would have 9 Regions: New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Coastal, South/Southeast, Great Lakes, Midwest, Central, and West
- These changes are based solely on numbers and geography.

Proposed New Regional Alignment

- Changes:
 - CT would move to the Coastal Region out of New England Region.
 - NJ would move to the Coastal region out of the Atlantic Region.
 - DE, MD, and DC would move to the Coastal Region out of the Mideast Region.
 - WV would move to the Great Lakes Region out of the Mideast Region
 - KY Would move to the Great Lakes Region out of the South/Southeast Region

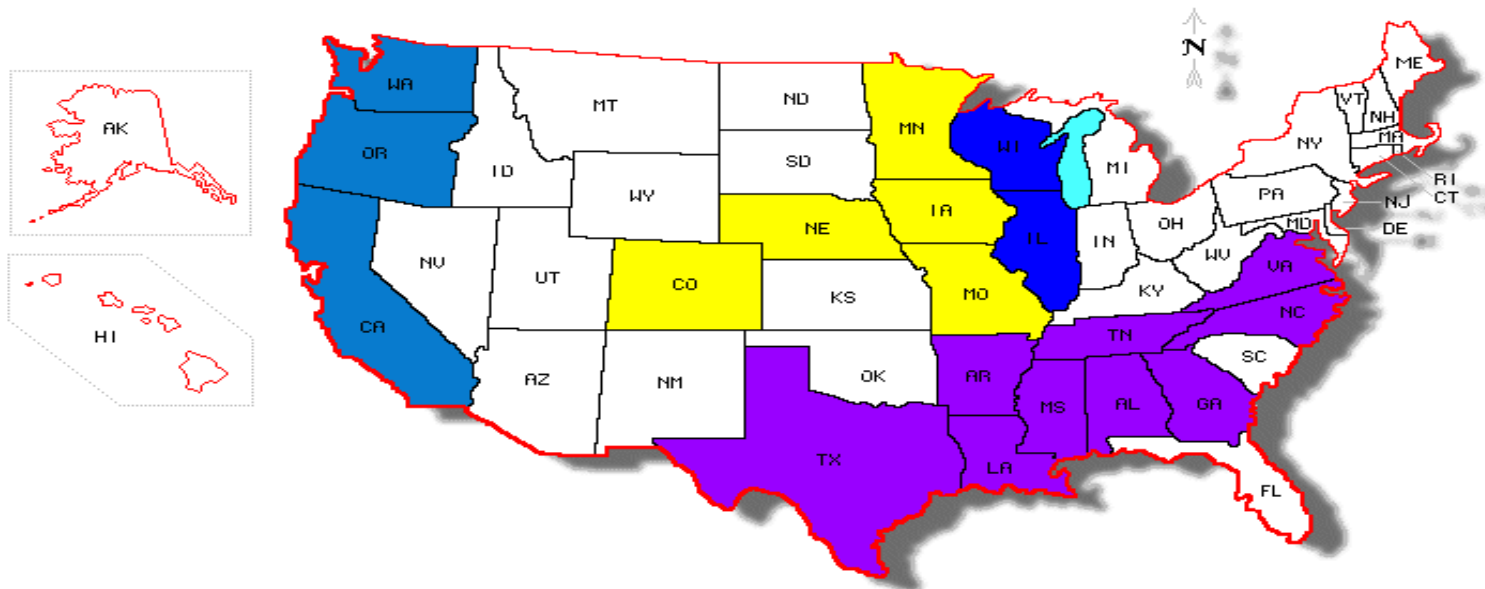
Schools Sponsoring XC by State

- Coastal Schools – 31 Schools
 - CT – 8 Schools
 - NJ – 12 Schools
 - DE – 1 School
 - DC – 2 Schools
 - MD – 8 Schools
- Great Lakes Additions
 - WV - 1 School
 - KY – 4 Schools

Proposed Regional Map Part II

Proposed NCAA Division III Regional Alignment

- - South/Southeast
- - Midwest
- - Central
- - West



Proposed New Regional Alignment

- Changes Continued:
 - MO with 5 Schools would move to the Central Region out of the Midwest Region
 - CO with 1 School would move to the Central Region out of the West Region

Revised Numbers

Number of Schools

- New England - 73 to 65
- Atlantic (NY) - 69 to 57
- Mideast (PA) - 67 to 55
- South/Southeast – 58 to 54
- Great Lakes - 39 to 44
- Midwest – 51 to 46
- Central – 30 to 36
- West – 23 to 22

- Coastal - 31

How does this affect Qualifiers

- We would now have 9 Regions with 2 Automatics Qualifiers from each region
 - 18 Automatics
- We would now have 14 At Large Bids rather than 16.
- Giving us the same total teams 32.
- We would use the same formula for figuring out at large bids as we currently do.

Individuals

- We would now have 6 Individuals per Region giving us 54.
- Or we can ask if we can get 7 additional Individuals so we would have 7 per region as we do now.
- With 410 Schools we should be in the process of asking for a higher representation at the NCAA Championships. This would mean more At-Large teams.