

INVASIVE PLANT ATLAS OF NEW ENGLAND **(IPANE)**

STATISTICS:

Website: <http://nbii-nin.ciesin.columbia.edu/ipane/index.htm>

Original Meeting: Fall 2003

Budget: IPANE is supported by a grant from the USDA.

States Represented: Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Massachusetts.

Organizational Structure: IPANE has two project managers, a four member core group, a five member project staff, and a thirteen member advisory committee.

Synopsis: The Invasive Plant Atlas of New England's (IPANE) mission is to create a comprehensive web-accessible database of invasive and potentially invasive plants in New England that will be continually updated by a network of professionals and trained volunteers. The database will facilitate education and research that will lead to a greater understanding of invasive plant ecology and support informed conservation management. An important focus of the project is the early detection of, and rapid response to, new invasions.