

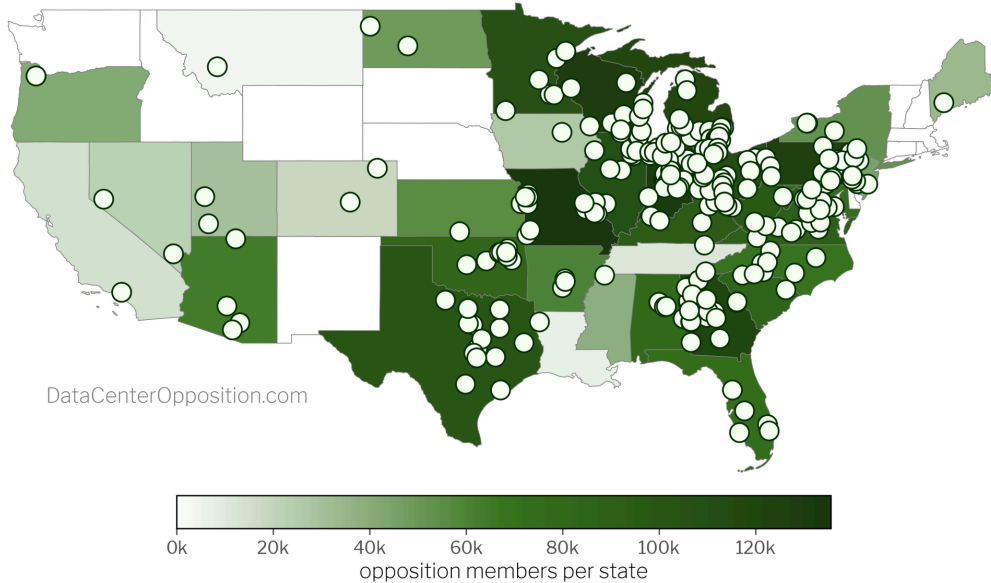
360,000 Americans Are Fighting The Data Center Buildout

Report Summary

Opposition to data centers in the U.S. is growing rapidly. We recorded the size and development of opposition groups on Facebook, the main online platform used by the groups to organize. As of April 2026, there are at least **268 local opposition groups** totaling over **360,000 members**.

Data Center Opposition Spans 37 U.S. States

Dots are opposition groups, color shows number of opposition members per U.S. state.

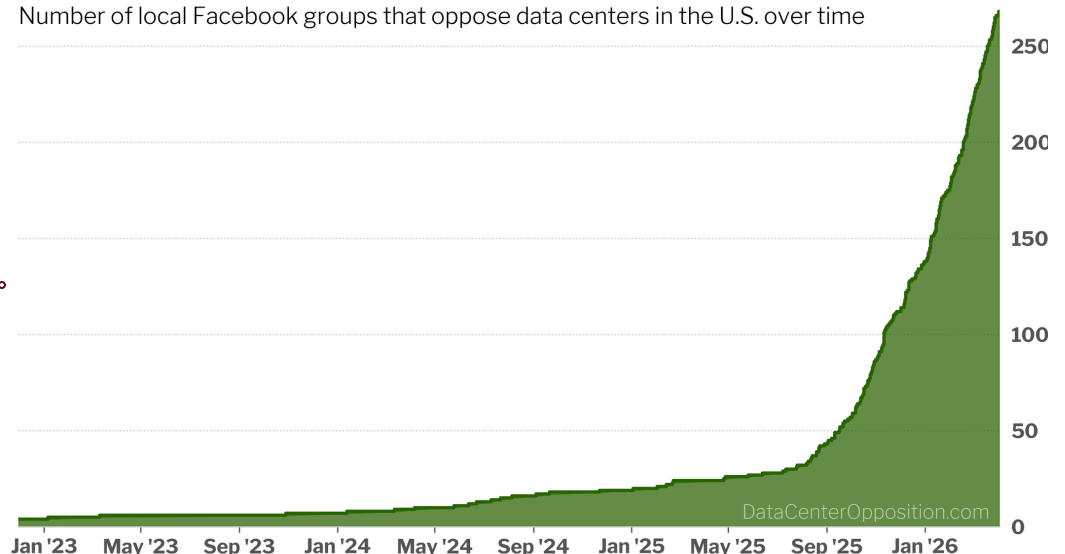


Local opposition to data centers in the U.S. is a nationwide phenomenon, with opposition groups in **37 states**.

This includes red and blue states, as well as **more than 100,000 people in swing states**.

A New Opposition Group is Formed Every Day

Number of local Facebook groups that oppose data centers in the U.S. over time



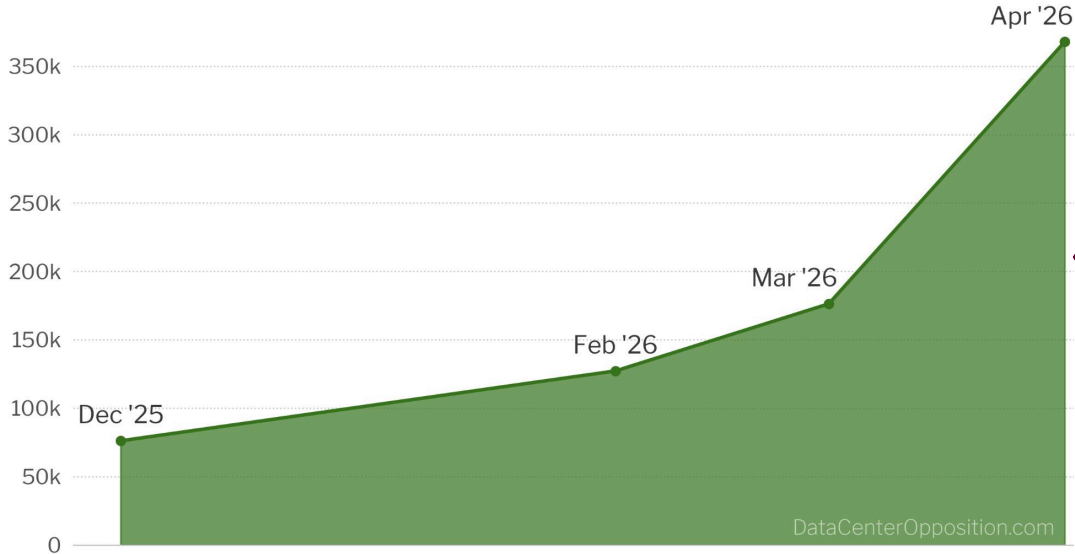
In the six months leading up to this report, 209 groups were created in 182 days. This is **more than 1 new group per day** on average. In total, at least 268 U.S. groups exist as of April 2026.

Opposition to Data Centers is Nationwide and Bipartisan

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300% Membership Increase In Four Months

Total measured group membership in U.S. data center opposition groups on Facebook

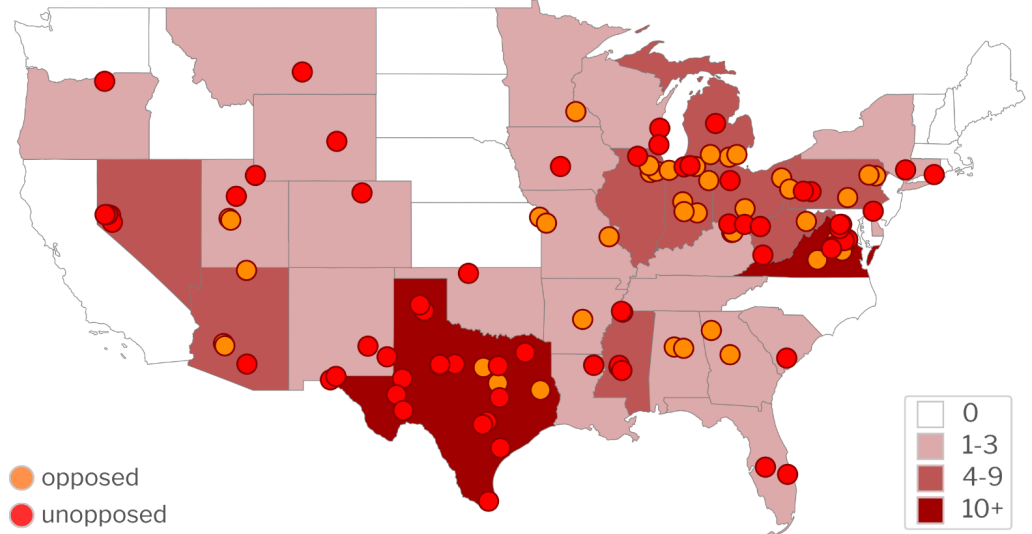


Membership in opposition groups has more than quadrupled over the past four months. Now more than **360,000 people** are part of local U.S. data center opposition groups.

Massive AI Data Centers are the Main Reason for opposition

Number of gigawatt-scale data centers per U.S. state, with locations.

The enormous scale of new data centers is the main reason for the surge in opposition groups. Generative AI is driving the demand for these data centers, with some set to use as much energy as major U.S. cities.



Read Full Report

This is a summary of the Data Center Opposition Report (April 2026).

The full report can be found on DataCenterOpposition.com.