



2025 ThinkTennessee State of Our State Dashboard

Tennessee's 143 Rankings

The *State of Our State Dashboard* includes 143 metrics across nine issue areas. This report identifies the **key 143 data points available for Tennessee**, arranged from best-to-worst rankings. All data was compiled by Think Tennessee from the sources listed.

Issue Area	Indicator	TN Rank	TN Value	U.S. State Average	Description	Source
Education	High School Graduation - Overall	#2	90.4%	85.7%	Public high school students who graduated with a regular diploma or a state-defined alternate high school diploma for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities within 4 years of starting 9th grade. As reported by state education agencies.	U.S. Department of Education, 2021.
Criminal Justice & Courts	People Confined in Jails - Unconvicted	#6	53%	67.1%	Percentage of people held in local jails. Jails are confinement facilities that include jails, detention centers, county or correctional jail facilities, or special jail facilities.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2019.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Road Quality - Overall	#6	94.4%	81.5%	Percentage of pavement in good or fair condition as a percentage of total road inventory.	U.S. Department of Transportation, 2022.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Crime Agency Reporting Coverage - Overall	#7	100%	89.7%	Percentage of the state's population covered by National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) reporting agencies.	FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Program, 2023.
State Economy	Population Growth - Overall	#8	1.1%	0.48%	Percentage change in year-over-year population due to factors such as births, deaths, and/or migration. Birth, death, net migration, and marriage rates are expressed per 1,000 resident population.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Electricity Prices - Residential	#9	12.2 cents/kWh	16.7 cents/kWh	Average price for electricity for a residential commercial, or industrial property, in cents per kilowatt-hour (cents/kWh).	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Social Connectedness - Taking Action with Neighbors	#10	26%	22.4%	Percentage of residents who talked to or spent time with friends and family, had a conversation or spent time with	AmeriCorps, 2023.

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					neighbors, discussed political, societal, or local issues with friends, family, or neighbors, or got together with other people from their neighborhood to do something positive for their neighborhood or the community at least once in the past year.	
Education	Teacher Vacancy Rate - Overall	#10	1.5%	2.8%	Unfilled teacher positions on the first day of school as a share of the total number of teachers.	Learning Policy Institute, 2022.
State Economy	Cost of Living - Overall	#11	90.5	103.6	Index measuring living cost differentials among urban areas for a typical professional and managerial household composed by two parents and a single child.	Missouri Economic Research and Information Center analysis of C2ER survey, 2024.
Energy & Environment	Clean Energy Generation - Overall	#12	60.9%	41.4%	Energy generated from clean energy sources as a share of energy generated (in megawatt hours) in the total electric power industry.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.
State Economy	Consumer Spending per Capita - Overall	#12	\$44,250	\$47,083.80	State's personal consumption expenditures divided by its mid-year resident population.	U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Cost of Childcare (Home-Based) - Infant	#13	\$7,602.0	\$9,181.8	Median yearly cost for weekly, full-time family-based childcare at the market rate.	U.S. Department of Labor, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Juvenile Detention Rate - Overall	#13	42 per 100,000 Youth	82 per 100,000 Youth	Number of juveniles in custody per 100,000 youth. Committed youth include those placed in the facility as part of a court-ordered disposition. Detained youth include those held awaiting a court hearing, adjudication, disposition, or placement elsewhere.	Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 2021.
State Economy	Underemployment - Overall	#13	5.9%	6.9%	Percentage of workers who are unemployed, working part-time for economic reasons or marginally attached.	EPI analysis of U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2024.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Deficient Bridges - Overall	#13	4%	6.9%	Percentage of bridge inventory classified as structurally deficient	American Road & Transportation Builders Association, 2024.
Economic Opportunity	Cost of Childcare (Center-Based) - Infant	#14	\$10,301.0	\$12,859.1	Median yearly cost for weekly, full-time center-based childcare at the market rate.	U.S. Department of Labor, 2023.

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State Economy	Clean Energy Jobs - Per Capita	#14	25.50	22	Number of clean energy jobs, which includes those in solar energy, wind energy, combined heat and power, bioenergy, non-woody biomass, low-impact hydropower, geothermal, electric vehicles, hybrid electric vehicles, plug-in hybrid vehicles, hydrogen, and fuel-cell vehicles, clean energy storage, smart grid, microgrid, grid modernization, advanced biofuels, and energy efficiency including ENERGY STAR® and high-efficiency appliances, efficient lighting, HVAC, renewable heating and cooling, and advanced building materials.	E2 Clean Jobs America Report, 2022.
Elections & Civic Life	Political Participation - Contacting Public Officials	#15	11.6%	10.2%	Percentage of residents who contacted public officials, voted in local elections, attended public meetings, or donated to a political cause at least once in the past year.	AmeriCorps, 2023.
Housing	Homeowner Housing Affordability - Overall	#15	81%	78.2%	Percentage of owner-occupied housing units who spend less than 30% of their income on housing costs.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Student Loan Holders in Default - Overall	#16	1.2%	1.4%	Percentage of people with any student loan debt who have student loan debt in collections or default.	Martinchek et. al, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Community Engagement - Charitable Giving	#16	55.2%	50.8%	Percentage of residents who belonged to any groups, organizations, or associations, or gave money or possessions with a combined value of more than \$25 to a non-political group or organization such as a charity, school, or religious organization in the past year.	AmeriCorps, 2023.
Education	Fourth-Grade Math Proficiency - Overall	#16	58%	61.3%	Percentage of fourth-grade public school students who scored below proficient in mathematics achievement levels, following the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) measures.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2024.
Education	Eighth-Grade Reading Proficiency - Overall	#16	69%	71.7%	Percentage of eighth-grade public school students who scored below proficient in reading achievement levels, as measured	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2024.

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					and defined by the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) reading test.	
Elections & Civic Life	Volunteering - Overall	#17	33.2%	30.6%	Percentage of residents who spent any time volunteering for any organization or association in the past year.	AmeriCorps, 2023.
Housing	Affordable Rental Shortage - Overall	#17	42 per 100 Renters	37.6 per 100 Renters	Number of affordable and available rental homes per 100 extremely low-income renter households.	National Low Income Housing Coalition, 2022.
Education	Eighth-Grade Math Proficiency - Overall	#18	69%	73%	Percentage of eighth-grade public school students who scored below proficient in mathematics achievement levels, following the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) measures.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2024.
State Economy	Gross Domestic Product - Overall	#18	\$422,088	\$441,751	Inflation-adjusted measure of the state's gross product, based on national prices for the goods and services produced. The real estimates are measured in chained (2017) dollars.	U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2023.
State Economy	Dependent-to-Worker Ratio - Overall	#20	65.1 per 100 People	66.1 per 100 People	Total number of dependent-age people, such as children or seniors, within a given population for every 100 working-age people.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Wages of Electric Power Workers - Overall	#20	\$46.9/hour	\$46.1/hour	Average hourly wage of electric power workers, in USD (\$).	National Bureau of Economic Research, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Energy Generation per Capita - Overall	#20	10.9 MWh	15.3 MWh	Total amount of energy generated in the total electric power industry divided by population, as measured in megawatt hours per person.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Provisional Ballots Cast - Presidential Election	#21	0.45%	0.91%	Provisional ballots used as a share of all votes cast.	MIT Election Data and Science Lab, 2020.
Education	Student Loan Debt - Overall	#22	\$5,320	\$5,636	Student loan debt per capita.	Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Children Receiving Public Assistance - Overall	#22	22%	23.3%	Children under age 18 in families that received Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance income, or Food Stamps/SNAP in the previous 12 months.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2023.

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Energy & Environment	Carbon Dioxide Emissions - Overall	#24	12.9 MTCO2/Person	19.4 MTCO2/Person	Energy-related CO2 emissions per total population.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2022.
State Economy	Labor Force Participation Gender Gap - Overall	#24	1.23 Males per Female	1.22 Males per Female	Proportion of men in the labor force relative to the proportion of women in the labor force.	IPUMS CDOH, 2022.
Housing	Home Ownership - Overall	#25	68.9%	68%	Percentage of households who own their homes.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
State Economy	Patents - Overall	#25	1,494	3,589	Total patents granted.	U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 2020.
Energy & Environment	Air Pollution - Overall	#26	7.7µg/m3	7.7µg/m3	Average exposure of the public to particulate matter of 2.5 microns or less, measured in micrograms per cubic meter.	United Health Foundation's analysis of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency data, 2023.
Health	Children's Medicaid/CHIP Participation Rate - Overall	#26	92.7%	91.8%	Estimated Medicaid/Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) participation rates for children under age 18.	Urban Institute analysis of U.S. Census Bureau, 2019.
Economic Opportunity	Debt-to-Income Ratio - Overall	#26	Debt 1.38x Income	Debt 1.39x Income	Ratio of aggregate household debt to aggregate income. Aggregate household debt results from the sum of all individual household debt in the state and multiplying it by the sampling ratio. Debt data includes all types of debt except student loan debts.	Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Underbanked Households - Overall	#26	13.6%	13.9%	Percentage of households in which at least one household member had a checking or savings account and used at least one of eight nonbank financial services (NBFSS).	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 2023.
Housing	Children in Households with High Housing Cost Burden - Overall	#27	26%	27.2%	Children under age 18 who live in households where more than 30% of the monthly income was spent on rent, mortgage payments, taxes, insurance, and/or related expenses.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2023.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Rural Broadband Access (High-Speed) - Any Technology	#27	100%	99.9%	Percentage of rural residential areas with access to broadband internet at a speed of 100 Mbps.	Federal Communications Commission, 2024.
Energy & Environment	Solar Energy Systems - Overall	#27	583.5 MW	1877.7 MW	Net summer energy capacity (in megawatts) for solar thermal and photovoltaic sources within the	U.S. Energy Information

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					state's total electric power industry.	Administration, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Energy Expenditures per Capita - Overall	#27	\$5,157.7	\$5,690	Per capita amount of money spent in energy by end users across all sectors.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Auto/Retail Loan Debt Rate - Overall	#27	37.4%	36.8%	Percentage of people with a credit record who have an auto loan or lease.	Martinchek et. al, 2023.
State Economy	Unemployment - Overall	#28	3.3%	3.3%	Percentage of jobless people in the labor force who have actively sought work in the past four weeks.	EPI analysis of U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Informal Helping - Overall	#28	56.8%	56.6%	Percentage of residents who exchanged favors with neighbors, including house sitting, watching each other's children, lending tools, or other activities to help each other at least once in the past year.	AmeriCorps, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Adults on Probation and Parole - Overall	#29	1,289 per 100,000 Adults	1,308 per 100,000 Adults	Number of adults in community supervision per 100,000 adult residents.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2022.
Energy & Environment	Monthly Electric Bill - Residential	#29	\$135.2	\$132.2	Average monthly electric bill for a residential, commercial, or industrial property, in U.S. dollars.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Energy Intensity - Overall	#29	5.1 kBtu/GDP\$	5.7 kBtu/GDP\$	Amount of energy consumed per unit of economic output, expressed by thousand Btu per chained 2017 U.S. Dollar of GDP.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Workers Earning Living Wages - Overall	#29	24.3%	25.4%	Percentage of workers who earn an hourly wage equal to or higher than the state's living wage for a two-working-adult, one-child household.	National Bureau of Economic Research; A. K. Glasmeier, 2024.
Housing	Renter Housing Affordability - Overall	#29	47.1%	47.6%	Percentage of renter-occupied housing units who spend less than 30% of their income on housing costs.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Energy Consumption Per Capita - Overall	#30	298.2 Million Btu	132.8 Million Btu	Total amount of consumed energy divided by population, as measured in Btu per person.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Income Inequality - Overall	#30	4.66	4.7	Ratio of median household income at the 80th percentile to household income at the 20th percentile.	United Health Foundation, 2023.

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Elections & Civic Life	People of Color Holding Elected Office - Overall	#30	6.8%	14.7%	Percentage of non-White elected officials at the state level.	Reflective Democracy Campaign, 2019.
Housing	Homelessness - Overall	#31	13.20 per 10,000 Residents	18 per 10,000 Residents	Rate of overall homelessness per 10,000 people, identified by a Point-In-Time count.	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Wage Gap - Overall	#31	1.22 male-to-female earnings	1.21 male-to-female earnings	Ratio of median earnings of full-time wage and salary workers who are male to median earnings of workers who are female.	IPUMS CDOH, 2022.
Energy & Environment	Energy Generated by Renewable Sources - Overall	#31	12.1%	25.4%	Amount of energy generated within the state by renewable sources, in million Btu.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.
State Economy	Personal Income per Capita - Overall	#31	\$55,861	\$58,434.20	State's real personal income divided by its mid-year resident population.	U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Voter Registrations Rejected - Overall	#31	7.43%	6.39%	Percentage of new registrations received by the state that were rejected.	MIT Election Data and Science Lab, 2022.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Average Time in Jail - Overall	#32	28.3 Days	26.1 Days	Average time, in days, an incarcerated person spends in a local jail during 12 months. Estimates result from dividing the average daily population by the number of annual admissions and multiplying by the number of days in a year.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2019.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Average Commute to Work - Overall	#32	25.70 Minutes	25 Minutes	Average travel time to work, in minutes, traveling one way.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Education	Student-Teacher Ratio - Overall	#32	15.3 Students per Teacher	14.9 Students per Teacher	Number of public-school students enrolled per teacher.	U.S. Department of Education, 2022.
Housing	Foreclosures - Overall	#33	1 per 2,749 Homes	1 per 2,749 Homes	One house is in foreclosure for every (x) homes.	ATTOM, 2024.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Incarceration Rate (Prisons) - Overall	#33	334 per 100,000 Residents	306 per 100,000 Residents	Number of people that are confined in state or federal correctional facilities per 100,000 residents.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2022.
Health	Primary Care Physicians - Overall	#34	1,400 Residents per Physician	1,320 Residents per Physician	Ratio of population to primary care physicians.	County Health Rankings, 2021.
Health	Low Birthweight - Overall	#35	9%	8.6%	Percentage of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams (5.5	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2022.

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					pounds). Births of unknown weight are excluded.	
Energy & Environment	Energy Consumption-Production Ratio - Overall	#35	4.4x Energy Consumed	7.6x Energy Consumed	Total amount of energy a state consumes compared to the total amount of energy it produces, with a lower ratio indicating energy needs are being met by in-state production.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2022.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Broadband Access (High-Speed) - Any Technology	#36	100%	100%	Percentage of residential areas with access to broadband internet at a speed of 100 Mbps.	Federal Communications Commission, 2024.
Health	Infant Mortality - Overall	#36	6.6per 1,000 Live Births	5.8per 1,000 Live Births	Deaths of children under one year of age per 1,000 live births.	U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Food Insecurity - Overall	#36	11.5%	10.8%	Percentage of households experiencing food insecurity.	SHADAC, 2022.
Education	Fourth-Grade Reading Proficiency - Overall	#36	41%	39%	Percentage of fourth-grade public school students who scored below proficient in reading achievement levels, as measured and defined by the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) reading test.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2022.
Housing	Extremely Low-Income Renters - Overall	#36	209,536	215,835.6	Number of renter households with incomes at or below either the federal poverty line (FPL) or 30% of their area median income, whichever is greater.	National Low Income Housing Coalition, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Children with Working Parents - Overall	#37	64%	69.3%	Children under age 6 with all available parents in the civilian labor force.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Energy Insecurity - Overall	#37	10.5%	9.8%	Percentage of households with the inability to meet basic household energy needs adequately. It describes households facing challenges in purchasing needed energy because of cost.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2020.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Water Quality - Overall	#38	38.5%	30.6%	Share of Public Water Systems (PWSs) with any violations identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2023.
Education	Adults Without a High School Diploma - Overall	#38	9%	8.3%	Percentage of the total population ages 25 to 64 without a high school diploma.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Recidivism - Overall	#39	40%	32%	Percentage of incarcerated individuals who are released and	The Council of State Governments

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					return to incarceration within three years.	Justice Center, 2022.
State Economy	New Business Growth - Overall	#39	-5%	-2%	Growth rate of seasonally adjusted yearly total, spliced actual and projected business formations within four (4) quarters. Actual business formations account for the number of employer businesses that originate from Business Applications (BA) within four quarters from the month of application. Projected business formations result from an econometric model that generates estimates of the likelihood that a business application turns into an employer business.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2024.
State Economy	GDP Growth - Overall	#39	1.8%	3.1%	Percentage annual change in real GDP.	U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2023.
Health	Uninsured Children - Overall	#39	6%	4.9%	Percentage of children under age 19 not covered by any health insurance.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Auto Loan Delinquency Rate - Overall	#40	5.9%	4.7%	Percentage of people with an auto loan or lease or a retail installment loan who are delinquent for 60 or more days.	Martinczek et. al, 2023.
Energy & Environment	Households Who Gave Up Necessities due to Energy Bill - Overall	#40	8.4%	7.2%	Percentage of households who reduced or forwent basic household necessities, such as medicine or food, to pay their home energy bill.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2020.
State Economy	Labor Force Participation Rate - Overall	#40	59.5%	63.1%	Percentage of the total civilian, non-institutionalized population that is either working or actively looking for work.	National Bureau of Economic Research, 2024.
Health	Nursing Home Quality - Overall	#40	27.8%	33.8%	Percentage of certified nursing home beds rated four or five stars over a three-month period.	United Health Foundation, 2024.
Housing	Rental Vacancy Rates - Overall	#40	8.2%	6.5%	Quarterly average percentage of year-round vacant units for rent to the sum of renter-occupied units, vacant units rented but awaiting occupancy, and vacant units for rent.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2024.
Education	Post-High School Educational Attainment - Overall	#41	41.2%	46.5%	Percentage of people aged 25 to 64 with at least an associate's degree.	Lumina Foundation, 2022.

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Health	Adult Obesity - Overall	#41	37.6%	33.6%	Percentage of adults who have a body mass index (BMI) of at least 30.0 based on reported height and weight.	United Health Foundation, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Firearm Deaths - Overall	#41	20.5 100,000 Residents	15.8 per 100,000 Residents	Number of deaths due to firearm injury per 100,000 total population.	U.S. CDC, National Center for Health Statistics, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Low-Income Working Families with Children - Overall	#41	23%	19.5%	Families with children under age 18 with incomes less than 200% of the federal poverty level and at least one parent worked 50 or more weeks during the previous year.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2022.
Education	Public School Teacher Salaries - Overall	#41	\$52,380	\$61,739	Estimated average annual salary of teachers in public elementary and secondary schools in constant 2020-2021 USD (\$).	U.S. Department of Education, 2021.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Traffic Fatalities - Fatality Rate	#41	1.60 per 100M Miles Traveled	1 per 100M Miles Traveled	Number of overall fatalities on any roadway // The rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Unbanked Households - Overall	#41	5.7%	3.8%	Percentage of households in which no one in the household had a checking or savings account at a bank or credit union.	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Voter Registration (Presidential Election) - Overall	#41	83.46%	87.34%	Percentage of eligible citizens who reported being registered in the state.	MIT Election Data and Science Lab, 2020.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Broadband Subscriptions - Overall	#42	90.2%	91.6%	Percentage of households with a computer and a broadband internet subscription.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Incarcerated People per Correctional Officer - Overall	#42	6.1 Per Officer	4 Per Officer	Number of people held in custody in local jails per correctional officer.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2019.
Economic Opportunity	Poverty - Overall	#42	14%	12%	Percentage of the total non-institutionalized population over the age of 16 whose income over the past 12 months was below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Cost of Disasters - Overall	#42	33,943 Billions of USD	17,541 Billions of USD	Cost of all severe weather and climate events that exceed \$1 billion in total costs.	States for the Future analysis of National Centers for Environmental Information data, 2023.
State Economy	Employment-Population Ratio - Overall	#42	57.9%	60.9%	Number of employed people as a percentage of the civilian non-institutional population.	U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2023.

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Health	Insurance Coverage - Overall	#42	90.6%	92.8%	Percentage of population covered by health insurance, by type of insurance.	SHADAC, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Borrowers with Severely Delinquent Debt - Overall	#42	17.7%	13.3%	Percentage of borrowers with at least one severely delinquent type of debt (debt being 90+ days past due, in collections, or classified as severely derogatory).	States for the Future analysis of Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia data, 2022.
Health	Uninsured Rate - Overall	#42	9.4%	7.2%	Percentage of people uninsured for the total civilian non-institutionalized population.	SHADAC, 2022.
Elections & Civic Life	Voter Registration (Midterm Election) - Overall	#42	79.89%	84.42%	Percentage of eligible citizens who reported being registered in the state.	MIT Election Data and Science Lab, 2022.
Economic Opportunity	Youth with Debt in Collections - Overall	#42	20.4%	15.6%	Young adults (aged 18 to 24) with a credit bureau record who have any debt in collections.	Martinchek et. al, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Incarceration Rate (Jails) - Overall	#43	457 per 100,000 Residents	241.4 per 100,000 Residents	Number of people held in custody in local jails per 100,000 residents.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2019.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Jails Operating above Capacity - Overall	#43	39.3%	13.5%	Percentage of total jails that are operating above the 100% rated capacity. Rated capacity, set by the rated official, is the maximum number of beds or persons incarcerated that the correctional facility can hold.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2019.
Health	Adults in Fair or Poor Health - Overall	#43	16.40%	13.8%	Percentage of adults who report being in poor or fair health for the civilian non-institutionalized population 18 years and over.	SHADAC, 2023.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Households Without Access to a Computer - Overall	#43	6.5%	5.5%	Percentage of households with no computer or smartphone.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Median Household Income - Overall	#43	\$67,631	\$77,588.90	Income in the past 12 months in 2023 inflation-adjusted dollars.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Women Judges - Overall	#43	33%	40.7%	Percentage of all state judges who are women.	National Association of Women Judges, 2024.
Health	Seniors with a Functional Disability - Overall	#43	36.4%	33.2%	Percentage of adults aged 65 and older who reported having one or more of the following disability types: cognitive, visual, auditory, ambulatory, self-care, or independent living difficulties.	United Health Foundation's analysis of U.S. Census Bureau, 2022.

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Criminal Justice & Courts	Total Incarceration Rate - Overall	#44	817 per 100,000 Residents	603 per 100,000 Residents	Number of people that are confined in state, local, juvenile, federal, or other correctional facilities per 100,000 residents.	Prison Policy Initiative, 2022.
Health	Adults with Diabetes - Overall	#44	14.5%	11.7%	Percentage of adults who have a body mass index of 30.0 or higher based on reported height and weight.	United Health Foundation, 2023.
Health	Childhood Obesity - Overall	#44	19.9%	16.8%	Children ages 6-17 who were obese.	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Medical Debt in Collections - Overall	#44	7.4%	4.7%	Percentage of people with a credit record who have medical debt in collections.	Martinczek et. al, 2023.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Transportation Affordability - Overall	#44	25%	22%	Transportation costs as a percentage of income for the regional typical household.	Center for Neighborhood Technology, 2022.
Education	Young Children Not in School - Overall	#44	61%	55.1%	Children ages 3 to 4 not enrolled in school, including nursery school, preschool school or kindergarten, during the previous three months.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2022.
Health	Adults Avoiding Care Due to Cost - Overall	#46	14.9%	10.7%	Percentage of adults that forgo needed medical care due to cost as part of the civilian non-institutionalized population 18 years and over.	SHADAC, 2023.
Health	Adults with Heart Disease - Overall	#46	12%	8.9%	Percentage of adults who reported ever being told by a health professional that they had angina or coronary heart disease, a heart attack or myocardial infarction, or a stroke.	United Health Foundation, 2023.
State Economy	Job Growth - Overall	#46	0.7%	1.5%	Percentage change in employment in the total nonfarm industry.	Arizona State University's analysis of BLS, 2024.
Health	Life Expectancy - Overall	#46	72.4 Years	76 Years	Average number of years expected to live at time of birth.	U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, 2021.
Health	Mental Health Providers - Overall	#46	530 Residents per Provider	346 Residents per Provider	Ratio of population to mental health providers.	County Health Rankings, 2024.
Energy & Environment	Monthly Electricity Consumption - Residential	#47	1,109.1 kWh	849 kWh	Average monthly electricity consumption for a residential, commercial, or industrial property, in kilowatt-hours (kWh).	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.

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Health	Child Vaccination Rate - Overall	#47	62.7%	70.4%	Percentage of children aged 35 months who received all recommended vaccines.	SHADAC, 2023.
Health	Chronic Disease Prevalence - Overall	#47	29.3%	25.4%	Percentage of adults who report having one or more of the following chronic conditions: diabetes, cardiovascular disease, heart attack, stroke, and asthma for the civilian non-institutionalized population 18 years and over.	SHADAC, 2023.
Health	Drug Deaths - Overall	#47	56.0 per 100,000 Residents	34.9 per 100,000 Residents	Opioid-related and other drug poisoning deaths per 100,000 people.	SHADAC, 2022.
Housing	Homeowner Vacancy Rates - Overall	#47	1.2%	0.9%	Quarterly average percentage of year-round vacant units for sale to the sum of owner-occupied units, vacant units sold but awaiting occupancy, and vacant units for sale.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2024.
Health	Teen Birth Rate - Overall	#47	21 per 1,000 Females	13.8 per 1,000 Females	Births from teenagers per 1,000 females ages 15 to 19.	The Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2022.
Elections & Civic Life	Voter Turnout (Presidential Election) - Overall	#47	59.81%	67.87%	Percentage of the eligible voting population who cast a ballot, reported by the state's leading election authority.	MIT Election Data and Science Lab, 2020.
Elections & Civic Life	Women Holding Elected Office - Overall	#47	15.2%	32.2%	Proportion of female state legislators as a share of the total state legislature, the state house, and the state senate.	IPUMS CDOH, 2023.
Health	Adults who Smoke - Overall	#48	17%	12.2%	Rate of smoking among adults by the civilian non-institutionalized population 18 years and over. Smoking is defined as those who have smoked 100 or more cigarettes in their lifetime and who currently smoke some days or every day. For women, percentage of women ages 18-44 who reported smoking at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime and currently smoke daily or some days.	United Health Foundation, 2023.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Federal Build Back Better Investments per Capita - Overall	#48	\$1,467.50	\$2,804	Total publicly announced investments of BIL, IRA, and/or CHIPS programs in each state, divided by population, as of January 2025.	The White House, 2025.

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Economic Opportunity	Bankruptcy Rate - Overall	#49	278.6 per 100,000 Residents	143.9 per 100,000 Residents	Number of bankruptcy filings per 100,000 residents.	U.S. Courts, 2024.
Criminal Justice & Courts	Crime Rate - All Offenses	#49	5,773.5 per 100,000 Residents	3,970 per 100,000 Residents	Number of incidents per 100,000 residents.	U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2023.
Economic Opportunity	Gender Poverty Ratio - Overall	#49	1.57 per Male	1.23 per Male	Proportion of females living below the poverty line relative to the proportion of males living below the poverty line.	IPUMS CDOH, 2023.
Education	Public Library Funding - Overall	#49	\$21.30	\$45	Per capita spending in total operating funds for public libraries (includes federal, state, and local sources).	Institute of Museum and Library Services, 2019.
Transportation & Infrastructure	Commuters not Driving Alone - Overall	#49	10.2%	14.3%	Percentage of commuters who utilized an alternate mode of transportation to commute to work, including public transit, car/vanpool, walking, and bicycling.	U.S. Census Bureau, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Felony Disenfranchisement - Overall	#50	7.7%	1.5%	Number of people ineligible to vote due to a felony conviction per 100,000 residents of voting age.	The Sentencing Project, 2024.
Energy & Environment	Power Grid Reliability - Frequency of Power Interruptions	#50	2.8 Power Outages	1.4 Power Outages	Energy reliability is measured by the SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI. The System Average Interruption Index (SAIDI) represents the average customer's total number of minutes of interruption in their electric service. System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) represents the number of times the average customer experiences a power outage in the span of a year. Finally, the Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) is the average time needed to restore a service after an outage.	U.S. Energy Information Administration, 2023.
State Economy	State and Local Expenditures per Capita - Overall	#50	\$8,062.0	\$11,261.4	Estimated total of all state and local expenditures in a given category of government functions and/or services divided by population.	Urban Institute & Brookings Institution, 2021.
Health	Opioid Prescriptions - Oxycodone	#51	15.4 per 100,000 Residents	9.2 per 100,000 Residents	Prescription opioid painkiller (oxycodone and hydrocodone) sales in kilograms per 100,000 people.	SHADAC, 2023.
Elections & Civic Life	Voter Turnout (Midterm Election) - Overall	#51	31.34%	47.54%	Percentage of the eligible voting population who cast a ballot,	MIT Election Data and Science Lab,

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					reported by the state's leading election authority.	2022.