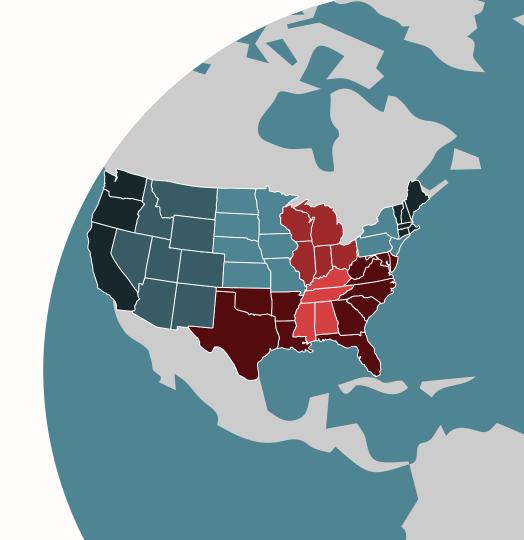
Better State, Better SAT Score?

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SAT with Essay

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11th Grade

1600

Total Score

800

Evidence-Based Reading and Writing 800

Math

PROBLEM VS. SOLUTION

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There are numerous barriers for students to pursuing higher education.

Finance challenges and college readiness are major obstacles for students.



Problem



PRIMARY BARRIERS



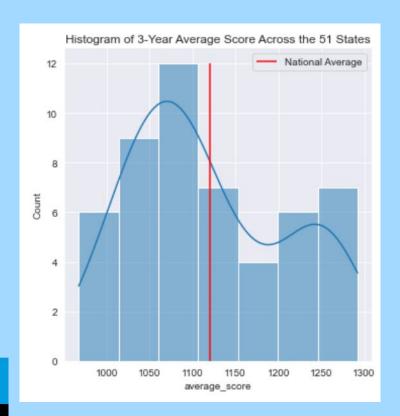


Rising Tuition Costs

Increased Competition

Rising Cost of Living

SAT



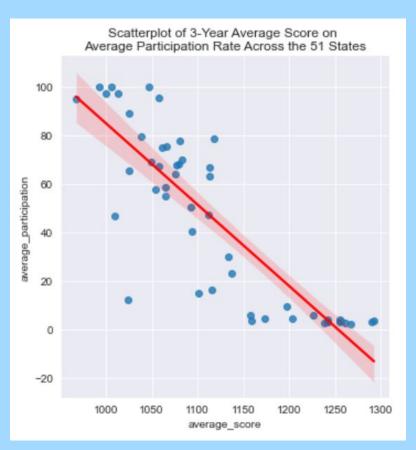
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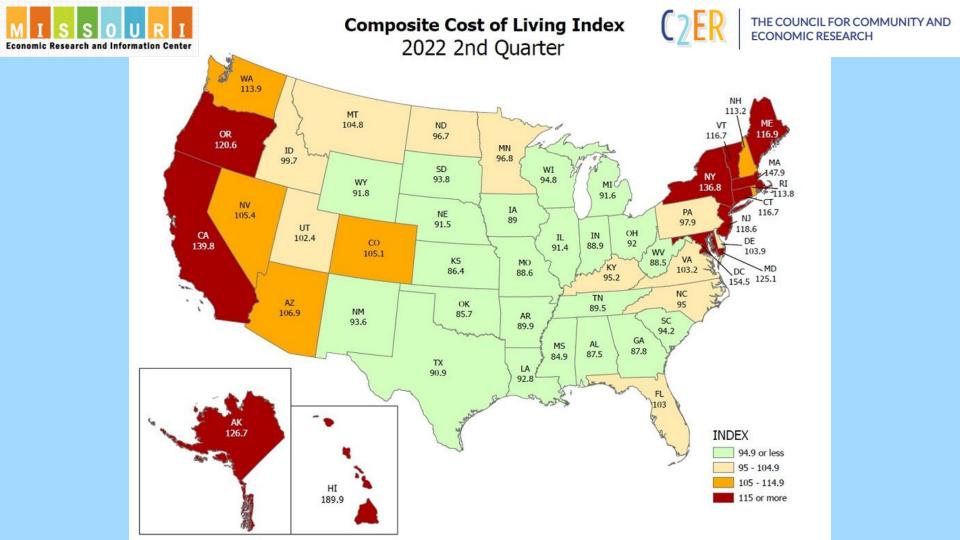
- 1. Evidence-Based Reading and Writing
- 2. Math
 The minimum score for each section is 200 and maximum score is 800.
 The range of total score is 400 to 1600.

SAT



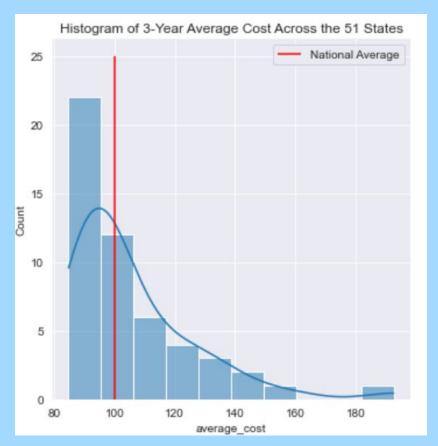
Average Score & Participation Rate





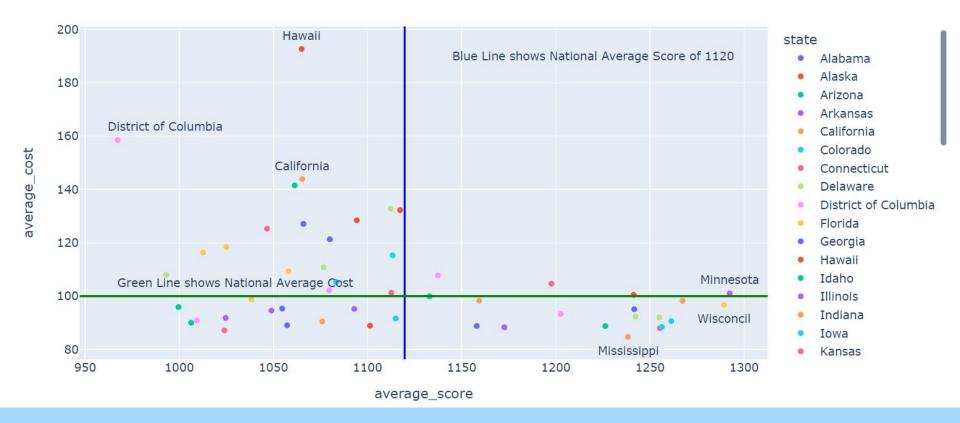
3-Year Average Cost of Living Index

The cost of living of states is **heavily skewed**.

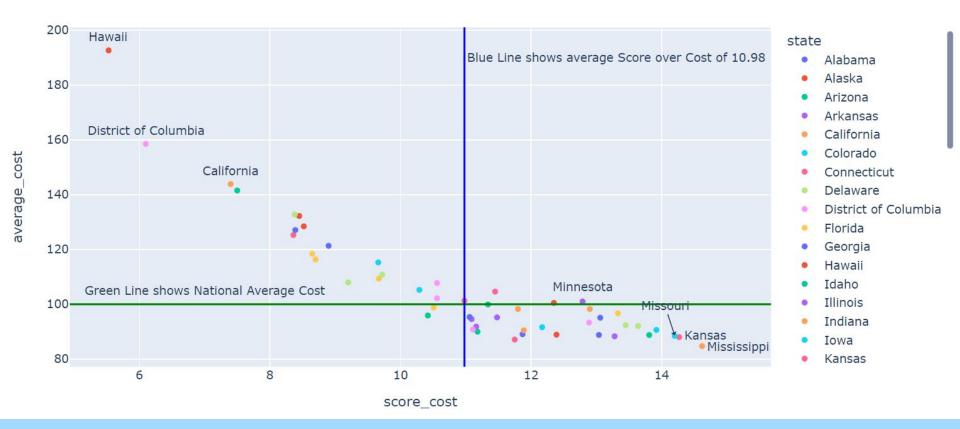




Interactive Scatter Plot of 3-Year Average Score and Cost of Living



Interactive Scatter Plot of Average Score over Cost of Living



Top 5 Most Valuable States

state	score_cost	score_house_cost	average_score	average_cost	average_house_cost
Mississippi	14.62	18.24	1238.33	84.73	67.90
Kansas	14.27	17.20	1255.33	88.00	72.97
Missouri	14.20	17.02	1256.33	88.47	73.83
lowa	13.92	16.16	1261.33	90.63	78.03
Tennessee	13.81	15.86	1226.33	88.77	77.33







Worst 5 Most Valuable States

state	score_cost	score_house_cost	average_score	average_cost	average_house_cost
Hawaii	5.53	3.32	1065.00	192.67	320.83
District of Columbia	6.10	3.64	967.33	158.50	265.97
California	7.40	5.12	1065.33	143.87	208.00
New York	7.50	4.97	1061.33	141.53	213.67
Connecticut	8.36	7.41	1046.67	125.27	141.20







Conclusion





Expensive State ≠ Better Score

→ Participation ↑ Score

Recommendation





Relocate to Cheaper State

Different Education Policies

Q & A

