

# UNITED STATES

## MEDIAN INCOME PER STATE

SKILL: USING SPATIAL DISTORTION TO MAKE AN ARGUMENT

SOFTWARE USED: R

Using median annual household income data, I created a map of the U.S. that was distorted to reflect relative differences by state . The data originally comes from the 2018 ACS 1-Year Survey and the basemap was originally projected using the USA Contiguous Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area (USGS-EDC) Projection. In this distortion, Maryland and Connecticut are given outsize emphasis; more populous states like California, Texas, and New York are diminished.

