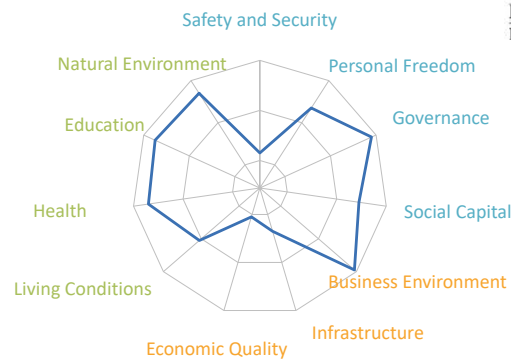
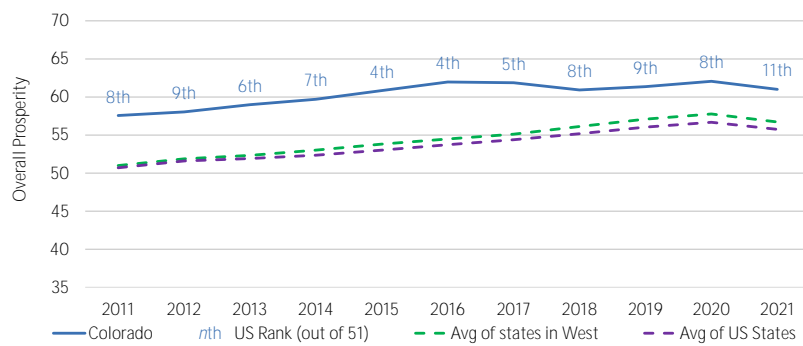


Colorado: Overall Prosperity 61.0 (11th)



Prosperity over time



Breakdown of performance

	2011	Score 10-year trend	2021	Rank - US States (1 to 51) 2021	10-year rank change	Rank - West (1 to 11) 2021
Overall Prosperity	57.6		61.0	11	▼ 3	3
Inclusive Societies	61.6		62.4	13	▲ 1	3
<div></div> Safety and Security	58.2		52.9	38	▼ 13	9
<div></div> Personal Freedom	60.9		61.4	14	▲ 1	4
<div></div> Governance	74.9		78.4	3	-	1
<div></div> Social Capital	52.2		56.8	12	▲ 8	4
Open Economies	51.0		53.5	23	▼ 12	4
<div></div> Business Environment	68.3		69.3	2	▼ 1	1
<div></div> Infrastructure	50.5		49.2	34	▼ 4	7
<div></div> Economic Quality	34.3		42.0	40	▼ 8	10
Empowered People	60.1		67.1	7	▲ 3	1
<div></div> Living Conditions	62.5		71.6	20	▲ 1	3
<div></div> Health	66.6		69.0	7	▼ 1	3
<div></div> Education	54.9		64.0	6	▲ 7	1
<div></div> Natural Environment	56.4		63.8	7	▲ 5	2

Colorado (11th): Pillar and element scores									
<div>Safety and Security</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 58.2 2021 52.9</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 38 ▼ 13</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 9</div>	<div>Personal Freedom</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 60.9 2021 61.4</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 14 ▲ 1</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 4</div>
	Mass Killings and Injuries 15%	92.4 77.3	28 ▼ 10	8		Agency 30%	69.6 68.0	32 ▼ 8	6
	Violent Crime 50%	53.5 50.1	35 ▼ 8	9		Freedom of Association and Speech 15%	46.7 26.7	37 ▼ 22	8
	Property Crime 35%	50.4 46.4	37 ▼ 13	6		Absence of Legal Discrimination 25%	58.5 63.0	10 ▲ 1	2
						Social Tolerance 30%	61.3 70.8	13 ▲ 5	5
<div>Governance</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 74.9 2021 78.4</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 3 — -</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 1</div>	<div>Social Capital</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 52.2 2021 56.8</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 12 ▲ 8</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 4</div>
	Political Accountability 30%	79.6 93.0	1 — -	1		Personal and Family Relationships 25%	59.1 77.0	15 ▲ 6	4
	Rule of Law 35%	89.5 80.0	11 ▼ 4	3		Social Networks 25%	59.4 44.4	22 ▼ 1	7
	Government Integrity 35%	56.2 64.2	13 ▲ 14	5		Institutional Trust 20%	43.9 53.9	13 ▲ 25	2
						Civic and Social Participation 30%	46.0 52.3	9 ▲ 8	4
<div>Business Environment</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 68.3 2021 69.3</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 2 ▼ 1</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 1</div>	<div>Infrastructure</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 50.5 2021 49.2</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 34 ▼ 4</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 7</div>
	Financing Ecosystems 40%	69.6 76.2	10 ▼ 1	2		Communications 40%	49.6 49.4	30 ▼ 1	8
	Domestic Market Contestability 30%	65.1 64.1	10 ▼ 1	2		Resources 25%	74.4 70.3	9 ▼ 3	4
	Burden of Regulation 10%	76.1 76.5	4 ▲ 1	3		Transport 35%	34.4 33.9	44 ▼ 2	8
	Labor Market Flexibility 10%	71.3 40.0	36 ▼ 20	6					
	Price Distortions 10%	61.7 79.3	15 ▲ 7	2					
<div>Economic Quality</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 34.3 2021 42.0</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 40 ▼ 8</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 10</div>					
	Fiscal Sustainability 25%	25.4 25.7	48 ▼ 14	11					
	Productivity and Competitiveness 25%	32.6 48.5	26 ▲ 8	7					
	Dynamism 20%	55.4 62.3	7 ▲ 4	4					
	Labor Force Engagement 30%	29.2 36.5	31 ▼ 4	5					
<div>Living Conditions</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 62.5 2021 71.6</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 20 ▲ 1</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 3</div>	<div>Health</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 66.6 2021 69.0</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 7 ▼ 1</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 3</div>
	Material Resources 25%	66.5 81.9	7 ▲ 16	3		Behavioral Risk Factors 15%	59.7 59.0	24 ▼ 14	7
	Nutrition 15%	62.2 70.7	22 ▼ 3	8		Preventative Interventions 15%	49.0 56.6	23 — -	3
	Water Services 15%	82.4 73.0	30 ▼ 26	4		Care Systems 15%	61.7 72.1	5 ▲ 2	3
	Shelter 15%	53.9 61.5	40 ▲ 3	5		Mental Health 15%	57.0 44.8	35 ▼ 8	6
	Connectedness 15%	50.6 88.7	8 ▲ 16	3		Physical Health 20%	89.9 89.7	1 — -	1
	Protection from Harm 15%	56.7 47.3	37 ▼ 5	7		Longevity 20%	72.3 81.0	8 ▲ 6	4
<div>Education</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 54.9 2021 64.0</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 6 ▲ 7</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 1</div>	<div>Natural Environment</div>		<div>Overall Prosperity</div> <div>10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 56.4 2021 63.8</div>	<div>US States Rank</div> <div>10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 7 ▲ 5</div>	<div>West Rank</div> <div>2021 2</div>
	Pre-Primary Education 5%	53.0 50.5	25 ▼ 7	3		Emissions 25%	58.4 71.2	24 ▼ 2	5
	Primary Education 20%	63.1 63.6	12 ▲ 2	3		Exposure to Air Pollution 25%	77.3 80.2	7 — -	4
	Secondary Education 25%	57.1 65.2	10 ▲ 16	2		Forest, Land and Soil 20%	35.2 47.0	19 ▲ 14	4
	Tertiary Education 25%	44.0 54.6	7 ▲ 14	2		Freshwater 20%	58.6 64.6	9 ▲ 6	3
	Adult Skills 25%	57.6 75.2	2 ▲ 4	1		Preservation Efforts 10%	36.8 36.8	11 — -	10

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Freedom of Association and Speech (37th)															
Agency (32nd)								Freedom of Association and Speech (37th)							
Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
Fatal police shootings of unarmed civilians	WaPo	deaths /100,000 population	1.0	0.02	0.03	26	48	Free speech in public places	Cato	coding, 0-3	1.0	0.5	0.5	5	5
Death row population	NAACP	prisoners /100,000 population	1.0	0.06	0.05	16	22	Right-to-work	NCSL	coding, 0-1	0.5	0.0	0.0	23	28
Adult Incarceration	BJS	prisoners /100,000 adult population	1.0	790.0	730.0	27	23	Press suppression	USPFT	number /100,000 population	0.5	0.00	0.21	1	43
Youth Incarceration	CJRP	prisoners /100,000 youth population	0.5	121.2	67.2	35	39	Invasive cell phone surveillance	ACLU	coding, 0-1	0.5	0.0	0.0	1	1
Trafficking	POL	reports /100,000	1.0	2.7	3.0	37	30								
Absence of Legal Discrimination (10th)															
Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
Religious freedom restoration act enacted	Cato	coding, 0-1	1.0	0.0	0.0	18	24	Hate group concentration	SPLC	number /100,000 population	1.0	0.38	0.29	30	33
Employment anti-discrimination law	Cato	coding, 0-1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1	1	Ethnic slur google traffic	Google	index 0-100	1.0	38.1	38.1	21	21
Government discrimination based on sex prohibited	Cato	coding, 0-1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1	1	Same sex marriage support	PRRI	percentage	0.5	60.0	79.0	14	4
Affirmative action in public services banned	Cato	coding, 0-2	0.5	0.0	0.0	6	9	LGBT non-discrimination law support	PRRI	percentage	0.5	73.0	77.0	17	2
LGBT relationships and parenthood recognition	MAP	coding, 0-10	0.5	3.0	6.0	15	6								
LGBT non-discrimination laws	MAP	coding, -1-9	0.5	9.0	9.0	1	1								



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Personal and Family Relationships (15th)							Social Networks (22nd)								
Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
		25%	59.1		77.0	21	15			25%	59.4		44.4	21	22
Divorce	CDC	instances /1,000 population	1.0	4.3	3.3	42	37	Favors between neighbors	CPS	percentage	1.0	37.5	31.6	20	24
Children in unmarried households	Census	percentage	1.0	25.4	24.0	11	3	Frequently talk with neighbors	CPS	percentage	1.0	69.3	53.4	19	36
Teen births	CDC	instances /1,000 female 15-19 population	1.0	37.7	14.7	27	20	Trust in people in neighborhood	CPS	percentage	1.5	64.3	68.6	16	11
Parent's attendance of children's activities	NSCH	percentage	0.5	92.0	98.1	30	1	Supportive neighborhood for a child	NSCH	percentage	1.0	57.4	53.8	26	37
Shared meals with household members	CPS	percentage	0.5	92.6	90.4	2	13	Trust in people	ANES	coding, 0-1	0.5	0.530	0.530	27	28
Frequently hear from family and friends	CPS	percentage	1.0	81.3	87.9	21	10								
Close friends	CPS	average	1.0	6.3	6.3	25	25								

	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021		Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021
Financing Ecosystems (10th)			40%	69.6 76.2	910	Domestic Market Contestability (10th)			30%	65.1 64.1	910
Venture capital invested	NVCA	\$ /capita	1.0	151.7	41	Low-income licensed occupations	Inst Just	number	1.5	34.0	55
Number of venture capital deals	NVCA	number /1,000,000	1.0	32.0	41	Occupational licensing training cost	Inst Just	\$	1.0	344.0	4343
Assets under management	NVCA	\$ /capita	1.0	380.9	99	Occupational licensing training time	Inst Just	days	1.0	260.0	1616
Venture capital fundraising	NVCA	\$ /capita	1.0	64.0	516	Age requirements for license	Inst Just	years	1.0	11.0	3030
New foreign direct investment	BEA	\$ /capita	1.0	716.5	125	Regulation density index	Cato	index score	1.0	0.043	11
Bank branch access	FDIC	number /square mile	1.5	0.184	1717						
Burden of Regulation (4th)	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021	Labor Market Flexibility (36th)	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021
Federal Regulation and State Enterprise Index	QuantGov	index score	1.0	0.85	1212	Collective bargaining agreement coverage	FI	percent	1.0	9.2	1832
State regulation	QuantGov	percent	1.0	1.319	1410	Employee health insurance cost	HUK	\$	0.5	4,506.0	298
						Workers compensation premium rate	State OR	\$ /\$100	0.5	1.4	519
						Minimum wage	DOL	\$	1.0	7.4	3639
Price Distortions (15th)	Source	Unit	Unit	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021						
Subsidies to the private sector	BEA	percent	1.0	0.19	2133						
Corporate Tax Score	Tax Found	index score	1.0	5.3	1910						

	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 10-yr trend	US States Rank 20112021		Source	Unit	Weight	Value 10-yr trend	US States Rank 20112021
Fiscal Sustainability (48th)			25%	25.4 	3448	Productivity and Competitiveness (26th)			25%	32.6 	3426
Government credit rating	Ballotpedia	rating	0.5	6.0 	2927	Manufactured export value	Census	\$ /capita	1.0	1,041.0 	4745
State reserves capacity	Pew	days	1.0	7.5 	3542	Non-manufactured export value	Census	\$ /capita	0.5	124.9 	4348
Revenue to expenditure ratio	Pew	ratio	1.0	0.97 	2149	Labor productivity	BLS	\$ /hour	2.0	60.6 	14
State budget balance	Pew	\$	1.0	-150.8 	644						
State pension funding	FR	percent	1.0	45.4 	3544						
Dynamism (7th)			20%	55.4 	117	Labor Force Engagement (31st)			30%	29.2 	2731
Startup concentration	Kauffman	number /1,000 businesses	0.5	118.4 	78	Unemployment	BLS	percent	1.0	8.7 	2625
Startup early job creation	Kauffman	number /capita	1.0	5.6 	93	Youth unemployment	BLS	percent	1.0	16.6 	1431
Startup early survival rate	Kauffman	percent	0.5	73.9 	3532	Employee engagement	Gallup	percent	0.5	27.0 	3825
Opportunity-driven startups	Kauffman	percent	1.0	74.5 	4328	Underemployment	BLS	percent	1.0	5.6 	3450
Rate of new entrepreneurs	Kauffman	percent	1.5	376.0 	924	Labor force participation	BLS	percent	1.0	81.2 	149
Patent applications	USPTO	number /1,000,000 population	1.0	475.4 	119						

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	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021		Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
Behavioral Risk Factors (24th)			15%	59.7		59.0	10	24	Preventative Interventions (23rd)			15%	49.0		56.6	23	23
Obesity	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	20.7		23.8	1	1	Adult dentist visits	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	64.9		67.3	30	27
Smoking	BRFSS	percentage	1.5	18.2		13.7	8	12	Adult doctor visits	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	61.5		67.8	43	49
Alcohol use disorder	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	0.5	7.9		8.8	41	50	Colorectal cancer screening	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	66.7		68.9	24	31
Illicit drug use disorder	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	0.5	2.8		5.0	36	50	Child medical visits	NSCH	percentage	0.5	88.2		78.2	23	8
Pain reliever misuse	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	0.5	5.3		4.1	49	42	HPV immunizations	NCIRD	percentage	1.0	48.0		63.5	16	
									Pap smear test	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	84.6		75.6	16	43
									Child Immunization	NCIRD	percentage	1.0	56.2		71.0	24	24
									Child dentist visits	NSCH	percentage	0.5	82.7		83.8	26	10
Care Systems (5th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Mental Health (35th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
			15%	61.7		72.1	7	5				15%	57.0		44.8	27	35
Child mental health access	NSCH	percentage	1.0	37.2		39.3	19	26	Suicide	CDC	deaths / 100,000 population	1.0	18.7		22.0	47	47
Adults with no health care coverage	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	18.0		12.9	25	31	Drug overdose deaths	CDC	deaths / 100,000 population	0.5	15.0		18.0	40	21
Avoided medical care due to cost	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	14.8		12.4	22	20	Serious mental illness	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	1.0	3.7		4.9	5	33
Hospital rating	HCA	percentage	0.5	75.0		77.0	4	8	Disability weighted prevalence from mental illness	IMHE	years / 100,000 population	1.0	2,357.8		2,263.5	43	44
Preventable hospitalizations for medicare enrollees	CMS	discharges / 100,000	1.0	3,247.0		2,434.0	6	5	Self-reported mental health not good	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	10.3		12.3	11	14
Physical Health (1st)	Source	Unit	Unit	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Longevity (8th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
			20%	89.9		89.7	1	1				20%	72.3		81.0	14	8
High blood pressure	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	24.4		24.5	1	2	Maternal mortality	IMHE	deaths / 100,000 population	0.5	0.23		0.18	10	3
Diabetes	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	6.7		6.6	1	2	Under 5 mortality	CDC	deaths / 100,000 under 5 population	1.0	145.6		104.6	23	9
Heart attack	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	2.7		2.5	1	1	5-14 mortality	CDC	deaths / 100,000 5-14 population	0.5	14.7		14.8	25	24
Disability weighted prevalence of infectious diseases	IMHE	years / 100,000 population	0.5	342.0		366.5	11	14	15-64 mortality	CDC	deaths / 100,000 15-64 population	2.0	240.2		246.3	13	10
Self-reported poor physical health	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	10.0		10.0	9	6	Mortality risk 65-85	IMHE	percentage	1.0	51.2		46.6	11	9

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Source Code	Source Name
AAR	Association of American Railroads
ACLU	American Civil Liberties Union
ANES	American National Election Studies
ATRF	American Tort Reform Association
BBN	BroadbandNow
BEA	United States Bureau of Economic Analysis
BJS	United States Bureau of Justice Statistics
BLS	United States Bureau of Labour Statistics
BRFSS	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
BTS	United States Bureau of Transportation Statistics
Ballotpedia	Ballotpedia
CAWP	Center for American Women and Politics
CDC	CDC National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CJRP	Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CNCS	Corporation for National and Community Service, Volunteering & Civil Life in America
CPI	US Center for Public Integrity
CPS	Current Population Survey, Civic Engagement Supplement
Cato	Cato - Freedom in the 50 States
Census	United States Census Bureau
Census	US Census Bureau, American Community Survey
Census	US Census Bureau, County Business Patterns
Cullier	Dave Cullier
DOL	United States Department of Labor
DUH Nat Svry	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, The National Survey on Drug Use and Health
Dept Ed	United States Department of Education
EIA	United States Energy Information Administration
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting Statistics
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FDIC	Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
FI	Fraser Institute
FR	Federal Reserve
FTC	Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Sentinel Network
GTD	Global Terrorism Database
GVA	Gun Violence Archive
Gallup	Gallup
Google	Google Trends
HCA	Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems
HJK	Henry J Kaiser Family Foundation
HUD	United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
ICS	Institute for Corruption Studies
IMHE	Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation
Inst Just	Institute for Justice
Kauffman	Kauffman Foundation
MAP	Movement Advancement Project
MIT	MIT Election and Data Science Lab coding of state policies
Mukherjee	Mukherjee et al.
NAACP	NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund
NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Progress
NCAJ	National Center for Access to Justice
NCES	National Center for Education Statistics
NCIRD	National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases
NCSL	National Conference of State Legislatures
NIEER	National Institute for Early Education Research
NIIMP	National Institute on Money in Politics
NLCD	National Land Cover Database
NLIHC	National Low Income Housing Coalition
NSCH	National Survey of Children's Health
NTIA	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
NVCA	National Venture Capital Association
POL	Polaris Project
PRRI	Public Religion Research Institute
Pros Now	Prosperity Now Scorecard
QS Rank	QS World University Rankings
QuantGov	QuantGov
SPLC	Southern Poverty Law Center
State OR	State of Oregon
Talk Pov	Talk Poverty
Tax Found	Tax Foundation
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture - Economic Research Service
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	United States Geological Survey
USPFT	United States Press Freedom Tracker
USPIRG	United States Public Interest Research Group
USPTO	United States Patent and Trademark Office
USRC	United States Religious Census
WaPo	Washington Post