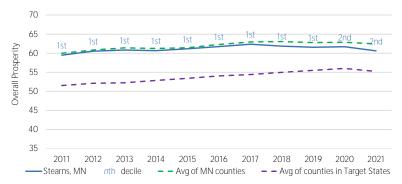
Stearns, MN: Overall Prosperity 60.6 (2nd decile*)



Prosperity over time



Safety and Security



| Breakdown of performance | 2011 | Score 10-year trend | 2021 | Deciles - US Counties (1 to 10) 2021 | 10-year decile change | Ranks - MN (1 to 87) 2021 |
|--------------------------|------|------------------------|------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Overall Prosperity | 59.5 | ~~ | 60.6 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 68 |
| Inclusive Societies | 64.9 | ^ | 61.8 | 4 | ▼ 1 | 84 |
| Safety and Security | 62.6 | - | 60.3 | 7 | ▼ 1 | 77 |
| Personal Freedom | 60.8 | | 62.2 | 2 | 1 | 12 |
| Governance | 71.6 | | 68.0 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 1 |
| Social Capital | 64.4 | 1 | 56.6 | 4 | ▼ 3 | 86 |
| Open Economies | 51.6 | | 56.7 | 1 | 1 | 30 |
| Business Environment | 53.6 | \\\\\ | 57.7 | 1 | 1 | 12 |
| Infrastructure | 53.6 | ~~~ | 54.5 | 3 | | 40 |
| Economic Quality | 47.7 | | 57.8 | 4 | 1 | 38 |
| | | | | | | |
| Empowered People | 61.9 | | 63.3 | 2 | | 53 |
| Living Conditions | 66.7 | | 70.3 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 81 |
| Health | 68.7 | | 66.1 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 20 |
| | 62.5 | M | 62.6 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 26 |
| Natural Environment | 49.7 | | 54.3 | 5 | ^ 2 | 67 |

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| Stearns, MN (2nd decile*): Pillar ar | nd elem | ent scores | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|--------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Safety and Security | 62.6 | ΑÄ | 2021 60.3 | US 2021 7 | Counties Dec 10-yr deci | cile tile chng. | MN Rank 2021 77 | Personal Freedom | n | 2011 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | ²⁰²¹ 62.2 | 2021 2 | 10-yr decile chng. | MN Rank 2021 12 |
| Mass Killings and Injuries 15% | 100.0 | | 73.0 | 10 | ▼ | 9 | 87 | Agency | 30% | 90.8 | ~ | 93.4 | 1 | | 1 |
| Violent Crime 50% | 56.7 | | 59.2 | 7 | _ | - | 75 | Freedom of Association and Speech | 15% | 12.9 | | 0.0 | 10 | | 1 |
| Property Crime 35% | 55.0 | | 56.4 | 5 | • | 1 | 65 | Absence of Legal Discrimination | 25% | 34.8 | | 38.5 | 6 | ▼ 1 | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | Social Tolerance | 30% | 76.3 | / | 82.0 | 1 | | 12 |
| | | Overall Prosperity | | US | Counties Dec | cile | MN Rank | | | | Overall Prosperity | | USC | ounties Decile | MN Rank |
| Governance | 71. <i>6</i> | 10-yr trend | 68.0 | 3 | 10-yr deci | ile chng. | 2021 | Social Capital | | 2011 64.4 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²¹ 56.6 | 2021 | 10-yr decile chng. | 2021 86 |
| Political Accountability 30% | 53.6 | | 77.1 | 2 | _ | 2 | 1 | Personal and Family Relationships | 25% | 74.1 | \\\ / | 74.7 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 56 |
| Rule of Law 35% | 97.0 | 1 | 66.0 | 1 | _ | - | 1 | Social Networks | 25% | 63.0 | / | 66.7 | 1 | A 1 | 1 |
| Government Integrity 35% | 61.7 | \M_ | 62.3 | 4 | • | 2 | 1 | Institutional Trust | 20% | 83.8 | 4 | 43.0 | 10 | ▼ 9 | 86 |
| | | | | | | | | Civic and Social Participation | 30% | 44.6 | \ | 42.2 | 3 | A 1 | 87 |
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| | 2011 | N | 2021 | 2021 | Counties Dec 10-yr deci | | MN Rank 2021 | 2 | | 2011 | 10-yr trend | 2021 | 2021 | ounties Decile 10-yr decile chng. | MN Rank 2021 |
| Business Environment | 53.6 | • / / / | 57.7 | 1 | ^ | 1 | 12 | Infrastructure | | 53.6 | √ √√ | 54.5 | 3 | | 40 |
| Financing Ecosystems 40% | 38.6 | ·./\/ | 50.7 | 2 | _ | 2 | 12 | Communications | 40% | 48.0 | | 48.0 | 5 | = . | 48 |
| Domestic Market Contestability 30% | | \sim | 78.1 | 1 | | - | 1 | Resources | 25% | 53.8 | $\sim \sim$ | 57.9 | 4 | A 1 | 38 |
| Burden of Regulation 10% | 41.3 | $\lambda \sqrt{}$ | 40.1 | 3 | ^ | 4 | 1 | Transport | 35% | 59.7 | | 59.6 | 2 | = . | 21 |
| Labor Market Flexibility 10% | | · ~~ | 35.9 | 9 | _ | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Price Distortions 10% | 53.3 | | 63.5 | 9 | _ | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Facespie Quality | 2011 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2021 | US 2021 | 10-yr deci | | MN Rank 2021 | | | | | | | | |
| Economic Quality | 47. | | 57.8 | 4 | ^ | 1 | 38 | | | | | | | | |
| Fiscal Sustainability 25% | | - 477 | 59.8 | 4 | ~ | 1 | 66 | | | | | | | | |
| Productivity and Competitiveness 25% | 55.6 | | 66.7 | 4 | _ | - | 28 | | | | | | | | |
| Dynamism 20% Labor Force Engagement 30% | | | 36.4 62.9 | 2 | • | 2 | 6 2 28 | | | | | | | | |
| <u>~</u> | 2011 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2021 | US 2021 | Counties Dec 10-yr deci | | MN Rank 2021 | \sim | | 2011 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2021 | US C 2021 | ounties Decile 10-yr decile chng. | MN Rank 2021 |
| Living Conditions | 66. | 7 | 70.3 | 3 | ▼ | 1 | 81 | Health | | 68.7 | ~ | 66.1 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 20 |
| Material Resources 25% | 71.8 | | 76.8 | 2 | ^ | 1 | 61 | Behavioral Risk Factors | 15% | 68.2 | ~~ | 61.1 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 16 |
| Nutrition 15% | 62.3 | | 76.7 | 1 | ^ | 1 | 36 | Preventative Interventions | 15% | 53.9 | my | 54.7 | 4 | ▼ 3 | 85 |
| Water Services 15% | 50.8 | | 56.2 | 7 | • | 1 | 73 | Care Systems | 15% | 59.2 | | 53.5 | 6 | ▼ 5 | 73 |
| Shelter 15% | 63.0 | ~~~ | 56.0 | 7 | ▼ | 3 | 79 | Mental Health | 15% | 65.1 | / ` ` | 63.7 | 3 | A 3 | 10 |
| Connectedness 15% | 77.8 | / | 85.5 | 3 | ▼ | 1 | 25 | Physical Health | 20% | 75.9 | ~\\\- | 74.1 | 1 | A 1 | 18 |
| Protection from Harm 15% | 71.0 | | 66.2 | 5 US | Counties De | 2 cile | 67 | Longevity | 20% | 82.6 | Overall Prosperity | 81.6 | 1 USC | ounties Decile | 15 |
| C | 2011 | Λ | 2021 | 2021 | 10-yr deci | | 2021 | (Z) | | 2011 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2021 | 2021 | 10-yr decile chng. | 2021 |
| Education | 62. | - M | 62.6 | 2 | _ | 1 | 26 | Natural Environm | | 49.7 | - | 54.3 | 5 | ^ 2 | 67 |
| Pre-Primary Education 5% | 48.9 | | 44.8 | 7 | ▼ | 1 | 66 | Emissions | 25% | 57.3 | | 59.8 | 2 | | 10 |
| Primary Education 20% | | \sim | 66.8 | 3 | _ | 1 | 52 | Exposure to Air Pollution | 25% | 54.3 | | 63.9 | 6 | 2 | 66 |
| Secondary Education 25% | | × 1 | 74.5 | 2 | _ | • | 30 | Forest, Land and Soil | 20% | 46.6 | 1 | 54.8 | 2 | a 2 | 33 |
| Tertiary Education 25% | | $\overline{}$ | 52.5 | 2 | _ | 1 | 11 | Freshwater | 20% | 50.8 | 1 | 50.6 | 9 | | 78 |
| Adult Skills 25% | 54.9 | | 60.9 | 2 | _ | | 29 | Preservation Efforts | 10% | 22.9 | | 22.9 | 3 | | 1 |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 |
| Mass Killings and Injuries (10th) | | | 15% | 100.0 | ******** | 73.0 | | Violent Crime (7th) | | | 50% | 56.7 | - √ | 59. |
| Mass shooting deaths | GVA | deaths /1,000,000 population | 1.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 1 | Murder | NACJD | deaths /100,000 population | 1.5 | 1.3 | √ | 0.6 |
| Mass shooting injuries | GVA | injuries /1,000,000 population | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 1 | Rape | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 1.0 | 48.7 | -V\ | 49. |
| Terrorism deaths | GTD | deaths /1,000,000 population | 1.0 | 0.0000 | | 1.2527 | 1 10 | Aggravated assaults | NACJD | assaults /100,000 population | 1.0 | 117.2 | M | 115. |
| Terrorism injuries | GTD | injuries /1,000,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0000 | | 12.5269 | 1 10 | Robbery | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 0.5 | 24.4 | M | 37.9 |
| Terrorism events | GTD | events /1,000,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 1.3 | 1 10 | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile | | <u> </u> | | | | | |
| Property Crime (5th) | | | 35% | ²⁰¹¹ 55.0 | 10-yr trend | 56.4 | 2011 2021 | | | | | | | |
| Burglary | NACJD | incidents /100,000 | 1.5 | 298.9 | 7~~ | 262.0 | 3 4 | | | | | | | |
| Motor vehicle theft | NACJD | population incidents /100,000 | 0.5 | 71.8 | -\vec{\lambda}{\psi} | . 101.2 | 5 6 | | | | | | | |
| | | population incidents | 1.0 | 2,040.3 | 1/1 | 2,012.1 | 9 9 | | | | | | | |
| Larceny theft | NACJD | /100,000 population | | | 71- | | | | | | | | | |
| Identity theft | FTC | reports /100,000 population | 0.5 | 120.0 | | 120.0 | 3 1 | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counties Decile 2011 202 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 |
| Agency (1st) | | | 30% | 90.8 | ~ | 93.4 | 1 | Freedom of Association and Speech (10th) | | | 15% | 12.9 | | 0.0 | 10 10 |
| Fatal police shootings of unarmed civilians | WaPo | deaths /100,000 population | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 | 1 Statewide free speech in public places | Cato | coding. 0-3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 2 2 |
| Statewide death row population | NAACP | number /100,000 population | 1.0 | 0.00 | | 0.00 | 1 | 1 Statewide right-to-work | NCSL | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 7 8 |
| Statewide adult incarceration | BJS | number /100,000 adult population | 1.0 | 380.0 | $\neg $ | 370.0 | 1 | 1 Statewide press suppression | USPFT | number /100,000 state population | 0.5 | 0.071 | $-\sqrt{}$ | 0.851 | 9 |
| Statewide youth incarceration | CJRP | prisoners /100,000 youth population | 0.5 | 87.7 | | 44.5 | 4 | 3 Statewide invasive cell phone surveillance | ACLU | coding. 0-1 | 0.5 | 1.0 | | 1.0 | 7 |
| Statewide trafficking | POL | reports /100,000 population | 1.0 | 1.9 | | 1.8 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value | 2021 | US Counties Decile | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value | 2021 | US Counties Decile |
| Absence of Legal Discrimination (6th) | | | 25% | 34.8 | 10-yr trend | 38.5 | 5 | Social Tolerance (1st) | | | 30% | 76.3 | 10-yr trend | 82.0 | 2011 2021 |
| Statewide religious freedom restoration act enacted | Cato | coding, 0-1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 4 | 5 Hate group concentration | SPLC | number /100,000 population | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 |
| Statewide 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 | 21.4 | | 21.4 | 2 2 |
| Statewide government discrimination based on sex prohibited | Cato | coding, 0-1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 4 | 4 Statewide same sex marriage support | PRRI | percentage | 0.5 | 58.0 | /_ | 78.0 | 2 |
| Statewide affirmative action in public services banned | Cato | coding, 0-2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 2 | 3 Statewide LGBT non-discrimination law support | PRRI | percentage | 0.5 | 73.0 | - | 72.0 | 2 3 |
| Statewide LGBT relationships & parenthood recognition | MAP | coding, 0-9 | 0.5 | 2.0 | | 4.5 | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| Statewide LGBT non-discrimination laws | MAP | coding, 0-11 | 0.5 | 9.0 | | 9.0 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US Count Decile 2011 | ties 2021 | | | Source | Source Unit |
| Political Accountability (2nd) | | | 30% | 53.6 | | 77.1 | 4 | 2 | Rule of Law (1st) | | | |
| Statewide Elections Performance Index | MIT | index score, 0-1 | 1.5 | 0.77 | بمسمه | 0.88 | 1 | 1 : | Statewide Justice Index | NCA. | | l index rank 1-51 |
| Statewide gender balance in legislatures | CAWP | percentage | 0.5 | 31.3 | \sim | 35.8 | 1 | 1 | Statewide judicial integrity | ATRF | | coding, 0-1 |
| Statewide state campaign disclosure | NIMP | index, 0-1 | 1.0 | 0.5 | | 1.0 | 5 | 2 | | | | |
| Statewide term limits | NCSL | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 4 | 4 | | | | |
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| Government Integrity (4th) | | | 35% | 61.7 | √ _ | 62.3 | 2 | 4 | | | | |
| Statewide legal corruption perceptions | ICS | expert survey, 3-15 | 1.0 | 5.0 | V | 7.0 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Statewide illegal corruption perceptions | ICS | expert survey, 3-15 | 1.0 | 5.5 | /_ | 5.0 | 3 | 1 | | | | |
| Statewide Corruption Reflection Index | ICS | index score, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.3090 | \mathbb{A} | 0.3088 | 4 | 6 | | | | |
| Statewide State Integrity Investigation | CPI | index rank, 1-50 | 1.0 | 25.0 | | 28.0 | 4 | 6 | | | | |
| Statewide public record request compliance | Cuillier | percentage | 1.0 | 39.4 | | 39.4 | 6 | 6 | | | | |
| Statewide Online Spending Transparency Index | USPIRG | index score, 0-100 | 0.5 | 64.0 | | 94.0 | 9 | 1 | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 |
| Personal and Family Relationships (2nd) | | | 25% | 74.1 | W | 74.7 | 1 2 | Social Networks (1st) | | | 25% | 63.0 | <u> </u> | 66.7 | 2 1 |
| Statewide divorce | CDC | instances, /1,000 population | 1.0 | 2.8 | | 2.8 | 2 | Favors between neighbors | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 40.8 | $\sqrt{}$ | 41.8 | 2 2 |
| Children in unmarried households | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 21.6 | ~ | 24.9 | 3 | Frequently talk with neighbors | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 55.8 | /\ | 58.2 | 7 4 |
| Teen births | CDC | instances /1,000 female 15-19 population | 1.0 | 16.8 | | 8.2 | 1 | Trust in people in neighborhood | 0 | percentage | 1.5 | 64.5 | | 68.3 | 3 3 |
| Statewide parent's attendance of children's activities | NSCH | percentage | 0.5 | 93.0 | | 97.0 | 3 | Statewide supportive neighborhood for a child | NSCH | percentage | 1.0 | 63.6 | | 63.1 | 1 1 |
| Shared meals with household members | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 97.0 | \ | 94.7 | 1 | Statewide trust in people | ANES | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | | 0.6 | 1 1 |
| Frequently hear from family and friends | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 75.1 | | 73.8 | 10 1 |) | | | | | | | |
| Close friends | 0 | average | 1.0 | 7.4 | | 7.4 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile | | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile |
| Institutional Trust (10th) | | | 20% | 2011 83.8 | 10-yr trend | 43.0 | 2011 2021 | Civic and Social Participation (3rd) | | | 30% | ²⁰¹¹ 44.6 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²¹ 42.2 | 2011 2021 4 3 |
| Confidence in corporations | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 78.5 | | 57.9 | 1 1 | | Census | instances, /1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.46 | 1 | 0.43 | 1 2 |
| Confidence in the media | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 64.0 | | 42.6 | 1 1 | Statewide volunteering intensity | CNCS | hours, per capita | 0.5 | 41.7 | 1/4 | 33.0 | 2 4 |
| Statewide trust in federal government | ANES | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.4 | 1 | Statewide volunteering intensity (microdata) | Census | hours, per capita | 0.5 | 39.0 | 1 | 56.1 | 6 10 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide active in neighborhood | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 25.1 | \sim | 30.6 | 1 1 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide helping the community | CNCS | instances, /1,000 | 0.5 | 2.89 | W | 3.43 | 2 1 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide helping the community (microdata) | Census | percentage | 0.5 | 2.8 | /\ | 4.5 | 1 9 |
| | | | | | | | | (Non-religious) membership organizations | Census | number /1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.610 | 7 | 0.501 | 2 3 |
| | | | | | | | | Religious membership organizations | USRC | number /1,000 population | 0.5 | 0.9 | | 0.9 | 9 9 |
| | | | | | | | | Religious organization participation | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 20.6 | 1 | 7.0 | 6 10 |
| | | | | | | | | Sport or recreation organization participation | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 2.2 | Λ | 4.0 | 10 10 |
| | | | | | | | | School, neighborhood or community association participation | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 5.8 | /\ | 7.4 | 10 10 |

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| 5 | | | | 2011 | 10-yr trend | 2021 | 2011 2021 | Domestic Market | | | | 2011 | 10-yr trend | 2021 | 2011 2021 |
| Financing Ecosystems (2nd) | | | 40% | 38.6 | ,/W | 50.7 | 4 2 | Contestability (1st) | | | 30% | 73.7 | ~ | 78.1 | 1 |
| Venture capital invested | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 31.7 | , | 100.2 | 2 2 | Statewide low-income licensed occupations | Inst Just | number | 1.5 | 34.0 | | 34.0 | 1 |
| Number of venture capital deals | NVCA | number /1,000,000 | 1.0 | 7.5 | ~~~ | 10.4 | 2 3 | Statewide occupational licensing training cost | Inst Just | S | 1.0 | 238.0 | | 238.0 | 4 |
| Assets under management | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 182.4 | ~~ | 89.1 | 2 2 | Statewide occupational licensing training time | Inst Just | days | 1.0 | 300.0 | | 300.0 | 3 |
| Venture capital fundraising | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 0.0 | <i>M</i> . | 21.9 | 6 2 | Statewide age requirements for license | Inst Just | years | 1.0 | 5.0 | | 5.0 | 1 |
| New foreign direct investment | BEA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 478.2 | - | 1,437.0 | 5 1 | Statewide regulation density index | Cato | index score | 1.0 | 0.013 | ~ | 0.030 | 1 |
| Bank branch access | FDIC | number /square mile | 1.5 | 0.034 | | 0.038 | 3 3 | | | | | | | | |
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| Burden of Regulation (3rd) Statewide Federal Regulation and State | | | 10% | 41.3 | \ \ \ | 40.1 | 7 3 | Labor Market Flexibility (9th) | | | 10% | 66.0 | ~ | 35.9 | 8 9 |
| Enterprise Index | QuantGov | index score | 1.0 | 1.02 | 1 | 1.04 | 5 3 | Statewide collective bargaining agreement coverage | FI | percent | 1.0 | 17.0 | ~ ~ | 16.0 | 9 (|
| Statewide state regulation | QuantGov | percent | 1.0 | 1.725 | | 1.722 | 7 7 | Statewide employee health insurance cost | НЈК | s | 0.5 | 4,042.0 | \\ | 5,455.0 | 2 4 |
| | | | | | | | | Workers Compensation Premium Rate | State OR | \$ per \$100 | 0.5 | 2.3 | لسي | 1.1 | 5 (|
| | | | | | | | US Countles | Statewide minimum wage | DOL | S | 1.0 | 6.2 | | 10.0 | 2 8 |
| | Source | Unit | | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | | Decile 2011 2021 | | | | | | | | |
| Price Distortions (9th) | | | 10% | 53.3 | 1 | 63.5 | 7 9 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide subsidies to the private sector | BEA | percent | 1.0 | 0.16 | 1 | 0.10 | 5 5 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide Corporate Tax Score | Tax Found | index score | 1.0 | 4.47 | \mathcal{M} | 4.17 | 8 7 | | | | | | | | |

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| Communications (5th) | | | 40% | 48.0 | | 48.0 | 5 | 5 | Resources (4th) | | | 25% | 53.8 | ₩ | 57.9 | 5 |
| Mean download speed | BBN | Mbps | 1.5 | 82.4 | | 82.4 | 3 | 3 | Customers affected by electricity outages | Mukherjee | number /10,000 population | 0.5 | 0.00 | J.M. | 0.00 | 1 |
| Ultra-fast internet access | BBN | percent | 1.0 | 15.2 | | 15.2 | 5 | 5 | Statewide net electricity generation | EIA | kWh /capita | 1.0 | 0.0098 | ~~ | 0.0103 | 9 |
| Fast internet access | BBN | percent | 1.0 | 88.6 | | 88.6 | 5 | 5 | Water usage | USGS | Mgal /capita | 1.0 | 0.113 | 1 | 0.087 | 7 |
| Internet providers (Business) | FCC | number | 0.5 | 4.0 | | 4.0 | 2 | 2 | Electricity outage duration | EIA | minutes | 1.0 | 98.2 | \mathbb{N} | 81.5 | 6 |
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| Transport (2nd) | | | 35% | 59.7 | <u> </u> | 59.6 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide number of airports | BTS | number/square mile | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | |
| Road condition | BTS | percent | 1.5 | 1.5 | | 1.5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide railroad length | AAR | miles /square mile | 1.0 | 0.1 | | 0.1 | 4 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Bus transit route mileage | BTS | miles/square mile | 0.5 | 0.1 | | 0.1 | 4 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Public road density | BTS | miles/square mile | 1.0 | 1.2 | | 1.2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Bridge condition | BTS | percent | 0.5 | 1.73 | \ | 2.16 | 3 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Distance to airport | BTS | km | 1.0 | 43.2 | | 43.2 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | |
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| Fiscal Sustainability (4th) | | | 25% | 54.5 | ٧ | 59.8 | 3 | 4 | Productivity and Competitiveness (4th) | | | 25% | 55.6 | مسهر | 66.7 | 4 4 |
| Statewide government credit rating | Ballotpedia | rating | 0.5 | 8.0 | | 8.0 | 1 | 1 | Export value (goods) | BIEM | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 4,628.2 | <i></i> | 5,722.8 | 4 4 |
| Statewide state reserves capacity | 0 | days | 1.0 | 11.0 | ~~ | 57.7 | 8 | 5 | Export value (services) | BIEM | \$ /capita | 0.5 | 1,175.3 | | 1,446.9 | 3 3 |
| Government revenue to expenditure ratio | Census | ratio | 1.0 | 1.17 | _~ | 0.89 | 1 | 10 | Labor productivity | BLS | \$ per hour | 1.5 | 58.1 | ~~\ | 63.3 | 4 5 |
| Statewide state budget balance | 0 | \$ /capita | 1.0 | -299.7 | $\int V$ | 217.4 | 1 | 5 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide state pension funding | FR | percent | 1.0 | 49.5 | W | 48.4 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | |
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| Dynamism (10th) | | | 20% | 30.8 | /h~ | 36.4 | 10 | 10 | Labor Force Engagement (2nd) | | | 30% | 46.7 | | 62.9 | 4 2 |
| Startup concentration | Kauffman | number /1,000 businesses | 0.5 | 93.3 | \ | 64.2 | 7 | 8 | Unemployment | BLS | percent | 1.0 | 7.2 | | 5.7 | 4 5 |
| Startup early job creation | Kauffman | number /1,000 population | 1.0 | 3.73 | 1 | 3.80 | 9 | 9 | Youth unemployment | Census | percent | 1.0 | 11.7 | \mathcal{N} | 8.9 | 3 4 |
| Startup early survival rate | Kauffman | percent | 0.5 | 72.6 | 1 | 80.4 | 9 | 2 | Employee Engagement | Gallup | percent | 0.5 | 26.0 | الر | 31.0 | 8 9 |
| Opportunity-driven startups | Kauffman | percent | 1.0 | 100.0 | | 100.0 | 1 | 1 | Statewide underemployment | BLS | percent | 1.0 | 5.6 | $\sqrt{}$ | 3.6 | 6 4 |
| Rate of new entrepreneurs | Kauffman | number /100,000 population | 1.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 10 | 10 | Labor force participation | Census | percent | 1.5 | 71.8 | M_{\sim} | 71.9 | 1 1 |
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Preventative Interventions 54.7 15% 68.2 61.1 2 15% 53.9 4 (4th) 75.7 Obesity percentage 28.0 29.9 4 Adult dentist visits 72.9 18.5 72.3 2 Smoking CHR 1.5 14.6 Adult doctor visits BRFSS 0.5 70.6 percentage Alcohol use disorder 6.4 5.2 4 6 Colorectal cancer screening BRFSS 0.5 72.5 73.2 DUH Nat Srvy 2.57 4 9 Illicit drug use disorder 0.5 2.36 5 Statewide child medical visits NSCH 0.5 83.6 73.8 percentage percentage Pain reliever misuse 5 Statewide HPV immunizations Pap smear test BRFSS percentage 0.5 86.3 81.1 52.5 1.0 66.1 Statewide child immunization NCIRD 78.2 15% 59.2 53.5 Mental Health (3rd) 15% 65.1 63.7 6 Statewide child mental health access deaths / 100,000 population Adults with no health care coverage CHR 0.5 12.6 6.1 Drug overdose deaths CDC 0.5 13.5 13.5 12.3 4.57 4.52 BRFSS 10.6 4 Serious mental illness Avoided medical care due to cost Statewide disability weighted prevalence from years / 100,000 population 75.9 75.9 2,221.2 2,140.8 Preventable hospitalizations for medicare enrolees CHR 1.0 6,577.2 6,095.0 9 Self-reported mental health not good 1.0 8.2 11.9 74.1 82.6 Physical Health (1st) 20% 75.9 2 Longevity (1st) 20% 81.6 1 High blood pressure 1.0 26.9 25.2 Diabetes 6.5 7.4 2 11.9 CDC percentage 1.0 167.5 3.60 15-64 mortality Statewide disability weighted prevalence of infectious diseases deaths / 100,000 population IMHE 0.5 314.7 330.8 Maternal mortality 0.5 0.20 0.17 8.1 10.4 41.1 Self-reported poor physical health CHR percentage 1.0 Mortality risk 65-85 IMHE 44.6

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| | Source | | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 | | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counti Decile 2011 2 |
| Pre-Primary Education (7th) | | | 5% | 48.9 | ~ | 44.8 | | Primary Education (3rd) | | | 20% | 68.1 | ~~ | 66.8 | 2 |
| Pre-primary enrollment | Census | percentage | 2.0 | 33.4 | كري | 41.1 | 9 6 | Math grade 4 level | SEDA | grade level | 2.0 | 4.94 | $\sqrt{}$ | 4.80 | 1 |
| Statewide state pre-K quality | NIEER | index score, 0-10 | 1.0 | 9.0 | | 5.4 | 1 6 | Statewide science grade 4 score | NAEP | scale score, 0-300 | 1.5 | 158.5 | | 157.4 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | English, language and arts grade 4 level | SEDA | grade level | 2.0 | 4.14 | \bot \nearrow | 4.48 | 4 |
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| Secondary Education (2nd) | 5504.00 | | 25% | 2011 72.5 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²¹ | 2011 2021 | Tertlary Education (2nd) | Source | Cint | 25% | ²⁰¹¹ 58.3 | 10-yr trend | 2021 52.5 | 2011 2 |
| Math grade 8 level | SEDA | grade level | 1.5 | 9.02 | <u></u> | 9.35 | 2 2 | College enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 65.4 | ~ | 57.4 | 1 |
| | NAEP | scale score. | 1.0 | 159.1 | | 161.7 | 1 1 | | NCES | | 1.0 | 60.7 | | 66.7 | 2 |
| Statewide science grade 8 score | | 0-500 | 1.5 | 8.36 | 1 | 8.30 | 3 4 | Statewide college graduation rate Statewide university quality for enrolled | QS Rank | percentage Legatum | | 0.376 | | 0.248 | 2 |
| English, language and arts grade 8 level | SEDA | grade level | | | 1/1/ | | | students | | Legatum Institute score | 1.0 | | 7 1 | | |
| High school graduation rate | CHR | percentage | 1.0 | 90.1 | ~~ | 83.2 | 3 9 | Community college graduation rate | NCES | percentage | 1.0 | 36.6 | 7 | 30.2 | 7 |
| Secondary enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 96.9 | \checkmark | 98.5 | 5 3 | | | | | | | | |
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| Adult Skills (2nd) | Source | | 25% | ²⁰¹¹ 54.9 | 10-yr trend | 60.9 | 2 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Adult Skills (2nd) Adult population with at least a high school diploma | Source | percentage | | | 10-yr trend | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile | | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US |
| missions (2nd) | | | 25% | 57.3 | 10-yr trend | 59.8 | 2011 2021 | Exposure to Air Pollution (6th) | | | 25% | 54.3 | 10-yr trend | 63.9 | 2011 |
| O2 emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 2.0 | 0.78 | /\ | 0.78 | | Life expectancy loss from air pollution | JBEN | years | 2.0 | 0.1 | | 0.1 | |
| litrous oxide emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.72 | | 0.80 | 2 | PM2.5 emissions | EPA | ton / square mile | 1.0 | 3.26 | _~^\ | 3.56 | |
| Carbon monoxide emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.67 | | 0.72 | 3 | 4 Lead emissions | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 1.522 | | 0.165 | 1 |
| iulfur dioxide emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.889 | 7/1 | 0.910 | 5 | Toxic air releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 37.95 | | 59.23 | |
| Ozone emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.74 | | 0.81 | 2 | 2 | | | | | • | | |
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| orest, Land and Soil (2nd) | | | 20% | 46.6 | | 54.8 | | Freshwater (9th) | | | 20% | 50.8 | | 50.6 | Ç |
| oxic land releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 0.16 | | 0.16 | 8 | Statewide good quality rivers and streams | EPA | percentage | 0.5 | 20.7 | | 20.7 | |
| tatewide rural parks and wildlife areas | USDA | percentage | 1.0 | 5.21 | | 5.93 | 3 | Statewide good quality lakes, resevoirs and ponds | EPA | percentage | 0.5 | 5.1 | | 5.1 | |
| tatewide compliant underground storage anks facilities | EPA | percentage | 1.0 | 66.0 | | 82.0 | 6 | Total freshwater withdrawals per capita | USGS | million gallons / 1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.24 | | 0.27 | |
| tatewide exposure to pesticides | CDC | number / 100,000 population | 1.0 | 40.0 | | 27.5 | 5 | Toxic water releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 46.18 | | 46.18 | 10 |
| ree canopy cover | NLCD | percentage | 1.0 | 7.689 | | 7.676 | 7 | 7 | | | | | | | |
| Wetlands and deepwater habitats | USFWS | percentage | 1.0 | 17.7 | | 17.7 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | |
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| Preservation Efforts (3rd) | | | 10% | 22.9 | 10-yr trend | 2021 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | |
| tatewide GAP 1 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 2.0 | 2.3 | | 2.3 | | 3 | | | | | | | |
| tatewide GAP 2 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 1.5 | 4.3 | | 4.3 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| tatewide GAP 3 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 1.0 | 16.0 | | 16.0 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | |
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| AAR | Association of American Railroads |
| ACLU | American Civil Liberties Union |
| ANES | American National Election Studies |
| ATRF | American Tort Reform Association |
| Ballotpedia | Ballotpedia |
| BBN BEA | BroadbandNow |
| BIEM | United States Bureau of Economic Analysis Brookings Institution Export Monitor |
| BJS | United States Bureau of Justice Statistics |
| BLS | United States Bureau of Labour Statistics United States Bureau of Labour Statistics |
| BRFSS | Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System |
| BTS | United States Bureau of Transportation Statistics |
| Cato | Cato - Freedom in the 50 States |
| CAWP | Center for American Women and Politics |
| CDC | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention |
| CDC | CDC National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network |
| CDC | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Diabetes Atlas |
| Census | Center for Disease Control (WONDER) United States Census Bureau |
| Census | United States Certists Bureau US Census Bureau |
| Census | United States Census Bureau, American Community Survey |
| CHR | County Health Rankings |
| CJRP | Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement |
| CNCS | Corporation for National and Community Service, Volunteering & Civil Life in America |
| CPI | Center for Public Integrity |
| CPS | Current Population Survey, Civic Engagement Supplement |
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| EIA | Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, The National Survey on Drug Use and Health United States Energy Information Administration |
| EPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| FA | Feeding America |
| FCC | Federal Communications Commission |
| FDIC | Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation |
| FI | Fraser Institute |
| FR | Federal Reserve |
| FTC Gallup | Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Sentinel Network |
| Google | Gallup Google Trends |
| GTD | Global Terrorism Database |
| GVA | Gun Violence Archive |
| 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 JBEN | Institute for Justice Bennett et al. 2019. "Particulate matter air pollution and national and county life expectancy loss in the USA: A spatiotemporal analysis". |
| Kauffman | Rauffman Foundation |
| MAP | Movement Advancement Project |
| MIT | MIT Election and Data Science Lab coding of state policies |
| Mukherjee | Mukherjee et al. |
| NAACP | National Association for the Advancement of Colored People |
| NACJD | National Archive Of Criminal Justice Data |
| NAEP | National Assessment of Educational Progress National Content for Assessment of Educational Progress |
| NCAJ NCES | National Center for Access to Justice 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 |
| NIMP | National Institute on Money in Politics |
| NLCD | National Land Cover Database |
| NSCH | National Survey of Children's Health |
| NVCA POL | National Venture Capital Association |
| Pros Now | Polaris Project Prosperity Now Scorecard |
| PRRI | Public Religion Research Institute |
| QS Rank | OS World University Rankings |
| QuantGov | QuantGov |
| SEDA | Stanford Education Data Archive |
| SPLC | Southern Poverty Law Center |
| State OR | State of Oregon |
| Talk Pov | Talk Poverty |
| Tax Found UI | Tax Foundation Urban Institute |
| USDA | United States Department of Agriculture |
| 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 |
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