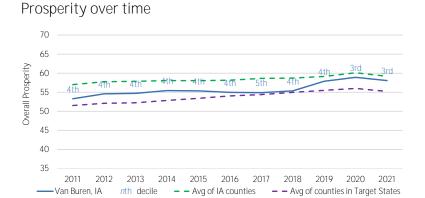
Van Buren, IA: Overall Prosperity 58.0 (3rd decile*)







| Breakdown of performance | 2011 | Score 10-year trend | 2021 | Deciles - US Counties (1 to 10) 2021 | 10-year decile change | Ranks - IA (1 to 99) 2021 |
|--------------------------|------|--|------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Overall Prosperity | 53.3 | <i></i> | 58.0 | 3 | 1 | 82 |
| Inclusive Societies | 65.1 | ~~ | 69.8 | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| Safety and Security | 73.7 | ~ | 88.8 | 1 | A 3 | 9 |
| Personal Freedom | 60.9 | /\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | 61.1 | 4 | ▼ 1 | 89 |
| <u> Governance</u> | 65.2 | | 69.2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Social Capital | 60.5 | | 60.2 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 15 |
| Open Economies | 41.2 | ^ | 44.8 | 9 | | 99 |
| Business Environment | 37.3 | \sim | 41.5 | 8 | ^ 2 | 87 |
| Infrastructure | 38.8 | | 34.0 | 9 | ▼ 1 | 99 |
| \delta Economic Quality | 47.7 | | 58.9 | 4 | 1 | 56 |
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| Empowered People | 53.5 | | 59.5 | 4 | 1 | 76 |
| Living Conditions | 56.9 | | 68.9 | 4 | ^ 2 | 81 |
| Health | 58.7 | | 62.1 | 3 | 1 | 81 |
| | 46.6 | / | 53.4 | 5 | 1 | 90 |
| Natural Environment | 51.7 | /~/ | 53.4 | 5 | | 16 |

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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | De | ounties cile 2021 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US CI De 2011 |
| Mass Killings and Injuries (1st) | | | 15% | 100.0 | | 100.0 | 1 | | Violent Crime (2nd) | | | 50% | 80.0 | A . 100 | 87.1 | 3 |
| 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 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 |
| 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 | 13.4 | M/" | 0.0 | 4 |
| Terrorism deaths | GTD | deaths /1,000,000 population | 1.0 | 0.0000 | | 0.0000 | 1 | 1 | Aggravated assaults | NACJD | assaults /100,000 population | 1.0 | 134.2 | -\\\ | 99.4 | 5 |
| Terrorism injuries | GTD | injuries /1,000,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0000 | | 0.0000 | 1 | 1 | Robbery | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 |
| Terrorism events | GTD | events /1,000,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | - 0.0 | 1 | 1 | | | population | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | De | ounties | | 1 | | | | | | i |
| Property Crime (1st) | | | 35% | 53.4 | 10-yr trend | 86.6 | 2011 | 2021 | | | | | | | | |
| Burglary | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 1.5 | 698.1 | | 156.2 | 8 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Motor vehicle theft | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 0.5 | 67.1 | 1 | 42.6 | 4 | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Larceny theft | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 1.0 | 335.6 | W | 227.1 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Identity theft | FTC | reports /100,000 population | 0.5 | 131.2 | | 131.2 | 3 | 7 | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | | US Counti Decile 2011 2 | | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US Counties Decile 2011 202 |
| Agency (2nd) | | | 30% | 79.5 | ~ | 77.3 | 2 | 2 | Freedom of Association and Speech (1st) | | | 15% | 53.6 | io yi dala | 47.3 | 1 |
| 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 |
| 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 | 1.0 | | 1.0 | 1 |
| Statewide adult incarceration | BJS | number /100,000 adult population | 1.0 | 530.0 | 7 | 580.0 | 1 | 2 | Statewide press suppression | USPFT | number /100,000 state population | 0.5 | 0.064 | | 0.127 | 8 |
| Statewide youth incarceration | CJRP | prisoners /100,000 youth population | 0.5 | 110.0 | | 67.8 | 7 | 8 | Statewide invasive cell phone surveillance | ACLU | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 |
| Statewide trafficking | POL | reports /100,000 population | 1.0 | 2.7 | | 3.1 | 3 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US Counti Decile 2011 2 | ies | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-vr trend | 2021 | US Counties Decile 2011 202 |
| Absence of Legal Discrimination (3rd) | | | 25% | 44.4 | io-yr treid | 48.1 | 3 | 3 | Social Tolerance (7th) | | | 30% | 59.5 | /w~ | 62.5 | 5 |
| 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 | 53.2 | //~ | 28.4 | 8 |
| 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 | 22.8 | | 22.8 | 3 |
| Statewide government discrimination based on sex prohibited | Cato | coding, 0-1 | 1.0 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 2 | 2 | Statewide same sex marriage support | PRRI | percentage | 0.5 | 57.0 | / | 62.0 | 3 |
| 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 | 71.0 | | 69.0 | 3 |
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| Statewide LGBT relationships & parenthood recognition | MAP | coding, 0-9 | 0.5 | 1.0 | | 3.5 | 8 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
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| Political Accountability (4th) | | | 30% | 43.8 | | 69.7 | 7 | | Rule of Law (4th) | | | 359 |
| tatewide Elections Performance Index | MIT | index score, 0-1 | 1.5 | 0.73 | ~ | 0.86 | 3 | 2 | Statewide Justice Index | NCAI | index rank 1-51 | 1.5 |
| tatewide gender balance in legislatures | CAWP | percentage | 0.5 | 21.3 | | 28.7 | 5 | 5 | Statewide judicial integrity | ATRF | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 |
| tatewide state campaign disclosure | NIMP | index, 0-1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | | 0.8 | 7 | 5 | | | | |
| tatewide term limits | NCSL | coding. 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 4 | 4 | | | | |
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| Sovernment Integrity (1st) | | | 35% | 83.3 | \mathcal{M}^{-} | 80.1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| tatewide legal corruption perceptions | ICS | expert survey, 3-15 | 1.0 | 5.0 | | 7.5 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| tatewide illegal corruption perceptions | ICS | expert survey, 3-15 | 1.0 | 5.0 | | 3.0 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| tatewide Corruption Reflection Index | ICS | index score, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.0610 | N- | 0.1510 | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| tatewide State Integrity Investigation | CPI | index rank, 1-50 | 1.0 | 7.0 | | 11.0 | 2 | 3 | | | | |
| tatewide public record request compliance | Cuillier | percentage | 1.0 | 53.8 | | 53.8 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| tatewide Online Spending Transparency dex | USPIRG | index score, 0-100 | 0.5 | 90.0 | | 91.0 | 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 | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 |
| Personal and Family Relationships (1st) | | | 25% | 74.2 | | 79.8 | | Social Networks (1st) | | | 25% | 64.6 | io-yr delid | 63.4 | 1 1 |
| Statewide divorce | CDC | instances, /1,000 population | 1.0 | 2.4 | \mathcal{I} | 2.3 | 1 3 | Favors between neighbors | | percentage | | 37.6 | | 37.6 | 3 2 |
| Children in unmarried households | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 18.1 | W | 17.4 | 2 1 | Frequently talk with neighbors | О | percentage | 1.0 | 64.1 | | 64.1 | 2 1 |
| Teen births | CDC | instances /1,000 female 15-19 population | 1.0 | 28.6 | | 13.1 | 3 3 | Trust in people in neighborhood | | percentage | | 63.4 | | 63.4 | |
| Statewide parent's attendance of children's activities | NSCH | percentage | 0.5 | 95.1 | | 98.6 | 1 1 | Statewide supportive neighborhood for a child | NSCH | percentage | 1.0 | 64.0 | | 62.5 | 1 2 |
| Shared meals with household members | О | percentage | | 90.1 | | 90.1 | | Statewide trust in people | ANES | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | | 0.6 | 1 |
| Frequently hear from family and friends | О | percentage | 1.0 | 85.9 | | 85.9 | 3 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Close friends | | average | | 6.4 | | 6.4 | 2 2 | | | | | | | | |
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| Institutional Trust (7th) | | | 20% | ²⁰¹¹ 57.5 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²¹ 57.5 | 2011 2021 7 7 | Civic and Social Participation (3rd) | | | 30% | ²⁰¹¹ 47.6 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²¹ 42.9 | 3 3 |
| Confidence in corporations | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 66.5 | | 66.5 | 5 5 | Statewide volunteer rate | Census | instances, /1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.44 | 2 | 0.36 | 1 3 |
| Confidence in the media | 0 | percentage | 1.0 | 59.7 | | 59.7 | 2 1 | Statewide volunteering intensity | CNCS | hours, per capita | 0.5 | 38.8 | % | 34.0 | 3 3 |
| Statewide trust in federal government | ANES | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | | 0.3 | 9 9 | Statewide volunteering intensity (microdata) | Census | hours, per capita | 0.5 | 41.8 | W | 56.8 | 4 8 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide active in neighborhood | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 24.0 | MV | 22.6 | 2 3 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide helping the community | CNCS | instances, /1,000 | 0.5 | 1.77 | 1 | 1.83 | 10 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide helping the community (microdata) | Census | percentage | 0.5 | 3.1 | | 5.1 | 1 8 |
| | | | | | | | | (Non-religious) membership organizations | Census | number /1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.396 | | 0.414 | 5 5 |
| | | | | | | | | Religious membership organizations | USRC | number /1,000 population | 0.5 | 4.0 | | 4.0 | 2 2 |
| | | | | | | | | Religious organization participation | | percentage | | 21.1 | | 21.1 | 5 5 |
| | | | | | | | | Sport or recreation organization participation | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 10.8 | | 10.8 | 6 6 |
| | | | | | | | | School, neighborhood or community association participation | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 12.3 | | | 8 8 |

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| | Source | | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | Decile 2011 2021 | Domestic Market | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | | Decile 2011 202 | |
| Financing Ecosystems (8th) | | | 40% | 14.2 | \sim | 21.9 | 9 8 | Contestability (3rd) | | | 30% | 52.0 | 7 _ | 53.6 | 5 | 3 |
| Venture capital invested | NVCA | \$/capita | 1.0 | 2.5 | M | 1.1 | 8 9 | Statewide low-income licensed occupations | Inst Just | number | 1.5 | 71.0 | | 71.0 | 9 | 9 |
| Number of venture capital deals | NVCA | number /1,000,000 | 1.0 | 0.6 | \sqrt{N} | 1.2 | 9 9 | Statewide occupational licensing training cost | Inst Just | s | 1.0 | 178.0 | | 178.0 | 1 | 1 |
| Assets under management | NVCA | \$/capita | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1 | 3.8 | 9 8 | Statewide occupational licensing training time | Inst Just | days | 1.0 | 288.0 | | 288.0 | 2 | 2 |
| Venture capital fundraising | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 0.0 | ~ | 3.4 | 6 6 | Statewide age requirements for license | Inst Just | years | 1.0 | 5.0 | | 5.0 | 1 | 1 |
| New foreign direct investment | BEA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 46.1 | | 239.3 | 10 5 | Statewide regulation density index | Cato | index score | 1.0 | -0.004 | 1 | 0.002 | 5 | 3 |
| Bank branch access | FDIC | number /square mile | 1.5 | 0.017 | (Minchistration) | 0.017 | 5 5 | | | | | | • | | | |
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| Burden of Regulation (9th) | | | 10% | 44.3 | 14 1 | 35.1 | 3 9 | 3 1 1 | | | 10% | 68.7 | <u> </u> | 67.5 | 7 | 5 |
| Statewide Federal Regulation and State Enterprise Index | QuantGov | index score | 1.0 | 1.07 | WL | 1.15 | 5 5 | Statewide collective bargaining agreement coverage | FI | percent | 1.0 | 13.0 | ~ | 8.8 | 7 | 6 |
| Statewide state regulation | QuantGov | percent | 1.0 | 1.581 | 1 | 1.636 | 6 6 | Statewide employee health insurance cost | HJK | s | 0.5 | 4,010.0 | 1 | 5,115.0 | 1 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | Workers Compensation Premium Rate | State OR | \$ per \$100 | 0.5 | 1.8 | | 1.1 | 2 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide minimum wage | DOL | s | 1.0 | 7.3 | | 7.3 | 3 | 2 |
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| | Source | | | 2011 | 10-yr trend | 2021 | 2011 2021 | | | | | | | | | |
| Price Distortions (8th) | | | 10% | 47.0 | 1 | 63.6 | 9 8 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide subsidies to the private sector | BEA | percent | 1.0 | 0.15 | ~ | 0.09 | 4 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide Corporate Tax Score | Tax Found | index score | 1.0 | 3.79 | ~~/ | 4.03 | 10 8 | | | | | | | | | |
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| Communications (9th) | | | 40% | 6.5 | | 6.5 | 9 | 9 | Resources (8th) | | | 25% | 65.2 | لب | 46.2 | 2 | |
| Mean download speed | BBN | Mbps | 1.5 | 20.2 | | 20.2 | 9 | 9 | Customers affected by electricity outages | Mukherjee | number /10,000 population | 0.5 | 0.01 | | 0.00 | 3 | |
| Ultra-fast internet access | BBN | percent | 1.0 | 0.6 | | 0.6 | 7 | 7 | Statewide net electricity generation | EIA | kWh/capita | 1.0 | 0.0169 | | 0.0201 | 3 | |
| Fast internet access | BBN | percent | 1.0 | 36.3 | | 36.3 | 9 | 9 | Water usage | USGS | Mgal /capita | 1.0 | 0.040 | | 0.055 | 10 | |
| Internet providers (Business) | FCC | number | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 6 | 6 | Electricity outage duration | EIA | minutes | 1.0 | 61.0 | | 176.6 | 1 | |
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| Transport (3rd) | | | 35% | 56.7 | | 56.7 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide number of airports | BTS | number /square mile | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 7 | 7 | | | | | | | | | |
| Road condition | BTS | percent | 1.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide railroad length | AAR | miles /square mile | 1.0 | 0.1 | | 0.1 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| Bus transit route mileage | BTS | miles/square mile | 0.5 | 0.6 | | 0.6 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Public road density | BTS | miles/square mile | 1.0 | 0.4 | | 0.4 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | |
| Bridge condition | BTS | percent | 0.5 | 34.16 | | 27.85 | 10 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| Distance to airport | BTS | km | 1.0 | 69.7 | | 69.7 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | | | | | | US Countie Decile 2011 20 | | | Source | | Weight | 2011 | | | |
| Fiscal Sustainability (3rd) | | | 25% | 47.3 | ~~/W | 64.4 | 5 | 3 | Productivity and Competitiveness (6th) | | | 25% | 47.9 | ~~~ | 58.6 | 6 |
| Statewide government credit rating | Ballotpedia | rating | 0.5 | 8.0 | | 8.0 | 1 | 1 | Export value (goods) | BIEM | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 7,985.2 | | 10,006.4 | 2 : |
| Statewide state reserves capacity | 0 | days | 1.0 | 48.9 | \wedge | 59.7 | 4 | 4 | Export value (services) | BIEM | \$ /capita | 0.5 | 459.7 | | 564.9 | 9 8 |
| Government revenue to expenditure ratio | Census | ratio | 1.0 | 0.96 | - | 1.11 | 8 | 2 | Labor productivity | BLS | \$ per hour | 1.5 | 51.5 | ~~~ | 56.3 | 7 8 |
| Statewide state budget balance | 0 | \$/capita | 1.0 | -88.7 | | 394.4 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide state pension funding | FR | percent | 1.0 | 60.3 | 1/1 | 56.3 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Debt-to-GDP ratio | Census | percent | 1.0 | 13.26 | | 14.53 | 7 | 8 | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Countie Decile | | | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile |
| Dynamism (5th) | | | 20% | ²⁰¹¹ 43.2 | 10-yr trend | 57.0 | 2011 20 | 5 | Labor Force Engagement (4th) | | | 30% | ²⁰¹¹ 50.8 | 10-yr trend | 55.8 | 3 4 |
| Startup concentration | Kauffman | number /1,000 businesses | 0.5 | 82.6 | 1 | 54.7 | 10 | 10 | Unemployment | BLS | percent | 1.0 | 7.3 | | 4.6 | 4 |
| Startup early job creation | Kauffman | number /1,000 population | 1.0 | 3.69 | My | 3.58 | 10 | 10 | Youth unemployment | Census | percent | 1.0 | 6.1 | W | 11.8 | 1 6 |
| Startup early survival rate | Kauffman | percent | 0.5 | 78.1 | pw | 81.4 | 2 | 1 | Employee Engagement | Gallup | percent | 0.5 | 29.0 | | 33.0 | 5 8 |
| Opportunity-driven startups | Kauffman | percent | 1.0 | 98.4 | W | 110.7 | 2 | 1 | Statewide underemployment | BLS | percent | 1.0 | 4.6 | 1 | 3.4 | 2 |
| Rate of new entrepreneurs | Kauffman | number /100,000 population | 1.5 | 285.4 | ~ | 378.7 | 8 | 5 | Labor force participation | Census | percent | 1.5 | 64.4 | 1 | 56.8 | 4 |
| Patent applications | USPTO | number /1,000 | 1.0 | 0.0 | W | 142.0 | 7 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value 10-yr trend | | Decile 2011 2021 | | Source | | | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | | Decile 2011 202 |
| Material Resources (4th) | | | 25% | 64.5 | - V | 69.4 | 4 4 | Nutrition (3rd) | | | 15% | 47.2 | كسر | 68.9 | 5 |
| Low income | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 26.3 | | 23.1 | 5 5 | Food security | FA | percentage | 1.0 | 84.5 | الرسري. | 90.2 | 5 |
| Poverty | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 17.4 | | 12.8 | 7 5 | Statewide borderline food security | USDA | percentage | 1.0 | 95.0 | ~~/ | 96.4 | 3 |
| Deep poverty | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 6.18 | _N | 3.99 | 6 3 | Fruit consumption | BRFSS | percentage | | 60.24 | | 60.28 | 4 |
| Liquid asset poverty | Pros Now | percentage | 1.0 | 37.8 | | 37.8 | 5 5 | Vegetable consumption | BRFSS | percentage | 0.5 | 72.1 | /\ | 77.2 | 10 |
| Statewide high risk loans | Talk Pov | percentage | 1.0 | 5.7 | M | 6.2 | 2 2 | | | | | | | | |
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| Water Services (6th) | | | 15% | 67.5 | ~ | 71.0 | | Shelter (5th) | | | 15% | 60.5 | ~ | 64.1 | 5 |
| Statewide clean and safe water | 0 | percentage | 0.5 | 96.5 | | 96.7 | 1 1 | Homelessness | HUD | number / 10,000 population | 0.5 | 8.1 | ~ | 5.6 | 2 |
| Public drinking water violations | CHR | Score, 0 or 1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 1 | Unsheltered homeless rate | HUD | percentage | 0.5 | 3.6 | M | 6.5 | 1 |
| Complete kitchen and plumbing facilities | HUD | percentage | 1.0 | 96.31 | M | 96.70 | 10 10 | Households with overcrowding | HUD | percentage | 1.0 | 2.43 | -\\\ | 1.81 | 7 |
| | | | | | | | | Availability of affordable housing | UI | units / 100 extremely low income tenants | 1.0 | 10.0 | | 13.0 | 7 |
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| Cannastadassa (Oth) | Suarce | Olik | 15% | | Value 10-yr trend | | Decile 2011 2021 | Protection from Harm (2nd) | Source | | 15% | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | | Decile 2011 202 |
| Connectedness (8th) | | | | 29.7 | | 62.7 | | Protection from Harm (2nd) | | number / 100,000 | | 66.6 | 1 | 77.1 | 4 |
| Access to broadband | FCC | percentage | 1.5 | 40.0 | | 73.9 | | Fatalities from unintentional injuries | CDC | population number / | | 19.4 | 7 | 13.7 | 6 |
| Households with a smartphone | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 53.5 | / | 67.0 | 9 9 | Traffic deaths | CDC | 100,000 population | 1.0 | 13.9 | 7.1 | 12.3 | 2 |
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63.1 Preventative Interventions 15% 55.4 50.4 15% 52.4 2 6 (1st) 32.9 Obesity percentage 68.0 76.8 Smoking CHR 1.5 21.5 Adult doctor visits BRFSS percentage Alcohol use disorder 6.6 6.0 6 DUH Nat Srvy 2.19 2 87.8 Illicit drug use disorder 0.5 2.55 Statewide child medical visits NSCH 0.5 74.9 percentage percentage Pain reliever misuse 8 Statewide HPV immunizations Pap smear test BRFSS 57.7 1.0 72.8 NCIRD Statewide child immunization 15% 42.3 70.5 4 Mental Health (6th) 15% 65.5 57.8 5 Statewide child mental health access Adults with no health care coverage CHR 0.5 14.9 10.2 2 CDC 6.6 15.0 5.23 5.14 Serious mental illness Statewide disability weighted prevalence from years / 100,000 population 67.0 2,086.8 Preventable hospitalizations for medicare enrolees CHR 1.0 10,120.0 3,489.0 Self-reported mental health not good 1.0 9.2 12.7 65.7 Physical Health (3rd) 20% 70.1 3 3 Longevity (5th) 20% 61.6 63.7 5 Diabetes CDC 1.0 6.9 6.8 3 16.2 percentage 15-64 mortality Statewide disability weighted prevalence of infectious diseases deaths / 100,000 population IMHE 0.5 329.3 356.6 Maternal mortality IMHE 0.5 0.29 0.29 4 11.0 53.9 50.9 Self-reported poor physical health CHR percentage 1.0 Mortality risk 65-85 IMHE

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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US Counties Decile 2011 2021 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2011 | Value 10-yr trend | 2021 | US Counties Decile 2011 202 |
| Pre-Primary Education (4th) | | | 5% | 50.0 | A ~ | 57.8 | | Primary Education (3rd) | | | 20% | 57.3 | ~~ | 66.2 | 5 |
| Pre-primary enrollment | Census | percentage | 2.0 | 41.3 | 1 | 45.7 | 6 5 | Math grade 4 level | SEDA | grade level | 2.0 | 4.58 | ~~ | 3.76 | 2 |
| Statewide state pre-K quality | NIEER | index score, 0-10 | 1.0 | 6.9 | | 7.9 | 5 4 | Statewide science grade 4 score | NAEP | scale score, 0-300 | 1.5 | 157.3 | | 158.9 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | English, language and arts grade 4 level | SEDA | grade level | 2.0 | 3.99 | M | 4.93 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | Primary enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 89.9 | ~ | 96.5 | 10 |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile | | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Counties Decile |
| Secondary Education (7th) | | | 25% | ²⁰¹¹ 41.5 | 10-yr trend | 60.2 | 9 7 | Tertlary Education (4th) | | | 25% | ²⁰¹¹ 48.6 | 10-yr trend | 2021 43.4 | 2011 2021 |
| Math grade 8 level | SEDA | grade level | 1.5 | 6.76 | 1~ | 8.19 | | College enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 20.1 | 1 | 16.6 | 7 |
| Statewide science grade 8 score | NAEP | scale score, | 1.0 | 156.0 | <u> </u> | 158.9 | 3 3 | Statewide college graduation rate | NCES | percentage | 1.0 | 63.3 | <u>\</u> | 68.9 | 1 |
| | | 0-500 | 1.5 | 6.88 | ~~ | 8.59 | 9 2 | Statewide university quality for enrolled | QS Rank | Legatum Institute score | | 0.422 | \prec | 0.211 | 1 |
| English, language and arts grade 8 level | SEDA | grade level | | | 7 | | | students | | | 1.0 | 42.5 | \ | | 2 |
| High school graduation rate | CHR | percentage | 1.0 | 78.0 | 7 | 97.5 | 6 1 | Community college graduation rate | NCES | percentage | 1.0 | 42.5 | | 42.5 | 2 |
| Secondary enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 91.2 | 1 | 87.7 | 9 10 | | | | | | | | |
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| Adult Skills (6th) | | | 25% | 40.6 | M | 45.4 | 6 6 | | | | | | | | |
| Adult population with at least a high school diploma | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 86.1 | M | 89.2 | 5 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Adult population with bachelor's degree or | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 13.5 | -1/ | 14.4 | 8 8 | | | | | | | | |
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| Van Buren, IA: Natural Environr | ment (51 | :h decile*): E | lement | and in | dicator sco | ores | | | | | | | | | | R |) |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | | Value | | US Cou Deci | | | Source | Unit | Weight | | Italics: Indica | ator contain | US Countie Decile | |
| Emissions (5th) | | | 25% | 2011 50.9 | 10-yr trend | 51.0 | 2011 5 | 2021 5 | Exposure to Air Pollution (4th) | | | 25% | ²⁰¹¹ 68.7 | 10-yr trend | 72.4 | 2011 20 | 4 |
| | EPA | index, | | 0.74 | 7 / | 0.74 | 4 | | | IDEAL | | | 0.1 | <i>J</i> – | 0.1 | 7 | 7 |
| CO2 emissions Nitrous oxide emissions | EPA | 0-1 index, | 2.0 | 0.74 | | 0.62 | 5 | | Life expectancy loss from air pollution PM2.5 emissions | JBEN EPA | years ton / square mile | 2.0 | 1.02 | _ / | 0.74 | 3 | 7 |
| Carbon monoxide emissions | EPA | 0-1 index, | 0.5 | 0.59 | _ / | 0.66 | 6 | 5 | | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 0.010 | 7,7 | 0.008 | 2 | 2 |
| Sulfur dioxide emissions | EPA | 0-1 index, | 0.5 | 0.910 | | 0.745 | 4 | 9 | Toxic air releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 1.73 | 74 | 0.00 | 5 | 1 |
| Ozone emissions | EPA | 0-1 index, | 0.5 | 0.48 | | 0.57 | 7 | 6 | TONIC all Teleases | L'A | ib/ square mile | 1.0 | 1.73 | 1 | 0.00 | 3 | ' |
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| Forest, Land and Soil (8th) | | | 20% | 35.9 | 7.0 | 40.0 | 8 | 8 | Freshwater (5th) | | | 20% | 71.5 | <i>l</i> | 71.3 | 5 | 5 |
| Toxic land releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 0.00 | | 0.00 | 1 | 1 | Statewide good quality rivers and streams | EPA | percentage | 0.5 | 25.5 | | 25.5 | 7 | 7 |
| Statewide rural parks and wildlife areas | USDA | percentage | 1.0 | 1.40 | | 1.42 | 7 | 7 | Statewide good quality lakes, resevoirs and ponds | EPA | percentage | 0.5 | 10.4 | | 10.4 | 7 | 7 |
| Statewide compliant underground storage tanks facilities | EPA | percentage | 1.0 | 63.0 | \sim | 64.0 | 8 | 7 | Total freshwater withdrawals per capita | USGS | million gallons / 1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.15 | \ | 0.18 | 2 | 3 |
| Statewide exposure to pesticides | CDC | number / 100,000 population | 1.0 | 51.2 | | 36.9 | 8 | 7 | Toxic water releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 0.00 | | 0.00 | 1 | 1 |
| Tree canopy cover | NLCD | percentage | 1.0 | 14.841 | [| 12.942 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | |
| Wetlands and deepwater habitats | USFWS | percentage | 1.0 | 4.7 | | 4.7 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
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| Preservation Efforts (9th) | | | 10% | 3.5 | 10-yr trend | 3.5 | ²⁰¹¹ | ²⁰²¹ | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide GAP 1 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 2.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 10 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide GAP 2 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 1.5 | 1.3 | | 1.3 | 6 | 6 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide GAP 3 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 1.0 | 0.4 | | 0.4 | 10 | 10 | | | | | | | | | |
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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 |
| Cuillier | Dave Cuillier |
| DOL DUH Nat Srvy | United States Department of Labor Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, The National Survey on Drug Use and Health |
| 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 | Kauffman 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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