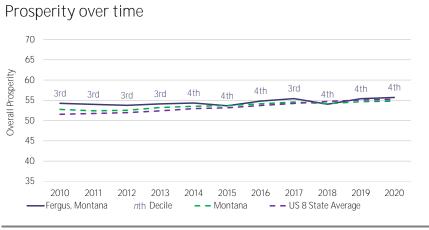
Fergus, Montana: Overall Prosperity 55.7 (4th decile*)







| Bre | akdown of performance | 2010 | Score 10-year trend | 2020 | Decile (1 to 10) 2020 | 10-year decile change | Rank - Montana (1 to 56) 2020 |
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| | Overall Prosperity | 54.3 | | 55.7 | 4 | ▼ 1 | 27 |
| | Inclusive Societies | 68.9 | ~~ | 61.1 | 3 | ▼ 2 | 42 |
| U | Safety and Security | 87.9 | W. | 67.6 | 6 | ▼ 5 | 41 |
| ~~ | Personal Freedom | 62.6 | | 61.2 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 22 |
| 盒 | Governance | 58.8 | | 58.4 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 1 |
| ζŷĵ | Social Capital | 66.3 | | 57.1 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 51 |
| | Open Economies | 42.7 | ~~~ | 46.0 | 8 | ▼ 1 | 15 |
| | Business Environment | 39.7 | ~~~ | 44.8 | 6 | 2 | 14 |
| Š | Market Access and Infrastructure | 39.0 | | 41.1 | 6 | 1 | 26 |
| \$ | Economic Quality | 49.4 | ~~~ | 51.9 | 9 | v 5 | 24 |
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| | Empowered People | 51.1 | | 60.1 | 3 | ^ 2 | 15 |
| | Living Conditions | 45.5 | | 63.6 | 5 | A 3 | 31 |
| \$ | Health | 55.3 | ~~~ | 59.4 | 4 | - | 32 |
| \bigcirc | Education | 46.9 | | 60.6 | 2 | A 3 | 7 |
| Ø | Natural Environment | 56.8 | | 56.8 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 18 |

| Fergus, Montana (4th decile*) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | İ | 2010 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2020 | 2020 | Decile 10-yr dec. d | hange | Montana Rank 2020 | № | 2010 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2020 | 2020 | Decile 10-yr dec. change | Montana Rank 2020 |
| Safety and Security | y | 87.9 | W. | 67.6 | 6 | • | 5 | 41 | Personal Freedom | 62.6 | | 61.2 | 3 | ▼ 1 | 22 |
| Terror-related Crime | 15% | 100.0 | | 100.0 | 1 | _ | - | 1 | Agency 30% | 82.8 | | 85.4 | 1 | = - | 1 |
| Violent Crime | 50% | 77.7 | ~~~ | 46.5 | 8 | • | 5 | 46 | Freedom of Association and Speech 15% | 40.0 | | 40.0 | 4 | = - | 1 |
| Property Crime | 35% | 97.2 | \ | 83.8 | 2 | • | 1 | 32 | Absence of Legal Discrimination 25% | 48.1 | ·····/ | 51.1 | 2 | | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | | Social Tolerance 30% | 65.9 | | 55.9 | 4 | ▼ 2 | 22 |
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| Governance | | 58.8 | M | 58.4 | 3 | | 1 | 1 | Social Capital | 66.3 | 1 | 57.1 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 51 |
| Political Accountability | 30% | 46.9 | | 78.1 | 1 | _ | 5 | 1 | Personal and Family Relationships 25% | 64.9 | 1 | 62.9 | 5 | ▼ 2 | 49 |
| Rule of Law | 35% | 70.0 | 4 | 35.0 | 7 | • | 6 | 1 | Social Networks 25% | 75.2 | ~ | 61.0 | 2 | ▼ 1 | 4 |
| Government Integrity | 35% | 57.8 | | 64.9 | 2 | _ | - | 1 | Institutional Trust 20% | 65.5 | | 41.9 | 8 | ▼ 5 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | | | Civic and Social Participation 30% | 60.7 | ~/_ | 59.1 | 1 | - - | 43 |
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| Business Environme | ent | 39.7 | ~/` | 44.8 | 6 | ^ | 2 | 14 | Infrastructure | 39.0 | ~~′ | 41.1 | 6 | 1 | 26 |
| Financing Ecosystems | 40% | 13.9 | ~~~ | 31.2 | 6 | _ | 3 | 14 | Communications 40% | 45.4 | | 45.4 | 5 | = . | 17 |
| Domestic Market Contestability | 30% | 58.8 | | 58.5 | 1 | _ | - | 1 | Resources 25% | 64.5 | ~~/ | 72.9 | 1 | ^ 2 | 35 |
| Burden of Regulation | 10% | 52.6 | ,, | 39.6 | 8 | • | 5 | 1 | Transport 35% | 23.9 | | 23.9 | 10 | | 54 |
| Labor Market Flexibility | 10% | 47.8 | \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | 48.5 | 8 | _ | - | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Price Distortions | 10% | 64.4 | \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | 60.0 | 5 | _ | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | |
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| • | | | Overall Prosperity | | | Decile | | Montana Rank | | <u> </u> | | | | | |
| Economic Quality | | ²⁰¹⁰ 49.4 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²⁰ 51.9 | 9 | 10-yr dec. d | hange 5 | 2020 | | | | | | | |
| | 25% | | <u></u> | 45.9 | 9 | | 5 | 36 | | | | | | | |
| | 25% | 55.6 27.5 | ~~ | 33.8 | 10 | | 5 | 31 | | | | | | | |
| | 20% | 68.1 | \ | 46.0 | 7 | | 6 | 20 | | | | | | | |
| | 30% | 50.1 | | 75.9 | 2 | | 2 | 17 | | | | | | | |
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| | | 2010 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2020 | 2020 | Decile 10-yr dec. d | hange | Montana Rank 2020 | \sim | 2010 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2020 | 2020 | Decile 10-yr dec. change | Montana Rank 2020 |
| Living Conditions | | 45.5 | | 63.6 | 5 | _ | 3 | 31 | Health | 55.3 | ~~~ | 59.4 | 4 | = - | 32 |
| Material Resources | 25% | 64.5 | - | 62.5 | 5 | • | 1 | 36 | Behavioral Risk Factors 15% | 67.3 | ~ | 63.1 | 3 | v 1 | 28 |
| Nutrition | 15% | 55.3 | | 74.5 | 3 | - | - | 26 | Preventative Interventions 15% | 31.4 | | 46.9 | 6 | | 4 |
| Water Services | 15% | 26.6 | ~~ | 75.9 | 6 | A | 4 | 32 | Care Systems 15% | 59.5 | | 64.0 | 3 | v 1 | 24 |
| Shelter | 15% | 56.2 | \\\\ | 56.5 | 6 | • | 2 | 44 | Mental Health 15% | 53.1 | 1 | 45.2 | 9 | | 20 |
| Connectedness | 15% | 14.0 | | 64.8 | 6 | _ | 2 | 23 | Physical Health 20% | 67.3 | ~ | 67.0 | 3 | | 37 |
| Protection from Harm | 15% | 44.0 | M | 48.6 | 9 | _ | - | 45 | Longevity 20% | 50.8 | \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | 65.4 | 4 | 4 | 36 |
| | | | Outpro!! Press ** | | | Doelle | | Montere | | | Outpet!! Pers | | | Deelle | Montered |
| Falcona. | į | 2010 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2020 | 2020 | Decile 10-yr dec. d | - 1 | Montana Rank 2020 | (Z) | 2010 | Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend | 2020 E.A. O. | 2020 | Decile 10-yr dec. change | Montana Rank 2020 |
| Education | | 46.9 | ~ | 60.6 | 2 | | 3 | 7 | Natural Environment | 56.8 | | 56.8 | 3 | v 1 | 18 |
| - | 5% | 0.0 | | 54.3 | 5 | _ | | 17 | Emissions 25% | 56.5 | | 54.3 | 8 | ▼ 1 | 26 |
| - | 20% | 52.1 | -1-/- | 65.9 | 2 | _ | İ | 21 | Exposure to Air Pollution 25% | 76.1 | - | 79.4 | 1 | | 5 |
| - | 25% | 66.9 | ~~~ | 83.6 | 1 | _ | - 1 | 4 | Forest, Land and Soil 20% | 47.2 | | 49.9 | 4 | | 25 |
| - | 25% | 24.5 | ~~ | 29.7 | 9 | | 1 | 19 | Freshwater 20% | 55.1 | | 50.8 | 10 | 1 | 24 |
| Adult Skills | 25% | 54.4 | _/ | 65.4 | 2 | _ | 1 | 13 | Preservation Efforts 10% | 32.1 | | 32.1 | 2 | | 1 |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | Deci 2010 | | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | |
| Terror-related Crime (1st) | | | 15% | 100.0 | | 100.0 | 1 | 1 | Violent Crime (8th) | | | 50% | 77.7 | W | 46.5 | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | 18.0 | \\ | 140.3 | |
| Terrorism deaths | GTD | deaths /1,000,000 population | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | Aggravated assaults | NACJD | assaults /100,000 population | 1.0 | 116.9 | | 491.1 | |
| Terrorism injuries | GTD | injuries /1,000,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | Robbery | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 8.8 | |
| Terrorism events | GTD | events /1,000,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | Deci 2010 | | | i | ! | | | | | |
| Property Crime (2nd) | | | 35% | 97.2 | W- | 83.8 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Burglary | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 1.5 | 125.9 | M^{-} | 254.3 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Motor vehicle theft | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 0.5 | 54.0 | -\/ | 35.1 | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Larceny theft | NACJD | incidents /100,000 population | 1.0 | 728.6 | | 868.3 | 1 | 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Identity theft | FTC | reports /100,000 population | 0.5 | 36.9 | 1 | 67.8 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
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Freedom of Association and 85.4 40.0 Agency (1st) 30% 82.8 1 15% 40.0 4 Speech (4th) deaths /100,000 population 0.0 Fatal police shootings of unarmed civilians 1.0 0.0 Statewide free speech in public places 0.0 0.0 WaPo Cato 1.0 number /100,000 population 0.2 Statewide right-to-work Statewide death row population NAACP 0.2 NCSL 0.5 0.0 0.0 8 number /100,000 adult population number /100,000 state population 760.0 BJS Statewide press suppression USPFT 0.5 Statewide adult incarceration prisoners /100,000 youth population 64.5 2 Statewide invasive cell phone surveillance Statewide youth incarceration reports /100,000 population Statewide trafficking 3.8 3.8 Absence of Legal 48.1 51.1 2 Social Tolerance (4th) 65.9 55.9 2 25% 30% Discrimination (2nd) Statewide religious freedom restoration act enacted number /100,000 population coding, 0-1 0.0 23.2 1.0 0.0 5 0.0 5 Hate group concentration SPLC 1.0 coding, 0-1 1.0 1.0 26.3 Statewide employment anti-discrimination law 1.0 Ethnic slur google traffic Statewide government discrimination based on sex prohibited coding, 0-1 1.0 1 57.0 1.0 1.0 0.5 47.0 Cato Statewide same sex marriage support PRRI percentage Statewide affirmative action in public services Statewide LGBT non-discrimination law 1 72.0 Cato 0.5 0.0 0.0 PRRI percentage 0.5 64.0 Statewide LGBT relationships & parenthood recognition 4.0 4 MAP 0.5 2.0 Statewide LGBT non-discrimination laws 1.0 1.0 4 MAP 0.5

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| Political Accountability (1st) | | | 30% | 46.9 | | 78.1 | 6 | 1 | Rule of Law (7th) |
| Statewide Elections Performance Index | MIT | Overall Prosperity, 0-1 | 1.5 | 0.6 | | 0.8 | 4 | 2 | Statewide Justice Index |
| Statewide gender balance in legislatures | CAWP | percentage | 0.5 | 26.0 | \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | 30.7 | 2 | 3 | Statewide judicial integrity |
| Statewide state campaign disclosure | NIMP | index, 0-1 | 1.0 | 0.3 | | 0.9 | 7 | 3 | |
| Statewide term limits | NCSL | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 1.0 | | 1.0 | 1 | 1 | |
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| Government Integrity (2nd) | | | 35% | ²⁰¹⁰ 57.8 | 10-yr trend | 64.9 | 2010 | 2020 | |
| Statewide legal corruption perceptions | ICS | expert survey, 3-15 | 1.0 | 9.0 | $\sqrt{}$ | 6.0 | 3 | 1 | |
| Statewide illegal corruption perceptions | ICS | expert survey, 3-15 | 1.0 | 6.0 | _ | 5.5 | 2 | 2 | |
| Statewide Corruption Reflection Index | ICS | Overall Prosperity, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.2 | 1 | 6 | |
| Statewide State Integrity Investigation | CPI | index rank, 1-50 | 1.0 | 31.0 | | 21.0 | 5 | 3 | |
| Statewide public record request compliance | Cuillier | percentage | 1.0 | 43.1 | | 43.1 | 3 | 3 | |
| Statewide Online Spending Transparency Index | USPIRG | Overall Prosperity, 0-100 | 0.5 | 86.0 | | 69.0 | 6 | 6 | |
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| Personal and Family Relationships (5th) | | | 25% | 64.9 | <u></u> | 62.9 | 3 5 | Social Networks (2nd) | | | 25% | 75.2 | 1 | 61.0 | 1 |
| Statewide divorce | CDC | instances, /1,000 population | 1.0 | 4.1 | ~ | 3.0 | 8 8 | Favors between neighbors | | percentage | | 47.4 | \ | 38.2 | 4 |
| Children in unmarried households | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 20.7 | | 38.4 | 3 9 | Frequently talk with neighbors | CPS | percentage | 1.0 | 76.7 | ~_ | 59.6 | 1 |
| Teen births | CDC | instances /1,000 female 15-19 population | 1.0 | 20.0 | W | 19.4 | 1 4 | Trust in people in neighborhood | | percentage | | | | 67.4 | 2 |
| Statewide parent's attendance of children's activities | NSCH | percentage | 0.5 | 94.8 | | 92.3 | 2 2 | Statewide supportive neighborhood for a child | NSCH | percentage | 1.0 | 61.1 | \setminus | 60.7 | 2 |
| Shared meals with household members | | percentage | | 93.5 | Λ | 90.0 | 5 5 | Statewide trust in people | ANES | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | 2 |
| Frequently hear from family and friends | CPS | percentage | 1.0 | 78.3 | | 91.4 | 8 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Clase friends | CPS | average | | 5.9 | | 5.9 | 8 8 | | | | | | | | |
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| Institutional Trust (8th) | | | 20% | 65.5 | | 41.9 | 3 8 | Civic and Social Participation (1st) | | | 30% | 60.7 | √ | 59.1 | 1 |
| Confidence in corporations | CPS | percentage | 1.0 | 69.6 | | 60.3 | 2 8 | Statewide volunteer rate | CNCS | instances, /1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.4 | W- | 0.3 | 1 |
| Confidence in the media | CPS | percentage | 1.0 | 60.8 | | 45.7 | 5 9 | Statewide volunteering intensity | CNCS | hours, per capita | 1.0 | 37.4 | My | 25.6 | 1 |
| Statewide trust in federal government | ANES | coding, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.4 | 8 8 | Statewide active in neighborhood | CNCS | percentage | 1.0 | 11.3 | 1 | 8.2 | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | Statewide helping the community | CNCS | instances, /1,000 | 1.0 | 18.5 | | 15.9 | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | (Non-religious) membership organizations | Census | number /1,000 population | 1.0 | 0.9 | | 0.8 | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | Religious membership organizations | USRC | number /1,000 population | 0.5 | 3.3 | | 3.3 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | Religious organization participation | CPS | percentage | 0.5 | 23.0 | W | 31.6 | 2 |
| | | | | | | | | Sport or recreation organization participation | CPS | percentage | 0.5 | 13.1 | Λ | 29.1 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | School, neighborhood or community association participation | CPS | percentage | 0.5 | 9.1 | 7 | 19.8 | 10 |



| Fergus, Montana: Business Envi | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | <u>-</u> |
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| | Source | | Weight | | 10-yr trend | | 2010 | | Domostic Market | Source | Unit | | 2010 | 10-yr trend | | | 2020 |
| Financing Ecosystems (6th) | | | 40% | 13.9 | *لمر | 31.2 | 9 | 6 | Domestic Market Contestability (1st) | | | 30% | 58.8 | V | 58.5 | 1 | 1 |
| Venture capital invested | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 5.3 | ~~~ | 29.0 | 7 | 5 | Statewide low-income licensed occupations | Inst Just | number | 1.5 | 32.0 | | 32.0 | 1 | 1 |
| Number of venture capital deals | NVCA | number /1,000,000 | 1.0 | 6.7 | \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | 8.7 | 2 | 3 | Statewide occupational licensing training cost | Inst Just | \$ | 1.0 | 261.0 | | 261.0 | 8 | 8 |
| Assets under management | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 1.3 | | 53.2 | 8 | 4 | Statewide occupational licensing training time | Inst Just | days | 1.0 | 312.0 | | 312.0 | 3 | 3 |
| Venture capital fundraising | NVCA | \$ /capita | 1.0 | 0.0 | \mathcal{N} | 30.0 | 6 | 2 | Statewide age requirements for license | Inst Just | years | 1.0 | 11.0 | | 11.0 | 6 | 6 |
| Bank branch access | FDIC | number /square mile | 1.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 10 | 10 | Statewide regulation density index | Cato | Overall Prosperity | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.0 | 4 | 2 |
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| Burden of Regulation (8th) | | | 10% | 52.6 | <u></u> | 39.6 | 3 | 8 | 3 \ / | | | 10% | 47.8 | VW | 48.5 | 8 | 8 |
| Statewide Federal Regulation and State Enterprise Index | QuantGov | Overall Prosperity | 1.0 | 1.2 | · · · · · | 1.3 | 10 | 10 | Statewide collective bargaining agreement coverage | FI | percent | 1.0 | 14.4 | \bigvee | 13.6 | 8 | 8 |
| Statewide state regulation | QuantGov | percent | 1.0 | 1.3 | | 1.3 | 1 | 1 | Statewide employee health insurance cost | НЈК | \$ | 0.5 | 4,772.0 | | 5,747.0 | 9 | 4 |
| | | | | | | | | | Workers Compensation Premium Rate | State OR | \$ per \$100 | 0.5 | 3.3 | كسر | 1.2 | 10 | 6 |
| | | | | | | | | | Statewide minimum wage | DOL | \$ | 1.0 | 7.3 | | 8.7 | 1 | 8 |
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| | Source | | Unit | | Value 10-yr trend | | Deci 2010 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Price Distortions (5th) | | | 10% | 64.4 | Ψ /1 | 60.0 | 6 | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide subsidies to the private sector | BEA | percent | 1.0 | 0.2 | 1/V | 0.2 | 8 | 9 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide Corporate Tax Score | Tax Found | Overall Prosperity | 1.0 | 5.5 | $\neg $ | 5.4 | 3 | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Welght | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | Decile 2010 2020 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | 21 |
| Communications (5th) | | | 40% | 45.4 | | 45.4 | 5 5 | Resources (1st) | | | 25% | 64.5 | ~~ <i>J</i> | 72.9 | |
| Mean download speed | BBN | Mbps | 1.5 | 69.6 | | 69.6 | 4 4 | Customers affected by electricity outages | Mukherjee | number /10,000 population | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| Ultra-fast internet access | BBN | percent | 1.0 | 20.2 | | 20.2 | 4 4 | Statewide net electricity generation | EIA | kWh/capita | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | |
| Fast internet access | BBN | percent | 1.0 | 79.5 | | 79.5 | 6 6 | Water usage | USGS | Mgal /capita | 1.0 | 2.2 | $\neg \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ | 4.2 | |
| Internet providers (Business) | FCC | number | 0.5 | 11.0 | | 11.0 | 6 6 | Electricity outage duration | EIA | minutes | 1.0 | 133.0 | | 103.0 | |
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| Transport (10th) | | | 35% | 23.9 | | 23.9 | 10 10 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide number of airports | BTS | number /square mile | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 10 10 | | | | | | | | |
| Road condition | BTS | percent | 1.5 | 10.5 | | 10.5 | 4 4 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide railroad length | AAR | miles /square mile | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 10 10 | | | | | | | | |
| Bus transit route mileage | BTS | miles /square mile | 0.5 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 10 10 | | | | | | | | |
| Public road density | BTS | miles /square mile | | 1.1 | | 1.1 | 1 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Bridge condition | BTS | percent | 0.5 | 10.3 | | 10.3 | 8 8 | | | | | | | | |
| Distance to airport | BTS | km | 1.0 | 170.0 | | 170.0 | 10 10 | | | | | | | | |



Productivity and 27.5 33.8 10 45.9 9 10 25% 55.6 4 25% Competitiveness (10th) 2,585.1 0.5 6.0 2,149.4 8 Export value (goods) 1.0 Statewide government credit rating Ballotpedia BIEM \$ /capita 9 Export value (services) Statewide state reserves capacity Pew 1.0 66.1 29.6 4 BIEM \$ /capita 0.5 742.7 658.9 5 days 0.9 1.0 1.0 \$ per hour 46.6 9 Labor productivity Government revenue to expenditure ratio 313.9 175.1 Statewide state budget balance \$ /capita Statewide state pension funding Debt-to-GDP ratio 46.0 68.1 1 50.1 75.9 4 20% 7 Labor Force Engagement (2nd) 30% 3.7 Unemployment BLS 1.0 5.5 6.2 4.7 4 8.0 2 Startup early job creation Kauffman 1.0 Youth unemployment Census percent 1.0 1.3 78.1 79.5 31.0 38.0 Startup early survival rate Kauffman 0.5 6 5 Employee Engagement Gallup percent 0.5 6.3 Opportunity-driven startups 85.4 86.2 Statewide underemployment BLS percent 1.0 3.2 9 1.5 61.8 63.8 Rate of new entrepreneurs Labor force participation Census percent USPTO 86.3 0.0 4 Patent applications number /1,000 1.0



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| | Source | Unit | Welght | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | Decile 2010 2020 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | 2020 | Decile 2010 2020 |
| Material Resources (5th) | | | 25% | 64.5 | - ∕√ | 62.5 | 4 5 | Nutrition (3rd) | | | 15% | 55.3 | ~/ | 74.5 | 3 |
| _ow income | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 25.1 | _ | 23.0 | 4 4 | Food security | FA | percentage | 1.0 | 86.4 | ~\\ | 87.9 | 3 |
| Poverty | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 13.1 | $-\sqrt{}$ | 13.8 | 4 4 | Statewide borderline food security | USDA | percentage | 1.0 | 95.0 | W | 96.1 | 1 |
| Deep poverty | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 3.9 | | 6.9 | 2 6 | Fruit consumption | BRFSS | percentage | | 56.1 | | 64.6 | 6 |
| Liquid asset poverty | Pros Now | percentage | 1.0 | 38.8 | | 38.8 | 5 5 | Vegetable consumption | BRFSS | percentage | 0.5 | 80.0 | | 85.3 | 2 |
| Statewide high risk loans | Talk Pov | percentage | 1.0 | 7.7 | Λ | 7.4 | 3 6 | | | | | | | | |
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| Water Services (6th) | | | 15% | 26.6 | 10-yr trend | 75.9 | 10 6 | Shelter (6th) | | | 15% | ²⁰¹⁰ 56.2 | 10-yr trend | ²⁰²⁰ 56.5 | 2010 202 |
| Statewide clean and safe water | Gallup | percentage | 0.5 | 96.2 | 4 | 93.6 | | Homelessness | HUD | number / 10,000 | 0.5 | 12.2 | 1 ~ | 12.8 | 4 |
| Public drinking water violations | CHR | Score, 0 or 1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | <u> </u> | 0.0 | 5 1 | Unsheltered homeless rate | HUD | population percentage | 0.5 | 30.4 | 1 | 25.4 | 3 |
| Complete kitchen and plumbing facilities | HUD | percentage | 1.0 | 96.3 | //~ | 98.1 | 10 9 | Households with overcrowding | HUD | percentage | 1.0 | 1.6 | VI. | 2.5 | 4 |
| | | | | | ••• • | | | Availability of affordable housing | UI | units / 100 very low income | 1.0 | 7.0 | 1 | 14.0 | 7 |
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| Connectedness (6th) | | | 15% | 14.0 | | 64.8 | 8 6 | Protection from Harm (9th) | | | 15% | 44.0 | M | 48.6 | 9 |
| Access to broadband | FCC | percentage | 1.5 | 4.8 | | 80.9 | 7 6 | Fatalities from unintentional injuries | CDC | deaths / 100,000 population | 1.0 | 24.2 | | 27.7 | 8 |
| Households with a smartphone | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 59.3 | | 64.7 | 7 8 | Traffic deaths | CDC | number / 100,000 population | 1.0 | 25.1 | | 18.1 | 8 |
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Preventative Interventions 46.9 Behavioral Risk Factors (3rd) 15% 67.3 63.1 2 15% 31.4 (6th) 30.7 23.8 Obesity percentage Smoking CHR 1.5 15.5 14.6 3 Adult doctor visits BRFSS 60.0 64.8 10 percentage DUH Nat Srvy 7.6 10 Alcohol use disorder percentage DUH Nat Srvy 2.1 80.5 81.3 10 Illicit drug use disorder percentage Statewide child medical visits NSCH percentage 0.5 DUH Nat Srvy Pain reliever misuse Statewide HPV immunizations NCIRD percentage 1.0 percentage 82.9 80.4 38.7 10 Statewide child immunization Statewide child dentist visits 84.3 59.5 64.0 2 53.1 9 15% Mental Health (9th) 15% 45.2 36.7 2 Statewide child mental health access 1.0 36.7 11.5 6 13.4 8 Adults with no health care coverage CHR percentage 0.5 23.4 CDC4.5 4.5 Serious mental illness percentage 1.0 Statewide disability weighted prevalence from years / 100,000 population Hospital rating HCA percentage 0.5 66.0 64.0 8 IMHE 1.0 2.259.1 2.252.5 10 Preventable hospitalizations for medicare enrolees 1,947.0 2,535.0 CHR 1.0 Self-reported mental health not good CHR 1.0 9.3 11.8 percentage 50.8 20% 67.3 67.0 3 Longevity (4th) 20% 65.4 8 Diabetes CDC 1.0 6.9 9.1 3 5-14 death rate CDC percentage 15-64 death rate Statewide disability weighted prevalence of infectious diseases years / 100,000 population deaths / 100,000 population 0.5 335.2 328.4 2 Maternal mortality 0.5 0.4 0.4 6 Self-reported poor physical health 11.0 5 Mortality risk 65-85 50.6 percentage percentage

^{*} The 829 counties in the 8 states have been grouped into deciles, for each pillar, element and indicator. Counties in the 1st decile are the strongest performers and those in the 10th decile are the weakest

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| Fergus, Montana: Education (2 | na decile | ·^) | | | | | | | | | | | Mallar India | | |
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| | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value | 2020 | Decile 2010 2020 | | Source | Unit | Weight | 2010 | Value 10-yr trend | ator contains 2020 | Decile 2010 2020 |
| Pre-Primary Education (5th) | | | 5% | 0.0 | 10-yr trend | 54.3 | | Primary Education (2nd) | | | 20% | 52.1 | 10-yr trend | 65.9 | 5 |
| Pre-primary enrollment | Census | percentage | 2.0 | 11.3 | ^ | 48.4 | 10 4 | Math grade 4 level | SEDA | grade level | 2.0 | 3.8 | N | 4.4 | 5 |
| Statewide state pre-K quality | NIEER | Overall Prosperity, 0-10 | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 6.0 | 10 5 | Statewide science grade 4 score | NAEP | scale score, 0-300 | 1.5 | 160.0 | | 159.1 | 1 |
| | | | | | | | | English, language and arts grade 4 level | SEDA | grade level | 2.0 | 4.2 | _/\ | 4.9 | 3 |
| | | | | | | | | Primary enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 87.5 | \mathcal{N} | 92.6 | 10 |
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| Secondary Education (1st) | | | 25% | 66.9 | *** | 83.6 | 2 1 | Tertiary Education (9th) | | | 25% | 24.5 | W | 29.7 | 10 |
| Math grade 8 level | SEDA | grade level | 1.5 | 9.4 | _/_ | 9.4 | 1 1 | College enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 20.9 | $\sqrt{}$ | 23.9 | 7 |
| Statewide science grade 8 score | NAEP | scale score, 0-500 | 1.0 | 162.3 | | 161.5 | 1 1 | Statewide college graduation rate | NCES | percentage | 1.0 | 43.9 | \mathcal{M} | 49.3 | 10 |
| English, language and arts grade 8 level | SEDA | grade level | 1.5 | 8.6 | | 9.2 | 1 1 | Statewide university quality for enrolled students | QS Rank | Legatum Institute score | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.1 | 10 1 |
| High school graduation rate | CHR | percentage | 1.0 | 83.8 | ~~~ | 90.6 | 6 5 | Community college graduation rate | NCES | percentage | 1.0 | 34.9 | | 34.9 | 6 |
| Secondary enrollment | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 91.2 | \mathcal{N} | 99.5 | 9 2 | | | | | | | | |
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| Adult Skills (2nd) | | | 25% | 54.4 | | 65.4 | 3 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Adult population with at least a high school diploma | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 89.1 | | 93.2 | 2 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Adult population with bachelor's degree or higher | Census | percentage | 1.0 | 23.0 | $\sqrt{}$ | 28.9 | 3 2 | | | | | | | | |
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| Emissions (8th) | | | 25% | 56.5 | _ /" | 54.3 | 7 | 8 | Exposure to Air Pollution (1st) | | | 25% | 76.1 | ~/ | 79.4 | 1 1 |
| Toxic air releases | EPA | index, 0-1 | 2.0 | 1.0 | | 1.0 | 1 | 1 | Life expectancy loss from air pollution | JBEN | years | 2.0 | 0.1 | | 0.1 | 1 1 |
| CO2 emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 2.0 | 0.6 | | 0.5 | 8 | 9 | Fine particulate matter exposure | OECD | micrograms per cubic meter | 1.0 | 4.5 | | 3.6 | 1 1 |
| Nitrous oxide emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.5 | 8 | 9 | | | | | | | | |
| Carbon monoxide emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.4 | 9 | 10 | | | | | | | | |
| PM2.5 emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 0.3 | 9 | 10 | | | | | | | | |
| Sulfur dioxide emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | _/_ | 0.7 | 7 | 9 | | | | | | | | |
| Ozone emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | | 0.3 | 9 | 9 | | | | | | | | |
| Lead emissions | EPA | index, 0-1 | 0.5 | 0.8 | | 0.8 | 9 | 9 | | | | | | | | |
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| Forest, Land and Soil (4th) | | | 20% | 47.2 | ~ | 49.9 | 4 | 4 | Freshwater (10th) | | | 20% | 55.1 | 7 | 50.8 | 9 10 |
| Toxic land releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | Statewide good quality rivers and streams | EPA | percentage | 0.5 | 15.2 | | 15.2 | 9 9 |
| Statewide rural parks and wildlife areas | USDA | percentage | 1.0 | 7.4 | | 6.4 | 3 | 3 | Statewide good quality lakes, resevoirs and ponds | EPA | percentage | 0.5 | 14.1 | | 14.1 | 8 8 |
| Statewide compliant underground storage tanks facilities | EPA | percentage | 1.0 | 84.0 | | 79.0 | 1 | 4 | Total freshwater withdrawals per capita | USGS | million gallons / 1,000 population | 1.0 | 6.2 | _/ | 11.1 | 9 10 |
| Statewide exposure to pesticides | CDC | number / 100,000 population | 1.0 | 38.9 | <i></i> | 23.0 | 3 | 2 | Toxic water releases | EPA | lb / square mile | 1.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 1 1 |
| Tree canopy cover | NLCD | percentage | 1.0 | 6.6 | | 6.6 | 7 | 7 | | | | | | | | |
| Wetlands and deepwater habitats | USFWS | percentage | 1.0 | 2.6 | | 2.6 | 8 | 8 | | | | | | | | |
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| Preservation Efforts (2nd) | | | 10% | 32.1 | | 32.1 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide GAP 1 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 2.0 | 5.0 | | 5.0 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide GAP 2 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 1.5 | 3.4 | | 3.4 | 3 | 3 | | | | | | | | |
| Statewide GAP 3 protected areas | USGS | percentage | 1.0 | 28.1 | | 28.1 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | |

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Association of American Railroads American Civil Liberties Union CLU ANES American National Election Studies ATRF American Tort Reform Association Ballotpedia Ballotpedia BroadbandNow United States Bureau of Economic Analysis BBN BEA BIEM Brookings Institution Export Monitor United States Bureau of Justice Statistics United States Bureau of Labour Statistics BJS BLS Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
United States Bureau of Transportation Statistics
Cato - Freedom in the 50 States BRFSS BTS Cato CAWP CDC Center for American Women and Politics
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Diabetes Atlas CDC CDC CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Center for Disease Control (WONDER) CDC National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network United States Census Bureau
United States Census Bureau, American Community Survey ensus US Census Bureau County Health Rankings CHR Census of Juveniles in Residential Placement CIRP Corporation for National and Community Service, Volunteering & Civil Life in America Center for Public Integrity CNCS Current Population Survey, Civic Engagement Supplement CPS Dave Cuillier
United States Department of Labor uillier DOL DUH Nat Srvy 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 Feeding America Federal Communications Commission Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Fraser Institute FDIC Federal Reserve Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Sentinel Network Gallup Gallup Google GTD Google Trends Global Terrorism Database GVA Gun Violence Archive Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems Henry J Kaiser Family Foundation HCA HJK United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Institute for Corruption Studies HUD IMHF Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation Inst Just Institute for Justice

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National Association for the Advancement of Colored People NAACP NACID National Archive Of Criminal Justice Data NAEP National Assessment of Educational Progress NCAJ National Center for Access to Justice NCES National Center for Education Statistics
National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases NCIRD National Conference of State Legislatures National Institute for Early Education Research NCSL NIEER NIMP National Institute on Money in Politics NLCD National Land Cover Database National Survey of Children's Health NSCH NVCA OECD National Venture Capital Association
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development Pew Research Center POL Polaris Project Prosperity Now Scorecard Pros Now Public Religion Research Institute PRRI QS Rank QS World University Rankings QuantGov QuantGov Stanford Education Data Archive Southern Poverty Law Center SEDA SPLC State OR State of Oregon Tax Foundation Tax Found Urban Institute
United States Department of Agriculture USDA United States Fish and Wildlife Service United States Geological Survey United States Press Freedom Tracker USFWS USGS USPFT

United States Public Interest Research Group United States Patent and Trademark Office

United States Religious Census

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