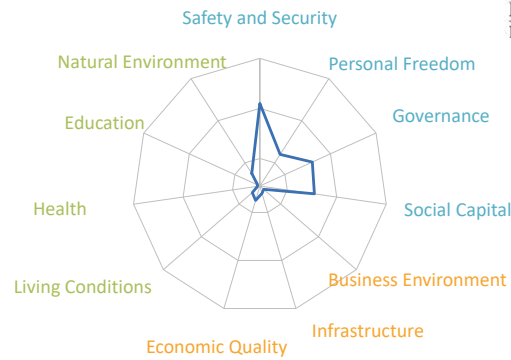
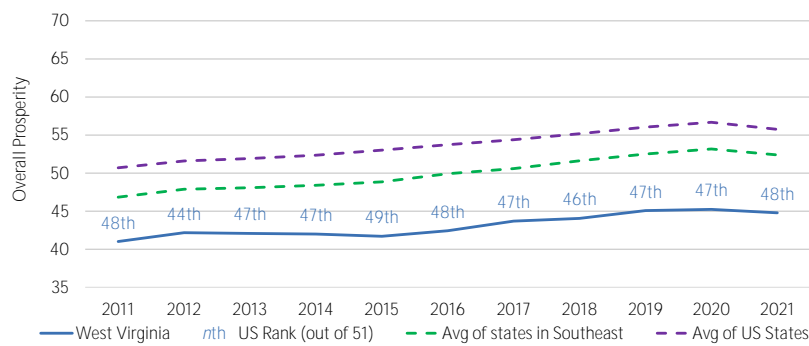


West Virginia: Overall Prosperity 44.8 (48th)














Prosperity over time



Breakdown of performance








































	2011	Score 10-year trend	2021	Rank - US States (1 to 51) 2021	10-year rank change	Rank - Southeast (1 to 15) 2021
Overall Prosperity	41.0		44.8	48	-	12
Inclusive Societies	46.8		54.9	27	9	4
Safety and Security	59.2		63.5	19	5	2
Personal Freedom	38.9		50.0	37	6	7
Governance	44.7		57.7	29	9	7
Social Capital	44.6		48.6	30	4	4
Open Economies	38.8		38.8	50	7	15
Business Environment	35.1		37.4	50	2	15
Infrastructure	43.3		39.5	49	7	15
Economic Quality	38.2		39.5	46	26	13
Empowered People	37.4		40.6	51	3	15
Living Conditions	49.8		51.1	48	5	13
Health	35.6		32.8	51	2	15
Education	29.3		35.1	51	5	15
Natural Environment	34.8		43.4	46	1	13

West Virginia (48th): Pillar and element scores									
 Safety and Security		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 59.2 2021 63.5</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 19 ▲ 5</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>2</div>	 Personal Freedom		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 38.9 2021 50.0</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 37 ▲ 6</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>7</div>
Mass Killings and Injuries	15%	<div>79.2 86.9</div>	<div>11 ▲ 32</div>	<div>1</div>	Agency	30%	<div>80.9 80.3</div>	<div>15 ▼ 2</div>	<div>2</div>
Violent Crime	50%	<div>56.6 56.3</div>	<div>22 ▬ -</div>	<div>3</div>	Freedom of Association and Speech	15%	<div>34.5 60.0</div>	<div>1 ▲ 31</div>	<div>1</div>
Property Crime	35%	<div>54.3 63.7</div>	<div>16 ▲ 3</div>	<div>2</div>	Absence of Legal Discrimination	25%	<div>1.9 5.6</div>	<div>49 ▼ 2</div>	<div>14</div>
					Social Tolerance	30%	<div>30.1 51.8</div>	<div>44 ▲ 2</div>	<div>10</div>
 Governance		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 44.7 2021 57.7</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 29 ▲ 9</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>7</div>	 Social Capital		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 44.6 2021 48.6</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 30 ▲ 4</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>4</div>
Political Accountability	30%	<div>35.1 49.1</div>	<div>47 ▼ 5</div>	<div>13</div>	Personal and Family Relationships	25%	<div>54.3 64.4</div>	<div>33 ▼ 2</div>	<div>3</div>
Rule of Law	35%	<div>48.0 62.0</div>	<div>23 ▲ 9</div>	<div>8</div>	Social Networks	25%	<div>60.4 51.8</div>	<div>13 ▲ 5</div>	<div>1</div>
Government Integrity	35%	<div>49.5 60.7</div>	<div>22 ▲ 15</div>	<div>3</div>	Institutional Trust	20%	<div>33.4 39.8</div>	<div>37 ▲ 11</div>	<div>11</div>
					Civic and Social Participation	30%	<div>30.7 38.6</div>	<div>24 ▲ 9</div>	<div>4</div>
 Business Environment		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 35.1 2021 37.4</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 50 ▼ 2</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>15</div>	 Infrastructure		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 43.3 2021 39.5</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 49 ▼ 7</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>15</div>
Financing Ecosystems	40%	<div>10.3 12.4</div>	<div>50 ▬ -</div>	<div>14</div>	Communications	40%	<div>31.1 34.6</div>	<div>45 ▲ 2</div>	<div>13</div>
Domestic Market Contestability	30%	<div>54.0 51.3</div>	<div>24 ▼ 4</div>	<div>4</div>	Resources	25%	<div>59.2 43.7</div>	<div>48 ▼ 22</div>	<div>14</div>
Burden of Regulation	10%	<div>30.3 31.6</div>	<div>47 ▬ -</div>	<div>13</div>	Transport	35%	<div>45.9 42.0</div>	<div>34 ▼ 9</div>	<div>14</div>
Labor Market Flexibility	10%	<div>54.3 55.3</div>	<div>27 ▲ 6</div>	<div>12</div>					
Price Distortions	10%	<div>63.3 83.4</div>	<div>11 ▲ 8</div>	<div>5</div>					
 Economic Quality		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 38.2 2021 39.5</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 46 ▼ 26</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>13</div>					
Fiscal Sustainability	25%	<div>61.6 63.2</div>	<div>19 ▼ 16</div>	<div>6</div>					
Productivity and Competitiveness	25%	<div>37.1 44.3</div>	<div>30 ▼ 5</div>	<div>7</div>					
Dynamism	20%	<div>29.9 26.2</div>	<div>51 ▼ 4</div>	<div>15</div>					
Labor Force Engagement	30%	<div>25.1 24.7</div>	<div>46 ▼ 16</div>	<div>15</div>					
 Living Conditions		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 49.8 2021 51.1</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 48 ▼ 5</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>13</div>	 Health		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 35.6 2021 32.8</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 51 ▼ 2</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>15</div>
Material Resources	25%	<div>42.9 38.0</div>	<div>48 ▼ 5</div>	<div>13</div>	Behavioral Risk Factors	15%	<div>30.8 41.2</div>	<div>50 ▲ 1</div>	<div>14</div>
Nutrition	15%	<div>44.3 42.2</div>	<div>49 ▼ 7</div>	<div>13</div>	Preventative Interventions	15%	<div>43.3 46.2</div>	<div>40 ▼ 7</div>	<div>13</div>
Water Services	15%	<div>67.7 55.4</div>	<div>46 ▼ 15</div>	<div>13</div>	Care Systems	15%	<div>31.3 54.1</div>	<div>40 ▲ 5</div>	<div>9</div>
Shelter	15%	<div>89.3 90.3</div>	<div>1 ▬ -</div>	<div>1</div>	Mental Health	15%	<div>39.3 23.7</div>	<div>51 ▼ 1</div>	<div>15</div>
Connectedness	15%	<div>8.9 63.7</div>	<div>51 ▼ 2</div>	<div>15</div>	Physical Health	20%	<div>31.9 8.4</div>	<div>51 ▼ 2</div>	<div>15</div>
Protection from Harm	15%	<div>50.0 25.8</div>	<div>49 ▼ 9</div>	<div>14</div>	Longevity	20%	<div>37.3 31.8</div>	<div>50 ▼ 5</div>	<div>14</div>
 Education		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 29.3 2021 35.1</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 51 ▼ 5</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>15</div>	 Natural Environment		<div>Overall Prosperity 10-yr trend</div> <div>2011 34.8 2021 43.4</div>	<div>US States Rank 10-yr rank change</div> <div>2021 46 ▲ 1</div>	<div>Southwest Rank 2021</div> <div>13</div>
Pre-Primary Education	5%	<div>34.2 32.2</div>	<div>41 ▼ 1</div>	<div>15</div>	Emissions	25%	<div>20.4 36.8</div>	<div>47 ▲ 2</div>	<div>15</div>
Primary Education	20%	<div>45.3 40.9</div>	<div>47 ▼ 7</div>	<div>13</div>	Exposure to Air Pollution	25%	<div>47.4 64.5</div>	<div>25 ▲ 6</div>	<div>1</div>
Secondary Education	25%	<div>34.2 44.2</div>	<div>44 ▼ 1</div>	<div>11</div>	Forest, Land and Soil	20%	<div>38.1 40.8</div>	<div>29 ▼ 2</div>	<div>11</div>
Tertiary Education	25%	<div>28.4 27.7</div>	<div>50 ▼ 4</div>	<div>15</div>	Freshwater	20%	<div>44.7 43.0</div>	<div>37 ▬ -</div>	<div>10</div>
Adult Skills	25%	<div>11.4 29.2</div>	<div>50 ▼ 2</div>	<div>14</div>	Preservation Efforts	10%	<div>13.0 13.0</div>	<div>27 ▬ -</div>	<div>4</div>

























	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021		Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021
Personal and Family Relationships (33rd)			25%	54.364.4	3133	Social Networks (13th)			25%	60.451.8	1813
Divorce	CDC	instances /1,000 population	1.0	5.13.6	4844	Favors between neighbors	CPS	percentage	1.0	44.242.1	33
Children in unmarried households	Census	percentage	1.0	27.531.3	1933	Frequently talk with neighbors	CPS	percentage	1.0	78.260.9	17
Teen births	CDC	instances /1,000 female 15-19 population	1.0	48.224.8	4045	Trust in people in neighborhood	CPS	percentage	1.5	56.659.2	3729
Parent's attendance of children's activities	NSCH	percentage	0.5	91.595.3	3330	Supportive neighborhood for a child	NSCH	percentage	1.0	58.158.5	2119
Shared meals with household members	CPS	percentage	0.5	92.490.7	411	Trust in people	ANES	coding, 0-1	0.5	0.4540.490	4942
Frequently hear from family and friends	CPS	percentage	1.0	85.984.3	239						
Close friends	CPS	average	1.0	6.26.2	2626						
Institutional Trust (37th)	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021	Civic and Social Participation (24th)	Source	Unit	Weight	Value 201110-yr trend2021	US States Rank 20112021
Confidence in corporations	CPS	percentage	1.0	58.166.0	4025	Volunteer rate	Census	instances /1,000 population	1.0	0.330.33	3336
Confidence in the media	CPS	percentage	1.0	61.254.8	2932	Volunteering intensity	CNCS	hours, per capita	0.5	40.728.5	1333
Trust in federal government	ANES	coding, 0-1	0.5	0.3160.340	4843	Volunteering intensity (microdata)	Census	hours, per capita	0.5	37.363.0	3826
						Active in neighborhood	Census	percentage	1.0	20.924.1	3819
						Helping the community	CNCS	instances /1,000	0.5	2.542.50	2222
						Helping the community (microdata)	Census	percentage	0.5	6.79.1	5144
						(Non-religious) membership organizations	Census	number /1,000	1.0	0.370.43	2825
						Religious membership organizations	USRC	number /1,000	0.5	2.42.4	11
						Religious organization participation	CPS	percentage	0.5	10.818.8	5128
						Sport or recreation organization participation	CPS	percentage	0.5	7.98.5	4141
						School, neighborhood or community association participation	CPS	percentage	0.5	13.614.9	3621

[illegible]

Italics: Indicator contains imputed values

	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021		Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
Behavioral Risk Factors (50th)			15%	30.8		41.2	51	50	Preventative Interventions (40th)			15%	43.3		46.2	33	40
Obesity	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	32.4		39.7	49	50	Adult dentist visits	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	57.1		56.0	48	49
Smoking	BRFSS	percentage	1.5	30.3		25.4	51	51	Adult doctor visits	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	72.5		77.6	12	16
Alcohol use disorder	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	0.5	6.6		4.3	15	1	Colorectal cancer screening	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	64.3		68.1	34	35
Illicit drug use disorder	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	0.5	2.9		2.7	44	14	Child medical visits	NSCH	percentage	0.5	91.4		73.9	13	18
Pain reliever misuse	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	0.5	4.4		3.3	14	5	HPV immunizations	NCIRD	percentage	1.0	41.2		47.4	31	42
									Pap smear test	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	80.5		74.8	39	47
									Child Immunization	NCIRD	percentage	1.0	47.7		74.7	47	12
									Child dentist visits	NSCH	percentage	0.5	85.3		81.3	9	22
Care Systems (40th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Mental Health (51st)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
			15%	31.3		54.1	45	40				15%	39.3		23.7	50	51
Child mental health access	NSCH	percentage	1.0	31.2		34.8	7	12	Suicide	CDC	deaths / 100,000 population	1.0	13.0		18.5	28	38
Adults with no health care coverage	BRFSS	percentage	0.5	21.9		9.9	40	14	Drug overdose deaths	CDC	deaths / 100,000 population	0.5	12.4		52.8	24	50
Avoided medical care due to cost	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	19.9		14.5	47	35	Serious mental illness	DUH Nat Srvy	percentage	1.0	5.5		5.3	50	47
Hospital rating	HCA	percentage	0.5	66.0		71.0	46	35	Disability weighted prevalence from mental illness	IMHE	years / 100,000 population	1.0	2,407.7		2,302.4	50	50
Preventable hospitalizations for medicare enrollees	CMS	discharges / 100,000	1.0	7,074.0		5,593.0	51	48	Self-reported mental health not good	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	15.3		20.6	48	51
Physical Health (51st)	Source	Unit	Unit	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Longevity (50th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
			20%	31.9		8.4	49	51				20%	37.3		31.8	45	50
High blood pressure	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	34.1		38.9	45	51	Maternal mortality	IMHE	deaths / 100,000 population	0.5	0.28		0.24	16	15
Diabetes	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	10.6		13.0	47	50	Under 5 mortality	CDC	deaths / 100,000 under 5 population	1.0	184.6		148.4	44	36
Heart attack	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	5.3		6.6	48	51	5-14 mortality	CDC	deaths / 100,000 5-14 population	0.5	17.2		13.3	39	15
Disability weighted prevalence of infectious diseases	IMHE	years / 100,000 population	0.5	418.9		431.3	43	40	15-64 mortality	CDC	deaths / 100,000 15-64 population	2.0	391.5		465.9	48	51
Self-reported poor physical health	BRFSS	percentage	1.0	17.6		19.0	51	51	Mortality risk 65-85	IMHE	percentage	1.0	60.8		58.2	43	50

Italics: Indicator contains imputed values

	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021		Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
Emissions (47th)			25%	20.4		36.8	49	47	Exposure to Air Pollution (25th)			25%	47.4		64.5	31	25
CO2 emissions	EIA	Index, 0-1	2.0	0.06		0.21	49	49	Life years lost from air pollution	IMHE	DALYs / 100,000 population	2.0	553.0		294.5	42	30
Nitrous oxide emissions	EPA	Index, 0-1	0.5	0.3		0.5	48	45	Toxic air releases	EPA	lb / square mile	1.0	1,114.7		496.6	45	44
Carbon monoxide emissions	EPA	Index, 0-1	0.5	0.46		0.54	34	35	PM2.5 emissions	EPA	ton / square mile	1.0	2.0		1.6	24	22
Sulfur dioxide emissions	EPA	Index, 0-1	0.5	0.1		0.6	50	47	Lead emissions	EPA	lb / square mile	1.0	0.54		0.27	20	14
Ozone emissions	EPA	Index, 0-1	0.5	0.51		0.46	31	40									
Forest, Land and Soil (29th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021	Freshwater (37th)	Source	Unit	Weight	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021
Toxic land releases	EPA	lb / square mile	1.0	363.0		339.4	36	35	Good quality rivers and streams	EPA	percentage	0.5	38.3		33.4	26	26
Rural parks and wildlife areas	USDA	percentage	1.0	4.52		5.06	25	24	Good quality lakes, resevoirs and ponds	EPA	percentage	0.5	49.3		27.8	15	20
Compliant underground storage tanks facilities	EPA	percentage	1.0	58.0		55.0	40	33	Total freshwater withdrawals per capita	USGS	million gallons per day per 1,000 population	1.0	1.91		1.26	44	36
Exposure to pesticides	CDC	number / 100,000 population	1.0	49.4		39.8	36	45	Toxic water releases	EPA	lb / square mile	1.0	73.71		93.41	31	34
Tree canopy cover	NLCD	percentage	1.0	68.4		68.4	1	1									
Wetlands and deepwater habitats	USFWS	percentage	1.0	2.0		2.0	49	49									
Preservation Efforts (27th)	Source	Unit	Unit	2011	Value 10-yr trend	2021	US States Rank 2011	2021									
GAP 1 Protected areas	USGS	percentage	2.0	0.8		0.8	28	28									
GAP 2 Protected areas	USGS	percentage	1.5	3.4		3.4	25	25									
GAP 3 Protected areas	USGS	percentage	1.0	6.8		6.8	22	22									

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