

As of September 2024

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5M

36%

STATE POPULATION

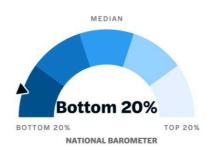
POPULATION OF COLOR



# **Economic Conditions**

Economic conditions refer to individual's and communities' financial well-being and the factors that impact it.

RANK: 46TH OUT OF 50



## **ECONOMIC SECURITY**

The ability to meet daily needs and sustain a comfortable standard of

0/30 воттом 20%

RANK: 47TH OUT OF 50



- Immediate Security
- Future Resilience
- Enabling Context

## **ECONOMIC MOBILITY**

The ability to improve economic situation over time.

//30 воттом 20% RANK: 41ST OUT OF 50



- Intra-Generational Mobility
- Inter-Generational Mobility Enabling Context

Immediate Security Ability to meet current daily needs.	Intra-Generational Mobility Ability to increase income and wealth over the course of one's life.
RANK: 45TH OUT OF 50	RANK: 49TH OUT OF 50
Percentage households stating ability to meet weekly expenses	Percentage households earning a thriving wage and able to save
56%	10%
Percentage households above the ALICE Threshold 53%	Percentage households owning their home 68%
33%	
Percentage households with a bank account (not unbanked)  95%	Small business ownership per 100,000 people  8
Percentage people with a credit bureau record showing no debt in collections  66%	Percentage people with retirement accounts 42%
Percentage children living above the child poverty line 78%	Percentage borrowers with student loan debt  19%
5.71	
Future Resilience	Inter-Generational Mobility
Ability to sustain economic shocks and financial emergencies.	Factors that support children having a better economic situation in adulthood than their parents.
RANK: 43TH OUT OF 50	RANK: 40TH OUT OF 50
Percentage people with a credit score above 600	Percentage children 3-5 years old enrolled in school
66.6%	58%
Percentage households spending no more than 30% income on rent	Average 4th grade reading level (out of 238)
50.5%	213
Percentage workers represented by a union	Number of births per 1,000 teenage females
8.6%	20.9
Percentage households not avoiding healthcare due to cost reasons	Percentage children completing high school
88.9%	88%
Percentage women of reproductive age not living in contraceptive deserts	Percentage completion of post-secondary education
69.3%	29%
Enabling Context Systems that Support Economic Security.	Enabling Context Systems that support Economic Mobility.
RANK: 49TH OUT OF 50	RANK: 40TH OUT OF 50
1,411,4211,631,61	
Percentage gap between current benefit program funding/participation vs max. impact 75%	State spending per capita on public goods for economic mobility (,000s)  12.5
Worker protection policies and collective bargaining laws index (0-10)  1.57	Percentage people living in high mobility census tracts  2%
Affordable available housing units per 100 households with extremely low income 50	Percentage of financial aid that is need-based 89%
	Powersters households with multi-leasure
Percentage household median income consumed by childcare costs  8%	Percentage households with multiple earners 48%
	Farmania Compatado en Carra
Tax inequality index	Economic Connectedness Score  0.6

**Dēmos** Alabama



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#### Overview

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AGGREGATE CONDITIONS

28/120 BOTTOM 20%

RANK: 49TH OUT OF 50

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

13/60 BOTTOM 20%

RANK: 46TH OUT OF 50

SOCIO-POLITICAL CONDITIONS

15/60 BOTTOM 20%

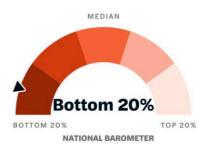
## **Socio-Political Conditions**

Socio-political conditions refers to factors that influence the political power, civic engagement, and well-being of individuals and communities.

15/60

**BOTTOM 20%** 

RANK: 50TH OUT OF 50



### CIVIC VITALITY

The ability to live freely and develop connection to their place of life.

15/60 воттом 20%

RANK: 50TH OUT OF 50



### **DEMOCRATIC VITALITY**

The ability to engage in our political process to determine who they are represented by and how they are served.

8/30 BOTTOM 20%
RANK: 49TH OUT OF 50



Basic Liberties Ability to live freely and safely while expressing one's identities, opinions, and beliefs RANK: 47TH OUT OF 50	s.	Representative Elections Experience and participate in inclusive electoral processes.  RANK: 37TH OUT OF 50	
Rate of reported violent crime per 100,000 people	409	Percentage voting age population eligible to vote	96%
Rate of reported hate crimes per 100,000 people	5	Percentage of uncontested elections (federal, state and local)	54%
Rate of incarceration per 100,000 people	384	Redistricting Report Card score (0-5)	4
Police violence index	39%	Voter turnout rate: Presidential elections and mid-term elections	53%
Inclusiveness Index	41%	Voter turnout rate: gubernatorial elections	26%
Community Cohesion Ability to shape and stay connected to local community  RANK: 42TH OUT OF 50		Responsive Governance Experience governance responsive to the needs of its constituents.  RANK: 40TH OUT OF 50	
Rate of youth disconnection	14%	Ratio of percentage POC state legislators to percentage POC population	0.6
Percentage counties with more than one local news source or outlet	40%	Percentage women state legislators	17%
Percentage engaged in a public meeting or with a public official	8%	Ratio of legislator compensation to median income	1.67
Percentage members of community organizations or spent time volunteering	20%	Presence of state open data laws	0
Community-Based Development Organizations per 100,000 people	1.51	Presence of direct democracy initiatives (0-3)	0
<b>Enabling Context</b> Social and political environment that supports free, safe, and interconnected communities. RANK: 44TH OUT OF 50		<b>Enabling Context</b> Systems that facilitate political participation and compel government accountability.  RANK: 50TH OUT OF 50	
Anti-protest laws index (0-2)	2	Democracy Subversion Protections index (1-5)	1
Gini index	0.49	Voter suppression and expansion law index (0-9)	2
Percentage of residents living in racially diverse census tracts	53%	Lobby transparency index (0-20)	7.5
Percentage of residents in poverty NOT living in persistently high poverty neighborhoods	42%	Presence of small donor financing programs	o
Civic and democratic grant spending per capita (in 000s)	21.69	State limits on corporate contributions to candidates Unlin	nited