Connecticut

As of September 2024

Overview

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4M

38%

STATE POPULATION

POPULATION OF COLOR

AGGREGATE CONDITIONS

57/120 TOP 20%

RANK: 7TH OUT OF 50

& ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

25/60 TOP 40%

BANK: 12TH OUT OF 50

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Economic Conditions

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

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ECONOMIC SECURITY

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

11/30 MEDIAN
RANK: 23RD OUT OF 50



ECONOMIC MOBILITY

The ability to improve economic situation over time.

13/30 TOP 20%
RANK: 6TH OUT OF 50



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: 21TH OUT OF 50	F	RANK: 13TH OUT OF 50	
Percentage households stating ability to meet weekly expenses	F	Percentage households earning a thriving wage and able to save	
	62%		13%
Percentage households above the ALICE Threshold	F	Percentage households owning their home	
	61%		64%
Percentage households with a bank account (not unbanked)	96%	Small business ownership per 100,000 people	9
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Percentage people with a credit bureau record showing no debt in collections	78%	Percentage people with retirement accounts	74%
Percentage children living above the child poverty line	F	Percentage borrowers with student loan debt	
	87%		23%
Future Resilience Ability to sustain economic shocks and financial emergencies.	F	Inter-Generational Mobility Factors that support children having a better economic situation in adulthood than the	eir
RANK: 13TH OUT OF 50		parents. RANK: 2TH OUT OF 50	
Percentage people with a credit score above 600	F	Percentage children 3-5 years old enrolled in school	
78	8.6%		75%
Percentage households spending no more than 30% income on rent		Average 4th grade reading level (out of 238)	240
46	6.6%		219
Percentage workers represented by a union	6.9%	Number of births per 1,000 teenage females	6.4
Percentage households not avoiding healthcare due to cost reasons		Percentage children completing high school	
	2.6%		89%
Percentage women of reproductive age not living in contraceptive deserts	F	Percentage completion of post-secondary education	
74	4.9%		42%
Enabling Context		Enabling Context	
Systems that Support Economic Security.		Systems that support Economic Mobility.	
RANK: 29TH OUT OF 50	F	RANK: 17TH OUT OF 50	
Percentage gap between current benefit program funding/participation vs max. impa	act S	State spending per capita on public goods for economic mobility (,000s)	
	39%		11.89
Worker protection policies and collective bargaining laws index (0-10)	7.39	Percentage people living in high mobility census tracts	23%
Affordable available housing units per 100 households with extremely low income	34	Percentage of financial aid that is need-based	99%
Percentage household median income consumed by childcare costs	F	Percentage households with multiple earners	
	11%		57%
Tax inequality index	E	Economic Connectedness Score	
	-4%		0.95

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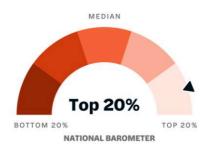
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Socio-Political Conditions

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

33_{/60} TOP 20%

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CIVIC VITALITY

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

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DEMOCRATIC VITALITY

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

19_{/30} TOP 20%

RANK: 8TH OUT OF 50



92%

21%

4.5

58%

24%

0.48

37%

0.78

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Basic Liberties Ability to live freely and safely while expressing one's identities, opinions, and beliefs	s.	Representative Elections Experience and participate in inclusive electoral processes.
RANK: 3TH OUT OF 50		RANK: 19TH OUT OF 50
Rate of reported violent crime per 100,000 people	150	Percentage voting age population eligible to vote
Rate of reported hate crimes per 100,000 people	2	Percentage of uncontested elections (federal, state and local)
Rate of incarceration per 100,000 people	155	Redistricting Report Card score (0-5)
Police violence index	65%	Voter turnout rate: Presidential elections and mid-term elections
Inclusiveness Index	46%	Voter turnout rate: gubernatorial elections
Community Cohesion Ability to shape and stay connected to local community		Responsive Governance Experience governance responsive to the needs of its constituents.
RANK: 10TH OUT OF 50		RANK: 16TH OUT OF 50
Rate of youth disconnection	9%	Ratio of percentage POC state legislators to percentage POC population
Percentage counties with more than one local news source or outlet	75%	Percentage women state legislators
Percentage engaged in a public meeting or with a public official	10%	Ratio of legislator compensation to median income
Percentage members of community organizations or spent time volunteering	28%	Presence of state open data laws
Community-Based Development Organizations per 100,000 people	3.11	Presence of direct democracy initiatives (0-3)
Enabling Context Social and political environment that supports free, safe, and interconnected communities. RANK: 12TH OUT OF 50		Enabling Context Systems that facilitate political participation and compel government accountability. RANK: 5TH OUT OF 50
Anti-protest laws index (0-2)	1	Democracy Subversion Protections index (1-5)
Gini index	0.5	Voter suppression and expansion law index (0-9)
Percentage of residents living in racially diverse census tracts	56%	Lobby transparency index (0-20)
Percentage of residents in poverty NOT living in persistently high poverty neighborhoods	57%	Presence of small donor financing programs
Civic and democratic grant spending per capita (in 000s)		State limits on corporate contributions to candidates

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