

As of September 2024

#### Overview

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24%

STATE POPULATION

POPULATION OF COLOR

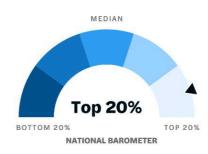


# **Economic Conditions**

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

25/60 TOP 20%

RANK: 10TH OUT OF 50



### **ECONOMIC SECURITY**

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

12/30 TOP 40%

RANK: 14TH OUT OF 50



### **ECONOMIC MOBILITY**

The ability to improve economic situation over time.

13/30 TOP 40%
RANK: 11TH 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.
A COLUMN CONTROL OF CO	RANK: 20TH OUT OF 50
RANK: 8TH OUT OF 50	
Percentage households stating ability to meet weekly expenses 65%	Percentage households earning a thriving wage and able to save
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Percentage households above the ALICE Threshold 62%	Percentage households owning their home 66%
Percentage households with a bank account (not unbanked)	Small business ownership per 100,000 people
97%	9
Percentage people with a credit bureau record showing no debt in collections	Percentage people with retirement accounts
82%	70%
Percentage children living above the child poverty line	Percentage borrowers with student loan debt
87%	21%
Future Resilience Ability to sustain economic shocks and financial emergencies.	Inter-Generational Mobility Factors that support children having a better economic situation in adulthood than their
RANK: 15TH OUT OF 50	parents. RANK: 19TH OUT OF 50
Percentage people with a credit score above 600	Percentage children 3-5 years old enrolled in school
81.8%	57%
Percentage households spending no more than 30% income on rent	Average 4th grade reading level (out of 238)
53.3%	219
Percentage workers represented by a union	Number of births per 1,000 teenage females
9.4%	14.1
Percentage households not avoiding healthcare due to cost reasons	Percentage children completing high school
90.9%	87%
Percentage women of reproductive age not living in contraceptive deserts	Percentage completion of post-secondary education
72.7%	35%
Enabling Context	Enabling Context
Systems that Support Economic Security.	Systems that support Economic Mobility.
RANK: 21TH OUT OF 50	RANK: 4TH OUT OF 50
Percentage gap between current benefit program funding/participation vs max. impact	State spending per capita on public goods for economic mobility (,000s)
24%	14.15
Worker protection policies and collective bargaining laws index (0-10)	Percentage people living in high mobility census tracts
5.23	44%
Affordable available housing units per 100 households with extremely low income	Percentage of financial aid that is need-based
33	99%
Percentage household median income consumed by childcare costs	Percentage households with multiple earners  59%
Tax inequality index -4%	Economic Connectedness Score 0.99
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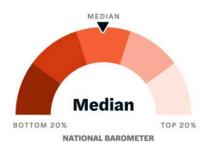
**SOCIO-POLITICAL CONDITIONS** 

24/60 MEDIAN

# **Socio-Political Conditions**

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

RANK: 27TH OUT OF 50



#### CIVIC VITALITY

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

24/60 MEDIAN

RANK: 27TH OUT OF 50



- Basic Liberties
- Community Cohesion
- Enabling Context

## **DEMOCRATIC VITALITY**

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

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RANK: 37TH OUT OF 50



- Representative Elections
- Responsive Governance
- **Enabling Context**

Basic Liberties Ability to live freely and safely while expressing one's identities, opinions, and belie	efs.	Representative Elections  Experience and participate in inclusive electoral processes.	
RANK: 12TH OUT OF 50		RANK: 24TH OUT OF 50	
Rate of reported violent crime per 100,000 people		Percentage voting age population eligible to vote	
	283	referringe voting age population engine to vote	94%
Rate of reported hate crimes per 100,000 people	3	Percentage of uncontested elections (federal, state and local)	39%
Rate of incarceration per 100,000 people	280	Redistricting Report Card score (0-5)	5
Police violence index	58%	Voter turnout rate: Presidential elections and mid-term elections	57%
Inclusiveness Index	57%	Voter turnout rate: gubernatorial elections	24%
Community Cohesion Ability to shape and stay connected to local community  RANK: 19TH OUT OF 50		Responsive Governance Experience governance responsive to the needs of its constituents.  RANK: 33TH OUT OF 50	
Rate of youth disconnection	8%	Ratio of percentage POC state legislators to percentage POC population	0.34
Percentage counties with more than one local news source or outlet	39%	Percentage women state legislators	39%
Percentage engaged in a public meeting or with a public official	13%	Ratio of legislator compensation to median income	0.29
Percentage members of community organizations or spent time volunteering	34%	Presence of state open data laws	c
Community-Based Development Organizations per 100,000 people	2.6	Presence of direct democracy initiatives (0-3)	:
<b>Enabling Context</b> Social and political environment that supports free, safe, and interconnected communities. RANK: 18TH OUT OF 50		<b>Enabling Context</b> Systems that facilitate political participation and compel government accountability.  RANK: 43TH OUT OF 50	
Anti-protest laws index (0-2)	1	Democracy Subversion Protections index (1-5)	3
Gini index	0.46	Voter suppression and expansion law index (0-9)	3.75
Percentage of residents living in racially diverse census tracts	41%	Lobby transparency index (0-20)	13.5
Percentage of residents in poverty NOT living in persistently high poverty neighborhoods	59%	Presence of small donor financing programs	(
Civic and democratic grant spending per capita (in 000s)	63 977	State limits on corporate contributions to candidates Unlin	mited