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Introduction

This booklet contains 50 comparative charts highlighting many of the key indicators traditionally used to measure the business climate of a state. National publications often tout the quality of life in Iowa based on high rankings the state receives for its strong education system, productive workforce, affordable housing, low crime rate, accessible health care system, and many other criteria. Readers of the 2007 Iowa Competitiveness Bluebook will note that there are definite areas in which Iowa appears to possess a competitive advantage over most states while other key indicators suggest there is still some work to be done.

Established in 2001, the Iowa Coalition for Innovation and Growth (ICIG) is administered jointly by the Iowa Business Council and the Iowa Chamber Alliance. The purpose of ICIG is to establish a collaborative structure that strives to sustain Iowa's competitive posture in the global economy. This effort requires implementing proactive measures to address long-term issues recognized as fundamental to building and maintaining a strong physical infrastructure and attracting diverse human resources.

Economic vitality enhances a quality lifestyle and incites meaningful career opportunities. The ICIG creates a forum for leaders from Iowa's public and private sectors to address challenges that face our growing and changing business climate. These individuals are personally committed to offer ideas and initiate actions that are directed toward the creation of a stronger, more vibrant Iowa economy. The collaborative efforts of the ICIG have resulted in significant strides and progress on issues vital to our future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Max Phillips', with a large, stylized loop at the top.

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State Population Estimates (July 2005, July 2006)

Rank		Population Estimates		Change, 2005 to 2006	
		July 1, 2006	July 1, 2005	Number	Percent
1	California	36,457,549	36,154,147	303,402	0.8
2	Texas	23,507,783	22,928,508	579,275	2.5
3	New York	19,306,183	19,315,721	-9,538	0.0
4	Florida	18,089,888	17,768,191	321,697	1.8
5	Illinois	12,831,970	12,765,427	66,543	0.5
6	Pennsylvania	12,440,621	12,405,348	35,273	0.3
7	Ohio	11,478,006	11,470,685	7,321	0.1
8	Michigan	10,095,643	10,100,833	-5,190	-0.1
9	Georgia	9,363,941	9,132,553	231,388	2.5
10	North Carolina	8,856,505	8,672,459	184,046	2.1
11	New Jersey	8,724,560	8,703,150	21,410	0.2
12	Virginia	7,642,884	7,564,327	78,557	1.0
13	Massachusetts	6,437,193	6,433,367	3,826	0.1
14	Washington	6,395,798	6,291,899	103,899	1.7
15	Indiana	6,313,520	6,266,019	47,501	0.8
16	Arizona	6,166,318	5,953,007	213,311	3.6
17	Tennessee	6,038,803	5,955,745	83,058	1.4
18	Missouri	5,842,713	5,797,703	45,010	0.8
19	Maryland	5,615,727	5,589,599	26,128	0.5
20	Wisconsin	5,556,506	5,527,644	28,862	0.5
21	Minnesota	5,167,101	5,126,739	40,362	0.8
22	Colorado	4,753,377	4,663,295	90,082	1.9
23	Alabama	4,599,030	4,548,327	50,703	1.1
24	South Carolina	4,321,249	4,246,933	74,316	1.7
25	Louisiana	4,287,768	4,507,331	-219,563	-4.9
26	Kentucky	4,206,074	4,172,608	33,466	0.8
27	Oregon	3,700,758	3,638,871	61,887	1.7
28	Oklahoma	3,579,212	3,543,442	35,770	1.0
29	Connecticut	3,504,809	3,500,701	4,108	0.1
30	Iowa	2,982,085	2,965,524	16,561	0.6
31	Mississippi	2,910,540	2,908,496	2,044	0.1
32	Arkansas	2,810,872	2,775,708	35,164	1.3
33	Kansas	2,764,075	2,748,172	15,903	0.6
34	Utah	2,550,063	2,490,334	59,729	2.4
35	Nevada	2,495,529	2,412,301	83,228	3.5
36	New Mexico	1,954,599	1,925,985	28,614	1.5
37	West Virginia	1,818,470	1,814,083	4,387	0.2
38	Nebraska	1,768,331	1,758,163	10,168	0.6
39	Idaho	1,466,465	1,429,367	37,098	2.6
40	Maine	1,321,574	1,318,220	3,354	0.3
41	New Hampshire	1,314,895	1,306,819	8,076	0.6
42	Hawaii	1,285,498	1,273,278	12,220	1.0
43	Rhode Island	1,067,610	1,073,579	-5,969	-0.6
44	Montana	944,632	934,737	9,895	1.1
45	Delaware	853,476	841,741	11,735	1.4
46	South Dakota	781,919	774,883	7,036	0.9
47	Alaska	670,053	663,253	6,800	1.0
48	North Dakota	635,867	634,605	1,262	0.2
49	Vermont	623,908	622,387	1,521	0.2
50	DC	581,530	582,049	-519	-0.1
51	Wyoming	515,004	508,798	6,206	1.2

TABLE 1

Source: US Census Bureau

Net Migration to States (July 1, 2005, to July 1, 2006)

Rank		Total Pop. Change	Natural Increase			Net Migration		
			Total	Births	Deaths	Total	Net International Migration	Net Internal Migration
1	Texas	579,275	235,558	393,114	157,556	344,515	125,770	218,745
2	Florida	321,697	58,566	232,713	714,147	265,511	99,754	165,757
3	Arizona	213,311	52,904	97,176	44,272	161,649	31,662	129,987
4	Georgia	231,388	73,623	140,495	66,872	158,404	37,451	120,953
5	North Carolina	184,046	48,596	125,259	76,663	136,040	31,907	104,133
6	Nevada	83,228	18,316	37,290	18,974	65,593	12,488	53,105
7	Tennessee	83,058	22,886	80,460	57,574	60,102	9,719	50,383
8	South Carolina	74,316	18,820	57,386	38,566	55,623	7,673	47,950
9	Washington	103,899	33,957	80,334	46,377	69,374	26,285	43,089
10	Oregon	61,887	13,938	45,287	31,349	47,744	13,412	34,332
11	Alabama	50,703	13,802	61,007	47,205	36,716	5,116	31,600
12	Colorado	90,082	38,538	68,957	30,419	51,406	21,587	29,819
13	Idaho	37,098	11,994	22,888	10,894	25,270	2,770	22,500
14	Arkansas	35,164	11,531	39,790	28,259	23,684	4,189	19,495
15	Utah	59,729	35,260	48,953	13,693	24,227	9,375	14,852
16	Missouri	45,010	23,195	78,815	55,620	21,610	8,272	13,338
17	Oklahoma	35,770	15,877	52,655	36,778	19,621	7,285	12,336
18	Kentucky	33,466	17,824	56,354	38,530	15,298	5,648	9,650
19	New Mexico	28,614	14,291	28,946	14,655	14,227	5,443	8,784
20	Montana	9,895	2,780	11,558	8,778	7,084	470	6,614
21	Delaware	11,735	4,079	11,411	7,332	7,611	2,177	5,434
22	Indiana	47,501	31,308	86,790	55,482	15,430	10,419	5,011
23	Virginia	78,557	45,053	104,377	59,324	33,904	29,688	4,216
24	West Virginia	4,387	-467	20,952	21,419	4,670	691	3,979
25	Wyoming	6,206	2,754	6,846	4,092	3,436	490	2,946
26	New Hampshire	8,076	3,577	13,946	10,369	4,269	2,099	2,170
27	South Dakota	7,036	4,204	11,590	7,386	2,761	810	1,951
28	Maine	3,354	1,166	13,885	12,719	1,944	1,017	927
29	Iowa	16,561	10,601	39,228	28,627	5,570	5,455	115
30	Pennsylvania	35,273	15,381	144,037	128,656	18,595	19,087	-492
31	Vermont	1,521	1,286	6,348	5,062	109	780	-671
32	Alaska	6,800	6,922	10,238	3,316	-116	1,612	-1,728
33	North Dakota	1,262	2,494	8,380	5,886	-1,277	836	-2,113
34	Wisconsin	28,862	22,728	69,950	46,922	5,331	8,420	-3,089
35	Hawaii	12,220	8,593	17,782	9,189	3,584	6,720	-3,136
36	Minnesota	40,362	31,473	69,727	38,254	8,498	13,007	-4,509
37	Nebraska	10,168	11,293	26,291	14,998	-1,326	4,252	-5,578
38	DC	-519	2,431	8,017	5,586	-2,948	3,900	-6,848
39	Kansas	15,903	15,553	39,904	24,351	83	7,453	-7,370
40	Rhode Island	-5,969	2,966	12,646	9,498	-8,971	3,595	-12,566
41	Mississippi	2,044	15,000	44,117	29,117	-12,553	2,301	-14,854
42	Connecticut	4,108	6,286	36,169	29,883	-2,652	14,292	-16,944
43	Maryland	26,128	30,173	75,109	44,936	-4,475	21,135	-25,610
44	Ohio	7,321	40,177	147,791	107,614	-34,002	14,151	-48,153
45	Massachusetts	3,826	22,503	77,938	55,435	-19,243	30,285	-49,528
46	Michigan	-5,190	36,027	125,014	88,987	-42,320	22,803	-65,123
47	Illinois	66,543	73,578	178,985	105,407	-7,200	61,461	-68,661
48	New Jersey	21,410	39,190	108,939	69,749	-18,489	54,058	-72,547
49	New York	-9,538	91,222	247,783	156,561	-101,395	124,371	-225,766
50	Louisiana	-219,563	22,116	67,380	45,264	-236,970	4,231	-241,201
51	California	303,402	325,333	561,364	236,031	-21,389	266,295	-287,684

TABLE 2

Source: US Census Bureau

Interim Census Projections, State Population and Change (2000 - 2030)

TABLE 3

2030 Projection State	2030 Projections Population	2030 Projections Rank	Change: 2000 to 2030 State	Change: 2000 to 2030 Number	Change: 2000 to 2030 Percent	Change: 2000 to 2030 Rank in Percent Change
United States	363,584,435		United States	86,162,529	29.2	
California	46,444,861	1	Nevada	2,283,845	114.3	1
Texas	33,317,744	2	Arizona	5,581,765	108.8	2
Florida	28,685,769	3	Florida	12,703,391	79.5	3
New York	19,477,429	4	Texas	12,465,924	59.8	4
Illinois	13,432,892	5	Utah	1,252,198	56.1	5
Pennsylvania	12,768,184	6	Idaho	675,671	52.2	6
North Carolina	12,227,739	7	North Carolina	4,178,426	51.9	7
Georgia	12,017,838	8	Georgia	3,831,385	46.8	8
Ohio	11,550,528	9	Washington	2,730,680	46.3	9
Arizona	10,712,397	10	Oregon	1,412,519	41.3	10
Michigan	10,694,172	11	Virginia	2,746,504	38.8	11
Virginia	9,825,019	12	Alaska	240,742	38.4	12
New Jersey	9,802,440	13	California	12,573,213	37.1	13
Washington	8,624,801	14	Colorado	1,491,096	34.7	14
Tennessee	7,380,634	15	New Hampshire	410,685	33.2	15
Maryland	7,022,251	16	Maryland	1,725,765	32.6	16
Massachusetts	7,012,009	17	Tennessee	1,691,351	29.7	17
Indiana	6,810,108	18	Delaware	229,058	29.2	18
Missouri	6,430,173	19	South Carolina	1,136,557	28.3	19
Minnesota	6,306,130	20	Minnesota	1,386,651	28.2	20
Wisconsin	6,150,764	21	Arkansas	566,808	21.2	21
Colorado	5,792,357	22	Hawaii	254,509	21.0	22
South Carolina	5,148,569	23	Vermont	103,040	16.9	23
Alabama	4,874,243	24	New Jersey	1,388,090	16.5	24
Oregon	4,833,918	25	Montana	142,703	15.8	25
Louisiana	4,802,633	26	New Mexico	280,662	15.4	26
Kentucky	4,554,998	27	Missouri	834,962	14.9	27
Nevada	4,282,102	28	Wisconsin	787,089	14.7	28
Oklahoma	3,913,251	29	Oklahoma	462,597	13.4	29
Connecticut	3,688,630	30	Kentucky	513,229	12.7	30
Utah	3,485,367	31	Indiana	7,209,623	12.0	31
Arkansas	3,240,208	32	Maine	136,174	10.7	32
Mississippi	3,092,410	33	Massachusetts	662,912	10.4	33
Iowa	2,955,172	34	Rhode Island	104,622	10.0	34
Kansas	2,940,084	35	Alabama	427,143	9.6	35
New Mexico	2,099,708	36	Kansas	251,666	9.4	36
Idaho	1,969,624	37	Mississippi	247,752	8.7	37
Nebraska	1,820,247	38	Connecticut	283,065	8.3	38
West Virginia	1,719,959	39	Illinois	1,013,599	8.2	39
New Hampshire	1,646,471	40	Michigan	755,728	7.6	40
Hawaii	1,466,046	41	Louisiana	333,657	7.5	41
Maine	1,411,097	42	Nebraska	108,984	6.4	42
Rhode Island	1,152,941	43	South Dakota	45,618	6.0	43
Montana	1,044,898	44	Wyoming	29,197	5.9	44
Delaware	1,012,658	45	Pennsylvania	487,130	4.0	45
Alaska	867,674	46	New York	500,972	2.6	46
South Dakota	800,462	47	Ohio	197,388	1.7	47
Vermont	711,867	48	Iowa	28,848	1.0	48
North Dakota	606,566	49	West Virginia	-88,385	-4.9	49
Wyoming	522,979	50	North Dakota	-35,634	-5.5	50
DC	433,414	51	DC	-138,645	-24.2	51

Source: US Census Bureau

Per Capita Personal Income by State (2005)

Rank		Income
1	DC	\$54,985
2	Connecticut	\$47,819
3	Massachusetts	\$44,289
4	New Jersey	\$43,771
5	Maryland	\$41,760
6	New York	\$40,507
7	New Hampshire	\$38,408
8	Virginia	\$38,390
9	Colorado	\$37,946
10	Minnesota	\$37,373
11	Delaware	\$37,065
12	California	\$37,036
13	Wyoming	\$36,778
14	Rhode Island	\$36,153
15	Illinois	\$36,120
16	Nevada	\$35,883
17	Alaska	\$35,612
18	Washington	\$35,409
19	Pennsylvania	\$34,897
20	Hawaii	\$34,539
21	Nebraska	\$33,616
22	Wisconsin	\$33,565
23	Vermont	\$33,327
24	Florida	\$33,219
25	Michigan	\$33,116
26	Kansas	\$32,836
27	Ohio	\$32,478
28	Texas	\$32,462
29	Iowa	\$32,315
30	Oregon	\$32,103
31	Missouri	\$31,899
32	South Dakota	\$31,614
33	North Dakota	\$31,395
34	Indiana	\$31,276
35	Maine	\$31,252
36	Georgia	\$31,121
37	Tennessee	\$31,107
38	North Carolina	\$30,553
39	Arizona	\$30,267
40	Montana	\$29,387
41	Oklahoma	\$29,330
42	Alabama	\$29,136
43	Kentucky	\$28,513
44	South Carolina	\$28,352
45	Idaho	\$28,158
46	Utah	\$28,061
47	New Mexico	\$27,644
48	West Virginia	\$27,215
49	Arkansas	\$26,874
50	Mississippi	\$25,318
51	Louisiana	\$24,820
	United States	\$34,586

TABLE 4

Source: US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per capita personal income is a good comparative measure of the general prosperity of a state.

Iowa County Populations (2000 – 2005)

County	2005	2000	Change			
	Population Number	Population Number	Number	Rank	%	Rank
Polk	401,006	375,804	25,202	1	6.71%	3
Dallas	51,762	41,058	10,704	2	26.07%	1
Linn	198,903	192,245	6,658	3	3.46%	9
Johnson	117,067	111,267	5,800	4	5.21%	6
Dubuque	91,631	89,261	2,370	5	2.66%	12
Scott	160,998	158,732	2,266	6	1.43%	20
Warren	42,981	40,801	2,180	7	5.34%	5
Pottawattamie	89,738	87,988	1,750	8	1.99%	16
Benton	27,000	25,344	1,656	9	6.53%	4
Madison	15,158	14,064	1,094	10	7.78%	2
Muscatine	42,756	41,799	957	11	2.29%	13
Marion	32,984	32,120	864	12	2.69%	11
Washington	21,457	20,720	737	13	3.56%	8
Mills	15,284	14,574	710	14	4.87%	7
Sioux	32,277	31,575	702	15	2.22%	14
Jasper	37,674	37,251	423	16	1.14%	24
Bremer	23,677	23,295	382	17	1.64%	18
Boone	26,602	26,254	348	18	1.33%	21
Iowa	16,055	15,716	339	19	2.16%	15
Jones	20,509	20,215	294	20	1.45%	19
Lucas	9,672	9,411	261	21	2.77%	10
Dickinson	16,687	16,469	218	22	1.32%	22
Guthrie	11,547	11,351	196	23	1.73%	17
Harrison	15,884	15,705	179	24	1.14%	25
Davis	8,659	8,552	107	25	1.25%	23
Marshall	39,418	39,324	94	26	0.24%	31
Plymouth	24,958	24,866	92	27	0.37%	29
Poweshiek	18,925	18,843	82	28	0.44%	26
Mahaska	22,364	22,308	56	29	0.25%	30
Mitchell	10,919	10,871	48	30	0.44%	27
Franklin	10,732	10,689	43	31	0.40%	28
Cedar	18,254	18,219	35	32	0.19%	33
Allamakee	14,709	14,680	29	33	0.20%	32
Jackson	20,335	20,311	24	34	0.12%	34
Lyon	11,750	11,750	0	35	0.00%	35
Clarke	9,161	9,195	-34	36	-0.37%	44
Appanoose	13,666	13,702	-36	37	-0.26%	38
Van Buren	7,786	7,823	-37	38	-0.47%	45
Wapello	35,965	36,009	-44	40	-0.12%	37
Grundy	12,329	12,373	-44	40	-0.36%	43
Crawford	16,889	16,937	-48	41	-0.28%	39
Henry	20,246	20,303	-57	42	-0.28%	40
Buchanan	21,019	21,080	-61	43	-0.29%	41
Winneshiek	21,234	21,304	-70	44	-0.33%	42
Story	79,952	80,026	-74	45	-0.09%	36
Decatur	8,605	8,683	-78	46	-0.90%	48
Wayne	6,601	6,736	-135	47	-2.00%	58
Worth	7,768	7,911	-143	48	-1.81%	57
Tama	17,919	18,077	-158	49	-0.87%	47

TABLE 5

Source: US Census Bureau

Iowa County Populations (2000 – 2005) continued

County	2005 Population Number	2000 Population Number	Change			
			Number	Rank	%	Rank
Monroe	7,835	7,996	-161	50	-2.01%	59
Ringgold	5,273	5,465	-192	51	-3.51%	76
Jefferson	15,972	16,165	-193	52	-1.19%	50
Buena Vista	20,151	20,364	-213	53	-1.05%	49
Adams	4,264	4,479	-215	54	-4.80%	90
Hamilton	16,209	16,425	-216	56	-1.32%	52
Howard	9,700	9,916	-216	56	-2.18%	61
Fremont	7,759	8,001	-242	57	-3.02%	69
Butler	15,072	15,319	-247	58	-1.61%	56
Keokuk	11,157	11,425	-268	59	-2.35%	62
Clayton	18,337	18,622	-285	60	-1.53%	53
Osceola	6,694	6,984	-290	61	-4.15%	83
Union	11,972	12,281	-309	62	-2.52%	64
Hancock	11,786	12,103	-317	63	-2.62%	65
Louisa	11,842	12,172	-330	64	-2.71%	66
Carroll	21,034	21,365	-331	65	-1.55%	54
Adair	7,859	8,212	-353	67	-4.30%	85
Audubon	6,457	6,810	-353	67	-5.18%	92
Clinton	49,717	50,078	-361	68	-0.72%	46
Delaware	18,025	18,396	-371	69	-2.02%	60
Taylor	6,614	6,988	-374	70	-5.35%	93
Greene	9,963	10,345	-382	71	-3.69%	78
Humboldt	9,973	10,372	-399	72	-3.85%	79
Winnebago	11,351	11,759	-408	73	-3.47%	74
Floyd	16,443	16,863	-420	74	-2.49%	63
Ida	7,379	7,807	-428	75	-5.48%	94
Palo Alto	9,697	10,142	-445	76	-4.39%	88
Shelby	12,634	13,080	-446	77	-3.41%	73
Emmet	10,534	10,995	-461	78	-4.19%	84
Cass	14,219	14,684	-465	79	-3.17%	70
Montgomery	11,313	11,789	-476	80	-4.04%	82
Monona	9,520	10,005	-485	81	-4.85%	91
Clay	16,897	17,384	-487	82	-2.80%	67
Chickasaw	12,563	13,071	-508	83	-3.89%	80
Calhoun	10,443	11,088	-645	84	-5.82%	96
O'Brien	14,414	15,063	-649	85	-4.31%	86
Page	16,253	16,929	-676	86	-3.99%	81
Wright	13,647	14,324	-677	87	-4.73%	89
Pocahontas	7,930	8,614	-684	88	-7.94%	99
Fayette	21,298	22,002	-704	89	-3.20%	71
Cherokee	12,237	13,018	-781	90	-6.00%	97
Hardin	18,003	18,822	-819	91	-4.35%	87
Sac	10,621	11,477	-856	82	-7.46%	98
Kossuth	16,142	17,131	-989	93	-5.77%	95
Webster	39,003	40,194	-1,191	94	-2.96%	68
Lee	36,705	37,939	-1,234	95	-3.25%	72
Woodbury	102,605	103,868	-1,263	96	-1.22%	51
Des Moines	40,810	42,291	-1,481	97	-3.50%	75
Cerro Gordo	44,645	46,336	-1,691	98	-3.65%	77
Black Hawk	125,891	127,911	-2,020	99	-1.58%	55

TABLE 5 (continued)

Source: US Census Bureau

Polk, Linn, Scott, Black Hawk, and Johnson counties are the five largest in the state.

Per Capita Personal Income by Iowa County (2002)

Rank	County	Per Capita Personal Income
1	Polk	\$34,287
2	Dallas	\$31,912
3	Linn	\$31,677
4	Mills	\$31,575
5	Dickinson	\$31,359
6	Iowa	\$30,884
7	Johnson	\$30,636
8	Scott	\$30,000
9	Boone	\$29,162
10	Cedar	\$28,531
11	Grundy	\$28,488
12	Cerro Gordo	\$28,460
13	Poweshiek	\$28,417
14	Wright	\$28,378
15	Bremer	\$28,022
16	Hancock	\$28,019
17	Plymouth	\$27,979
18	Muscatine	\$27,953
19	Kossuth	\$27,845
20	Washington	\$27,607
21	Carroll	\$27,597
22	Humboldt	\$27,525
23	Warren	\$27,507
24	Marshall	\$27,486
25	Des Moines	\$27,442
26	Madison	\$27,437
27	Cherokee	\$27,337
28	Jasper	\$27,300
29	Dubuque	\$27,294
30	Pottawattamie	\$27,256
31	Clay	\$27,061
32	Woodbury	\$26,877
33	Jefferson	\$26,772
34	Winneshiek	\$26,708
35	O'Brien	\$26,632
36	Adair	\$26,554
37	Benton	\$26,509
38	Story	\$26,479
39	Black Hawk	\$26,470
40	Franklin	\$26,462
41	Hamilton	\$26,433
42	Monroe	\$26,381
43	Guthrie	\$26,380
44	Fremont	\$26,310
45	Audubon	\$26,279
46	Shelby	\$26,236
47	Sac	\$26,148
48	Marion	\$26,143
49	Howard	\$25,943
50	Webster	\$25,748
51	Sioux	\$25,690
52	Cass	\$25,675

TABLE 6

Source: Iowa Workforce Development

Per Capita Personal Income by Iowa County (2002) continued

Rank	County	Per Capita Personal Income
53	Harrison	\$25,650
54	Clinton	\$25,586
55	Chickasaw	\$25,461
56	Emmet	\$25,362
57	Hardin	\$25,316
58	Montgomery	\$25,233
59	Calhoun	\$25,218
60	Ida	\$25,179
61	Winnebago	\$25,167
62	Mahaska	\$25,121
63	Clayton	\$25,028
64	Buchanan	\$25,017
65	Mitchell	\$24,959
66	Delaware	\$24,945
67	Pocahontas	\$24,929
68	Keokuk	\$24,800
69	Butler	\$24,796
70	Floyd	\$24,766
70	Henry	\$24,766
72	Louisa	\$24,682
73	Allamakee	\$24,681
74	Buena Vista	\$24,627
75	Monona	\$24,516
76	Lee	\$24,455
77	Page	\$24,200
78	Tama	\$24,112
79	Jackson	\$24,106
80	Clarke	\$23,940
81	Greene	\$23,895
82	Wapello	\$23,769
83	Adams	\$23,732
84	Union	\$23,645
85	Crawford	\$23,365
86	Lyon	\$23,168
87	Fayette	\$23,167
88	Osceola	\$23,057
89	Palo Alto	\$22,659
90	Taylor	\$22,427
91	Jones	\$22,415
92	Appanoose	\$22,199
93	Worth	\$22,103
94	Ringgold	\$21,863
95	Lucas	\$21,808
96	Wayne	\$21,338
97	Davis	\$20,845
98	Van Buren	\$20,472
99	Decatur	\$19,043

TABLE 6 (continued)

Source: Iowa Workforce Development

Iowa (average) \$29,043

United States (average) \$31,632

Non-Agricultural Employment Growth (May 2005 - May 2006)

TABLE 7

Rank		Jobs Added (000)	% Growth	Rank
1	Texas	251.7	2.6%	10
2	Florida	249.8	3.2%	8
3	California	230.4	1.6%	24
4	Arizona	117.5	4.7%	3
5	Washington	89.4	3.2%	7
6	North Carolina	78.2	2.0%	16
7	Georgia	75.6	1.9%	17
8	New York	73.9	0.9%	40
9	Nevada	63.6	5.2%	1
10	Oregon	59.3	3.6%	5
11	Virginia	56.1	1.5%	25
12	Illinois	52.8	0.9%	37
13	Pennsylvania	52.6	0.9%	36
14	Utah	50.8	4.5%	4
15	Colorado	48.8	2.2%	14
16	Minnesota	47.3	1.7%	21
17	South Carolina	45.5	2.4%	12
18	New Jersey	39.3	1.0%	35
19	Maryland	35.9	1.4%	27
20	Alabama	35.7	1.8%	19
21	Tennessee	34.1	1.2%	30
22	Idaho	31.3	5.1%	2
23	Ohio	29.2	0.5%	44
24	Missouri	28.6	1.0%	33
25	Wisconsin	28.5	1.0%	34
26	Oklahoma	28.3	1.9%	18
27	Indiana	26.4	0.9%	38
28	Iowa	25.4	1.7%	22
29	Massachusetts	22.7	0.7%	42
30	Kentucky	21.2	1.2%	31
31	New Mexico	20.3	2.5%	11
32	Nebraska	16.4	1.7%	20
33	Hawaii	16.2	2.7%	9
34	Arkansas	13.0	1.1%	32
35	Wyoming	9.1	3.4%	6
36	Montana	8.9	2.1%	15
37	South Dakota	8.8	2.2%	13
38	Connecticut	8.7	0.5%	45
39	New Hampshire	8.1	1.3%	29
40	West Virginia	6.5	0.9%	39
41	Delaware	5.6	1.3%	28
42	Alaska	5.1	1.6%	23
43	North Dakota	5.1	4.5%	26
44	Rhode Island	2.7	0.5%	43
45	Vermont	2.5	0.8%	41
46	Kansas	1.2	0.1%	47
47	Maine	1.1	0.2%	46
48	Mississippi	-1.0	-0.1%	48
49	Michigan	-21.1	-0.5%	49
50	Louisiana	-177.6	-9.1%	50

Source: Bureau of Labor and Statistics State Employment Data

Gross State Product (2005)

2005 Rank		2005 GSP	2004 Rank	2004 GSP
1	California	\$1,621,843	1	\$1,519,202
2	Texas	\$982,403	3	\$903,208
3	New York	\$963,466	2	\$906,783
4	Florida	\$674,049	4	\$609,372
5	Illinois	\$560,236	5	\$533,735
6	Pennsylvania	\$487,169	6	\$163,752
7	Ohio	\$442,440	7	\$425,173
8	New Jersey	\$430,787	8	\$410,306
9	Michigan	\$377,895	9	\$366,601
10	Georgia	\$364,310	10	\$339,730
11	Virginia	\$352,745	12	\$327,032
12	North Carolina	\$344,641	11	\$323,962
13	Massachusetts	\$328,535	13	\$312,700
14	Washington	\$268,502	14	\$253,085
15	Maryland	\$244,899	15	\$230,698
16	Indiana	\$238,638	16	\$229,449
17	Minnesota	\$233,292	17	\$224,620
18	Tennessee	\$226,502	18	\$216,769
19	Wisconsin	\$217,537	19	\$207,739
20	Missouri	\$216,069	20	\$205,847
21	Colorado	\$216,064	21	\$201,392
22	Arizona	\$215,759	22	\$194,246
23	Connecticut	\$194,469	23	\$182,468
24	Louisiana	\$166,310	24	\$160,186
25	Alabama	\$149,796	25	\$141,366
26	Oregon	\$145,351	28	\$134,615
27	Kentucky	\$140,359	26	\$133,033
28	South Carolina	\$139,771	27	\$131,492
29	Oklahoma	\$120,549	30	\$111,838
30	Iowa	\$114,291	29	\$110,210
31	Nevada	\$110,546	31	\$99,143
32	Kansas	\$105,448	32	\$98,927
33	Utah	\$89,836	34	\$82,546
34	Arkansas	\$86,802	33	\$82,712
35	Mississippi	\$80,197	35	\$77,107
36	Nebraska	\$70,263	36	\$67,989
37	New Mexico	\$69,324	37	\$63,645
38	New Hampshire	\$55,690	39	\$52,084
39	Delaware	\$54,354	38	\$52,298
40	West Virginia	\$53,782	41	\$49,903
41	Hawaii	\$53,710	40	\$50,238
42	Idaho	\$47,178	42	\$43,509
43	Maine	\$45,070	43	\$43,258
44	Rhode Island	\$43,791	44	\$41,844
45	Alaska	\$39,872	45	\$35,988
46	South Dakota	\$31,066	46	\$29,699
47	Montana	\$29,851	47	\$27,583
48	Wyoming	\$27,422	48	\$24,092
49	North Dakota	\$24,178	49	\$22,692
50	Vermont	\$23,134	50	\$21,992

TABLE 8

Source: BEA news release on 2005 and 2004 gross state product

Manufacturing as a percent of Gross State Product (2004)

Rank		Percent
1	Indiana	28.4%
2	Iowa	21.0%
3	Wisconsin	20.7%
4	Kentucky	19.8%
5	North Carolina	19.8%
6	Ohio	19.7%
7	Arkansas	19.6%
8	Michigan	19.4%
9	Oregon	18.8%
10	Tennessee	18.3%
11	South Carolina	18.1%
12	Alabama	17.7%
13	Mississippi	15.6%
14	Louisiana	15.4%
15	Missouri	15.1%
16	Pennsylvania	15.1%
17	Kansas	14.7%
18	Minnesota	13.7%
19	Idaho	13.4%
20	Illinois	13.3%
21	Georgia	12.9%
22	Vermont	12.6%
23	Texas	12.2%
24	New Hampshire	12.0%
25	Connecticut	11.5%
26	Maine	11.2%
27	Utah	10.9%
28	West Virginia	10.9%
29	Nebraska	10.6%
30	Massachusetts	10.2%
31	Oklahoma	10.1%
32	Rhode Island	9.9%
33	New Mexico	9.7%
34	California	9.6%
35	New Jersey	9.6%
36	South Dakota	9.5%
37	Virginia	9.5%
38	Arizona	9.2%
39	North Dakota	9.0%
40	Washington	9.0%
41	Delaware	7.9%
42	Colorado	6.5%
43	New York	6.5%
44	Maryland	5.7%
45	Florida	5.1%
46	Montana	4.8%
47	Wyoming	4.1%
48	Nevada	3.7%
49	Alaska	2.2%
50	Hawaii	1.6%
51	District of Columbia	0.3%

TABLE 9

Source: Iowa State University, Center for Industrial Research and Service

Exports Per Capita (2005)

Rank		Dollars	Total \$ (millions)	Rank
1	Washington	\$5,573	\$34,173	4
2	Texas	\$4,469	\$98,846	1
3	Vermont	\$4,243	\$2,627	35
4	Alaska	\$4,222	\$2,739	32
5	Louisiana	\$4,090	\$18,390	10
6	Michigan	\$3,268	\$32,941	5
7	Oregon	\$2,910	\$10,357	22
8	Massachusetts	\$2,901	\$18,663	9
9	South Carolina	\$2,839	\$11,773	18
10	California	\$2,649	\$93,995	2
11	Indiana	\$2,647	\$16,402	12
12	Kentucky	\$2,607	\$10,734	21
13	Ohio	\$2,603	\$29,764	6
14	Arizona	\$2,387	\$13,323	16
15	Connecticut	\$2,336	\$8,136	24
16	Delaware	\$2,307	\$1,886	43
17	Minnesota	\$2,227	\$11,266	19
18	Tennessee	\$2,159	\$12,612	17
19	Illinois	\$2,092	\$26,476	7
20	New York	\$2,042	\$39,181	3
21	New Jersey	\$1,947	\$16,818	11
22	North Carolina	\$1,927	\$16,199	15
23	Georgia	\$1,875	\$16,286	14
24	Alabama	\$1,853	\$8,340	23
25	Iowa	\$1,778	\$5,236	27
26	Utah	\$1,750	\$4,115	30
27	Maine	\$1,676	\$2,188	39
28	Kansas	\$1,672	\$4,553	29
29	Nebraska	\$1,566	\$2,724	33
30	Idaho	\$1,534	\$2,096	40
31	New Hampshire	\$1,500	\$1,931	42
32	Virginia	\$1,469	\$10,853	20
33	Florida	\$1,466	\$24,953	8
34	North Dakota	\$1,347	\$854	46
35	Colorado	\$1,342	\$6,109	26
36	Pennsylvania	\$1,318	\$16,299	13
37	West Virginia	\$1,315	\$2,380	37
38	Missouri	\$1,268	\$7,234	25
39	New Mexico	\$1,241	\$2,326	38
40	Wyoming	\$1,161	\$582	48
41	Rhode Island	\$1,094	\$1,177	44
42	Arkansas	\$1,087	\$2,962	31
43	Nevada	\$907	\$2,033	41
44	Maryland	\$897	\$4,941	28
45	Mississippi	\$888	\$2,558	36
46	South Dakota	\$879	\$672	47
47	Oklahoma	\$758	\$2,660	34
48	Montana	\$393	\$361	50
49	Hawaii	\$307	\$386	49
50	Wisconsin	\$210	\$1,151	45

TABLE 10

Source: Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research; US Census Bureau

Cost of Doing Business (2005)

Rank		Wage Cost Index (1)	Tax Burden Index (2)	Electricity Cost Index (3)	Industrial Rent Cost Index (4)	Office Rent Cost Index (5)	Cost of Doing Business Index 2005
1	Hawaii	91.9	154.5	207.5	286.0	130.4	143.1
2	New York	125.4	101.6	153.0	155.8	182.8	130.7
3	Massachusetts	121.6	101.5	149.4	139.5	161.5	125.5
4	California	112.5	111.1	168.0	136.8	136.3	124.2
5	Connecticut	127.2	105.4	136.6	115.6	119.5	122.7
6	Alaska	101.9	93.0	139.9	263.8	78.7	120.8
7	New Jersey	122.6	95.1	127.5	151.0	123.0	120.7
8	Delaware	107.8	130.0	95.0	98.7	111.0	109.6
9	Minnesota	101.7	131.3	79.9	133.0	110.0	107.9
10	Michigan	104.1	121.3	95.4	105.6	98.0	106.1
11	Vermont	83.9	141.4	147.5	98.7	75.4	106.0
12	Nevada	96.5	99.0	122.7	107.5	131.5	103.8
13	Illinois	107.5	95.1	92.5	103.5	134.2	103.7
14	Washington	105.7	103.4	82.6	110.2	130.5	103.5
15	Rhode Island	95.7	107.7	145.3	67.6	102.1	103.0
16	New Hampshire	98.3	67.9	151.2	124.7	80.8	101.9
17	Maryland	108.0	92.0	90.3	100.6	115.8	101.8
18	Pennsylvania	97.3	99.8	108.3	97.4	111.7	100.2
19	Maine	81.5	117.3	127.3	83.1	88.6	96.0
20	New Mexico	82.0	130.8	93.8	103.1	80.5	95.6
21	Wisconsin	88.2	115.3	89.1	100.4	96.6	95.4
22	Florida	89.4	91.6	95.7	120.2	114.1	95.1
23	Wyoming	80.1	141.1	71.7	126.5	61.0	94.7
24	Virginia	102.7	87.6	76.0	95.2	98.3	94.7
25	Arizona	93.5	95.8	95.1	85.4	105.8	94.0
26	Ohio	92.8	102.1	94.4	76.2	94.5	93.3
27	Texas	98.0	73.7	100.0	93.0	95.7	92.8
28	Oregon	91.1	92.3	84.0	106.4	107.7	92.6
29	Colorado	103.3	69.3	89.3	89.2	95.2	92.6
30	North Carolina	89.3	108.1	87.2	76.3	92.5	91.6
31	Georgia	97.3	89.5	81.4	76.7	103.5	91.6
32	Louisiana	81.3	105.0	99.1	80.9	88.9	89.1
33	Kansas	83.5	102.2	84.1	92.3	97.7	88.9
34	Indiana	88.1	103.8	76.6	80.4	89.9	88.8
35	Kentucky	84.5	120.1	65.4	67.6	84.6	87.0
36	Missouri	89.6	84.4	78.4	85.0	98.5	86.8
37	Utah	83.0	107.4	71.5	80.2	101.3	86.8
38	Nebraska	82.0	108.3	76.2	74.1	100.0	86.5
39	Tennessee	88.5	87.8	83.6	72.4	91.8	86.2
40	Alabama	84.9	90.8	82.6	83.4	95.9	86.2
41	West Virginia	77.2	130.1	70.7	62.4	92.1	86.1
42	Arkansas	76.3	128.4	73.0	62.4	84.8	85.3
43	Oklahoma	79.2	105.8	83.7	76.8	77.3	84.8
44	South Carolina	81.6	97.2	82.4	66.5	98.4	84.2
45	Mississippi	72.9	116.7	89.5	72.7	73.3	84.1
46	Idaho	76.0	114.3	74.1	76.3	73.9	83.3
47	Montana	72.2	106.4	84.7	70.2	70.2	80.6
48	Iowa	80.5	92.7	79.3	57.2	75.7	80.2
49	North Dakota	73.7	100.6	73.2	57.0	65.8	76.9
50	South Dakota	72.3	72.8	80.4	54.7	72.8	71.9

An index score of 100 means that the state is equal to the U.S. average in that particular category. If a state's business index is 120, it means that the state's cost of doing business is 20% above than the national average. Similarly, if a state's business cost index is 80, it means that the state's cost of doing business is 20% less than the national average.

Forbes The Best States For Business (August 2006)

Rank	Name	Business Costs	Labor	Regulatory Environment	Economic Climate	Growth Prospects	Quality of Life
1	Virginia	10	4	1	8	10	5
2	Texas	22	25	6	7	2	23
3	North Carolina	4	26	3	30	4	26
4	Utah	19	9	18	17	11	17
5	Colorado	31	2	8	35	1	19
6	Idaho	13	16	34	2	22	20
7	Nebraska	9	29	14	27	30	9
8	Delaware	6	6	27	37	25	25
9	Florida	35	13	16	4	3	42
10	Georgia	18	18	4	38	19	29
11	Maryland	42	3	15	9	17	31
12	Washington	37	5	5	26	5	41
13	North Dakota	3	41	17	19	34	13
14	Minnesota	30	14	20	25	31	3
15	Arizona	24	7	36	1	13	43
16	New Jersey	46	15	23	18	6	11
17	South Dakota	2	32	35	11	39	18
18	New Hampshire	44	1	44	16	18	2
19	Oklahoma	16	40	13	13	26	32
20	Tennessee	15	37	12	20	24	34
21	Kansas	28	21	10	48	20	15
22	Missouri	21	22	9	47	35	16
23	Wyoming	1	39	45	3	29	27
24	Arkansas	11	44	25	13	12	40
25	Iowa	8	47	30	31	41	1
26	Nevada	26	24	31	6	14	49
27	South Carolina	17	28	7	46	21	46
28	Connecticut	43	8	43	28	23	4
29	New Mexico	7	38	40	10	8	50
30	Vermont	40	10	46	12	42	8
31	Oregon	34	12	33	40	7	35
32	Indiana	12	46	22	42	43	10
33	Kentucky	5	42	32	43	32	22
34	Ohio	32	33	11	45	47	14
35	New York	47	35	21	24	14	24
36	California	48	17	41	22	9	28
37	Massachusetts	49	19	37	33	27	7
38	Montana	14	20	48	23	45	38
39	Wisconsin	27	30	42	39	38	6
40	Alabama	29	43	19	36	16	39
41	Pennsylvania	38	34	29	32	44	12
42	Hawaii	50	11	38	5	37	44
43	Rhode Island	33	23	50	15	36	33
44	Illinois	39	31	28	43	28	30
45	Michigan	41	45	2	49	49	37
46	Maine	45	26	49	21	48	21
47	Alaska	25	36	39	34	32	48
48	Mississippi	20	49	24	50	40	45
49	West Virginia	23	48	47	29	50	36
50	Louisiana	36	50	26	41	46	47

Business Costs - Index based on cost of labor, energy and taxes. Labor - Measures educational attainment, net migration and projected population growth. Regulatory Environment - Measures regulatory and tort climate, incentives, transportation and bond ratings. Economic Climate - Reflects job, income, and gross state product growth as well as unemployment and presence of big companies. Growth Prospects - Reflects projected job, income and GSP growth as well as business openings/closings and venture capital investments. Quality of Life - Index of schools, health, crime, cost of living, and poverty rates.

State Business Tax Climate Index Rankings (2007)

Overall Rank		Corporate Tax Index Rank	Individual Income Tax Index Rank	Sales Tax Index Rank	Unemployment Insurance Tax Index Rank	Property Tax Index Rank
1	Wyoming	1	1	18	14	22
2	South Dakota	1	1	30	31	7
3	Alaska	27	6	3	45	17
4	Nevada	1	1	47	40	13
5	Florida	14	1	17	3	31
6	Texas	17	7	31	6	36
7	New Hampshire	49	9	1	44	32
8	Montana	16	21	5	21	24
9	Delaware	48	33	2	9	5
10	Oregon	20	34	4	29	8
11	Washington	33	1	50	37	27
12	Indiana	22	11	13	17	29
13	Virginia	5	17	6	22	26
14	Colorado	15	14	28	23	18
15	Missouri	10	24	12	7	10
16	Utah	4	28	24	20	2
17	Mississippi	8	16	37	2	21
18	Tennessee	12	8	48	33	37
19	Georgia	6	22	7	32	23
20	Alabama	21	20	21	8	15
21	Oklahoma	13	25	34	1	20
22	Pennsylvania	42	10	23	13	44
23	New Mexico	37	18	46	15	1
24	Hawaii	9	40	26	24	6
25	Illinois	30	13	32	36	40
26	South Carolina	11	26	9	43	28
27	Michigan	50	12	15	41	35
28	Arizona	24	29	43	10	12
29	Maryland	7	35	8	30	41
30	Louisiana	18	27	45	11	25
31	Kansas	38	23	25	12	34
32	Idaho	19	31	36	47	3
33	North Dakota	29	44	22	38	4
34	West Virginia	26	41	20	34	19
35	Arkansas	36	30	38	35	9
36	Massachusetts	47	15	10	49	43
37	Connecticut	28	19	33	16	49
38	Wisconsin	32	42	27	28	30
39	Kentucky	43	39	11	48	11
40	North Carolina	25	43	42	4	38
41	Minnesota	45	37	40	39	14
42	Maine	44	36	14	42	39
43	Iowa	46	45	19	27	33
44	Nebraska	34	32	44	26	45
45	California	40	46	39	18	16
46	Vermont	31	47	16	5	48
47	New York	23	38	49	46	42
48	New Jersey	41	50	29	25	46
49	Ohio	39	49	41	19	47
50	Rhode Island	35	48	35	50	50

TABLE 13

Source: Tax Foundation

Note: Rankings do not average across to total. States without a given tax rank equally as number 1.

Local, State, and Federal Taxes Per Capita (2006)

Rank		Local & State	Federal	Rank	Total Taxes	Rank
1	D.C.	\$8,092	\$8,729	15	\$12,155	17
2	Connecticut	\$6,018	\$13,079	2	\$19,097	2
3	New York	\$5,734	\$6,694	38	\$10,220	36
4	New Jersey	\$5,234	\$5,717	47	\$8,747	49
5	Massachusetts	\$5,047	\$7,467	23	\$11,431	23
6	Minnesota	\$4,930	\$5,068	51	\$7,991	51
7	Maine	\$4,719	\$9,902	5	\$14,898	6
8	Rhode Island	\$4,629	\$5,982	44	\$9,195	43
9	Maryland	\$4,496	\$11,380	4	\$16,427	4
10	Hawaii	\$4,496	\$5,835	46	\$8,995	46
11	California	\$4,451	\$8,982	11	\$13,433	8
12	Illinois	\$4,335	\$6,825	34	\$10,622	31
13	Washington	\$4,334	\$5,611	50	\$8,823	48
14	Ohio	\$4,332	\$6,092	42	\$9,221	42
15	Nebraska	\$4,294	\$8,784	13	\$12,542	15
16	Wisconsin	\$4,289	\$9,131	9	\$13,251	11
17	Wyoming	\$4,120	\$14,040	1	\$22,132	1
18	Vermont	\$4,118	\$9,191	8	\$13,247	12
19	Colorado	\$4,098	\$8,779	14	\$12,877	14
20	Pennsylvania	\$4,057	\$8,679	17	\$13,308	10
21	Virginia	\$4,056	\$9,053	10	\$13,387	9
22	Michigan	\$3,965	\$8,960	12	\$13,890	7
23	Kansas	\$3,885	\$6,043	43	\$9,425	41
24	Indiana	\$3,796	\$6,809	36	\$10,518	32
25	Nevada	\$3,758	\$9,328	7	\$12,464	16
26	Iowa	\$3,709	\$7,144	27	\$11,030	27
27	Florida	\$3,566	\$6,932	31	\$10,496	33
28	Georgia	\$3,564	\$7,455	24	\$11,952	19
29	North Carolina	\$3,526	\$6,957	29	\$10,379	35
30	Missouri	\$3,509	\$6,371	40	\$9,479	40
31	Oregon	\$3,492	\$8,061	19	\$12,118	18
32	Louisiana	\$3,463	\$6,843	33	\$11,562	22
33	Delaware	\$3,426	\$7,820	20	\$11,385	25
34	North Dakota	\$3,421	\$6,939	30	\$11,271	26
35	Kentucky	\$3,383	\$5,699	48	\$9,162	44
36	Texas	\$3,368	\$5,866	45	\$9,127	45
37	Arizona	\$3,350	\$6,569	39	\$9,919	38
38	Utah	\$3,261	\$7,482	22	\$11,600	21
39	South Carolina	\$3,213	\$6,824	35	\$10,000	37
40	West Virginia	\$3,212	\$7,661	21	\$11,950	20
41	South Dakota	\$3,177	\$6,785	37	\$9,764	39
42	Idaho	\$3,159	\$8,710	16	\$13,045	13
43	New Hampshire	\$3,136	\$11,433	3	\$16,667	3
44	Oklahoma	\$3,129	\$7,167	26	\$10,659	30
45	Montana	\$3,108	\$7,122	28	\$11,416	24
46	Arkansas	\$3,088	\$5,654	49	\$8,742	50
47	New Mexico	\$3,031	\$9,899	6	\$15,632	5
48	Tennessee	\$2,979	\$7,297	25	\$10,665	29
49	Mississippi	\$2,924	\$6,899	32	\$10,409	34
50	Alabama	\$2,881	\$6,096	41	\$8,977	47
51	Alaska	\$2,598	\$8,420	18	\$11,019	28
	United States	\$4,072	\$8,050		\$12,122	

TABLE 14

Source: Tax Foundation

**Effective Property Tax Rate on an Industrial
Property in one of the State's Urban Cities (2005)**

Rank	City	Net Tax	Effective Tax Rate	
1	Michigan	Detroit	\$1,637,238	3.274%
2	South Carolina	Columbia	\$1,543,500	3.087%
3	Texas	Houston	\$1,533,075	3.066%
4	Arizona	Phoenix	\$1,386,247	2.772%
5	Mississippi	Jackson	\$1,283,101	2.566%
6	Louisiana	New Orleans	\$1,242,236	2.484%
7	New York	New York City	\$1,160,278	2.321%
8	Indiana	Indianapolis	\$1,137,253	2.275%
9	Missouri	Kansas City	\$1,113,444	2.227%
10	New York	Buffalo	\$1,099,823	2.200%
11	Kansas	Wichita	\$1,089,224	2.178%
12	Tennessee	Memphis	\$1,083,614	2.167%
13	Ohio	Columbus	\$1,034,678	2.069%
14	Iowa	Des Moines	\$1,030,896	2.062%
15	Rhode Island	Providence	\$1,018,225	2.036%
16	Illinois	Chicago	\$977,803	1.956%
17	Connecticut	Bridgeport	\$877,760	1.956%
18	DC	Washington	\$936,575	1.873%
19	Maine	Portland	\$875,490	1.751%
20	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	\$870,540	1.741%
21	Minnesota	Minneapolis	\$847,834	1.696%
22	Nebraska	Omaha	\$842,410	1.685%
23	West Virginia	Charleston	\$836,183	1.672%
24	Massachusetts	Boston	\$817,000	1.634%
25	Georgia	Atlanta	\$759,949	1.520%
26	Colorado	Denver	\$737,725	1.475%
27	Maryland	Baltimore City	\$735,950	1.472%
28	Florida	Jacksonville	\$713,745	1.427%
29	Arkansas	Little Rock	\$691,725	1.383%
30	Idaho	Boise	\$690,179	1.380%
31	Wisconsin	Milwaukee	\$689,651	1.379%
32	Vermont	Burlington	\$684,213	1.368%
33	Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	\$680,625	1.361%
34	Montana	Billings	\$680,396	1.361%
35	Alaska	Anchorage	\$643,182	1.286%
36	Illinois	Aurora	\$637,525	1.275%
37	Utah	Salt Lake City	\$596,960	1.194%
38	Oregon	Portland	\$594,255	1.189%
39	Alabama	Birmingham	\$553,220	1.106%
40	North Dakota	Fargo	\$552,403	1.105%
41	New Jersey	Newark	\$542,858	1.086%
42	New Mexico	Albuquerque	\$495,752	0.992%
43	California	Los Angeles	\$462,387	0.925%
44	Nevada	Las Vegas	\$459,553	0.919%
45	North Carolina	Charlotte	\$458,325	0.917%
46	South Dakota	Sioux Falls	\$430,971	0.862%
47	New Hampshire	Manchester	\$398,558	0.797%
48	Kentucky	Louisville	\$389,189	0.778%
49	Washington	Seattle	\$387,140	0.774%
50	Wyoming	Cheyenne	\$323,232	0.646%
51	Virginia	Virginia Beach	\$279,318	0.559%
52	Hawaii	Honolulu	\$270,521	0.541%
53	Delaware	Wilmington	\$257,494	0.515%

TABLE 15

Source: Iowa Taxpayers Association

\$25 Million-valued property. \$12,500,000 Machinery and Equipment. \$10,000,000 Inventories. \$2,500,000 Fixtures.

**Effective Property Tax Rate on an Industrial
Property in one of the State's Rural Cities (2005)**

Rank	City	Net Tax	Effective Tax Rate
1	Kansas Larned	\$1,909,320	3.819%
2	South Carolina Mullins	\$1,553,871	3.108%
3	Texas Fort Stockton	\$1,382,750	2.766%
4	Connecticut Windham	\$1,199,520	2.399%
5	Michigan Escanaba	\$1,130,800	2.262%
6	Mississippi Tylertown	\$1,058,184	2.116%
7	Indiana North Vernon	\$946,510	1.893%
8	Arizona Winslow	\$923,968	1.848%
9	New York Plattsburgh	\$922,837	1.846%
10	Florida Moore Haven	\$885,108	1.770%
11	Minnesota Glencoe	\$789,014	1.578%
12	Iowa Hampton	\$775,733	1.551%
13	Nebraska Mullen	\$769,982	1.540%
14	Louisiana Natchitoches	\$763,137	1.526%
15	Ohio Marion	\$749,943	1.500%
16	Missouri Boonville	\$743,273	1.487%
17	Idaho Saint Anthony	\$714,845	1.430%
18	Montana Dillon	\$693,143	1.386%
19	Colorado Walsenburg	\$647,584	1.295%
20	New Jersey Maurice River Township	\$645,067	1.290%
21	Georgia Fitzgerald	\$640,434	1.281%
22	Illinois Carlinville	\$630,692	1.261%
23	Wisconsin Mayville	\$625,306	1.251%
24	Vermont Morristown	\$591,101	1.182%
25	Oregon Coos Bay	\$584,000	1.168%
26	North Dakota Bottineau	\$552,855	1.106%
27	West Virginia Parsons	\$534,511	1.069%
28	South Dakota Sisseton	\$533,205	1.066%
29	Utah Richfield	\$531,360	1.063%
30	Washington Rock Island	\$530,581	1.061%
31	Maine Hudson	\$528,000	1.056%
32	Rhode Island Hopkinton	\$487,025	0.974%
33	Nevada Fallon	\$486,638	0.973%
34	Alaska Fairbanks	\$477,549	0.955%
35	North Carolina Asheboro	\$442,954	0.886%
36	Kentucky Lawrenceburg	\$441,974	0.884%
37	Pennsylvania Williamsport	\$430,051	0.860%
38	California Red Bluff	\$401,480	0.803%
39	Maryland Hampstead	\$388,500	0.777%
40	Massachusetts Holliston	\$385,045	0.770%
41	Oklahoma Hollis	\$381,000	0.762%
42	Tennessee Savannah	\$374,110	0.748%
43	Virginia Lynchburg	\$365,886	0.732%
44	Wyoming Lovell	\$363,667	0.727%
45	New Hampshire Auburn	\$353,280	0.707%
46	Arkansas Jonesboro	\$348,968	0.698%
47	New Mexico Clayton	\$315,489	0.631%
48	Alabama Millbrook	\$229,970	0.460%
49	Hawaii Kauai	\$200,000	0.400%
50	Delaware Smyrna	\$110,762	0.222%

TABLE 16

Source: Iowa Taxpayers Association

\$25 Million-valued property. \$12,500,000 Machinery and Equipment. \$10,000,000 Inventories. \$2,500,000 Fixtures.

**Effective Property Tax Rate on a Commercial
Property in one of the State's Urban Cities (2005)**

Rank		City	Net Tax	Effective Tax Rate
1	New York	New York City	\$1,160,278	3.868%
2	Michigan	Detroit	\$1,152,916	3.843%
3	Rhode Island	Providence	\$1,141,975	3.807%
4	New York	Buffalo	\$1,099,823	3.666%
5	Iowa	Des Moines	\$1,030,896	3.436%
6	Arizona	Phoenix	\$1,002,974	3.343%
7	Illinois	Chicago	\$977,803	3.259%
8	Massachusetts	Boston	\$890,530	2.968%
9	Maryland	Baltimore City	\$880,200	2.934%
10	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	\$870,540	2.902%
11	Tennessee	Memphis	\$859,418	2.865%
12	Missouri	Kansas City	\$849,814	2.833%
13	Minnesota	Minneapolis	\$847,834	2.826%
14	Texas	Houston	\$837,411	2.791%
15	Kansas	Wichita	\$805,756	2.686%
16	Mississippi	Jackson	\$769,681	2.566%
17	South Carolina	Columbia	\$756,866	2.523%
18	Wisconsin	Milwaukee	\$752,346	2.508%
19	Indiana	Indianapolis	\$739,771	2.466%
20	Louisiana	New Orleans	\$728,366	2.428%
21	Connecticut	Bridgeport	\$695,520	2.318%
22	Illinois	Aurora	\$637,525	2.125%
23	Nebraska	Omaha	\$627,619	2.092%
24	Maine	Portland	\$410,190	2.034%
25	DC	Washington	\$596,575	1.989%
26	Ohio	Columbus	\$557,114	1.857%
27	North Dakota	Fargo	\$552,403	1.841%
28	New Jersey	Newark	\$542,858	1.810%
29	Colorado	Denver	\$541,621	1.805%
30	Florida	Jacksonville	\$535,420	1.785%
31	Vermont	Burlington	\$531,825	1.773%
32	Idaho	Boise	\$513,719	1.712%
33	West Virginia	Charleston	\$496,041	1.653%
34	Georgia	Atlanta	\$463,873	1.546%
35	Utah	Salt Lake City	\$447,720	1.492%
36	Alaska	Anchorage	\$444,468	1.482%
37	South Dakota	Sioux Falls	\$430,971	1.438%
38	Montana	Billings	\$420,082	1.400%
39	Alabama	Birmingham	\$414,220	1.381%
40	Arkansas	Little Rock	\$414,017	1.380%
41	Oregon	Portland	\$404,389	1.348%
42	New Hampshire	Manchester	\$398,558	1.329%
43	Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	\$375,705	1.252%
44	New Mexico	Albuquerque	\$354,108	1.180%
45	Kentucky	Louisville	\$348,132	1.160%
46	California	Los Angeles	\$346,790	1.156%
47	Nevada	Las Vegas	\$344,046	1.147%
48	North Carolina	Charlotte	\$340,655	1.136%
49	Washington	Seattle	\$291,249	0.971%
50	Virginia	Virginia Beach	\$275,068	0.917%
51	Hawaii	Honolulu	\$263,471	0.878%
52	Delaware	Wilmington	\$257,494	0.858%
53	Wyoming	Cheyenne	\$199,568	0.665%

TABLE 17

Source: Iowa Taxpayers Association

\$25 Million-valued property. \$5,000,000 Fixtures.

**Effective Property Tax Rate on a Commercial
Property in one of the State's Rural Cities (2005)**

Rank	City	Net Tax	Effective Tax Rate
1	Kansas Larned	\$1,431,990	4.773%
2	New York Plattsburgh	\$922,837	3.076%
3	Connecticut Windham	\$899,640	2.999%
4	Texas Fort Stockton	\$829,650	2.766%
5	Michigan Escanaba	\$822,092	2.740%
6	Minnesota Glencoe	\$789,014	2.630%
7	Iowa Hampton	\$775,733	2.586%
8	South Carolina Mullins	\$712,973	2.377%
9	Wisconsin Mayville	\$682,152	2.274%
10	Indiana North Vernon	\$681,203	2.271%
11	Florida Moore Haven	\$653,556	2.179%
12	New Jersey Maurice River Township	\$645,067	2.150%
13	Illinois Carlinville	\$630,692	2.102%
14	Mississippi Tylertown	\$622,134	2.074%
15	Vermont Morristown	\$591,101	1.970%
16	Nebraska Mullen	\$574,095	1.914%
17	Missouri Boonville	\$554,730	1.849%
18	North Dakota Bottineau	\$552,855	1.843%
19	Arizona Winslow	\$550,476	1.835%
20	Idaho Saint Anthony	\$544,095	1.814%
21	South Dakota Sisseton	\$533,205	1.777%
22	Rhode Island Hopkinton	\$531,300	1.771%
23	Montana Dillon	\$509,369	1.698%
24	Alaska Fairbanks	\$477,549	1.592%
25	Maryland Hampstead	\$466,500	1.555%
26	Louisiana Natchitoches	\$448,137	1.494%
27	Colorado Walsenburg	\$443,364	1.478%
28	Pennsylvania Williamsport	\$430,051	1.434%
29	Georgia Fitzgerald	\$428,954	1.430%
30	Massachusetts Holliston	\$421,370	1.405%
31	Ohio Marion	\$413,390	1.378%
32	Oregon Coos Bay	\$413,192	1.377%
33	Utah Richfield	\$398,520	1.328%
34	Maine Hudson	\$396,000	1.320%
35	Washington Rock Island	\$393,303	1.311%
36	Nevada Fallon	\$362,314	1.208%
37	New Hampshire Auburn	\$353,280	1.178%
38	Kentucky Lawrenceburg	\$339,811	1.133%
39	North Carolina Asheboro	\$324,104	1.080%
40	West Virginia Parsons	\$313,334	1.044%
41	California Red Bluff	\$301,110	1.004%
42	Tennessee Savannah	\$291,610	0.972%
43	Virginia Lynchburg	\$281,886	0.940%
44	New Mexico Clayton	\$231,916	0.773%
45	Oklahoma Hollis	\$228,600	0.762%
46	Wyoming Lovell	\$225,315	0.751%
47	Hawaii Kauai	\$220,000	0.667%
48	Arkansas Jonesboro	\$192,568	0.642%
49	Alabama Millbrook	\$171,970	0.573%
50	Delaware Smyrna	\$110,762	0.369%

TABLE 18

Source: Iowa Taxpayers Association

**Effective Property Tax Rate on a Primary
Residence in one of the State's Urban Cities (2005)**

Rank	City	Net Tax	Effective Tax Rate	
1	Michigan	Detroit	\$9,701	3.324%
2	New York	Buffalo	\$8,067	2.689%
3	Wisconsin	Milwaukee	\$7,431	2.477%
4	Illinois	Aurora	\$7,294	2.431%
5	Texas	Houston	\$7,217	2.406%
6	Maryland	Baltimore City	\$6,881	2.294%
7	Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	\$6,701	2.234%
8	New Jersey	Newark	\$6,514	2.171%
9	Nebraska	Omaha	\$6,187	2.062%
10	North Dakota	Fargo	\$5,966	1.989%
11	Maine	Portland	\$5,683	1.894%
12	Tennessee	Memphis	\$5,605	1.868%
13	Connecticut	Bridgeport	\$5,443	1.814%
14	Iowa	Des Moines	\$5,429	1.810%
15	Indiana	Indianapolis	\$5,191	1.730%
16	Florida	Jacksonville	\$4,909	1.636%
17	New Hampshire	Manchester	\$4,783	1.594%
18	Vermont	Burlington	\$4,679	1.560%
19	Illinois	Chicago	\$4,534	1.511%
20	Ohio	Columbus	\$4,455	1.485%
21	Alaska	Anchorage	\$4,412	1.471%
22	Missouri	Kansas City	\$4,361	1.454%
23	Mississippi	Jackson	\$4,355	1.452%
24	Rhode Island	Providence	\$4,301	1.434%
25	Idaho	Boise	\$4,269	1.423%
26	Arkansas	Little Rock	\$4,006	1.335%
27	Georgia	Atlanta	\$3,953	1.318%
28	Minnesota	Minneapolis	\$3,952	1.317%
29	Louisiana	New Orleans	\$3,933	1.311%
30	South Dakota	Sioux Falls	\$3,756	1.252%
31	South Carolina	Columbia	\$3,730	1.243%
32	Oregon	Portland	\$3,713	1.238%
33	Kansas	Wichita	\$3,662	1.221%
34	Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	\$3,485	1.162%
35	Nevada	Las Vegas	\$3,396	1.132%
36	Kentucky	Louisville	\$3,395	1.132%
37	California	Los Angeles	\$3,387	1.129%
38	North Carolina	Charlotte	\$3,382	1.127%
39	Montana	Billings	\$3,150	1.050%
40	Arizona	Phoenix	\$3,122	1.041%
41	Delaware	Wilmington	\$3,090	1.030%
42	New Mexico	Albuquerque	\$2,979	0.993%
43	Washington	Seattle	\$2,920	0.973%
44	Virginia	Virginia Beach	\$2,561	0.844%
45	West Virginia	Charleston	\$2,466	0.822%
46	Utah	Salt Lake City	\$2,394	0.798%
47	DC	Washington	\$2,371	0.790%
48	Alabama	Birmingham	\$2,016	0.672%
49	Wyoming	Cheyenne	\$1,963	0.654%
50	New York	New York City	\$1,782	0.594%
51	Massachusetts	Boston	\$1,706	0.569%
52	Colorado	Denver	\$1,538	0.513%
53	Hawaii	Honolulu	\$1,018	0.339%

TABLE 19

Source: Iowa Taxpayers Association

\$300,000 valued property.

**Effective Property Tax Rate on a Primary
Residence in one of the State's Rural Cities (2005)**

Rank	City	Net Tax	Effective Tax Rate
1	New York Plattsburgh	\$10,406	3.469%
2	Connecticut Windham	\$8,996	2.999%
3	New Jersey Maurice River Township	\$7,741	2.580%
4	Illinois Carlinville	\$7,190	2.397%
5	Texas Fort Stockton	\$6,750	2.250%
6	Wisconsin Mayville	\$6,731	2.244%
7	Kansas Larned	\$6,409	2.136%
8	North Dakota Bottineau	\$6,269	2.090%
9	Vermont Morristown	\$6,238	2.079%
10	Iowa Hampton	\$6,004	2.001%
11	Florida Moore Haven	\$5,874	1.958%
12	Nebraska Mullen	\$5,721	1.907%
13	Michigan Escanaba	\$5,715	1.905%
14	Alaska Fairbanks	\$5,530	1.843%
15	Indiana North Vernon	\$5,318	1.773%
16	Pennsylvania Williamsport	\$5,161	1.720%
17	South Dakota Sisseton	\$5,074	1.691%
18	Rhode Island Hopkinton	\$4,617	1.539%
19	New Hampshire Auburn	\$4,239	1.413%
20	Massachusetts Holliston	\$4,185	1.395%
21	Mississippi Tylertown	\$4,132	1.377%
22	Georgia Fitzgerald	\$4,096	1.365%
23	Idaho Saint Anthony	\$3,996	1.332%
24	Oregon Coos Bay	\$3,933	1.311%
25	Maine Hudson	\$3,927	1.309%
26	Washington Rock Island	\$3,896	1.299%
27	Minnesota Glencoe	\$3,800	1.267%
28	Ohio Marion	\$3,708	1.236%
29	Nevada Fallon	\$3,687	1.229%
30	Maryland Hampstead	\$3,560	1.187%
31	Missouri Boonville	\$3,299	1.100%
32	Montana Dillon	\$3,279	1.093%
33	North Carolina Asheboro	\$3,176	1.059%
34	South Carolina Mullins	\$2,957	0.968%
35	California Red Bluff	\$2,941	0.980%
36	Kentucky Lawrenceburg	\$2,921	0.974%
37	Virginia Lynchburg	\$2,920	0.973%
38	Oklahoma Hollis	\$2,293	0.764%
39	Wyoming Lovell	\$2,253	0.751%
40	Louisiana Natchitoches	\$2,239	0.746%
41	Arizona Winslow	\$2,221	0.740%
42	Utah Richfield	\$2,104	0.701%
43	New Mexico Clayton	\$2,003	0.668%
44	Arkansas Jonesboro	\$1,999	0.666%
45	Tennessee Savannah	\$1,878	0.626%
46	West Virginia Parsons	\$1,576	0.525%
47	Colorado Walsenburg	\$1,433	0.478%
48	Delaware Smyrna	\$1,329	0.443%
49	Hawaii Kauai	\$1,162	0.387%
50	Alabama Millbrook	\$815	0.272%

TABLE 20

Source: Iowa Taxpayers Association

\$300,000 valued property.

Gas Tax (Combined State and Local - January 2006)

Rank		Cents Per Gallon
1	New York	45.13
2	Hawaii	41.07
3	California	38.12
4	Illinois	36.71
5	Michigan	34.48
6	Washington	34.00
7	Wisconsin	32.90
8	Nevada	32.51
9	Pennsylvania	32.30
10	Rhode Island	31.00
11	Indiana	30.60
12	Florida	30.24
13	North Carolina	30.15
14	Ohio	28.00
15	Montana	27.75
16	Maine	27.40
17	Nebraska	27.00
17	Oregon	27.00
17	West Virginia	27.00
20	Georgia	25.14
21	Connecticut	25.00
21	Idaho	25.00
21	Kansas	25.00
24	Utah	24.50
25	South Dakota	24.00
26	Maryland	23.50
26	Massachusetts	23.50
28	Delaware	23.00
28	North Dakota	23.00
30	Colorado	22.00
30	Minnesota	22.00
32	Arkansas	21.80
33	Iowa	21.70
34	Mississippi	21.40
34	Tennessee	21.40
36	New Hampshire	20.60
37	Alabama	20.30
38	Louisiana	20.00
38	Texas	20.00
38	Vermont	20.00
41	Virginia	19.60
42	Arizona	19.00
43	Kentucky	18.50
44	New Mexico	18.00
45	Missouri	17.55
46	Oklahoma	17.00
47	South Carolina	16.75
48	New Jersey	14.50
49	Wyoming	14.00
50	Alaska	8.00

TABLE 21

Source: Washington State Department of Transportation

State Unemployment Insurance Contribution Levels (2006)

Rank		Contributions	Contributions Per Employee at the Taxable Wage Base		
		Per Covered Employee	Min Rate	Avg Rate	Max Rate
1	Massachusetts	650	157	632	1,534
2	Illinois	565	108	493	960
3	Washington	553	0	720	1,631
4	Rhode Island	510	237	480	1,371
5	Pennsylvania	504	177	445	837
6	Oregon	477	405	591	1,458
7	Michigan	465	5	445	927
8	New York	421	128	341	757
9	Minnesota	413	88	450	3,080
10	California	408	105	315	434
11	Connecticut	399	165	395	900
12	New Jersey	364	73	433	1,312
13	Wisconsin	321	5	305	1,029
14	Hawaii	303	0	387	1,674
15	Nevada	294	55	305	1,188
16	Ohio	276	18	249	720
17	Arkansas	265	90	245	680
17	DC	265	117	214	630
19	West Virginia	257	120	227	600
20	Kansas	252	6	263	592
20	Kentucky	252	40	217	760
22	Colorado	247	30	211	540
23	Idaho	246	118	335	1,490
23	Iowa	246	0	280	1,576
25	Wyoming	243	46	256	1,398
26	Indiana	242	77	207	392
27	Missouri	235	0	237	924
27	Utah	235	91	269	2,134
29	Vermont	229	48	205	472
30	North Dakota	227	74	254	1,746
31	Texas	226	52	202	722
32	Maine	218	64	216	648
33	Maryland	210	51	185	765
34	Delaware	209	9	187	680
34	Montana	209	0	281	1,293
36	Nebraska	198	27	176	473
37	Georgia	184	3	159	551
38	New Hampshire	180	1	154	432
39	South Carolina	179	87	152	427
40	Oklahoma	170	29	184	1,187
41	Florida	166	22	134	378
42	Mississippi	160	63	131	378
43	Virginia	156	42	129	530
44	Tennessee	149	11	127	700
45	Alabama	145	52	122	544
46	Arizona	140	1	103	378
47	New Mexico	138	5	147	907
48	Louisiana	118	7	98	434
49	South Dakota	62	0	54	490
	Alaska	N/A	328	N/A	1,463
	North Carolina	N/A		N/A	1,108

TABLE 22

Source: US Department of Labor, Employment, and Training Administration

Unemployment Insurance Payments (3rd Quarter 2006)

Rank		Regular Benefits Paid (000)	Avg weekly benefit amount	Avg duration	Avg benefits per first payment
1	Hawaii	\$24,572	\$363.52	13.1	\$4,538
2	Massachusetts	\$307,493	\$361.47	17.6	\$6,247
3	New Jersey	\$436,588	\$330.05	17.8	\$5,876
4	Minnesota	\$121,672	\$327.64	15.2	\$4,776
5	Washington	\$146,348	\$327.59	14.2	\$4,262
6	Rhode Island	\$43,401	\$326.24	15.3	\$5,079
7	Colorado	\$64,762	\$313.44	13.5	\$4,135
8	Michigan	\$419,702	\$292.39	14.6	\$4,154
9	California	\$1,016,806	\$292.06	16.8	\$4,639
10	Pennsylvania	\$475,680	\$290.16	16.5	\$4,646
11	Connecticut	\$131,231	\$290.10	16.4	\$4,742
12	Ohio	\$249,776	\$287.35	15.2	\$4,247
13	Kansas	\$50,910	\$281.75	14.9	\$4,172
14	District of Columbia	\$22,260	\$279.94	19.4	\$5,341
15	Illinois	\$349,567	\$279.03	17.8	\$5,112
16	Indiana	\$143,759	\$278.39	12.8	\$3,537
17	Utah	\$18,755	\$276.05	14.4	\$3,783
18	Iowa	\$61,070	\$275.59	12.6	\$3,377
19	Kentucky	\$89,411	\$275.02	13.2	\$3,345
20	Maryland	\$93,527	\$273.60	14.9	\$3,971
21	New York	\$500,301	\$273.53	18.0	\$4,792
22	Nevada	\$54,909	\$273.07	13.5	\$3,584
23	Oregon	\$102,998	\$269.80	14.8	\$3,844
24	Texas	\$288,412	\$269.33	13.7	\$3,540
25	North Carolina	\$200,852	\$267.83	13.4	\$3,464
26	Vermont	\$14,557	\$262.86	14.2	\$3,764
27	Virginia	\$80,820	\$257.21	12.4	\$3,040
28	Wyoming	\$4,688	\$254.71	11.4	\$2,797
29	New Hampshire	\$15,889	\$252.98	11.5	\$2,841
30	Georgia	\$136,963	\$252.69	11.2	\$2,758
31	Delaware	\$25,000	\$252.09	17.3	\$4,347
32	Wisconsin	\$151,728	\$245.86	13.3	\$3,109
33	Maine	\$18,646	\$245.46	14.2	\$3,370
34	Arkansas	\$58,830	\$243.27	13.3	\$3,006
35	Tennessee	\$97,712	\$241.39	13.7	\$2,865
36	New Mexico	\$25,418	\$241.08	17.5	\$4,018
37	Oklahoma	\$34,848	\$235.17	15.4	\$3,461
38	North Dakota	\$4,970	\$234.90	11.9	\$2,960
39	West Virginia	\$28,204	\$232.64	14.6	\$3,206
40	Idaho	\$15,357	\$231.51	12.0	\$2,704
41	Florida	\$218,287	\$228.90	14.4	\$3,257
42	Nebraska	\$20,573	\$226.06	13.2	\$2,630
43	South Carolina	\$81,317	\$223.89	13.5	\$2,889
44	Montana	\$10,094	\$223.36	15.1	\$2,918
45	South Dakota	\$3,132	\$210.78	11.5	\$2,432
46	Missouri	\$93,987	\$209.72	14.5	\$2,967
47	Alaska	\$18,262	\$198.74	14.4	\$2,762
48	Louisiana	\$45,104	\$195.64	24.2	\$4,592
49	Arizona	\$58,000	\$195.23	14.9	\$2,885
50	Alabama	\$55,283	\$182.19	11.5	\$2,074
51	Mississippi	\$33,363	\$174.98	16.7	\$3,149
	US	\$6,822,451	\$273.04	15.5	\$4,081

TABLE 23

Source: US Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, UI Data Summary - Quarterly by State

Workers' Compensation - Benefits Paid (2004)

Rank		Per Covered Worker	% of Covered Wages	Rank
1	West Virginia	\$1,114.34	3.76%	1
2	California	\$847.25	1.91%	3
3	Washington	\$699.47	1.80%	5
4	Alaska	\$696.04	1.84%	4
5	Montana	\$541.18	2.00%	2
6	Wyoming	\$500.26	1.63%	6
7	Hawaii	\$489.69	1.44%	8
8	Pennsylvania	\$481.31	4.26%	15
9	Ohio	\$468.38	1.30%	13
10	Maine	\$462.98	1.48%	7
11	Missouri	\$454.12	1.32%	12
12	Kentucky	\$452.04	1.38%	9
13	Vermont	4.8.62	1.33%	11
14	Connecticut	\$425.16	0.83%	38
15	Oklahoma	\$413.89	1.38%	9
16	New York	\$409.91	0.82%	39
17	South Carolina	\$405.49	1.29%	14
18	Colorado	\$402.41	1.01%	24
19	Wisconsin	\$397.08	1.15%	17
20	Illinois	\$394.47	0.94%	26
21	Florida	\$392.06	1.13%	18
22	Delaware	\$389.63	0.92%	28
23	New Jersey	\$3,663.83	0.77%	42
24	Michigan	\$365.46	0.97%	32
25	Idaho	\$363.89	1.24%	16
26	Minnesota	\$363.84	0.90%	34
27	Tennessee	\$359.19	1.04%	21
28	New Hampshire	\$353.66	0.91%	32
29	Massachusetts	\$338.76	0.69%	46
30	Alabama	\$334.71	1.02%	22
31	Maryland	\$329.15	0.80%	41
32	Nebraska	\$326.96	1.05%	20
33	Oregon	\$323.84	0.92%	28
34	Louisiana	\$321.80	1.02%	22
35	North Carolina	\$319.05	0.92%	28
36	Rhode Island	\$318.27	0.86%	36
37	Nevada	\$317.60	0.86%	36
38	Iowa	\$317.54	1.00%	25
39	Georgia	\$307.85	0.82%	39
40	Mississippi	\$297.77	1.06%	19
41	Kansas	\$289.43	0.89%	35
42	New Mexico	\$278.98	0.92%	28
43	North Dakota	\$269.38	0.94%	26
44	Arizona	\$253.80	0.70%	44
45	Virginia	\$233.19	0.59%	49
46	Texas	\$226.57	0.59%	49
47	Indiana	\$217.24	0.63%	48
48	South Dakota	\$213.61	0.77%	42
49	Utah	\$210.48	0.67%	47
50	Arkansas	\$210.33	0.70%	44
	United States	\$444.67	1.13%	

TABLE 24

Source: National Academy of Social Insurance - "Workers' Compensation Benefits, Coverage, and Costs," July 2006

Union Members as a Share of Employment (2005)

Rank		Percent	Private Sector Percent	Private Sector Rank	Public Sector Percent	Public Sector Rank
1	New York	26.1%	16.1%	2	68.9%	1
2	Hawaii	25.8%	16.9%	1	57.7%	7
3	Alaska	22.8%	13.1%	4	48.5%	14
4	Michigan	20.5%	14.4%	3	58.0%	6
4	New Jersey	20.5%	11.8%	6	64.1%	2
6	Washington	19.1%	11.4%	8	51.4%	10
7	Illinois	16.9%	11.8%	6	48.5%	14
8	California	16.5%	9.7%	14	53.8%	8
9	Wisconsin	16.1%	11.1%	9	49.5%	12
10	Ohio	16.0%	10.8%	10	46.0%	17
11	Connecticut	15.9%	7.6%	19	63.5%	4
11	Rhode Island	15.9%	8.4%	17	63.6%	3
13	Minnesota	15.7%	9.7%	14	52.6%	9
14	Oregon	14.5%	7.7%	18	48.9%	13
15	West Virginia	14.4%	10.6%	11	28.3%	25
16	Massachusetts	13.9%	7.4%	22	58.3%	5
17	Nevada	13.8%	12.0%	5	28.2%	26
17	Pennsylvania	13.8%	8.5%	16	48.5%	14
19	Maryland	13.3%	7.4%	22	32.3%	22
20	Indiana	12.4%	10.0%	12	28.2%	26
21	Maine	11.9%	5.6%	28	42.8%	18
22	Delaware	11.8%	7.0%	25	38.4%	20
23	Iowa	11.5%	7.3%	24	32.8%	21
23	Missouri	11.5%	9.8%	13	21.4%	32
25	DC	11.3%	7.6%	19	21.1%	33
26	Vermont	10.8%	5.1%	31	38.5%	19
27	Montana	10.7%	5.7%	27	28.6%	24
28	New Hampshire	10.4%	4.0%	36	49.9%	11
29	Alabama	10.2%	6.0%	26	30.9%	23
30	Kentucky	9.7%	7.6%	19	18.6%	36
31	Colorado	8.3%	5.3%	30	23.8%	29
31	Nebraska	8.3%	4.5%	35	26.9%	28
33	New Mexico	8.1%	3.4%	40	21.6%	31
34	Wyoming	7.9%	5.6%	28	15.3%	42
35	North Dakota	7.3%	3.6%	39	20.7%	34
36	Mississippi	7.1%	5.1%	31	14.6%	44
37	Kansas	7.0%	5.1%	31	14.8%	43
38	Louisiana	6.4%	4.8%	34	14.0%	46
39	Arizona	6.1%	3.9%	37	18.1%	37
40	South Dakota	5.9%	2.7%	47	19.9%	35
41	Florida	5.4%	2.5%	49	22.3%	30
41	Oklahoma	5.4%	2.9%	46	15.5%	41
41	Tennessee	5.4%	3.3%	42	17.1%	38
44	Texas	5.3%	3.1%	44	16.8%	39
45	Idaho	5.2%	3.3%	42	14.2%	45
46	Georgia	5.0%	3.7%	38	12.1%	48
47	Utah	4.9%	2.7%	47	15.7%	40
48	Arkansas	4.8%	3.1%	44	12.9%	47
48	Virginia	4.8%	3.4%	40	10.4%	49
50	North Carolina	2.9%	1.8%	50	8.7%	50
51	South Carolina	2.3%	1.1%	51	7.4%	51

TABLE 25

Source: Barry T. Hirsch and David A. Macpherson

State and Local Government Employment (March 2005)

Rank		Full Time Employment	Total Payroll (March 2005)	Full-time Equivalent Employment per 10,000 population
1	Wyoming	43,762	135,719,801	859.27
2	DC	45,951	213,448,061	804.89
3	Alaska	51,720	209,471,546	779.31
4	New Mexico	128,115	369,591,282	664.36
5	Kansas	181,585	548,418,189	661.59
6	North Dakota	41,213	128,533,918	647.31
7	Mississippi	188,707	513,115,571	646.02
8	Nebraska	111,586	358,279,913	634.45
9	Vermont	39,421	128,860,118	632.71
10	Iowa	185,874	593,524,036	626.61
11	Louisiana	283,287	805,935,330	626.24
12	New York	1,184,190	5,264,379,791	615.02
13	Alabama	273,673	801,425,517	600.45
14	Montana	55,489	159,744,775	593.04
15	Oklahoma	205,301	559,135,397	578.66
16	Arkansas	160,115	442,448,653	576.13
17	New Jersey	501,643	2,278,592,915	575.42
18	Maine	76,008	228,966,268	575.16
19	South Carolina	244,281	718,013,914	574.09
20	Kentucky	238,421	698,579,947	571.29
21	Texas	1,290,828	3,974,303,414	564.67
22	South Dakota	43,626	126,656,380	562.24
23	Delaware	47,114	175,328,553	558.54
24	North Carolina	483,464	1,554,892,207	556.78
25	Virginia	417,788	1,399,970,410	552.08
26	Georgia	498,781	1,540,617,339	549.77
27	Missouri	318,372	934,622,742	548.89
28	West Virginia	98,422	279,204,471	541.72
29	Ohio	620,466	2,148,103,989	541.23
30	Idaho	77,171	227,903,804	540.00
31	Tennessee	321,954	960,467,305	539.92
32	Hawaii	68,630	253,076,657	538.19
33	Colorado	250,068	942,056,555	536.03
34	Indiana	332,761	1,054,278,147	530.55
35	Wisconsin	293,712	1,085,417,452	530.53
36	New Hampshire	69,186	220,780,573	528.16
37	Connecticut	185,219	825,652,803	527.64
38	Washington	329,873	1,348,344,902	524.63
39	Minnesota	269,273	1,025,460,997	524.61
40	Utah	127,713	399,051,778	517.14
41	Massachusetts	322,262	1,328,368,733	503.63
42	Oregon	182,390	659,513,529	500.93
43	Illinois	637,313	2,395,059,340	499.33
44	Maryland	278,497	1,160,137,855	497.28
45	California	1,771,336	8,478,901,854	490.24
46	Michigan	495,030	1,882,486,000	489.12
47	Arizona	281,796	984,123,765	474.46
48	Florida	843,284	2,844,605,661	474.02
49	Rhode Island	50,060	213,628,307	465.16
50	Pennsylvania	576,511	2,138,457,325	463.82
51	Nevada	100,408	405,629,706	415.8

TABLE 26

Source: US Census Bureau

Public Employee Salaries (March 2005)

Rank		State Avg Salary	Local Avg Salary	Rank
1	California	\$63,828	\$59,126	1
2	Connecticut	\$59,128	\$54,044	4
3	New Jersey	\$58,261	\$55,684	2
4	New York	\$55,462	\$55,134	3
5	Minnesota	\$55,359	\$46,060	14
6	Colorado	\$54,743	\$44,730	19
7	Iowa	\$53,295	\$35,685	35
8	Michigan	\$53,151	\$47,561	12
9	Massachusetts	\$53,035	\$49,167	10
10	Rhode Island	\$52,399	\$53,252	6
11	Wisconsin	\$51,847	\$45,248	17
12	Illinois	\$51,172	\$46,197	13
13	Alaska	\$50,810	\$49,696	9
14	Maryland	\$49,495	\$51,802	8
15	Washington	\$49,033	\$53,668	5
16	Nevada	\$47,550	\$52,116	7
17	Pennsylvania	\$47,071	\$45,488	16
18	Ohio	\$46,904	\$42,386	21
19	Vermont	\$46,746	\$35,709	34
20	Delaware	\$46,430	\$45,775	15
21	Oregon	\$44,695	\$44,972	18
22	Virginia	\$44,257	\$40,414	24
23	Hawaii	\$44,065	\$48,647	11
24	New Hampshire	\$43,562	\$38,392	27
25	Kansas	\$43,459	\$35,401	38
26	Maine	\$43,291	\$35,170	40
27	Alabama	\$42,864	\$32,735	46
28	Arizona	\$42,492	\$44,206	20
29	Texas	\$42,389	\$36,325	32
30	Indiana	\$42,146	\$38,514	26
31	Utah	\$42,048	\$38,365	28
32	North Carolina	\$41,612	\$38,013	30
33	Louisiana	\$41,457	\$31,650	47
34	Idaho	\$41,451	\$35,443	37
35	Kentucky	\$41,046	\$33,429	43
36	Florida	\$40,883	\$41,716	22
37	Georgia	\$40,748	\$36,916	31
38	Wyoming	\$40,674	\$38,178	29
39	Arkansas	\$40,016	\$30,843	50
40	Montana	\$39,704	\$33,848	42
41	South Dakota	\$39,305	\$33,857	41
42	Nebraska	\$39,160	\$40,419	23
43	Oklahoma	\$39,044	\$31,068	49
44	Tennessee	\$38,988	\$36,095	33
45	North Dakota	\$38,912	\$40,008	25
46	South Carolina	\$37,980	\$35,255	39
47	New Mexico	\$37,925	\$33,422	44
48	Mississippi	\$37,154	\$31,633	48
49	Missouri	\$37,046	\$35,656	36
50	West Virginia	\$36,583	\$33,029	45
	United States	\$47,592	\$44,419	

TABLE 27

Source: US Census Bureau

High-Tech Employment and Wages (2004)

Rank		Employment	Per 1,000 Workers	Rank	Average Dollars	Wage Rank
1	California	904,920	71.76	7	\$90,554	1
2	Texas	435,446	56.58	13	\$72,335	11
3	New York	300,683	43.87	24	\$73,609	10
4	Florida	265,484	41.33	29	\$58,929	29
5	Virginia	253,316	88.60	2	\$79,123	6
6	Massachusetts	233,234	85.13	3	\$87,187	2
7	Illinois	204,537	41.78	27	\$70,466	15
8	Pennsylvania	200,277	41.89	26	\$66,367	20
9	New Jersey	197,107	60.20	11	\$82,509	3
10	Michigan	178,038	48.58	20	\$70,848	14
11	Georgia	162,348	50.62	19	\$68,031	16
12	Colorado	159,752	88.72	1	\$76,403	7
13	Maryland	157,779	78.33	4	\$74,981	8
14	Washington	152,025	69.22	9	\$79,749	5
15	Ohio	151,248	33.36	34	\$58,846	30
16	North Carolina	134,625	42.86	25	\$67,872	17
17	Minnesota	125,227	56.15	14	\$67,334	18
18	Arizona	110,778	55.93	15	\$66,096	21
19	Missouri	86,531	39.09	31	\$62,409	24
20	Oregon	81,650	60.72	10	\$71,247	12
21	Wisconsin	77,842	33.33	35	\$56,282	33
22	Alabama	69,149	45.82	23	\$58,704	31
23	Indiana	68,166	27.80	44	\$54,431	37
24	Connecticut	66,920	47.87	21	\$74,029	9
25	Tennessee	61,347	27.30	45	\$55,889	34
26	Kansas	53,980	50.98	18	\$62,692	23
27	Utah	49,285	55.69	16	\$55,837	35
28	New Mexico	42,547	73.08	5	\$59,232	28
29	South Carolina	41,628	28.19	43	\$52,272	40
30	Kentucky	41,581	28.90	41	\$54,216	38
31	Iowa	39,359	32.93	36	\$51,356	41
32	Oklahoma	38,750	34.27	33	\$47,241	44
33	Louisiana	37,909	25.27	48	\$49,833	42
34	New Hampshire	37,467	70.76	8	\$71,202	13
35	Idaho	35,012	72.53	6	\$60,490	27
36	Nebraska	30,459	41.70	28	\$54,794	36
37	Arkansas	28,433	30.18	39	\$49,486	43
38	Nevada	27,527	27.25	46	\$64,016	22
39	Mississippi	19,306	22.16	50	\$43,777	49
40	Rhode Island	18,890	45.83	22	\$67,139	19
41	Delaware	18,468	51.85	17	\$80,053	4
42	Maine	15,591	31.34	37	\$53,960	39
43	Vermont	14,865	59.93	12	\$61,910	25
44	West Virginia	13,918	25.28	47	\$46,356	46
45	Hawaii	13,497	28.79	42	\$61,216	26
46	Montana	9,922	30.65	38	\$45,340	47
47	North Dakota	9,667	37.47	32	\$46,437	45
48	Alaska	9,089	41.15	30	\$58,595	32
49	South Dakota	9,057	30.13	40	\$43,297	50
50	Wyoming	4,460	23.75	49	\$44,095	48
	United States	5,539,975	51.06		\$72,440	

TABLE 28

Source: American Electronics Association

Wages of Production Workers in Manufacturing (May 2005)

TABLE 29

Rank		Mean Annual(1)	Employment(2)	Median Hourly	Mean Hourly	Mean RSE (3)
1	DC	\$40,430	7,800	\$18.08	\$19.44	8.20%
2	Alaska	\$38,630	10,710	\$15.11	\$18.57	4.90%
3	Michigan	\$35,960	487,950	\$15.64	\$17.29	1.10%
4	Washington	\$34,710	157,990	\$14.91	\$16.69	1.90%
5	Connecticut	\$34,100	116,020	\$15.12	\$16.39	0.60%
6	Massachusetts	\$33,290	184,080	\$14.79	\$16.01	0.70%
7	Wyoming	\$33,090	11,900	\$14.26	\$15.91	2.00%
8	Louisiana	\$31,960	128,230	\$13.95	\$15.37	1.70%
9	Minnesota	\$31,850	230,740	\$14.30	\$15.31	0.70%
10	Ohio	\$31,770	581,470	\$14.05	\$15.27	0.70%
11	Maryland	\$31,680	102,230	\$14.07	\$15.23	1.20%
12	Indiana	\$31,430	400,680	\$13.78	\$15.11	1.00%
13	Wisconsin	\$31,270	342,860	\$14.22	\$15.03	0.70%
14	New Jersey	\$31,060	223,340	\$13.35	\$14.93	0.60%
15	Pennsylvania	\$30,820	471,650	\$13.89	\$14.82	0.50%
16	New Hampshire	\$30,790	49,230	\$13.81	\$14.80	1.10%
17	Colorado	\$30,680	104,490	\$13.28	\$14.75	0.80%
18	New York	\$30,400	430,760	\$12.99	\$14.62	0.70%
19	Oregon	\$30,390	134,940	\$13.54	\$14.61	0.70%
20	Maine	\$30,340	43,340	\$13.33	\$14.59	1.70%
21	Kentucky	\$30,040	202,120	\$13.22	\$14.44	2.30%
22	Illinois	\$29,760	517,090	\$12.83	\$14.31	0.80%
23	Nevada	\$29,710	44,930	\$12.52	\$14.28	1.30%
24	Virginia	\$29,610	214,170	\$12.69	\$14.24	1.10%
25	West Virginia	\$29,490	45,540	\$12.71	\$14.18	1.20%
26	Rhode Island	\$29,470	39,410	\$12.92	\$14.17	1.40%
27	Vermont	\$29,430	25,260	\$12.95	\$14.15	1.40%
28	Kansas	\$29,400	124,320	\$12.76	\$14.13	1.90%
29	North Dakota	\$29,340	20,900	\$12.80	\$14.10	1.90%
30	Hawaii	\$29,130	18,930	\$11.52	\$14.01	3.70%
31	Iowa	\$29,030	168,160	\$13.18	\$13.96	0.70%
32	South Carolina	\$28,920	208,930	\$12.75	\$13.90	1.20%
33	California	\$28,860	989,250	\$11.57	\$13.87	0.40%
34	Missouri	\$28,670	231,660	\$12.35	\$13.78	1.10%
35	New Mexico	\$28,470	31,310	\$11.80	\$13.69	1.70%
36	Texas	\$28,290	682,170	\$11.73	\$13.60	0.80%
37	Tennessee	\$28,060	323,200	\$12.38	\$13.49	1.40%
38	Montana	\$28,040	17,350	\$12.15	\$13.48	2.00%
39	Nebraska	\$27,960	81,440	\$12.53	\$13.44	0.80%
40	Oklahoma	\$27,810	118,630	\$11.91	\$13.37	1.70%
41	North Carolina	\$27,800	422,090	\$12.15	\$13.36	0.60%
42	Arizona	\$27,650	128,420	\$11.97	\$13.29	1.20%
43	Georgia	\$27,500	338,810	\$12.11	\$13.22	0.70%
44	Utah	\$27,260	89,440	\$11.57	\$13.11	1.10%
45	Alabama	\$27,100	217,470	\$11.17	\$13.03	1.20%
46	Idaho	\$26,980	40,760	\$11.96	\$12.97	1.30%
47	Florida	\$26,940	340,650	\$11.42	\$12.95	0.50%
48	Mississippi	\$25,650	132,420	\$11.19	\$12.33	1.40%
49	Arkansas	\$25,620	156,660	\$11.24	\$12.32	1.10%
50	South Dakota	\$25,100	29,050	\$11.52	\$12.07	0.70%
51	Delaware	ENR	28,270	ENR	ENR	ENR

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

ENR = Estimates not released. (1) Annual wages have been calculated by multiplying the hourly mean wage by a "year-round, full-time" hours figure of 2,080 hours; for those occupations where there is not an hourly mean wage published, the annual wage has been directly calculated from the reported survey data. (2) Estimates for detailed occupations do not sum to the totals because the totals include occupations not shown separately. Estimates do not include self-employed workers.

(3) The relative standard error (RSE) is a measure of the reliability of a survey statistic. The smaller the RSE, the more precise the estimate.

Annual Avg. Investment Per Employee in Manufacturing (2005)

Rank		Employees Number	Machinery & Equipment	Per Employee
1	Louisiana	139,223	\$4,437,742,000	\$31,875.06
2	Wyoming	9,855	\$296,880,000	\$30,124.81
3	Montana	16,704	\$308,986,000	\$18,497.73
4	Idaho	55,518	\$781,390,000	\$14,074.53
5	Arizona	158,995	\$2,047,537,000	\$12,878.00
6	Texas	779,242	\$9,821,721,000	\$12,604.20
7	Delaware	35,623	\$375,888,000	\$10,551.83
8	Colorado	128,468	\$1,307,696,000	\$10,179.16
9	West Virginia	57,994	\$571,608,000	\$9,856.33
10	Indiana	534,559	\$5,192,597,000	\$9,713.80
11	Maryland	135,684	\$1,315,957,000	\$9,698.69
12	Nevada	44,281	\$427,410,000	\$9,652.22
13	Tennessee	381,617	\$3,639,589,000	\$9,537.28
14	Hawaii	13,326	\$123,035,000	\$9,232.70
15	Kentucky	243,596	\$2,204,588,000	\$9,050.18
16	New Jersey	301,739	\$2,720,747,000	\$9,016.89
17	South Carolina	252,952	\$2,260,618,000	\$8,936.94
18	Alabama	264,159	\$2,357,166,000	\$8,923.28
19	Virginia	275,407	\$2,399,545,000	\$8,712.72
20	Oklahoma	129,938	\$1,120,789,000	\$8,625.57
21	California	1,397,881	\$11,230,622,000	\$8,034.03
22	Illinois	655,012	\$5,220,089,000	\$7,969.46
23	Pennsylvania	652,666	\$5,146,896,000	\$7,885.96
24	Michigan	611,746	\$4,750,228,000	\$7,765.03
25	Massachusetts	295,033	\$2,245,246,000	\$7,610.15
26	New Mexico	31,443	\$237,191,000	\$7,543.52
27	Georgia	414,230	\$3,090,945,000	\$7,461.91
28	Wisconsin	473,012	\$3,398,999,000	\$7,185.86
29	Ohio	768,342	\$5,494,147,000	\$7,150.65
30	Minnesota	329,458	\$2,317,758,000	\$7,035.06
31	Oregon	178,662	\$1,241,413,000	\$6,948.39
32	Iowa	220,234	\$1,527,996,000	\$6,938.06
33	Missouri	286,722	\$1,952,749,000	\$6,810.60
34	South Dakota	37,046	\$251,702,000	\$6,794.31
35	Florida	347,478	\$2,354,385,000	\$6,775.64
36	Maine	56,560	\$379,837,000	\$6,715.65
37	North Carolina	539,620	\$3,565,699,000	\$6,607.80
38	Arkansas	185,669	\$1,220,047,000	\$6,571.09
39	Kansas	173,047	\$1,109,070,000	\$6,409.07
40	Mississippi	166,061	\$1,055,540,000	\$6,356.34
41	New York	547,190	\$3,423,476,000	\$6,256.47
42	Washington	248,396	\$1,518,895,000	\$6,114.81
43	Vermont	38,795	\$235,616,000	\$6,073.36
44	North Dakota	22,366	\$129,297,000	\$5,780.96
45	New Hampshire	75,669	\$425,257,000	\$5,619.96
46	Utah	110,177	\$612,089,000	\$5,555.51
47	Connecticut	180,903	\$987,113,000	\$5,456.59
48	Nebraska	101,367	\$531,027,000	\$5,238.66
49	Rhode Island	52,858	\$261,824,000	\$4,953.35
50	Alaska	10,810	\$45,357,000	\$4,195.84
51	District of Columbia	1,789	\$6,683,000	\$3,735.61
	United States	13,168,822	\$109,678,653,000	\$8,328.66

TABLE 30

Source: US Census Bureau, Annual Survey of Manufacturers

State Minimum Wage (2006)

Rank		Minimum Wage
1	Washington	\$7.63
2	Oregon	\$7.50
3	Connecticut	\$7.40
4	Vermont	\$7.25
5	Alaska	\$7.15
5	New Jersey	\$7.15
7	Rhode Island	\$7.10
8	DC	\$7.00
9	California	\$6.75
9	Hawaii	\$6.75
9	Massachusetts	\$6.75
9	New York	\$6.75
13	Illinois	\$6.50
13	Maine	\$6.50
15	Florida	\$6.40
16	Delaware	\$6.15
16	Maryland	\$6.15
18	Wisconsin	\$5.70
19	Minnesota	\$5.25
20	Arkansas	\$5.15
20	Colorado	\$5.15
20	Georgia	\$5.15
20	Idaho	\$5.15
20	Indiana	\$5.15
20	Iowa	\$5.15
20	Kentucky	\$5.15
20	Michigan	\$5.15
20	Missouri	\$5.15
20	Montana	\$5.15
20	Nebraska	\$5.15
20	Nevada	\$5.15
20	New Hampshire	\$5.15
20	New Mexico	\$5.15
20	North Carolina	\$5.15
20	North Dakota	\$5.15
20	Ohio	\$5.15
20	Oklahoma	\$5.15
20	Pennsylvania	\$5.15
20	South Dakota	\$5.15
20	Texas	\$5.15
20	Utah	\$5.15
20	Virginia	\$5.15
20	West Virginia	\$5.15
20	Wyoming	\$5.15
45	Kansas	\$2.65
	Alabama	None
	Arizona	None
	Louisiana	None
	Mississippi	None
	South Carolina	None
	Tennessee	None

TABLE 31

Source: United States Department of Labor

Public School Teacher Salaries (2004-05)

Rank		Salary	% 1 Yr. Change	Rank
1	Connecticut	\$58,688	2.4%	29
2	California	\$57,876	2.5%	26
3	New Jersey	\$56,600	1.8%	38
4	New York	\$56,200	1.8%	37
5	Michigan	\$55,693	2.4%	30
6	Illinois	\$55,629	2.6%	17
7	Massachusetts	\$54,596	2.7%	16
8	Rhode Island	\$53,473	2.3%	32
9	Pennsylvania	\$52,700	1.7%	39
10	Alaska	\$52,424	1.3%	43
11	Maryland	\$52,331	4.1%	3
12	Delaware	\$50,869	3.0%	8
13	Oregon	\$50,790	3.3%	7
14	Ohio	\$48,692	2.5%	18
15	Georgia	\$46,526	1.2%	46
16	Indiana	\$46,851	2.3%	33
17	Hawaii	\$44,273	-2.7%	50
18	Washington	\$45,712	0.6%	47
19	Minnesota	\$46,906	3.4%	5
20	Virginia	\$44,763	2.5%	22
21	Colorado	\$44,161	1.9%	35
22	North Carolina	\$43,313	0.2%	48
23	Wisconsin	\$43,466	1.4%	42
24	New Hampshire	\$43,941	2.9%	11
25	Nevada	\$43,394	2.7%	15
26	Vermont	\$44,535	6.0%	1
27	Arizona	\$42,905	2.5%	23
28	South Carolina	\$42,207	2.5%	21
29	Idaho	\$42,122	2.5%	27
30	Florida	\$41,081	1.2%	45
31	Texas	\$41,009	1.3%	44
32	Tennessee	\$41,527	3.0%	10
33	Kentucky	\$41,002	1.9%	36
34	Maine	\$40,940	2.7%	14
35	Wyoming	\$40,392	2.2%	34
36	Iowa	\$40,347	2.3%	31
37	Arkansas	\$40,495	3.0%	9
38	Utah	\$39,965	2.5%	24
39	Kansas	\$39,190	1.5%	40
40	West Virginia	\$38,360	-0.3%	49
41	Nebraska	\$39,456	2.9%	12
42	Alabama	\$38,863	1.4%	41
43	New Mexico	\$39,328	3.3%	6
44	Missouri	\$38,971	2.5%	19
45	Louisiana	\$38,880	2.5%	25
46	Montana	\$38,485	3.5%	4
47	Mississippi	\$36,590	2.5%	20
48	North Dakota	\$36,449	2.8%	13
49	Oklahoma	\$37,141	5.9%	2
50	South Dakota	\$34,040	2.4%	28
	United States	\$47,750	2.1%	

TABLE 32

Source: National Education Association

Estimated Public School Spending Per Pupil (2004-05)

Rank		Total dollars	Operating Dollars	Operating Rank	Capital Dollars	Capital Rank
1	Vermont	\$14,441	\$13,458	1	\$983	25
2	New York	\$13,629	\$12,764	2	\$865	31
3	Connecticut	\$13,625	\$12,519	3	\$1,106	20
4	Illinois	\$12,801	\$11,518	8	\$1,283	11
5	Massachusetts	\$12,579	\$12,030	5	\$550	40
6	Wyoming	\$12,535	\$10,914	10	\$1,622	5
7	Maine	\$12,386	\$11,620	6	\$766	34
8	Delaware	\$12,358	\$10,819	11	\$1,539	6
9	New Jersey	\$12,285	\$12,059	4	\$227	48
10	Alaska	\$11,921	\$11,588	7	\$333	45
11	Michigan	\$11,871	\$9,756	19	\$2,115	2
12	Wisconsin	\$11,852	\$10,667	13	\$1,185	14
13	Ohio	\$11,850	\$10,684	12	\$1,166	16
14	Pennsylvania	\$11,744	\$10,365	14	\$1,379	10
15	Rhode Island	\$11,561	\$11,306	9	\$255	47
16	Minnesota	\$11,535	\$9,888	18	\$1,647	4
17	New Hampshire	\$11,306	\$10,316	15	\$989	23
18	Washington	\$11,120	\$8,447	30	\$2,673	1
19	Maryland	\$11,017	\$10,287	16	\$730	36
20	Indiana	\$10,418	\$9,532	21	\$886	30
21	Georgia	\$10,368	\$9,145	22	\$1,222	13
22	Virginia	\$10,308	\$9,562	20	\$746	35
23	West Virginia	\$10,195	\$9,984	17	\$212	49
24	Oregon	\$10,042	\$8,927	25	\$1,115	19
25	South Carolina	\$10,012	\$8,523	28	\$1,488	7
26	Colorado	\$9,958	\$8,728	26	\$1,299	12
27	California	\$9,502	\$8,051	34	\$1,451	8
28	Montana	\$9,455	\$9,112	23	\$343	44
29	Hawaii	\$9,437	\$9,047	24	\$390	43
30	Louisiana	\$9,339	\$8,218	32	\$1,121	18
31	Nebraska	\$9,224	\$8,299	31	\$924	29
32	Kansas	\$9,101	\$8,473	29	\$629	39
33	Kentucky	\$9,076	\$8,551	27	\$525	41
34	Iowa	\$9,050	\$7,885	37	\$1,165	17
35	Missouri	\$9,031	\$8,077	33	\$954	26
36	South Dakota	\$8,947	\$7,963	36	\$984	24
37	Florida	\$8,936	\$7,495	40	\$1,441	9
38	Texas	\$8,824	\$7,654	38	\$1,171	15
39	New Mexico	\$8,750	\$7,977	35	\$772	33
40	Nevada	\$8,749	\$6,953	46	\$1,796	3
41	North Dakota	\$8,377	\$7,357	41	\$1,020	22
42	North Carolina	\$8,228	\$7,539	39*	\$690	38
43	Alabama	\$8,192	\$7,258	42	\$934	28
44	Arkansas	\$7,961	\$7,011	45	\$950	27
45	Mississippi	\$7,610	\$6,901	47	\$710	37
46	Idaho	\$7,496	\$7,173	44	\$323	47
47	Tennessee	\$7,318	\$7,231	43	\$88	50
48	Oklahoma	\$7,023	\$6,582	48	\$441	42
49	Utah	\$6,895	\$5,811	49	\$1,084	21
50	Arizona	\$6,521	\$5,699	50	\$821	32

TABLE 33

Source: National Education Association

National Assessment of Educational Progress (2005)
Average Scale Scores

	Reading				Math			
	4th Grade	Rank	8th Grade	Rank	4th Grade	Rank	8th Grade	Rank
Alabama	208	45	252	46	225	49	262	49
Alaska	211	42	259	34	236	33	279	29
Arizona	207	46	255	42	230	43	274	35
Arkansas	217	32	258	36	236	33	272	38
California	207	46	250	49	230	43	269	44
Colorado	224	11	265	19	239	24	281	20
Connecticut	226	4	264	23	242	9	281	20
DC	191	51	238	51	211	51	245	51
Delaware	226	4	266	17	240	20	281	20
Florida	219	28	256	41	239	24	274	35
Georgia	214	38	257	39	234	36	272	38
Hawaii	210	43	249	50	230	43	266	47
Idaho	222	18	264	23	242	9	281	20
Illinois	216	35	264	23	233	38	278	31
Indiana	218	30	261	29	240	20	282	16
Iowa	221	20	267	12	240	20	284	10
Kansas	220	25	267	12	246	2	284	10
Kentucky	220	25	264	23	231	41	274	35
Louisiana	209	44	253	44	230	43	268	46
Maine	225	7	270	2	241	15	281	20
Maryland	220	25	261	29	238	27	278	31
Massachusetts	231	1	274	1	247	1	292	1
Michigan	218	30	261	29	238	27	277	33
Minnesota	225	7	268	9	246	2	290	2
Mississippi	204	50	251	47	227	48	262	49
Missouri	221	20	265	19	235	35	276	34
Montana	225	7	269	5	241	15	286	6
Nebraska	221	20	267	12	238	27	284	10
Nevada	207	46	253	44	230	43	270	43
New Hampshire	227	2	270	2	246	2	285	7
New Jersey	223	12	269	5	244	5	284	10
New Mexico	207	46	251	47	224	50	263	48
New York	223	12	265	19	238	27	280	28
North Carolina	217	32	258	36	241	15	282	16
North Dakota	225	7	270	2	243	7	287	3
Ohio	223	12	267	12	242	9	283	15
Oklahoma	214	38	260	33	234	36	271	41
Oregon	217	32	263	27	238	27	282	16
Pennsylvania	223	12	267	12	241	15	281	20
Rhode Island	216	35	261	29	233	38	272	38
South Carolina	213	41	257	39	238	27	281	20
South Dakota	222	18	269	5	242	9	287	3
Tennessee	214	38	259	34	232	40	271	41
Texas	219	28	258	36	242	9	281	20
Utah	221	20	262	28	239	24	279	29
Vermont	227	2	269	5	244	5	287	3
Virginia	226	4	268	9	240	20	284	10
Washington	223	12	265	19	242	9	285	7
West Virginia	215	37	255	42	231	41	269	44
Wisconsin	221	20	266	17	241	15	285	7
Wyoming	223	12	268	9	243	7	282	16

TABLE 34

Source: U.S. Department of Education

In 1999, 68% of U.S. 8th grade students received instruction from a mathematics teacher who did not hold a degree or certification in mathematics. -National Science Board, Science & Engineering Indicators, 2004.
In 2000, 93% of 5th - 9th graders were taught physical science by a teacher lacking a major or certification in the physical sciences. -National Center for Education Statistics, Schools & Staffing Survey, 2004.

Science and Engineering Doctorates Awarded by State (2004)

TABLE 35

Rank		Total Number Awarded	Number per 1 million residents	Rank
1	California	3499	97.6	14
2	New York	2326	120.6	6
3	Texas	1595	71.0	30
4	Massachusetts	1481	231.1	1
5	Pennsylvania	1280	103.3	9
6	Illinois	1199	94.3	16
7	Indiana	1071	172.0	2
8	Michigan	1012	100.2	12
9	Ohio	992	86.6	20
10	Florida	991	57.0	40
11	North Carolina	795	93.1	18
12	Maryland	677	121.7	5
13	Georgia	655	73.4	29
13	Virginia	655	87.6	19
15	New Jersey	641	73.8	28
16	Wisconsin	514	93.4	17
17	Arizona	485	84.5	22
18	Washington	477	76.8	25
19	Colorado	466	101.3	10
20	Missouri	438	76.0	27
21	Minnesota	419	82.2	23
22	Connecticut	388	110.9	8
23	Tennessee	370	62.8	36
24	Iowa	340	115.1	7
25	Louisiana	313	69.5	32
26	Alabama	285	63.0	35
27	Oregon	274	76.3	26
28	Kansas	260	75.1	15
29	Utah	240	99.1	13
30	Oklahoma	221	62.7	37
31	South Carolina	211	50.3	45
32	Kentucky	209	50.5	44
33	New Mexico	191	100.4	11
34	Mississippi	165	56.9	41
35	Rhode Island	160	148.2	4
36	Nebraska	150	85.8	21
37	Delaware	141	169.9	3
38	West Virginia	112	61.8	38
39	Hawaii	99	78.4	24
40	Arkansas	93	33.8	47
41	New Hampshire	91	70.0	31
42	Nevada	76	32.6	48
43	Montana	59	63.7	34
44	Idaho	56	40.1	46
45	North Dakota	42	66.0	33
46	South Dakota	39	50.6	43
47	Vermont	34	54.7	42
48	Wyoming	31	61.3	39
49	Maine	30	22.8	50
50	Alaska	18	27.4	49

Source: National Science Foundation

For the year 2000, 34% of doctoral degrees in the natural sciences (including the physical, biological, earth, ocean, and atmospheric sciences) and 56% of engineering PhDs in the U.S. were awarded to foreign-born students. In the U.S. science and technology workforce, 38% of PhDs were foreign-born. -National Science Board, Science & Engineering Indicators, 2004.

Educational Attainment of Population 25 and Older (2005)

Rank		Total Pop. 25 years and over	High school graduate or higher	Rank		Bachelors Degree or higher
1	Minnesota	3,365	92.7%	1	DC	46.9%
2	Utah	1,300	92.5%	2	Connecticut	36.8%
3	Montana	609	92.1%	3	Massachusetts	36.6%
4	New Hampshire	853	91.9%	4	Maryland	36.3%
5	Alaska	393	91.7%	4	New Jersey	36.3%
6	Washington	4,035	91.5%	6	Colorado	35.5%
7	Kansas	1,698	91.4%	7	Vermont	34.4%
8	Wyoming	330	90.9%	8	Minnesota	34.2%
9	Wisconsin	3,604	90.4%	9	New Hampshire	32.8%
10	Connecticut	2,377	90.0%	10	Washington	30.9%
10	North Dakota	412	90.0%	11	California	30.6%
10	Vermont	423	90.0%	11	Virginia	30.6%
13	Iowa	1,929	89.8%	13	Hawaii	30.4%
13	Nebraska	1,118	89.8%	13	Kansas	30.4%
15	Colorado	2,946	89.3%	13	New York	30.4%
16	Idaho	859	89.1%	16	Utah	29.8%
17	Michigan	6,509	88.6%	17	Illinois	29.6%
17	Oregon	2,379	88.6%	18	Rhode Island	29.2%
19	South Dakota	483	88.4%	19	Oregon	29.0%
20	Ohio	7,333	87.9%	20	Alaska	28.6%
21	Massachusetts	4,281	87.5%	21	Arizona	28.0%
22	Hawaii	854	87.2%	22	New Mexico	27.4%
22	Illinois	8,068	87.2%	23	North Dakota	27.2%
22	Indiana	4,007	87.2%	24	Georgia	27.1%
22	Maine	889	87.2%	25	Pennsylvania	26.0%
26	Delaware	553	86.9%	26	Idaho	25.9%
26	Maryland	3,706	86.9%	27	Delaware	25.6%
26	New Jersey	5,753	86.9%	28	Texas	25.5%
29	Florida	11,967	86.8%	29	Florida	25.4%
30	Nevada	1,563	86.6%	29	Montana	25.4%
31	Pennsylvania	8,209	86.3%	29	Nebraska	25.4%
32	Virginia	4,798	86.0%	32	North Carolina	25.3%
33	Arizona	3,699	85.8%	33	Missouri	25.0%
34	Georgia	5,478	85.7%	33	South Dakota	25.0%
34	New York	12,643	85.7%	33	Wisconsin	25.0%
36	Missouri	3,715	85.5%	36	Michigan	24.6%
37	Oklahoma	2,235	85.2%	37	Iowa	24.5%
38	DC	379	84.1%	38	Maine	24.3%
39	North Carolina	5,427	84.0%	39	South Carolina	24.2%
40	Rhode Island	694	83.9%	40	Oklahoma	24.0%
41	South Carolina	2,685	83.0%	41	Nevada	23.4%
42	West Virginia	1,228	82.5%	42	Ohio	23.0%
43	Tennessee	3,830	81.8%	43	Indiana	22.6%
44	Arkansas	1,833	81.4%	44	Wyoming	21.9%
45	New Mexico	1,211	81.2%	45	Mississippi	21.8%
46	Alabama	3,004	80.9%	46	Tennessee	21.5%
47	California	22,676	80.4%	47	Alabama	19.8%
48	Louisiana	2,808	80.2%	48	Louisiana	19.6%
49	Mississippi	1,811	79.8%	49	Kentucky	18.9%
50	Kentucky	2,656	78.9%	50	Arkansas	17.5%
51	Texas	13,750	78.2%	51	West Virginia	15.1%

TABLE 36

Source: US Census Bureau

Home Ownership Rates (2005)

Rate		Rate
1	West Virginia	81.3%
2	Mississippi	78.8%
3	Alabama	76.6%
4	Minnesota	76.5%
5	Michigan	76.4%
6	Delaware	75.8%
7	Indiana	75.0%
8	Idaho	74.2%
8	Vermont	74.2%
10	New Hampshire	74.0%
11	Iowa	73.9%
11	Maine	73.9%
11	South Carolina	73.9%
11	Utah	73.9%
15	Ohio	73.3%
15	Pennsylvania	73.3%
17	Oklahoma	72.9%
18	Wyoming	72.8%
19	Louisiana	72.5%
20	Florida	72.4%
20	Tennessee	72.4%
22	Missouri	72.3%
23	Kentucky	71.6%
24	New Mexico	71.4%
25	Maryland	71.2%
25	Virginia	71.2%
27	Arizona	71.1%
27	Wisconsin	71.1%
29	Colorado	71.0%
30	Illinois	70.9%
30	North Carolina	70.9%
32	Connecticut	70.5%
33	Montana	70.4%
34	Nebraska	70.2%
35	New Jersey	70.1%
36	Kansas	69.5%
37	Arkansas	69.2%
38	North Dakota	68.5%
39	South Dakota	68.4%
40	Oregon	68.2%
41	Georgia	67.9%
42	Washington	67.6%
43	Alaska	66.0%
44	Texas	65.9%
45	Massachusetts	63.4%
45	Nevada	63.4%
47	Rhode Island	63.1%
48	Hawaii	59.8%
49	California	59.7%
50	New York	54.8%

TABLE 37

Source: The Danter Company

Housing Affordability Index (2002)

Rank		Share of Homes	
		affordable for Median Income	Median Sales Price
1	Elkhart-Goshen, IN MSA*	94.9	\$111,000
2	Kokomo, IN*	94.8	\$99,000
3	Fargo-Moorhead, ND-MN*	94.5	\$88,000
4	Springfield, IL MSA*	92.6	\$90,000
5	Peoria-Pekin, IL MSA+	90.8	\$85,000
6	Dayton-Springfield, OH MSA+	90.0	\$101,000
7	Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL MSA+	89.8	\$82,000
8	Wilmington-Newark, DE-MD PMSA+	89.4	\$149,000
9	Muncie, IN*	89.1	\$99,000
10	Springfield, MO, MSA+	88.7	\$88,000
11	INDIANAPOLIS, IN MSA	88.6	\$125,000
12	Champaign-Urbana, IL MSA*	87.0	\$89,000
13	KANSAS CITY, MO-KS MSA	86.4	\$125,000
14	Lafayette, IN*	86.1	\$123,000
15	Youngstown-Warren, OH MSA+	85.8	\$82,000
16	Vineland-Millville-Bridgeton, NJ PMSA*	85.6	\$92,000
17	Lakeland-Winter Haven, FL MSA+	85.5	\$95,000
18	Tallahassee, FL MSA+	85.1	\$122,000
19	Melbourne-Titusville-Palm Bay, FL MSA+	84.9	\$106,000
20	Rockford, IL MSA+	84.9	\$111,000
21	Des Moines, IA+	84.5	\$120,000
22	Hamilton-Middletown, OH PMSA+	83.9	\$133,000
23	Fort Walton Beach, FL MSA*	83.8	\$116,000
24	CINCINNATI, OH-KY-IN PMSA	83.6	\$125,000
25	Mansfield, OH MSA*	83.5	\$90,000
26	Charleston, WV+	83.2	\$92,000
27	GREENSBORO--WINSTON-SALEM--HIGH POINT, NC MSA	83.2	\$125,000
28	Canton-Massillon, OH MSA+	83.0	\$103,000
29	Syracuse, NY MSA+	82.8	\$78,000
30	Ocala, FL MSA*	82.8	\$86,000
31	Pensacola, FL MSA+	82.8	\$105,000
32	Saginaw-Bay City-Midland, MI MSA+	82.6	\$85,000
33	Omaha, NE-IA MSA+	82.2	\$119,000
34	ATLANTA, GA MSA	81.8	\$146,000
35	Toledo, OH MSA+	81.6	\$108,000
36	Baton Rouge, LA MSA+	81.6	\$111,000
37	Greenville-Spartanburg-Anderson, SC MSA+	81.5	\$116,000
38	Columbia, SC MSA+	81.5	\$120,000
39	Williamsport, PA MSA*	81.4	\$83,000
40	Jackson, MS MSA+	81.3	\$110,000
41	Duluth-Superior, MN-WI MSA*	81.1	\$109,000
42	Lansing-East Lansing, MI MSA+	80.9	\$112,000
43	South Bend, IN MSA+	80.8	\$105,000
44	Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX MSA+	80.6	\$83,000
45	GRAND RAPIDS-MUSKEGON-HOLLAND, MI MSA	80.6	\$123,000
46	Lexington, KY MSA+	80.6	\$123,000
47	Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle, PA MSA+	80.4	\$116,000
48	Punta Gorda, FL MSA*	80.3	\$92,000
49	Panama City, FL MSA*	80.2	\$109,000
50	BUFFALO-NIAGARA FALLS, NY MSA	80.1	\$86,000
51	OKLAHOMA CITY, OK MSA	80.1	\$92,000
52	Fayetteville, NC+	80.0	\$95,000
53	Akron, OH PMSA+	79.9	\$109,000
54	Reading, PA MSA+	79.9	\$109,000
55	CLEVELAND-LORAIN-ELYRIA, OH PMSA	79.9	\$123,000
56	FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON, TX PMSA	79.7	\$127,000
57	Richmond-Petersburg, VA MSA+	79.3	\$149,000
58	Mobile, AL+	78.7	\$97,000
59	ROCHESTER, NY MSA	78.6	\$97,000
60	NASHVILLE, TN MSA	78.6	\$139,000
61	Fort Pierce-Port St. Lucie, FL MSA+	78.4	\$115,000
62	WASHINGTON, DC-MD-VA-WV PMSA	78.3	\$200,000
63	COLUMBUS, OH MSA	78.2	\$140,000
64	Louisville, KY-IN MSA+	77.8	\$124,000

Note: * Denotes population < 250,000. + Denotes population 250,000 to 1 million.
Capital Letters denote population over 1 million.

TABLE 38

Source: National Association of Home Builders

Housing Affordability Index (2002) continued

Rank		Share of Homes affordable for Median Income	Median Sales Price
65	JACKSONVILLE, FL MSA	77.8	\$128,000
66	Knoxville, TN+	77.7	\$113,000
67	Boise City, ID+	77.7	\$131,000
68	ST. LOUIS, MO-IL MSA	77.6	\$126,000
69	Tulsa, OK MSA+	77.5	\$104,000
70	TAMPA-ST. PETERSBURG-CLEARWATER, FL MSA	77.4	\$117,000
71	BALTIMORE, MD PMSA	77.4	\$143,000
72	Little Rock-North Little Rock, AR+	77.0	\$113,000
73	PROVIDENCE-FALL RIVER-WARWICK, RI-MA, MSA	76.8	\$128,000
74	PHILADELPHIA, PA-NJ PMSA	76.7	\$132,000
75	MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL, MN-WI MSA	76.7	\$180,000
76	Hagerstown, MD PMSA*	76.6	\$129,000
77	Rocky Mount, NC MSA*	76.4	\$106,000
78	Goldsboro, NC MSA*	76.4	\$108,000
79	Springfield, MA MSA+	76.4	\$122,000
80	Gainesville, FL MSA*	76.1	\$113,000
81	MEMPHIS, TN-AR-MS MSA	76.1	\$126,000
82	MILWAUKEE-WAUKESHA, WI PMSA	76.0	\$130,000
83	HARTFORD, CT MSA	75.8	\$146,000
84	Anchorage, AK MSA+	75.6	\$153,000
85	RALEIGH-DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL, NC MSA	75.6	\$162,000
86	NORFOLK-VIRGINIA BEACH-NEWPORT NEWS, VA-NC MSA	75.5	\$125,000
87	ORLANDO, FL MSA	75.5	\$134,000
88	New Haven-Meriden, CT PMSA+	75.5	\$143,000
89	PHOENIX-MESA, AZ MSA	75.4	\$146,000
90	NASSAU-SUFFOLK, NY PMSA	74.8	\$190,000
91	Fort Myers-Cape Coral, FL MSA+	74.2	\$125,000
92	CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-ROCK HILL, NC-SC MSA	73.7	\$153,000
93	CHICAGO, IL PMSA	73.7	\$176,000
94	Birmingham, AL MSA+	73.4	\$134,000
95	Sarasota-Bradenton, FL MSA+	72.6	\$134,000
96	West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL MSA+	72.6	\$147,000
97	Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula, MS MSA+	71.6	\$109,000
98	Greenville, NC MSA*	71.6	\$110,000
99	Reno, NV MSA+	70.8	\$170,000
100	DALLAS, TX PMSA	70.5	\$155,000
101	Tucson, AZ MSA+	70.4	\$129,000
102	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL PMSA	70.3	\$140,000
103	Benton Harbor, MI MSA*	70.2	\$111,000
104	LAS VEGAS, NV-AZ MSA	70.2	\$153,000
105	New London-Norwich, CT-RI MSA+	70.0	\$150,000
106	NEW ORLEANS, LA MSA	69.5	\$121,000
107	PITTSBURGH, PA MSA	69.4	\$101,000
108	Bakersfield, CA MSA+	69.4	\$110,000
109	El Paso, TX MSA+	68.8	\$86,000
110	Naples, FL MSA*	68.8	\$178,000
111	Amarillo, TX MSA*	68.7	\$98,000
112	Hattiesburg, MS MSA*	68.5	\$100,000
113	SAN ANTONIO, TX MSA	68.5	\$112,000
114	Albany-Schenectady-Troy, NY MSA+	68.5	\$132,000
115	Charleston-North Charleston, SC MSA+	68.5	\$138,000
116	Trenton, NJ PMSA+	68.4	\$161,000
117	SALT LAKE CITY-OGDEN, UT MSA	68.3	\$154,000
118	AUSTIN-SAN MARCOS, TX MSA	67.9	\$178,000
119	HOUSTON, TX PMSA	67.8	\$138,000
120	Yuma, AZ MSA*	67.5	\$97,000
121	Asheville, NC*	67.2	\$127,000
122	Houma, LA MSA*	67.1	\$111,000
123	DETROIT, MI PMSA	67.1	\$156,000
124	Kalamazoo-Battle Creek, MI MSA+	67.0	\$116,000
125	Flint, MI PMSA+	66.5	\$124,000
126	Spokane, WA, MSA+	66.1	\$125,000
127	Pittsfield, MA MSA*	65.7	\$129,000
128	Brazoria, TX PMSA*	65.2	\$147,000

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Capital Letters denote population over 1 million.

TABLE 38 (continued)

Source: National Association of Home Builders

Housing Affordability Index (2002) continued

Rank		Share of Homes affordable for Median Income	Median Sales Price
129	Olympia, WA PMSA*	64.9	\$150,000
130	Burlington, VT MSA*	64.6	\$157,000
131	Pueblo, CO MSA*	64.1	\$108,000
132	Visalia-Tulare-Porterville, CA MSA+	63.6	\$110,000
133	SEATTLE-BELLEVUE-EVERETT, WA PMSA	63.1	\$234,000
134	Lafayette, LA+	62.7	\$110,000
135	Waterbury, CT PMSA*	62.7	\$168,000
136	Bremerton, WA PMSA*	62.5	\$154,000
137	Atlantic-Cape May, NJ PMSA+	62.4	\$138,000
138	Boulder-Longmont, CO PMSA+	62.4	\$255,000
139	NEWARK, NJ PMSA	62.1	\$204,000
140	BERGEN-PASSAIC, NJ PMSA	61.5	\$227,000
141	Provo-Orem, UT MSA+	60.7	\$157,000
142	Danbury, CT PMSA*	60.6	\$270,000
143	Ann Arbor, MI PMSA+	60.2	\$190,000
144	Colorado Springs, CO MSA+	60.1	\$174,000
145	Honolulu, HI MSA+	59.7	\$195,000
146	Bellingham, WA*	59.6	\$160,000
147	Santa Fe, NM, MSA*	59.6	\$202,000
148	DENVER, CO PMSA	59.6	\$208,000
149	Galveston-Texas City, TX PMSA*	58.9	\$138,000
150	Nashua, NH PMSA*	58.7	\$197,000
151	MIAMI, FL PMSA	58.1	\$138,000
152	Worcester, MA-CT PMSA+	57.4	\$180,000
153	Fort Collins-Loveland, CO MSA*	57.2	\$187,000
154	Tacoma, WA PMSA+	54.7	\$165,000
155	Richland-Kennewick-Pasco, WA, MSA*	54.6	\$150,000
156	Fresno, CA MSA+	52.1	\$134,000
157	Salem, OR PMSA+	50.4	\$131,000
158	Redding, CA MSA*	50.2	\$134,000
159	NEW YORK, NY PMSA	49.9	\$217,000
160	RIVERSIDE-SAN BERNARDINO, CA PMSA	49.6	\$177,000
161	BOSTON, MA-NH PMSA	48.2	\$257,000
162	Yuba City, CA MSA*	47.2	\$140,000
163	PORTLAND-VANCOUVER, OR-WA PMSA	46.6	\$167,000
164	Jersey City, NJ PMSA+	45.4	\$200,000
165	SACRAMENTO, CA PMSA	43.7	\$218,000
166	Greeley, CO PMSA*	41.3	\$165,000
167	Chico-Paradise, CA MSA*	40.9	\$153,000
168	New Bedford, MA PMSA*	39.9	\$180,000
169	Eugene-Springfield, OR+	38.9	\$135,000
170	Yolo, CA PMSA*	38.9	\$221,000
171	Lawrence, MA-NH PMSA+	38.1	\$260,000
172	ORANGE COUNTY, CA PMSA	37.7	\$315,000
173	Ventura, CA PMSA+	36.9	\$303,000
174	Barnstable-Yarmouth, MA MSA*	36.7	\$227,000
175	Lowell, MA-NH PMSA+	35.6	\$300,000
176	LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH, CA PMSA	34.4	\$240,000
177	Modesto, CA+	33.6	\$182,000
178	Merced, CA MSA*	33.0	\$163,000
179	Medford-Ashland, OR MSA*	29.1	\$149,000
180	Stockton-Lodi, CA MSA+	27.2	\$220,000
181	Santa Barbara-Santa Maria-Lompoc, CA MSA+	25.2	\$272,000
182	OAKLAND, CA PMSA	23.9	\$350,000
183	SAN DIEGO, CA MSA	21.6	\$290,000
184	Portsmouth-Rochester, NH-ME PMSA*	21.5	\$240,000
185	SAN JOSE, CA PMSA	20.1	\$451,000
186	Vallejo-Fairfield-Napa, CA PMSA+	17.9	\$271,000
187	Santa Rosa, CA PMSA+	15.3	\$329,000
188	San Luis Obispo-Atascadero-Paso Robles, CA MSA*	13.0	\$290,000
189	SAN FRANCISCO, CA PMSA	9.2	\$525,000
190	Santa Cruz-Watsonville, CA PMSA*	8.0	\$420,000
191	Salinas, CA MSA+	7.7	\$319,000

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Capital Letters denote population over 1 million.

TABLE 38 (continued)

Source: National Association of Home Builders

Average Residential Retail Price ¢KwH (2006)

TABLE 39

Rank		Average Retail Price (¢KwH)
1	Hawaii	23.37
2	Massachusetts	17.22
3	New York	16.51
4	Connecticut	16.25
5	Rhode Island	15.28
6	New Hampshire	14.99
7	Maine	14.75
8	Alaska	14.63
9	California	14.36
10	Vermont	13.53
11	Texas	12.58
12	New Jersey	12.52
13	Florida	11.23
14	Nevada	10.98
15	Delaware	10.46
16	Pennsylvania	10.41
17	Wisconsin	10.34
18	Michigan	9.95
19	Mississippi	9.73
20	Iowa	9.68
21	District of Columbia	9.51
22	Ohio	9.36
23	Arizona	9.28
24	Colorado	9.12
25	North Carolina	9.08
25	New Mexico	9.08
27	Georgia	9.06
28	Louisiana	9.03
29	South Carolina	9.01
30	Maryland	9.00
31	Minnesota	8.72
32	Alabama	8.70
33	Oklahoma	8.55
34	Illinois	8.51
35	Virginia	8.40
36	Arkansas	8.31
37	Kansas	8.24
38	Indiana	8.20
39	Montana	8.13
40	South Dakota	7.84
41	Tennessee	7.69
42	Utah	7.68
43	Wyoming	7.53
44	Missouri	7.48
45	Oregon	7.43
46	Nebraska	7.25
47	North Dakota	7.00
48	Kentucky	6.86
49	Washington	6.69
50	West Virginia	6.24
51	Indiana	6.22

Source: Energy Information Administration

Average Commercial Retail Price ¢KwH (2006)

Rank		Average Retail Price (¢KwH)
1	Hawaii	21.48
2	Massachusetts	15.93
3	New Hampshire	14.17
4	Rhode Island	13.77
5	Connecticut	13.38
6	New York	13.20
7	California	13.07
8	Maryland	12.85
9	Maine	12.21
10	Vermont	11.68
11	Alaska	11.66
12	New Jersey	11.44
13	District of Columbia	10.28
14	Nevada	9.99
15	Florida	9.87
16	Delaware	9.82
17	Texas	9.71
18	Mississippi	9.64
19	Pennsylvania	8.92
20	Louisiana	8.81
21	Michigan	8.67
22	Ohio	8.45
23	Wisconsin	8.29
24	Alabama	8.16
25	Georgia	7.96
26	Tennessee	7.95
27	Illinois	7.92
28	Arizona	7.79
29	New Mexico	7.64
30	Colorado	7.63
31	South Carolina	7.56
32	Montana	7.38
33	Oklahoma	7.37
34	Iowa	7.30
35	Indiana	7.23
36	North Carolina	7.19
37	Minnesota	7.05
38	Kansas	7.04
39	Oregon	6.90
40	Arkansas	6.46
41	Washington	6.43
42	South Dakota	6.40
43	Kentucky	6.34
44	Utah	6.23
45	Wyoming	6.16
46	Missouri	6.15
47	Virginia	6.14
48	North Dakota	6.12
49	Nebraska	6.09
50	West Virginia	5.55
51	Indiana	5.31

TABLE 40

Source: Energy Information Administration

Average Industrial Retail Price ¢KwH (2006)

Rank		Average Retail Price (¢KwH)
1	Hawaii	18.10
2	New Hampshire	12.32
3	Rhode Island	12.08
4	Connecticut	11.60
5	Alaska	11.44
6	Massachusetts	10.93
7	New Jersey	9.32
8	California	9.21
9	Vermont	8.44
10	New York	8.36
11	Texas	7.76
12	Florida	7.63
13	Nevada	7.30
14	Louisiana	6.95
15	Pennsylvania	6.49
16	Michigan	6.18
17	Colorado	6.08
18	Mississippi	5.97
19	Wisconsin	5.75
20	Arizona	5.71
21	New Mexico	5.66
22	Oklahoma	5.63
23	Maryland	5.56
24	Ohio	5.49
25	Georgia	5.36
26	Tennessee	5.28
27	North Carolina	5.26
28	Kansas	5.23
29	Minnesota	5.20
29	Delaware	5.20
31	Indiana	4.97
32	Arkansas	4.89
32	Alabama	4.89
34	Iowa	4.87
35	South Dakota	4.78
36	Missouri	4.73
37	Montana	4.71
38	Virginia	4.65
39	Illinois	4.61
40	South Carolina	4.59
41	District of Columbia	4.58
42	Nebraska	4.44
43	North Dakota	4.33
44	Utah	4.30
45	Oregon	4.28
46	Wyoming	3.99
47	Kentucky	3.93
48	Washington	3.85
49	Indiana	3.75
50	West Virginia	3.65
51	Maine	3.47

TABLE 41

Source: Energy Information Administration

Health Insurance (2005)

TABLE 42

Rank		population (000)	Some Health Insurance	Private Health Insurance	Employment Based Insurance	Government Health Insurance	Not Covered
1	Minnesota	5,129	91.6%	80.7%	68.2%	22.6%	8.4%
2	Iowa	2,909	91.4%	79.9%	66.9%	25.4%	8.6%
3	Hawaii	1,279	90.9%	73.5%	67.6%	32.6%	9.1%
4	Massachusetts	6,328	90.2%	74.0%	66.8%	26.9%	9.8%
4	Wisconsin	5,447	90.2%	76.9%	66.7%	26.1%	9.8%
6	New Hampshire	1,301	89.7%	79.0%	70.3%	21.9%	10.3%
7	Pennsylvania	12,281	89.5%	76.2%	65.2%	26.9%	10.5%
8	Kansas	2,695	89.2%	77.0%	63.6%	26.1%	10.8%
8	Maine	1,320	89.2%	66.5%	57.8%	35.4%	10.8%
10	Connecticut	3,487	88.7%	76.4%	67.6%	24.1%	11.3%
11	Michigan	9,982	88.6%	74.5%	67.4%	26.4%	11.4%
12	Vermont	622	88.3%	68.5%	60.4%	33.7%	11.7%
13	Nebraska	1,766	88.2%	74.7%	62.7%	26.1%	11.8%
13	Rhode Island	1,054	88.2%	71.5%	64.3%	29.9%	11.8%
15	Missouri	5,710	87.9%	71.5%	61.8%	27.5%	12.1%
16	North Dakota	626	87.8%	77.2%	61.3%	25.3%	12.2%
17	Ohio	11,334	87.7%	72.7%	65.7%	26.5%	12.3%
18	South Dakota	768	87.6%	73.2%	56.2%	28.8%	12.4%
19	Kentucky	4,052	87.3%	68.5%	62.7%	30.5%	12.7%
20	Delaware	844	87.0%	71.3%	65.9%	28.3%	13.0%
21	DC	540	86.5%	63.1%	55.1%	33.2%	13.5%
21	New York	19,022	86.5%	67.4%	60.2%	30.8%	13.5%
23	Virginia	7,454	86.4%	72.3%	65.4%	26.6%	13.6%
24	Washington	6,250	86.2%	71.4%	62.0%	26.7%	13.8%
25	Indiana	6,141	85.8%	71.1%	63.2%	24.0%	14.2%
25	Maryland	5,569	85.8%	72.8%	66.2%	24.6%	14.2%
25	Tennessee	5,867	85.8%	63.6%	54.8%	33.5%	14.2%
28	Illinois	12,608	85.7%	71.9%	64.7%	24.3%	14.3%
29	New Jersey	8,725	84.8%	74.2%	68.3%	20.0%	15.2%
30	Alabama	4,524	84.6%	65.3%	58.6%	33.1%	15.4%
30	Idaho	1,442	84.6%	69.6%	59.5%	24.4%	15.4%
32	North Carolina	8,561	84.0%	66.0%	57.2%	29.6%	16.0%
32	Oregon	3,627	84.0%	68.8%	58.2%	27.1%	16.0%
34	Wyoming	511	83.9%	68.1%	55.7%	27.6%	16.1%
35	Utah	2,524	83.4%	71.3%	62.2%	21.2%	16.6%
36	Colorado	4,641	83.0%	71.5%	62.1%	20.4%	17.0%
37	Mississippi	2,854	82.6%	56.4%	49.2%	35.4%	17.4%
37	Montana	928	82.6%	65.2%	50.9%	29.4%	17.4%
37	Nevada	2,448	82.6%	68.9%	62.1%	23.7%	17.4%
40	Alaska	659	82.3%	60.9%	55.9%	33.1%	17.7%
40	South Carolina	4,181	82.3%	63.6%	56.6%	29.4%	17.7%
42	Arkansas	2,760	82.1%	62.2%	52.4%	31.6%	17.9%
42	West Virginia	1,799	82.1%	62.7%	58.3%	33.8%	17.9%
44	Oklahoma	3,505	81.6%	62.5%	54.6%	32.0%	18.4%
45	Louisiana	4,088	81.2%	62.7%	54.6%	28.5%	18.8%
46	Georgia	9,045	81.1%	62.0%	56.1%	27.2%	18.9%
47	California	35,940	80.6%	62.1%	52.9%	26.9%	19.4%
48	Arizona	6,047	79.8%	59.1%	52.5%	30.4%	20.2%
49	New Mexico	1,938	79.6%	57.5%	50.9%	34.2%	20.4%
50	Florida	17,886	79.3%	62.4%	53.0%	29.6%	20.7%
51	Texas	22,819	75.8%	58.5%	52.4%	25.7%	24.2%

Source: US Census Bureau

Personal Health Care (2004)

Rank		Average Annual % Growth	Millions of Dollars
1	California	8%	\$169,060
2	New York	8.2%	\$127,918
3	Texas	9.3%	\$106,774
4	Florida	10%	\$94,758
5	Pennsylvania	8.1%	\$74,660
6	Ohio	8.1%	\$65,423
7	Illinois	7.4%	\$65,167
8	Michigan	7.1%	\$49,159
9	New Jersey	8.8%	\$49,064
10	Massachusetts	8.3%	\$45,331
11	North Carolina	10.3%	\$44,541
12	Georgia	9.6%	\$41,387
13	Virginia	9.2%	\$35,807
14	Tennessee	9.2%	\$33,563
15	Indiana	8.6%	\$32,957
16	Missouri	8.3%	\$32,809
17	Washington	9.3%	\$32,253
18	Wisconsin	8.5%	\$31,231
19	Minnesota	8.6%	\$31,091
20	Maryland	8.7%	\$30,425
21	Arizona	10%	\$24,345
22	Louisiana	8.3%	\$23,799
23	Alabama	8.8%	\$23,673
24	Kentucky	9.3%	\$22,612
25	Colorado	9.2%	\$22,415
26	Connecticut	8.5%	\$21,973
27	South Carolina	10%	\$20,859
28	Oregon	8.7%	\$17,536
29	Oklahoma	8%	\$16,709
30	Iowa	7.6%	\$15,235
31	Kansas	7.9%	\$14,110
32	Mississippi	9%	\$13,929
33	Arkansas	8.8%	\$12,988
34	Nevada	11.2%	\$10,603
35	West Virginia	8.1%	\$10,210
36	Nebraska	8.4%	\$9,806
37	Utah	9.7%	\$9,788
38	Maine	9.4%	\$7,986
39	New Mexico	9.4%	\$7,976
40	New Hampshire	10.2%	\$6,958
41	Rhode Island	8.5%	\$6,867
42	Hawaii	8.3%	\$6,330
43	District of Columbia	6.4%	\$6,068
44	Idaho	9.7%	\$5,758
45	Delaware	10%	\$5,266
46	Montana	8.7%	\$4,572
47	South Dakota	8.8%	\$4,392
48	Alaska	9.5%	\$4,219
49	North Dakota	7.9%	\$3,948
50	Vermont	9.8%	\$3,601
51	Wyoming	8.5%	\$2,301

TABLE 43

Source: National Health Expenditure Data, Health Expenditures by State, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Office of the Actuary, National Health Statistics Group

Health Care Expenditures measure spending for all privately and publicly funded personal health care services and products (hospital care, physician services, nursing home care, prescription drugs, etc.) by state of provider. Hospital spending is included and reflects the total net revenue (gross charges less contractual adjustments, bad debts, and charity care). Costs such as insurance program administration, research, and construction expenses are not included in this total.

Total Personal Health Care as a Percent of Gross State Product (2004)

Rank		%
1	West Virginia	21%
2	Maine	18%
2	Mississippi	18%
4	Alabama	17%
4	Kentucky	17%
4	Montana	17%
4	North Dakota	17%
8	Arkansas	16%
8	Florida	16%
8	Louisiana	16%
8	Missouri	16%
8	Ohio	16%
8	Oklahoma	16%
8	Pennsylvania	16%
8	Rhode Island	16%
8	Vermont	16%
17	Indiana	15%
17	South Carolina	15%
17	South Dakota	15%
17	Tennessee	15%
17	Wisconsin	15%
22	Kansas	14%
22	Massachusetts	14%
22	Minnesota	14%
22	Nebraska	14%
22	New York	14%
22	Oregon	14%
28	Hawaii	13%
28	Idaho	13%
28	Iowa	13%
28	Maryland	13%
28	Michigan	13%
28	New Hampshire	13%
28	New Mexico	13%
28	North Carolina	13%
36	Alaska	12%
36	Arizona	12%
36	Connecticut	12%
36	Georgia	12%
36	Illinois	12%
36	New Jersey	12%
36	Texas	12%
36	Utah	12%
36	Washington	12%
45	California	11%
45	Colorado	11%
45	Nevada	11%
45	Virginia	11%
49	Delaware	10%
50	Wyoming	9%
51	District of Columbia	8%

TABLE 44

Source: National Health Expenditure Data, Health Expenditures by State, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Office of the Actuary, National Health Statistics Group

Percentage of Obese Adults and Overweight High School Students (2004)

Rank		Adults with Obesity	Overweight High School Students
1	Mississippi	29.5%	15.7%
2	Alabama	28.9%	13.5%
3	West Virginia	27.6%	13.7%
4	Tennessee	27.2%	15.2%
5	Louisiana	27.0%	NA
6	Arkansas	26.1%	NA
7	Kentucky	25.8%	14.6%
7	Texas	25.8%	13.9%
9	Indiana	25.5%	11.5%
10	Michigan	25.4%	12.4%
11	Ohio	25.3%	13.9%
12	South Carolina	25.1%	NA
13	Missouri	24.9%	12.1%
13	Oklahoma	24.9%	11.1%
15	Georgia	24.7%	11.1%
16	North Dakota	24.6%	9.3%
17	Pennsylvania	24.3%	NA
18	North Carolina	24.2%	12.5%
19	Maryland	23.9%	NA
20	South Dakota	23.8%	9.4%
21	Alaska	23.7%	11.0%
22	Iowa	23.5%	NA
23	Maine	23.4%	12.8%
24	Kansas	23.2%	NA
24	Nebraska	23.2%	10.4%
24	Wisconsin	23.2%	10.4%
27	Virginia	23.1%	NA
28	Illinois	23.0%	NA
29	Florida	22.9%	12.4%
30	Minnesota	22.6%	NA
31	California	22.2%	NA
31	Washington	22.2%	NA
33	New York	22.1%	12.9%
34	New Jersey	21.9%	NA
35	New Hampshire	21.6%	9.9%
36	New Mexico	21.5%	NA
37	Oregon	21.2%	NA
37	Arizona	21.2%	10.8%
39	Nevada	21.1%	NA
39	Delaware	21.1%	13.5%
41	Idaho	20.8%	7.4%
41	Wyoming	20.8%	7.2%
43	Utah	20.4%	7.0%
44	Connecticut	19.7%	NA
44	Montana	19.7%	8.1%
46	Rhode Island	19.0%	9.8%
47	Vermont	18.7%	10.8%
48	Massachusetts	18.4%	9.9%
49	Colorado	16.8%	NA
	Hawaii	NA	NA
	United States	23.2%	11.1%

TABLE 45

Source: HealthyAmericans.org

Percentage of Iowa high school students who were overweight in 2005 was 12%. -National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2005. Overweight children age 6-11 has more than doubled in the last 20 years, going from 7% to 18.8%, and in adolescents age 12-19 the rate has more than tripled, from 5% to 17.1%. -Prevalence of Overweight and Obesity in the United States, 1999-2004. JAMA 2006; 295: 1549-1555.

Hospital Care (2004)

Rank		Average Annual % Growth	Millions of Dollars
1	California	7%	\$59,106
2	New York	6.8%	\$46,334
3	Texas	8.7%	\$40,859
4	Florida	8.6%	\$31,509
5	Pennsylvania	6.5%	\$27,325
6	Illinois	6%	\$24,819
7	Ohio	7.1%	\$24,622
8	Michigan	6.3%	\$19,105
9	Massachusetts	6.9%	\$18,090
10	North Carolina	9.3%	\$16,407
11	New Jersey	7.7%	\$16,282
12	Georgia	8.4%	\$14,969
13	Missouri	7.5%	\$14,135
14	Virginia	8%	\$13,001
15	Indiana	7.7%	\$12,524
16	Tennessee	7.6%	\$11,588
17	Wisconsin	7.7%	\$11,451
18	Washington	9.1%	\$11,158
19	Maryland	7.1%	\$10,624
20	Minnesota	7.8%	\$10,601
21	Louisiana	7.4%	\$9,528
22	Arizona	9%	\$8,672
23	Kentucky	8.3%	\$8,308
24	South Carolina	9.3%	\$8,215
25	Alabama	7%	\$8,054
26	Colorado	8.1%	\$7,921
27	Connecticut	6.8%	\$6,771
28	Oklahoma	7.2%	\$6,226
29	Oregon	8.1%	\$6,023
30	Iowa	6.9%	\$5,856
31	Mississippi	8.1%	\$5,566
32	Arkansas	8.3%	\$5,013
33	Kansas	6.4%	\$4,833
34	West Virginia	6.9%	\$4,073
35	Nebraska	7.7%	\$4,041
36	Utah	9%	\$3,591
37	District of Columbia	5.7%	\$3,494
38	Nevada	9.6%	\$3,430
39	Maine	7.9%	\$2,864
40	New Mexico	8%	\$2,857
41	Rhode Island	7.3%	\$2,613
42	New Hampshire	9.1%	\$2,512
43	Hawaii	8.4%	\$2,491
44	Idaho	9.4%	\$2,080
45	South Dakota	8.4%	\$1,921
46	Montana	8.4%	\$1,865
47	Delaware	8.5%	\$1,821
48	North Dakota	7.3%	\$1,694
49	Alaska	9.1%	\$1,693
50	Vermont	8.9%	\$1,322
51	Wyoming	7.9%	\$899

TABLE 46

Source: National Health Expenditure Data, Health Expenditures by State, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Office of the Actuary, National Health Statistics Group

Hospital care expenditure estimates reflect spending for all services that are provided to patients and billed by the hospital. Expenditures include revenues received to cover room and board, ancillary services such as operating room fees, services of hospital residents and interns, inpatient pharmacy, hospital-based nursing home care, care delivered by hospital-based HHAs, and fees for any other services billed by the hospital. Excluded are expenditures of physicians who bill independently for services delivered to patients in hospitals.

**State Government Health
and Hospital Spending Per Capita (2004)**

Rank		Total Per Capita	Total (millions)	Total as % Personal Income
1	Wyoming	\$1,480.72	\$749	4.3%
2	Alabama	\$1,075.38	\$4,866	3.9%
3	South Carolina	\$878.73	\$3,689	3.2%
4	Louisiana	\$850.33	\$3,832	3.1%
5	Mississippi	\$828.91	\$2,405	3.4%
6	Washington	\$793.30	\$4,924	2.3%
7	Iowa	\$764.20	\$2,257	2.5%
8	New York	\$747.29	\$14,409	2.0%
9	North Carolina	\$719.73	\$6,146	2.5%
10	California	\$702.11	\$25,165	2.0%
11	Michigan	\$677.77	\$6,848	2.1%
12	Tennessee	\$654.08	\$3,855	2.2%
13	Georgia	\$593.13	\$5,290	2.0%
14	Colorado	\$571.21	\$2,629	1.6%
15	Indiana	\$567.40	\$3,533	1.9%
16	Ohio	\$550.65	\$6,305	1.8%
17	Missouri	\$549.06	\$3,163	1.8%
18	Hawaii	\$536.83	\$677	1.6%
19	Florida	\$534.19	\$9,287	1.7%
20	Idaho	\$525.45	\$733	2.0%
21	Connecticut	\$504.77	\$1,766	1.1%
22	Virginia	\$480.01	\$3,591	1.3%
23	Oregon	\$475.91	\$1,709	1.6%
24	Texas	\$474.07	\$10,653	1.5%
25	New Mexico	\$462.11	\$879	1.8%
26	Maine	\$442.42	\$582	1.5%
27	Pennsylvania	\$436.66	\$5,412	1.3%
28	Nebraska	\$432.34	\$756	1.3%
29	Utah	\$432.19	\$1,046	1.6%
30	Minnesota	\$430.74	\$2,195	1.2%
31	Illinois	\$430.02	\$5,466	1.2%
32	Wisconsin	\$424.50	\$2,336	1.3%
33	Nevada	\$423.90	\$989	1.3%
34	Delaware	\$423.22	\$351	1.2%
35	Kansas	\$415.00	\$1,135	1.3%
36	Arkansas	\$395.65	\$1,088	1.5%
37	Kentucky	\$388.70	\$1,610	1.4%
38	Montana	\$383.86	\$356	1.4%
39	Oklahoma	\$381.34	\$1,344	1.4%
40	Alaska	\$370.56	\$244	1.1%
41	Arizona	\$351.01	\$2,015	1.2%
42	New Jersey	\$327.75	\$2,847	0.8%
43	West Virginia	\$317.37	\$575	1.2%
44	Maryland	\$312.88	\$1,740	0.8%
45	Massachusetts	\$305.12	\$1,955	0.7%
46	Rhode Island	\$298.19	\$322	0.9%
47	South Dakota	\$250.97	\$193	0.8%
48	North Dakota	\$182.36	\$116	0.6%
49	Vermont	\$179.20	\$111	60.0%
50	New Hampshire	\$137.23	\$178	0.4%
	United States	\$563.53	\$165,173	1.7%

TABLE 47

Source: US Census Bureau

Venture Capital Investments (Quarter 3 2006)

Rank		Millions \$
1	California	\$9,000.0
2	Massachusetts	\$2,135.5
3	Texas	\$1,196.9
4	New York	\$787.7
5	Washington	\$742.2
6	Pennsylvania	\$661.6
7	New Jersey	\$567.2
8	Maryland	\$546.6
9	Colorado	\$443.6
10	North Carolina	\$384.8
11	Virginia	\$310.4
12	Illinois	\$291.7
13	Minnesota	\$240.6
14	Arizona	\$240.5
15	Georgia	\$240.4
16	Connecticut	\$231.1
17	Florida	\$222.4
18	Utah	\$141.4
19	Oregon	\$119.3
20	District of Columbia	\$114.7
21	Michigan	\$72.3
22	Missouri	\$70.0
23	Kentucky	\$55.3
24	New Hampshire	\$54.9
25	Wisconsin	\$49.7
26	Arkansas	\$38.8
27	Rhode Island	\$37.5
28	Tennessee	\$37.2
29	Ohio	\$37.0
30	New Mexico	\$28.2
31	Indiana	\$27.9
32	Montana	\$27.4
33	Alabama	\$18.9
34	Oklahoma	\$13.8
35	Nevada	\$13.0
36	Hawaii	\$9.8
37	South Carolina	\$9.7
38	Idaho	\$8.0
39	Vermont	\$7.3
40	Maine	\$7.1
41	Wyoming	\$6.5
42	Mississippi	\$5.0
42	Nebraska	\$5.0
44	Kansas	\$4.1
45	Alaska	\$3.5
46	Louisiana	\$2.0
46	North Dakota	\$2.0
48	West Virginia	\$0.5
49	Delaware	\$0.0
49	Iowa	\$0.0
49	South Dakota	\$0.0

TABLE 48

Source: PricewaterhouseCoopers MoneyTree Report

This ranking measures cash-for-equity investments by the professional venture capital community in private emerging companies in the United States. Only professional independent venture capital firms, institutional venture capital groups, and recognized corporate venture capital groups are included in this venture capital industry ranking.

R&D By State in Millions of \$ (Fiscal Year 2003)

Rank		Federal R&D obligations	Total R&D performance	Industry R&D	Academic R&D	Total Federal expenditures
1	California	\$17,410	\$59,664	\$47,142	\$5,363	\$219,706
2	Maryland	\$7,804	\$10,162	\$3,998	\$2,031	\$57,646
3	Virginia	\$6,213	\$7,582	\$4,152	\$776	\$82,454
4	Massachusetts	\$5,157	\$15,638	\$11,094	\$1,822	\$51,265
5	Texas	\$4,757	\$14,785	\$11,057	\$2,766	\$140,451
6	New York	\$3,973	\$13,031	\$8,556	\$3,090	\$137,898
7	Pennsylvania	\$3,788	\$9,944	\$7,091	\$2,013	\$90,350
8	Alabama	\$2,933	\$2,543	\$999	\$558	\$36,871
9	DC	\$2,916	\$2,686	\$235	\$263	\$34,750
10	New Mexico	\$2,850	\$4,977	\$349	\$307	\$18,736
11	Florida	\$2,522	\$5,172	\$3,181	\$1,205	\$113,341
12	Ohio	\$2,396	\$8,583	\$6,260	\$1,269	\$69,902
13	Washington	\$2,292	\$11,469	\$9,222	\$870	\$43,368
14	Connecticut	\$2,068	\$6,548	\$5,834	\$595	\$28,595
15	Illinois	\$1,900	\$11,045	\$8,319	\$1,614	\$73,020
16	Arizona	\$1,857	\$3,578	\$2,605	\$618	\$37,801
17	New Jersey	\$1,786	\$12,795	\$11,401	\$747	\$53,679
18	Michigan	\$1,673	\$16,884	\$15,241	\$1,388	\$57,870
19	Colorado	\$1,612	\$5,012	\$3,544	\$695	\$28,874
20	North Carolina	\$1,611	\$6,343	\$4,424	\$1,395	\$51,766
21	Georgia	\$1,514	\$3,923	\$2,108	\$1,176	\$51,910
22	Missouri	\$1,270	\$2,731	\$1,742	\$807	\$43,874
23	Mississippi	\$1,174	\$1,519	\$1,021	\$324	\$21,741
24	Tennessee	\$1,039	\$2,998	\$1,507	\$600	\$42,602
25	Minnesota	\$861	\$5,842	\$5,003	\$517	\$27,580
26	Wisconsin	\$657	\$3,642	\$2,623	\$881	\$30,237
27	Utah	\$650	\$1,506	\$996	\$385	\$13,500
28	Indiana	\$561	\$4,487	\$3,658	\$726	\$35,525
29	Rhode Island	\$523	\$1,757	\$1,203	\$187	\$8,036
30	Oregon	\$480	\$3,572	\$2,973	\$437	\$21,253
31	Iowa	\$465	\$1,451	\$833	\$499	\$17,550
32	Louisiana	\$442	\$954	\$295	\$524	\$31,646
33	South Carolina	\$412	\$1,616	\$976	\$435	\$28,038
34	Nevada	\$409	\$579	\$383	\$155	\$11,637
35	West Virginia	\$367	\$538	\$219	\$121	\$14,226
36	New Hampshire	\$363	\$1,664	\$1,349	\$252	\$7,349
37	Hawaii	\$350	\$438	\$133	\$185	\$11,269
38	Oklahoma	\$274	\$968	\$577	\$295	\$25,254
39	Alaska	\$246	\$321	\$36	\$141	\$7,944
40	Kentucky	\$232	\$1,014	\$601	\$378	\$31,153
41	Idaho	\$216	\$1,209	\$745	\$105	\$8,654
42	Kansas	\$190	\$2,024	\$1,675	\$310	\$18,208
43	Vermont	\$182	\$492	\$360	\$107	\$4,443
44	Nebraska	\$146	\$710	\$363	\$301	\$11,000
45	Maine	\$145	\$372	\$200	\$75	\$9,966
46	Arkansas	\$140	\$509	\$270	\$183	\$18,340
47	Montana	\$130	\$247	\$65	\$141	\$7,092
48	North Dakota	\$102	\$382	\$216	\$134	\$5,726
49	Delaware	\$91	\$1,414	\$1,298	\$105	\$5,061
50	South Dakota	\$55	\$149	\$75	\$50	\$6,202
51	Wyoming	\$41	\$113	\$37	\$60	\$4,226
	United States	\$91,359	\$277,577	\$198,244	\$40,005	\$2,024,246

TABLE 49

Source: National Science Foundation

Local Internet Access (2003)

Rank		% Population with Internet Access	% Home Internet with Broadband	Rank
1	Washington, D.C.	74.0%	20.2%	18
2	Seattle/Tacoma	73.7%	26.0%	6
3	Austin	73.5%	33.4%	1
4	Denver	72.6%	16.6%	33
5	S.F./Oakland/San Jose	72.2%	29.7%	3
6	Salt Lake City	72.1%	12.8%	45
7	Boston	70.3%	26.8%	5
8	Portland, Ore.	69.7%	20.5%	17
9	Columbus	69.4%	21.7%	13
10	San Diego	69.0%	28.4%	4
11	Minneapolis/St. Paul	68.4%	15.9%	38
12	Atlanta	68.3%	23.0%	10
13	Norfolk/Portsmouth	68.3%	19.2%	21
14	Baltimore	68.2%	18.0%	29
15	Dallas/Fort Worth	66.5%	19.3%	20
16	Cincinnati	66.1%	21.6%	14
17	Raleigh/Durham	66.1%	18.1%	28
18	Indianapolis	66.0%	11.0%	48
19	Kansas City	66.0%	21.4%	15
20	Orlando/Daytona Beach	65.9%	22.9%	11
21	Tucson	65.7%	13.8%	40
22	Hartford/New Haven	65.5%	19.2%	21
23	Syracuse	65.4%	24.8%	7
24	New York	64.8%	24.6%	8
25	Oklahoma City	64.7%	18.6%	25
26	Honolulu	64.6%	31.7%	2
27	Phoenix	64.6%	20.9%	16
28	Philadelphia	64.5%	18.8%	24
29	Des Moines/Ames	64.3%	13.5%	41
30	Chicago	64.2%	17.7%	30
31	Milwaukee	64.2%	18.6%	25
32	Detroit	63.7%	22.2%	12
33	Las Vegas	63.4%	24.1%	9
34	Houston	63.0%	17.1%	32
35	Cleveland	62.4%	14.9%	39
36	Los Angeles	62.1%	20.2%	18
37	Nashville	62.1%	13.0%	44
38	Buffalo	61.8%	16.6%	33
39	Miami/Ft. Lauderdale	61.8%	16.3%	35
40	Tampa/St.Petersberg/Sar.	61.7%	18.9%	23
41	W. Palm Beach/Ft Pierce	61.7%	17.5%	31
42	Louisville	60.8%	9.8%	49
43	St. Louis	60.8%	13.3%	43
44	Albuquerque/Santa Fe	60.5%	8.7%	50
45	Tulsa	60.0%	11.1%	47
46	Memphis	59.1%	13.5%	41
47	Pittsburgh	58.5%	16.1%	37
48	New Orleans	58.4%	18.3%	27
49	San Antonio	58.3%	16.3%	35
50	El Paso	53.7%	11.2%	46

TABLE 50

Source: Scarborough Research

Note this chart contains data from Scarborough Research for 2003. As reported by the Iowa Utilities Board in 2006, 1,144 out of 1,231 Iowa communities, or 92.9%, currently have access to one or more types of high-speed Internet technology. 918 out of 963 rural Iowa communities, or 95.3%, currently have high-speed Internet access. 226 out of 268 non-rural communities, or 84.3%, currently have high-speed Internet access.

National Ranking for Manufacturing Competitiveness (2006)

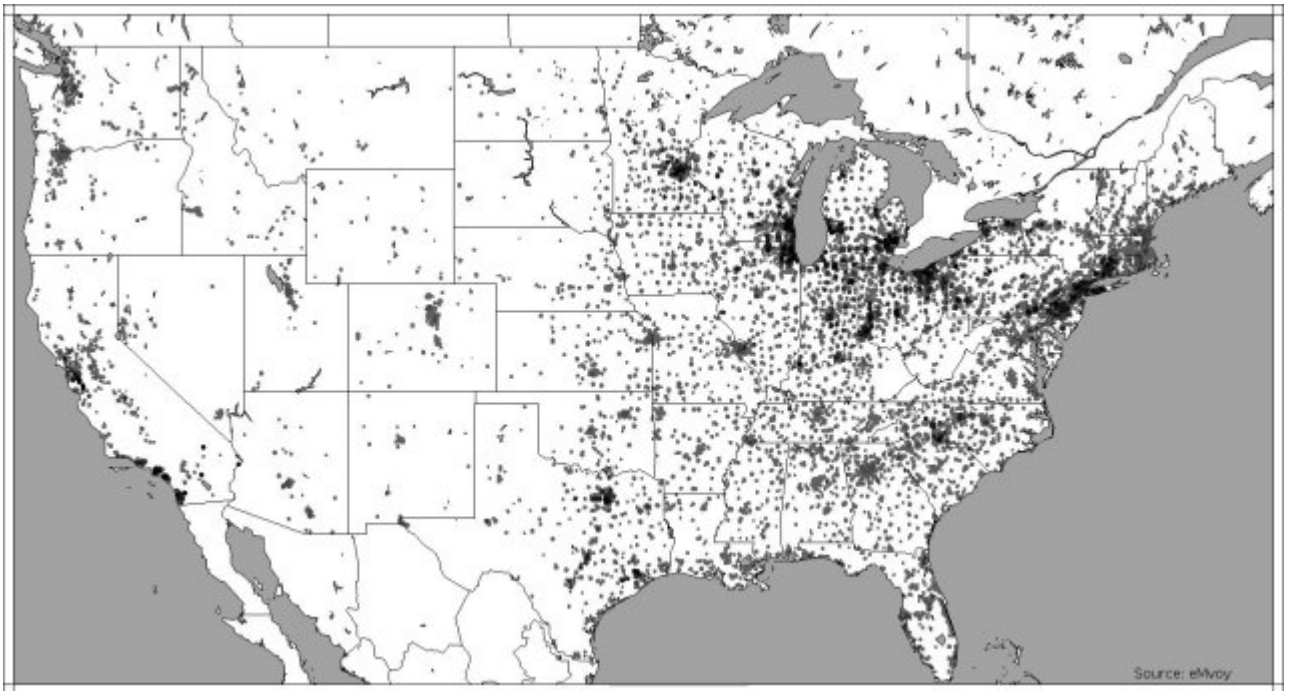
Rank	
1	Ohio
2	Illinois
3	Michigan
4	Pennsylvania
5	Texas
6	Wisconsin
7	Minnesota
8	Indiana
9	New York
10	California
11	North Carolina
12	Connecticut
13	New Jersey
14	Massachusetts
15	Georgia
16	Virginia
17	Tennessee
18	Kansas
19	South Carolina
20	Missouri
21	Kentucky
22	Alabama
23	Iowa
24	Mississippi
25	New Hampshire
26	Arkansas
27	Florida
28	Washington
29	Maryland
30	Nebraska
31	Oregon
32	Oklahoma
33	Delaware
34	Rhode Island
35	Colorado
36	North Dakota
37	West Virginia
38	Louisiana
39	Utah
40	Nevada
41	Arizona
42	South Dakota
43	DC
44	Idaho
45	Maine
46	Vermont
47	New Mexico
48	Wyoming
49	Hawaii
50	Montana
51	Alaska

TABLE 51

Source: eMVoY

Density of Competitiveness of U.S. Manufacturing (2006)

*This map plots areas where there is a concentration of highly-ranked manufacturing companies.
Findings based on a year-long evaluation of 100,000 companies by eMvoy.*



NATIONAL RANKING FOR MANUFACTURING COMPETITIVENESS

Over a one year period 100,000 U.S. manufacturers from a geographically- and product-diverse data set were evaluated. Information was compiled from multiple sources and specific variables were identified to measure and calculate a company's attributes relating to reliability, quality, and competitiveness. Results were derived from cumulative scoring of multiple factors, each having an applied qualitative weight. Algorithms were applied to normalize the combined scores.

Companies were ranked based on their final score. The evaluated companies were required to have a functional Web site and a Standard Industry Classification (SIC) code identifying them as a manufacturer with a substantial U.S. presence.

A range of factors such as company size, company history, U.S. manufacturing facilities, ISO certifications, product or process certifications, trade association memberships, technological innovations and Web site content were utilized as variables. Field research was conducted to determine which factors were relevant to key decision makers. For example, industry purchasing agents were surveyed to decide which variables directly impacted procurement decisions. Weights were applied to indicate the level of importance for each factor.

The state rankings were calculated by analyzing the score of each company in the state. Additional parameters, such as the size of the company and regional clustering, were applied. Logarithmic weighting was applied for two primary reasons: First, to ensure that a large, high-scoring company would have a greater impact than a small company on a state's ranking. Secondly, so a state's ranking would benefit in relation to their having a diversity of small to medium-sized, high-scoring companies in a given market.

Source: eMvoy