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Texas Government Revenue, Spending Trends for 1985

On the income side, Texas state and local governments continued an upward trend in 1985.

- On average, each Texas citizen paid \$1,267 in state and local taxes—a 14% increase over the 1984 level. Texas moved up four slots in the all-states ranking (32nd from 36th) and reached 86% of the national mean.
- Per capita property tax (local government's main revenue source) increased from \$415 to \$466 (12%), and exceeded the all-states average by 7%.

Government spending also showed continued growth—up 29% from \$1,850 per capita to \$2,384. But, spending in separate categories showed mixed growth trends. For example:

- Education expenditures continued to grow, but at a slower rate (8% for local schools and 9% for higher education). Still, Texas moved up on the all-states list and maintained essentially a constant relationship to the U.S. average.
- Highway spending increased only 4% (from \$156 per capita to \$162) and Texas lost ground relative to all states.

About This Issue

This ANALYSIS issue presents the latest interstate data available on government finances (1985) from the U.S. Census Bureau.

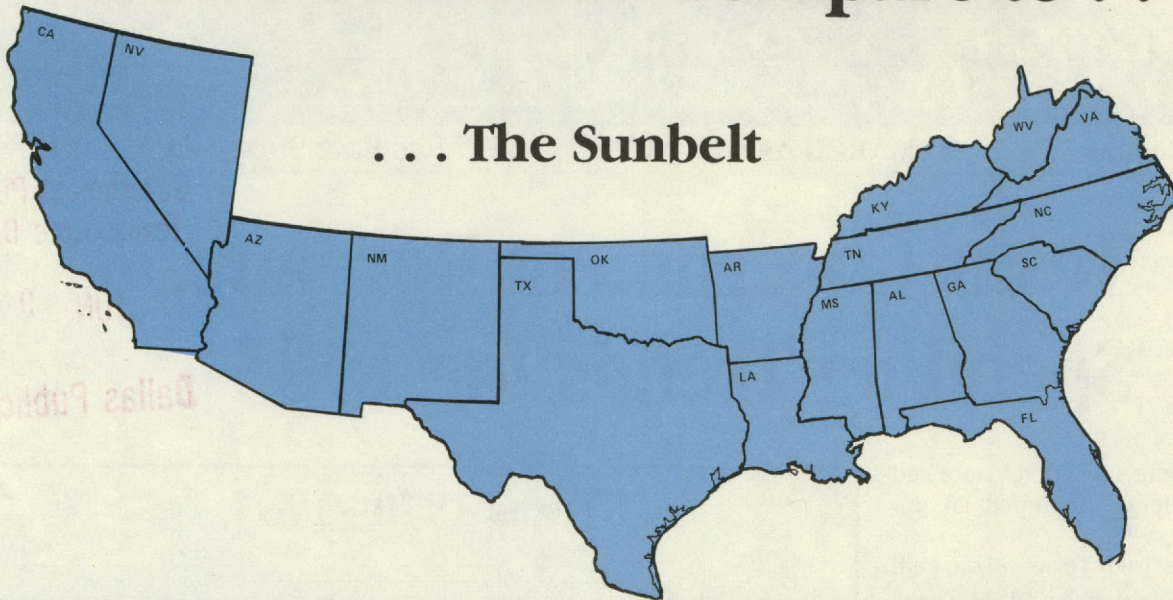
Caution: Interstate comparisons often are misleading - particularly in the case of state governments where one function may be handled at the local level in one state, but at the state level in another.

Texas 1970-1985

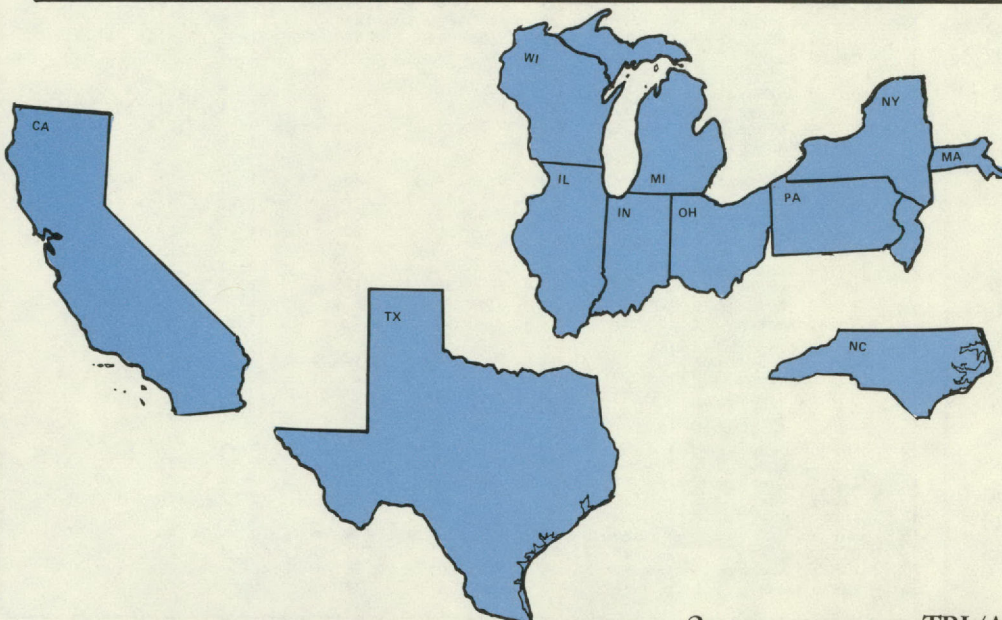
	1970	1975	1980	1982	1983	1984	1985
Personal Income	\$3,536	\$5,473	\$9,814	\$11,771	\$11,982	\$12,798	\$13,483
U.S. Average	\$3,945	\$5,842	\$9,914	\$11,493	\$12,106	\$13,114	\$13,867
% U.S. Average	89.63%	93.68%	98.99%	102.42%	98.98%	97.60%	97.23%
Texas Rank	31	29	21	15	21	21	21
STATE & LOCAL GOVT.							
Tax Revenue	\$315	\$502	\$801	\$1,005	\$1,029	\$1,109	\$1,267
U.S. Average	\$426	\$657	\$984	\$1,150	\$1,216	\$1,354	\$1,465
% U.S. Average	73.94%	76.41%	81.40%	87.39%	84.62%	81.91%	86.48%
Texas Rank	40	40	35	32	34	36	32
Property Tax	\$128	\$186	\$244	\$341	\$379	\$415	\$466
U.S. Average	\$167	\$239	\$299	\$354	\$381	\$408	\$435
% U.S. Average	76.65%	77.82%	81.61%	96.33%	99.48%	101.72%	107.13%
Texas Rank	31	30	28	21	22	21	21
Federal Aid	\$91	\$175	\$263	\$242	\$260	\$273	\$299
U.S. Average	\$107	\$218	\$366	\$376	\$385	\$410	\$445
% U.S. Average	85.05%	80.28%	71.86%	64.36%	67.53%	66.42%	67.19%
Texas Rank	35	46	49	50	48	49	49
Total Expenditures	\$501	\$816	\$1,353	\$1,575	\$1,725	\$1,850	\$2,384
U.S. Average	\$645	\$1,065	\$1,617	\$1,872	\$1,986	\$2,128	\$2,749
% U.S. Average	77.67%	76.62%	83.67%	84.13%	86.81%	86.94%	86.72%
Texas Rank	46	46	40	38	37	34	36
Local Schools	\$156	\$243	\$394	\$449	\$523	\$546	\$592
U.S. Average	\$184	\$285	\$409	\$458	\$483	\$511	\$553
% U.S. Average	84.78%	85.26%	96.33%	98.03%	108.28%	106.85%	107.05%
Texas Rank	38	39	27	26	13	17	14
Higher Education	\$57	\$100	\$169	\$194	\$215	\$234	\$256
U.S. Average	\$63	\$101	\$149	\$179	\$187	\$201	\$219
% U.S. Average	90.48%	99.01%	113.42%	108.38%	114.97%	116.42%	116.89%
Texas Rank	34	28	21	24	21	20	19
Highways	\$79	\$97	\$160	\$183	\$158	\$156	\$162
U.S. Average	\$81	\$105	\$147	\$149	\$157	\$167	\$189
% U.S. Average	97.53%	92.38%	108.84%	122.82%	100.64%	93.41%	85.71%
Texas Rank	33	38	30	22	33	37	40
Public Welfare	\$47	\$71	\$105	\$110	\$125	\$131	\$136
U.S. Average	\$72	\$126	\$201	\$243	\$251	\$274	\$291
% U.S. Average	65.28%	56.35%	52.24%	45.27%	49.80%	47.81%	46.74%
Texas Rank	35	42	46	49	47	48	50
Health & Hospitals	\$34	\$67	\$124	\$148	\$171	\$181	\$189
U.S. Average	\$47	\$87	\$142	\$174	\$189	\$196	\$208
% U.S. Average	72.34%	77.01%	87.32%	85.06%	90.48%	92.35%	90.87%
Texas Rank	38	31	29	32	24	24	25
Police Protection	\$16	\$27	\$43	\$53	\$59	\$66	\$73
U.S. Average	\$22	\$39	\$59	\$71	\$77	\$81	\$88
% U.S. Average	72.73%	69.23%	72.88%	74.65%	76.62%	81.48%	82.95%
Texas Rank	26	29	33	32	32	27	27
Gen. Debt Interest	\$18	\$32	\$49	\$63	\$78	\$104	\$134
U.S. Average	\$21	\$41	\$65	\$86	\$103	\$121	\$136
% U.S. Average	85.71%	78.05%	75.38%	73.26%	75.73%	85.95%	98.53%
Texas Rank	26	23	31	35	35	31	26
Other Expenditures	\$94	\$179	\$309	\$375	\$396	\$432	\$843
U.S. Average	\$154	\$281	\$446	\$511	\$540	\$576	\$1,065
% U.S. Average	61.04%	63.70%	69.28%	73.39%	73.33%	75.00%	79.15%
Texas Rank	49	46	46	41	42	40	36
Debt	\$625	\$892	\$1,443	\$1,593	\$1,912	\$2,246	\$2,589
U.S. Average	\$705	\$1,027	\$1,477	\$1,725	\$1,942	\$2,135	\$2,393
% U.S. Average	88.65%	86.85%	97.70%	92.35%	98.46%	105.20%	108.19%
Texas Rank	24	23	24	29	26	24	23

How Does Texas Compare to . . .

. . . The Sunbelt



	1985 Per Capita Amount			1985 Texas Rank Among:	
	TEXAS	Other Industrial States	Other Sunbelt States	Twelve Industrial States	Eighteen Sunbelt States
Personal Income	\$13,483	\$14,781	\$13,205	7	5
STATE GOVERNMENT					
Tax Revenue	705	983	879	12	16
% Personal Income	5.23%	6.65%	6.66%	12	18
UC Taxes	54	91	63	12	10
Federal Aid	235	387	342	12	16
Aid to Local Govt.	373	601	538	12	14
Aid to Local Schools	356	325	344	3	5
General Expense	1,071	1,549	1,396	12	16
State Debt	317	950	644	11	17
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT					
Tax Revenue	1,267	1,635	1,299	10	7
% Personal Income	9.40%	11.06%	9.84%	12	13
Property Tax	466	498	308	7	1
Federal Aid	299	478	424	12	17
Total Expense	2,384	2,921	2,570	10	9
Higher Education	256	213	229	4	5
Debt	2,589	2,180	2,090	4	6



. . . Other Major Industrial States

1984 Per Capita Amounts for State Governments

	Personal Income	Tax Revenue		Federal Aid	General Expense	State Debt
		Amount	% Per Income			
Alabama	\$10,672 (45)	\$ 727 (42)	6.81% (28)	\$ 377 (21)	\$1,379 (27)	\$ 806 (29)
Alaska	18,188 (1)	3,620 (1)	19.90 (1)	761 (2)	8,840 (1)	10,925 (1)
Arizona	12,794 (28)	924 (19)	7.22 (19)	218 (49)	1,334 (30)	215 (49)
Arkansas	10,474 (48)	740 (38)	7.06 (23)	345 (29)	1,186 (45)	350 (45)
California	16,065 (5)	1,098 (9)	6.84 (27)	426 (11)	1,736 (12)	609 (37)
Colorado	14,812 (9)	707 (43)	4.77 (48)	306 (40)	1,316 (32)	471 (39)
Connecticut	18,087 (2)	1,102 (8)	6.09 (35)	336 (33)	1,535 (19)	2,013 (6)
Delaware	14,270 (13)	1,312 (3)	9.20 (5)	379 (20)	2,011 (4)	2,945 (2)
Florida	13,741 (19)	733 (40)	5.33 (44)	208 (50)	1,069 (48)	441 (41)
Georgia	12,544 (31)	757 (37)	6.04 (37)	360 (25)	1,186 (44)	361 (44)
Hawaii	13,812 (17)	1,293 (4)	9.36 (4)	383 (19)	1,974 (5)	2,571 (4)
Idaho	11,117 (41)	730 (41)	6.57 (29)	351 (27)	1,250 (40)	626 (35)
Illinois	14,738 (10)	800 (32)	5.43 (42)	327 (36)	1,281 (36)	848 (25)
Indiana	12,446 (32)	789 (33)	6.34 (33)	294 (44)	1,205 (43)	315 (48)
Iowa	12,592 (30)	800 (31)	6.35 (32)	330 (34)	1,466 (21)	460 (40)
Kansas	13,778 (18)	782 (35)	5.67 (40)	296 (42)	1,225 (42)	130 (50)
Kentucky	10,823 (44)	809 (28)	7.47 (15)	389 (17)	1,337 (29)	975 (20)
Louisiana	11,273 (38)	860 (23)	7.63 (12)	351 (28)	1,464 (23)	1,806 (9)
Maine	11,886 (36)	864 (22)	7.27 (17)	485 (7)	1,465 (22)	1,052 (18)
Maryland	15,865 (7)	984 (16)	6.20 (34)	341 (31)	1,453 (24)	1,159 (16)
Massachusetts	16,379 (4)	1,137 (7)	6.94 (25)	375 (22)	1,747 (11)	1,735 (11)
Michigan	13,608 (20)	956 (18)	7.02 (24)	393 (15)	1,547 (18)	650 (33)
Minnesota	14,087 (14)	1,247 (5)	8.85 (7)	408 (12)	1,787 (9)	835 (27)
Mississippi	9,186 (50)	693 (45)	7.55 (13)	391 (16)	1,226 (41)	385 (43)
Missouri	13,244 (24)	667 (46)	5.03 (46)	294 (43)	1,082 (46)	660 (32)
Montana	10,977 (42)	776 (36)	7.07 (22)	510 (5)	1,595 (15)	901 (22)
Nebraska	13,277 (23)	648 (47)	4.88 (47)	327 (35)	1,287 (35)	640 (34)
Nevada	14,487 (12)	1,005 (14)	6.94 (26)	287 (45)	1,408 (26)	1,184 (15)
New Hampshire	14,961 (8)	435 (50)	2.91 (50)	308 (39)	1,014 (50)	1,983 (7)
New Jersey	17,212 (3)	1,021 (12)	5.93 (38)	353 (26)	1,568 (16)	1,767 (10)
New Mexico	10,916 (43)	993 (15)	9.09 (6)	363 (24)	1,973 (6)	881 (23)
New York	16,050 (6)	1,164 (6)	7.25 (18)	515 (4)	1,876 (7)	1,819 (8)
North Carolina	11,618 (37)	831 (26)	7.15 (20)	309 (38)	1,252 (39)	345 (46)
North Dakota	12,051 (35)	1,011 (13)	8.39 (8)	498 (6)	2,103 (3)	855 (24)
Ohio	13,227 (26)	805 (29)	6.09 (36)	305 (41)	1,310 (34)	764 (30)
Oklahoma	12,233 (33)	903 (20)	7.38 (16)	285 (46)	1,323 (31)	1,085 (17)
Oregon	12,624 (29)	738 (39)	5.85 (39)	375 (23)	1,483 (20)	2,458 (5)
Pennsylvania	13,438 (22)	857 (24)	6.38 (31)	342 (30)	1,273 (37)	615 (36)
Rhode Island	13,910 (15)	891 (21)	6.40 (30)	471 (8)	1,846 (8)	2,907 (3)
South Carolina	10,587 (46)	816 (27)	7.71 (10)	316 (37)	1,315 (33)	1,017 (19)
South Dakota	11,162 (40)	502 (49)	4.50 (49)	433 (10)	1,362 (28)	1,535 (13)
Tennessee	11,243 (39)	630 (48)	5.60 (41)	338 (32)	1,055 (49)	402 (42)
TEXAS	13,483 (21)	705 (44)	5.23 (45)	235 (48)	1,071 (47)	317 (47)
Utah	10,492 (47)	805 (30)	7.67 (11)	447 (9)	1,558 (17)	811 (28)
Vermont	12,116 (34)	857 (25)	7.08 (21)	564 (3)	1,783 (10)	1,659 (12)
Virginia	14,543 (11)	703 (34)	5.39 (43)	269 (47)	1,268 (38)	581 (38)
Washington	13,877 (16)	1,040 (11)	7.49 (14)	403 (14)	1,679 (13)	687 (31)
West Virginia	10,194 (49)	958 (17)	9.40 (3)	384 (18)	1,436 (25)	841 (26)
Wisconsin	13,155 (27)	1,061 (10)	8.07 (9)	404 (13)	1,674 (14)	937 (21)
Wyoming	13,230 (25)	1,584 (2)	11.98 (2)	831 (1)	2,681 (2)	1,487 (14)
U. S. Average	13,867	902	6.50	354	1,446	888

Note: The number in () under each heading is the rank.

1985 Per Capita Amounts

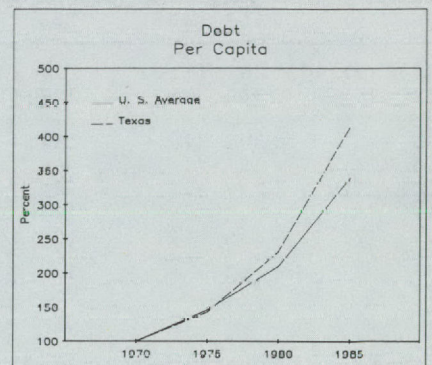
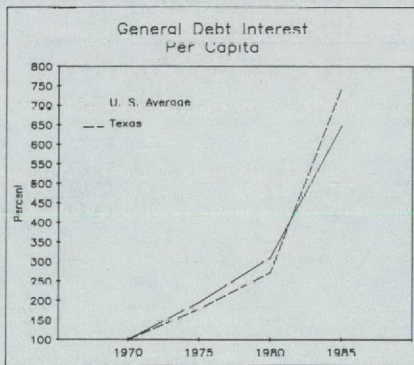
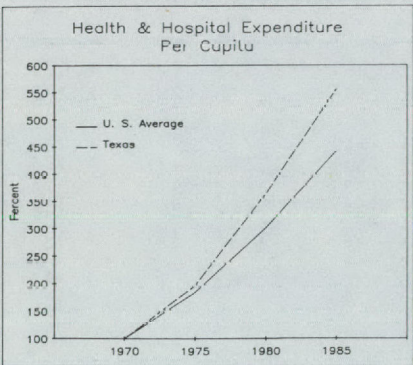
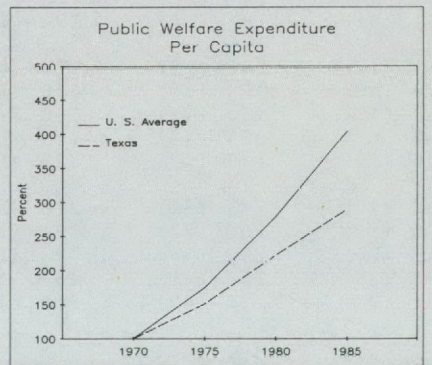
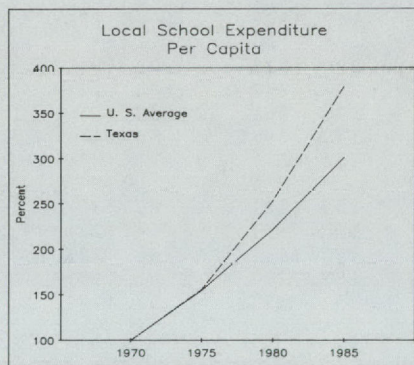
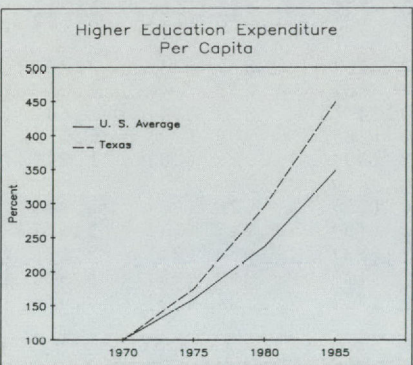
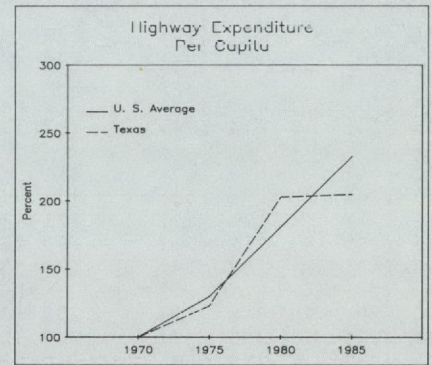
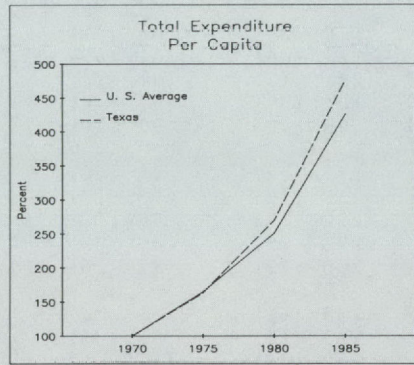
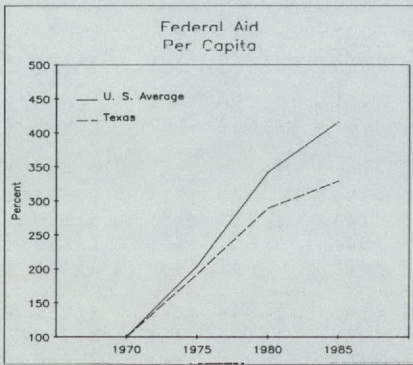
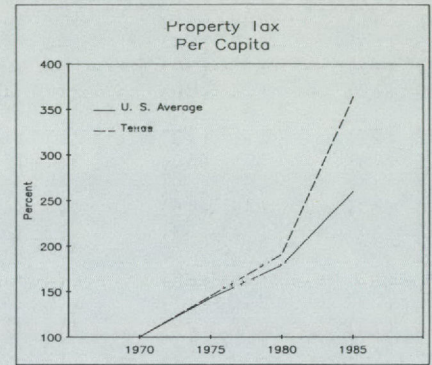
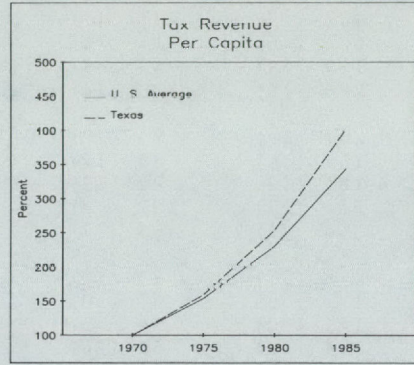
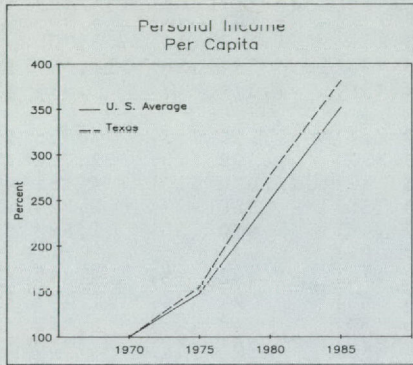
for State and Local Governments

	Income				Expenditures									
	Tax Revenue		Property Tax	Federal Aid	Total	Local Schools	Higher Education	Highways	Welfare	Health & Hospitals	Police Protection	Interest	Other	Debt
	Amount	% Personal Income												
Alabama	\$ 990 (48)	9.28% (43)	\$ 116 (50)	\$ 440 (24)	\$ 2,338 (38)	\$ 404 (46)	\$ 232 (24)	\$ 203 (28)	\$ 166 (44)	\$ 284 (6)	\$ 56 (41)	\$ 119 (32)	\$ 874 (32)	\$ 1,925 (34)
Alaska	4,585 (1)	25.21 (1)	1,072 (2)	1,009 (1)	10,809 (1)	1,752 (1)	538 (1)	1,056 (1)	404 (6)	367 (2)	247 (1)	1,539 (1)	4,908 (1)	18,965 (1)
Arizona	1,376 (23)	10.76 (18)	367 (29)	295 (50)	2,813 (21)	549 (23)	295 (10)	243 (16)	181 (40)	109 (46)	111 (6)	163 (16)	1,163 (12)	3,709 (8)
Arkansas	967 (49)	9.24 (44)	173 (48)	400 (33)	1,883 (50)	490 (37)	182 (37)	175 (39)	198 (29)	169 (32)	49 (48)	86 (43)	534 (50)	1,392 (46)
California	1,645 (9)	10.24 (26)	420 (23)	513 (12)	3,139 (8)	537 (25)	280 (12)	124 (50)	377 (8)	228 (14)	120 (4)	102 (36)	1,371 (7)	1,910 (35)
Colorado	1,448 (16)	9.78 (36)	497 (18)	371 (41)	2,912 (15)	592 (13)	273 (15)	218 (23)	217 (24)	207 (19)	95 (12)	152 (21)	1,158 (13)	2,773 (19)
Connecticut	1,816 (4)	10.04 (30)	703 (4)	395 (36)	2,655 (26)	560 (21)	141 (48)	194 (30)	317 (12)	158 (34)	88 (17)	190 (12)	1,008 (20)	2,752 (20)
Delaware	1,558 (13)	10.92 (17)	204 (44)	470 (18)	2,983 (11)	590 (15)	355 (4)	251 (15)	189 (34)	131 (42)	90 (15)	286 (3)	1,090 (16)	4,151 (5)
Florida	1,181 (38)	8.60 (48)	378 (26)	338 (47)	2,305 (40)	478 (38)	150 (47)	148 (46)	147 (47)	214 (17)	102 (8)	110 (35)	956 (23)	2,294 (26)
Georgia	1,181 (37)	9.42 (40)	295 (35)	454 (21)	2,433 (34)	462 (42)	193 (34)	191 (33)	173 (43)	344 (3)	63 (37)	77 (46)	930 (30)	1,883 (36)
Hawaii	1,652 (8)	11.96 (8)	293 (36)	474 (16)	3,034 (9)	403 (47)	278 (13)	127 (48)	274 (17)	175 (31)	87 (19)	196 (10)	1,493 (5)	2,898 (16)
Idaho	1,022 (46)	9.19 (45)	280 (37)	416 (30)	2,114 (44)	454 (45)	226 (26)	240 (17)	146 (48)	177 (30)	67 (30)	75 (48)	728 (44)	1,141 (50)
Illinois	1,474 (15)	10.00 (31)	526 (15)	431 (26)	2,517 (29)	500 (34)	191 (36)	208 (26)	313 (13)	141 (40)	99 (9)	123 (30)	942 (25)	1,882 (37)
Indiana	1,181 (39)	9.49 (38)	378 (27)	353 (45)	2,098 (45)	493 (35)	216 (28)	155 (44)	210 (25)	194 (23)	50 (46)	78 (45)	701 (46)	1,300 (48)
Iowa	1,331 (26)	10.57 (20)	520 (16)	397 (35)	2,605 (27)	552 (22)	309 (8)	324 (6)	270 (18)	229 (13)	64 (34)	76 (47)	781 (42)	1,372 (47)
Kansas	1,357 (25)	9.85 (35)	501 (17)	355 (44)	2,517 (30)	577 (19)	281 (11)	287 (10)	191 (31)	178 (29)	66 (31)	152 (20)	783 (41)	2,447 (25)
Kentucky	1,033 (45)	9.55 (37)	182 (46)	441 (23)	2,063 (46)	396 (48)	195 (33)	193 (32)	236 (23)	122 (44)	51 (45)	151 (22)	718 (45)	2,782 (18)
Louisiana	1,298 (30)	11.52 (11)	176 (47)	419 (29)	2,673 (24)	491 (36)	198 (32)	229 (20)	251 (21)	281 (7)	91 (14)	198 (7)	935 (27)	3,417 (12)
Maine	1,328 (28)	11.17 (16)	471 (20)	559 (7)	2,356 (37)	508 (33)	174 (42)	229 (19)	372 (9)	104 (49)	53 (44)	129 (27)	786 (40)	1,686 (40)
Maryland	1,629 (10)	10.26 (25)	407 (25)	421 (28)	2,666 (25)	544 (24)	235 (23)	214 (24)	277 (16)	95 (50)	97 (10)	164 (15)	1,041 (19)	2,802 (17)
Massachusetts	1,715 (7)	10.47 (22)	568 (12)	508 (14)	2,957 (12)	533 (29)	150 (46)	129 (47)	411 (5)	229 (12)	85 (20)	156 (19)	1,263 (10)	2,652 (22)
Michigan	1,609 (12)	11.82 (9)	619 (8)	470 (19)	2,829 (17)	623 (9)	249 (20)	156 (43)	434 (3)	250 (10)	93 (13)	100 (39)	923 (31)	1,674 (41)
Minnesota	1,767 (5)	12.54 (5)	497 (19)	498 (15)	3,248 (6)	657 (6)	242 (21)	291 (9)	431 (4)	232 (11)	76 (23)	196 (11)	1,123 (15)	3,329 (13)
Mississippi	918 (50)	9.99 (32)	210 (43)	453 (22)	2,043 (47)	391 (49)	206 (31)	212 (25)	189 (33)	293 (5)	49 (49)	65 (50)	637 (49)	1,243 (49)
Missouri	1,091 (42)	8.23 (49)	239 (40)	369 (42)	2,004 (49)	468 (41)	160 (45)	183 (34)	189 (35)	200 (22)	74 (26)	88 (42)	642 (48)	1,441 (45)
Montana	1,383 (22)	12.60 (4)	631 (7)	634 (4)	2,950 (13)	707 (4)	213 (29)	368 (5)	238 (22)	138 (41)	66 (32)	175 (14)	1,046 (18)	2,281 (28)
Nebraska	1,251 (34)	9.42 (39)	541 (13)	397 (34)	3,237 (7)	590 (16)	265 (17)	305 (7)	209 (28)	225 (15)	62 (38)	100 (38)	1,481 (6)	3,710 (7)
Nevada	1,443 (17)	9.96 (33)	316 (34)	362 (43)	2,948 (14)	461 (44)	167 (43)	278 (13)	140 (49)	259 (8)	127 (3)	197 (9)	1,320 (9)	2,994 (14)
New Hampshire	1,126 (41)	7.53 (50)	693 (5)	385 (38)	2,033 (48)	470 (40)	121 (49)	227 (21)	210 (27)	105 (48)	65 (33)	157 (18)	678 (47)	2,490 (24)
New Jersey	1,749 (6)	10.16 (28)	717 (3)	412 (31)	2,820 (19)	652 (7)	161 (44)	181 (36)	296 (15)	149 (36)	106 (7)	197 (8)	1,078 (17)	2,992 (15)
New Mexico	1,249 (35)	11.44 (13)	150 (49)	474 (17)	2,774 (22)	659 (5)	311 (7)	280 (12)	179 (42)	200 (21)	89 (16)	182 (13)	872 (33)	2,727 (21)
New York	2,334 (3)	14.54 (3)	688 (6)	644 (3)	4,006 (3)	722 (3)	178 (40)	183 (35)	596 (1)	338 (4)	134 (2)	222 (6)	1,633 (4)	3,512 (11)
North Carolina	1,144 (40)	9.85 (34)	247 (38)	373 (40)	2,222 (41)	474 (39)	263 (18)	150 (45)	160 (45)	178 (28)	63 (35)	70 (49)	863 (34)	1,601 (42)
North Dakota	1,357 (24)	11.26 (14)	337 (33)	598 (6)	2,906 (16)	597 (12)	358 (3)	395 (3)	268 (19)	142 (39)	50 (47)	128 (28)	968 (22)	6,057 (2)
Ohio	1,331 (27)	10.06 (29)	374 (28)	391 (37)	2,550 (28)	567 (20)	206 (30)	160 (42)	325 (11)	181 (27)	75 (24)	101 (37)	935 (28)	1,549 (43)
Oklahoma	1,289 (31)	10.54 (21)	226 (41)	349 (46)	2,389 (35)	530 (30)	238 (22)	193 (31)	210 (26)	209 (18)	63 (36)	120 (31)	826 (38)	2,245 (30)
Oregon	1,420 (19)	11.25 (15)	617 (9)	524 (11)	3,009 (10)	626 (8)	270 (16)	206 (27)	193 (30)	153 (35)	84 (21)	232 (5)	1,245 (11)	3,671 (9)
Pennsylvania	1,385 (21)	10.31 (24)	367 (30)	430 (27)	2,450 (33)	536 (26)	113 (50)	180 (38)	328 (10)	130 (43)	68 (29)	145 (23)	950 (24)	2,126 (32)
Rhode Island	1,479 (14)	10.63 (19)	588 (10)	547 (8)	2,825 (18)	517 (32)	193 (35)	161 (41)	437 (2)	187 (26)	87 (18)	255 (4)	988 (21)	3,557 (10)
South Carolina	1,076 (43)	10.16 (27)	239 (39)	376 (39)	2,145 (43)	462 (43)	226 (27)	126 (49)	154 (46)	251 (9)	53 (43)	79 (44)	794 (39)	2,016 (33)
South Dakota	1,043 (44)	9.34 (42)	455 (22)	529 (9)	2,511 (31)	534 (28)	182 (39)	371 (4)	185 (37)	107 (47)	54 (42)	144 (24)	934 (29)	2,237 (31)
Tennessee	996 (47)	8.86 (47)	218 (42)	406 (32)	2,457 (32)	381 (50)	182 (38)	181 (37)	188 (36)	221 (16)	59 (40)	93 (41)	1,154 (14)	1,736 (39)
TEXAS	1,267 (32)	9.40 (41)	466 (21)	299 (49)	2,384 (36)	592 (14)	256 (19)	162 (40)	136 (50)	189 (25)	73 (27)	134 (26)	843 (36)	2,589 (23)
Utah	1,258 (33)	11.99 (7)	346 (32)	526 (10)	3,477 (4)	618 (10)	307 (9)	281 (11)	189 (32)	148 (37)	75 (25)	137 (25)	1,721 (2)	4,817 (3)
Vermont	1,392 (20)	11.49 (12)	532 (14)	622 (5)	2,719 (23)	527 (31)	314 (5)	300 (8)	307 (14)	113 (45)	60 (39)	161 (17)	936 (26)	2,292 (27)
Virginia	1,307 (29)	8.99 (46)	366 (31)	335 (48)	2,217 (42)	534 (27)	232 (25)	202 (29)	181 (39)	167 (33)	72 (28)	94 (40)	735 (43)	1,535 (44)
Washington	1,435 (18)	10.34 (23)	411 (24)	509 (13)	3,460 (5)	582 (18)	276 (14)	263 (14)	268 (20)	194 (24)	79 (22)	112 (34)	1,686 (3)	4,054 (6)
West Virginia	1,203 (36)	11.80 (10)	199 (45)	440 (25)	2,326 (39)	582 (17)	177 (41)	237 (18)	184 (38)	144 (38)	42 (50)	126 (29)	833 (37)	2,274 (29)
Wisconsin	1,611 (11)	12.25 (6)	569 (11)	467 (20)	2,820 (20)	600 (11)	312 (6)	224 (22)	404 (7)	207 (20)	97 (11)	118 (33)	858 (35)	1,848 (38)
Wyoming	2,580 (2)	19.50 (2)	1,101 (1)	924 (2)	4,587 (2)	1,164 (2)	377 (2)	676 (2)	180 (41)	400 (1)	118 (5)	318 (2)	1,354 (8)	4,501 (4)
U. S. Average	1,465	10.57	435	445	2,749	553	219	189	291	200	88	136	1,065	2,393

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