

Arkansas State Briefing

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Executive Summary

POPULATION 3.0M	UNEMPLOYMENT 4.2% vs 4.4% national	FEDERAL GRANTS \$14.7B \$4,907/capita
CREDIT RATING (S&P) AA+	SNAP HR1 TIER High Risk 12.3% PER	CONTRIBUTIONS \$76.5M

SNAP / HR1 Compliance Risk

HR1 Tier	High Risk
Payment Error Rate (FY2024)	12.26%
State Cost Share (enacted)	\$113.4M (15%)
SNAP Participants	376.0K

Housing

Median Home Value	\$195,700 vs \$310,700 national
Median Gross Rent	\$933 vs \$1,238 national
Homeownership Rate	66.2% vs 67.8% national
Rent Burden	28.4% vs 29.7% national

Energy

Residential Price	null¢/kWh
Monthly Bill Estimate	\$null
Energy Mix	0% renewable 0% fossil 0% nuclear

Health

Life Expectancy	73.7 yrs (rank 44/51) vs 77.1 national
Uninsured Rate	10% (rank 33/51) vs 9.5% national
Overdose Death Rate	19.8 (rank 11/51) vs 30.8 national
Obesity Rate	37.9% (rank 40/51) vs 33.5% national
Infant Mortality	7.8 (rank 50/51) vs 5.6 national

Water

Community Water Systems	667
Violation Rate	3.9% vs 3.6% national avg

Education

NAEP Math (4th Grade)	230.3
NAEP Reading (4th Grade)	209.7

Broadband

Broadband Adoption	88.4% vs 92% national
No Internet	8.8% vs 5.4% national
Computer Ownership	95% vs 95.9% national

Infrastructure

Infrastructure Grade	A
Bridge Condition	44.5% good 50.2% fair 5.4% poor (12,978 total)
Water Systems	4,247 total 165 with violations (3.9%)

Fiscal Health

Total Revenue	\$37.0B
Total Expenditure	\$35.9B
Total Debt	\$8.4B
Debt Per Capita	\$2,739
Tax Burden Per Capita	\$1,418
Credit Ratings	S&P: AA+ Moody's: Aa1 Fitch: N/A

FEMA Disasters

Active Disasters	16
Declarations (10yr)	20
Public Assistance Funding	\$548.3M
Individual Assistance	\$18K

Top Federal Funding Agencies

Agency	Amount	DOGE Risk
Department of Health and Human Services	\$8.0B	medium
Department of Commerce	\$1.0B	medium
Department of Transportation	\$979.4M	low
Department of Agriculture	\$736.4M	medium
Department of Education	\$541.7M	high

Campaign Finance

Total Contributions	\$76.5M
Total Expenditures	\$48.0M
Data Source	Public Records