

Nebraska State Briefing

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Executive Summary

POPULATION 1.9M	UNEMPLOYMENT 3% vs 4.4% national	FEDERAL GRANTS \$13.4B \$6,974/capita
CREDIT RATING (S&P) AAA	SNAP HR1 TIER Elevated 9.1% PER	CONTRIBUTIONS \$214.1M

State of the State Preview

New Priorities	11
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- Affordability
- Agriculture
- Economy & Jobs
- Education
- Environment & Energy
- Government Reform
- Healthcare
- Housing
- Immigration
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety
- Social Services

SNAP / HR1 Compliance Risk

HR1 Tier	Elevated
Payment Error Rate (FY2024)	9.12%
State Cost Share (enacted)	\$30.0M (10%)
SNAP Participants	162.0K

Housing

Median Home Value	\$245,200 vs \$310,700 national
Median Gross Rent	\$1,042 vs \$1,238 national
Homeownership Rate	66.3% vs 67.8% national
Rent Burden	27.6% vs 29.7% national

Energy

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

Health

Life Expectancy	78.1 yrs (rank 15/51) vs 77.1 national
Uninsured Rate	7.7% (rank 25/51) vs 9.5% national
Overdose Death Rate	11.1 (rank 2/51) vs 30.8 national
Obesity Rate	35.6% (rank 32/51) vs 33.5% national
Infant Mortality	5.7 (rank 25/51) vs 5.6 national

Water

Community Water Systems	596
Violation Rate	0.3% vs 3.6% national avg

Education

NAEP Math (4th Grade)	238.2
NAEP Reading (4th Grade)	211.7

Broadband

Broadband Adoption	92.1% vs 92% national
No Internet	5.3% vs 5.4% national
Computer Ownership	96.1% vs 95.9% national

Infrastructure

Infrastructure Grade	A
Bridge Condition	53% good 39.5% fair 7.5% poor (15,412 total)
Water Systems	2,897 total 8 with violations (0.3%)

Fiscal Health

Total Revenue	\$30.5B
Total Expenditure	\$25.7B
Total Debt	\$7.7B
Debt Per Capita	\$3,891
Tax Burden Per Capita	\$2,177
Credit Ratings	S&P: AAA Moody's: Aaa Fitch: N/A

FEMA Disasters

Active Disasters	16
Declarations (10yr)	25
Public Assistance Funding	\$958.5M
Individual Assistance	\$6K

Top Federal Funding Agencies

Agency	Amount	DOGE Risk
Department of Health and Human Services	\$4.1B	medium
Department of Transportation	\$652.6M	low
Department of Agriculture	\$544.3M	medium
Environmental Protection Agency	\$456.1M	high
Department of Commerce	\$410.1M	medium

Campaign Finance

Total Contributions	\$214.1M
Total Expenditures	\$259.8M
Data Source	Public Records