

West Virginia State Briefing

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Executive Summary

POPULATION 1.8M	UNEMPLOYMENT 4.6% vs 4.4% national	FEDERAL GRANTS \$10.7B \$5,916/capita
CREDIT RATING (S&P) AA	SNAP HR1 TIER High Risk 10.9% PER	CONTRIBUTIONS \$95.3M

State of the State Preview

New Priorities	10
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Affordability	Agriculture	Economy & Jobs	Education	Environment & Energy	Government Reform	Healthcare	Housing	Infrastructure
Public Safety	Social Services	Tax & Budget						

SNAP / HR1 Compliance Risk

HR1 Tier	High Risk
Payment Error Rate (FY2024)	10.93%
State Cost Share (enacted)	\$84.6M (15%)
SNAP Participants	292.0K

Housing

Median Home Value	\$163,700 vs \$310,700 national
Median Gross Rent	\$850 vs \$1,238 national
Homeownership Rate	73.5% vs 67.8% national
Rent Burden	28.6% vs 29.7% national

Energy

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

Health

Life Expectancy	72.1 yrs (rank 50/51) vs 77.1 national
Uninsured Rate	7.4% (rank 21/51) vs 9.5% national
Overdose Death Rate	78 (rank 51/51) vs 30.8 national
Obesity Rate	41.5% (rank 51/51) vs 33.5% national
Infant Mortality	7.1 (rank 47/51) vs 5.6 national

Water

Community Water Systems Violation Rate	424 null% vs 3.6% national avg
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Education

NAEP Math (4th Grade)	231.5
NAEP Reading (4th Grade)	205.9

Broadband

Broadband Adoption	86.8% vs 92% national
No Internet	9.8% vs 5.4% national
Computer Ownership	92.1% vs 95.9% national

Infrastructure

Infrastructure Grade	B
Bridge Condition	26.7% good 55.5% fair 17.8% poor (7,345 total)

Fiscal Health

Total Revenue	\$22.4B
Total Expenditure	\$22.0B
Total Debt	\$5.0B
Debt Per Capita	\$2,816
Tax Burden Per Capita	\$1,726
Credit Ratings	S&P: AA Moody's: Aa2 Fitch: AA

FEMA Disasters

Active Disasters	16
Declarations (10yr)	18
Public Assistance Funding	\$811.0M
Individual Assistance	\$17K

Top Federal Funding Agencies

Agency	Amount	DOGE Risk
Department of Health and Human Services	\$5.5B	medium
Department of Transportation	\$912.7M	low
Department of Energy	\$409.5M	high
Department of Agriculture	\$333.1M	medium
Department of Education	\$332.0M	high

Campaign Finance

Total Contributions	\$95.3M
Total Expenditures	\$69.6M
Data Source	Public Records