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The following benchmark report is the result of research conducted by the University of Missouri, Harry S Truman School of Public Affairs that has been presented to, and reviewed by the Missouri State Auditor's Office.

The objective of this report was to present compiled comparative data on a vast array of policy issue areas to:

1. Provide comparative information to Missouri legislators, other elected officials, and citizens.
2. Without comment, or drawing conclusions allow the comparative data and rankings to stand alone as indicators.
3. Publish the report in a technical format that provides information, and trends when classifiable, without presumptions or findings.

Many policy makers have found that monitoring performance indicators can provide valuable information when it comes to policy development, as well as government action. Similar reports conducted elsewhere have been helpful in providing a snap shot as to where states are positioned in relation to each other in critical areas dealing with the economy, health care, crime, education, transportation and civic involvement. Comparative analysis can serve to help measure progress made in relation to others and is becoming increasingly more important for generally establishing the direction states are headed in a variety of policy areas.

Also because statistical information is constantly evolving, updated information can almost always be found from sources drawn upon in this report, as well as from other qualified monitoring sources.

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Economy

Household Median Income - The median household income is the amount which divides households into two equal groups, one having incomes above that amount and the other having incomes below that amount. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 37th.

Unemployment rate - The government conducts a monthly sample survey called the Current Population Survey (CPS) to measure the extent of unemployment in the country. There are approximately 110,000 individuals included in the survey. The CPS sample is selected so as to be representative of the entire population of the United States. The survey is designed so that each person age 16 and over who is neither in an institution (for example, correctional facilities and residential nursing and mental health care facilities) nor on active duty in the Armed Forces is counted and classified in only one group. The sum of the employed and the unemployed constitutes the civilian labor force. The data was provided by the Bureau for Labor Statistics. In June 2009, Missouri ranked 17th.

State Tax Burden as a Percentage of Personal Income - The amount of state taxes collected, divided by personal income. The data was provided by the Federation of Tax Administrators. In 2007, Missouri ranked 45th.

State Cigarette Tax - The amount of tax levied, in dollars, by a state on the sale of a pack of cigarettes. The data was provided by the National Conference of State Legislatures. In 2009, Missouri ranked 50th.

Percent of Population in Poverty - The percent of the population that has a yearly income below the federal poverty level. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 21st.

Percent of Children in Poverty - The percent of children under age 18 that live in a household whose yearly income is below the federal poverty level. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 20th.



Rank	State	Income
1	Maryland	\$68,080
2	New Jersey	\$67,035
3	Connecticut	\$65,967
4	Alaska	\$64,333
5	Hawaii	\$63,746
6	New Hampshire	\$62,369
7	Massachusetts	\$62,365
8	California	\$59,948
9	Virginia	\$59,562
10	Minnesota	\$55,802
11	Washington	\$55,591
12	Colorado	\$55,212
13	Utah	\$55,109
14	Nevada	\$55,062
15	Delaware	\$54,610
16	DC	\$54,317
17	Illinois	\$54,124
18	Rhode Island	\$53,568
19	New York	\$53,514

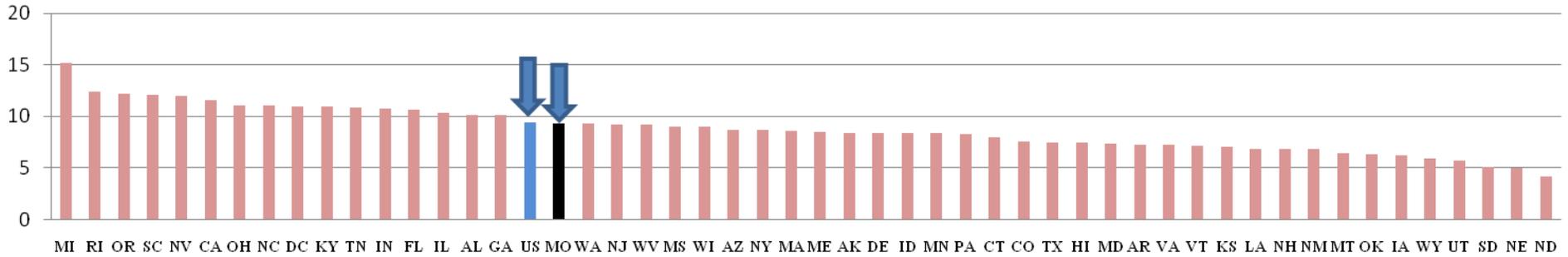
Rank	State	Income
20	Wyoming	\$51,731
	US	\$50,740
21	Wisconsin	\$50,578
22	Vermont	\$49,907
23	Arizona	\$49,889
24	Georgia	\$49,136
25	Oregon	\$48,730
26	Pennsylvania	\$48,576
27	Michigan	\$47,950
28	Florida	\$47,804
29	Texas	\$47,548
30	Kansas	\$47,451
31	Indiana	\$47,448
32	Iowa	\$47,292
33	Nebraska	\$47,085
34	Ohio	\$46,597
35	Idaho	\$46,253
36	Maine	\$45,888
37	Missouri	\$45,114

Rank	State	Income
38	North Carolina	\$44,670
39	North Dakota	\$43,753
40	Montana	\$43,531
41	South Dakota	\$43,424
42	South Carolina	\$43,329
43	Tennessee	\$42,367
44	Oklahoma	\$41,567
45	New Mexico	\$41,452
46	Louisiana	\$40,926
47	Alabama	\$40,554
48	Kentucky	\$40,267
49	Arkansas	\$38,134
50	West Virginia	\$37,060
51	Mississippi	\$36,338

Year	MO Rank	Income
2005	36	\$41,974
2006	37	\$42,841
2007	37	\$45,114

Source: Census.gov

Unemployment Rate: June 2009



Rank	State	Rate
1	Michigan	15.2%
2	Rhode Island	12.4%
3	Oregon	12.2%
4	South Carolina	12.1%
5	Nevada	12.0%
6	California	11.6%
7	Ohio	11.1%
8	North Carolina	11.0%
9	DC	10.9%
10	Kentucky	10.9%
11	Tennessee	10.8%
12	Indiana	10.7%
13	Florida	10.6%
14	Illinois	10.3%
15	Alabama	10.1%
16	Georgia	10.1%
	US	9.4%
17	Missouri	9.3%
18	Washington	9.3%

Rank	State	Rate
19	New Jersey	9.2%
20	West Virginia	9.2%
21	Mississippi	9.0%
22	Wisconsin	9.0%
23	Arizona	8.7%
24	New York	8.7%
25	Massachusetts	8.6%
26	Maine	8.5%
27	Alaska	8.4%
28	Delaware	8.4%
29	Idaho	8.4%
30	Minnesota	8.4%
31	Pennsylvania	8.3%
32	Connecticut	8.0%
33	Colorado	7.6%
34	Texas	7.5%
35	Hawaii	7.4%
36	Maryland	7.3%
37	Arkansas	7.2%

Rank	State	Rate
38	Virginia	7.2%
39	Vermont	7.1%
40	Kansas	7.0%
41	Louisiana	6.8%
42	New Hampshire	6.8%
43	New Mexico	6.8%
44	Montana	6.4%
45	Oklahoma	6.3%
46	Iowa	6.2%
47	Wyoming	5.9%
48	Utah	5.7%
49	South Dakota	5.1%
50	Nebraska	5.0%
51	North Dakota	4.2%

Source: BLS.gov

State Tax Burden as a Percentage of Personal Income: 2007



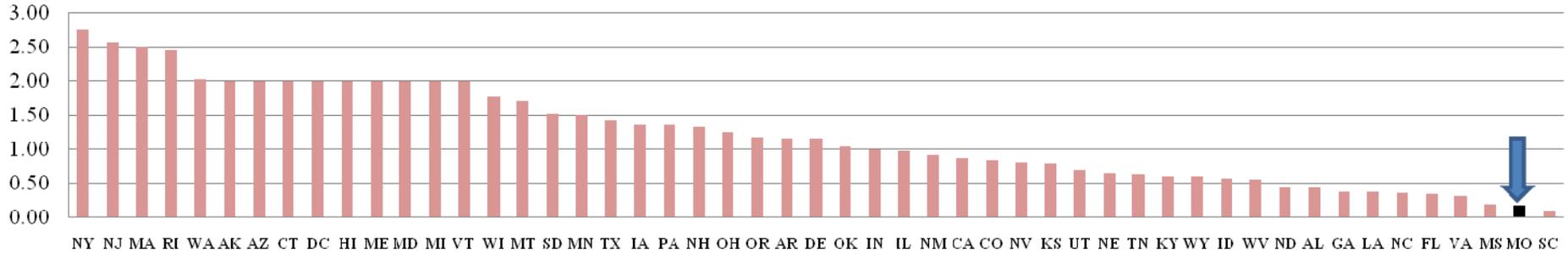
Rank	State	Percent
1	Alaska	13.3%
2	Vermont	11.8%
3	Hawaii	10.8%
4	Wyoming	9.7%
5	Arkansas	9.2%
6	West Virginia	9.1%
7	New Mexico	9.0%
8	Minnesota	8.9%
9	Delaware	8.7%
10	North Dakota	8.5%
11	Maine	8.5%
12	Mississippi	8.2%
13	Louisiana	8.1%
14	Idaho	8.1%
15	California	8.0%
16	Montana	8.0%
17	North Carolina	7.9%
18	Kentucky	7.9%
19	Utah	7.8%

Rank	State	Percent
20	Oklahoma	7.7%
21	Wisconsin	7.6%
22	New York	7.4%
23	Washington	7.3%
24	Connecticut	7.2%
25	New Jersey	7.2%
26	Kansas	7.2%
27	Rhode Island	7.0%
28	Michigan	7.0%
29	Massachusetts	6.9%
30	Indiana	6.9%
	US	6.8%
31	Pennsylvania	6.8%
32	South Carolina	6.8%
33	Nebraska	6.7%
34	Iowa	6.6%
35	Nevada	6.5%
36	Ohio	6.5%
37	Virginia	6.3%

Rank	State	Percent
38	Oregon	6.3%
39	Arizona	6.3%
40	Alabama	6.3%
41	Georgia	6.2%
42	Maryland	6.1%
43	Illinois	6.0%
44	Tennessee	5.8%
45	Missouri	5.6%
46	Florida	5.4%
47	South Dakota	5.0%
48	Colorado	4.9%
49	Texas	4.9%
50	New Hampshire	4.2%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	No data	No data
2006	No data	No data
2007	45	5.6%

State Cigarette Tax in Dollars: 2009



Rank	State	Dollars
1	New York	2.75
2	New Jersey	2.57
3	Massachusetts	2.51
4	Rhode Island	2.46
5	Washington	2.02
6	Alaska	2.00
7	Arizona	2.00
8	Connecticut	2.00
9	DC	2.00
10	Hawaii	2.00
11	Maine	2.00
12	Maryland	2.00
13	Michigan	2.00
14	Vermont	1.99
15	Wisconsin	1.77
16	Montana	1.70
17	South Dakota	1.53
18	Minnesota	1.50
19	Texas	1.41

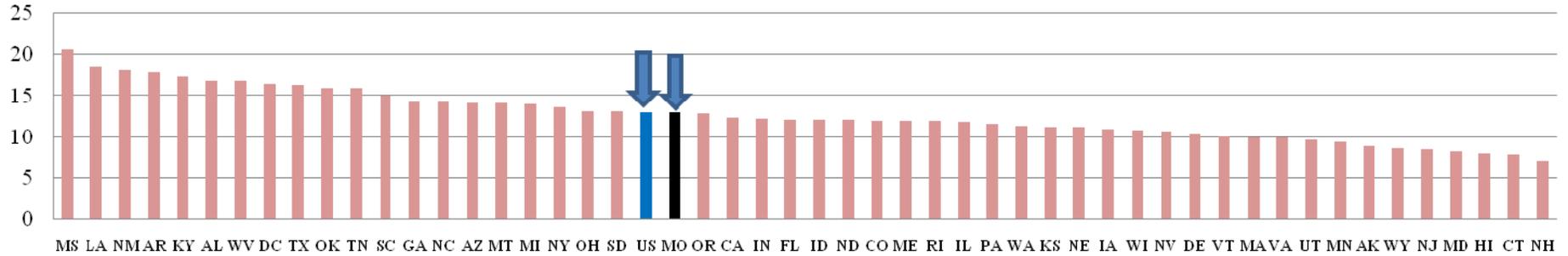
Rank	State	Dollars
20	Iowa	1.36
21	Pennsylvania	1.35
22	New Hampshire	1.33
23	Ohio	1.25
24	Oregon	1.18
25	Arkansas	1.15
26	Delaware	1.15
27	Oklahoma	1.03
28	Indiana	0.99
29	Illinois	0.98
30	New Mexico	0.91
31	California	0.87
32	Colorado	0.84
33	Nevada	0.80
34	Kansas	0.79
35	Utah	0.69
36	Nebraska	0.64
37	Tennessee	0.62
38	Kentucky	0.60

Rank	State	Dollars
39	Wyoming	0.60
40	Idaho	0.57
41	West Virginia	0.55
42	North Dakota	0.44
43	Alabama	0.42
44	Georgia	0.37
45	Louisiana	0.36
46	North Carolina	0.35
47	Florida	0.33
48	Virginia	0.30
49	Mississippi	0.18
50	Missouri	0.17
51	South Carolina	0.07

Year	MO Rank	Dollars
2007	50	0.17
2008	50	0.17
2009	50	0.17

Source: ncs1.org

Percent of Population in Poverty: 2007



Rank	State	Percent
1	Mississippi	20.6%
2	Louisiana	18.6%
3	New Mexico	18.1%
4	Arkansas	17.9%
5	Kentucky	17.3%
6	Alabama	16.9%
6	West Virginia	16.9%
8	DC	16.4%
9	Texas	16.3%
10	Oklahoma	15.9%
10	Tennessee	15.9%
12	South Carolina	15.0%
13	Georgia	14.3%
13	North Carolina	14.3%
15	Arizona	14.2%
16	Montana	14.1%
17	Michigan	14.0%
18	New York	13.7%
19	Ohio	13.1%

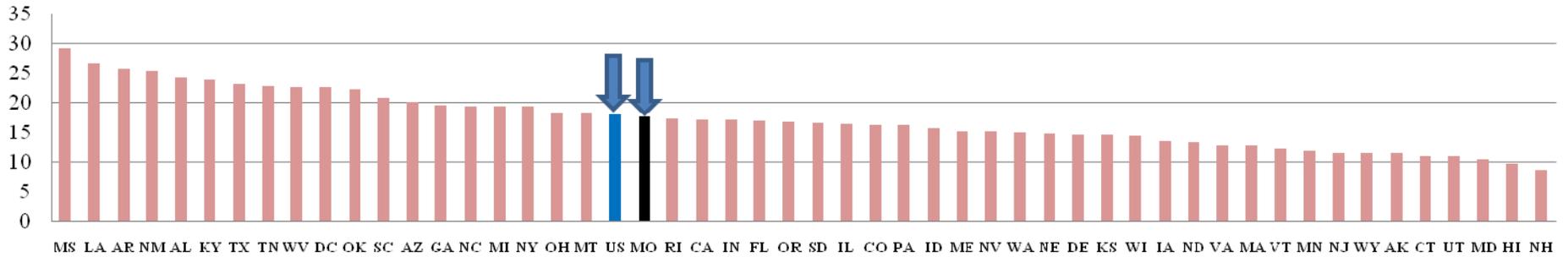
Rank	State	Percent
19	South Dakota	13.1%
	US	13.0%
21	Missouri	13.0%
22	Oregon	12.9%
23	California	12.4%
24	Indiana	12.3%
25	Florida	12.1%
25	Idaho	12.1%
25	North Dakota	12.1%
28	Colorado	12.0%
28	Maine	12.0%
28	Rhode Island	12.0%
31	Illinois	11.9%
32	Pennsylvania	11.6%
33	Washington	11.4%
34	Kansas	11.2%
34	Nebraska	11.2%
36	Iowa	11.0%
37	Wisconsin	10.8%

Rank	State	Percent
38	Nevada	10.7%
39	Delaware	10.5%
40	Vermont	10.1%
41	Massachusetts	9.9%
41	Virginia	9.9%
43	Utah	9.7%
44	Minnesota	9.5%
45	Alaska	8.9%
46	Wyoming	8.7%
47	New Jersey	8.6%
48	Maryland	8.3%
49	Hawaii	8.0%
50	Connecticut	7.9%
51	New Hampshire	7.1%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	21	13.3%
2006	17	13.6%
2007	21	13.0%

Source: Census.gov

Percent of Children in Poverty: 2007



Rank	State	Percent
1	Mississippi	29.3%
2	Louisiana	26.8%
3	Arkansas	25.8%
4	New Mexico	25.5%
5	Alabama	24.3%
6	Kentucky	23.9%
7	Texas	23.2%
8	Tennessee	23.0%
9	West Virginia	22.8%
10	DC	22.7%
11	Oklahoma	22.5%
12	South Carolina	20.9%
13	Arizona	20.2%
14	Georgia	19.7%
15	North Carolina	19.5%
16	Michigan	19.4%
16	New York	19.4%
18	Ohio	18.5%
19	Montana	18.3%

Rank	State	Percent
	United States	18.0%
20	Missouri	17.7%
21	Rhode Island	17.5%
22	California	17.3%
22	Indiana	17.3%
24	Florida	17.1%
25	Oregon	16.9%
26	South Dakota	16.8%
27	Illinois	16.6%
28	Colorado	16.3%
28	Pennsylvania	16.3%
30	Idaho	15.9%
31	Maine	15.4%
32	Nevada	15.3%
33	Washington	15.0%
34	Nebraska	14.9%
35	Delaware	14.7%
36	Kansas	14.6%
37	Wisconsin	14.4%

Rank	State	Percent
38	Iowa	13.6%
39	North Dakota	13.4%
40	Virginia	13.0%
41	Massachusetts	12.9%
42	Vermont	12.4%
43	Minnesota	12.0%
44	New Jersey	11.6%
44	Wyoming	11.6%
46	Alaska	11.5%
47	Connecticut	11.1%
48	Utah	11.0%
49	Maryland	10.5%
50	Hawaii	9.8%
51	New Hampshire	8.8%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	19	19.0%
2006	18	18.6%
2007	20	17.7%

Source: Census.gov



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Education

NAEP Scores - The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is the only nationally representative and continuing assessment of what American students know in various subject areas. NAEP assessments are administered uniformly using the same sets of test booklets across the nation. The test serves as a common metric for all states and selected urban districts. The assessment stays mostly the same from year to year, with only carefully documented changes. The data was provided by the National Center for Education Statistics. In 2007, Missouri ranked 29th in 4th grade reading, 28th in 4th grade math, 27th in 8th grade reading, and 31st in 8th grade math.

ACT Scores - The ACT is a national college admissions examination that consists of subject area tests in: English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science plus a writing test. ACT results are accepted by all 4-year colleges and universities in the U.S. The ACT includes 215 multiple-choice questions and takes approximately 3 hours and 30 minutes to complete. The data was provided ACT, Inc. In 2008, Missouri ranked 26th.

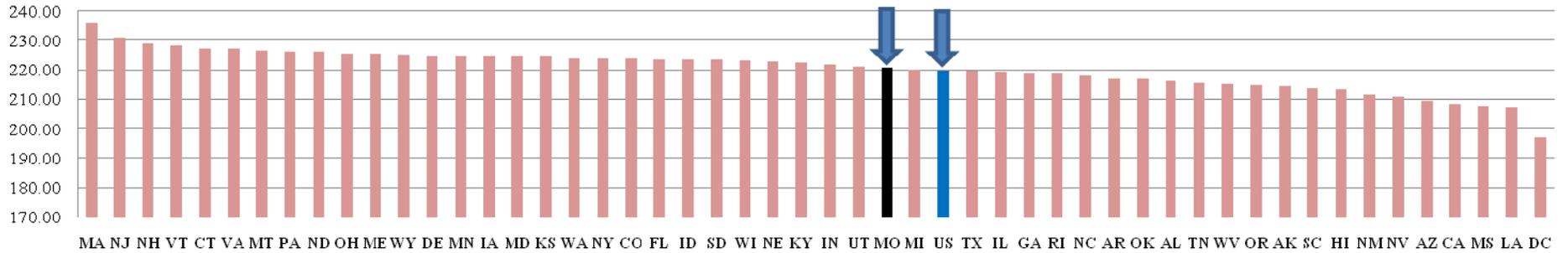
High School Dropout Rate - The percentage of public school students in grades 9 through 12 who dropped out of school between October 1 and the next October 1. The data was provided by the National Center for Education Statistics. In 2006, Missouri ranked 18th.

Percent of Population Age 25 and Older - High School Graduate or Higher - Estimates the percent of the total population that is at least 25 years old with a high school diploma or equivalent. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 32nd.

Percent of Population Age 25 and Older - Bachelor's Degree or Higher - Estimates the percent of the total population that is at least 25 years old with a bachelor's degree or equivalent. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 36th.

Education

4th Grade NAEP Reading Scores: 2007



Rank	State	Score
1	Massachusetts	235.75
2	New Jersey	230.65
3	New Hampshire	229.02
4	Vermont	228.25
5	Connecticut	227.20
6	Virginia	227.14
7	Montana	226.67
8	Pennsylvania	226.35
9	North Dakota	226.33
10	Ohio	225.67
11	Maine	225.54
12	Wyoming	225.29
13	Delaware	225.07
14	Minnesota	224.92
15	Iowa	224.89
16	Maryland	224.78
17	Kansas	224.66
18	Washington	224.00
19	New York	223.75

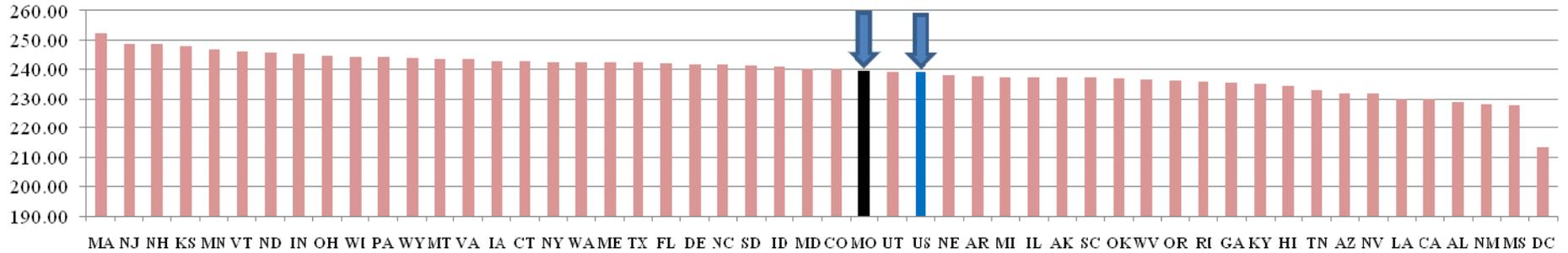
Rank	State	Score
20	Colorado	223.73
21	Florida	223.53
22	Idaho	223.40
23	South Dakota	223.40
24	Wisconsin	223.32
25	Nebraska	222.90
26	Kentucky	222.43
27	Indiana	221.67
28	Utah	221.26
29	Missouri	220.78
30	Michigan	220.12
	US	219.66
31	Texas	219.60
32	Illinois	219.39
33	Georgia	218.89
34	Rhode Island	218.76
35	North Carolina	217.93
36	Arkansas	217.03
37	Oklahoma	216.96

Rank	State	Score
38	Alabama	216.39
39	Tennessee	215.75
40	West Virginia	215.13
41	Oregon	215.02
42	Alaska	214.48
43	South Carolina	213.84
44	Hawaii	213.50
45	New Mexico	211.63
46	Nevada	210.82
47	Arizona	209.52
48	California	208.52
49	Mississippi	207.81
50	Louisiana	207.41
51	DC	197.09

Year	MO Rank	Score
2003	14	222.26
2005	22	221.17
2007	29	220.78

Education

4th Grade NAEP Math Scores: 2007



Rank	State	Score
1	Massachusetts	252.43
2	New Jersey	248.62
3	New Hampshire	248.62
4	Kansas	247.92
5	Minnesota	247.00
6	Vermont	246.36
7	North Dakota	245.42
8	Indiana	245.14
9	Ohio	244.53
10	Wisconsin	244.18
11	Pennsylvania	244.00
12	Wyoming	243.87
13	Montana	243.62
14	Virginia	243.52
15	Iowa	242.82
16	Connecticut	242.76
17	New York	242.54
18	Washington	242.54
19	Maine	242.37

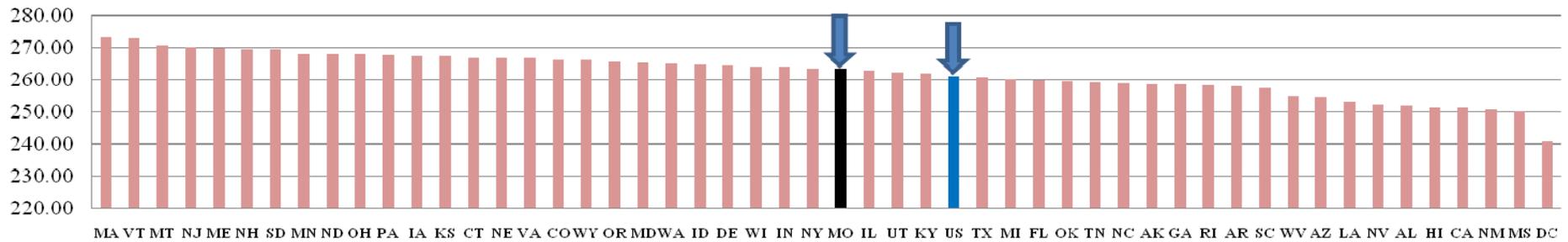
Rank	State	Score
20	Texas	242.34
21	Florida	242.02
22	Delaware	241.79
23	North Carolina	241.62
24	South Dakota	241.21
25	Idaho	240.9
26	Maryland	240.33
27	Colorado	240.21
28	Missouri	239.41
29	Utah	239.40
	US	239.06
30	Nebraska	238.04
31	Arkansas	237.67
32	Michigan	237.61
33	Illinois	237.29
34	Alaska	237.27
35	South Carolina	237.11
36	Oklahoma	236.80
37	West Virginia	236.34

Rank	State	Score
38	Oregon	236.04
39	Rhode Island	235.88
40	Georgia	235.21
41	Kentucky	235.09
42	Hawaii	234.29
43	Tennessee	232.75
44	Arizona	231.94
45	Nevada	231.78
46	Louisiana	230.04
47	California	230.03
48	Alabama	228.52
49	New Mexico	228.06
50	Mississippi	227.61
51	DC	213.70

Year	MO Rank	Score
2003	30	234.84
2006	35	235.04
2007	28	239.06

Education

8th Grade NAEP Reading Scores: 2007



Rank	State	Score
1	Massachusetts	273.28
2	Vermont	273.05
3	Montana	270.94
4	New Jersey	270.14
5	Maine	269.92
6	New Hampshire	269.73
7	South Dakota	269.60
8	Minnesota	268.20
9	North Dakota	268.02
10	Ohio	267.98
11	Pennsylvania	267.67
12	Iowa	267.45
13	Kansas	267.41
14	Connecticut	267.06
15	Nebraska	267.03
16	Virginia	266.88
17	Colorado	266.41
18	Wyoming	266.23
19	Oregon	265.71

Rank	State	Score
20	Maryland	265.24
21	Washington	264.95
22	Idaho	264.89
23	Delaware	264.54
24	Wisconsin	264.18
25	Indiana	264.10
26	New York	263.55
27	Missouri	263.44
28	Illinois	262.83
29	Utah	262.23
30	Kentucky	261.97
	US	261.01
31	Texas	260.81
32	Michigan	260.32
33	Florida	259.79
34	Oklahoma	259.55
35	Tennessee	259.16
36	North Carolina	259.14
37	Alaska	258.80

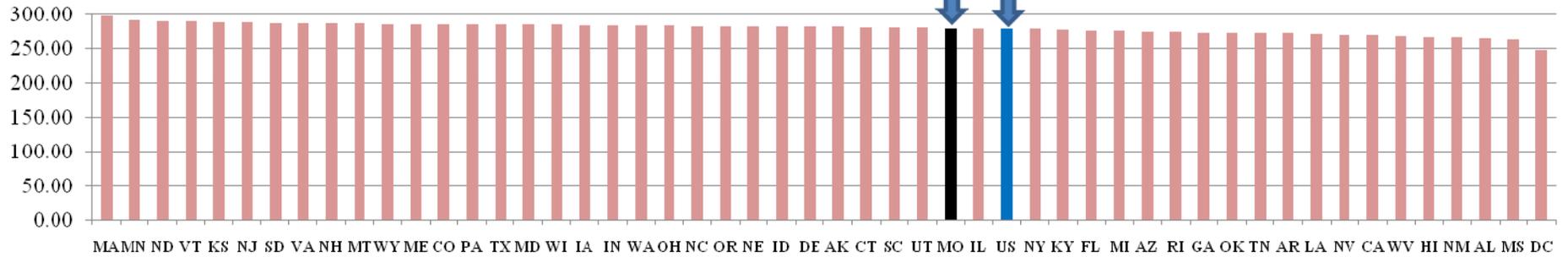
Rank	State	Score
38	Georgia	258.70
39	Rhode Island	258.32
40	Arkansas	257.96
41	South Carolina	257.42
42	West Virginia	255.00
43	Arizona	254.83
44	Louisiana	253.24
45	Nevada	252.35
46	Alabama	251.94
47	Hawaii	251.33
48	California	251.29
49	New Mexico	250.75
50	Mississippi	250.06
51	DC	240.79

Year	MO Rank	Score
2003	13	267.36
2005	21	264.66
2007	27	263.44

Source: Nationsreportcard.gov NAEP = National Assessment of Educational Progress

Education

8th Grade NAEP Math Scores: 2007



Rank	State	Score
1	Massachusetts	297.92
2	Minnesota	291.85
3	North Dakota	291.56
4	Vermont	291.01
5	Kansas	290.03
6	New Jersey	288.58
7	South Dakota	288.46
8	Virginia	287.63
9	New Hampshire	287.56
10	Montana	287.08
11	Wyoming	286.99
12	Maine	286.47
13	Colorado	286.19
14	Pennsylvania	286.17
15	Texas	285.87
16	Maryland	285.73
17	Wisconsin	285.62
18	Iowa	285.23
19	Indiana	285.01

Rank	State	Score
20	Washington	284.86
21	Ohio	284.85
22	North Carolina	283.88
23	Oregon	283.83
24	Nebraska	283.65
25	Idaho	283.51
26	Delaware	282.99
27	Alaska	282.56
28	Connecticut	282.47
29	South Carolina	281.50
30	Utah	281.09
31	Missouri	280.62
32	Illinois	280.50
	US	280.17
33	New York	280.14
34	Kentucky	278.70
35	Florida	277.38
36	Michigan	276.83
37	Arizona	275.55

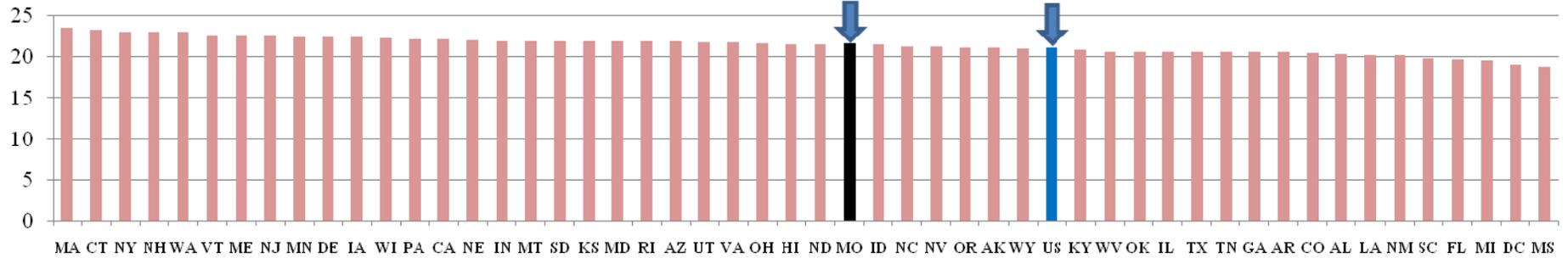
Rank	State	Score
38	Rhode Island	275.39
39	Georgia	274.78
40	Oklahoma	274.53
41	Tennessee	273.98
42	Arkansas	273.90
43	Louisiana	272.39
44	Nevada	270.80
45	California	270.38
46	West Virginia	270.08
47	Hawaii	268.77
48	New Mexico	267.54
49	Alabama	266.00
50	Mississippi	264.89
51	DC	248.20

Year	MO Rank	Score
2003	27	278.77
2005	34	276.45
2007	31	280.42

Source: Nationsreportcard.gov NAEP = National Assessment of Educational Progress

Education

ACT Scores: 2008



Rank	State	Score
1	Massachusetts	23.6
2	Connecticut	23.3
3	New York	23.1
4	New Hampshire	23.1
5	Washington	23.1
6	Vermont	22.7
7	Maine	22.7
8	New Jersey	22.7
9	Minnesota	22.6
10	Delaware	22.6
11	Iowa	22.4
12	Wisconsin	22.3
13	Pennsylvania	22.2
14	California	22.2
15	Nebraska	22.1
16	Indiana	22.0
17	Montana	22.0
18	South Dakota	22.0
19	Kansas	22.0

Rank	State	Score
20	Maryland	22.0
21	Rhode Island	21.8
22	Arizona	21.9
23	Utah	21.9
24	Virginia	21.8
25	Ohio	21.7
26	Missouri	21.6
27	North Dakota	21.6
28	Hawaii	21.6
29	Idaho	21.5
30	North Carolina	21.3
31	Nevada	21.3
32	Oregon	21.2
33	Alaska	21.2
34	Wyoming	21.1
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35	Kentucky	20.9
36	West Virginia	20.7
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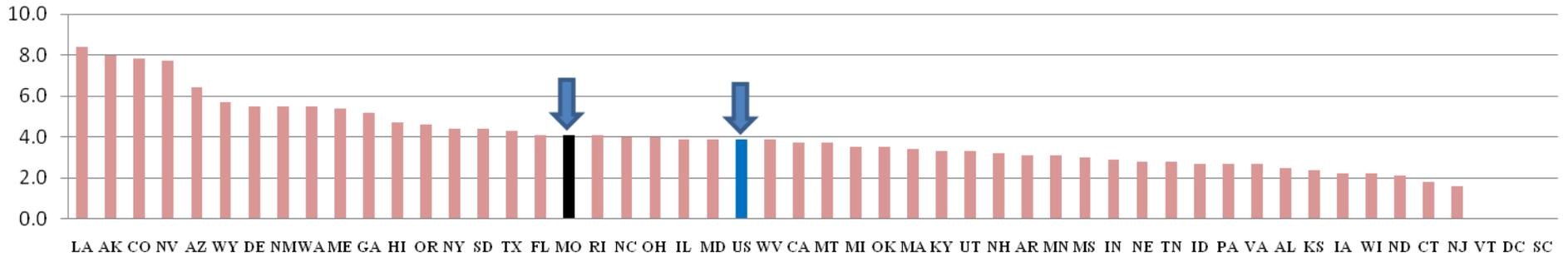
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39	Texas	20.7
40	Tennessee	20.7
41	Georgia	20.6
42	Arkansas	20.6
43	Colorado	20.5
44	Alabama	20.4
45	Louisiana	20.3
46	New Mexico	20.3
47	South Carolina	19.9
48	Florida	19.8
49	Michigan	19.6
50	D.C.	19.1
51	Mississippi	18.9

Year	MO Rank	Score
2006	21	21.6
2007	24	21.6
2008	26	21.6

Source: ACT.org

Education

High School Drop Out Rate: 2006



Rank	State	Percent
1	Louisiana	8.4%
2	Alaska	8.0%
3	Colorado	7.8%
4	Nevada	7.7%
5	Arizona	6.4%
6	Wyoming	5.7%
7	Delaware	5.5%
8	New Mexico	5.5%
9	Washington	5.5%
10	Maine	5.4%
11	Georgia	5.2%
12	Hawaii	4.7%
13	Oregon	4.6%
14	New York	4.4%
15	South Dakota	4.4%
16	Texas	4.3%
17	Florida	4.1%
18	Missouri	4.1%
19	Rhode Island	4.1%

Rank	State	Percent
20	North Carolina	4.0%
21	Ohio	4.0%
22	Illinois	3.9%
23	Maryland	3.9%
	US	3.9%
24	West Virginia	3.9%
25	California	3.7%
26	Montana	3.7%
27	Michigan	3.5%
28	Oklahoma	3.5%
29	Massachusetts	3.4%
30	Kentucky	3.3%
31	Utah	3.3%
32	New Hampshire	3.2%
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34	Minnesota	3.1%
35	Mississippi	3.0%
36	Indiana	2.9%
37	Nebraska	2.8%

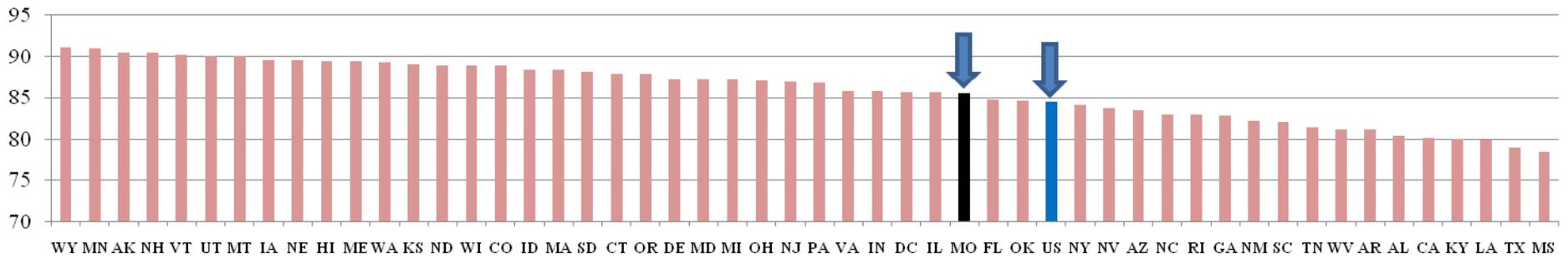
Rank	State	Percent
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39	Idaho	2.7%
40	Pennsylvania	2.7%
41	Virginia	2.7%
42	Alabama	2.5%
43	Kansas	2.4%
44	Iowa	2.2%
45	Wisconsin	2.2%
46	North Dakota	2.1%
47	Connecticut	1.8%
48	New Jersey	1.6%
49	Vermont	no data
50	DC	no data
51	South Carolina	no data

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2004	33	3.6%
2005	39	3.3%
2006	18	4.1%

Source: Nces.ed.gov

Education

Percent of Population Age 25 and Older - High School Graduate or Higher: 2007



Rank	State	Percent
1	Wyoming	91.2%
2	Minnesota	91.0%
3	Alaska	90.5%
4	New Hampshire	90.5%
5	Vermont	90.3%
6	Utah	90.2%
7	Montana	90.0%
8	Iowa	89.6%
9	Nebraska	89.6%
10	Hawaii	89.4%
11	Maine	89.4%
12	Washington	89.3%
13	Kansas	89.1%
14	North Dakota	89.0%
15	Wisconsin	89.0%
16	Colorado	88.9%
17	Idaho	88.4%
18	Massachusetts	88.4%
19	South Dakota	88.2%

Rank	State	Percent
20	Connecticut	88.0%
21	Oregon	88.0%
22	Delaware	87.4%
23	Maryland	87.4%
24	Michigan	87.4%
25	Ohio	87.1%
26	New Jersey	87.0%
27	Pennsylvania	86.8%
28	Virginia	85.9%
29	Indiana	85.8%
30	DC	85.7%
31	Illinois	85.7%
32	Missouri	85.6%
33	Florida	84.9%
34	Oklahoma	84.8%
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35	New York	84.1%
36	Nevada	83.7%
37	Arizona	83.5%

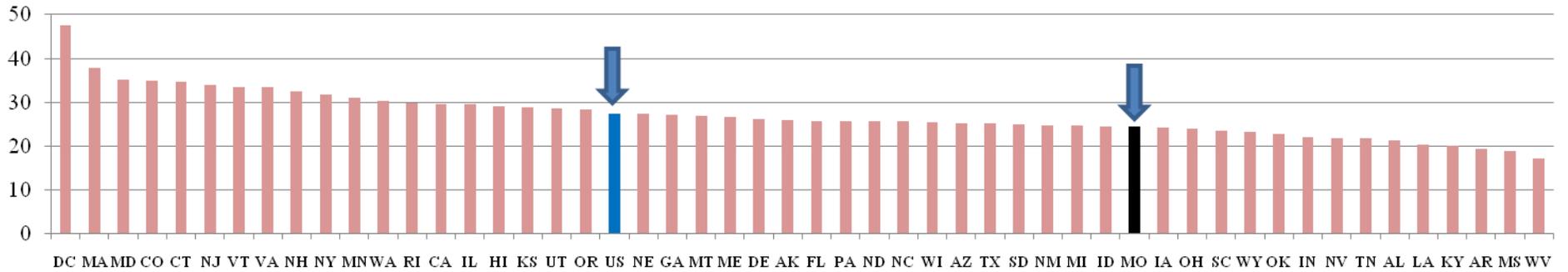
Rank	State	Percent
38	North Carolina	83.0%
39	Rhode Island	83.0%
40	Georgia	82.9%
41	New Mexico	82.3%
42	South Carolina	82.1%
43	Tennessee	81.4%
44	West Virginia	81.2%
45	Arkansas	81.1%
46	Alabama	80.4%
47	California	80.2%
48	Kentucky	80.1%
49	Louisiana	79.9%
50	Texas	79.1%
51	Mississippi	78.5%

Year	MO Rank	Rate
2005	31	85.0%
2006	31	84.8%
2007	32	85.6%

Source: Census.gov

Education

Percent of Population Age 25 and Older - Bachelor's Degree or Higher: 2007



Rank	State	Percent
1	DC	47.5%
2	Massachusetts	37.9%
3	Maryland	35.2%
4	Colorado	35.0%
5	Connecticut	34.7%
6	New Jersey	33.9%
7	Vermont	33.6%
7	Virginia	33.6%
9	New Hampshire	32.5%
10	New York	31.7%
11	Minnesota	31.0%
12	Washington	30.3%
13	Rhode Island	29.8%
14	California	29.5%
14	Illinois	29.5%
16	Hawaii	29.2%
17	Kansas	28.8%
18	Utah	28.7%
19	Oregon	28.3%

Rank	State	Percent
	US	27.5%
20	Nebraska	27.5%
21	Georgia	27.1%
22	Montana	27.0%
23	Maine	26.7%
24	Delaware	26.1%
25	Alaska	26.0%
26	Florida	25.8%
26	Pennsylvania	25.8%
28	North Dakota	25.7%
29	North Carolina	25.6%
30	Wisconsin	25.4%
31	Arizona	25.3%
32	Texas	25.2%
33	South Dakota	25.0%
34	New Mexico	24.8%
35	Michigan	24.7%
36	Idaho	24.5%
36	Missouri	24.5%

Rank	State	Percent
38	Iowa	24.3%
39	Ohio	24.1%
40	South Carolina	23.5%
41	Wyoming	23.4%
42	Oklahoma	22.8%
43	Indiana	22.1%
44	Nevada	21.8%
44	Tennessee	21.8%
46	Alabama	21.4%
47	Louisiana	20.4%
48	Kentucky	20.0%
49	Arkansas	19.3%
50	Mississippi	18.9%
51	West Virginia	17.3%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	36	24.0%
2006	36	24.3%
2007	36	24.5%

Source: Census.gov



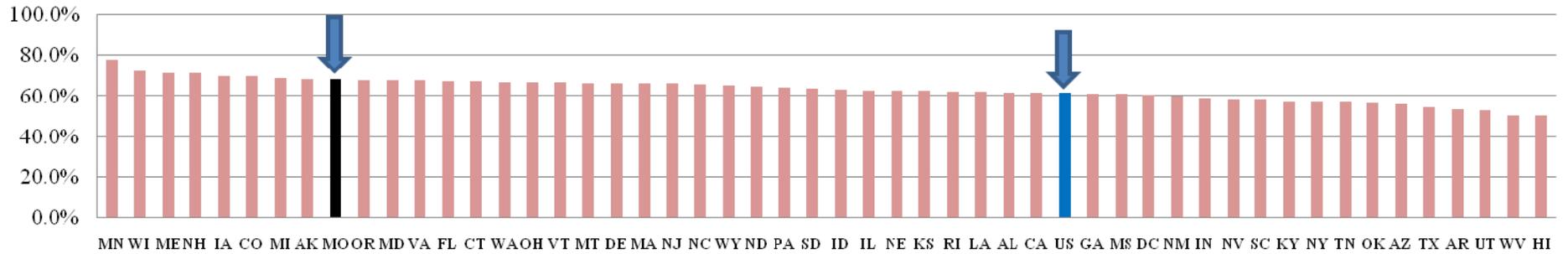
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Civic Involvement

Voter Turnout Rate: Election 2008 - The percentage of the eligible voting age population who cast a ballot in the 2008 Presidential Election. The data was provided by the United States Election Project at George Mason University. In 2008, Missouri ranked 9th.

Volunteer Rate of the Population - The percent of the population, ages 16 and up, who volunteered at a nonprofit or other kind of charitable organization in the last 12 months. The data was provided by the Corporation for National Community Service. In 2007, Missouri ranked 25th.

Voter Turnout Rate: Election 2008



Rank	State	Percent
1	Minnesota	78.2%
2	Wisconsin	72.5%
3	Maine	71.4%
4	New Hampshire	71.3%
5	Iowa	69.9%
6	Colorado	69.8%
7	Michigan	68.9%
8	Alaska	68.3%
9	Missouri	68.1%
10	Oregon	67.8%
11	Maryland	67.7%
12	Virginia	67.7%
13	Florida	67.5%
14	Connecticut	67.2%
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16	Ohio	66.7%
17	Vermont	66.7%
18	Montana	66.3%
19	Delaware	66.2%

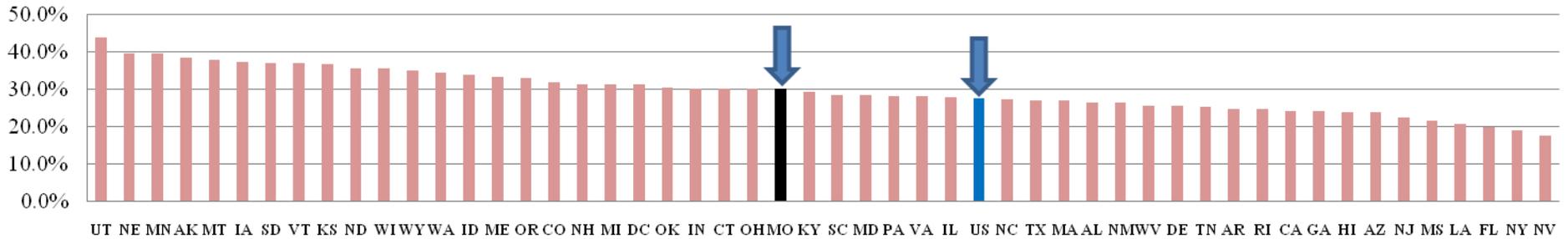
Rank	State	Percent
20	Massachusetts	66.2%
21	New Jersey	66.2%
22	North Carolina	65.8%
23	Wyoming	65.4%
24	North Dakota	65.0%
25	Pennsylvania	64.2%
26	South Dakota	63.8%
27	Idaho	63.3%
28	Illinois	62.8%
29	Nebraska	62.6%
30	Kansas	62.5%
31	Rhode Island	62.3%
32	Louisiana	62.1%
33	Alabama	61.8%
34	California	61.7%
	US	61.7%
35	Georgia	61.4%
36	Mississippi	61.0%
37	DC	60.7%

Rank	State	Percent
38	New Mexico	60.3%
39	Indiana	59.4%
40	Nevada	58.6%
41	South Carolina	58.6%
42	Kentucky	57.9%
43	New York	57.6%
44	Tennessee	57.3%
45	Oklahoma	56.7%
46	Arizona	56.0%
47	Texas	54.7%
48	Arkansas	53.4%
49	Utah	53.3%
50	West Virginia	50.6%
51	Hawaii	50.5%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2004	15	65.3%
2006	12	50.0%
2008	9	68.1%

Source: Elections.gmu.edu

Volunteer Rate of the Population Age 16+*: 2007



Rate	State	Percent
1	Utah	43.9%
2	Nebraska	39.8%
3	Minnesota	39.7%
4	Alaska	38.6%
5	Montana	38.0%
6	Iowa	37.3%
7	South Dakota	37.1%
8	Vermont	37.0%
9	Kansas	36.8%
10	North Dakota	35.6%
11	Wisconsin	35.6%
12	Wyoming	35.1%
13	Washington	34.7%
14	Idaho	34.0%
15	Maine	33.3%
16	Oregon	33.2%
17	Colorado	31.9%
18	New Hampshire	31.5%
19	Michigan	31.4%

Rate	State	Percent
20	DC	31.3%
21	Oklahoma	30.5%
22	Indiana	30.4%
23	Connecticut	30.3%
24	Ohio	30.3%
25	Missouri	30.2%
26	Kentucky	29.4%
27	South Carolina	28.6%
28	Maryland	28.5%
29	Pennsylvania	28.3%
30	Virginia	28.3%
31	Illinois	28.0%
	US	27.6%
32	North Carolina	27.3%
33	Texas	27.1%
34	Massachusetts	27.0%
35	Alabama	26.6%
36	New Mexico	26.6%
37	West Virginia	25.7%

Rate	State	Percent
38	Delaware	25.6%
39	Tennessee	25.5%
40	Arkansas	25.0%
41	Rhode Island	24.9%
42	California	24.3%
43	Georgia	24.2%
44	Hawaii	24.0%
45	Arizona	23.9%
46	New Jersey	22.7%
47	Mississippi	21.8%
48	Louisiana	20.9%
49	Florida	20.0%
50	New York	19.2%
51	Nevada	17.7%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	No data	31.2%
2006	No data	29.9%
2007	25	30.2%

*Volunteer rate = The percent of the population age 16 and older who volunteered in the last 12 months.

Source: VolunteeringinAmerica.gov



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Health

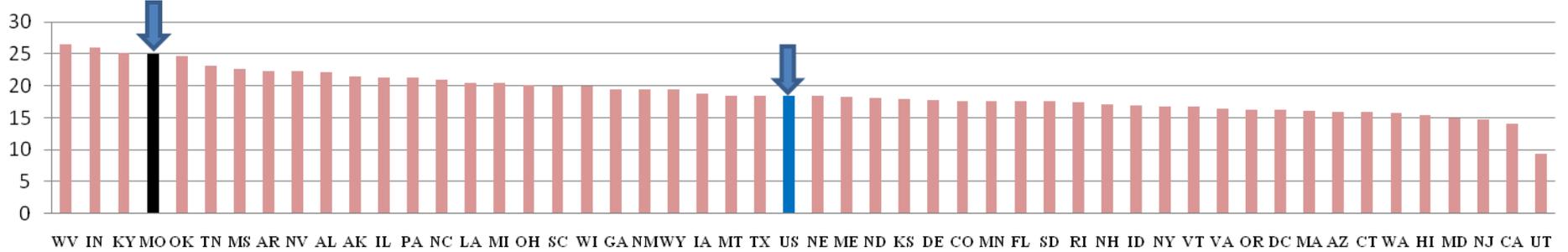
Percent of Population that are Adult Smokers - The percentage of adults age 18 and older who report themselves to be smokers. This data was provided by the Centers for Disease Control. In 2008, Missouri ranked 4th.

Percent of the Population that is Overweight or Obese - The percent of the population who have a body mass index (BMI) of 25 or greater. Obesity is defined as having a BMI of over 30. The data was provided by the Centers for Disease Control. In 2007, Missouri ranked 22nd.

Percent of Live Births to Mothers Under 20 Years of Age - The number of total births to teenage women, age 15-19, as a percentage of total births in the state. The data was provided by the Centers for Disease Control. In 2006, Missouri ranked 16th.

Percent of Population without Health Insurance - The percent of the population that does not have any form of health insurance. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 31st.

Percent of Population that are Adult Smokers: 2008



Rank	State	Percent
1	West Virginia	26.5%
2	Indiana	26.0%
3	Kentucky	25.2%
4	Missouri	25.0%
5	Oklahoma	24.7%
6	Tennessee	23.1%
7	Mississippi	22.7%
8	Arkansas	22.3%
9	Nevada	22.2%
10	Alabama	22.1%
11	Alaska	21.5%
12	Illinois	21.3%
13	Pennsylvania	21.3%
14	North Carolina	20.9%
15	Louisiana	20.5%
16	Michigan	20.5%
17	Ohio	20.1%
18	South Carolina	20.0%
19	Wisconsin	19.9%

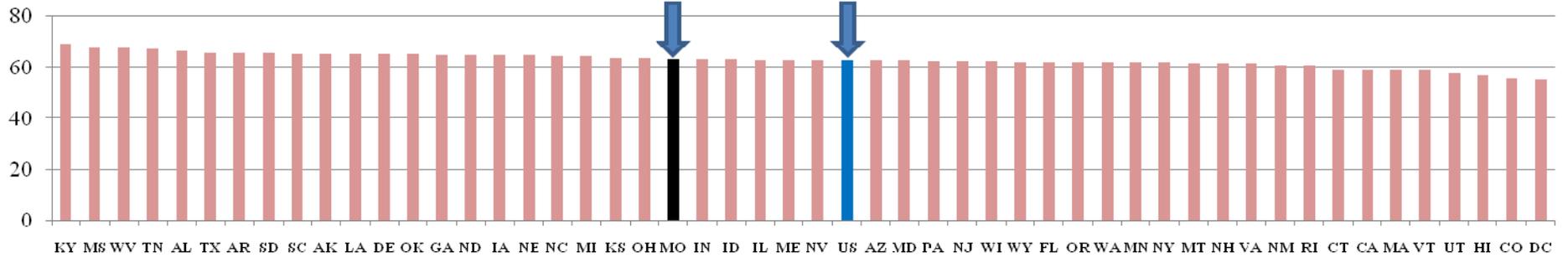
Rank	State	Percent
20	Georgia	19.5%
21	New Mexico	19.4%
22	Wyoming	19.4%
23	Iowa	18.8%
24	Montana	18.5%
25	Texas	18.5%
26	Nebraska	18.4%
	US	18.4%
27	Maine	18.2%
28	North Dakota	18.1%
29	Kansas	17.9%
30	Delaware	17.8%
31	Colorado	17.6%
32	Minnesota	17.6%
33	Florida	17.5%
34	South Dakota	17.5%
35	Rhode Island	17.4%
36	New Hampshire	17.1%
37	Idaho	16.9%

Rank	State	Percent
38	New York	16.8%
39	Vermont	16.8%
40	Virginia	16.4%
41	Oregon	16.3%
42	DC	16.2%
43	Massachusetts	16.1%
44	Arizona	15.9%
45	Connecticut	15.9%
46	Washington	15.7%
47	Hawaii	15.4%
48	Maryland	14.9%
49	New Jersey	14.8%
50	California	14.0%
51	Utah	9.3%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2006	7	23.2%
2007	4	24.5%
2008	4	25.0%

Source: CDC.gov

Percent of Population Overweight or Obese: 2007



Rank	State	Percent
1	Kentucky	69.1%
2	Mississippi	68.1%
3	West Virginia	68.0%
4	Tennessee	67.4%
5	Alabama	66.6%
6	Texas	65.7%
7	Arkansas	65.6%
8	South Dakota	65.5%
9	South Carolina	65.3%
10	Alaska	65.2%
10	Louisiana	65.2%
12	Delaware	65.1%
12	Oklahoma	65.1%
14	Georgia	65.0%
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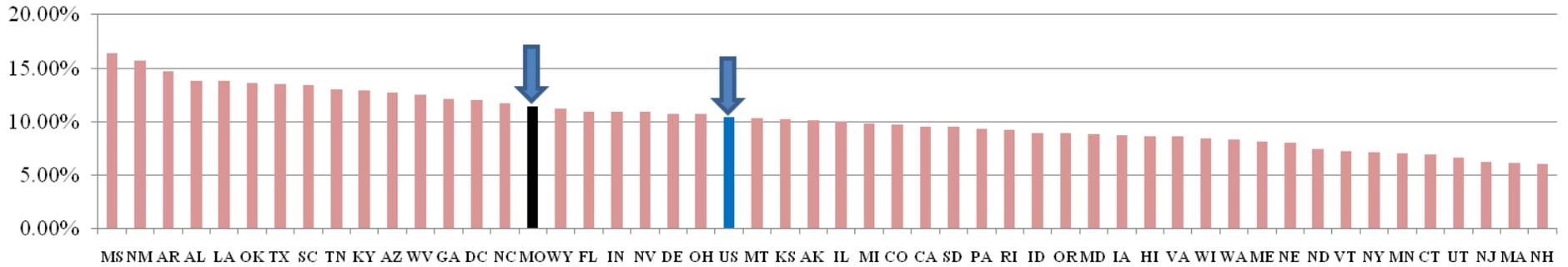
Rank	State	Percent
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21	Ohio	63.5%
22	Missouri	63.3%
23	Indiana	63.2%
24	Idaho	63.1%
25	Illinois	63.0%
25	Maine	63.0%
25	Nevada	63.0%
	US	63.0%
28	Arizona	62.7%
28	Maryland	62.7%
30	Pennsylvania	62.6%
31	New Jersey	62.3%
31	Wisconsin	62.3%
33	Wyoming	62.2%
34	Florida	62.1%
34	Oregon	62.1%
34	Washington	62.1%
37	Minnesota	62.0%

Rank	State	Percent
37	New York	62.0%
39	Montana	61.8%
39	New Hampshire	61.8%
39	Virginia	61.8%
42	New Mexico	60.8%
42	Rhode Island	60.8%
44	Connecticut	59.2%
45	California	59.0%
46	Massachusetts	58.9%
47	Vermont	58.8%
48	Utah	57.9%
49	Hawaii	56.8%
50	Colorado	55.6%
51	DC	55.3%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	11	63.9%
2006	20	62.9%
2007	22	63.3%

Source: CDC.gov

Percent of Live Births to Mothers Under 20 Years of Age: 2006



Rank	State	Percent
1	Mississippi	16.5%
2	New Mexico	15.7%
2	Arkansas	14.8%
4	Alabama	13.8%
4	Louisiana	13.9%
6	Oklahoma	13.6%
7	Texas	13.5%
8	South Carolina	13.4%
9	Tennessee	13.0%
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12	West Virginia	12.5%
13	Georgia	12.1%
14	DC	12.0%
15	North Carolina	11.7%
16	Missouri	11.4%
17	Wyoming	11.2%
18	Florida	10.9%
18	Indiana	10.9%

Rank	State	Percent
18	Nevada	10.9%
21	Delaware	10.7%
22	Ohio	10.7%
	US	10.4%
23	Montana	10.3%
24	Kansas	10.2%
25	Alaska	10.1%
26	Illinois	10.0%
27	Michigan	9.8%
28	Colorado	9.7%
29	California	9.5%
29	South Dakota	9.5%
31	Pennsylvania	9.3%
32	Rhode Island	9.2%
33	Idaho	8.9%
33	Oregon	8.9%
35	Maryland	8.8%
36	Iowa	8.7%
37	Hawaii	8.6%

Rank	State	Percent
37	Virginia	8.6%
39	Wisconsin	8.4%
40	Washington	8.3%
41	Maine	8.1%
42	Nebraska	8.0%
43	North Dakota	7.4%
44	Vermont	7.2%
45	New York	7.1%
46	Minnesota	7.0%
47	Connecticut	7.0%
48	Utah	6.6%
49	New Jersey	6.3%
50	Massachusetts	6.2%
51	New Hampshire	6.1%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2004	26	13.5%
2005	16	11.1%
2006	16	11.4%

Percent of Population without Health Insurance: 2007



Rank	State	Percent
1	Texas	25.2%
2	New Mexico	22.5%
3	Florida	20.2%
4	Mississippi	18.8%
5	Louisiana	18.5%
6	Arizona	18.3%
7	California	18.2%
7	Alaska	18.2%
9	Oklahoma	17.8%
10	Georgia	17.5%
11	Nevada	17.2%
12	Oregon	16.8%
13	South Carolina	16.4%
13	Colorado	16.4%
15	North Carolina	16.4%
16	Arkansas	16.1%
17	New Jersey	15.8%
18	Montana	15.6%
	US	15.3%

Rank	State	Percent
19	Virginia	14.8%
20	Tennessee	14.4%
21	West Virginia	14.1%
22	Idaho	13.9%
23	Maryland	13.7%
24	Kentucky	13.6%
24	Wyoming	13.6%
26	Illinois	13.4%
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28	New York	13.2%
29	Utah	12.8%
30	Kansas	12.7%
31	Missouri	12.6%
32	Vermont	12.2%
33	Alabama	12.0%
34	Ohio	11.7%
35	Michigan	11.6%
36	Indiana	11.4%
37	Washington	11.3%

Rank	State	Percent
38	Delaware	11.2%
39	Rhode Island	10.8%
40	New Hampshire	10.5%
41	South Dakota	10.1%
42	North Dakota	10.0%
43	Pennsylvania	9.5%
44	DC	9.5%
45	Connecticut	9.4%
46	Iowa	9.3%
47	Maine	8.8%
48	Minnesota	8.3%
49	Wisconsin	8.2%
50	Hawaii	7.5%
51	Massachusetts	5.4%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	32	11.7%
2006	29	13.3%
2007	31	12.6%

Source: CDC.gov



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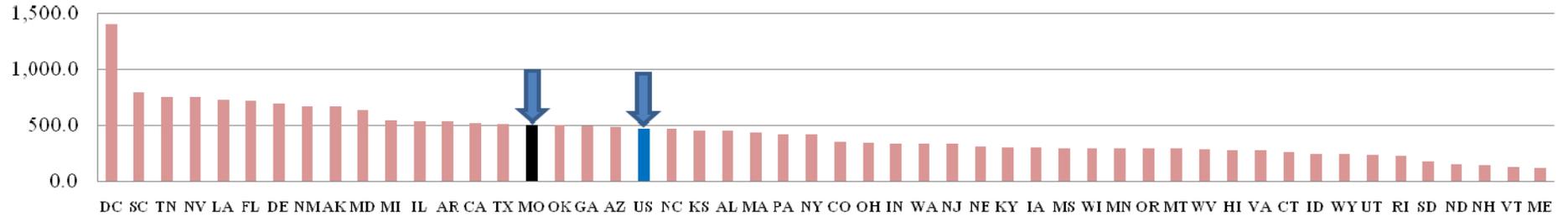
Crime

Violent Crime Rate - The violent crime rate is composed of four offenses: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Violent crimes are defined as those offenses which involve force or threat of force. The rate is computed as the number of these violent crimes per 100,000 inhabitants. The data was provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In 2007, Missouri ranked 16th.

Property Crime Rate - The property crime rate is composed of offenses such as burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. There is no force or threat of force against the victims. The rate is computed as the number of these property crimes per 100,000 inhabitants. The data was provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In 2007, Missouri ranked 15th.

Crime

Violent Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants: 2007



Rank	State	Rate
1	DC	1,414.3
2	South Carolina	788.3
3	Tennessee	753.3
4	Nevada	750.6
5	Louisiana	729.5
6	Florida	722.6
7	Delaware	689.2
8	New Mexico	664.2
9	Alaska	661.2
10	Maryland	641.9
11	Michigan	536.0
12	Illinois	533.2
13	Arkansas	529.4
14	California	522.6
15	Texas	510.6
16	Missouri	504.9
17	Oklahoma	499.6
18	Georgia	493.2
19	Arizona	482.7

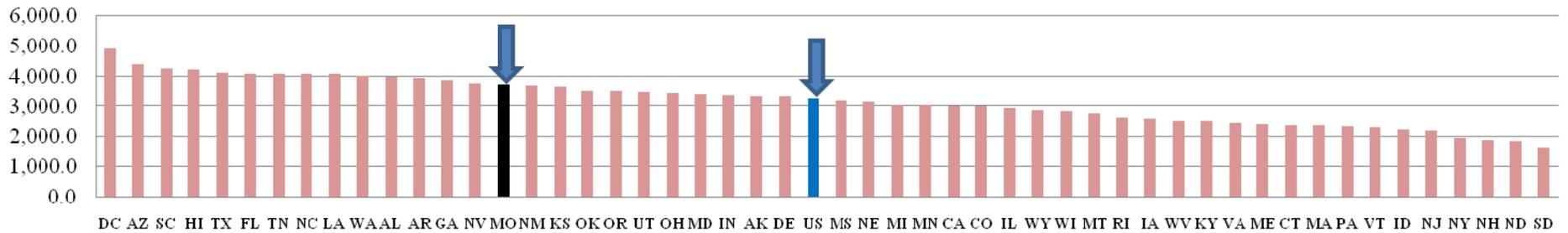
Rank	State	Rate
	US	466.9
20	North Carolina	466.4
21	Kansas	452.7
22	Alabama	448.0
23	Massachusetts	431.5
24	Pennsylvania	416.5
25	New York	414.1
26	Colorado	347.8
27	Ohio	343.2
28	Indiana	333.6
29	Washington	333.1
30	New Jersey	329.3
31	Nebraska	302.4
32	Kentucky	295.0
33	Iowa	294.7
34	Mississippi	291.3
35	Wisconsin	290.9
36	Minnesota	288.7
37	Oregon	287.6

Rank	State	Rate
38	Montana	287.5
39	West Virginia	275.2
40	Hawaii	272.8
41	Virginia	269.7
42	Connecticut	256.0
43	Idaho	239.4
44	Wyoming	239.3
45	Utah	234.8
46	Rhode Island	227.3
47	South Dakota	169.2
48	North Dakota	142.4
49	New Hampshire	137.3
50	Vermont	124.3
51	Maine	118.0

Year	MO Rank	Rate
2005	16	525.4
2006	13	545.6
2007	16	504.9

Source: FBI.gov

Property Crime Rate per 100,000 Inhabitants: 2007



Rank	State	Rate
1	DC	4,913.9
2	Arizona	4,414.0
3	South Carolina	4,271.7
4	Hawaii	4,225.4
5	Texas	4,121.2
6	Florida	4,089.3
7	Tennessee	4,088.6
8	North Carolina	4,087.3
9	Louisiana	4,076.0
10	Washington	4,030.8
11	Alabama	3,971.6
12	Arkansas	3,953.1
13	Georgia	3,901.0
14	Nevada	3,777.8
15	Missouri	3,738.4
16	New Mexico	3,725.7
17	Kansas	3,678.7
18	Oklahoma	3,526.4
19	Oregon	3,526.2

Rank	State	Rate
20	Utah	3,500.3
21	Ohio	3,455.2
22	Maryland	3,431.5
23	Indiana	3,396.6
24	Alaska	3,379.5
25	Delaware	3,370.1
	US	3,263.5
26	Mississippi	3,200.8
27	Nebraska	3,161.4
28	Michigan	3,065.7
29	Minnesota	3,036.6
30	California	3,033.0
31	Colorado	3,006.1
32	Illinois	2,935.8
33	Wyoming	2,865.9
34	Wisconsin	2,837.7
35	Montana	2,765.4
36	Rhode Island	2,622.6
37	Iowa	2,615.6

Rank	State	Rate
38	West Virginia	2,525.0
39	Kentucky	2,518.3
40	Virginia	2,466.4
41	Maine	2,428.8
42	Connecticut	2,399.9
43	Massachusetts	2,391.5
44	Pennsylvania	2,361.3
45	Vermont	2,322.7
46	Idaho	2,246.6
47	New Jersey	2,213.1
48	New York	1,978.6
49	New Hampshire	1,892.0
50	North Dakota	1,889.6
51	South Dakota	1,652.3

Year	MO Rank	Rate
2005	17	3,927.5
2006	16	3,826.5
2007	15	3738.4

Source: FBI.gov



Missouri Statewide Performance Indicators: A National Comparison

Transportation

Average Travel Time to Work - The average time it takes, in minutes, for workers 16 and over, who did not work from home, to travel from home to their place of employment. The data was provided by the Census Bureau. In 2007, Missouri ranked 26th.

Percent of Population Using Seat Belts - The percent of the population who reported wearing seat belts while in a motor vehicle. The data was provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. In 2008, Missouri ranked 41st.

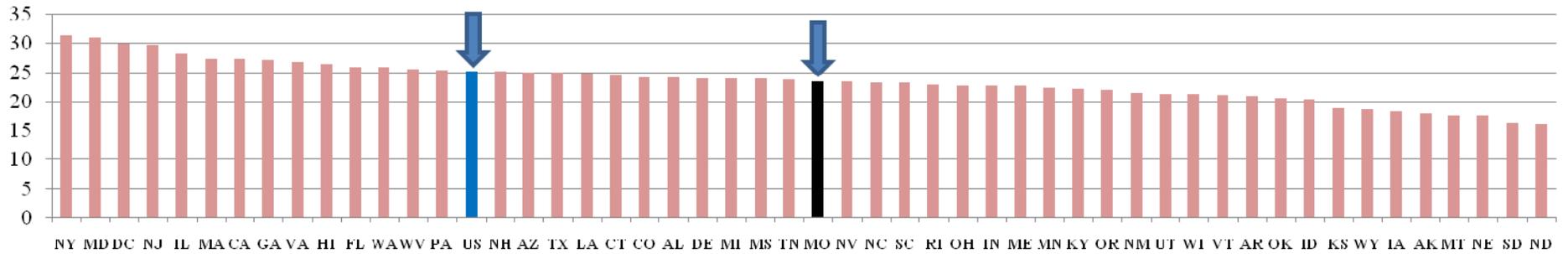
State Gas Tax - The amount of tax levied, in cents, by a state on the sale of one gallon of gasoline. The data was provided by the Federation of Tax Administrations and the Bureau of Transportation Statistics. In 2008, Missouri ranked 43rd.

Percent of Roads in Mediocre or Poor Condition - The percent of all roadways in a state that are in mediocre or poor condition as defined by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics. In 2006, Missouri ranked 18th.

Percent of Bridges that are Structurally Deficient or Functionally Obsolete - The percent of bridges that are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete as defined by the Federal Highway Administration (FHA). The FHA provided the data for this indicator. In 2008, Missouri ranked 15th.

Transportation

Average Travel Time to Work in Minutes: 2007



Rank	State	Minutes
1	New York	31.5
2	Maryland	31.1
3	DC	30.1
4	New Jersey	29.8
5	Illinois	28.2
6	Massachusetts	27.4
7	California	27.3
8	Georgia	27.1
9	Virginia	26.8
10	Hawaii	26.4
11	Florida	25.9
12	Washington	25.9
13	West Virginia	25.5
14	Pennsylvania	25.4
	US	25.3
15	New Hampshire	25.3
16	Arizona	25.1
17	Texas	25.0
18	Louisiana	24.9

Rank	State	Minutes
19	Connecticut	24.6
20	Colorado	24.2
21	Alabama	24.1
22	Delaware	24.0
23	Michigan	23.9
24	Mississippi	23.9
25	Tennessee	23.8
26	Missouri	23.5
27	Nevada	23.5
28	North Carolina	23.3
29	South Carolina	23.2
30	Rhode Island	23.0
31	Ohio	22.8
32	Indiana	22.7
33	Maine	22.7
34	Minnesota	22.3
35	Kentucky	22.2
36	Oregon	22.1
37	New Mexico	21.5

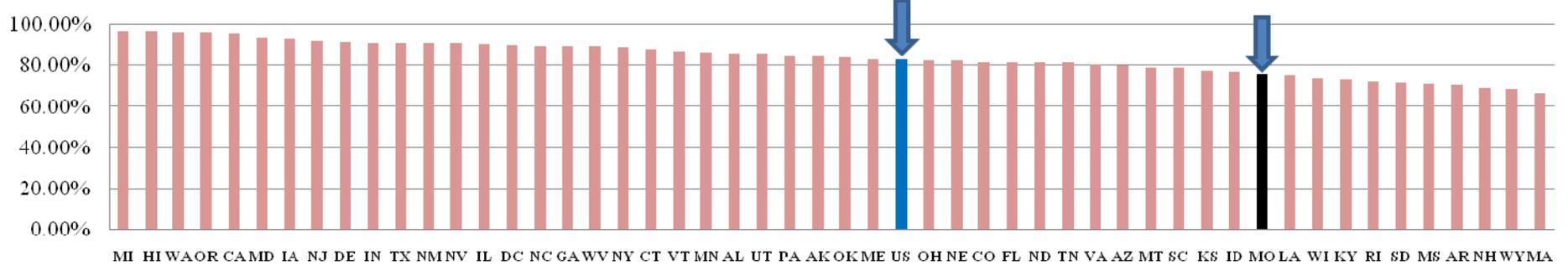
Rank	State	Minutes
38	Utah	21.4
39	Wisconsin	21.4
40	Vermont	21.2
41	Arkansas	21.0
42	Oklahoma	20.6
43	Idaho	20.5
44	Kansas	18.8
45	Wyoming	18.6
46	Iowa	18.3
47	Alaska	18.0
48	Montana	17.6
49	Nebraska	17.6
50	South Dakota	16.3
51	North Dakota	16.1

Year	MO Rank	Minutes
2005	30	23.0
2006	28	22.9
2007	26	23.5

Source: Census.gov

Transportation

Percent of Population Using Seat Belts: 2008



Rank	State	Percent
1	Michigan	97.2%
2	Hawaii	97.0%
3	Washington	96.5%
4	Oregon	96.3%
5	California	95.7%
6	Maryland	93.3%
7	Iowa	92.9%
8	New Jersey	91.8%
9	Delaware	91.3%
10	Indiana	91.2%
11	Texas	91.2%
12	New Mexico	91.1%
13	Nevada	90.9%
14	Illinois	90.5%
15	DC	90.0%
16	North Carolina	89.8%
17	Georgia	89.6%
18	West Virginia	89.5%
19	New York	89.1%

Rank	State	Percent
20	Connecticut	88.0%
21	Vermont	87.3%
22	Minnesota	86.7%
23	Alabama	86.1%
24	Utah	86.0%
25	Pennsylvania	85.1%
26	Alaska	84.9%
27	Oklahoma	84.3%
28	Maine	83.0%
	US	83.0%
29	Ohio	82.7%
30	Nebraska	82.6%
31	Colorado	81.7%
32	Florida	81.7%
33	North Dakota	81.6%
34	Tennessee	81.5%
35	Virginia	80.6%
36	Arizona	79.9%
37	Montana	79.3%

Rank	State	Percent
38	South Carolina	79.0%
39	Kansas	77.4%
40	Idaho	76.9%
41	Missouri	75.8%
42	Louisiana	75.5%
43	Wisconsin	74.2%
44	Kentucky	73.3%
45	Rhode Island	72.0%
46	South Dakota	71.8%
47	Mississippi	71.3%
48	Arkansas	70.4%
49	New Hampshire	69.2%
50	Wyoming	68.6%
51	Massachusetts	66.8%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2006	40	75.2%
2007	41	77.2%
2008	41	75.8%

Source: nhtsa.dot.gov

Transportation

State Gas Taxes in Cents: 2008



Rank	State	Gas tax (cents)
1	Washington	36.0
2	Wisconsin	32.9
3	West Virginia	32.2
4	Pennsylvania	31.2
5	Rhode Island	31.0
6	North Carolina	30.1
7	Ohio	28.0
8	Maine	27.6
9	Montana	27.0
10	Idaho	26.0
11	Connecticut	25.0
12	Utah	24.5
13	New York	24.4
14	Nevada	24.0
15	Kansas	24.0
16	Oregon	24.0
17	Nebraska	23.9
18	Maryland	23.5
19	Delaware	23.0

Rank	State	Gas tax (cents)
20	North Dakota	23.0
21	Colorado	22.0
22	South Dakota	22.0
23	Arkansas	21.5
24	Tennessee	21.4
25	Kentucky	21.0
26	Massachusetts	21.0
27	Iowa	20.7
28	Illinois	20.1
29	DC	20.0
30	Louisiana	20.0
31	Minnesota	20.0
32	Texas	20.0
33	Vermont	20.0
34	New Hampshire	19.6
35	Michigan	19.0
36	New Mexico	18.8
37	Georgia	18.5
38	Mississippi	18.4

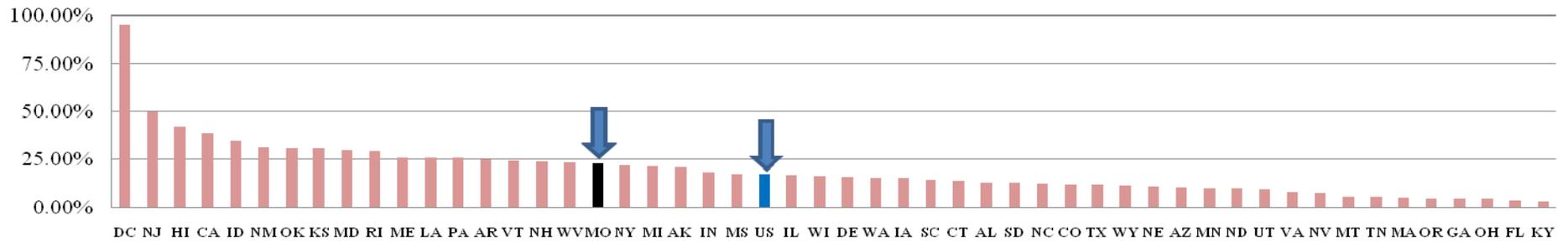
Rank	State	Gas tax (cents)
39	Alabama	18.0
40	Arizona	18.0
41	California	18.0
42	Indiana	18.0
43	Missouri	17.0
44	Virginia	17.5
45	Hawaii	17.0
46	South Carolina	16.0
47	Florida	15.6
48	New Jersey	14.5
49	Wyoming	14.0
50	Oklahoma	13.0
51	Alaska	8.0

Year	MO Rank	Gas tax (cents)
2006	48	17.0
2007	48	17.0
2008	43	17.0

Source: Taxadmin.org and BTS.gov

Transportation

Percent of Roads in Mediocre or Poor Condition: 2006



Rank	State	Percent
1	DC	95.3%
2	New Jersey	49.8%
3	Hawaii	42.3%
4	California	38.4%
5	Idaho	34.5%
6	New Mexico	31.6%
7	Oklahoma	31.1%
8	Kansas	31.0%
9	Maryland	30.0%
10	Rhode Island	29.6%
11	Maine	26.0%
12	Louisiana	25.9%
13	Pennsylvania	25.9%
14	Arkansas	25.1%
15	Vermont	24.3%
16	New Hampshire	23.9%
17	West Virginia	23.3%
18	Missouri	23.0%
19	New York	21.8%

Rank	State	Percent
20	Michigan	21.3%
21	Alaska	20.8%
22	Indiana	18.3%
23	Mississippi	17.4%
	US	17.2%
24	Illinois	16.9%
25	Wisconsin	16.1%
26	Delaware	15.8%
27	Washington	15.1%
28	Iowa	15.1%
29	South Carolina	14.0%
30	Connecticut	13.9%
31	Alabama	12.9%
32	South Dakota	12.8%
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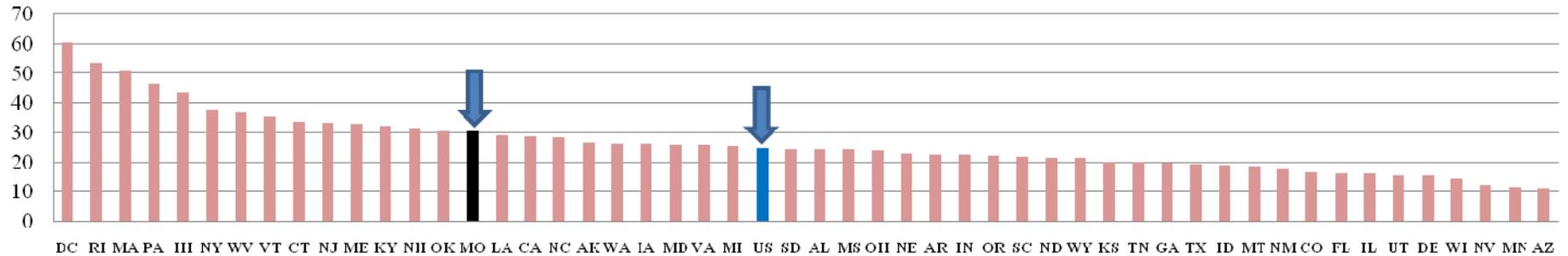
Rank	State	Percent
38	Arizona	10.0%
39	Minnesota	9.7%
40	North Dakota	9.6%
41	Utah	9.0%
42	Virginia	7.7%
43	Nevada	7.1%
44	Montana	5.8%
45	Tennessee	5.5%
46	Massachusetts	5.3%
47	Oregon	4.7%
48	Georgia	4.7%
49	Ohio	4.4%
50	Florida	3.4%
51	Kentucky	3.1%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2005	No data	No data
2006	18	23.0%

Source: BTS.gov

Transportation

Percent of Bridges Structurally Deficient or Functionally Obsolete: 2008



Rank	State	Percent
1	DC	60.4%
2	Rhode Island	53.5%
3	Massachusetts	51.2%
4	Pennsylvania	46.5%
5	Hawaii	43.5%
6	New York	37.5%
7	West Virginia	36.8%
8	Vermont	35.7%
9	Connecticut	33.7%
10	New Jersey	33.4%
11	Maine	34.5%
12	Kentucky	32.3%
13	New Hampshire	31.6%
14	Oklahoma	30.6%
15	Missouri	30.5%
16	Louisiana	29.3%
17	California	29.0%
18	North Carolina	28.7%
19	Alaska	26.7%

Rank	State	Percent
20	Washington	26.4%
21	Iowa	26.4%
22	Maryland	26.2%
23	Virginia	26.0%
24	Michigan	25.8%
	US	25.1%
25	South Dakota	24.8%
26	Alabama	24.7%
27	Mississippi	24.6%
28	Ohio	24.1%
29	Nebraska	23.0%
30	Arkansas	22.7%
31	Indiana	22.5%
32	Oregon	22.4%
33	South Carolina	22.0%
34	North Dakota	21.7%
35	Wyoming	21.7%
36	Kansas	20.3%
37	Tennessee	20.1%

Rank	State	Percent
38	Georgia	19.7%
39	Texas	19.4%
40	Georgia	20.0%
41	Texas	20.0%
42	Idaho	19.2%
43	Montana	18.9%
44	New Mexico	18.1%
45	Colorado	16.8%
46	Florida	16.4%
47	Delaware	15.5%
48	Wisconsin	14.6%
49	Nevada	12.4%
50	Minnesota	11.9%
51	Arizona	11.2%

Year	MO Rank	Percent
2006	14	33.9%
2007	15	31.3%
2008	15	30.5%

Source: fhwa.dot.gov