



The Beacon Hill Institute for Public Policy Research

Suffolk University

8 Ashburton Place

Boston, MA 02108

Phone: 617-573-8750 Fax: 617-720-4272

bhi@beaconhill.org

<http://www.beaconhill.org>

ISBN 1-866320-09-8

State Competitiveness Report 2001 Beacon Hill Institute at Suffolk University

Beacon Hill Institute

State Competitiveness Report 2001



Table A BHI State Competitiveness Indicators Index and Subindexes											
	Overall index and rank in 2001		Subindexes, rank in 2001								
	Overall Index	Overall Rank	Gov. & fiscal policy	Institutions	Infra-structure	Human resources	Tech-nology	Finance	Open-ness	Domestic compe-tition	Environ-mental policy
Delaware	7.22	1	5	19	11	28	4	2	6	11	30
Massachusetts	6.78	2	47	10	36	1	1	1	13	34	41
Wyoming	6.68	3	2	7	5	20	34	18	10	2	5
Washington	6.48	4	48	24	17	24	13	29	3	1	1
Vermont	6.43	5	25	3	22	2	7	39	2	16	39
Colorado	6.41	6	21	18	3	9	5	10	37	4	15
New Hampshire	6.33	7	9	4	4	3	10	13	34	8	46
Connecticut	6.18	8	41	8	20	7	2	3	18	21	42
Minnesota	5.95	9	29	6	7	4	12	7	25	39	10
California	5.83	10	28	14	33	21	8	5	9	10	38
Utah	5.79	11	15	16	2	6	11	14	26	12	48
Idaho	5.73	12	35	1	16	38	23	47	33	3	3
Oregon	5.72	13	39	15	6	19	22	46	8	9	4
Virginia	5.62	14	6	20	23	12	20	15	27	28	18
Nebraska	5.55	15	11	23	15	5	31	12	44	32	7
Iowa	5.43	16	23	5	9	8	26	22	36	50	17
South Dakota	5.37	17	8	21	21	11	29	11	50	31	23
Wisconsin	5.32	18	14	11	24	15	25	24	31	37	6
Maine	5.31	19	31	9	13	18	33	33	29	7	37
Maryland	5.22	20	20	42	35	16	3	9	47	15	29
North Dakota	5.22	21	46	2	14	13	36	19	41	26	16
Alaska	5.20	22	1	34	1	46	48	50	1	13	50
Kansas	5.18	23	34	27	12	14	15	23	28	24	25
Missouri	5.10	24	10	38	18	17	28	26	42	25	21
Rhode Island	4.91	25	33	33	26	10	6	38	43	17	44
Michigan	4.87	26	16	31	27	31	17	31	7	48	31
Indiana	4.82	27	18	25	30	33	32	34	12	40	11
North Carolina	4.79	28	3	49	37	36	19	17	19	23	28
New Jersey	4.79	29	36	12	40	22	16	8	20	20	43
Tennessee	4.72	30	7	37	32	37	40	20	22	27	9
Montana	4.72	31	37	30	10	34	35	43	49	5	32
Ohio	4.69	32	38	17	29	26	24	16	16	49	27
Texas	4.67	33	13	47	38	35	27	25	5	36	22
New York	4.59	34	50	13	48	25	9	4	21	22	45
Georgia	4.52	35	4	46	44	40	37	28	23	18	26
Florida	4.45	36	26	40	34	29	42	27	32	14	33
Pennsylvania	4.43	37	43	22	28	32	14	21	38	42	35
Kentucky	4.37	38	24	28	31	44	44	32	11	46	2
Illinois	4.30	39	40	35	47	27	21	6	14	44	34
South Carolina	4.21	40	12	39	43	41	41	44	15	29	12
Arizona	4.17	41	27	44	25	30	30	48	17	30	40
New Mexico	3.98	42	22	48	41	43	18	49	24	19	36
Hawaii	3.94	43	45	26	8	23	43	41	39	38	47
Oklahoma	3.82	44	32	36	45	39	39	40	45	33	8
Alabama	3.82	45	17	43	42	47	38	35	30	41	13
Nevada	3.65	46	44	32	19	42	49	45	40	6	49
Arkansas	3.42	47	19	29	49	45	50	30	46	45	20
Louisiana	3.34	48	42	50	46	48	45	36	4	47	24
West Virginia	3.11	49	49	41	39	50	46	37	35	35	14
Mississippi	2.83	50	30	45	50	49	47	42	48	43	19



About the Beacon Hill Institute

Founded in 1991, BHI is an independent, nonpartisan economic research organization, located within Suffolk University in Boston, that applies a market-clearing approach to the analysis of tax, fiscal and regulatory issues. In addition to analyzing tax policy, we study issues including education spending, charitable tax incentives, universal health care, tort reform and economic competitiveness. BHI develops innovative solutions and applies economic analysis to public-policy issues affecting the states and the nation.

About the Authors

Jonathan Haughton is Senior Economist at the Beacon Hill Institute and Assistant Professor of Economics at Suffolk University. He holds a doctorate in economics from Harvard University and has published widely in refereed journals on economic development and taxation.

Vadym Slobodyanyuk is a Research Assistant at the Beacon Hill Institute. He holds a Master of Science in International Economics degree from Suffolk University and a Bachelor of Arts (economics) degree from the University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine.

Acknowledgements

The Beacon Hill Institute would like to gratefully acknowledge the assistance of project team members, John Barrett, Tija Kurian, Rebecca Moryl; design team, Frank Conte and Jennifer Curry; and interns Benjamin Denny, Georgia Pellegrini and Dennis Antonio.

The Beacon Hill Institute at Suffolk University in Boston focuses on federal, state and local economic policies as they affect citizens and businesses. The institute conducts research and educational programs to provide timely, concise and readable analyses that help voters, policymakers and opinion leaders understand today's leading public policy issues.

© 2001 by the Beacon Hill Institute at Suffolk University
ISBN 1- 886320-09-8

Beacon Hill Institute for Public Policy Research Suffolk University
8 Ashburton Place Boston, Massachusetts 02108
Phone 617-573-8750, Fax 617-720-4272, email bhi@beaconhill.org, Internet www.beaconhill.org