



FAMILY STRUCTURE INDEX | 2025

WHAT IS THE FAMILY STRUCTURE INDEX?

The Family Structure Index is a measure of the most important family structure trends in the US, focusing on each state's share of adult residents who are married, have children, and raise those children together through their high-school years.

HOW WAS THE INDEX CALCULATED?

The index was calculated for each state by:

- 1) The percentage of married adults aged 25 to 54,
- 2) The average number of lifetime births per woman.
- 3) The percentage of children aged 15 to 17 who are living with their married parents.

WHAT DOES THE INDEX SCORE MEAN?

Index scores higher than 60 indicate that the state is above the national average in at least one of the components. Index scores lower than 60 mean the state is below average in at least one area.

FAMILY STRUCTURE INDEX MAP OF OVERALL RANKING BY STATE



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STATE	RANK	INDEX SCORE	% PRIME-AGED ADULTS MARRIED	TOTAL FERTILITY RATE	% TEENS RAISED INTACT
Utah	1	94.4	68.0%	1.85	70.4%
Idaho	2	85.4	64.6%	1.81	60.9%
Nebraska	3	82.0	62.3%	1.94	58.8%
South Dakota	4	80.5	60.2%	2.01	59.0%
Wyoming	5	78.1	63.0%	1.69	58.8%
Kansas	6	77.2	62.3%	1.83	51.7%
North Dakota	7	75.3	60.7%	1.84	62.3%
Iowa	8	75.1	60.8%	1.84	57.9%
Texas	9	71.1	60.3%	1.84	54.4%
Minnesota	10	70.3	59.3%	1.75	55.5%
Alaska	11	69.3	57.8%	1.89	59.0%
Oklahoma	12	67.9	59.8%	1.80	50.0%
Kentucky	13	67.2	58.9%	1.82	41.2%
Arkansas	14	67.2	59.3%	1.79	46.0%
New Jersey	15	65.9	58.5%	1.75	59.0%
Indiana	16	65.1	58.4%	1.78	53.9%
Virginia	17	64.1	59.4%	1.65	56.7%
Missouri	18	63.5	58.5%	1.71	50.9%
Montana	19	63.5	58.8%	1.58	51.9%
Tennessee	20	62.8	57.7%	1.73	46.7%
North Carolina	21	61.8	57.9%	1.71	47.8%
Washington	22	61.1	58.6%	1.53	62.3%
Hawaii	23	60.6	55.2%	1.74	57.9%
Wisconsin	24	60.5	56.9%	1.65	56.1%
Colorado	25	59.6	58.8%	1.49	54.4%
Alabama	26	59.0	56.8%	1.74	45.4%
South Carolina	27	58.1	56.5%	1.70	45.9%
New Hampshire	28	57.4	58.2%	1.41	58.0%
Ohio	29	55.4	55.7%	1.70	47.6%
Maine	30	55.4	56.5%	1.47	54.9%
Maryland	31	55.4	55.6%	1.69	49.5%
West Virginia	32	54.8	55.4%	1.62	50.1%
Delaware	33	54.2	53.3%	1.71	48.9%
Pennsylvania	34	53.4	56.0%	1.58	56.4%
Georgia	35	53.1	55.7%	1.67	52.6%
Arizona	36	52.7	54.9%	1.62	44.5%
Mississippi	37	52.3	54.8%	1.79	41.3%
Michigan	38	52.3	55.2%	1.60	53.6%
Florida	39	50.9	53.6%	1.64	47.5%
Connecticut	40	50.8	55.5%	1.55	47.0%
Illinois	41	50.7	55.7%	1.54	58.0%
Oregon	42	48.9	55.8%	1.39	54.8%
Louisiana	43	48.1	52.0%	1.85	35.9%
California	44	47.9	54.8%	1.54	57.6%
Vermont	45	44.8	55.4%	1.35	54.8%
Massachusetts	46	44.7	54.7%	1.44	60.5%
Nevada	47	43.1	52.8%	1.56	44.1%
New York	48	40.7	52.1%	1.56	55.4%
New Mexico	49	34.2	49.5%	1.57	46.9%
Rhode Island	50	32.1	50.8%	1.40	47.3%