



GEORGIA RANKINGS 2025 MID-YEAR UPDATE

Rank	Ranking	Source	Release
BUSINESS & ECONOMY			
#1	Best State for Doing Business (for the eleventh consecutive year)	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#1	Top Business Climate	Site Selection Magazine, "Site Selectors Survey: Why Site Selectors Love the South"	Jan-25
#1	Most Economic Development Projects in the South Atlantic U.S.	Site Selection Magazine, "The 2024 Governor's Cups"	Mar-25
#1 (T)	Best Business Incentives Programs	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#2	Best State to Start a Business	WalletHub, "Best & Worst States to Start a Business"	Jan-25
#2	Most Competitive State for Economic Development in the South Atlantic U.S.	Site Selection Magazine, "2025 Prosperity Cup"	May-25
#2	Best Regulatory Environment	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#2 (T)	Greatest Share of Black-Majority Owned Businesses	Pew Research Center, "A look at Black-owned businesses in the U.S."	Feb-25
#3	Best State for Workforce	CNBC, "America's Top States for Business 2025: The full rankings"	Jul-25
#3	Best Short-Term Fiscal Stability in the U.S.	U.S. News, "Best States 2025"	May-25
#3	Most Cooperative & Responsive State/Local Government	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#4	Best Overall Cost of Doing Business	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#5	Top States for New Business Applications	Georgia Chamber, "Economic Navigator: Georgia's Roadmap to Remaining Competitive"	Jan-25
#5	Best Fiscal Stability in the U.S.	U.S. News, "Best States 2025"	May-25
#5	Most Economic Development Projects in the U.S.	Site Selection Magazine, "The 2024 Governor's Cups"	Mar-25
#5	Most Favorable Property Tax Environment	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#6 (T)	Best Corporate Tax Structure	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business 2024"	Sep-24
#8	Lowest Tax Burdens in the U.S.	Georgia Chamber, "Economic Navigator: Georgia's Roadmap to Remaining Competitive"	Jan-25
#8	Top States with the Highest Economic Momentum	Camoin Associates, "Top 10 States With the Highest Economic Momentum"	Apr-25
#8	Best Corporate Tax Climate	Business Facilities, "2024 Rankings Report"	Aug-24
#8	Best Food Processing Industry	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24
#9	Most Competitive State for Economic Development in the U.S.	Site Selection Magazine, "2025 Prosperity Cup"	May-25
#9	Best State for Entrepreneurs	Inc., "The Top 10 Friendly States for Entrepreneurs in 2025"	Jan-25
#9	Best State Economy	CNBC, "America's Top States for Business 2025: The full rankings"	Jul-25
#10	Best Aerospace/Defense Industry	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24
WORKFORCE			
#1	Workforce Training Programs	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business in 2024"	Sep-24
#3	Best State for Workforce	CNBC, "America's Top States for Business 2025: The full rankings"	Jul-25
#3	Highest Access to Qualified Labor	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business in 2024"	Sep-24
#6	Best Customized Workforce Training	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24
TECHNOLOGY			
#3	Highest Tech Salaries	The Dice Tech Salary Report 2025	Jan-25
#3	Fastest Growing Tech Salaries	The Dice Tech Salary Report 2025	Jan-25
#7	Highest Cyber Security Salaries	Research.com, "Average Cyber Security Salary by State for 2025"	Jun-25
#8	State with the Largest Interest in AI Adoption	Forbes, "10 Top States Embracing Or Avoiding Workplace AI In 2025"	Jan-25
#8	Best Cybersecurity Industry	Business Facilities, "2024 Rankings Report"	Aug-24
#9	Leading Number of High Tech Jobs	Georgia Chamber, "Economic Navigator: Georgia's Roadmap to Remaining Competitive"	Jan-25
#10	Top AI Growth Hubs	Business Facilities, "2024 Rankings Report"	Aug-24

EDUCATION

#5	Highest Public School Daily Attendance	NEA Research, "Rankings of the States 2024 and Estimates of School Statistics 2025"	Apr-25
#7	Highest Number of Public School Fall Enrollment	NEA Research, "Rankings of the States 2024 and Estimates of School Statistics 2025"	Apr-25
#7	Highest Number of Instructional Staff in Public Schools	NEA Research, "Rankings of the States 2024 and Estimates of School Statistics 2025"	Apr-25

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT & TRADE

#1	Highest Volume of Electronic Components FDI Projects	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#2	Highest Volume of Transportation & Warehousing FDI Projects	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#2	Top Capital Expenditure for Food & Beverages FDI	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#2	Top Capital Expenditure for Electronic Components FDI	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#3	Top Capital Expenditure for Automotive OEM FDI	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#3	Top Capital Expenditure for Communications FDI	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#3	Highest Volume of Communications FDI Projects	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#4	Top Capital Expenditure for Industrial Equipment FDI	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#5	Top Capital Expenditure for Transportation & Warehousing FDI	fDi Intelligence, "The US Report 2025"	Apr-25
#6	State with Highest Dollar Value of Trade	State of Georgia, "Georgia Breaks Export Records, Rises in Total Trade"	Feb-25
#7	Top State for Foreign Direct Investment	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24
#12	State with Highest Dollar Value of Exports	State of Georgia, "Georgia Breaks Export Records, Rises in Total Trade"	Feb-25

QUALITY OF LIFE

#2, #9, #11	Best Southern Cities (Savannah, Atlanta, Athens)	Southern Living, "The South's Best Cities 2025"	Mar-25
#4	Best Work From Home Living Environment	WalletHub, "Best States for Working From Home"	Apr-25
#5	State Attracting the Most Retirees	CNBC, "Retirees are flocking to these 10 U.S. states"	Jul-25
#11	Highest Retention of Medical Residents	Georgia Chamber, "Economic Navigator: Georgia's Roadmap to Remaining Competitive"	Jan-25

INFRASTRUCTURE

#2	Best Logistics & Infrastructure	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business in 2024"	Sep-24
#2 (T)	Best Energy Availability & Costs	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business in 2024"	Sep-24
#4	Best Site Readiness Programs	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business in 2024"	Sep-24
#5	Highest Housing Inventory Growth	Georgia Chamber, "Economic Navigator: Georgia's Roadmap to Remaining Competitive"	Jan-25
#7	Highest Availability of Sites	Area Development, "Top States for Doing Business in 2024"	Sep-24
#12	Most Internet Access in the U.S.	U.S. News, "Best States 2025"	May-25

FILM PRODUCTION

#1	Best Film & Television Industry	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24
#2	Best State for Film Tax Incentives & Tax Breaks	Wrapbook, "10 Best States for Film Tax Incentives & Tax Breaks"	Jun-25

CLEAN TECH

#1	State for EV Investment	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24
#1	State for Clean Energy Job Growth	Georgia Public Broadcasting, "Report: Georgia leads nation in clean energy job growth"	Jan-25
#2	State for Solar Manufacturing	The Telegraph, "Georgia ranks among the best in US for building, installing solar panels"	Jan-25
#5	State for Amount of Solar Installation	The Telegraph, "Georgia ranks among the best in US for building, installing solar panels"	Jan-25
#8	State Leading Electric Vehicle Adoption	Recurrent, "States Leading the EV Revolution: A Data-Driven Analysis"	May-25
#10	State for Solar Power Growth	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24

MISCELLANEOUS

#1	Most Military Enlistees	WalletHub, "Most Patriotic States in America"	Jun-25
#5	State with the Highest Level of Military Engagement	WalletHub, "Most Patriotic States in America"	Jun-25
#5	Highest Market Share for Tourism	State of Georgia, "Georgia Breaks Tourism Records for Second Straight Year"	Sep-24
#10	Fastest Growing State	Business Facilities, "2024 State Ranking"	Aug-24