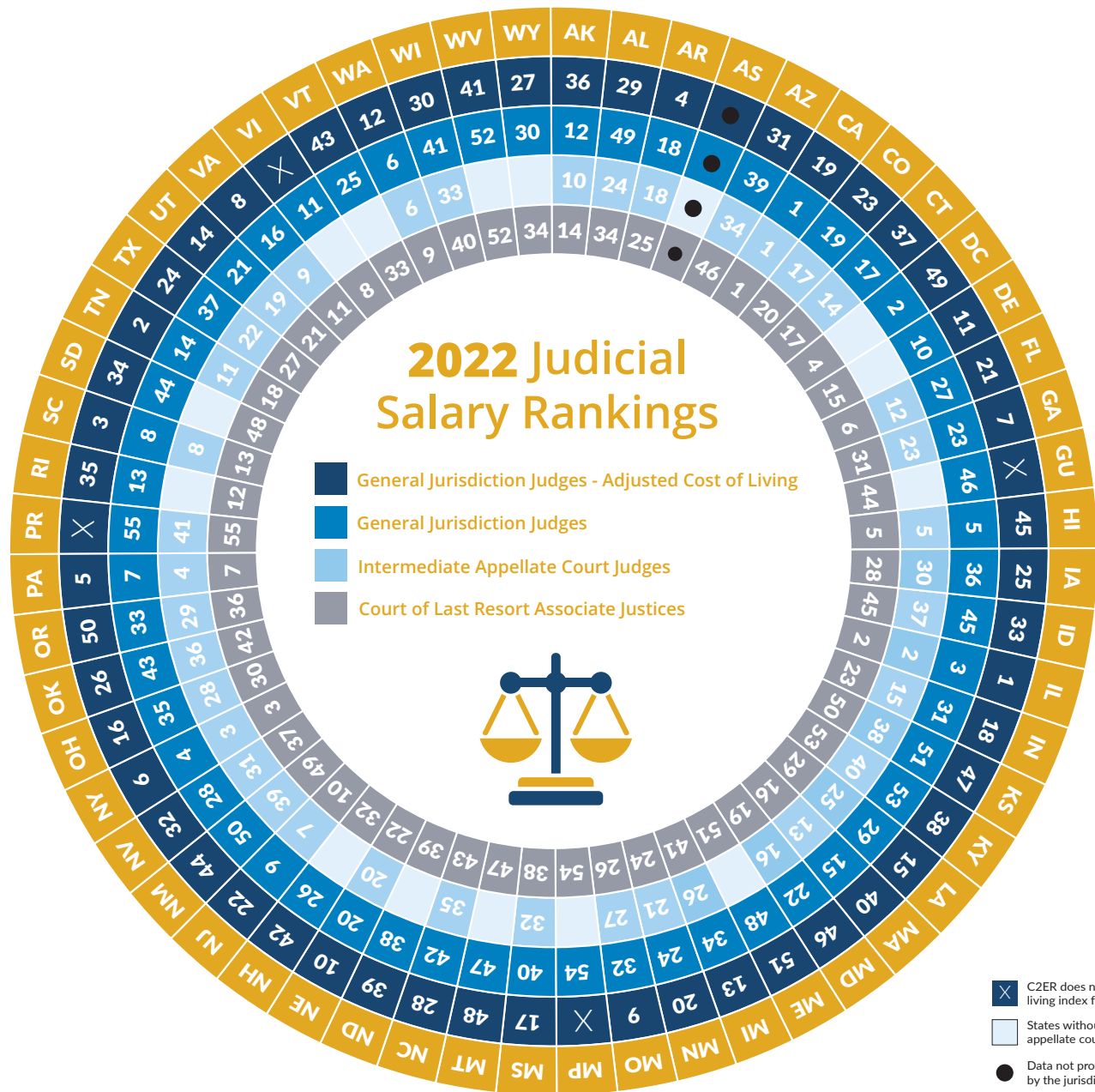


SURVEY OF Judicial Salaries

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This graphic depicts the rankings of judicial salaries, with the highest salary for each position having a rank of "1." Data is reported by each jurisdiction to NCSC.



Judicial Salaries at a Glance

| | Mean | Median | Range |
|--|-----------|-----------|------------------------|
| Chief, Court of Last Resort | \$193,044 | \$192,644 | \$125,000 to \$288,100 |
| Associate Justice, Court of Last Resort | \$186,038 | \$183,653 | \$120,000 to \$274,732 |
| Judge, Intermediate Appellate Court | \$179,864 | \$180,313 | \$105,000 to \$257,562 |
| Judge, General Jurisdiction Trial Courts | \$166,808 | \$165,000 | \$89,600 to \$225,074 |



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Salaries and Rankings - Listed Alphabetically by Jurisdiction Name

The table below lists the salaries and rankings for associate justices of the courts of last resort, associate judges of intermediate appellate courts and judges of general jurisdiction trial courts (actual salaries and cost-of-living-adjusted salaries as of January 1, 2022). Salaries are ranked from highest to lowest, with the highest salary for each position having a rank of "1." The lowest salary has a rank of 55, except for the intermediate appellate courts, which exist in only 41 jurisdictions, and adjusted general jurisdiction, for which the adjustment factor is only available for 51 of the jurisdictions.

| | Court of Last Resort | | Intermediate Appellate Court | | General-Jurisdiction Court | | General-Jurisdiction Court <i>Adjusted for Cost-of-Living Index</i> | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------|-------------------------------|------|------------------------------|------|--|-----------|------|
| | Salary | Rank | Salary | Rank | Salary | Rank | Factor | Salary | Rank |
| Alabama | \$175,000 | 34 | \$174,000 | 24 | \$140,000 | 49 | 93.1 | \$150,326 | 29 |
| Alaska | \$205,176 | 14 | \$193,836 | 10 | \$189,720 | 12 | 131.3 | \$144,502 | 36 |
| American Samoa | No Response | | No Response | | No Response | | No Response | | |
| Arizona | \$159,685 | 46 | \$154,534 | 34 | \$149,383 | 39 | 101.8 | \$146,712 | 31 |
| Arkansas | \$190,126 | 25 | \$184,497 | 18 | \$180,129 | 18 | 90.4 | \$199,189 | 4 |
| California | \$274,732 | 1 | \$257,562 | 1 | \$225,074 | 1 | 135.2 | \$166,462 | 19 |
| Colorado | \$193,812 | 20 | \$186,132 | 17 | \$178,452 | 19 | 111.1 | \$160,615 | 23 |
| Connecticut | \$199,781 | 17 | \$187,663 | 14 | \$180,460 | 17 | 126.7 | \$142,483 | 37 |
| Delaware | \$205,135 | 15 | Not Applicable | | \$192,862 | 10 | 109.9 | \$175,463 | 11 |
| District of Columbia | \$231,800 | 4 | Not Applicable | | \$218,600 | 2 | 159.5 | \$137,016 | 49 |
| Florida | \$227,218 | 6 | \$192,105 | 12 | \$165,509 | 27 | 101.1 | \$163,672 | 21 |
| Georgia | \$179,112 | 31 | \$177,990 | 23 | \$173,714 | 23 | 93.4 | \$186,047 | 7 |
| Guam | \$160,454 | 44 | Not Applicable | | \$144,110 | 46 | Not Applicable | | |
| Hawaii | \$229,668 | 5 | \$212,784 | 5 | \$207,084 | 5 | 150.4 | \$137,691 | 45 |
| Idaho | \$160,400 | 45 | \$150,400 | 37 | \$144,400 | 45 | 99.1 | \$145,755 | 33 |
| Illinois | \$250,442 | 2 | \$235,713 | 2 | \$216,297 | 3 | 100.0 | \$216,268 | 1 |
| Indiana | \$192,644 | 23 | \$187,265 | 15 | \$159,950 | 31 | 95.2 | \$168,083 | 18 |
| Iowa | \$183,653 | 28 | \$166,436 | 30 | \$154,957 | 36 | 97.8 | \$158,384 | 25 |
| Kansas | \$152,923 | 50 | \$147,987 | 38 | \$135,068 | 51 | 98.2 | \$137,546 | 47 |
| Kentucky | \$142,362 | 53 | \$136,632 | 40 | \$130,926 | 53 | 92.4 | \$141,733 | 38 |
| Louisiana | \$182,160 | 29 | \$170,339 | 25 | \$163,658 | 29 | 97.1 | \$168,486 | 15 |
| Maine | \$150,862 | 51 | Not Applicable | | \$141,398 | 48 | 116.7 | \$121,120 | 51 |
| Maryland | \$196,433 | 19 | \$186,633 | 16 | \$174,433 | 22 | 126.8 | \$137,608 | 46 |
| Massachusetts | \$200,984 | 16 | \$190,087 | 13 | \$184,694 | 15 | 132.3 | \$139,621 | 40 |
| Michigan | \$164,610 | 41 | \$169,290 | 26 | \$156,410 | 34 | 91.6 | \$170,710 | 13 |
| Minnesota | \$191,359 | 24 | \$180,313 | 21 | \$169,264 | 24 | 102.9 | \$164,538 | 20 |
| Mississippi | \$166,500 | 38 | \$158,000 | 32 | \$149,000 | 40 | 88.6 | \$168,194 | 17 |
| Missouri | \$185,127 | 26 | \$169,214 | 27 | \$159,578 | 32 | 90.3 | \$176,695 | 9 |
| Montana | \$155,920 | 47 | Not Applicable | | \$142,683 | 47 | 104.1 | \$137,065 | 48 |
| Nebraska | \$192,647 | 22 | \$183,015 | 20 | \$178,199 | 20 | 101.1 | \$176,232 | 10 |
| Nevada | \$170,000 | 37 | \$165,000 | 31 | \$165,000 | 28 | 112.6 | \$146,542 | 32 |
| New Hampshire | \$177,878 | 32 | Not Applicable | | \$166,825 | 26 | 120.5 | \$138,441 | 42 |
| New Jersey | \$217,505 | 10 | \$207,176 | 7 | \$196,238 | 9 | 121.9 | \$160,918 | 22 |
| New Mexico | \$153,394 | 49 | \$145,725 | 39 | \$138,438 | 50 | 100.3 | \$138,011 | 44 |
| New York | \$233,400 | 3 | \$222,200 | 3 | \$210,900 | 4 | 112.4 | \$187,674 | 6 |
| North Carolina | \$160,581 | 43 | \$153,939 | 35 | \$145,634 | 42 | 95.6 | \$152,415 | 28 |
| North Dakota | \$165,845 | 39 | Not Applicable | | \$152,175 | 38 | 108.0 | \$140,871 | 39 |
| Northern Mariana Islands | \$126,000 | 54 | Not Applicable | | \$120,000 | 54 | Not Applicable | | |
| Ohio | \$181,400 | 30 | \$169,075 | 28 | \$155,485 | 35 | 92.4 | \$168,346 | 16 |
| Oklahoma | \$161,112 | 42 | \$152,632 | 36 | \$145,566 | 43 | 93.2 | \$156,195 | 26 |
| Oregon | \$171,408 | 36 | \$168,108 | 29 | \$158,556 | 33 | 119.2 | \$133,014 | 50 |
| Pennsylvania | \$227,080 | 7 | \$214,261 | 4 | \$197,119 | 7 | 102.2 | \$192,899 | 5 |
| Puerto Rico | \$120,000 | 55 | \$105,000 | 41 | \$89,600 | 55 | Not Applicable | | |
| Rhode Island | \$207,126 | 12 | Not Applicable | | \$186,480 | 13 | 128.7 | \$144,865 | 35 |
| South Carolina | \$207,108 | 13 | \$201,930 | 8 | \$196,752 | 8 | 98.6 | \$199,553 | 3 |
| South Dakota | \$155,350 | 48 | Not Applicable | | \$145,101 | 44 | 99.7 | \$145,588 | 34 |
| Tennessee | \$199,332 | 18 | \$192,708 | 11 | \$186,060 | 14 | 92.2 | \$201,759 | 2 |
| Texas | \$184,800 | 27 | \$178,400 | 22 | \$154,000 | 37 | 96.6 | \$159,487 | 24 |
| Utah | \$193,100 | 21 | \$184,300 | 19 | \$175,550 | 21 | 103.5 | \$169,687 | 14 |
| Vermont | \$176,134 | 33 | Not Applicable | | \$167,440 | 25 | 121.2 | \$138,155 | 43 |
| Virgin Islands | \$226,564 | 8 | Not Applicable | | \$191,360 | 11 | Not Applicable | | |
| Virginia | \$212,365 | 11 | \$195,422 | 9 | \$184,617 | 16 | 102.4 | \$180,353 | 8 |
| Washington | \$220,320 | 9 | \$209,730 | 6 | \$199,675 | 6 | 115.0 | \$173,560 | 12 |
| West Virginia | \$142,800 | 52 | Not Applicable | | \$132,300 | 52 | 95.0 | \$139,226 | 41 |
| Wisconsin | \$165,772 | 40 | \$156,388 | 33 | \$147,535 | 41 | 100.3 | \$147,151 | 30 |
| Wyoming | \$175,000 | 34 | Not Applicable | | \$160,000 | 30 | 104.9 | \$152,511 | 27 |
| Mean | \$186,038 | | \$179,864 | | \$166,808 | | | | |
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