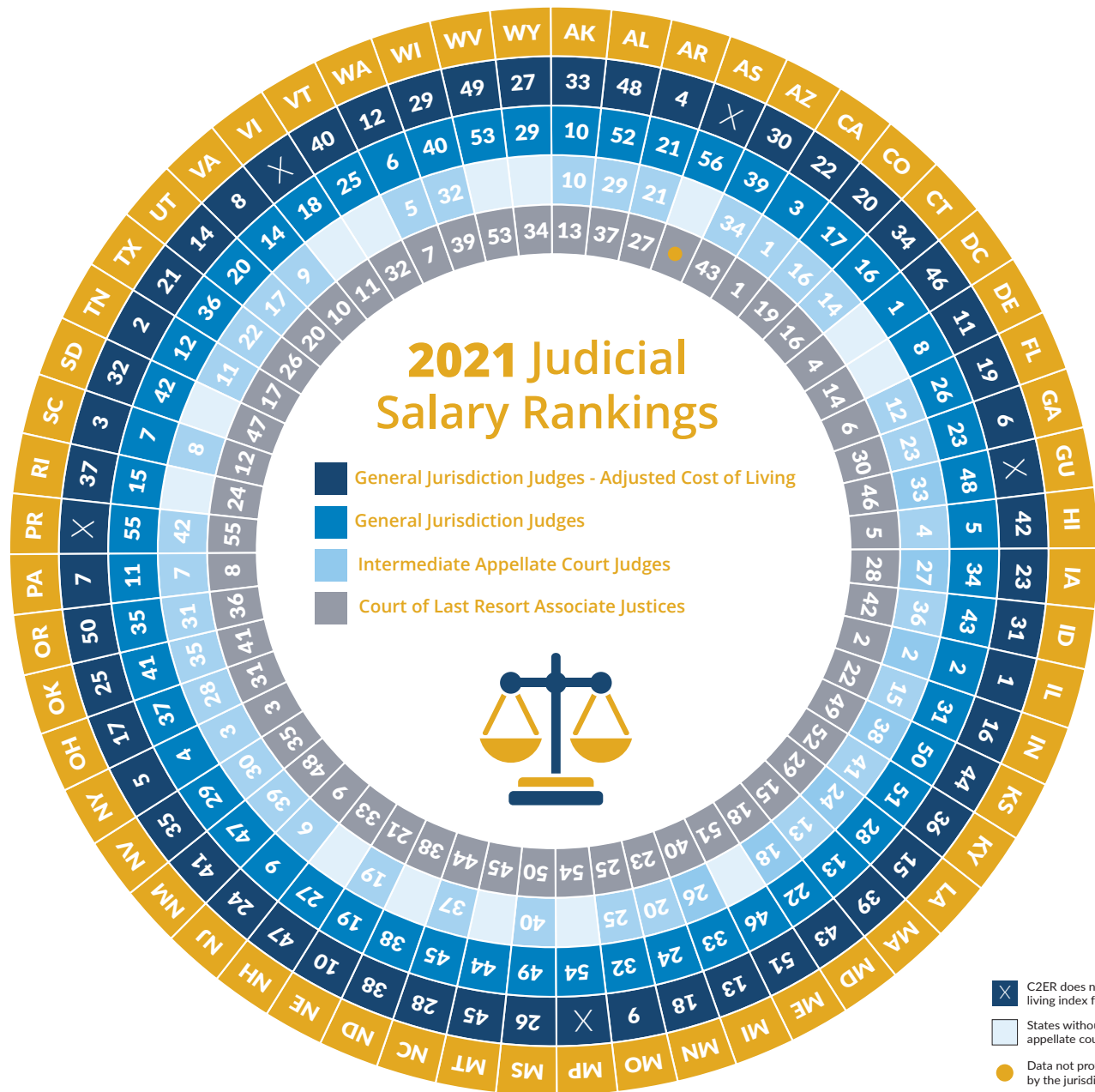


SURVEY OF Judicial Salaries

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Data and Rankings as of July 1, 2021

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, Highest Court	\$190,460	\$192,261	\$125,000 to \$274,695
Associate Justice, COLR	\$183,939	\$183,653	\$120,000 to \$261,949
Judge, Intermediate Appellate Court	\$177,633	\$178,762	\$105,000 to \$245,578
Judge, General Jurisdiction Trial Courts	\$163,110	\$161,829	\$64,365 to \$218,600
State Court Administrators	\$167,195	\$160,341	\$77,000 to \$299,004



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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 July 1, 2021). 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 56, except for the intermediate appellate courts, which exist in only 42 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	\$166,072	37	\$165,072	29	\$126,018	52	93.1	\$135,313	48
Alaska	\$205,176	13	\$193,836	10	\$189,720	10	131.3	\$144,502	33
American Samoa	<i>Not Applicable</i>		<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$ 64,365	56	<i>Not Applicable</i>		
Arizona	\$159,685	43	\$154,534	34	\$149,383	39	101.8	\$146,712	30
Arkansas	\$184,588	27	\$179,123	21	\$174,883	21	90.4	\$193,387	4
California	\$261,949	1	\$245,578	1	\$214,601	3	135.2	\$158,717	22
Colorado	\$193,812	19	\$186,132	16	\$178,452	17	111.1	\$160,615	20
Connecticut	\$199,781	16	\$187,663	14	\$180,460	16	126.7	\$142,483	34
Delaware	\$205,135	14	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$192,862	8	109.9	\$175,463	11
District of Columbia	\$231,800	4	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$218,600	1	159.5	\$137,016	46
Florida	\$227,218	6	\$192,105	12	\$165,509	26	101.1	\$163,672	19
Georgia	\$179,112	30	\$177,990	23	\$173,714	23	93.4	\$186,047	6
Guam	\$155,660	46	\$155,660	33	\$138,324	48	<i>Not Applicable</i>		
Hawaii	\$229,668	5	\$212,784	4	\$207,084	5	150.4	\$137,691	42
Idaho	\$160,400	42	\$150,400	36	\$144,400	43	99.1	\$145,755	31
Illinois	\$250,442	2	\$235,713	2	\$216,297	2	100.0	\$216,297	1
Indiana	\$192,644	22	\$187,265	15	\$159,950	31	95.2	\$168,083	16
Iowa	\$183,653	28	\$166,436	27	\$154,957	34	97.8	\$158,384	23
Kansas	\$152,923	49	\$147,987	38	\$135,068	50	98.2	\$137,546	44
Kentucky	\$142,362	52	\$136,632	41	\$130,926	51	92.4	\$141,733	36
Louisiana	\$182,160	29	\$170,339	24	\$163,658	28	97.1	\$168,486	15
Maine	\$150,870	51	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$141,404	46	116.7	\$121,125	51
Maryland	\$196,433	18	\$183,633	18	\$174,433	22	126.8	\$137,608	43
Massachusetts	\$200,984	15	\$190,087	13	\$184,694	13	132.3	\$139,621	39
Michigan	\$164,610	40	\$168,436	26	\$155,621	33	91.6	\$169,849	13
Minnesota	\$191,359	23	\$180,313	20	\$169,264	24	102.9	\$164,538	18
Mississippi	\$152,250	50	\$144,827	40	\$136,000	49	88.6	\$153,520	26
Missouri	\$185,127	25	\$169,214	25	\$159,578	32	90.3	\$176,695	9
Montana	\$155,920	45	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$142,683	44	104.1	\$137,065	45
Nebraska	\$192,647	21	\$183,015	19	\$178,199	19	101.1	\$176,232	10
Nevada	\$170,000	35	\$165,000	30	\$160,000	29	112.6	\$142,101	35
New Hampshire	\$175,837	33	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$164,911	27	120.5	\$136,853	47
New Jersey	\$213,240	9	\$203,114	6	\$192,391	9	121.9	\$157,764	24
New Mexico	\$153,394	48	\$145,725	39	\$138,438	47	100.3	\$138,011	41
New York	\$233,400	3	\$222,200	3	\$210,900	4	112.4	\$187,674	5
North Carolina	\$156,664	44	\$150,184	37	\$142,082	45	95.6	\$148,698	28
North Dakota	\$165,845	38	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$152,175	38	108.0	\$140,871	38
Northern Mariana Islands	\$126,000	54	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$120,000	54	<i>Not Applicable</i>		
Ohio	\$178,280	31	\$166,167	28	\$152,811	37	92.4	\$165,451	17
Oklahoma	\$161,112	41	\$152,632	35	\$145,567	41	93.2	\$156,195	25
Oregon	\$167,232	36	\$164,004	31	\$154,692	35	119.2	\$129,772	50
Pennsylvania	\$215,037	8	\$202,898	7	\$186,665	11	102.2	\$182,669	7
Puerto Rico	\$120,000	55	\$105,000	42	\$89,600	55	<i>Not Applicable</i>		
Rhode Island	\$189,424	24	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$182,367	15	128.7	\$141,670	37
South Carolina	\$207,108	12	\$201,930	8	\$196,753	7	98.6	\$199,554	3
South Dakota	\$155,350	47	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$145,101	42	99.7	\$145,588	32
Tennessee	\$199,332	17	\$192,708	11	\$186,060	12	92.2	\$201,759	2
Texas	\$184,800	26	\$178,400	22	\$154,000	36	96.6	\$159,487	21
Utah	\$193,100	20	\$184,300	17	\$175,550	20	103.5	\$169,687	14
Vermont	\$176,140	32	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$167,449	25	121.2	\$138,162	40
Virgin Islands	\$211,476	11	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$178,240	18	<i>Not Applicable</i>		
Virginia	\$212,365	10	\$195,422	9	\$184,617	14	102.4	\$180,353	8
Washington	\$220,320	7	\$209,730	5	\$199,165	6	115.0	\$173,117	12
West Virginia	\$136,000	53	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$126,000	53	95.0	\$132,596	49
Wisconsin	\$165,772	39	\$156,388	32	\$147,535	40	100.3	\$147,151	29
Wyoming	\$175,000	34	<i>Not Applicable</i>		\$160,000	29	104.9	\$152,511	27
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