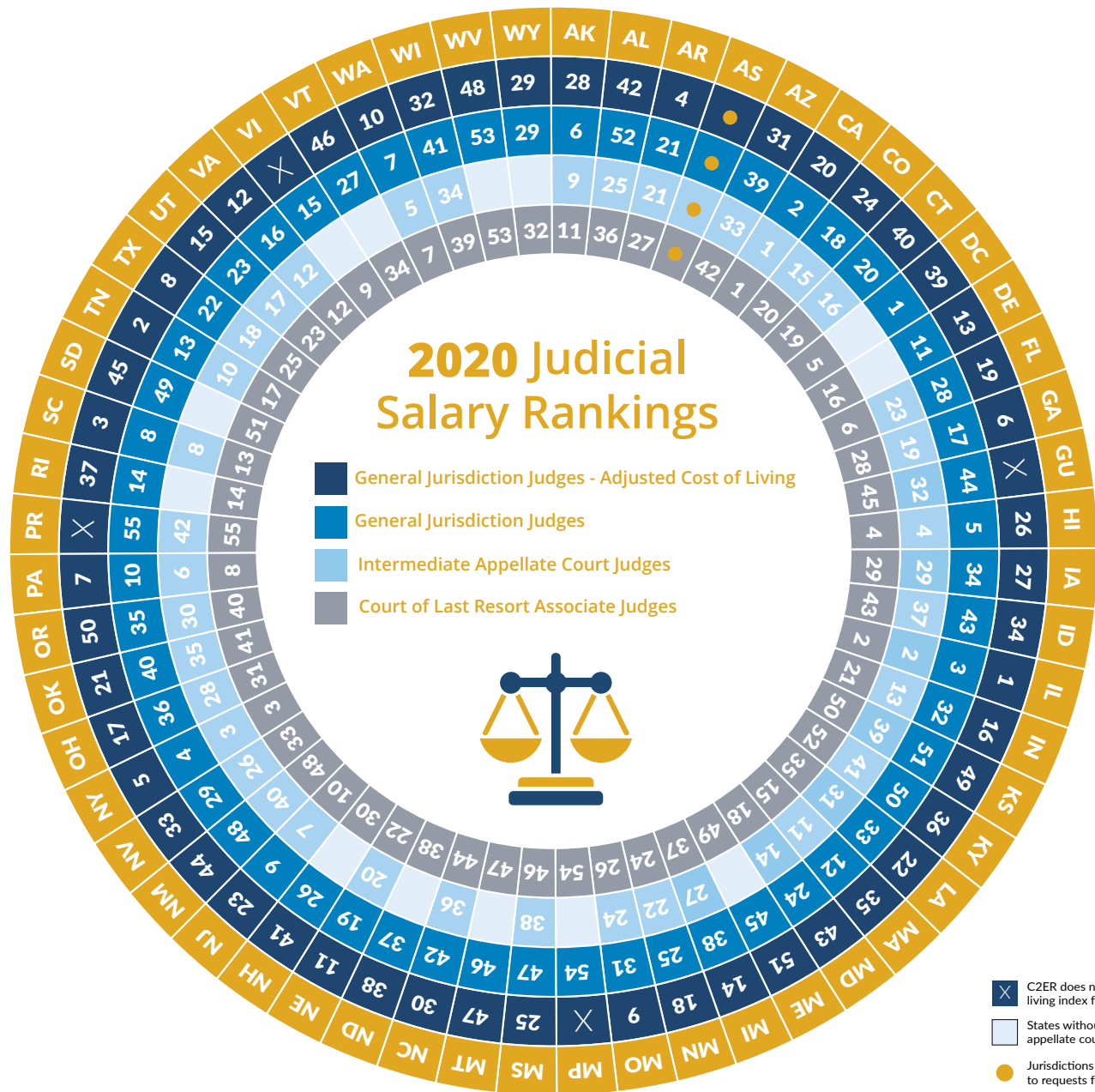


SURVEY OF Judicial Salaries

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Data and Rankings as of July 1, 2020*

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	\$186,164	\$186,164	\$125,000 to \$274,695
Associate Justice, COLR	\$181,224	\$179,112	\$120,000 to \$261,949
Judge, Intermediate Appellate Court	\$174,504	\$176,195	\$105,000 to \$245,578
Judge, General Jurisdiction Trial Courts	\$162,590	\$160,688	\$89,600 to \$216,400
State Court Administrators	\$162,668	\$154,523	\$70,000 to \$299,004



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Salaries and Rankings - Listed Alphabetically by State 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, 2020*). 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 42 jurisdictions, and adjusted general jurisdiction, for which the adjustment factor is only available for 51 of the jurisdictions.

	Highest Court		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	36	\$165,072	25	\$126,018	52	93.9	\$134,159	42
Alaska	\$205,176	11	\$193,836	9	\$200,724	6	132.0	\$152,121	28
American Samoa	No Response		No Response		No Response		No Response		
Arizona	\$159,685	42	\$154,534	33	\$149,383	39	102.2	\$146,159	31
Arkansas	\$181,860	27	\$176,475	21	\$172,298	21	89.8	\$191,945	4
California	\$261,949	1	\$245,578	1	\$214,601	2	135.9	\$157,961	20
Colorado	\$188,151	20	\$180,697	15	\$173,248	18	111.7	\$155,089	24
Connecticut	\$191,178	19	\$179,552	16	\$172,663	20	127.1	\$135,866	40
Delaware	\$197,245	16	Not Applicable		\$185,444	11	109.9	\$168,760	13
District of Columbia	\$229,500	5	Not Applicable		\$216,400	1	155.3	\$139,342	39
Florida	\$220,600	6	\$169,554	23	\$160,688	28	100.9	\$159,265	19
Georgia	\$179,112	28	\$177,990	19	\$173,715	17	93.2	\$186,335	6
Guam	\$155,660	45	\$155,660	32	\$138,324	44	Not Applicable		
Hawaii	\$231,672	4	\$214,788	4	\$209,088	5	135.6	\$154,167	26
Idaho	\$157,800	43	\$147,800	37	\$141,800	43	100.1	\$141,677	34
Illinois	\$246,256	2	\$231,773	2	\$212,681	3	99.9	\$212,847	1
Indiana	\$188,037	21	\$182,787	13	\$156,125	32	95.3	\$163,893	16
Iowa	\$178,304	29	\$161,588	29	\$150,444	34	98.3	\$153,060	27
Kansas	\$145,641	50	\$140,940	39	\$128,636	51	97.9	\$131,355	49
Kentucky	\$142,362	52	\$136,631	41	\$130,926	50	92.6	\$141,419	36
Louisiana	\$168,583	35	\$157,331	31	\$150,972	33	97.2	\$155,327	22
Maine	\$146,474	49	Not Applicable		\$137,280	45	116.7	\$117,604	51
Maryland	\$191,433	18	\$181,633	14	\$169,433	24	126.8	\$133,646	43
Massachusetts	\$200,984	15	\$190,087	11	\$184,694	12	130.5	\$141,542	35
Michigan	\$164,610	37	\$163,909	27	\$149,656	38	90.5	\$165,295	14
Minnesota	\$186,692	24	\$175,915	22	\$165,136	25	102.4	\$161,241	18
Mississippi	\$152,250	46	\$144,827	38	\$136,000	47	88.2	\$154,268	25
Missouri	\$183,264	26	\$167,535	24	\$157,972	31	89.9	\$175,623	9
Montana	\$149,681	47	Not Applicable		\$136,896	46	103.3	\$132,508	47
Nebraska	\$187,588	22	\$177,684	20	\$173,008	19	100.1	\$172,889	11
Nevada	\$170,000	33	\$165,000	26	\$160,000	29	111.5	\$143,558	33
New Hampshire	\$175,837	30	Not Applicable		\$164,911	26	122.3	\$134,863	41
New Jersey	\$209,482	10	\$199,534	7	\$189,000	9	121.8	\$155,137	23
New Mexico	\$148,207	48	\$140,797	40	\$133,757	48	100.1	\$133,606	44
New York	\$233,400	3	\$222,200	3	\$210,900	4	111.8	\$188,612	5
North Carolina	\$156,664	44	\$150,184	36	\$142,082	42	95.4	\$148,950	30
North Dakota	\$163,394	38	Not Applicable		\$149,926	37	107.5	\$139,503	38
Northern Mariana Islands	\$126,000	54	Not Applicable		\$120,000	54	Not Applicable		
Ohio	\$175,214	31	\$163,309	28	\$150,183	36	92.3	\$162,642	17
Oklahoma	\$161,112	41	\$152,632	35	\$145,566	40	93.2	\$156,154	21
Oregon	\$162,356	40	\$159,224	30	\$150,188	35	120.5	\$124,609	50
Pennsylvania	\$215,037	8	\$202,898	6	\$186,665	10	102.1	\$182,793	7
Puerto Rico	\$120,000	55	\$105,000	42	\$89,600	55	Not Applicable		
Rhode Island	\$201,049	14	Not Applicable		\$178,334	14	126.9	\$140,523	37
South Carolina	\$202,057	13	\$197,005	8	\$191,954	8	99.5	\$192,999	3
South Dakota	\$143,122	51	Not Applicable		\$133,680	49	100.1	\$133,533	45
Tennessee	\$196,968	17	\$190,416	10	\$183,852	13	92.2	\$199,316	2
Texas	\$184,800	25	\$178,400	18	\$172,000	22	96.8	\$177,753	8
Utah	\$187,500	23	\$178,950	17	\$170,450	23	103.9	\$163,992	15
Vermont	\$169,121	34	Not Applicable		\$160,777	27	120.6	\$133,290	46
Virgin Islands	\$211,476	9	Not Applicable		\$178,240	15	Not Applicable		
Virginia	\$202,896	12	\$186,426	12	\$175,826	16	103.6	\$169,647	12
Washington	\$220,320	7	\$209,730	5	\$199,675	7	113.9	\$175,356	10
West Virginia	\$136,000	53	Not Applicable		\$126,000	53	95.6	\$131,868	48
Wisconsin	\$162,500	39	\$153,301	34	\$144,623	41	100.0	\$144,604	32
Wyoming	\$175,000	32	Not Applicable		\$160,000	29	107.3	\$149,110	29
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