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Best and Worst States for Business

Rank	State	Gross State Product (\$) (per capita)	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Rate	Average Salary	Economic Development Agency	
1	Texas	37793	11853.8	11142	6	37880	Texas Economic Development Council	More...
2	North Carolina	37053	4563.1	4166.3	8.7	36900	North Carolina Department of Commerce	More...
3	Florida	33417	9313	8561.2	8.1	37260	Florida Economic Development Council, Inc	More...
4	Georgia	35265	4878.4	4485.2	8.1	38320	Georgia Department of Economic Development	More...
5	Tennessee	33742	3042.3	2801.1	7.9	35380	Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance	More...
6	Nevada	40210	1426.8	1296.3	9.1	37440	Nevada Economic Development Council	More...
7	Virginia	41617	4159.5	3936.8	5.4	42880	Virginia.gov	More...
8	Arizona	33655	3165.7	2945.9	6.9	37560	Arizona @ Your Service	More...
9	South Carolina	28894	2184.6	1977.4	9.5	34650	South Carolina Dept. of Commerce	More...
10	Colorado	40805	2750.1	2582.6	6.1	43100	Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade	More...

11	Indiana	32724	3230.8	2964.3	8.2	36410	Indiana Economic Development Corporation	More...
12	Delaware	56496	445.3	417.6	6.2	43020	Delaware Gov	More...
13	South Dakota	35596	445.9	428.7	3.9	31540	South Dakota Economic Development	More...
14	Alabama	29603	2153.7	2009.6	6.7	34950	Alabama Development Office	More...
15	Utah	32774	1383	1322.9	4.3	37080	Utah Depart of Community and Culture	More...
16	Idaho	29843	759.7	710.7	6.4	35310	IDAHO Departmentof Labour	More...
17	North Dakota	34694	371.5	358.6	3.5	33650	North Dakota Department of Commerce Division of Economic Development	More...
18	New Hampshire	37375	739.5	705.7	4.6	40780	New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development	More...
19	Iowa	35814	1671.9	1594.8	4.6	34650	Iowa Department of Economic Development	More...
20	Wyoming	40303	293.9	283.9	3.4	36110	Wyoming Business	More...
21	Kansas	34770	1506.6	1428	5.2	36300	Kansas.gov	More...
22	Oklahoma	29470	1768.9	1681.9	4.9	33720	Oklahoma Department Of Commerce	More...
23	Kentucky	30364	2049.4	1889.5	7.8	34950	Kentucky.gov	More...
24	Oregon	38339	1990.9	1812	9	40040	Oregon Economic & Community Development Department	More...
25	Alaska	44807	362	334.7	7.5	45770	Alaska Commerce, Community and Economic Development	More...

26	Missouri	32590	3012.3	2792.6	7.3	37240	Missouri Department of Economic Development	More...
27	Montana	28201	505.7	478.5	5.4	32640	Site Not Available	More...
28	Nebraska	37075	997.6	957.6	4	35270	Nebraska Department of Economic Development	More...
29	Pennsylvania	35153	6442.2	6008.5	6.7	38960	No Info	More...
30	Mississippi	24477	1310.9	1206.4	8	31730	Mississippi Development Authority	More...
31	Maryland	39596	2995.6	2820.9	5.8	45780	Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development	More...
32	Minnesota	41353	2951.8	2748.9	6.9	42820	DEED	More...
33	Maine	30282	710.7	660.7	7	36450	The Maine Department of Economic & Community Development	More...
34	New Mexico	30943	966.1	918.4	4.9	35790	New Mexico Economic Development	More...
35	Arkansas	27781	1370.3	1285.9	6.2	32450	Arkansas Economic Development Commission	More...
36	Vermont	34197	356.9	334.2	6.4	38060	Vermont Department of Economic Development	More...
37	West Virginia	24929	800	761	4.9	32310	West Virginia Department Office	More...
38	Connecticut	51911	1894.7	1760.5	7.1	47680	Department of Economic and Community Development	More...
39	Rhode Island	36543	566.2	509.4	10	42210	Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation	More...
40	Washington	40361	3534.2	3282.5	7.1	44710	CTED	More...

41	Hawaii	38850	661.7	625.3	5.5	40200	Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism	More...
43	Wisconsin	34890	3094.3	2902.9	6.2	38070	Wisconsin Department of Commerce	More...
44	Louisiana	35181	2061.1	1939.1	5.9	34060	Louisiana Economic Development	More...
45	Ohio	34040	5971.6	5506.8	7.8	38640	Ohio Department of Development	More...
46	Illinois	39568	6640.4	6135.1	7.6	43050	Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity	More...
47	Massachusetts	47351	3418.1	3182.7	6.9	49070	Mass Housing and Economic Development	More...
48	New Jersey	45052	4550.6	4225.7	7.1	47100	New Jersey Economic Development Authority	More...
49	Michigan	32846	4894.3	4375	10.6	42210	Michigan Economic Development Corporation	More...
50	New York	49038	9635.3	8963.7	7	47610	New York State Department of Economic Development	More...
51	California	42376	18648.5	16916.7	9.3	45990	Employment Development Department)	More...

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