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47	 Kentucky	19.0%	224 [^]	265	7.8%	3.4%	
48	 Alabama	19.2%	216 -	258 -	26.2%	4.1%	
49	 Louisiana	19.9%	212 -	257 -	32%	4.9%	
50	 New Mexico	20.6%	208 -	256 -	2.1%	48.5%	
51	 Mississippi	21.9%	215 -	256 -	37%	2.9%	√

[^] above national average

- below national average

Drop from 4th to 8th