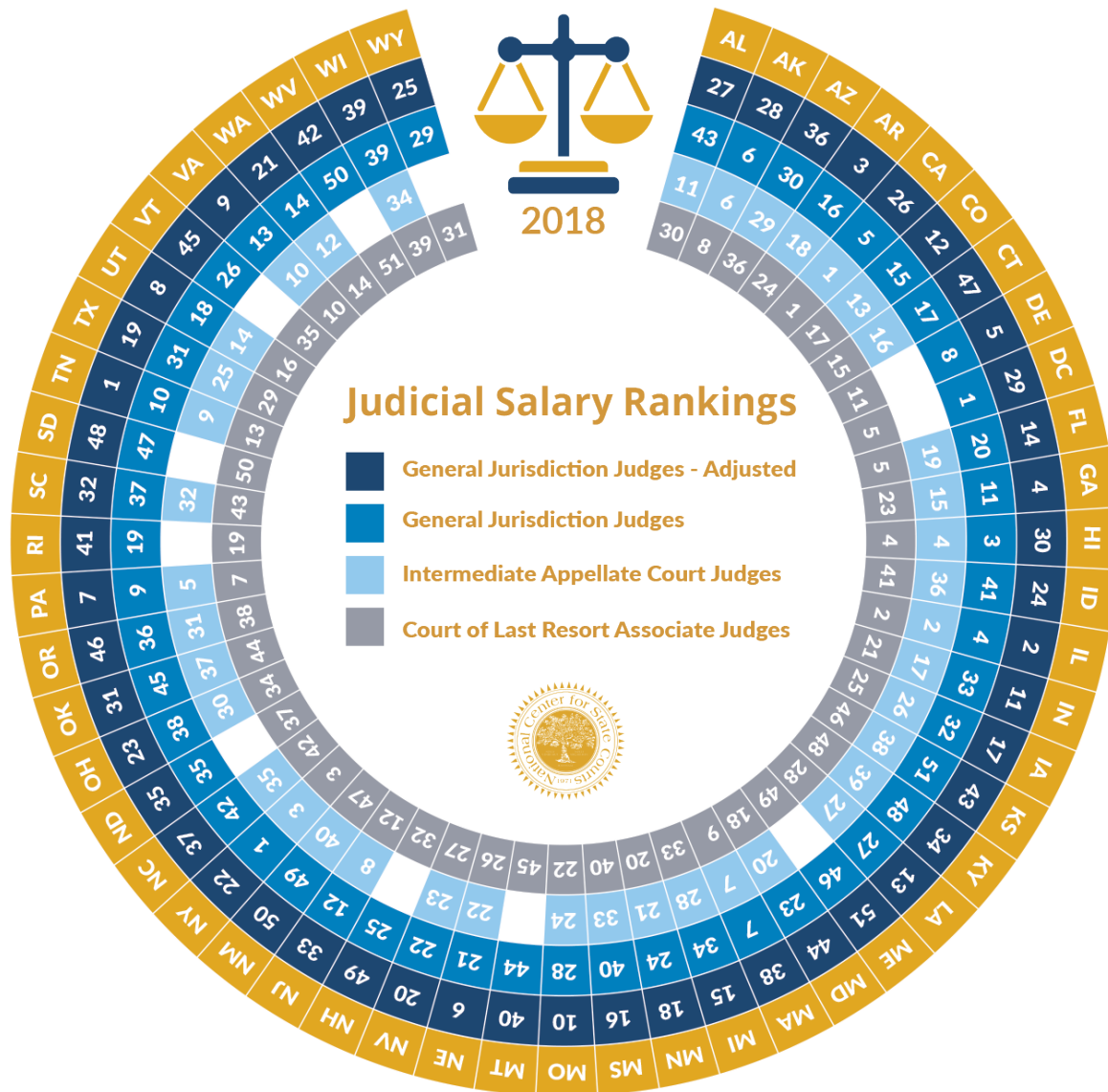


# SURVEY OF Judicial Salaries

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## Rankings as of July 1, 2018

This graphic depicts the rankings of judicial salaries, with the highest salary for each of the three positions having a rank of "1." General jurisdiction judge salaries, adjusted for cost of living, are also included in this graphic. Empty squares represent states without an intermediate appellate court.



### Judicial Salaries at a Glance

	Mean	Median	Range
Chief, Highest Court	\$181,343	\$177,244	\$136,000 to \$256,059
Associate Justice, COLR	\$175,249	\$173,694	\$136,000 to \$244,179
Judge, Intermediate Appellate Court	\$168,663	\$168,036	\$132,838 to \$228,918
Judge, General Jurisdiction Trial Courts	\$157,404	\$153,603	\$125,499 to \$208,000
State Court Administrators	\$157,587	\$150,707	\$107,000 to \$280,308



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## Salaries and Rankings for Appellate and General-Jurisdiction Judges - 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, 2018). 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 "51" except for intermediate appellate courts, which exists in only 40 states.

	Highest Court		Intermediate Appellate Court		General-Jurisdiction Court		General-Jurisdiction Court Adjusted for Cost-of-Living Index		
	Salary	Rank	Salary	Rank	Salary	Rank	Factor	Salary	Rank
Alabama	\$167,685	30	\$178,878	11	\$134,943	43	96.77	\$139,454	27
Alaska	\$205,176	8	\$193,836	6	\$189,720	6	136.16	\$139,334	28
Arizona	\$159,685	36	\$154,534	29	\$149,383	30	110.07	\$135,721	36
Arkansas	\$174,925	24	\$169,672	18	\$168,096	16	95.10	\$176,760	3
California	\$244,179	1	\$228,918	1	\$200,042	5	142.78	\$140,108	26
Colorado	\$182,671	17	\$175,434	13	\$168,202	15	110.31	\$152,478	12
Connecticut	\$185,610	15	\$174,323	16	\$167,634	17	138.09	\$121,397	47
Delaware	\$195,245	11			\$183,444	8	110.43	\$166,119	5
District of Columbia	\$220,600	5			\$208,000	1	150.73	\$137,991	29
Florida	\$220,600	5	\$169,554	19	\$160,688	20	106.44	\$150,964	14
Georgia	\$175,600	23	\$174,500	15	\$173,065	11	100.10	\$172,887	4
Hawaii	\$227,664	4	\$210,780	4	\$205,080	3	149.08	\$137,560	30
Idaho	\$151,400	41	\$141,400	36	\$135,400	41	96.08	\$140,920	24
Illinois	\$234,391	2	\$220,605	2	\$202,433	4	111.77	\$181,116	2
Indiana	\$177,244	21	\$172,296	17	\$147,164	33	96.39	\$152,674	11
Iowa	\$174,808	25	\$158,420	26	\$147,494	32	99.00	\$148,984	17
Kansas	\$142,089	46	\$137,502	38	\$125,499	51	100.47	\$124,910	43
Kentucky	\$138,890	48	\$133,299	39	\$127,733	48	93.92	\$136,003	34
Louisiana	\$169,125	28	\$158,147	27	\$151,943	27	100.24	\$151,579	13
Maine	\$138,070	49			\$129,397	46	123.04	\$105,166	51
Maryland	\$181,433	18	\$168,633	20	\$159,433	23	127.83	\$124,721	44
Massachusetts	\$200,984	9	\$190,087	7	\$184,694	7	137.11	\$134,704	38
Michigan	\$164,610	33	\$157,544	28	\$145,578	34	96.54	\$150,790	15
Minnesota	\$177,697	20	\$167,438	21	\$157,179	24	106.03	\$148,236	18
Mississippi	\$152,250	40	\$144,827	33	\$136,000	40	91.14	\$149,214	16
Missouri	\$176,157	22	\$161,038	24	\$151,840	28	97.98	\$154,969	10
Montana	\$144,061	45			\$132,558	44	103.40	\$128,195	40
Nebraska	\$173,694	26	\$165,009	22	\$160,667	21	99.47	\$161,527	6
Nevada	\$170,000	27	\$165,000	23	\$160,000	22	111.18	\$143,909	20
New Hampshire	\$164,647	32			\$154,442	25	128.20	\$120,468	49
New Jersey	\$193,842	12	\$183,534	8	\$173,000	12	126.67	\$136,579	33
New Mexico	\$139,819	47	\$132,838	40	\$126,187	49	105.57	\$119,526	50
New York	\$230,200	3	\$212,700	3	\$208,000	1	145.65	\$142,813	22
North Carolina	\$149,115	42	\$142,947	35	\$135,236	42	100.35	\$134,764	37
North Dakota	\$157,009	37			\$143,869	35	105.90	\$135,853	35
Ohio	\$164,000	34	\$152,850	30	\$140,550	38	98.74	\$142,340	23
Oklahoma	\$145,914	44	\$138,235	37	\$131,835	45	96.23	\$136,998	31
Oregon	\$154,040	38	\$150,980	31	\$142,136	36	116.26	\$122,257	46
Pennsylvania	\$207,203	7	\$195,978	5	\$180,299	9	111.82	\$161,236	7
Rhode Island	\$179,387	19			\$161,507	19	127.75	\$126,422	41
South Carolina	\$148,794	43	\$145,074	32	\$141,354	37	103.42	\$136,686	32
South Dakota	\$136,893	50			\$127,862	47	105.99	\$120,639	48
Tennessee	\$188,952	13	\$182,664	9	\$176,364	10	96.34	\$183,059	1
Texas	\$168,000	29	\$158,500	25	\$149,000	31	101.67	\$146,556	19
Utah	\$182,950	16	\$174,600	14	\$166,300	18	103.26	\$161,043	8
Vermont	\$161,576	35			\$153,603	26	125.39	\$122,500	45
Virginia	\$197,827	10	\$181,610	10	\$171,120	13	109.17	\$156,748	9
Washington	\$186,681	14	\$177,708	12	\$169,187	14	117.95	\$143,437	21
West Virginia	\$136,000	51			\$126,000	50	99.85	\$126,184	42
Wisconsin	\$153,291	39	\$144,614	34	\$136,428	39	103.94	\$131,262	39
Wyoming	\$165,000	31			\$150,000	29	106.79	\$140,464	25
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