

Arkansas at a Glance

| Arkansas Ranking | |
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| Stress Test Overall Rank | 12 |

| Arkansas: Stress Test Data Points | | | | | |
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| | 2000 | Latest | Change | Pct. Change | Rank |
| Unemployment rate ¹ | 4.2 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 17% | 24 |
| Construction jobs ² | 54,200 | 55,400 | 1,200 | 2% | 11 |
| Manufacturing jobs ³ | 242,000 | 185,100 | -56,900 | -24% | 17 |
| Goods-producing jobs ⁴ | 301,000 | 248,700 | -52,300 | -17% | 14 |
| Service-providing jobs ⁵ | 857,400 | 958,500 | 101,100 | 12% | 37 |
| People uninsured ⁶ | 137.02 (per 1,000) | 185.47 (per 1,000) | - | 35% | 6 |
| Employer-provided health insurance coverage ⁷ | 161.24 (per 1,000) | 153.25 (per 1,000) | - | -5% | 15 |
| Individuals that spend 25 percent of pre-tax income on health care ⁸ | 141,000 and 6.2% | 227,000 and 9.3% | 86,000 | 50% | 12 |
| Public college tuition ⁹ | \$3,525 | \$4,937 and 14% (of 2006 Median Household Income) | \$1,412 | 40% | 17 |
| Average weekly wage ¹⁰ | \$594 | \$619 | \$25 | 4% | 24 |
| Individuals below poverty line ¹¹ | 400,895 (2002) | 471,155 and 167.72(per 1,000) | 70,260 | 18% | 5 |
| Bankruptcy ¹² | 9,564 (2006) | 11,851 and 4.18(per 1,000) | 2,287 | 24% | 30 |
| Foreclosures ¹³ | 11,318 (2006) and 4.03 (per 1,000) | 14,310 and 5.05 (per 1,000) | 2,992 | 26% | 29 |
| Gasoline Prices ¹⁴ (excluding taxes and AAA) | \$1.07 (excluding taxes) | \$2.53 (excluding taxes) and \$3.52 (AAA- including taxes) | \$1.46 (excluding taxes) | 137% | 33 |

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<http://www.abiworld.org/AM/AMTemplate.cfm?Section=Home&TEMPLATE=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&CONTENTID=46951>; American Bankruptcy Institute, Quarterly Filings by State (2006-2007), Total Bankruptcy Filings 2007.
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