

2025 AI Readiness Index: All 50 U.S. States Ranked								
Rank	State	AI Adoption Q1 (2025)	AI Adoption Growth (2023–2025)	Digital Job Openings (%)	Unemployment Rate (%)	AI Search Volume per Capita	AI Legislation Score (1-4)	AI Readiness Score
1	Utah	8.80%	4.00%	5.20%	3.30%	126.63	4	85.18
2	Delaware	11.00%	4.30%	3.90%	4.10%	102.37	4	82.85
3	Virginia	6.90%	2.60%	5.70%	3.30%	151.6	3	81.34
4	Vermont	8.30%	8.30%	7.00%	3.10%	80.03	2	81.01
5	Florida	9.00%	3.40%	4.70%	3.70%	134.6	3	80.95
6	Massachusetts	7.70%	3.20%	5.60%	5.00%	155.14	3	80.87
7	Maryland	8.10%	3.60%	4.20%	3.40%	141.05	3	80.41
8	Oregon	7.90%	2.80%	5.10%	5.20%	118.63	4	79.89
9	California	8.10%	2.80%	4.10%	5.50%	170.22	3	79.45
10	Montana	8.30%	3.90%	5.10%	3.40%	62.04	4	78.68
11	New York	6.00%	2.40%	4.70%	4.30%	160.28	3	78.3
12	Minnesota	7.90%	3.70%	5.80%	3.90%	95.83	3	78.05
13	Colorado	8.90%	2.70%	5.10%	5.20%	119.29	3	77.57
14	Connecticut	6.50%	3.10%	5.20%	4.50%	131.12	3	77.46
15	Georgia	7.30%	3.20%	5.50%	3.70%	135.17	2	76.82
16	Arizona	7.50%	1.70%	7.30%	3.90%	122.05	2	76.74
17	Texas	7.50%	3.20%	3.80%	4.30%	128.23	3	76.6
18	Washington	9.00%	4.10%	3.90%	5.00%	141.42	2	76.17
19	New Jersey	5.30%	2.10%	4.30%	5.00%	148.85	3	74.85
20	Illinois	6.90%	3.10%	4.30%	5.10%	117.8	3	74.7
21	Tennessee	5.10%	1.40%	5.20%	3.50%	82.34	4	74.62

22	New Mexico	6.30%	3.40%	6.00%	4.30%	73.85	3	73.95
23	Maine	7.50%	5.20%	5.70%	4.00%	73.19	2	73.55
24	Louisiana	5.70%	3.30%	5.40%	4.20%	70	3	72.16
25	Indiana	6.10%	2.90%	4.10%	4.50%	80.86	3	70.9
26	Nevada	7.10%	2.70%	4.50%	5.70%	118.45	2	70.8
27	New Hampshire	3.00%	-1.00%	5.20%	3.60%	89.05	4	70.49
28	South Carolina	6.80%	2.90%	5.50%	4.50%	79.01	2	70.14
29	Pennsylvania	5.90%	2.50%	4.80%	4.20%	97.84	2	69.8
30	North Carolina	7.00%	2.60%	5.00%	3.70%	108.57	1	69.55
31	Michigan	5.60%	2.40%	4.20%	6.00%	96.4	3	69.54
32	Iowa	6.70%	3.00%	4.70%	3.80%	74.77	2	69.48
33	Idaho	6.70%	2.20%	5.10%	4.20%	79.6	2	69.19
34	Missouri	5.90%	2.10%	5.20%	4.40%	84.78	2	68.6
35	Hawaii	4.10%	0.40%	4.50%	2.80%	109.71	2	68.14
36	Nebraska	5.50%	2.40%	4.40%	3.40%	80.09	2	68.14
37	Alabama	4.70%	2.00%	5.20%	3.40%	72.26	2	67.37
38	Ohio	5.90%	2.30%	5.10%	5.40%	83.45	2	67.32
39	Alaska	4.70%	4.70%	5.50%	5.40%	61.53	2	67.1
40	Oklahoma	5.10%	2.10%	4.60%	3.60%	71.56	2	66.73
41	Kansas	6.30%	2.70%	5.30%	4.10%	82.74	1	66.61
42	North Dakota	3.10%	3.10%	4.80%	3.20%	74.07	2	66.61
43	Rhode Island	3.50%	-1.00%	5.00%	6.20%	110.71	3	66.11
44	Kentucky	5.30%	2.10%	5.90%	5.50%	65.51	2	65.95
45	West Virginia	2.50%	0.60%	6.10%	4.20%	55.1	3	65.82
46	Wisconsin	5.30%	2.30%	5.10%	3.80%	77.42	1	64.78

47	Mississippi	4.50%	2.80%	4.40%	4.10%	58.37	2	64.75
48	Arkansas	4.60%	1.40%	4.80%	4.20%	65.61	2	64.55
49	Wyoming	5.70%	2.10%	5.00%	3.70%	61.33	1	63.59
50	South Dakota	1.50%	-1.80%	3.80%	2.10%	64.55	1	55.82

Methodology

[DesignRush](#) evaluates how prepared each U.S. state is to adopt and utilize AI technologies, based on a composite AI Readiness Score derived from six metrics.

Metric	Description	Source	Weight
AI Adoption	% of businesses using AI (2025)	Business Trends and Outlook Survey	20%
AI Adoption Growth	Increase in AI use from 2023 to 2025	Business Trends and Outlook Survey	20%
Digital Job Openings	Rate of digital/tech job availability	BLS - Job Openings	10%
Unemployment Rate	State unemployment rate (2025)	BLS - Unemployment	10%
Google Search Popularity	AI keyword searches per 1,000 people	Google Keyword Planner	20%
AI Legislation Status	Activity on AI-related laws and policies	AI Legislation Snapshot	20%

Top AI Keywords Used for Google Search Metric

- chatgpt
- gemini ai
- deepseek
- claude ai
- perplexity ai
- ai tools
- artificial intelligence tools
- tools ai

- machine learning
- artificial learning
- learning in machine learning
- machine learning and
- artificial intelligence course
- deep learning
- artificial intelligence classes

AI Legislation Status Categories

- **No Legislation Proposed** – Score: 1
- **Proposed Legislation** – Score: 2
- **Enacted and Proposed Legislation** – Score: 3
- **Enacted Legislation** – Score: 4