PROMOTING
THE EFFICIENT
& SUSTAINABLE
USE OF WATER

# **2022 U.S. STATE POLICY SCORECARD** for Water Efficiency and Sustainability

# **GEORGIA**

46.5

#5
NATIONAL RANKING

#1 REGIONAL RANKING (OF 5)

**SOUTHEAST REGION** 

#### **About the Scorecard**

The 2022 U.S. State Policy Scorecard for Water Efficiency and Sustainability evaluates and scores U.S. states by their adoption of policies and laws that advance water efficiency, conservation, and sustainability. The Scorecard is intended to encourage further legislative action at the state level.

Scorecard Summary	Points		
Plumbing Fixture Standards and Codes	9/12		
Water Loss Control	11/11		
Water Conservation Planning	14/27.5		
Drought Preparedness Planning	<b>4.5</b> /8.5		
Climate Action Planning	0/4		
Water-Land Use Planning Integration	<b>0</b> /6		
State Funding for Water Efficiency Programs	4/4		
State-provided Technical Assistance for Water Efficiency	<b>2</b> /3		
Rate Structures that Encourage Conservation	0/4		
State Funding for Water Bill Assistance	0/2		
State Funding and Support for Water Reuse	0/4		
Accounting for Energy Savings from Water Efficiency	0/1		
Completion of Survey	2/2		
TOTAL POINTS	46.5/89		

# **Priority Scoring Factors**

The categories below are highlighted in order to encourage states to make the most progress in heavily weighted sectors.

#### Plumbing Fixture Standards and Codes





\*When the median = 0, at least half of the states till have not adopted this critical policy.

#### Water Loss Control



11	AWARDED	
4	MEDIAN	
11	POINTS POSSIBLE	

#### Water Conservation Planning



14	AWARDED	
6.25		
27.5	POINTS POSSIBLE	

### **Drought Preparedness Planning**





## **Recommendations for Georgia**

- Adopt laws and codes for high efficiency showerheads
- ✓ Allocate state funding for water reuse/recycling
- ✓ Require water utilities to develop and implement climate change plans

