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.

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

\[
\begin{array}{c|c|c|c}
\text{AWARDED} & \text{MEDIAN} & \text{POINTS POSSIBLE} \\
0 & 12 & 0
\end{array}
\]

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

Water Loss Control

\[
\begin{array}{c|c|c|c}
\text{AWARDED} & \text{MEDIAN} & \text{POINTS POSSIBLE} \\
0 & 4 & 11
\end{array}
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Water Conservation Planning

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\begin{array}{c|c|c|c}
\text{AWARDED} & \text{MEDIAN} & \text{POINTS POSSIBLE} \\
6.25 & 27.5 & 0
\end{array}
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Drought Preparedness Planning

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\begin{array}{c|c|c|c}
\text{AWARDED} & \text{MEDIAN} & \text{POINTS POSSIBLE} \\
0 & 8.5 & 0
\end{array}
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Recommendations for Idaho

- Adopt laws and codes for high efficiency fixtures
- Adopt policies to reduce water loss in utility distribution systems
- Require water utilities to develop and implement drought preparedness plans

Comparing Idaho Against Other U.S. States

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