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Salaries of judges of highest, appellate, and general trial courts

By type of court and jurisdiction, as of Jan. 1, 2011

Jurisdiction	Type of court					
	Highest court		Intermediate appellate court		General trial court	
	Salary	Rank	Salary	Rank	Salary	Rank
Alabama	\$180,005	9	\$178,878	4	\$134,943	25
Alaska	188,604	4	178,188	5	174,396	3
Arizona	155,000	20	150,000	14	145,000	14
Arkansas	145,204	30	140,732	20	136,257	23
California	218,237	1	204,599	1	178,789	2
Colorado	139,660	34	134,128	28	128,598	33
Connecticut	162,520	16	152,637	11	146,780	13
Delaware	185,050	6	X	X	168,850	5
District of Columbia	184,500	7	X	X	174,000	4
Florida	157,976	19	150,077	13	142,178	16
Georgia	167,210	11	166,186	8	149,873	11
Hawaii	151,118	23	139,924	21	136,127	24
Idaho	119,506	47	118,506	37	112,043	46
Illinois	207,066	2	194,888	2	178,835	1
Indiana	151,328	21	147,103	17	125,647	34
Iowa	163,200	15	147,900	16	137,700	20
Kansas	135,905	39	131,518	32	120,037	42
Kentucky	135,504	40	130,044	34	124,620	36
Louisiana	149,572	25	142,477	19	136,544	22
Maine	119,476	48	X	X	111,969	47
Maryland	162,352	17	149,552	15	140,352	17
Massachusetts	145,984	27	135,087	27	129,694	30
Michigan	164,610	13	151,441	12	139,919	18
Minnesota	145,981	28	137,552	23	129,124	31
Mississippi	112,530	51	105,050	39	104,170	51
Missouri	137,034	38	128,207	35	120,484	41
Montana	113,964	50	X	X	106,870	50
Nebraska	142,760	32	135,622	26	132,053	28
Nevada	170,000	10	X	X	160,000	8
New Hampshire	146,917	26	X	X	137,804	19
New Jersey	185,482	5	175,534	6	165,000	6
New Mexico	123,691	45	117,506	38	111,631	48
New York	151,200	22	144,000	18	136,700	21
North Carolina	137,249	36	131,531	31	124,382	37
North Dakota	130,228	42	X	X	119,330	43
Ohio	141,600	33	132,000	30	121,350	40
Oklahoma	137,655	35	130,410	33	124,373	38
Oregon	125,688	44	122,820	36	114,468	45
Pennsylvania	189,620	3	178,914	3	164,602	7
Rhode Island	160,899	18	X	X	144,861	15
South Carolina	137,171	37	133,741	29	130,312	29
South Dakota	118,173	49	X	X	110,377	49
Tennessee	165,336	12	159,840	9	154,320	10
Texas	150,000	24	137,500	24	132,500	26
Utah	145,350	29	138,750	22	132,150	27
Vermont	129,245	43	X	X	122,867	39
Virginia	183,839	8	168,322	7	158,134	9
Washington	164,221	14	156,328	10	148,832	12
West Virginia	121,000	46	X	X	116,000	44
Wisconsin	144,495	31	136,316	25	128,600	32
Wyoming	131,500	41	X	X	125,200	35
National average	151,616	NA	146,508	NA	136,268	NA
Median	146,917	NA	140,732	NA	132,500	NA

Note: The salaries reported refer to associate justices of the highest courts, associate judges of intermediate appellate courts, and judges of general jurisdiction trial courts. Where possible, the data presented are actual salaries. In jurisdictions where some judges receive supplements, the salary figures are the most representative available: the base salary, the midpoint of a range between the lowest and highest supplemented salaries, or the median. National averages for the highest courts and general trial courts are based on figures for the 50 States and the District of Columbia. For intermediate appellate courts, the average is based on the 39 States that have such courts.

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