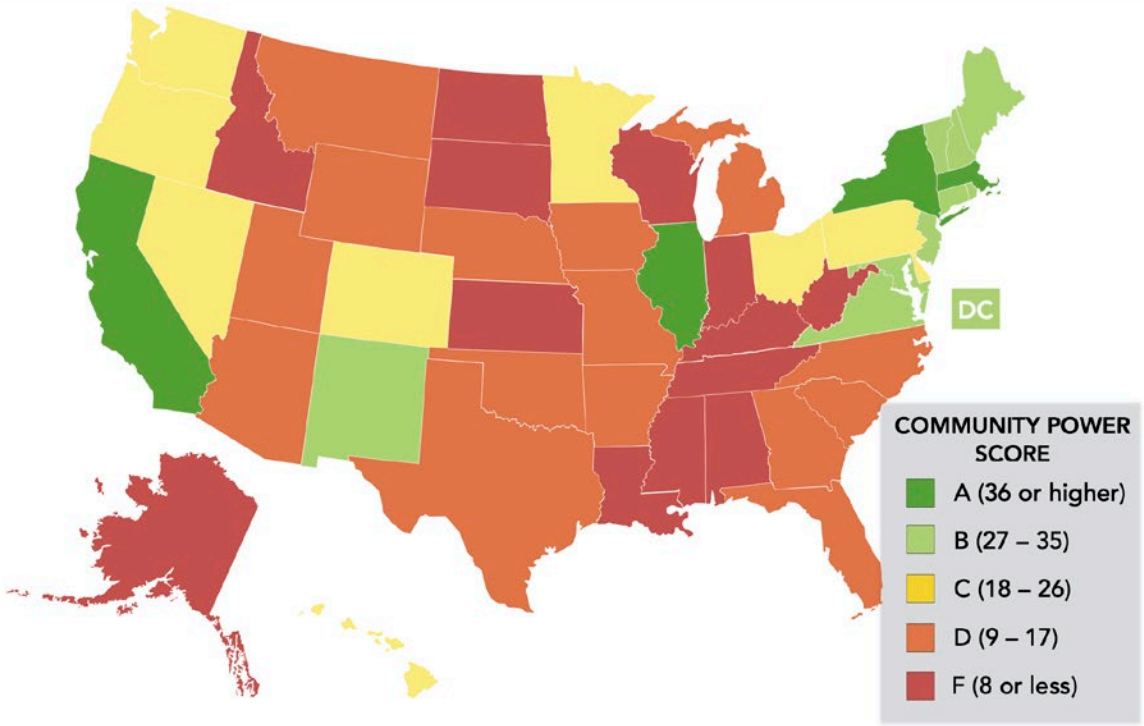




Which Regions and States are Leading in Local Clean Energy Policy in 2022?

ILSR's Community Power Scorecard evaluates states based on their energy policies and how these policies help or hinder local clean energy action. We grade each state and rank them relative to one another. In case you missed it, check out the [2022 Community Power Scorecard](#).

The following images break down this year's scorecard (below) into further detail. Feel free to save and share!



The Top Four States of ILSR's 2022 Community Power Scorecard

California and Massachusetts tied for the top spot in ILSR's 2022 Community Power Scorecard.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



CALIFORNIA

40 out of 44 points

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Allowing community choice aggregation is a boost to both states' scores. California and Massachusetts have many solar-friendly policies, including community solar, solar/storage mandates, third party financing, and net metering — although **California's net metering policy is in peril**. Cities in California and Massachusetts can start PACE financing programs and set more stringent building codes.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



MASSACHUSETTS

40 out of 44 points

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Like the other top scorers, New York enables community choice aggregation and has a community solar program.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

A



NEW YORK

38

 out of 44 points

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The Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA) boosted Illinois's grade to an A this year. CEJA established a stretch building energy code for cities to adopt.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



A

ILLINOIS

37

 out of 44 points

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While these states provide many opportunities for advancing energy democracy, other states are falling behind.

The Bottom Four States of ILSR's 2022 Community Power Scorecard

Louisiana finished last in the 2022 Community Power Scorecard. The state has been last, or tied for last, since the 2019 community power scorecard.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



F

LOUISIANA

1

 out of 44 points

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Kentucky scored three points total. In 2021, state legislators passed **a bill that will undercut net metering**: solar generation will not offset energy use and is compensated at a sub-retail rate.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



F

KENTUCKY

3

 out of 44 points

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Idaho scored one point higher than Kentucky because of its decent net metering policy and because Kentucky preempts communities from banning gas hookups.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



F

IDAHO

4 out of 44 points

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South Dakota scores very few points, but fares better than Louisiana and Kentucky because it does not lose points for poor interconnection standards or preempting gas bans.

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD



F

SOUTH DAKOTA

4 out of 44 points

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Regional Leaders in Local Clean Energy

How do states compare to their neighbors? Is energy democracy a regional trend?

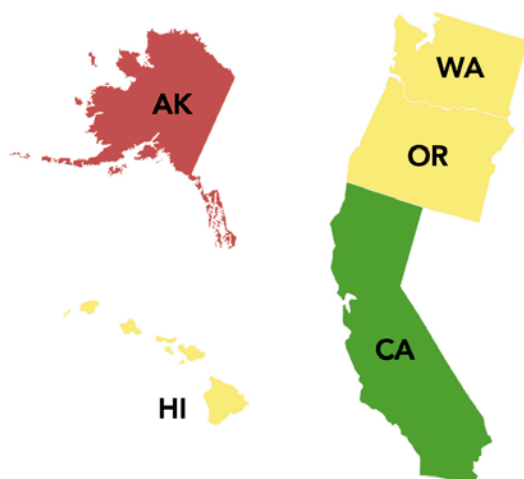
Here, we take a closer look at this year's community power scorecard to find which states rank highest, as compared to their peers, across nine regions of the country (corresponding to **U.S. Census Divisions**).

1. Pacific Region
2. Mountain Region
3. West North Central Region
4. East North Central Region
5. Mid-Atlantic Region
6. New England Region
7. South Atlantic Region
8. East South Central Region
9. West South Central Region

2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

Pacific Region

Regional Leader



CALIFORNIA



40 out of 44 points

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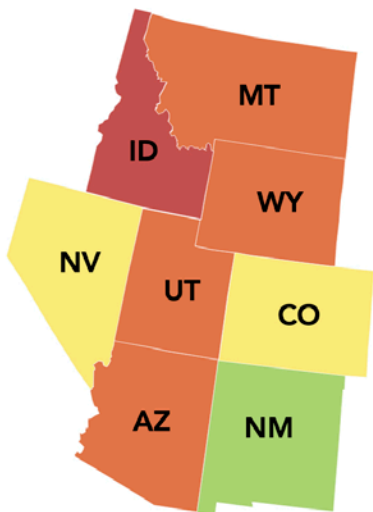
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2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

Mountain Region

Regional Leader



NEW MEXICO



28 out of 44 points

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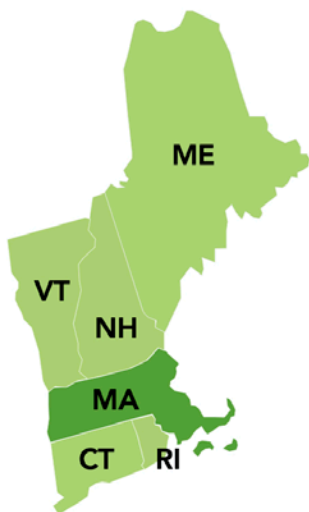
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2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

New England Region

Regional Leader



MASSACHUSETTS



40 out of 44 points

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2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

Mid-Atlantic Region

Regional Leader



NEW YORK



38 out of 44 points

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2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

East North Central Region

Regional Leader



ILLINOIS



37 out of 44 points

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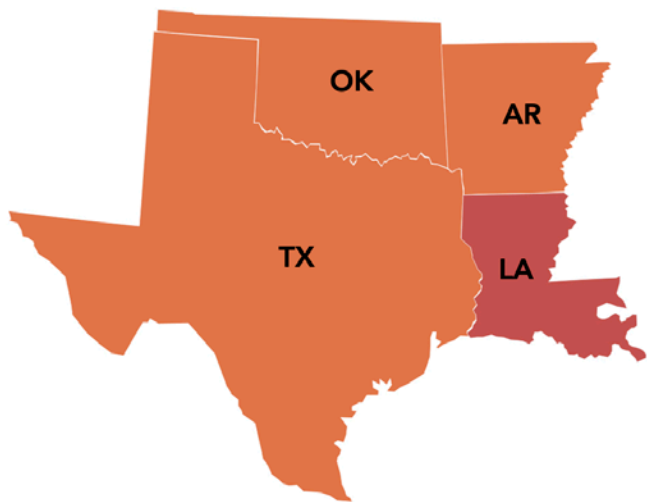
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2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

West South Central Region

Regional Leader



ARKANSAS

D



15 out of 44 points

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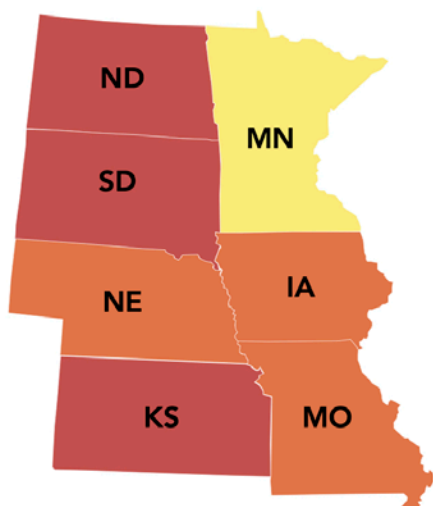
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West North Central Region

Regional Leader



MINNESOTA

C



24 out of 44 points

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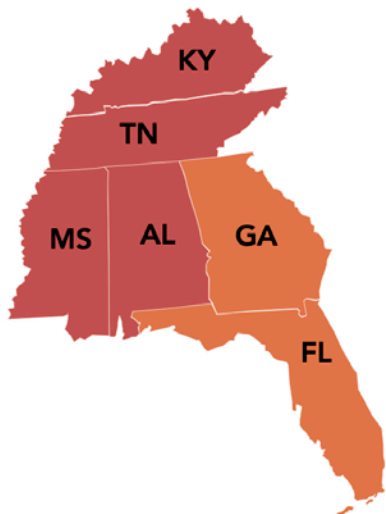
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East South Central Region

Regional Leader



FLORIDA

D

11 out of 44 points

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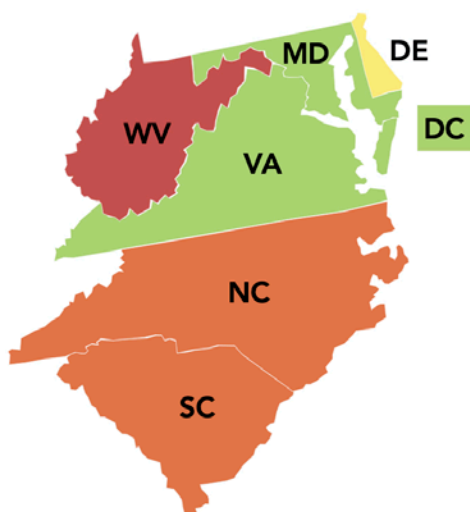
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2022 COMMUNITY POWER SCORECARD

South Atlantic Region

Regional Leader



MARYLAND

B

30 out of 44 points

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