

# BACKGROUND BLUNDERS:

## Most Offenders By State

Of course, there are a few bad apples in every bunch.

But when it comes to key background offenses, some states just produce more bad apples than others. Here are the places where your background screening is most likely hit a snag.

### HIGHEST DRUG USE BY STATE<sup>1</sup>

Using metrics such as arrest and overdose rates, Wallet Hub developed composite scores of drug use for all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

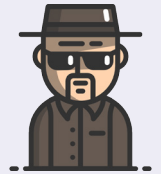
1. District of Columbia: 62.97
2. Missouri: 57.73
3. New Hampshire: 55.65
4. Michigan: 55.35
5. West Virginia: 53.98



### STATES WITH THE MOST REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS<sup>2</sup>

According to data from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, these are the states with the most registered sex offenders per 100,000 people.

1. Oregon: 676
2. Arkansas: 544
3. Delaware: 496
4. Michigan: 433
5. Wisconsin: 425



### STATES WITH THE MOST BANKRUPTCIES<sup>3</sup>

Hiring for a role that requires a great deal of financial integrity? According to U.S. Court records, you may want to vet extra carefully if you're pulling candidates from one of these states.

1. California: 70,341
2. Illinois: 51,370
3. Georgia: 47,181
4. Florida: 43,012
5. Ohio: 36,754



### STATES WITH THE MOST ONLINE TROLLS<sup>4</sup>

Wired and Disqus partnered to pinpoint the most troll-ridden places in America by calculating the percentage of negative online comments per state. And with troll-ish comments comes a high probability of candidates with negative social media presences.

1. Vermont: 12.2%
2. Iowa: 10.3%
3. Nevada: 10.1%
4. South Carolina: 9.8%
5. Alabama: 9.6%



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