



***The ASA Report:
The Policy
Environment
in the States***

**State Listing by
2006 Class Rank**

This chart ranks all U.S. states and the District of Columbia on the overall public policy environment for construction specialty trade contractors and suppliers in 2006.

The rankings are based on each state's final score on a scale of 0 to 100, as calculated by ASA. Letter grades were assigned according to the following scale:

<i>Grading Scale</i>	
100 - 91	A
90 - 81	B
80 - 71	C
70 - 61	D
60 - 0	F

A state's grade reflects the total environment created by its policies on prompt payment, pay-if-paid clauses, liens, payment bonds, retainage, indemnity and additional insured, and bid shopping. For more information, visit <http://www.asaonline.com>.

Bold face indicates significant legislative or judicial activity, regardless of effect on scores or grades.

<i>2005 Class Rank</i>	<i>2006 Class Rank</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>2005 Score</i>	<i>2006 Score</i>	<i>2006 Grade</i>
1	1	New Mexico	69	69	D
2	2	South Carolina	58	58	F
3	3	California	57	57	F
4	4	New York	56	56	F
4	4	Oregon	56	56	F
6	6	Missouri	51	51	F
7	7	Arizona	49	49	F
8	8	Florida	48	48	F
8	8	North Carolina	48	48	F
10	10	Delaware	46	46	F
12	10	Illinois	44	46	F
11	12	Connecticut	45	45	F
12	13	Massachusetts	44	44	F
19	13	New Jersey	35	44	F
14	15	Washington	43	43	F
15	16	Arkansas	41	42	F
15	16	Maryland	41	42	F
15	16	Montana	41	42	F
34	19	Oklahoma	26	40	F
18	20	Wisconsin	39	39	F
21	21	Tennessee	34	38	F
19	22	Kansas	35	35	F
21	22	Utah	34	35	F
21	24	Minnesota	34	34	F
21	24	Ohio	34	34	F
27	24	Pennsylvania	30	34	F
25	27	Maine	32	32	F
26	28	Rhode Island	31	31	F
27	29	South Dakota	30	30	F
29	30	Georgia	29	29	F
30	31	Idaho	28	28	F
40	32	Hawaii	23	27	F
31	32	Louisiana	27	27	F
31	32	Mississippi	27	27	F
31	32	Texas	27	27	F
34	36	Michigan	26	26	F
34	36	Nebraska	26	26	F
37	38	Alabama	25	25	F
37	38	Kentucky	25	25	F
39	40	Indiana	24	24	F
40	41	Alaska	23	23	F
40	41	Nevada	23	23	F
40	41	North Dakota	23	23	F
44	44	Vermont	22	22	F
45	45	Virginia	21	21	F
46	46	Colorado	19	19	F
46	46	Iowa	19	19	F
46	46	New Hampshire	19	19	F
49	49	West Virginia	17	17	F
50	50	District of Columbia	14	14	F
50	50	Wyoming	14	14	F