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Wisconsin's economic outlook ranks No. 9 in nation

MADISON, Wis. — A state [economic report](#) issued Tuesday indicates Wisconsin's economic outlook is the 9th in the nation, up three spots from last year. Sen. Leah Vukmir, national chairman of the American Legislative Exchange Council, heralded the news.

“Thanks to commonsense reforms under Republican leadership, the forecast for Wisconsin's economy is much brighter now than it was during the Doyle years, a time in which we ranked 33rd in the country,” said Vukmir, R–Brookfield. “We protected workers' freedoms, ensured Wisconsinites will keep more of what they earn, and held the line on property taxes.”

Vukmir continued, “It's worth noting that our neighboring states, Illinois and Minnesota ranked in 43rd and 45th respectively. Companies are more likely to do business here and bring quality jobs to the hard-working people of the Badger State.”

The “Rich States, Poor States” report was authored by economist Dr. Arthur Laffer, Stephen Moore, visiting fellow at the Heritage Foundation, and Jonathan Williams, vice president of the ALEC Center for State Fiscal Reform.

Property and income tax relief in Wisconsin and the recently passed right-to-work law were major factors to increase Wisconsin's economic outlook, which was based on 15 weighted policy areas that impact economic growth in a state.

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