

# Arts & Culture

4.4% of U.S. GDP in 2021

Arts & culture had biggest economic presence in:

Washington  
District of Columbia

California  
New York

4.9 million jobs in the U.S. in 2021

Where is the economic contribution of these industries largest?

Performing arts companies



Nevada  
Tennessee  
New York

Advertising



D.C.  
New York  
Illinois

Motion pictures



California  
New York  
Georgia

Government



D.C.  
Wyoming  
Alaska

Broadcasting



New York  
Georgia  
D.C.

To answer questions about arts and culture in your state, go to [bea.gov/arts-and-culture](https://bea.gov/arts-and-culture), scroll down and select State Data, and view your state's summary sheet.

1. How did the size of your state's arts and cultural economy rank among all states? (Use value added, which measures an industry's contribution to GDP.) Did arts and cultural economic activity rise or fall in your state in the latest year shown?
2. What were the top three arts and cultural (ACPSA) industries in your state? (Use value added.)
3. How did your state rank in arts and cultural employment? Think of two states you predict ranked lower in arts and cultural employment, or two states you predict ranked higher. Explain your reasoning. Check their state summary sheets. Were you right?