One Score, Twenty Failures:

The High Cost of Rhode Island's One-Party Rule

One score and zero years ago, *Rhode Island voters brought forth in this state the last Republican elected to statewide or federal office, followed by a new monopolistic governance conceived not in liberty, but in the false and fatal notions that special interests should reign supreme and all outcomes must be forcibly made equal.*

TWENTY YEARS OF DECLINE

Electricity
Average price
2006–2024
+73%
3rd highest price

Gas Tax
Per gallon
2013–2025
+24%
10th highest tax

State & Local Tax
Per capita
2006–2022
+43%
9th highest tax

Cost of Groceries
Per capita
2006–2024
+16%
1st biggest increase

School Spending
Per pupil (+inflation)
2006–2023
+19%
8th highest cost

School Enrollment
Statewide
2005–2025
-19,588
13% decrease

Population
Growth
2010–2024
5.6%
43% below national

Subsidized Lunch
Eligible students
2005–2025
+21,481
42% increase

Food Stamps
Population percent
2006–2023
13%
88% increase

Freedom Index
Cato Analysis
2006–2022
-5
15th least free

Business Ranking
CNBC Analysis
2007–2025
+2
5th worst state

Competitiveness
Beacon Hill Analysis
2006–2018
-12
14th worst state

Reading & Math
NAEP average
2007–2024
-2 points
32% proficient

GDP
Per capita
2006–2025
-13 places
16th worst state

STATE OF THE STATE TODAY

Business Starts — **WORST** in the country

Food Insecurity — **44%** of households

Road Conditions — **WORST** in the country

Fertility Rate — **SECOND LOWEST** in the country

Education Attainment — **WORST** in New England

Housing Affordability — **WORST** decline in the country

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