



MARYLAND

Gross State Product: \$413 billion | 5G Welcome: NO



What did Maryland do right?

The state has approximately 51 tech jobs per 1,000 people, with over 1,000 apprenticeship graduates in fiscal year 2018. It has no laws restricting drone activity. Additionally, it boasts one of the highest grades in the nation in the Grants Advanced Degrees category, with 18% of its population holding a graduate degree.



What can Maryland do better?

It can enact policies to welcome 5G connectivity and pass a “right-to-work” law. It can also encourage small businesses, which currently create about 30 jobs per 1,000 people, to grow and make more hires.

Technology

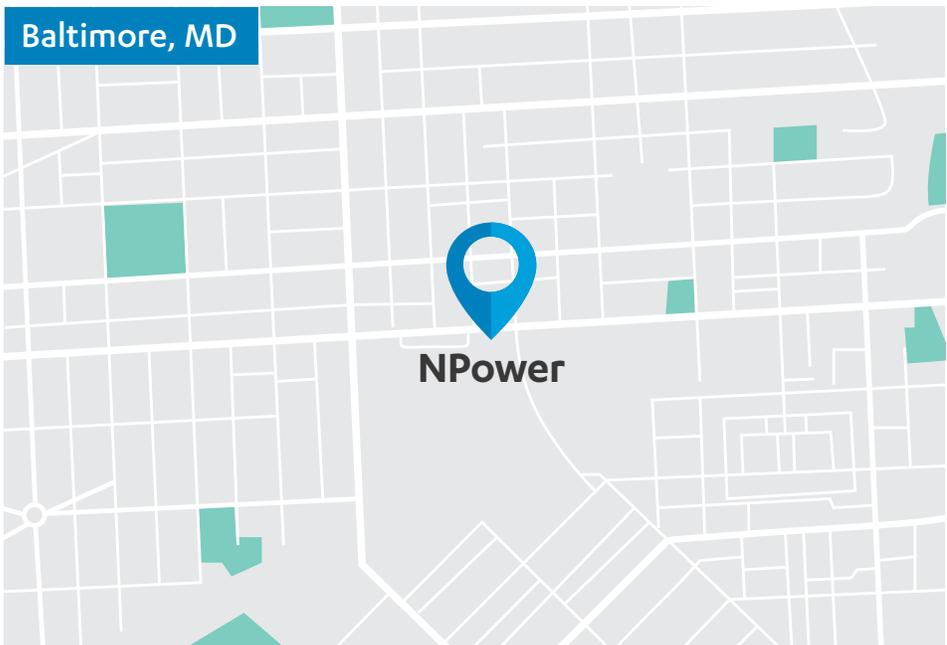
Short-Term Rentals	B
Ridesharing & E-Scooters	B
Self-Driving Vehicles	A
Drones	A
Fast Internet	C

Society

Best & Brightest	C
Grants Advanced Degrees	A+
Tech Workforce	A-
Innovation-Friendly Sustainability Policies	B-

Economy

Attracts Investment	B
Entrepreneurial Activity	C+
Tax Friendly	C



With support from Accenture, AWS, AT&T and other companies, the workforce development program NPower trains veterans and young adults from underserved communities and pairs them with local employers to help them launch careers in the tech industry.



Areas of Innovation

CTA's Innovation Scorecard is formulated using a range of complementary factors that indicates how strongly a state supports innovation. These factors may relate to a state's citizens, corporations doing business or employing people there or a state's legislative and regulatory environments.



Grants Advanced Degrees

Eighteen percent of people over age 25 hold an advanced degree.



Drones

The state has no laws restricting drone activity.



Tech Workforce

The state has approximately 51 tech jobs per 1,000 people and reported 1,092 apprenticeship graduates in recent data.



Self-Driving Vehicles

The state has no laws restricting the testing, development or deployment of SDVs.



Ridesharing & E-Scooters

The state legalized ridesharing in 2015, although some unnecessary restrictions remain. E-scooters are defined at the state level.



Short-Term Rentals

STRs operate under a statewide tax agreement, although they lack a full legal framework.

ABOUT THE SCORECARD

CTA's 2020 U.S. Innovation Scorecard grades every state on 12 quantitative and qualitative criteria that measure how well it fosters innovation.

Each state ranks in one of four tiers: Innovation Champions excel in almost all areas, followed by Innovation Leaders, which earn high scores in most. Innovation Adopters promote innovation in some areas but not others. Finally, Modest Innovators may support innovation in one or more areas, but they show the greatest room for improvement.

Learn more about the Scorecard and its methodology on the web at CTA.tech/scorecard.

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