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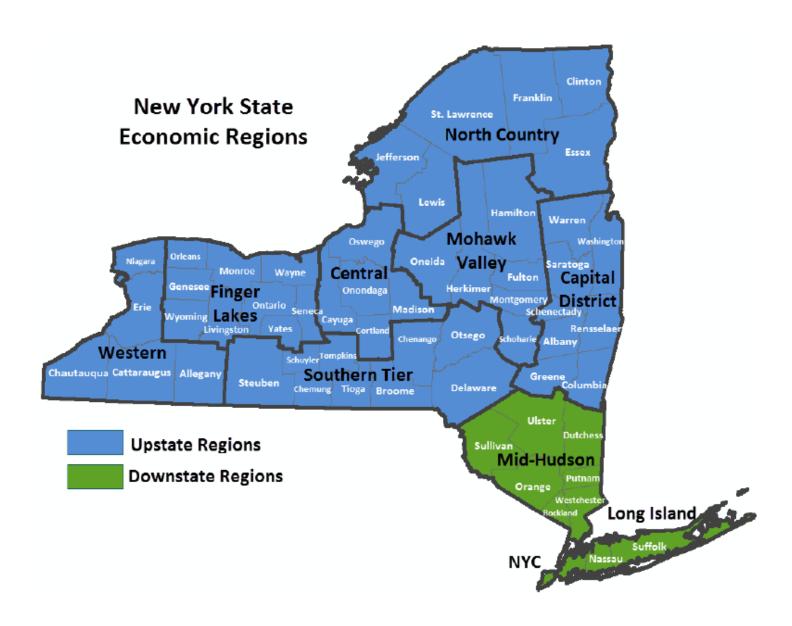
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Fiscal Stress Monitoring System

Regions Defined

The counties included in each region are shown in the map below. All local governments or school districts located within a county are considered to be part of the region in which that county is located.



Peer Group Definitions

The peer groups used for comparison are generated using the number of localities for which a score has been calculated. These groups will increase in size over time as additional scores are released. Greater caution should be taken when the number of units in the comparison group is small (for example, fewer than five). The definition of each peer group is shown below.

Local Government Peer Groups Based on Population (2010 Census) and Upstate/Downstate Location

	Upstate		
	Small	Medium	Large
County	< 60,000	60,000 to < 110,000	110,000 or greater
City	< 12,000	12,000 to < 125,000	
Town	< 2,500	2,500 to < 10,000	10,000 or greater
Village	< 1,000	1,000 to < 3,000	3,000 or greater

	Downstate		
	Small	Medium	Large
County	< 100,000	100,000 to < 500,000	500,000 or greater
City	< 20,000	20,000 to < 125,000	
Town	< 10,000	10,000 to < 60,000	60,000 or greater
Village	< 2,000	2,000 to < 7,000	7,000 or greater

		Big 4		
	Small	Medium	Large	
City			125,000 or greater	

School District Peer Groups Based on Enrollment and Upstate/Downstate Location

	Small	Medium	Large
Upstate	< 1,000	1,000 to < 6,000	6,000 or greater
Downstate	< 2,500	2,500 to < 7,500	7,500 or greater