

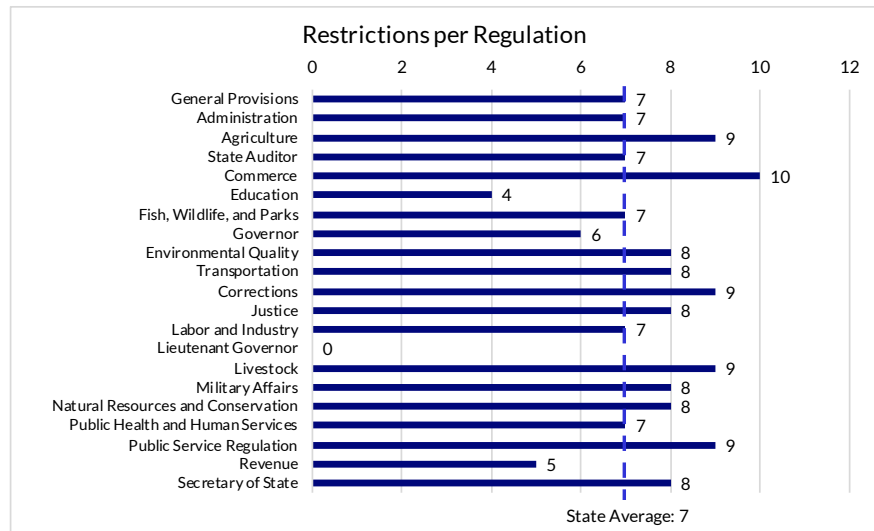
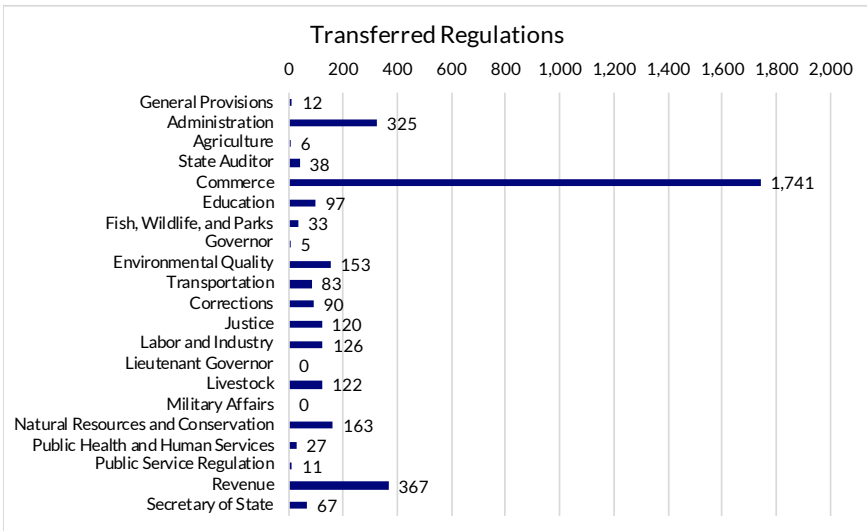
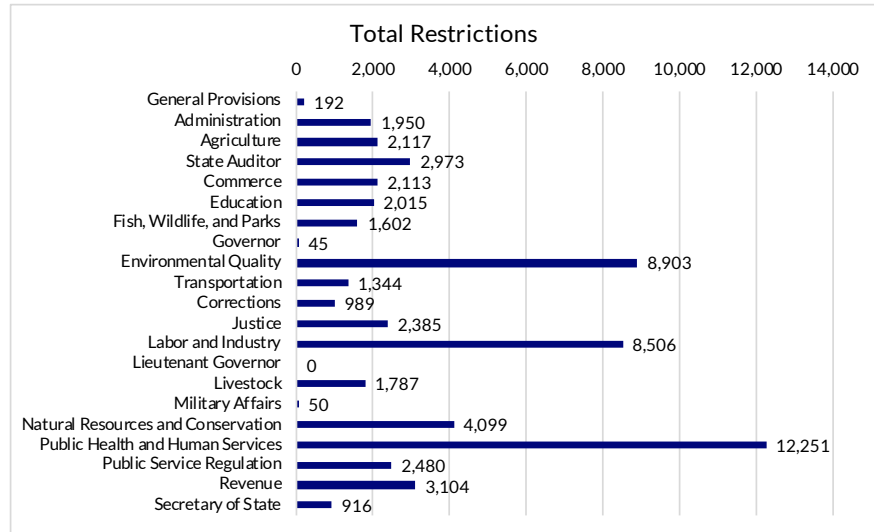
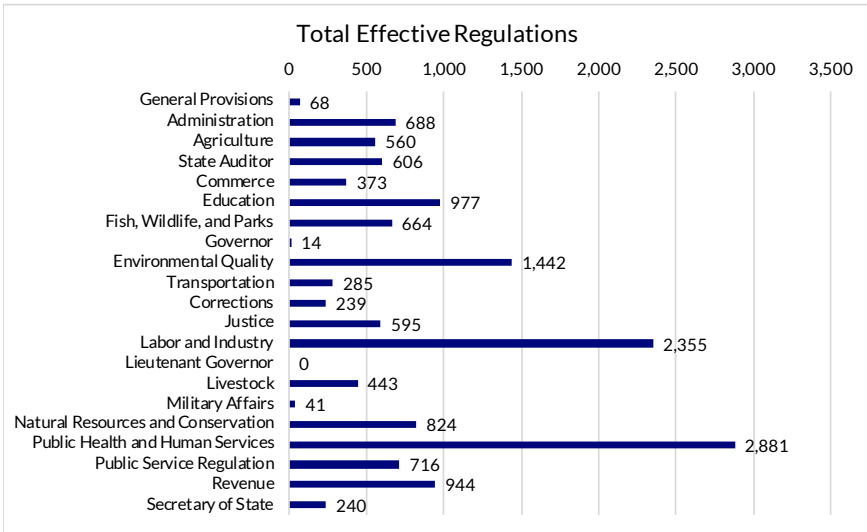
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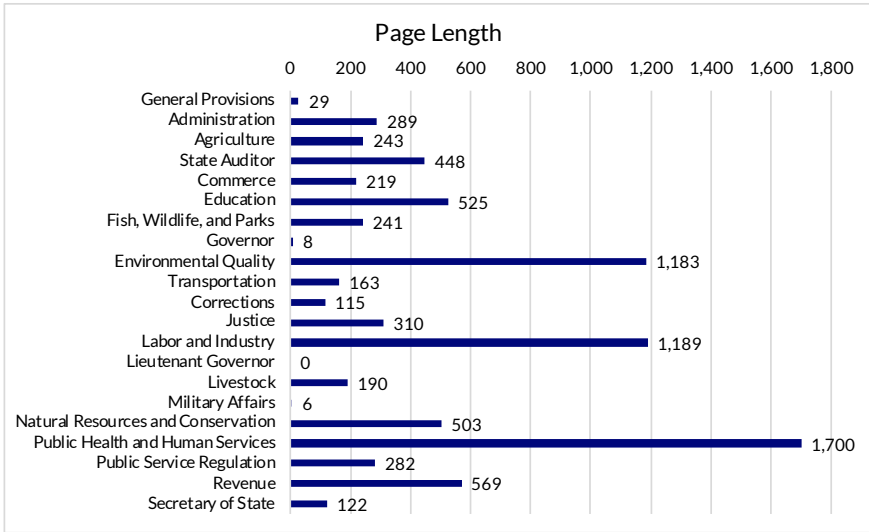
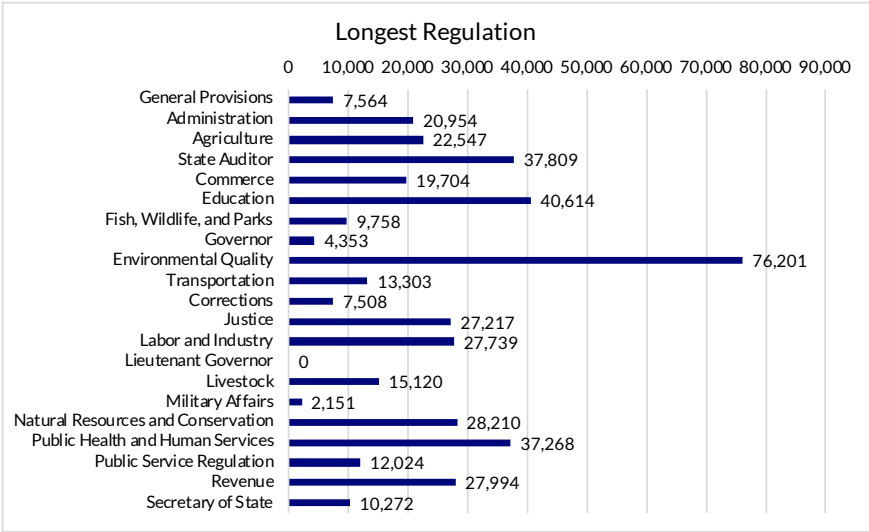
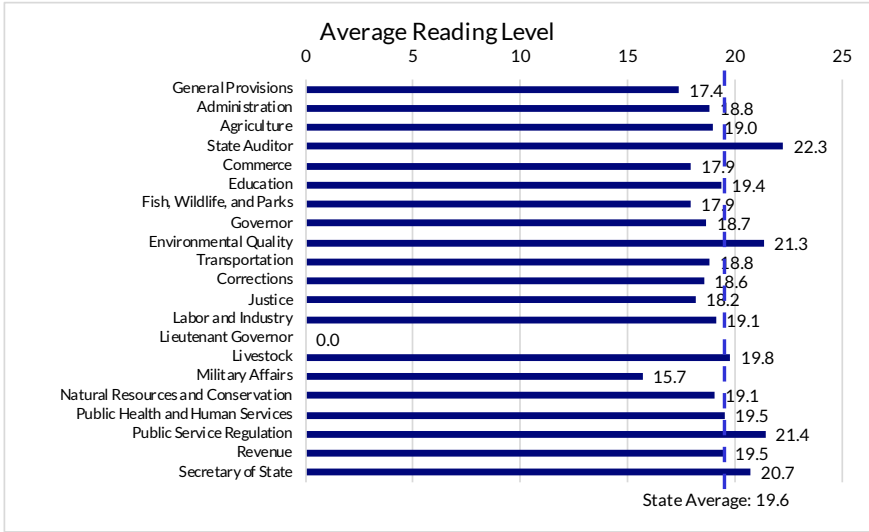
Total Effective Regulations 14,955	Total Restrictions 59,821	Average Reading Level 20	Repealed References 1,508
Total number of non-repealed, non-transferred regulations.	Total number of occurrences of restrictive language which includes "shall", "must", "may not", "required", and "prohibited".	Level of education a constituent needs in order to comprehend the regulation based on analysis of the number of words, syllables, and sentences in the text.	Total number of references to repealed laws or regulations in a rule's text.
Transferred Regulations 3,586	Restrictions per Regulation 7	Page Length 8,323	Broken Links 656
Total number of regulations transferred to other Titles.	Average number of restrictions per regulation.	Estimated page count of all regulations based on how much text fits on a page. Note, a rule does not get its own page so you could have fewer pages than rules.	A broken link denotes a reference to another regulation or statute that is not detectable. This means the reference is either incorrectly cited or has been repealed.
		Longest Regulation 76,201	Broken Links Per Regulation 0
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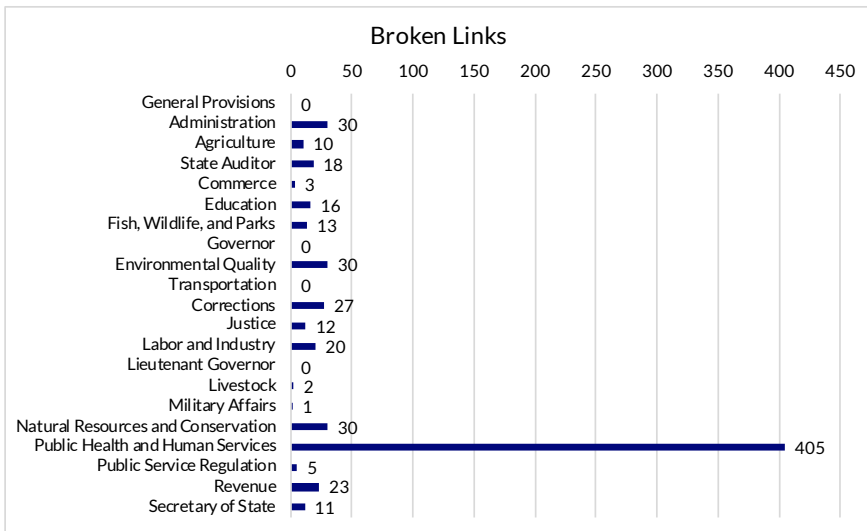
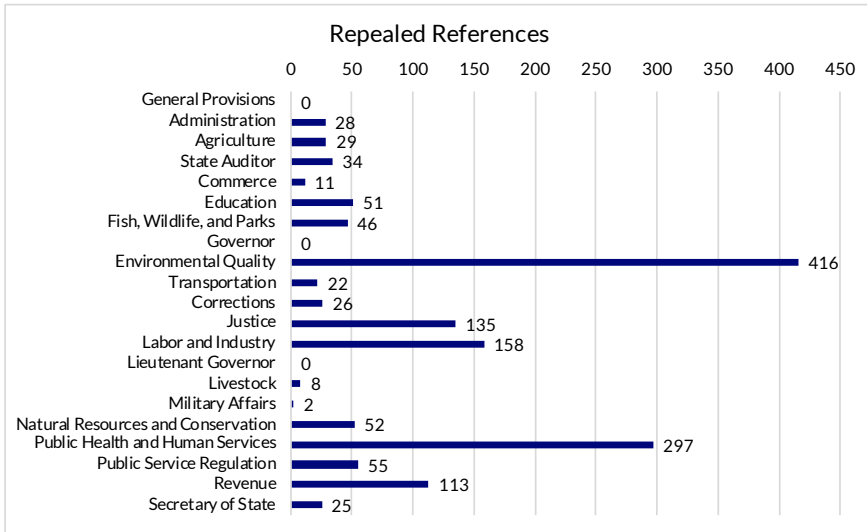
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State of Montana Red Tape Relief Change from Benchmark: Statewide

Data current as of December 29, 2023 compared to January 1, 2021 benchmark data

Total Effective Regulations	14,278
Change from Benchmark	↓ -677
Total number of non-repealed, non-transferred regulations.	

Total Restrictions	58,707
Change from Benchmark	↓ -1114
Total number of occurrences of restrictive language which includes "shall", "must", "may not", "required", and "prohibited".	

Average Reading Level	20
Change from Benchmark	↑ +0.2
Level of education a constituent needs in order to comprehend the regulation based on analysis of the number of words, syllables, and sentences in the text.	

Repealed References	1,090
Change from Benchmark	↓ -418
Total number of references to repealed laws or regulations in a rule's text.	

Transferred Regulations	3,833
Change from Benchmark	↑ +247
Total number of regulations transferred to other Titles.	

Restrictions per Regulation	7
Change from Benchmark	→ 0
Average number of restrictions per regulation.	

Page Length	8,127
Change from Benchmark	↓ -196
Estimated page count of all regulations based on how much text fits on a page. Note, a rule does not get its own page so you could have fewer pages than rules.	

Broken Links	606
Change from Benchmark	↓ -50
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Longest Regulation	76,201
Change from Benchmark	→ 0
Regulation with the largest character count, which is the the sum of all spaces, letters of the alphabet, numbers, and punctuation.	

Broken Links Per Regulation	0
Change from Benchmark	→ 0
The average number of broken links per regulation.	

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