

From the report *Show Us the Stimulus (Again)*, online at <http://www.goodjobsfirst.org/stimulusweb.cfm>.

STATE: NEW YORK <http://www.recovery.ny.gov/>

CATEGORY	SCORING SYSTEM (* shows component of actual score)	MAXIMUM POSSIBLE SCORE	ACTUAL TOTAL SCORE
SPENDING (ALLOCATIONS OR ACTUAL) BY PROGRAM AREAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Broad categories only: 5 - Narrow categories only: 5 - Both broad and narrow categories: 10* - No breakdown by program areas: 0 	10	10
SPENDING (ALLOCATIONS OR ACTUAL) BY COUNTY OR OTHER RELEVANT GEOGRAPHIC UNIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - County/geographic unit overall totals only: 10 - County/unit totals for individual programs only: 10 - County/unit totals for both individual programs and overall spending: 15* - No county/geographic unit breakdowns: 0 	15	15
SPENDING (ALLOCATIONS OR ACTUAL) COMPARED TO ECONOMIC DISTRESS (unemployment, home foreclosure, poverty, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - County or other relevant geographic unit distribution compared to two or more variables: 15 - Compared to one variable: 10 - No comparisons to economic needs: 0 EXTRA CREDIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -percentage of contracts given to disadvantaged business enterprises: 5 	15 (plus 5 potential extra credit)	0
CONTRACT/GRANT DETAILS (via maps or lists)	ADD SCORES TO GET TOTAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Descriptions of individual contract/ grant projects: 3* - Dollar amount: 3* - Name of recipient entity: 3* - Text of contract or grant document: 3 - Status of project/portion completed: 3* 	15	12
RECIPIENT JOBS DATA	ADD SCORES TO GET TOTAL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Actual job data for individual contract and grants: 7 - Job totals for program areas: 5 - Job totals for entire state: 3 EXTRA CREDIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - data on job quality (wage rates): 5 - demographics of workers: 5 	15 (plus 10 potential extra credit)	0
MAPPING OF CONTRACT AND GRANT PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interactive map with significant details on projects: 15* - Interactive map with limited details on projects: 10 - Static map: 5 - No mapping: 0 	15	15
USER AIDS	ADD SCORES TO GET TOTAL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - search box (including coverage of data): 5* - data downloadability: 5* - machine-readable data feed: 5 	15	10
TOTALS		100 (plus 15 potential extra credit)	62

Notes: A table at <http://www.recovery.ny.gov/DirectAid/aidnewyork.htm> shows ARRA spending in broad and narrow spending categories. A spreadsheet at http://recovery.ny.gov/resources/stim_spending_county.htm lists total ARRA spending for each county and breaks it down into major categories.

An interactive Google map shows the location of projects and has pop-up boxes with a description and a dollar amount (but no recipient name or jobs data). Many of the boxes also contain links to agency webpages with additional details such as contractor name and project status; or else there are links to the State Comptroller's Open Books website, which has details on contracts. Above the map are links that allow the downloading of data.

It is odd that the ARRA website does not prominently link to the main Open Books page – <http://www.openbooknewyork.com> – which has a good breakdown of stimulus spending by program area and allows one to drill down to show payments made to specific contractors. It is also odd that the ARRA site does not seem to have any job data.