Visit the Influencing State Policy (ISP) web site (www.statepolicy.org) to complete this assignment. Answer the following questions:

1. What is the mission of ISP?

2. When does New York State Governor Pataki’s term in office end?

3. What is Governor Pataki’s annual salary?

4. In 1996, what was the dollar amount of public spending, per-inmate, in New York State prisons?

5. In 1999, what was the rate of violent crime, per 100,000 residents, in New York State?
   a. Did this number increase or decrease since 1997?  
      Increase  Decrease

6. In the year 2000 what was the New York State median household income?
7. In the year 1999 what percentage of people in New York State were living in poverty?

   a. Did this number increase or decrease since 1997?
   
   Increase  Decrease

8. What were the year 2000 New York State population rates for each of the following?

   a. American Indian Eskimo and Aleut ________
   b. Asian and Pacific Islander ________
   c. Black ________
   d. Hispanic ________
   e. White ________
   f. Multiracial ________

9. Does New York State have capital punishment at this time? Yes  No

10. How many executions have occurred since 1976?

11. How many Democrats/Republicans are in the:

   a. House Democrats ________ Republicans ________
   b. Senate Democrats ________ Senate ________

12. List 3 links to Welfare Reform related information:

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13. Who is the faculty liaison to the York College Social Work Program for ISP?