



# Arizona's Executives

# Executive Branch

- \* Largest of the three AZ branches
- \* Carry out laws
- \* Plural executive branch

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\* Voters separately elect:

\* Governor: Doug Ducey

\* Secretary of state: Michelle Reagan

\* Attorney general: Mark Brnovich

\* State treasurer: Jeff DeWit

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- \* Voters separately elect:
  - \* Superintendent of public instruction: Diane Douglas
  - \* State mine inspector: Joe Hart
  - \* Corporation commissioners



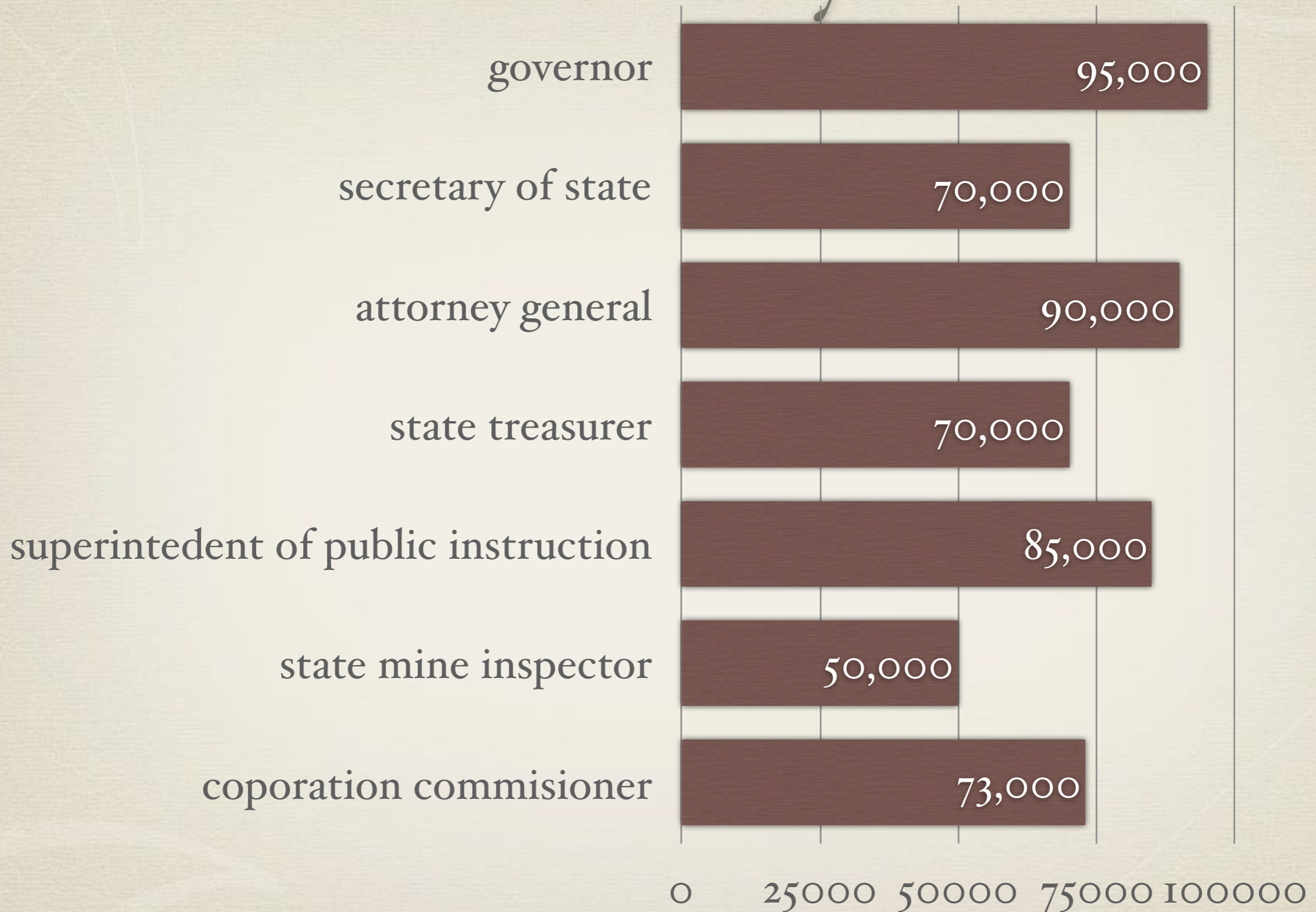
# Length of Terms

- \* Executives have 4 year terms
- \* No more than two consecutive terms
- \* Elected during off-presidential years

# Qualifications for the top five Positions

- \* Must be 25 years old
- \* U.S. Citizen for 10 years
- \* AZ resident for 5 years
- \* Registered voter
- \* English proficient

# Salary





# Powers of the Governor

- \* Appointment powers
- \* Removal powers
- \* Fiscal powers
- \* Military powers
- \* Lawmaking powers

# Appointment Powers

- \* Selects the head of most State agencies
- \* Governor cannot remove separately elected positions
- \* List of appointees must be vetted and qualified

# Removal Powers

- \* Mostly removed with just cause
- \* Cannot remove elected officials

# Fiscal Powers

- \* Governor's main job is to submit and/or propose a balanced budget
- \* Governor retains a line-item veto on fiscal bills

# Military Powers

- \* The governor is the commander and chief of the State's military forces
- \* Most governors appoint a military head of the National Guard

# Think and Write

- **Should schools be able to conduct strip searches of students who may pose a danger to others on campus?**

# Lawmaking Powers

- \* Propose new legislation
- \* Call the legislature into special session
- \* Veto power

# Judicial Powers

- \* Appoint judges to appellate courts
- \* Clemency powers:
  - \* reprieve: cancel or postpone the punishment of someone condemned to death
  - \* commutation: reduce a judicial sentence especially a sentence of death to one less severe
  - \* pardon: a remission of the legal consequences of an offense or conviction