Local Just Cause Eviction & Retaliation Laws

Eviction ordinances provide guidance and protections for landlords and tenants when renting residential property. These ordinances regulate which offenses constitute an eviction, dictate how much notice a tenant must have before they have to relocate, and at times prevent a tenant from retaliation from a landlord.

This dataset is cross-sectional, displaying eviction related ordinances in effect as of January 1, 2019. Additional maps and tables are available by visiting www.LawAtlas.org.

- All ten of the jurisdictions evaluated require that a landlord must have just cause before attempting to issue an eviction. (Boston, MA; Chicago, IL; New Orleans, LA; Los Angeles, CA; New York, NY; Portland, OR; San Diego, CA; San Francisco, CA; San Jose, CA; Seattle, WA).
- Nine jurisdictions require that a written notice must be given to a tenant before termination of the lease. (Boston, MA; New Orleans, LA; Los Angeles, CA; New York, NY; Portland, OR; San Diego, CA; San Francisco, CA; San Jose, CA; Seattle, WA).
• Five jurisdictions provide protection for tenants from retaliation from landlords. (Chicago, IL; New Orleans, LA; San Francisco, CA; San Jose, CA; Seattle, WA).