# STATE ANDLOCALTAXES 

A Comparison Across States


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## Methodology

This report uses data from the U.S. Census Bureau, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the Federation of Tax Administrators to facilitate a comparison of state and local tax systems across the fifty states. The report examines (1) the relative state and local tax burden across states, (2) the distribution of state and local taxes across revenue sources (e.g., income, sales and property) and (3) state debt levels. For this analysis, the term "tax burden" equals the ratio of tax revenues to state personal income. Although the term "tax burden" is often used in these types of studies, it does not imply that a certain level of taxation is too high or too low; that determination is a subjective judgment and this report does not address that issue.

All state and local taxes are compared to state personal income. State personal income is the summation of all sources of income such as wages, business income, interest, dividends, rents, royalties, employer contributions to pension and health plans, unemployment compensation and transfer income (e.g., Social Security, various medical and income maintenance benefits). Similar to other published tax burden studies, the analysis includes certain adjustments to state personal income as computed by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. ${ }^{1}$ The analysis adds capital gains income, IRA withdrawals and pension distributions to state personal income. ${ }^{2}$ The analysis deducts employer contributions to pension and health plans and imputed interest income. Overall, these adjustments decrease personal income by -0.5 percent for the U.S. and -0.9 percent for Pennsylvania. Despite the fact that a modified income measure is used, the term personal income is used throughout this analysis.

For tabulations of state and local tax revenues, the U.S. Census Bureau includes net lottery profits with non-tax revenue sources, not tax revenues. This report includes those amounts with tax revenues so that net lottery profits are treated the same as tax revenues from table games and slots, since all three are forms of recreational gaming. Liquor store profits are also included with tax revenues. In order to generate liquor store profits, states apply mark-ups that function similar to a tax. Lottery and liquor store profits are similar to sales taxes because they are generated by the voluntary consumption of a good or service.

[^0]The U.S. Census Bureau compiles annual data on state and local tax revenue. However, the local tax data generally lag the state tax data by one fiscal year. For this analysis, state tax data are from 2016 State Government Tax Collections which represents fiscal year (FY) 2015-16.3 Local tax data are from 2015 State and Local Government Finances, which represent FY 2014-15. Although these tax data span two fiscal years, they represent the most recent data available and the same years are used across all states. In order to maximize overlap with the two fiscal years, state personal income and all income adjustments are from calendar year (CY) 2015. Therefore, both the state (FY 2015-16) and local (FY 2014-15) tax revenue data share a six-month overlap with the state personal income (CY 2015) measure to which they are compared.

In general, the state rankings in this analysis do not control for the export of certain state and local taxes. For some states, much tax revenue could be remitted by nonresidents. For example, states with significant tourism may generate substantial sales tax from non-residents. ${ }^{4}$ Many business taxes, such as the corporate net income tax, may also be shifted to consumers and shareholders who reside in other states. In addition, the analysis does not control for the deductibility of state and local income and real estate taxes from the federal income tax. Those deductions reduce the state and local tax burden and would disproportionately benefit states with higher tax rates.

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## State and Local Tax Rankings

Table 1 ranks states based on the ratio of the personal income tax (PIT) to personal income. ${ }^{5}$ States may levy PIT on wages, business income, capital income (e.g., interest, dividends and capital gains), pensions, IRA withdrawals and transfer income (e.g., Social Security, unemployment compensation). Pennsylvania ranked $17^{\text {th }}$ for PIT, and the ratio was higher than both the U.S. average ( 2.16 percent) and weighted average ( 2.42 percent). ${ }^{6}$ Although the Commonwealth levies a relatively low PIT rate ( 3.07 percent) and exempts Social Security and pension income, the local PIT rate is high compared to other states. (See Table 12 for a comparison of state tax rates levied for CY 2017.)

| Table 1 <br> Personal Income Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| New York | 1 | \$57,996 | 5.03\% | Vermont | 26 | \$730 | 2.41\% |
| Oregon | 2 | \$7,690 | 4.23\% | Rhode Island | 27 | \$1,236 | 2.39\% |
| Maryland | 3 | \$13,388 | 4.08\% | Idaho | 28 | \$1,521 | 2.36\% |
| Minnesota | 4 | \$10,733 | 3.84\% | Indiana | 29 | \$6,436 | 2.35\% |
| California | 5 | \$80,753 | 3.81\% | Michigan | 30 | \$9,786 | 2.28\% |
| Massachusetts | 6 | \$14,430 | 3.38\% | Colorado | 31 | \$6,486 | 2.27\% |
| Kentucky | 7 | \$5,587 | 3.32\% | Illinois | 32 | \$13,807 | 2.10\% |
| Hawaii | 8 | \$2,116 | 3.17\% | South Carolina | 33 | \$3,869 | 2.04\% |
| Connecticut | 9 | \$7,557 | 3.07\% | Alabama | 34 | \$3,603 | 1.97\% |
| North Carolina | 10 | \$12,043 | 2.94\% | New Mexico | 35 | \$1,410 | 1.78\% |
| Utah | 11 | \$3,375 | 2.92\% | Oklahoma | 36 | \$2,997 | 1.78\% |
| Virginia | 12 | \$12,238 | 2.88\% | Mississippi | 37 | \$1,800 | 1.75\% |
| Wisconsin | 13 | \$7,487 | 2.85\% | Kansas | 38 | \$2,234 | 1.67\% |
| West Virginia | 14 | \$1,846 | 2.76\% | Louisiana | 39 | \$2,866 | 1.47\% |
| Maine | 15 | \$1,552 | 2.75\% | Arizona | 40 | \$3,968 | 1.45\% |
| Montana | 16 | \$1,181 | 2.67\% | North Dakota | 41 | \$351 | 0.87\% |
| Pennsylvania | 17 | \$16,781 | 2.66\% | New Hampshire | 42 | \$88 | 0.12\% |
| Delaware | 18 | \$1,170 | 2.65\% | Tennessee | 43 | \$324 | 0.12\% |
| Iowa | 19 | \$3,658 | 2.63\% | Alaska | 44 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
| Ohio | 20 | \$13,063 | 2.58\% | Florida | 45 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
| Georgia | 21 | \$10,440 | 2.54\% | Nevada | 46 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
| Missouri | 22 | \$6,401 | 2.52\% | South Dakota | 47 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
| New Jersey | 23 | \$13,356 | 2.51\% | Texas | 48 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
| Nebraska | 24 | \$2,245 | 2.46\% | Washington | 49 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
| Arkansas | 25 | \$2,781 | 2.45\% | Wyoming | 50 | \$0 | 0.00\% |
|  |  |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. |  |  | 2.42\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  |  | U.S. Average |  |  | 2.16\% |

[^2]Table 2 ranks states based on the ratio of corporate net income tax (CNIT) to personal income. ${ }^{7}$ States levy CNIT on the net income of C corporations. For this analysis, the CNIT measure also includes revenues from corporate license fees. For Pennsylvania, net capital stock and franchise tax revenues are included with corporate license fees. ${ }^{8}$ (Pennsylvania eliminated the capital stock and franchise tax starting with tax year 2016.) Pennsylvania ranked $11^{\text {th }}$ for CNIT, and the ratio was higher than the U.S. average ( 0.40 percent) and weighted average ( 0.39 percent). Pennsylvania levies the second highest tax rate in the U.S. (9.99 percent), but the sales-only factor used in the apportionment formula reduces the overall tax burden.

| Table 2 Corporate Net Income Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| Delaware | 1 | \$1,599 | 3.61\% | Alabama | 26 | \$539 | 0.29\% |
| New Hampshire | 2 | \$759 | 1.05\% | Rhode Island | 27 | \$149 | 0.29\% |
| New York | 3 | \$11,265 | 0.98\% | Utah | 28 | \$334 | 0.29\% |
| Tennessee | 4 | \$2,312 | 0.84\% | South Carolina | 29 | \$529 | 0.28\% |
| Mississippi | 5 | \$607 | 0.59\% | Montana | 30 | \$123 | 0.28\% |
| Illinois | 6 | \$3,730 | 0.57\% | Florida | 31 | \$2,587 | 0.27\% |
| Massachusetts | 7 | \$2,361 | 0.55\% | Maine | 32 | \$148 | 0.26\% |
| Alaska | 8 | \$212 | 0.55\% | North Dakota | 33 | \$103 | 0.26\% |
| Minnesota | 9 | \$1,524 | 0.54\% | Georgia | 34 | \$1,032 | 0.25\% |
| Kentucky | 10 | \$875 | 0.52\% | Oklahoma | 35 | \$383 | 0.23\% |
| Pennsylvania | 11 | \$3,003 | 0.48\% | Colorado | 36 | \$646 | 0.23\% |
| California | 12 | \$9,977 | 0.47\% | West Virginia | 37 | \$146 | 0.22\% |
| New Jersey | 13 | \$2,477 | 0.47\% | Arizona | 38 | \$589 | 0.22\% |
| Arkansas | 14 | \$477 | 0.42\% | Michigan | 39 | \$922 | 0.21\% |
| North Carolina | 15 | \$1,676 | 0.41\% | Virginia | 40 | \$814 | 0.19\% |
| Oregon | 16 | \$719 | 0.40\% | New Mexico | 41 | \$140 | 0.18\% |
| Wisconsin | 17 | \$1,007 | 0.38\% | Missouri | 42 | \$420 | 0.17\% |
| Indiana | 18 | \$1,042 | 0.38\% | Hawaii | 43 | \$110 | 0.16\% |
| Maryland | 19 | \$1,233 | 0.38\% | Louisiana | 44 | \$278 | 0.14\% |
| Nebraska | 20 | \$324 | 0.35\% | Ohio | 45 | \$533 | 0.11\% |
| Vermont | 21 | \$102 | 0.34\% | South Dakota | 46 | \$38 | 0.09\% |
| Kansas | 22 | \$419 | 0.31\% | Nevada | 47 | \$76 | 0.06\% |
| Iowa | 23 | \$424 | 0.30\% | Wyoming | 48 | \$14 | 0.04\% |
| Connecticut | 24 | \$748 | 0.30\% | Texas | 49 | \$137 | 0.01\% |
| Idaho | 25 | \$191 | 0.30\% | Washington | 50 | \$36 | 0.01\% |
|  |  |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. <br> U.S. Average |  |  | 0.39\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.40\% |

${ }^{7}$ All amounts are net of refunds.
${ }^{8}$ Per the U.S. Census Bureau's documentation guide, corporate license fees include: franchise license taxes, organization, filing and entrance fees, taxes on property (measured by amount of corporate stock, debt or other basis besides assessed value of property), and other licenses applicable with few, specified exceptions to all corporations.

Table 3 ranks states based on the ratio of sales and use tax (SUT) to personal income. Sales and use taxes include taxes on general sales, gross receipts taxes collected by utilities and any sales tax levied by local units. For Pennsylvania, SUT includes the local sales tax levied by Allegheny County ( 1 percent) and Philadelphia County ( 2 percent). Pennsylvania ranked 39th for SUT, and the ratio is lower than the U.S. average (2.45 percent) and weighted average ( 2.58 percent). Pennsylvania relies on SUT relatively less than other states due to broad exemptions for most clothing and food purchased for home consumption. Moreover, some states levy sales tax on gasoline in addition to an excise tax, whereas Pennsylvania does not.

| Table 3 <br> Sales and Use Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| Hawaii | 1 | \$3,164 | 4.74\% | Nebraska | 26 | \$2,279 | 2.49\% |
| Washington | 2 | \$17,957 | 4.69\% | Idaho | 27 | \$1,599 | 2.48\% |
| Arkansas | 3 | \$4,559 | 4.01\% | Maine | 28 | \$1,390 | 2.46\% |
| New Mexico | 4 | \$3,152 | 3.98\% | North Carolina | 29 | \$9,836 | 2.40\% |
| Louisiana | 5 | \$7,578 | 3.89\% | Georgia | 30 | \$9,758 | 2.38\% |
| Arizona | 6 | \$9,686 | 3.55\% | Colorado | 31 | \$6,798 | 2.38\% |
| Tennessee | 7 | \$9,343 | 3.39\% | Kentucky | 32 | \$3,865 | 2.29\% |
| South Dakota | 8 | \$1,345 | 3.33\% | Wisconsin | 33 | \$5,777 | 2.20\% |
| Kansas | 9 | \$4,428 | 3.31\% | West Virginia | 34 | \$1,453 | 2.17\% |
| Mississippi | 10 | \$3,361 | 3.28\% | Michigan | 35 | \$9,263 | 2.15\% |
| Texas | 11 | \$41,422 | 3.27\% | Minnesota | 36 | \$5,844 | 2.09\% |
| North Dakota | 12 | \$1,296 | 3.21\% | Rhode Island | 37 | \$1,078 | 2.08\% |
| Ohio | 13 | \$15,670 | 3.10\% | South Carolina | 38 | \$3,836 | 2.02\% |
| Florida | 14 | \$28,810 | 3.02\% | Pennsylvania | 39 | \$12,448 | 1.97\% |
| Alabama | 15 | \$5,462 | 2.99\% | New Jersey | 40 | \$10,299 | 1.93\% |
| Oklahoma | 16 | \$4,759 | 2.82\% | Connecticut | 41 | \$4,052 | 1.64\% |
| Indiana | 17 | \$7,590 | 2.78\% | Maryland | 42 | \$5,154 | 1.57\% |
| Nevada | 18 | \$3,476 | 2.77\% | Massachusetts | 43 | \$6,115 | 1.43\% |
| Wyoming | 19 | \$909 | 2.76\% | Virginia | 44 | \$5,928 | 1.39\% |
| New York | 20 | \$31,032 | 2.69\% | Vermont | 45 | \$394 | 1.30\% |
| Iowa | 21 | \$3,717 | 2.68\% | Alaska | 46 | \$238 | 0.62\% |
| Utah | 22 | \$3,013 | 2.61\% | Oregon | 47 | \$365 | 0.20\% |
| California | 23 | \$54,589 | 2.58\% | Delaware | 48 | \$60 | 0.14\% |
| Missouri | 24 | \$6,422 | 2.53\% | Montana | 49 | \$44 | 0.10\% |
| Illinois | 25 | \$16,558 | 2.52\% | New Hampshire | 50 | \$60 | 0.08\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. U.S. Average |  |  |  | 2.58\% |
|  |  |  |  | 2.45\% |

Table 4 ranks states based on the ratio of property tax to personal income. Property tax includes levies by the state, county, municipality, school district or special purpose entity. For Pennsylvania, nearly all property taxes are levied at the local level. Pennsylvania ranked $21^{\text {st }}$ for property tax, and the ratio is lower than the U.S. average (3.08 percent) and weighted average ( 3.16 percent).

| Table 4 Property Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| New Hampshire | 1 | \$4,066 | 5.61\% | Maryland | 26 | \$9,352 | 2.85\% |
| Vermont | 2 | \$1,612 | 5.33\% | Mississippi | 27 | \$2,908 | 2.83\% |
| New Jersey | 3 | \$27,541 | 5.17\% | Georgia | 28 | \$11,589 | 2.82\% |
| Maine | 4 | \$2,730 | 4.83\% | California | 29 | \$56,993 | 2.69\% |
| Rhode Island | 5 | \$2,471 | 4.78\% | Washington | 30 | \$10,144 | 2.65\% |
| New York | 6 | \$53,387 | 4.63\% | Colorado | 31 | \$7,541 | 2.64\% |
| Wyoming | 7 | \$1,396 | 4.24\% | Florida | 32 | \$24,980 | 2.62\% |
| Connecticut | 8 | \$10,221 | 4.15\% | Arizona | 33 | \$7,137 | 2.62\% |
| Illinois | 9 | \$26,844 | 4.09\% | Utah | 34 | \$2,924 | 2.53\% |
| Nebraska | 10 | \$3,594 | 3.93\% | Idaho | 35 | \$1,595 | 2.47\% |
| Alaska | 11 | \$1,462 | 3.79\% | West Virginia | 36 | \$1,638 | 2.45\% |
| Texas | 12 | \$47,559 | 3.75\% | Missouri | 37 | \$6,026 | 2.37\% |
| Massachusetts | 13 | \$15,344 | 3.60\% | Indiana | 38 | \$6,455 | 2.36\% |
| Wisconsin | 14 | \$9,330 | 3.55\% | North Carolina | 39 | \$9,565 | 2.33\% |
| Montana | 15 | \$1,569 | 3.54\% | North Dakota | 40 | \$925 | 2.29\% |
| Iowa | 16 | \$4,902 | 3.53\% | Hawaii | 41 | \$1,531 | 2.29\% |
| Michigan | 17 | \$13,785 | 3.20\% | Nevada | 42 | \$2,811 | 2.24\% |
| Kansas | 18 | \$4,199 | 3.14\% | Louisiana | 43 | \$4,063 | 2.09\% |
| Oregon | 19 | \$5,658 | 3.11\% | Tennessee | 44 | \$5,694 | 2.07\% |
| Minnesota | 20 | \$8,429 | 3.01\% | Kentucky | 45 | \$3,470 | 2.06\% |
| Pennsylvania | 21 | \$18,960 | 3.00\% | New Mexico | 46 | \$1,604 | 2.03\% |
| Virginia | 22 | \$12,740 | 3.00\% | Arkansas | 47 | \$2,112 | 1.86\% |
| South Dakota | 23 | \$1,185 | 2.94\% | Delaware | 48 | \$809 | 1.83\% |
| Ohio | 24 | \$14,766 | 2.92\% | Oklahoma | 49 | \$2,652 | 1.57\% |
| South Carolina | 25 | \$5,537 | 2.91\% | Alabama | 50 | \$2,632 | 1.44\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. |  |  |  | 3.16\% |
|  |  |  | U.S. Average |  |  |  | 3.08\% |

Table 5 ranks states based on the ratio of gaming-liquor-other taxes to personal income. Gaming-liquor-other revenues include taxes on alcoholic beverages (but not sales tax levied on those items), casino gaming, pari-mutuels, tobacco, licenses for amusements, licenses for alcoholic beverages, liquor store profits and net lottery profits. Pennsylvania ranked $8^{\text {th }}$ for gaming-liquor-other, and the ratio was higher than the U.S. average ( 0.43 percent) and weighted average ( 0.37 percent). For states that have legalized casino gaming, Pennsylvania imposes a relatively high tax rate on slot (maximum tax rate of 55 percent) and table games ( 16 percent) gross revenues. ${ }^{9}$ Those rates drive much of the ranking for the gaming-liquor-other category. For CY 2017, Pennsylvania levies the $11^{\text {th }}$ highest cigarette tax rate in the U.S. ( $\$ 2.60$ per pack), and the City of Philadelphia levies the $2^{\text {nd }}$ highest cigarette tax rate ( $\$ 4.60$ per pack).

| Table 5 <br> Gaming-Liquor-Other Taxes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| West Virginia | 1 | \$714 | 1.07\% | Arkansas | 26 | \$427 | 0.38\% |
| Rhode Island | 2 | \$549 | 1.06\% | Kentucky | 27 | \$630 | 0.37\% |
| Nevada | 3 | \$1,239 | 0.99\% | Georgia | 28 | \$1,535 | 0.37\% |
| Delaware | 4 | \$375 | 0.85\% | New Jersey | 29 | \$1,910 | 0.36\% |
| New Hampshire | 5 | \$484 | 0.67\% | Florida | 30 | \$3,349 | 0.35\% |
| Oregon | 6 | \$1,187 | 0.65\% | Minnesota | 31 | \$982 | 0.35\% |
| Maryland | 7 | \$2,106 | 0.64\% | Wisconsin | 32 | \$904 | 0.34\% |
| Pennsylvania | 8 | \$4,053 | 0.64\% | North Carolina | 33 | \$1,382 | 0.34\% |
| lowa | 9 | \$766 | 0.55\% | Missouri | 34 | \$831 | 0.33\% |
| Maine | 10 | \$310 | 0.55\% | Texas | 35 | \$4,035 | 0.32\% |
| Louisiana | 11 | \$1,057 | 0.54\% | South Carolina | 36 | \$597 | 0.31\% |
| South Dakota | 12 | \$210 | 0.52\% | New Mexico | 37 | \$237 | 0.30\% |
| Michigan | 13 | \$2,190 | 0.51\% | Washington | 38 | \$1,132 | 0.30\% |
| Ohio | 14 | \$2,536 | 0.50\% | Virginia | 39 | \$1,199 | 0.28\% |
| Montana | 15 | \$218 | 0.49\% | Kansas | 40 | \$360 | 0.27\% |
| Massachusetts | 16 | \$2,074 | 0.49\% | Alabama | 41 | \$488 | 0.27\% |
| Indiana | 17 | \$1,247 | 0.46\% | Hawaii | 42 | \$175 | 0.26\% |
| Illinois | 18 | \$2,898 | 0.44\% | Utah | 43 | \$269 | 0.23\% |
| Vermont | 19 | \$132 | 0.44\% | Idaho | 44 | \$145 | 0.22\% |
| Alaska | 20 | \$166 | 0.43\% | Arizona | 45 | \$571 | 0.21\% |
| Tennessee | 21 | \$1,183 | 0.43\% | Colorado | 46 | \$499 | 0.17\% |
| Connecticut | 22 | \$1,056 | 0.43\% | Nebraska | 47 | \$137 | 0.15\% |
| New York | 23 | \$4,807 | 0.42\% | California | 48 | \$3,050 | 0.14\% |
| Mississippi | 24 | \$415 | 0.40\% | North Dakota | 49 | \$53 | 0.13\% |
| Oklahoma | 25 | \$676 | 0.40\% | Wyoming | 50 | \$43 | 0.13\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. U.S. Average |  |  | 0.37\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 0.43\% |

[^3]Table 6 ranks states based on the ratio of motor vehicle taxes to personal income. The motor vehicle category includes tax revenues from motor fuels (e.g., gasoline excise), fees (e.g., registration and license fees) and miscellaneous taxes on motor vehicle operators. For Pennsylvania, the motor vehicle category includes the oil company franchise tax. Pennsylvania ranked $13^{\text {th }}$ for motor vehicle taxes, and the ratio is higher than the U.S. average ( 0.54 percent) and weighted average ( 0.49 percent). For gasoline, Pennsylvania currently levies the highest tax rate in the U.S. (\$0.582 per gallon).

| Table 6 Motor Vehicle Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| Iowa | 1 | \$1,338 | 0.96\% | Florida | 26 | \$5,021 | 0.53\% |
| Idaho | 2 | \$534 | 0.83\% | Vermont | 27 | \$159 | 0.52\% |
| Hawaii | 3 | \$538 | 0.81\% | Indiana | 28 | \$1,427 | 0.52\% |
| North Dakota | 4 | \$322 | 0.80\% | Georgia | 29 | \$2,130 | 0.52\% |
| Montana | 5 | \$346 | 0.78\% | Tennessee | 30 | \$1,427 | 0.52\% |
| West Virginia | 6 | \$496 | 0.74\% | Illinois | 31 | \$3,387 | 0.52\% |
| South Dakota | 7 | \$295 | 0.73\% | Michigan | 32 | \$2,159 | 0.50\% |
| Oklahoma | 8 | \$1,219 | 0.72\% | Texas | 33 | \$6,209 | 0.49\% |
| North Carolina | 9 | \$2,867 | 0.70\% | Alabama | 34 | \$873 | 0.48\% |
| Wyoming | 10 | \$217 | 0.66\% | Maryland | 35 | \$1,547 | 0.47\% |
| Maine | 11 | \$365 | 0.65\% | South Carolina | 36 | \$893 | 0.47\% |
| New Mexico | 12 | \$507 | 0.64\% | Colorado | 37 | \$1,289 | 0.45\% |
| Pennsylvania | 13 | \$3,944 | 0.62\% | California | 38 | \$9,354 | 0.44\% |
| Oregon | 14 | \$1,124 | 0.62\% | Arizona | 39 | \$1,161 | 0.43\% |
| Mississippi | 15 | \$623 | 0.61\% | Delaware | 40 | \$186 | 0.42\% |
| Minnesota | 16 | \$1,697 | 0.61\% | Missouri | 41 | \$1,038 | 0.41\% |
| Nebraska | 17 | \$552 | 0.60\% | Louisiana | 42 | \$773 | 0.40\% |
| Wisconsin | 18 | \$1,578 | 0.60\% | Virginia | 43 | \$1,657 | 0.39\% |
| Kentucky | 19 | \$987 | 0.59\% | New Hampshire | 44 | \$267 | 0.37\% |
| Arkansas | 20 | \$665 | 0.59\% | Massachusetts | 45 | \$1,330 | 0.31\% |
| Washington | 21 | \$2,224 | 0.58\% | Connecticut | 46 | \$741 | 0.30\% |
| Nevada | 22 | \$700 | 0.56\% | Alaska | 47 | \$110 | 0.28\% |
| Ohio | 23 | \$2,811 | 0.56\% | New York | 48 | \$3,270 | 0.28\% |
| Kansas | 24 | \$716 | 0.54\% | Rhode Island | 49 | \$140 | 0.27\% |
| Utah | 25 | \$619 | 0.54\% | New Jersey | 50 | \$1,253 | 0.24\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. <br> U.S. Average |  |  | 0.49\% |
|  |  |  |  | 0.54\% |

Table 7 ranks states based on the ratio of all other taxes to personal income. The all other category includes taxes on other selective sales (e.g., realty transfer taxes), hunting and public utility licenses, occupation and business licenses, severance, other licenses and other miscellaneous taxes (e.g., insurance premiums, inheritance and financial institutions). For Pennsylvania, the impact fee is counted as a severance tax. ${ }^{10}$ Pennsylvania ranked $17^{\text {th }}$ for all other taxes, and the ratio was slightly higher than the U.S. average ( 1.06 percent) and higher than the weighted average ( 0.93 percent). Because severance taxes are included with all other taxes and can be significant, Pennsylvania ranked lower than natural resource exporters such as North Dakota, Wyoming and West Virginia. As noted, this analysis does not control for the export of taxes. Research finds that most severance taxes are pushed forward into prices and borne by final consumers, most of whom reside in other states.

| Table 7 <br> All Other Taxes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| North Dakota | 1 | \$1,876 | 4.65\% | South Carolina | 26 | \$1,765 | 0.93\% |
| Wyoming | 2 | \$741 | 2.25\% | Tennessee | 27 | \$2,518 | 0.91\% |
| West Virginia | 3 | \$1,365 | 2.04\% | Louisiana | 28 | \$1,608 | 0.83\% |
| Vermont | 4 | \$571 | 1.89\% | Illinois | 29 | \$5,412 | 0.82\% |
| Nevada | 5 | \$2,335 | 1.86\% | Maine | 30 | \$448 | 0.79\% |
| Minnesota | 6 | \$4,359 | 1.56\% | Florida | 31 | \$7,070 | 0.74\% |
| Alaska | 7 | \$579 | 1.50\% | Arkansas | 32 | \$833 | 0.73\% |
| New York | 8 | \$17,143 | 1.49\% | Michigan | 33 | \$3,093 | 0.72\% |
| Hawaii | 9 | \$932 | 1.40\% | Massachusetts | 34 | \$2,952 | 0.69\% |
| New Mexico | 10 | \$1,100 | 1.39\% | New Jersey | 35 | \$3,675 | 0.69\% |
| Maryland | 11 | \$4,251 | 1.30\% | Utah | 36 | \$791 | 0.68\% |
| Delaware | 12 | \$552 | 1.25\% | Colorado | 37 | \$1,912 | 0.67\% |
| Oregon | 13 | \$2,184 | 1.20\% | Ohio | 38 | \$3,315 | 0.66\% |
| Washington | 14 | \$4,494 | 1.17\% | Connecticut | 39 | \$1,579 | 0.64\% |
| New Hampshire | 15 | \$839 | 1.16\% | Missouri | 40 | \$1,627 | 0.64\% |
| Montana | 16 | \$507 | 1.14\% | Idaho | 41 | \$409 | 0.63\% |
| Pennsylvania | 17 | \$6,845 | 1.08\% | Wisconsin | 42 | \$1,601 | 0.61\% |
| Rhode Island | 18 | \$551 | 1.07\% | North Carolina | 43 | \$2,421 | 0.59\% |
| Mississippi | 19 | \$1,078 | 1.05\% | Nebraska | 44 | \$515 | 0.56\% |
| Kentucky | 20 | \$1,735 | 1.03\% | Indiana | 45 | \$1,535 | 0.56\% |
| Alabama | 21 | \$1,849 | 1.01\% | Oklahoma | 46 | \$917 | 0.54\% |
| South Dakota | 22 | \$405 | 1.00\% | Georgia | 47 | \$2,130 | 0.52\% |
| Virginia | 23 | \$4,153 | 0.98\% | Arizona | 48 | \$1,414 | 0.52\% |
| Texas | 24 | \$12,102 | 0.96\% | Kansas | 49 | \$659 | 0.49\% |
| California | 25 | \$19,759 | 0.93\% | lowa | 50 | \$590 | 0.42\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. U.S. Average |  |  | 0.93\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1.06\% |

[^4]Table 8 ranks states based on the ratio of total taxes to personal income. The total tax category is equal to the sum of all previous categories. Pennsylvania ranked $20^{\text {th }}$ for total taxes, and the ratio was higher than the U.S average (10.12 percent) and the weighted average ( 10.33 percent). Pennsylvania ranks lower than the adjacent states of New York ( $1^{\text {st }}$ ), West Virginia ( $8^{\text {th }}$ ), New Jersey ( $9^{\text {th }}$ ), Maryland ( $10^{\text {th }}$ ) and Delaware (14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ ) in total state and local taxes as a share of personal income.

|  |  |  |  | $\text { de } 8$ <br> Tax |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| New York | 1 | \$178,900 | 15.53\% | Wyoming | 26 | \$3,319 | 10.09\% |
| Hawaii | 2 | \$8,566 | 12.83\% | Utah | 27 | \$11,325 | 9.79\% |
| Maine | 3 | \$6,943 | 12.28\% | Kansas | 28 | \$13,014 | 9.74\% |
| Vermont | 4 | \$3,700 | 12.23\% | North Carolina | 29 | \$39,791 | 9.71\% |
| North Dakota | 5 | \$4,926 | 12.22\% | Michigan | 30 | \$41,198 | 9.58\% |
| Minnesota | 6 | \$33,567 | 12.00\% | Indiana | 31 | \$25,733 | 9.41\% |
| Rhode Island | 7 | \$6,175 | 11.93\% | Georgia | 32 | \$38,614 | 9.41\% |
| West Virginia | 8 | \$7,657 | 11.45\% | Washington | 33 | \$35,985 | 9.40\% |
| New Jersey | 9 | \$60,511 | 11.37\% | Louisiana | 34 | \$18,223 | 9.36\% |
| Maryland | 10 | \$37,032 | 11.29\% | Idaho | 35 | \$5,994 | 9.29\% |
| Iowa | 11 | \$15,393 | 11.08\% | Virginia | 36 | \$38,728 | 9.11\% |
| California | 12 | \$234,476 | 11.07\% | New Hampshire | 37 | \$6,563 | 9.06\% |
| Illinois | 13 | \$72,636 | 11.07\% | Montana | 38 | \$3,989 | 9.01\% |
| Delaware | 14 | \$4,751 | 10.74\% | Arizona | 39 | \$24,526 | 8.99\% |
| Nebraska | 15 | \$9,644 | 10.55\% | Missouri | 40 | \$22,763 | 8.96\% |
| Wisconsin | 16 | \$27,684 | 10.54\% | South Carolina | 41 | \$17,027 | 8.96\% |
| Connecticut | 17 | \$25,955 | 10.53\% | Colorado | 42 | \$25,169 | 8.80\% |
| Mississippi | 18 | \$10,794 | 10.52\% | Texas | 43 | \$111,464 | 8.80\% |
| Massachusetts | 19 | \$44,606 | 10.46\% | South Dakota | 44 | \$3,479 | 8.62\% |
| Pennsylvania | 20 | \$66,033 | 10.45\% | Nevada | 45 | \$10,636 | 8.47\% |
| Arkansas | 21 | \$11,854 | 10.44\% | Alabama | 46 | \$15,446 | 8.45\% |
| Ohio | 22 | \$52,693 | 10.42\% | Tennessee | 47 | \$22,801 | 8.27\% |
| Oregon | 23 | \$18,926 | 10.41\% | Oklahoma | 48 | \$13,603 | 8.07\% |
| New Mexico | 24 | \$8,149 | 10.29\% | Florida | 49 | \$71,817 | 7.53\% |
| Kentucky | 25 | \$17,150 | 10.18\% | Alaska | 50 | \$2,766 | 7.17\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. U.S. Average |  |  |  | 10.33\% |
|  |  |  |  | 10.12\% |

Certain states collect significant severance tax revenues. For FY 2015-16, the top five states included Texas ( $\$ 2.3$ billion), North Dakota ( $\$ 1.6$ billion), Wyoming ( $\$ 594$ million), New Mexico ( $\$ 559$ million) and Louisiana ( $\$ 456$ million). A significant portion of severance taxes is likely exported to other states; therefore, it is useful to examine tax burden rankings without those taxes included.

Table 9 reproduces Table 7, but excludes severance taxes. When those taxes are excluded, Pennsylvania's ranking increases to $13^{\text {th }}$ for all other taxes, and the ratio is higher than the U.S. average ( 0.87 percent) and weighted average ( 0.88 percent).

| Table 9All Other Taxes - Excludes Severance Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| Vermont | 1 | \$571 | 1.89\% | Texas | 26 | \$9,755 | 0.77\% |
| Nevada | 2 | \$2,232 | 1.78\% | Florida | 27 | \$7,034 | 0.74\% |
| Minnesota | 3 | \$4,309 | 1.54\% | Michigan | 28 | \$3,070 | 0.71\% |
| New York | 4 | \$17,143 | 1.49\% | Massachusetts | 29 | \$2,952 | 0.69\% |
| West Virginia | 5 | \$940 | 1.41\% | Arkansas | 30 | \$785 | 0.69\% |
| Hawaii | 6 | \$932 | 1.40\% | New Jersey | 31 | \$3,675 | 0.69\% |
| Maryland | 7 | \$4,251 | 1.30\% | New Mexico | 32 | \$541 | 0.68\% |
| Delaware | 8 | \$552 | 1.25\% | Ohio | 33 | \$3,279 | 0.65\% |
| Oregon | 9 | \$2,170 | 1.19\% | Connecticut | 34 | \$1,579 | 0.64\% |
| Washington | 10 | \$4,454 | 1.16\% | Missouri | 35 | \$1,627 | 0.64\% |
| New Hampshire | 11 | \$839 | 1.16\% | Colorado | 36 | \$1,828 | 0.64\% |
| Rhode Island | 12 | \$551 | 1.07\% | Utah | 37 | \$738 | 0.64\% |
| Pennsylvania | 13 | \$6,658 | 1.05\% | Alaska | 38 | \$242 | 0.63\% |
| Mississippi | 14 | \$1,039 | 1.01\% | Idaho | 39 | \$403 | 0.63\% |
| South Dakota | 15 | \$399 | 0.99\% | Wisconsin | 40 | \$1,591 | 0.61\% |
| Alabama | 16 | \$1,802 | 0.99\% | Louisiana | 41 | \$1,151 | 0.59\% |
| Virginia | 17 | \$4,151 | 0.98\% | North Carolina | 42 | \$2,419 | 0.59\% |
| Kentucky | 18 | \$1,586 | 0.94\% | Indiana | 43 | \$1,534 | 0.56\% |
| California | 19 | \$19,691 | 0.93\% | Nebraska | 44 | \$512 | 0.56\% |
| South Carolina | 20 | \$1,765 | 0.93\% | Georgia | 45 | \$2,130 | 0.52\% |
| Tennessee | 21 | \$2,517 | 0.91\% | Arizona | 46 | \$1,399 | 0.51\% |
| Illinois | 22 | \$5,412 | 0.82\% | Kansas | 47 | \$609 | 0.46\% |
| North Dakota | 23 | \$326 | 0.81\% | Wyoming | 48 | \$147 | 0.45\% |
| Maine | 24 | \$448 | 0.79\% | lowa | 49 | \$590 | 0.42\% |
| Montana | 25 | \$342 | 0.77\% | Oklahoma | 50 | \$586 | 0.35\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. U.S. Average |  |  | 0.88\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 0.87\% |

Table 10 reproduces Table 8, but excludes severance taxes. Pennsylvania ranks lower than the adjacent states of New York ( $1^{\text {st }}$ ), New Jersey ( $7^{\text {th }}$ ), Maryland ( $\left.8^{\text {th }}\right)$, West Virginia $\left(12^{\mathrm{th}}\right)$ and Delaware ( $13^{\mathrm{th}}$ ), but higher than Ohio ( $20^{\mathrm{th}}$ ), in total state and local taxes as a share of personal income. Because a significant portion of most severance taxes is likely exported, Table 10 may provide a more accurate depiction of the relative state and local tax burden compared to Table 8.

| Table 10 <br> Total Tax - Excludes Severance Tax |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| New York | 1 | \$178,900 | 15.53\% | Kansas | 26 | \$12,964 | 9.71\% |
| Hawaii | 2 | \$8,566 | 12.83\% | New Mexico | 27 | \$7,590 | 9.59\% |
| Maine | 3 | \$6,943 | 12.28\% | Michigan | 28 | \$41,174 | 9.57\% |
| Vermont | 4 | \$3,700 | 12.23\% | Indiana | 29 | \$25,732 | 9.41\% |
| Minnesota | 5 | \$33,518 | 11.98\% | Georgia | 30 | \$38,614 | 9.41\% |
| Rhode Island | 6 | \$6,175 | 11.93\% | Washington | 31 | \$35,946 | 9.39\% |
| New Jersey | 7 | \$60,511 | 11.37\% | Idaho | 32 | \$5,989 | 9.28\% |
| Maryland | 8 | \$37,032 | 11.29\% | Louisiana | 33 | \$17,767 | 9.13\% |
| Iowa | 9 | \$15,393 | 11.08\% | Virginia | 34 | \$38,725 | 9.11\% |
| Illinois | 10 | \$72,636 | 11.07\% | New Hampshire | 35 | \$6,563 | 9.06\% |
| California | 11 | \$234,407 | 11.06\% | Arizona | 36 | \$24,511 | 8.99\% |
| West Virginia | 12 | \$7,232 | 10.82\% | Missouri | 37 | \$22,763 | 8.96\% |
| Delaware | 13 | \$4,751 | 10.74\% | South Carolina | 38 | \$17,027 | 8.96\% |
| Nebraska | 14 | \$9,641 | 10.55\% | Colorado | 39 | \$25,085 | 8.77\% |
| Connecticut | 15 | \$25,955 | 10.53\% | Montana | 40 | \$3,824 | 8.64\% |
| Wisconsin | 16 | \$27,673 | 10.53\% | Texas | 41 | \$109,116 | 8.61\% |
| Mississippi | 17 | \$10,755 | 10.48\% | South Dakota | 42 | \$3,473 | 8.60\% |
| Massachusetts | 18 | \$44,606 | 10.46\% | Alabama | 43 | \$15,399 | 8.42\% |
| Pennsylvania | 19 | \$65,845 | 10.42\% | Nevada | 44 | \$10,533 | 8.39\% |
| Ohio | 20 | \$52,658 | 10.41\% | North Dakota | 45 | \$3,376 | 8.37\% |
| Oregon | 21 | \$18,912 | 10.41\% | Wyoming | 46 | \$2,725 | 8.28\% |
| Arkansas | 22 | \$11,806 | 10.40\% | Tennessee | 47 | \$22,799 | 8.27\% |
| Kentucky | 23 | \$17,001 | 10.10\% | Oklahoma | 48 | \$13,272 | 7.87\% |
| Utah | 24 | \$11,272 | 9.75\% | Florida | 49 | \$71,782 | 7.52\% |
| North Carolina | 25 | \$39,789 | 9.71\% | Alaska | 50 | \$2,429 | 6.30\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. <br> U.S. Average |  |  |  | 10.28\% |
|  |  |  |  | 9.93\% |

Table 11 (next page) displays the share of total state and local tax revenue by revenue source (includes severance taxes). Pennsylvania's largest revenue source was property taxes ( 28.7 percent), followed by PIT (25.4 percent), SUT (18.9 percent), gaming-liquorother ( 6.1 percent) and CNIT ( 4.5 percent). By comparison, the weighted average shares across all states were as follows: property ( 30.5 percent), PIT (23.4 percent), SUT (24.9 percent), gaming-liquor-other ( 3.6 percent) and CNIT ( 3.8 percent).

Table 12 (page 15) displays rates for sales, personal income, corporate net income, cigarette and gasoline taxes. Data are from the Federation of Tax Administrators and the Tax Foundation for CY 2017. ${ }^{11}$ For personal income, the tax rate represents the marginal tax rate for a couple that earns $\$ 75,000$, files a joint return, claims two exemptions and a standard deduction (if applicable). ${ }^{12}$ For corporate net income, the tax rate represents the highest marginal tax rate. ${ }^{13}$ Sales and use tax rates do not include any levies by local units. ${ }^{14}$ Gasoline and cigarette excise taxes do not include any sales taxes that might also be levied on those products by state or local governments.

[^5]Tax Comparison Study

| Table 11 Composition of Total State and Local Taxes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | PIT | CNIT | SUT | Gaming-Other | Property | Motor | All Other |
| Alabama | 23.3\% | 3.5\% | 35.4\% | 3.2\% | 17.0\% | 5.7\% | 12.0\% |
| Alaska | 0.0\% | 7.7\% | 8.6\% | 6.0\% | 52.8\% | 4.0\% | 20.9\% |
| Arizona | 16.2\% | 2.4\% | 39.5\% | 2.3\% | 29.1\% | 4.7\% | 5.8\% |
| Arkansas | 23.5\% | 4.0\% | 38.5\% | 3.6\% | 17.8\% | 5.6\% | 7.0\% |
| California | 34.4\% | 4.3\% | 23.3\% | 1.3\% | 24.3\% | 4.0\% | 8.4\% |
| Colorado | 25.8\% | 2.6\% | 27.0\% | 2.0\% | 30.0\% | 5.1\% | 7.6\% |
| Connecticut | 29.1\% | 2.9\% | 15.6\% | 4.1\% | 39.4\% | 2.9\% | 6.1\% |
| Delaware | 24.6\% | 33.6\% | 1.3\% | 7.9\% | 17.0\% | 3.9\% | 11.6\% |
| Florida | 0.0\% | 3.6\% | 40.1\% | 4.7\% | 34.8\% | 7.0\% | 9.8\% |
| Georgia | 27.0\% | 2.7\% | 25.3\% | 4.0\% | 30.0\% | 5.5\% | 5.5\% |
| Hawaii | 23.1\% | 1.2\% | 40.9\% | 1.9\% | 16.7\% | 5.9\% | 10.2\% |
| Idaho | 25.4\% | 3.2\% | 26.7\% | 2.4\% | 26.6\% | 8.9\% | 6.8\% |
| Illinois | 19.0\% | 5.1\% | 22.8\% | 4.0\% | 37.0\% | 4.7\% | 7.5\% |
| Indiana | 25.0\% | 4.0\% | 29.5\% | 4.8\% | 25.1\% | 5.5\% | 6.0\% |
| Iowa | 23.8\% | 2.8\% | 24.1\% | 5.0\% | 31.8\% | 8.7\% | 3.8\% |
| Kansas | 17.2\% | 3.2\% | 34.0\% | 2.8\% | 32.3\% | 5.5\% | 5.1\% |
| Kentucky | 32.6\% | 5.1\% | 22.5\% | 3.7\% | 20.2\% | 5.8\% | 10.1\% |
| Louisiana | 15.7\% | 1.5\% | 41.6\% | 5.8\% | 22.3\% | 4.2\% | 8.8\% |
| Maine | 22.3\% | 2.1\% | 20.0\% | 4.5\% | 39.3\% | 5.3\% | 6.4\% |
| Maryland | 36.2\% | 3.3\% | 13.9\% | 5.7\% | 25.3\% | 4.2\% | 11.5\% |
| Massachusetts | 32.4\% | 5.3\% | 13.7\% | 4.7\% | 34.4\% | 3.0\% | 6.6\% |
| Michigan | 23.8\% | 2.2\% | 22.5\% | 5.3\% | 33.5\% | 5.2\% | 7.5\% |
| Minnesota | 32.0\% | 4.5\% | 17.4\% | 2.9\% | 25.1\% | 5.1\% | 13.0\% |
| Mississippi | 16.7\% | 5.6\% | 31.1\% | 3.8\% | 26.9\% | 5.8\% | 10.0\% |
| Missouri | 28.1\% | 1.8\% | 28.2\% | 3.6\% | 26.5\% | 4.6\% | 7.1\% |
| Montana | 29.6\% | 3.1\% | 1.1\% | 5.5\% | 39.3\% | 8.7\% | 12.7\% |
| Nebraska | 23.3\% | 3.4\% | 23.6\% | 1.4\% | 37.3\% | 5.7\% | 5.3\% |
| Nevada | 0.0\% | 0.6\% | 42.0\% | 10.0\% | 22.8\% | 5.7\% | 18.9\% |
| New Hampshire | 1.3\% | 11.6\% | 0.9\% | 7.4\% | 62.0\% | 4.1\% | 12.8\% |
| New Jersey | 22.1\% | 4.1\% | 17.0\% | 3.2\% | 45.5\% | 2.1\% | 6.1\% |
| New Mexico | 17.3\% | 1.7\% | 38.7\% | 2.9\% | 19.7\% | 6.2\% | 13.5\% |
| New York | 32.4\% | 6.3\% | 17.3\% | 2.7\% | 29.8\% | 1.8\% | 9.6\% |
| North Carolina | 30.3\% | 4.2\% | 24.7\% | 3.5\% | 24.0\% | 7.2\% | 6.1\% |
| North Dakota | 7.1\% | 2.1\% | 26.3\% | 1.1\% | 18.8\% | 6.5\% | 38.1\% |
| Ohio | 24.8\% | 1.0\% | 29.7\% | 4.8\% | 28.0\% | 5.3\% | 6.3\% |
| Oklahoma | 22.0\% | 2.8\% | 35.0\% | 5.0\% | 19.5\% | 9.0\% | 6.7\% |
| Oregon | 40.6\% | 3.8\% | 1.9\% | 6.3\% | 29.9\% | 5.9\% | 11.5\% |
| Pennsylvania | 25.4\% | 4.5\% | 18.9\% | 6.1\% | 28.7\% | 6.0\% | 10.4\% |
| Rhode Island | 20.0\% | 2.4\% | 17.5\% | 8.9\% | 40.0\% | 2.3\% | 8.9\% |
| South Carolina | 22.7\% | 3.1\% | 22.5\% | 3.5\% | 32.5\% | 5.2\% | 10.4\% |
| South Dakota | 0.0\% | 1.1\% | 38.7\% | 6.0\% | 34.1\% | 8.5\% | 11.6\% |
| Tennessee | 1.4\% | 10.1\% | 41.0\% | 5.2\% | 25.0\% | 6.3\% | 11.0\% |
| Texas | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 37.2\% | 3.6\% | 42.7\% | 5.6\% | 10.9\% |
| Utah | 29.8\% | 2.9\% | 26.6\% | 2.4\% | 25.8\% | 5.5\% | 7.0\% |
| Vermont | 19.7\% | 2.8\% | 10.7\% | 3.6\% | 43.6\% | 4.3\% | 15.4\% |
| Virginia | 31.6\% | 2.1\% | 15.3\% | 3.1\% | 32.9\% | 4.3\% | 10.7\% |
| Washington | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 49.9\% | 3.1\% | 28.2\% | 6.2\% | 12.5\% |
| West Virginia | 24.1\% | 1.9\% | 19.0\% | 9.3\% | 21.4\% | 6.5\% | 17.8\% |
| Wisconsin | 27.0\% | 3.6\% | 20.9\% | 3.3\% | 33.7\% | 5.7\% | 5.8\% |
| Wyoming | 0.0\% | 0.4\% | 27.4\% | 1.3\% | 42.0\% | 6.5\% | 22.3\% |
| U.S. Weighted Avg. | 23.4\% | 3.8\% | 25.0\% | 3.6\% | 30.5\% | 4.7\% | 9.0\% |
| U.S. Average | 20.6\% | 4.0\% | 24.9\% | 4.3\% | 30.4\% | 5.4\% | 10.4\% |


| Table 12 <br> Select State Tax Rates, Calendar Year 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | PIT | CNIT | SUT | Gasoline (4 per gallon) | Cigarettes (¢ per pack) |
| Alabama | 5.00\% | 6.50\% | 4.00\% | 18.0 | 67.5 |
| Alaska | None | 9.40\% | None | 9.0 | 200.0 |
| Arizona | 3.36\% | 4.90\% | 5.60\% | 19.0 | 200.0 |
| Arkansas | 6.90\% | 6.50\% | 6.50\% | 21.8 | 115.0 |
| California | 6.00\% | 8.84\% | 7.25\% | 32.8 | 87.0 |
| Colorado | 4.63\% | 4.63\% | 2.90\% | 22.0 | 84.0 |
| Connecticut | 5.00\% | 7.50\% | 6.35\% | 25.0 | 390.0 |
| Delaware | 6.60\% | 8.70\% | None | 23.0 | 160.0 |
| Florida | None | 5.50\% | 6.00\% | 30.9 | 133.9 |
| Georgia | 6.00\% | 6.00\% | 4.00\% | 26.3 | 37.0 |
| Hawaii | 7.60\% | 6.40\% | 4.00\% | 16.0 | 320.0 |
| Idaho | 7.40\% | 7.40\% | 6.00\% | 33.0 | 57.0 |
| Illinois | 3.75\% | 7.75\% | 6.25\% | 20.1 | 198.0 |
| Indiana | 3.23\% | 6.25\% | 7.00\% | 18.0 | 99.5 |
| Iowa | 7.92\% | 12.00\% | 6.00\% | 30.7 | 136.0 |
| Kansas | 4.60\% | 7.00\% | 6.50\% | 25.0 | 129.0 |
| Kentucky | 5.80\% | 6.00\% | 6.00\% | 26.0 | 60.0 |
| Louisiana | 4.00\% | 8.00\% | 5.00\% | 20.1 | 108.0 |
| Maine | 6.75\% | 8.93\% | 5.50\% | 30.0 | 200.0 |
| Maryland | 4.75\% | 8.25\% | 6.00\% | 33.5 | 200.0 |
| Massachusetts | 5.10\% | 8.00\% | 6.25\% | 24.0 | 351.0 |
| Michigan | 4.25\% | 6.00\% | 6.00\% | 26.3 | 200.0 |
| Minnesota | 7.05\% | 9.80\% | 6.88\% | 28.6 | 304.0 |
| Mississippi | 5.00\% | 5.00\% | 7.00\% | 18.4 | 68.0 |
| Missouri | 6.00\% | 6.25\% | 4.23\% | 17.3 | 17.0 |
| Montana | 6.90\% | 6.75\% | None | 27.0 | 170.0 |
| Nebraska | 6.84\% | 7.81\% | 5.50\% | 28.2 | 64.0 |
| Nevada | None | None | 6.85\% | 24.8 | 180.0 |
| New Hampshire | 5.00\% | 8.20\% | None | 23.8 | 178.0 |
| New Jersey | 3.50\% | 9.00\% | 6.88\% | 37.1 | 270.0 |
| New Mexico | 4.90\% | 6.20\% | 5.13\% | 18.9 | 166.0 |
| New York | 6.45\% | 6.50\% | 4.00\% | 24.2 | 435.0 |
| North Carolina | 5.50\% | 3.00\% | 4.75\% | 34.6 | 45.0 |
| North Dakota | 1.10\% | 4.31\% | 5.00\% | 23.0 | 44.0 |
| Ohio | 3.47\% | GRT | 5.75\% | 28.0 | 160.0 |
| Oklahoma | 5.00\% | 6.00\% | 4.50\% | 17.0 | 103.0 |
| Oregon | 9.00\% | 7.60\% | None | 30.0 | 132.0 |
| Pennsylvania | 3.07\% | 9.99\% | 6.00\% | 58.2 | 260.0 |
| Rhode Island | 3.75\% | 7.00\% | 7.00\% | 34.0 | 375.0 |
| South Carolina | 7.00\% | 5.00\% | 6.00\% | 16.8 | 57.0 |
| South Dakota | None | None | 4.50\% | 30.0 | 153.0 |
| Tennessee | 5.00\% | 6.50\% | 7.00\% | 21.4 | 62.0 |
| Texas | None | GRT | 6.25\% | 20.0 | 141.0 |
| Utah | 5.00\% | 5.00\% | 5.95\% | 29.4 | 170.0 |
| Vermont | 3.55\% | 8.50\% | 6.00\% | 30.5 | 308.0 |
| Virginia | 5.75\% | 6.00\% | 5.30\% | 16.2 | 30.0 |
| Washington | None | GRT | 6.50\% | 49.4 | 302.5 |
| West Virginia | 6.50\% | 6.50\% | 6.00\% | 32.2 | 120.0 |
| Wisconsin | 6.27\% | 7.90\% | 5.00\% | 32.9 | 252.0 |
| Wyoming | None | None | 4.00\% | 24.0 | 60.0 |

Table 13 displays federal income tax liability as a share of state personal income. Data from CY 2015 show that Pennsylvania residents remitted $\$ 55.9$ billion in federal income tax. That amount has not been reduced for the approximately $\$ 2.1$ billion of refundable credits paid to Pennsylvania residents, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Education Credit. Due to the progressive federal rate structure, state rankings for federal income tax will be a function of the income dispersion within a particular state.

| Table 13Federal Income Tax Liability |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| Connecticut | 1 | \$28,920 | 11.74\% | Kansas | 26 | \$10,905 | 8.16\% |
| Massachusetts | 2 | \$48,926 | 11.47\% | Missouri | 27 | \$20,735 | 8.16\% |
| New York | 3 | \$130,110 | 11.29\% | Utah | 28 | \$9,388 | 8.12\% |
| New Jersey | 4 | \$58,070 | 10.91\% | Oregon | 29 | \$14,696 | 8.09\% |
| Illinois | 5 | \$65,537 | 9.98\% | Arizona | 30 | \$21,994 | 8.06\% |
| Washington | 6 | \$38,148 | 9.97\% | North Carolina | 31 | \$32,927 | 8.04\% |
| California | 7 | \$209,860 | 9.91\% | Ohio | 32 | \$40,638 | 8.04\% |
| Florida | 8 | \$93,793 | 9.83\% | Tennessee | 33 | \$22,096 | 8.02\% |
| New Hampshire | 9 | \$7,014 | 9.69\% | Indiana | 34 | \$21,076 | 7.71\% |
| Virginia | 10 | \$40,491 | 9.52\% | lowa | 35 | \$10,557 | 7.60\% |
| Texas | 11 | \$120,495 | 9.51\% | Montana | 36 | \$3,343 | 7.55\% |
| Wyoming | 12 | \$3,119 | 9.48\% | Nebraska | 37 | \$6,843 | 7.49\% |
| Colorado | 13 | \$26,907 | 9.41\% | Hawaii | 38 | \$4,998 | 7.49\% |
| Minnesota | 14 | \$26,313 | 9.41\% | Vermont | 39 | \$2,253 | 7.45\% |
| Nevada | 15 | \$11,747 | 9.36\% | Louisiana | 40 | \$14,409 | 7.40\% |
| Maryland | 16 | \$30,533 | 9.31\% | South Carolina | 41 | \$14,063 | 7.40\% |
| Alaska | 17 | \$3,559 | 9.23\% | Alabama | 42 | \$13,224 | 7.23\% |
| North Dakota | 18 | \$3,629 | 9.00\% | Oklahoma | 43 | \$12,127 | 7.19\% |
| Pennsylvania | 19 | \$55,856 | 8.84\% | Maine | 44 | \$4,054 | 7.17\% |
| Rhode Island | 20 | \$4,394 | 8.49\% | Kentucky | 45 | \$11,905 | 7.07\% |
| South Dakota | 21 | \$3,416 | 8.46\% | Idaho | 46 | \$4,503 | 6.98\% |
| Wisconsin | 22 | \$22,155 | 8.43\% | Arkansas | 47 | \$7,860 | 6.92\% |
| Georgia | 23 | \$34,547 | 8.42\% | New Mexico | 48 | \$5,357 | 6.77\% |
| Michigan | 24 | \$36,005 | 8.37\% | West Virginia | 49 | \$4,363 | 6.53\% |
| Delaware | 25 | \$3,686 | 8.33\% | Mississippi | 50 | \$6,302 | 6.14\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. <br> U.S. Average |  |  |  | 9.26\% |
|  |  |  |  | 8.50\% |

Table 14 displays amounts for state debt outstanding at the end of FY 2015-16. These amounts include general obligation debt that is and is not subject to constitutional limits, but exclude any unfunded pension liabilities. For Pennsylvania, debt includes any outstanding debt of state agencies and authorities, such as the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. Pennsylvania ranked $25^{\text {th }}$ in the ratio of state debt to personal income ( 7.45 percent).

| Table 14 <br> Outstanding Long and Short Term Debt |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Rank | Amount | Ratio | State | Rank | Amount | Ratio |
| Massachusetts | 1 | \$75,308 | 17.65\% | Mississippi | 26 | \$7,470 | 7.28\% |
| Rhode Island | 2 | \$9,005 | 17.40\% | Montana | 27 | \$3,207 | 7.24\% |
| Alaska | 3 | \$5,728 | 14.85\% | Oregon | 28 | \$13,061 | 7.19\% |
| Connecticut | 4 | \$35,352 | 14.35\% | California | 29 | \$151,715 | 7.16\% |
| Hawaii | 5 | \$8,758 | 13.12\% | Virginia | 30 | \$28,232 | 6.64\% |
| New Jersey | 6 | \$66,923 | 12.57\% | Ohio | 31 | \$33,109 | 6.55\% |
| New York | 7 | \$137,369 | 11.92\% | Utah | 32 | \$7,480 | 6.47\% |
| New Hampshire | 8 | \$8,210 | 11.34\% | Colorado | 33 | \$17,200 | 6.02\% |
| Delaware | 9 | \$4,965 | 11.22\% | Minnesota | 34 | \$16,756 | 5.99\% |
| Vermont | 10 | \$3,341 | 11.04\% | Idaho | 35 | \$3,685 | 5.71\% |
| West Virginia | 11 | \$7,124 | 10.66\% | Kansas | 36 | \$7,581 | 5.68\% |
| Illinois | 12 | \$64,221 | 9.78\% | Oklahoma | 37 | \$8,899 | 5.28\% |
| Louisiana | 13 | \$17,594 | 9.04\% | Arizona | 38 | \$14,244 | 5.22\% |
| Maine | 14 | \$5,012 | 8.87\% | North Dakota | 39 | \$2,064 | 5.12\% |
| New Mexico | 15 | \$6,738 | 8.51\% | Alabama | 40 | \$8,969 | 4.91\% |
| Washington | 16 | \$32,232 | 8.42\% | lowa | 41 | \$6,120 | 4.41\% |
| Wisconsin | 17 | \$22,087 | 8.41\% | Arkansas | 42 | \$4,985 | 4.39\% |
| Indiana | 18 | \$22,464 | 8.22\% | North Carolina | 43 | \$17,464 | 4.26\% |
| Kentucky | 19 | \$13,785 | 8.19\% | Texas | 44 | \$48,238 | 3.81\% |
| South Dakota | 20 | \$3,286 | 8.14\% | Florida | 45 | \$33,315 | 3.49\% |
| Maryland | 21 | \$26,593 | 8.11\% | Georgia | 46 | \$13,248 | 3.23\% |
| South Carolina | 22 | \$15,122 | 7.96\% | Nevada | 47 | \$3,352 | 2.67\% |
| Michigan | 23 | \$33,245 | 7.73\% | Wyoming | 48 | \$835 | 2.54\% |
| Missouri | 24 | \$19,350 | 7.62\% | Tennessee | 49 | \$6,025 | 2.19\% |
| Pennsylvania | 25 | \$47,052 | 7.45\% | Nebraska | 50 | \$1,809 | 1.98\% |
| Note: dollar amounts are in millions. |  |  | U.S. Weighted Avg. <br> U.S. Average |  |  |  | 7.46\% |
|  |  |  |  | 7.76\% |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ See "Effective Federal Tax Rates, 1979 to 1997" (Congressional Budget Office, October 2001) and "Tax Foundation State-Local Tax Burden Estimates: An Overview of Methodology" (Tax Foundation, Working Paper 10, March 2014). The adjustments are based on data from state tax returns (published by the IRS) and Tables SA4 and SA40 from the National Income and Product Accounts. The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis publishes state personal income data.
    ${ }^{2}$ Capital gains, IRA withdrawals and pension data are from the "SOI Tax Stats - Historic Table 2 " (IRS). Those amounts are grossed-up for amounts not reported on the federal income tax return due to non-taxability or misreporting. For more information on misreporting on the federal income tax return, see "Federal Tax Compliance Research: Tax Gap Estimates for Tax Years 2008-2010" (IRS, May 2016).

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ Tax data for state liquor store profits and outstanding debt are from 2015 State Government Finances.
    ${ }^{4}$ A tourism adjustment for sales tax was made for two states: Hawaii and Nevada. For those states, the ratio of the dollar amounts for the "Food Service and Accommodations" sector carried for state gross domestic product and state personal consumption expenditures was much higher than the overall U.S. average. That outcome implies that state production of those services is much higher than the personal consumption of those services by state residents, compared to the U.S. average. Therefore, a higher share of sector output is attributable to tourism. Based on the state data published by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Hawaii's sales tax is reduced by 18 percent and Nevada by 40 percent to account for each state's unusually large share of sales tax likely attributable to tourism. Similar adjustments were not made for other states because their ratio of production to consumption for that sector was much more similar to the overall U.S. average.

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ All amounts are net of refunds.
    ${ }^{6}$ The U.S. average is an unweighted average so that all states have an equal impact on the U.S. average computation. The weighted average allows large states (e.g., California) to have a greater impact compared to small states (e.g., Rhode Island).

[^3]:    ${ }^{9}$ The 16 percent table games tax rate includes the state tax rate of 14 percent plus the additional 2 percent rate of the local state share.

[^4]:    10 The fees for CY 2015 were remitted in April 2016 and totaled $\$ 187.7$ million.

[^5]:    ${ }^{11}$ See "State Tax Rates" (Federation of Tax Administrators).
    ${ }^{12}$ For personal income tax, New Hampshire and Tennessee only tax dividends and interest. Because the great majority of income is exempt, they are listed as not having a state income tax. ${ }^{13}$ Ohio, Texas and Washington levy a gross receipts or margins tax. They are denoted as "GRT" in the table.
    ${ }^{14}$ However, the Utah (1.25 percent) and Virginia (1.0 percent) tax rates include statewide local levies.

