## WHO PAYS?

A DISTRIBUTIONAL ANALYSIS OF
THE TAX SYSTEMS IN ALL 50 STATES


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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 

## Who Pays: A Distributional Analysis of the Tax Systems in All Eifty

 States (the sixth edition of the report) is the only distibutional analysis of tax systems in all 50 states and the Devict of Columbia. This comprehensive report assesses, tax fairness by measuring effective state and local tay cates paid by all income groups. ${ }^{1}$ No two state tax systems 2(1) the same; this report provides detailed analyses of the iratures of every state tax code. It includes state-by-state profiles that provide baseline data to help lawmakers ahd the public understand how current tax policies affect tayouyers at all income levels.The report includes these main findings:
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THE SIXTH EDITION OF WHO PAYS? ASSESSES TAX FAIRNESS BY MEASURING EFFECTIVE STATE AND LOCAL TAX RATES PAID BY ALL INCOME GROUPS.

## THE VAST MAJC RITY OF STATE AND LOCAL TAX SYSTEMS ARE INEQUITABLE A VD UPSIDE-DOWN, taking a much greater share of income from

 low- and mide-income families than from wealthy families. The absence of a graduated personal: nua he tax in many states and an overreliance on consumption taxes contribute to this lon, ct.nding problem.
## CH. LOWER ONE'S INCOME, THE HIGHER ONE'S OVERALL EFFECTIVE

 STMFE AND LOCAL TAX RATE. On average, the lowest-income 20 percent of taxpayers face a state and local tax rate more than 50 percent higher than the top 1 percent of households. The nationwide average effective state and local tax rate is 11.4 percent for the lowest-income 20 percent of individuals and families, 9.9 percent for the middle 20 percent, and 7.4 percent for the top 1 percent.TAX STRUCTURES IN 45 STATES EXACERBATE INCOME INEQUALITY. Most state and local tax systems worsen income inequality by making incomes more unequal after collecting state and local taxes. Five states and the District of Columbia somewhat narrow the gap between lower- and middle- income taxpayers and upper-income taxpayers, making income slightly more equitable after collecting state and local taxes.

[^0]10 STATES WITH THE MOST REGRESSIVE TAX STRUCTURES


## Washington

Texas
Florida
South Dakota
Nevada
Tennessee
Pennsylvania
Illinois
Oklahoma
Wyoming

## INTRODUCTION

> The nation's public policies helped grow the middle class, improve public health and economic well-being, build the Interstate Highway System, and make access to K-12 eauc tion universal. Just as public policy has the power to impreve wellbeing, the inverse is also true. Over the past fou crêades, wealth has increasingly concentrated amono the highestincome households. The reasons are ceplex and vast, but legislation, regulation, and federal court rulings certainly have contributed.

State and local tax policies play a role in thi. persistent social problem. The vast majority of state tax systems are regressive, neann.g lower-income people are taxed at higher rates than top-earning taxpayers. Fur he, those in the highest-income quintile pay a smaller share of all state and local tax thail their share of all income while the bottom 80 percent pays more. In other worls, not only do the rich, on average, pay a lower effective state and local tax rate than lownerne people, they also collectively contribute a smaller share of state and local taxes the n heir share of all income. This adversely affects states' ability to raise revenue. Rese rch shows that when income growth concentrates among the wealthy, state revenu's grow more slowly, especially in states that rely more heavily on taxes that disproport ontely fall on low- and middle-income households. ${ }^{2}$

THE VAST MAJORITY OF STATE TAX SYSTEMS ARE regressive.

In these states, tewerincome peónle are taxed a uigher rates than top-earning taxpayers.

Fur hel tax-cut-heavy policy decisions often deprive state coffers of adequate revenue or ital programs and services that build opportunity and improve overall well-being for familes and communities. The movement among teachers in states across the country to demand more investment in education and no more tax cuts, especially at the top, for example, is illustrative of the challenges that states face when they continually cut taxes and either fail to increase spending on vital services or fail to sustain spending at the rate of inflation.

This study provides important context for those interested in state and local tax policies and the role they play in funding vital programs and services as well as economic security for all families and communities. It examines tax fairness by providing a thorough analysis of how state and local tax policies affect taxpayers across the income spectrum. It finds that nearly every state fails the basic test of tax fairness, taking a much greater

[^1]share of income from low- and middle-income families than from wealthy families. This, of course, has broad implications, not only for taxpayers' after-tax income but also for the revenue states collect to fund basic programs and services.

The report shows which states have done the best job of moving toward more equitable tax structures and which state systems are most regressive and further exacerbate income inequality (for additional detail see Appendix B).

The national effective state and local tax rate is 11.4 percent for the lowest-income 20 percent; 9.9 percent for the middle 20 percent; and 7.4 percent for the top 1 percer (see Figure 1 and Appendix A). This means the poorest Americans are paying one and a iolf times as much of their income in taxes than the top 1 percent. Results vary wi der y state. For detail on the impact in individual states, visit Appendix A for the stat -by state Who Pays? summaries.

FIGURE 1

AVERAGE EFFECTIVE STATE AND LOCAL TAX RATES IN THE U.S.
Percentage of Total State and Local Taxes as a Share of Income for non-elderly residents
11.4\%


FIGURE 2
ITEP TAX INEQUALITY
INDEX STATES IN ORDER OF RANK FROM LEAST EQUITABLE TO MORE EQUITABLE

## Washington

Texas
Florida
South Dakota
Nevada
Tennessee
Pennsylvania
Illinois
Oklahoma
Wyoming
11 Arizona
12 Indiana
13 Ohio
14 Louisiana
15 Hawaii
16 New Hampshire
17 North Dakota
18 Alabama
19 New Mexico
20 Arkansas
Iowa
Michigan
Kansas
Mississippi
Kentucky
Alaska
Georgia
Missouri
Connecticut
Massachusetts
North Carolina
Rhode Island
Virginia
Wisconsin
Colorado
Nebraska
West Virginia
Idaho
South Carolina
Utah
Oregon
Maryland
Monta 1 a
Nemror
Maine
New Jersey
Minnesota
Delaware
Vermont
District of
Columbia
California
NOTE: See Appendix B for detailed ITEP Tax Inequality Index and Methodology for more information

## IN MOST STATES, STATE AND LOCAL TAX SYSTEMS WORSEN INEQUALITY

Forty-five states have regressive tax systems that exacerbate income inequality. When tax s.stems rely on the lowest-income earners to pay the greatelt proportion of their income in state and local taxes, gapgbetveen the most affluent and the rest of us continue to grow.

The ITEP Tax Ineq aity index measures the effects of each state's tax system on income inequality by asses ing the comparative impact a state's tax system has on the post-tax incomes of axpayers at different income levels. Essentially, it answers the following question: re ncomes more equal, or less equal, after state taxes than before taxes?

For exa nple, consider this scenario: if taxpayers in the top 1 percent are left with a higher ,ery entage of their pre-tax income to spend on their day-to-day living and to save for the futed than low- and middle-income taxpayers, the tax system is regressive and receives a negative tax inequality index score. This indicates that the income inequality that existed before the levying of state and local taxes has been made worse by those taxes. On the other hand, states with slightly progressive tax structures have positive tax inequality indexes. This means that after taking state and local taxes into account incomes are no less equal than they were before taxes; and tax systems in those states, at the very least, did not worsen income inequality.


$-\square$
The ITEP Inequality Index helps answer the question: aie : icomes more equal, or less equal, after taxes than before? It accomplishes this goal by co mraing incomes at various points throughout the income distribution both before and after s'att ard local taxes are collected. The actual calculation involves numerous steps, but the following example helps illustrate the basic idea underpinning the Index.

In Texas, before state and local taxes aric coilected the top 1 percent of taxpayers earn an average income that is 124 times larger that. the average income of the state's poorest 20 percent of residents. This state's tax syster ${ }^{1}$, vhich ranks as the second most regressive on the Index, only exacerbates this divide. Afte taie and local taxes are collected, the average after-tax income of Texas's top earners stand $\mathrm{a}^{+} \mathfrak{i}+0$ times the size of the average after-tax income of the state's lowincome residents. This i. i.: predictable result of charging low-income families a 13.0 percent effective tax rate, $w$ iil is sing high-income families to pay just 3.1 percent of their income in tax.

The story in N'ev' 'ersey is very different. Prior to the application of state and local taxes, New Jersey's to ' : $L$ ercent of taxpayers enjoy an average income that is 126 times larger than the aver 'ge ncume earned by the state's poorest residents - a figure quite similar to Texas. But New 'ers 2 y's tax system makes this vast divide somewhat narrower. By asking slightly more of high-income households ( 9.8 percent of income) than of the poor ( 8.7 percent of income), New Jersey's ratio falls ever so slightly, with high-income households enjoying incomes 124 times larger than the state's poorest residents, on average.

This example shows that while state tax codes are not a cure-all for economic inequality, well-designed systems can help lessen the problem while steeply regressive systems only make it worse.

## THE 10 MOST REGRESSIVE STATE AND LOCAL TAX SYSTEMS

FIGURE 4
Ten states — Washington, Texas, Florida, South Dakota, Nevada, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Oklahoma, anc.V'yoming - are particularly regressive, with upside-down taks, stems that ask the most of those with the least. These "Terribit Ten" states tax their poorest residents - those in the botion 20 percent of the income scale - at rates up to six timechigher than the wealthy. Middleincome families in these stalies pay a rate up to four times higher as a share of their incornethan the wealthiest families.

ITEP'S TERRIBLE 10 MOST REGRES Sivi STATE \& LOCAL TAX SYSTEMS
Taxes as share of family income + Tax features driving th Jat:

| RANK | STATE | $\begin{gathered} \text { POOREST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AILDLE } \\ & \text { ここ\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ | Little or No Income Tax | Flat-Rate Income Tax | $\begin{gathered} \text { Top } \\ \text { Income } \\ \text { Tax Rate } \\ \text { Starts } \\ \text { at low } \\ \text { Amount } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Lack } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { efundable } \\ & \text { Credits } \end{aligned}$ | High Reliance <br> Sales \& Exise Taxes | $\begin{gathered} \text { High } \\ \text { Relianceon } \\ \text { Property } \\ \text { Tax } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Washington | 17,\% | 10.9\% | 3.0\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 2 | Texas | (13.) $\%$ | 9.7\% | 3.1\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 3 | Florida | 12.7\% | 8.1\% | 2.3\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| 4 | South Laksta | 11.2\% | 8.7\% | 2.5\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 5 | N vacia | 10.2\% | 7.4\% | 1.9\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
|  | T-nnessee | 10.5\% | 8.4\% | 2.8\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 7 | Pennsylvania | 13.8\% | 11.0\% | 6.0\% |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 8 | Illinois | 14.4\% | 12.3\% | 7.4\% |  | $\checkmark$ |  | EITC nonrefundable small refundable low-income credit |  | $\checkmark$ |
| 9 | Oklahoma | 13.2\% | 10.5\% | 6.2\% |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 10 | Wyoming | 9.6\% | 7.2\% | 2.6\% | $\checkmark$ |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  |  |

NOTE: States are ranked by the ITEP Tax Inequality Index. The ten states in the table are those whose tax systems most increase income inequality. See Methodology for a full description of the Index.

What characteristics do states with particularly regressive tax systems have in common? See Figure 4 for a look at the ten states with the most regressive tax systems. Several important factors stand out:

SEVEN OF THE TEN STATES DO NOT LEVY A BROAD-BASED PERSONAL INCOME TAX - FLORIDA, SOUTH DAKOTA, NEVADA, TENNESSEE, TEXAS, WASHINGTON, AND WYOMING. Tennessee currently levies a limited personal income tax that only applies to interest and dividend income, but it will be eliminated by 2021.

THREE STATES DO LEVY PERSONAL INCOME TAXES BUT HAVE
STRUCTURED THEM IN A WAY THAT MAKES THEM MUCH LESS
PROGRESSIVE THAN IN OTHER STATES. Pennsylvania and Illinc su à rat rate, which taxes the income of the wealthiest family at the same marginal rate as poorest wage earners. Oklahoma has a graduated rate structure but applies the top rate starting at taxable income of $\$ 12,200$ for married couples - making the tax ir vally flat in practice.

SIX OF THE TEN MOST REGRESSIVE TAX SYSTEMS - FLORIDA, NEVADA, TENNESSEE, TEXAS, SOUTH DAKOTA, AND 'VA.SHINGTON - RELY HEAVILY ON REGRESSIVE SALES AND EY. ISE FAXES. These states derive roughly half to two-thirds of their tax revenue from th se taxes, compared to the national average of 35 percent in fiscal year 2014-2015.

## THE LEAST REGRESSIVE STATE AND LOCAL TAX SYSTEMS

## Ten jurisdictions with more equitabletate and local tax

 systems can be found in Figure 5. ©id of the ten - California, the District of Columbia, Delawart, Ninnesota, New Jersey, and Vermont - had positive scures on ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, meaning that their state ancil local tax systems do not worsen income inequality. Thouchtful, progressive tax policy decisions permitted these six jurisdictions to make their tax systems somewhat mene equitable for those with the least ability to pay taxes.But none of ${ }^{\text {th }}$-se six tax systems are robustly progressive in a traditional sense. Rather than se in effective tax rates steadily rise throughout the entire income distribution, some of ti ese jurisdictions see "peaks," where taxes on middle-income families are somewhat iigh . $r$ than at the top, or "valleys," where low-income families face higher rates than the niädle-class.

Several important factors define states with more equitable tax systems. Here is what they have in common:

HIGHLY PROGRESSIVE INCOME TAX BRACKETS AND RATES. All of the most equitable tax systems include personal income taxes which are progressive (but to varying degrees). California's overall tax system is relatively progressive largely because of graduated marginal income tax rates, additional tax on income over $\$ 1$ million, and limits on tax breaks for upper-income taxpayers.

THE USE OF TARGETED, REFUNDABLE LOW-INCOME CREDITS. All of the ten states with more equitable tax systems have refundable Earned Income Tax Credits; EITC's in 7 of the 10 states exceed a quarter of the federal credit. Refundable credits to offset
sales and property taxes are also common. Maine, for instance, provides a sales tax credit, dependent care tax credit, and a property tax "circuit breaker" that was recently enhanced.

BROAD-BASED INCOME TAXES. State personal income taxes with few deductions or exemptions to benefit the rich (such as capital gains loopholes or itemized deductions) tend to be progressive. Targeted policy decisions to phasedown or phaseout these benefits for higher-income earners can improve both the progressivity and revenue yield of state income tax structures.

A HIGHER RELIANCE ON INCOME TAXES WITH A LOWER RELIANCE ON REGRESSIVE CONSUMPTION TAXES. Just as the combination of flat (or nonexistent) income taxes and high sales and excise taxes leads to regressive tax s, st -11), the least regressive tax systems have highly progressive income taxes and rely ess on sales and excise taxes.

CHARACTERISTICS OF MORE EQUITABLE STATE AND LOCAL TAX SVSTEIMS
Taxes as share of family income + Tax features driving the data

| RANK | STATE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { POOREST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | MIDDLE 60\% | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ | Higher Income Tax Brackets/ Rates on UpperIncor | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Limits } \\ & \text { Dedu' ، 's } \\ & \text { ana'n. } \\ & \text { E mpti ns } \\ & \text { iort. oer- } \\ & \text { Income } \end{aligned}$ | High Reliance on PIT | Use of Refundable Credits | Low Use <br> of Sales <br> \& Excise <br> Taxes | Levies <br> Estate or Inheritance Tax |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 51 | California | 10.5\% | 8.9\% | 12.4\% | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  |  |
| 50 | District of Columbia | 6.3\% | 9.6\% | 9.5\% |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Etate Tax |
| 49 | Vermont | 8.7\% | 9.4\% | 14\% | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Estate Tax |
| 48 | Delaware | 5.5\% | 5.7\% | 6.5\% |  |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 47 | Minnesota | 8.7\% | 9.7\% | 10.1\% | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ |  | Etate Tax |
| 46 | New Jersey | 8.7\% | 9.0\% | 9.8\% | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Inheritance Tax |
| 45 | Maine | 8.7\% | 9.2\% | 8.6\% |  | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Estate Tax |
| 44 | New York |  | 12.2\% | 11.3\% | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | EstateTax |
| 43 | Montana | 1.9\% | 6.7\% | 6.5\% |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |
| 42 | Maryland | 9.8\% | 10.3\% | 9.0\% | $\checkmark$ |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  | Both |

NOTE: States are rarkea hy the ITEP Tax Inequality Index. The ten states in the table are those whose tax systems have the least detrimental intinal on income inequality.

## THE KIND OF TAX MATTERS

State and local governments seeking to fund publicservices have historically relied on three broad types of taxes; personal income, property, and consumption (sales and excise). States also rely on a range of other tax and non-tax revenue sources such as corporate income taxes, estategna inheritance taxes, user fees, charges, and gambling revenues. A few states rely heavily on non-traditional tax sources, such as severance taxes on the extraction of natural rescurces, which are not included in this analysis. (See Appenciix C for information on both tax and "non-tax" revences as shares of total state and local ownsource revenues.


As ITEP's analysis of the most and least regressive tax states shows, the relative fairness of state tax systems depends primarily on how heavily states rely on these different tax types. Each of these taxes has a distinct distributional impact, as the table on this page illustrates:

STATE PERSONAL INCOME TAXES ARE TYPICALLY PROGRESSIVE - AS INCOMES GO UP, EFFECTIVE TAX RATES GO UP. On average low-income families pay .04 percent of their incomes, middle-income families pay 2.1 percent of their incomes, and the top 1 percent pay 4.6 percent. Of the three major taxes used by states, the personal income tax is the only one under which effective tax rates rise with income levels. States often use progressive income taxes as tools to help offset more regr ssive state and local taxes.

## PROPERTY TAXES, INCLUDING BOTH TAXES ON INDIVIDUAL AND

 BUSINESS TAXES, ARE USUALLY SOMEWHAT REGRESSIVE. On verage, poor homeowners and renters pay more of their incomes in property taxe than do any other income group - and the wealthiest taxpayers pay the least. On av rage low-income families pay 4.2 percent of their incomes, middle-income fam:lies pay 3.0 percent of their incomes, and the top 1 percent pay 1.7 percent.SALES AND EXCISE TAXES ARE VERY REGRESSINc. Poor families pay almost eight times more as a share of their incomes in these taxest an the best-off families, and middleincome families pay more than five times the rate of the wealthy. On average low-income families pay 7.1 percent of their income, n iddle-income families pay 4.8 percent of their incomes, and the top 1 percent pay 0 percent.

## RACE MATTERS

The nation's longstanding system of urニqıə1 opportunities to access education, housing, jobs and capital, and other economic resc 'll es has resulted in a stark wealth gap between white families and most communitier of culr. Median wealth among black families is 10 times less than median wealth among w'iite families. On average, black families earn $\$ 28,000$ less in income every year than wh tefamilies and Latino families earn nearly $\$ 18,000$ less per year than their white counterparts

The distributional i. puint of state and local tax systems based on income also have clear implications for $N e$, !th inequality among racial groups. State tax codes that worsen income inequality by taxing lower-income people at higher rates than wealthy people, taxing income derived $f^{n}=\mathrm{m}$ vealth (e.g. capital gains) at a lower rate than income derived from work, or relying hear sly or consumption taxes, are worsening the racial wealth divide. The income and wealth gap c et, veen white families and communities of color will not be eliminated by making state tax systems fairer, but at the very least policymakers and the public should consider how tax policies are contributing to this persistent social problem.

A state's tax fairness is only partially determined by the mix of these three broad tax types. Equally important is how states design the structure of each tax. By design, some personal income taxes are far more progressive than others. The same is true, to a lesser extent, of

WASHINGTON StATE hAS the most regressive state and local tax SYSTEM.

It levies no personal income tax but relies heavily on sales and excise taxes.
property and sales taxes; while any state that relies heavily on these taxes is likely to have a regressive tax structure, lawmakers can take steps to make these taxes less regressive. The overall regressivity of a state's tax system, therefore, ultimately depends both on a state's reliance on the different tax sources and on how the state designs each tax.

For example, California's level of reliance on sales and excise taxes is fairly in line with the national average. But it relies less heavily on property taxes and much more heavily on a state personal income tax that is substantially more progressive than most — and this makes California's tax system the least regressive one in the country.

Washington State, on the other hand, has the most regressive state and local tax syste $m$. This is largely a result of the state levying no personal income tax and relying leerii on sales and excise taxes - according to the latest available data, these taxes nal.e up over 60 percent of the state's total tax base. The average state reliance is nearly har nat at 35 percent.

PROGRESSIVE, REGRESSIVE, OR PROPORTIONAL?


A PROGRESSIVE TAX
A progressive tax is or e in which upper-income families pay a larger share ${ }^{f}$ f their incomes in tax than do those with lower in乞?n es.


## AREThESSIVETAX

4 egressive tax requires the poor and middle-income to D×y a larger share of their incomes in taxes than the rich.


## A PROPORTIONAL TAX

A proportional tax takes the same percentage of income from everyone, regardless of how much or how little they earn.

## INCOME TAXES

State personal income taxes - and their counterpart, corporate income taxes - are the main progressive element of state and local tax systems. In 2018, 41 states and the District cí Collombia have broad-based personal income taxes that partiany/Jffset the regressivity of consumption taxes and property'taxes. Yet some states have been more successfulthan others in creating a truly progressive personal iriogme tax - one in which effective tax rates increase with income. Some states, such as California and Vermont as well as ihe District of Columbia, have very progressive income taxes Others have only nominally progressive taxes. Very felv states, such as Alabama and Pennsylvania, actualy $\mathbf{y}$, ave effectively regressive income taxes.

These differences in the fairness of state income taxes are due to four broad policy choices: a graduated or flat-rate ix structure, the use of exemptions and deductions, refundable tax credits that bent it low-income taxpayers, and the use of regressive tax loopholes that benefit the wealthiest taxpayers.

## PERS ONAL INCOME TAX RATE STRUCTURE

Ostiestates currently levying a broad-based personal income tax, all but nine apply gear ated tax rates (higher tax rates applied at higher income levels). Colorado, illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Utah tax income at one flat rate. While most of the "Terrible Ten" states achieve membership in this club by having no income taxes at all, two of them - Pennsylvania and Illinois - achieve this dubious honor through their use of a flat-rate tax.

However, using a graduated rate structure is not enough to guarantee an overall progressive income tax; some graduated-rate income taxes are about as fair as some flat-rate taxes, and some even less fair. The level of graduation in state income tax rates varies widely. As does the level of progressivity. This is illustrated by a look at the income tax structures in the District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, three jurisdictions with income taxes whose wideranging structures result in very different distributional impacts.

The District of Columbia's income tax is quite progressive. Its six-tier graduated tax rates range from 4 percent to 8.95 percent. Because the top tax rate of 8.95 percent is a
"millionaire's tax," most District residents pay a lower top rate. And most of those at the bottom of the income scale are held harmless by a generous Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) provided at 40 percent of the federal credit for workers with children and 100 percent for workers without children in the home.

A neighboring state, Virginia, has a personal income tax with fewer tax brackets (four) over a narrower range ( 2 to 5.75 percent), and a top rate that begins at a modest \$17,000 of taxable income. The tax is progressive across the income scale, but low-income families still pay a comparatively high portion of their income in personal income taxes (The state's 20 percent non-refundable Earned Income Tax Credit is helpful but does not offset the regressiv effects of other taxes paid by low-income families). Further, a family in the top 1 percent, arnı $g$ an average of $\$ 1.4$ million dollars a year, pays the same top rate as many families whuse y ages leave them near or even below the poverty line.

Pennsylvania is an example of an income tax structure that does littl ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{O}$ improve the state's tax progressivity. The Keystone State has a flat statutory income t. x rate of 3.07 percent, offers no deductions or personal exemptions to reduce taxable incorne, and does not provide refundable tax credits (the state does offer a tax forgiv eress credit that reduces taxes for the very lowest income taxpayers).

FIGURE 7


A KEY TOOL THAT STATES have available TO enhance income tax FAIRNESS AND LIFT INDIVIDUALS UP AND OUT OF POVERTY ARE LOWINCOME TAX CREDITS.

Twenty-nine states and the District of Columbia have enacted state Earned Income Tax Credits (EITCs).

## INCOME TAX PROVISIONS THAT BENEFIT LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME FAMILIES

A key tool that states have available to enhance income tax fairness and lift individuals up and out of poverty are low-income tax credits. These credits are most effective when they are refundable - that is, they allow a taxpayer to have a negative income tax liability which offsets the regressive nature of sales and property taxes - and are adjusted for inflation so they do not erode over time.

Twenty-nine states and the District of Columbia have enacted state Earned Income Tax Credits (EITCs). Most states allow taxpayers to calculate their EITC as a percentags $f$ the federal credit. Doing so makes the credit easy for state taxpayers to claim (sirce they have already calculated the amount of their federal credit) and straightforwara for sta e tax administrators.

Refundability is a vital component of state EITCs to ensure that wor ke and their families get the full benefit of the credit. Refundable credits do not depenc. on the amount of income taxes paid; rather, if the credit exceeds income tax lia ${ }^{101}$ ty, the taxpayer receives the excess as a refund. Thus, refundable credits usefully fffset _-gressive sales and property taxes and can provide a much-needed income st to help families pay for basic necessities. In all but five states (Hawaii, Ohio, O d= Loma, South Carolina, and Virginia), the EITC is fully refundable. The use of low-in oume iax credits such as the EITC is an important indicator of tax progressivity: $f$ lly two of the ten most regressive state income taxes have a permanent EITC, while all of the ten relatively progressive state income taxes provide a permanent EITC.

Because the Earned Income Taג Credit is targeted to low-income families with children, it typically offers little or no benefit to older adults and workers without children. However, we have seen $f_{0}$ ward momentum on this issue in DC and Minnesota, and more recently $\mathrm{i}^{1}$ - 1 tornia and Maryland where lawmakers have taken steps to improve the credi in workers without children. Refundable low-income credits that are available to $a^{11}$ esidents regardless of family status are also good complementary policies to sta EITCs.
$\operatorname{Sev} n^{+}$ates offer an income tax credit to help offset the sales and excise taxes that lowjurne families pay. Some of the credits are specifically intended to offset the impact of sares laxes on groceries. These credits are normally a flat dollar amount for each family member and are available only to taxpayers with income below a certain threshold. They are usually administered on state income tax forms and are refundable - meaning that the full credit is given even if it exceeds the amount of income tax a claimant owes.

## UNDERMINING PROGRESSIVITY WITH TAX BREAKS FOR WEALTHY TAXPAYERS

In contrast to states that improve tax fairness with tax credits for low-income families, more than a dozen states currently allow substantial tax breaks for the wealthy that undermine tax progressivity. Two of the most regressive state income tax loopholes are capital gains tax breaks (Arizona, Arkansas, Hawaii, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Carolina, Vermont, and Wisconsin) and deductions for federal income taxes paid (Alabama, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, and Oregon).

In combination with a flat (or only nominally graduated) rate structure, these tax breaks can create an odd -and unfair - situation where the highest income taxpayers devote a lower percentage of their income to income taxes than their middle-income neighbors.

For example, Alabama allows a deduction for federal income taxes. Although Alabama's income tax is essentially flat, the federal income tax is still progressive. So Alabama's deduction for federal income taxes disproportionately benefits the state's wealthiest taxpayers. As a result, effective marginal income tax rates in Alabama actually decline at the state's highest income levels. Despite the 5 percent top tax rate, the effective income tax rate on the very wealthiest taxpayers is actually less than 3 percent. Among the six state that allow a deduction for federal taxes, three allow a full deduction for federal taxe, inclu ling Alabama, while the other three have a partial deduction.

Wisconsin allows a deduction for 30 percent of most capital gains income. $\mathrm{L} \sim$-ause capital gains are realized almost exclusively by the wealthiest 20 percent of taxpayers, this deduction makes the state income tax much less progressive. igit other states allow substantial capital gains tax breaks.

## WHAT ABOUT STATES WITHOUT INCOME TAXES?

Not levying a personal income tax requires tradeor st at are often detrimental to tax fairness. It is a common misconception that tate without personal income taxes are "low tax." In reality, to compensate for lack of in on e tax revenues these state governments often rely more heavily on sales and excise $t_{a}$ es tinat disproportionately impact lower-income families. As a result, while the nino siates without broad-based personal income taxes are universally "low tax" for househ lds earning large incomes, these states tend to be higher tax for the poor.
FIGURE 8

LACK OF INCOME TAX MEANS H'G4 TAXES FOR POORER HOUSEHOLDS; LOW TAXES FOR HIGH-INCOME HUUSEHOLDS

- Effective Tax Rate on Lowest 20\% - Efferive Tax Rate on Top 1\%


NOTE: Effective tax rates in this chart are unweighted averages across each group of states. The District of Columbia is included in the group of 41 states with personal income taxes.

Note: The nine states without broad-based personal income taxes are Alaska, Florida, Nevada, New Hampshire, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, and Wyoming. Tennessee levies a limited personal income tax that only applies to interest and dividend income; it is set to expire in 2021.

# SALES AND EXCISE TAXES 

Sales and excise taxes are the most regressive elemen (1D)most state and local tax systems. Sales taxes inevitably tan larger share of income from low- and middle-incometamilies than from rich families because sales taxes are Ifvied at a flat rate and spending as a share of income fation mincome rises. Thus, while a flat rate general sales tax rmv appear on its face to be neither progressive nor regres ive, that is not its practical impact. Unlike an income tax, which generally applies to most income, the sales tdx applies only to spent income and exempts saved income since high earners are able to save a much larger share of their incomes than middle-income families - and sime the poor can rarely save at all - the tax is inherently reçressive.

ON AVERAGE, STATES RELY MORE HEAVILY ON SALES AND EXCISE TAXES THAN ANY OTHER TAX SOURCE.

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The averag state's consumption tax structure is equivalent to an income tax with a 7.1 percen ate for the poor, a 4.8 percent rate for the middle class, and a 0.9 percent rate for he vealthiest taxpayers. Few policymakers would intentionally design an income tax hat 'poks like this, but many have done so by relying heavily on consumption taxes as a sevenue source.

On average, states rely more heavily on sales and excise taxes than any other tax source. Sales and excise taxes accounted for 35 percent of the state and local taxes collected in fiscal year 2015. However, states that rely much more heavily on consumption taxes increase the regressivity of their state and local tax systems:

- In New Mexico, Arizona, Alabama, and Alaska, sales and excise taxes account for approximately 50 percent of all revenues.
- Sales and excise taxes in Texas, Florida, Hawaii, Louisiana, South Dakota, and Tennessee make up more than half of all revenues.
- Washington state and Nevada raise more than 60 percent of all revenue through regressive consumption taxes.

This high-reliance on consumption taxes helps land six of these states —Florida, Nevada, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, and Washington - on ITEP's Terrible Ten list of the most regressive state and local tax systems.

## STATES RELYING HEAVILY ON SALES AND EXCISE TAXES LEVY HIGHER EFFECTIVE TAX RATES ON LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

Total State and Local Effective Tax Rate on Lowest 20 Percent of Taxpayers


NOTE: Effective tax rates in this chart are unweighted averages ąnoss each group of states.

Which items are inclu del o. excluded from the sales tax base is another important factor affecting sales tax fai ${ }^{\circ}$ ss For example, taxing food is a particularly regressive policy because poor families spent in ost of their income on groceries and other necessities. Of the states that rely the heavicion consumption taxes, Arkansas and Tennessee both tax food (though at a reduce $t \mathrm{ra}$ ) and Hawaii taxes food at the full rate but with a partially offsetting credit for taxp ay es making less than $\$ 50,000$. Among the twelve states with higher-than-average effe tivy consumption tax rates on the bottom 20 percent, six of them include food in their ax ases. In addition to Arkansas, Tennessee, and Hawaii already mentioned above, South Dalsta fully taxes food, and Kansas and Oklahoma both tax food at the full sales tax rate while offering tax credits that do not fully offset the impact of the tax.

## MORE ON EXCISE TAXES

Unlike sales taxes that are usually calculated as a percentage of the price of a fairly broad base of taxable items, excise taxes are imposed on a small number of goods, typically ones for which demand has a practical per-person maximum (for example, one can only use so much gasoline). Thus, wealthy people don't keep buying more of these goods as their income increases. Moreover, excise taxes are typically based on volume rather than price - per gallon, per pack and so forth. Thus, better-off people pay the same absolute tax on an expensive premium beer as low-income families pay on a run-of-the-mill variety. As a result, excise taxes are usually the most regressive kind of tax.

Overall, state excise taxes on items such as gasoline, cigarettes and beer take about 1.7 percent of the income of the poorest families, 0.8 percent of the income of middle-income families, and just 0.1 percent of the income of the very best-off. In other words, these excise taxes are 17 times harder on the poor than the rich, and 8 times harder on middle-income families than the rich.

In addition to being the most regressive tax, excise taxes can be relatively poor revenueraising tools because they decline in real value over time. Since excise taxes are levied on a per-unit basis rather than ad valorem (percentage of value), the revenue generated is eroded by inflation. That means excise tax rates must continually be increased m rely to keep pace with inflation, not to mention real economic growth. Policymakerousing excise tax hikes to close fiscal gaps should recognize that relying on excise tox ruven ues means balancing state budgets on the back of the very poorest taxpayers --nd that these revenues represent a short-term fix rather than a long-term solution.

## PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are an important revenue source, especiaily for local governments. Today, a state's property tax base ty ypically includes only a subset of total wealth: primarilomes and business real estate and, in some states, cars and business property other than real estate. Wealtin in the form of business equity, stocks, bonds, patents, coryrights, savings, and other "intangible" assets is not generan, taxed by any level of government. Our analysis sho ws that, overall, the property tax is a regressive tax - albeit far less regressive than sales and excise taxes. There are se eral reasons for this:

- For average familics, a home represents the lion's share of their total wealth, so most of their wealth is taxed. At high income levels, however, homes are only a smali hare of total wealth, which mostly consists of stock portfolios, business interests, and other assets that are generally completely exempt fro $\mathrm{n}_{\mathrm{r}}$ roperty taxes.

10. homeowners, home values as a share of income tend to decline at higher incomes. A typical middle-income family's home might be worth three times as much as the family's annual income, while a rich person's home might be valued at one-and-a-half times his or her annual income or potentially much less.

PROPERTY TAXES in AN IMPORTANT REGNUE SOURCE IOR LOCAL GOVERNME, 'T.

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tax - albeit far less regressive than sales and excise taxes.

- Renters do not escape property taxes. A portion of the property tax on rental property is passed through to renters in the form of higher rent - and these taxes represent a much larger share of income for poor families than for the wealthy. This adds to the regressivity of the property tax.

Property taxes paid by businesses reduce the regressivity of the property tax as they generally fall on owners of capital and to a significant degree are "exported" to residents of other states. On average, this study finds that about 40 percent of a typical state's property taxes fall on business (excluding the portion of taxes assigned to renters).

The regressivity of property taxes is also dependent on other factors within the control of policymakers, such as the use of exemptions, tax credits, and preferential tax rates for homeowners, and on external factors such as housing patterns in the state. The fairest property taxes currently are generally those that use the following strategies:

## HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS

The most common form of broad-based state property tax relief for homeowners is the homestead exemption, which usually exempts a flat dollar amount or flat percentage of home value from property tax. Some states apply the exemption only to certain ty' es of property tax levies, such as school taxes, while other states apply the exemption to. 11 homeowner property taxes.

Allowing a generous homestead exemption is what sets less regressive propu ${ }^{+}$y tax systems apart from the most regressive. While several states have incoased the value of their homestead exemptions in recent years, many others have all wed the real value of their homestead exemptions to diminish, as increasing home r-mes made fixed-dollar exemptions less valuable.

## LOW-INCOME PROPERTY TAX CFEDITS

A majority of states now offer some kind of ci eait cesigned to assist low-income taxpayers in paying their property tax bills. The most ffective and targeted property tax credits are "circuit breaker" programs made availa, 'e to Dow-income homeowners and renters regardless of age. Circuit breaker credits take effect wnen property tax bills exceed a certain percentage of a person's income. Unfortunat $1 \mathrm{l}, \mathrm{i}$ 1ost circuit breaker credits are made available only to elderly taxpayers, a feature that 1 duces the impact of many low-income property tax credits. Only seven states offer sub-tantial circuit breakers to all low-income property taxpayers regardless of age or disai illy. Notably, not a single one of the ten most regressive states has a true low-income cirnit breaker available to low-income homeowners and renters of all ages. (Oklahoma, Pen rsy vania, South Dakota, and Wyoming provide less targeted property tax credits that an restricted to elderly taxpayers and/or based only on income without requiring propert, $1 \times$ xo to exceed a set percentage of income.)

## LOW TAXES OR JUST REGRESSIVE TAXES?

This report identifies the most regressive state and focal tax systems and the policy choices that drive that unfairness. Many of the most upside-down tax systems tove another trait in common: they are frequently hailed"as"iow-tax" states, often with an emphasis on their lack on an income tax. But this raises the question: "low tax" for whem?

No-income-tax states like Washingto n, Texas, and Florida do, in fact, have average to low taxes overall. However, they are far f om "low-tax" for poor families. In fact, these states' disproportionate reliance on sats and excise taxes make their taxes among the highest in the entire nation on low-in come families.

THE 10 STATES WITH THE HIGIEST TAXES ON LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS


NOTE: See Appendix B for detailed ITEP Tax Inequality Index and Methodology for more information

Figure 10 shows the 10 states that tax poor families the most. Washington State, which does not have an income tax, is the highest-tax state in the country for poor people. In fact, when all state and local taxes are tallied, Washington's poor families pay 17.8 percent of their income in state and local taxes. Compare that to neighboring Idaho and Oregon, where the poor pay 9.2 percent and 10.1 percent, respectively, of their incomes in state and local taxes - far less than in Washington.

Arizona and Texas, both of which rely heavily on consumption taxes, tie for sixth highest taxes on the poor in the nation, at 13.0 percent. Florida is not far behind, as its 12.7 percent tax rate on the poor ranks ninth highest. The bottom line is that many so-called "lo v-tax" states are high-tax states for the poor, and most do not offer a good deal to midrle-incme families either. Only the wealthy in such states pay relatively little.

## A WORD ABOUT NON-TAX REVENUE

Who Pays? examines how, and from whom, state and local governments co'if + iax revenue. But non-tax revenue is largely excluded from the analysis. Non-tax revenu'eran include fees, fines, service charges, or any other monies that are collected by a state or local yovernment outside of the tax code. Non-tax revenue is often based on consumption by r.s.dents rather than ability to pay. For example, public parking is charged based on the purc. a se ut a service, and is charged at the same rate regardless of one's income. Generally spfckir.g, non-tax revenue tends to be a regressive revenue source. As more states and localitie-see, to cut or avoid raising taxes, many have increased their reliance on fees thus making mcst slite and local tax codes even more regressive than this study shows. See Appendix C for $\boldsymbol{7}$ ranking of states based on their reliance on non-tax revenue vs. tax revenue.

## CONCLUSION

The main finding of this report is that the vast majority of state and local tax systems are fundamentally unfair. An overreliance on consumption taxes and the absence of a progressive personal income tax in many states neutratizes. whatever benefits low-income taxpayers receive from refundable low-income tax credits. The bleak reality is that even among the growing group of states that nave taken steps to reduce low-income residents' tax share 'Dyenacting state EITCs, most still require their poorest taxpayers to pay a higher effective tax rate than any other in $\mathcal{P}$ me group.

The results of this study are an important, eference for lawmakers seeking to understand the inequitable tax structures they have inh rited from their predecessors or helped enact themselves. States may ignore these lessu ns and continue to demand that their poorest citizens pay the highest effective tar ates. Or, they may decide instead to ask wealthier families to pay tax rates more ommensurate with their incomes. In either case, the path that states choose will have a major impact on the well-being of their citizens - and on the fairness of state and lo aita.es.

## APPENDIX A: WHO PAYS SUMMARY

TOTAL STATE AND LOCAL TAXES AS A SHARE OF FAMILY INCOME
FOR NON-ELDERLY TAXPAYERS IN ALL 50 STATES AND DC

| STATE | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \% \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 9.9\% | 9.8\% | 9.0\% | 7.9\% | 6.9\% | 5.7\% | 5.0\% |
| Alaska | 7.0\% | 4.8\% | 4.3\% | 4.1\% |  | 2.3\% | 2.5\% |
| Arizona | 13.0\% | 10.9\% | 9.4\% | 8.5\% | 1. \% | 6.7\% | 5.9\% |
| Arkansas | 11.3\% | 11.5\% | 10.8\% | 9.7 | 9.2\% | 8.2\% | 6.9\% |
| California | 10.5\% | 9.4\% | 8.3\% | \% | 9.4\% | 9.9\% | 12.4\% |
| Colorado | 8.7\% | 9.0\% | 8.9\% | 9.3\% | 7.6\% | 6.6\% | 6.5\% |
| Connecticut | 11.5\% | 9.2\% | $220 \%$ | 12.1\% | 11.1\% | 9.6\% | 8.1\% |
| Delaware | 5.5\% | 5.3\% | 5.6\% | 6.1\% | 6.2\% | 6.3\% | 6.5\% |
| District of Columbia | 6.3\% | 9.0\% | 9.8\% | 10.1\% | 9.8\% | 9.3\% | 9.5\% |
| Florida | 12.7\% | $9.5 \%$ | 8.1\% | 6.8\% | 5.6\% | 4.5\% | 2.3\% |
| Georgia | 10.7\% | 9.7\% | 9.8\% | 9.3\% | 8.6\% | 7.9\% | 7.0\% |
| Hawaii | 15.0\% | 13.0\% | 11.6\% | 11.0\% | 9.4\% | 9.2\% | 8.9\% |
| Idaho | 2\% | 8.9\% | 8.1\% | 8.4\% | 7.6\% | 7.7\% | 7.2\% |
| Illinois | 14 | 12.4\% | 12.6\% | 11.8\% | 11.0\% | 9.4\% | 7.4\% |
| Indiana | 12.8\% | 11.3\% | 11.1\% | 9.6\% | 8.4\% | 7.5\% | 6.8\% |
| lowa | 12.4\% | 10.5\% | 10.7\% | 10.4\% | 9.8\% | 8.3\% | 7.7\% |
| Kansas | 11.4\% | 10.1\% | 10.6\% | 10.4\% | 9.9\% | 8.6\% | 7.4\% |
| Ke. tu-ky | 9.5\% | 10.5\% | 11.1\% | 10.1\% | 9.7\% | 8.4\% | 6.7\% |
| Louisiana | 11.9\% | 10.7\% | 10.0\% | 9.3\% | 8.0\% | 7.2\% | 6.2\% |
| Maine | 8.7\% | 8.6\% | 9.6\% | 9.4\% | 9.9\% | 9.5\% | 8.6\% |
| Maryland | 9.8\% | 9.5\% | 10.6\% | 11.0\% | 10.6\% | 9.7\% | 9.0\% |
| Massachusetts | 10.0\% | 9.0\% | 9.3\% | 9.4\% | 8.6\% | 7.7\% | 6.5\% |
| Michigan | 10.4\% | 9.4\% | 9.2\% | 9.2\% | 8.4\% | 7.5\% | 6.2\% |
| Minnesota | 8.7\% | 9.3\% | 9.7\% | 10.0\% | 9.5\% | 9.4\% | 10.1\% |

## APPENDIX A: Who Pays Summary (cont.)

| STATE | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mississippi | 10.2\% | 10.1\% | 10.8\% | 9.2\% | 8.1\% | 6.5\% | 6.7\% |
| Missouri | 9.9\% | 8.8\% | 9.0\% | 9.2\% | 8.7\% | 7.8\% | 6.2\% |
| Montana | 7.9\% | 6.3\% | 7.1\% | 6.6\% | 6.9\% | 6.1\% | 6.5\% |
| Nebraska | 11.1\% | 10.0\% | 10.8\% | 9.8\% | 9.4\% | 8.7\% | .7\% |
| Nevada | 10.2\% | 8.1\% | 7.6\% | 6.4\% | 5.2\% | 4.5\% | .9\% |
| New Hampshire | 9.1\% | 6.7\% | 8.1\% | 6.6\% | 5.7\% | 5\% | 3.0\% |
| New Jersey | 8.7\% | 8.6\% | 10.1\% | 10.7\% | 10.1\% | \% | 9.8\% |
| New Mexico | 10.6\% | 10.7\% | 10.2\% | 9.7\% | 8.9\% | 7.4\% | 6.0\% |
| New York | 11.4\% | 11.3\% | 12.4\% | 12.9\% | 13.1\% | 11.9\% | 11.3\% |
| North Carolina | 9.5\% | 9.3\% | 9.4\% | 8.9\% | 1. 3 | 7.7\% | 6.4\% |
| North Dakota | 10.3\% | 8.9\% | 8.5\% | 6.8\% | 6.0\% | 4.5\% | 4.5\% |
| Ohio | 12.3\% | 10.8\% | 10.7\% | 17.4\% | 9.8\% | 8.3\% | 6.5\% |
| Oklahoma | 13.2\% | 11.2\% | 10.7\% | 9.8 | 8.6\% | 7.4\% | 6.2\% |
| Oregon | 10.1\% | 8.2\% | 9.1\% | 8.9\% | 8.8\% | 8.8\% | 8.1\% |
| Pennsylvania | 13.8\% | 11.6\% | 11.1\% | 10.3\% | 9.5\% | 7.8\% | 6.0\% |
| Rhode Island | 12.1\% | 9.5\% | 9.j\% | 9.2\% | 9.1\% | 9.0\% | 7.9\% |
| South Carolina | 8.3\% | 8.0\% | 8.1\% | 8.6\% | 8.2\% | 7.2\% | 6.8\% |
| South Dakota | 11.2\% | .. | 8.9\% | 7.4\% | 5.8\% | 4.0\% | 2.5\% |
| Tennessee | 10.5\% | . 4 | 8.5\% | 7.3\% | 5.7\% | 4.2\% | 2.8\% |
| Texas | $13.0{ }^{\circ} \%$ | 10.9\% | 9.7\% | 8.6\% | 7.4\% | 5.4\% | 3.1\% |
| Utah | 7.5\% | 7.9\% | 8.2\% | 8.8\% | 7.9\% | 7.3\% | 6.7\% |
| Vermont | i. $7 \%$ | 9.0\% | 10.1\% | 9.1\% | 10.4\% | 10.0\% | 10.4\% |
| Virginia | 9.8\% | 9.3\% | 9.2\% | 9.3\% | 8.6\% | 8.0\% | 7.0\% |
| Washingtor | 17.8\% | 12.4\% | 11.0\% | 9.2\% | 7.1\% | 4.7\% | 3.0\% |
| Wer Virg inia | 9.4\% | 9.1\% | 8.5\% | 8.8\% | 8.7\% | 7.7\% | 7.4\% |
| Wisco. in | 10.1\% | 10.2\% | 10.1\% | 10.6\% | 10.1\% | 8.5\% | 7.7\% |
| Wyoming | 9.6\% | 8.2\% | 7.5\% | 6.1\% | 5.1\% | 3.8\% | 2.6\% |
| ALL STATES | 11.4\% | 10.1\% | 9.9\% | 9.5\% | 8.9\% | 8.0\% | 7.4\% |

NOTE: Table shows total state and local taxes enacted through September 10, 2018 as a share of 2015 non-elderly income

## APPENDIX B: ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX AND ADDITIONAL DATA

TOTAL STATE AND LOCAL TAXES AS A SHARE OF FAMILY INCOME
FOR NON-ELDERLY TAXPAYERS IN ALL 50 STATES AND DC

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RANK | STATE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INDEX } \\ & \text { SCORE } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | MIDDLE <br> 60\% | 1\% | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 60 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| 1 | Washington | -12.5\% | 17.8\% | 10.4\% | 3.0\% | 5.9 | 3.5 |
| 2 | Texas | -8.8\% | 13.0\% | 9 4\% | 3.1\% | 4.3 | 3.1 |
| 3 | Florida | -8.6\% | 12.7\% | 7.\%\% | 2.3\% | 5.6 | 3.4 |
| 4 | South Dakota | -7.8\% | 11.2\% | 8.4\% | 2.5\% | 4.5 | 3.4 |
| 5 | Nevada | -7.1\% | 10, $-2 / 2$ | 7.1\% | 1.9\% | 5.4 | 3.8 |
| 6 | Tennessee | -6.9\% | 0.5\% | 8.1\% | 2.8\% | 3.7 | 2.9 |
| 7 | Pennsylvania | -6.7\% | 13.8\% | 10.8\% | 6.0\% | 2.3 | 1.8 |
| 8 | Illinois | -6.2\% | 14.4\% | 12.2\% | 7.4\% | 1.9 | 1.6 |
| 9 | Oklahoma | 6.1\% | 13.2\% | 10.3\% | 6.2\% | 2.1 | 1.7 |
| 10 | Wyoming | 0.1\% | 9.6\% | 6.9\% | 2.6\% | 3.8 | 2.7 |
| 11 | Arizona | -5.8\% | 13.0\% | 9.3\% | 5.9\% | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| 12 | Indiana | -5.3\% | 12.8\% | 10.4\% | 6.8\% | 1.9 | 1.5 |
| 13 | Ohio | -5.1\% | 12.3\% | 10.6\% | 6.5\% | 1.9 | 1.6 |
| 14 | Louis an: | -5.1\% | 11.9\% | 9.8\% | 6.2\% | 1.9 | 1.6 |
| 15 | Ha vaii | -5.1\% | 15.0\% | 11.5\% | 8.9\% | 1.7 | 1.3 |
| $1$ | New Hampshire | -5.0\% | 9.1\% | 7.1\% | 3.0\% | 3.0 | 2.3 |
| 17 | North Dakota | -4.9\% | 10.3\% | 7.7\% | 4.5\% | 2.3 | 1.7 |
| 18 | Alabama | -4.6\% | 9.9\% | 8.6\% | 5.0\% | 2.0 | 1.7 |
| 19 | New Mexico | -4.5\% | 10.6\% | 10.0\% | 6.0\% | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| 20 | Arkansas | -4.2\% | 11.3\% | 10.4\% | 6.9\% | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| 21 | lowa | -3.8\% | 12.4\% | 10.5\% | 7.7\% | 1.6 | 1.4 |
| 22 | Michigan | -3.7\% | 10.4\% | 9.2\% | 6.2\% | 1.7 | 1.5 |

## APPEND|X B: ITEP Tax Inequality Index and Additional Data (cont.)

|  |  | $\Gamma$ |  | CTIVE TAX RA |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RANK | STATE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INDEX } \\ & \text { SCORE } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 60 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 60 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| 23 | Kansas | -3.6\% | 11.4\% | 10.4\% | 7.4\% | 1.6 | . 4 |
| 24 | Mississippi | -3.5\% | 10.2\% | 9.8\% | 6.7\% | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| 25 | Kentucky | -3.3\% | 9.5\% | 10.5\% | 6.7\% | 1.4 | 1 |
| 26 | Alaska | -3.3\% | 7.0\% | 4.3\% | 2.5\% | 2.8 | 1.7 |
| 27 | Georgia | -3.2\% | 10.7\% | 9.5\% | 7.0\% | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| 28 | Missouri | -3.2\% | 9.9\% | 9.1\% | 6.2\% | 1 | 1.5 |
| 29 | Connecticut | -3.2\% | 11.5\% | 11.6\% | 8.1\% | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| 30 | Massachusetts | -3.1\% | 10.0\% | 9.3\% | $\text { = } 5 \%$ | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| 31 | North Carolina | -3.0\% | 9.5\% | 9.1\% | 6.4\% | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| 32 | Rhode Island | -2.8\% | 12.1\% | 9.3\% | 7.9\% | 1.5 | 1.2 |
| 33 | Virginia | -2.5\% | 9.8\% | 9. 3\% | 7.0\% | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| 34 | Wisconsin | -2.5\% | 10.1\% | 10.4\% | 7.7\% | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| 35 | Colorado | -2.4\% | 8.7\% | 8.6\% | 6.5\% | 1.4 | 1.3 |
| 36 | Nebraska | -2.0\% | 11.1\% | 10.2\% | 8.7\% | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| 37 | West Virginia | -1.7\% | : $4 \%$ | 8.8\% | 7.4\% | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| 38 | Idaho | -1.7\% | 9.2\% | 8.4\% | 7.2\% | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| 39 | South Carolina | -1.4\% | 8.3\% | 8.3\% | 6.8\% | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| 40 | Utah | $-12 \%$ | 7.53\% | 8.4\% | 6.68\% | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| 41 | Oregon | -1.2\% | 10.1\% | 8.8\% | 8.1\% | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| 42 | Maryland | -1.0\% | 9.8\% | 10.6\% | 9.0\% | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 43 | Montana | -0.7\% | 7.9\% | 6.7\% | 6.5\% | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| 44 | New yok | -0.4\% | 11.4\% | 12.5\% | 11.3\% | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| 45 | Main? | -0.2\% | 8.7\% | 9.3\% | 8.6\% | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Co | Now Jersey | 0.6\% | 8.7\% | 10.2\% | 9.8\% | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 47 | Minnesota | 0.9\% | 8.7\% | 9.8\% | 10.1\% | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 48 | Delaware | 1.0\% | 5.5\% | 5.8\% | 6.5\% | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| 49 | Vermont | 1.5\% | 8.7\% | 9.4\% | 10.4\% | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| 50 | District of Columbia | 1.5\% | 6.3\% | 9.8\% | 9.5\% | 0.7 | 1.0 |
| 51 | California | 2.5\% | 10.5\% | 8.9\% | 12.4\% | 0.9 | 0.7 |

NOTE: See Methodology for description of ITEP's Tax Inequality Index

## APPENDIX C: STATE RELIANCE ON NON-TAX REVENUE

FISCAL YEAR 2016, GENERAL OWN SOURCE REVENUE SHARES
FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS


## A ROADMAPTO THE STATE-BYSTATE PAGES

The following pages show state-by-state estimates of the distribution $f$ state and local taxes by income group for non-elderly taxpayers. For each state, two pace of tax information are presented.
(1) THE FIRST PAGE FOR EACH STATE SHOWS THEL.STRIBUTION OF STATE AND LOCAL TAXES IN TAX YEAR 2018, UN-ESS CI'HERWISE SPECIFIED. In each distributional chart, the non-elderly prouit tion is divided into income quintiles (groups of 20 percent of the population). The highest-income quintile is further subdivided into three groups: the top one percent, the next highest four percent, and the next 15 percent. This is done because the higl ett-in come quintile received 61 percent of all income in 2015 (the year of our income data) - and because income is distributed unequally within the top quintile.

2 the large chart at the top of each page shows total average STATE AND LOCAL TAYES BY INCOME GROUP. In a departure from past analyses, we no longer prese: $t$ this information post-federal offset due to policy changes under the federal Tax ut, and Jobs Act that temporarily limited the extent to which the federal deduction $f$ state and local taxes (SALT) functions as a generalized offset of state and local tayos Thiee smaller charts appear below it and show the distribution of each state's sales n. accise, personal income, and property taxes by income group.

3 . H . SECOND PAGE INCLUDES ADDITIONAL CHARTS AND INFORMATION THॅ̄T HELP CLARIFY THE DISTRIBUTION OF STATE AND LOCAL TAXES including a detailed table of Who Pays? results, ITEP's Tax Inequality Index ranking, and tax code features that drive the data in each state.

## ALABAMA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


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PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


Figures show permanent law in Alabama enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## ALABAMA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | Less than \$18,600 | $\begin{gathered} \$ 18,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 32,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 32,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 50,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 50,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 86,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 86,100 \text { to } \\ & \$ 171,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 171,300 \text { to } \\ & \$ 448,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 448,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| average income in group | \$12,100 | \$25,000 | \$41,900 | \$64,000 | \$117,700 | \$250,100 | \$95.,600 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.1\% | 6.4\% | 5.4\% | 4.2\% | 3.2\% | 1 \%\% | 1.0\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.7\% | 3.4\% | 3.0\% | 2.4\% | 1.9\% | 1. \% | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.8\% | 1.5\% | 1.2\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.6\% | 1.5\% | 1.2\% | 1.0\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 1.4\% | 1.3\% | 1.3\% | 1.2\% | (.1) \% | 1.1\% | 1.2\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | - | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.8\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 1.3\% | 2.1\% | 2.4\% | 2.5\% | 2.7\% | 2.7\% | 2.9\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 1.3\% | 2.1\% | \% | 2.5\% | 2.7\% | 2.7\% | 2.7\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , o\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.9\% | 9.8\%' | 9.0\% | 7.9\% | 6.9\% | 5.7\% | 5.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which eea. ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Alabama has the 18th most unfair state and local tax sytem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Alabama after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D ${ }^{\prime}$ IIING THE DATA IN ALABAMA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduct.a ${ }_{\uparrow}$ t. oonal income tax structure; howevr, iop rate kicks in at \$3,000 (single fil (s) : $\rho$ virtually flat
- Pro ides a large property tax homestead cxemption


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Narrow income tax brackets mean majority of taxpayers pay top income tax rate
- Sales tax base includes groceries
- Provides an income tax deduction for federal income taxes paid
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## ALASKA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## ALASMA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 25,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 25,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 42,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 42,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 66,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 66,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 122,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 122,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 227,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 227,700 \text { to } \\ & \$ 508,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text {, 508,000 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$15,400 | \$33,600 | \$53,000 | \$91,000 | \$160,700 | \$307,700 | \$1,108,400 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 3.3\% | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0 j\% | 0.3\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | $0.1 \%$ | 0.1\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.1\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% |  | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.6\% | 2.7\% | 2.7\% | 3.0\% | 2.) \% | 1.8\% | 2.1\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.2\% | 2.5\% | 2.5\% | 2.74, | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | (1) $3 \%$ | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 1.5\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | U.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , o\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 7.0\% | 4.8!'\% | 4.3\% | 4.1\% | 2.8\% | 2.3\% | 2.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Alaska has the 26th most unfair state and local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Alaska after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'ォIVING THE DATA IN ALASKA

PROGRESSIVE TAv CL DE FRAIURES

- No stair vicí? uales tax
- Rea re the use of combined reporting for the coi, orate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## ARIZONA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## ARIZONA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 17,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 17,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 35,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 35,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 55,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 55,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 96,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 96,400 \text { to } \\ & \$ 189,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 189,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 424,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 424,300 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,900 | \$28,000 | \$43,200 | \$73,900 | \$128,000 | \$271,100 | \$1,124,700 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 8.1\% | 6.7\% | 5.4\% | 4.1\% | 3.1\% | 2 J\% | 1.1\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.8\% | 3.4\% | 2.9\% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% | 1. \% | 0.7\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 3.2\% | 2.6\% | 2.1\% | 1.5\% |  | 0.7\% | 0.4\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 4.5\% | 3.2\% | 2.7\% | 2.5\% | 2.. \% | 2.1\% | 1.7\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 4.1\% | 2.8\% | 2.3\% | 2.14 | 1.8\% | 1.6\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | 0.4\% | (1) | 0.4\% | 0.5\% | 1.2\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.4\% | 1.0\% | 1.3\% | 1.8\% | 2.2\% | 2.7\% | 3.1\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.3\% | 1.0\% |  | 1.8\% | 2.1\% | 2.6\% | 3.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 13.0\% | 10.9!' | 9.4\% | 8.5\% | 7.5\% | 6.7\% | 5.9\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Arizona has the 11th most unfair state and local tax sytem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Arizona after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D「KING THE DATA IN ARIZONA



## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. .onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable income tax credit to offset the impact of sales taxes
- St te sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax deduction for state income taxes paid
- Provides a partial income tax exclusion for capital gains income
- Comparatively high reliance on sales taxes
- Fails to provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## ARKANSAS

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income

83) PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Arkansas enacted through September 10, 2018 (with tax year 2019 personal income tax rates) at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## ARKANSAS State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | Less than \$18,600 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 18,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 30,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 30,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 48,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 48,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 83,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 83,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 173,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 173,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 422,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 4222,400 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,200 | \$25,500 | \$38,700 | \$62,700 | \$112,900 | \$247,000 | \$1,122,400 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 8.9\% | 8.3\% | 7.1\% | 5.4\% | 4.3\% | 2 j\% | 1.3\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 5.2\% | 5.0\% | 4.5\% | 3.5\% | 2.8\% | 1. $\%$ | 0.9\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.5\% | 1.2\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.2\% | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% |  | 0.6\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.2\% | 1.8\% | 1.5\% | 1.6\% | . $.1 \%$ | 1.5\% | 1.0\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.2\% | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | . | 1.5\% | 1.2\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.6\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.2\% | 1.4\% | 2.2\% | 2.6\% | 3.4\% | 4.0\% | 4.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.1\% | 1.3\% | 2.2 \% | 2.6\% | 3.3\% | 3.9\% | 4.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | , 0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.3\% | 11.5! $\%$ | 10.8\% | 9.7\% | 9.2\% | 8.2\% | 6.9\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which eea. ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Arkansas has the 20th most unfair state and local tax sytem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Arkansas after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DVIVING THE DATA IN ARKANSAS

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduá eriprs ral income tax structure
- Provires ? rıon-refundable low-income tax credit linked to ' he i deral poverty level


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax exclusion equal to 50 percent of capital gains income and fully excludes all gains above \$10 million
- State sales tax base includes groceries, though taxed at a lower rate
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## CALIFORNIA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PRE PERTY TAX
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in California enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Personal income tax rates and brackets reflect law in effect through 2030. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## CALIFORNIA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 15 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 23,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 23,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 39,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 39,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 62,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 62,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 112,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 112,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 261,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 261,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 714,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \mathbf{7 1 4 , 4 0 0} \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$14,300 | \$31,000 | \$49,200 | \$83,500 | \$163,600 | \$399,700 | \$2,138,300 |
| (1ili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.2\% | 6.1\% | 4.6\% | 3.5\% | 2.5\% | 1 j\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.1\% | 2.8\% | 2.2\% | 1.8\% | 1.4\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.6\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.6\% | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1.2\% | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (-) PROPERTY TAXES | 4.0\% | 2.8\% | 2.5\% | 3.1\% | 5. \% | 2.6\% | 1.5\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.9\% | 2.7\% | 2.5\% | 3.0 | 2.8\% | 2.2\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) 10 | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.0\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.7\% | 0.6\% | 1.2\% | 2.4\% | 3.9\% | 5.7\% | 10.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.7\% | 0.5\% |  | 2.3\% | 3.8\% | 5.6\% | 9.8\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | , 1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.5\% | 9.4\%'s | 8.3\% | 9.0\% | 9.4\% | 9.9\% | 12.4\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, Califc nia's state and local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 51 st on the index. The large income ga, between lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is some-what narrower after state and local twes than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN CALIFORNIA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. onal income tax structure
- Provide nersonal income tax credits in place of pe. -onul and dependent exemptions
- Lir, its itemized deductions for upper-income taxpayers
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Provides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high combined state and local sales tax rate
- Comparatively high cigarette tax
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## COLORADO

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income


83 PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Colorado enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. They do not assume that current "triggers" in the law are reached to create a Child Tax Credit (CTC). Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## COLORADO State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 22,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 22,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 40,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 40,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 65,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 65,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 113,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 113,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 246,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 246,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 605,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 605,500 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$13,800 | \$31,900 | \$53,300 | \$85,800 | \$156,400 | \$363,900 | \$1,503,300 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.1\% | 5.0\% | 4.0\% | 3.2\% | 2.3\% | 1 +\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.7\% | 2.6\% | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 1.4\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.3\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% |  | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.0\% | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.5\% | 2.2\% | 2.3\% | 2.0\% | .. \% | 1.8\% | 1.9\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.4\% | 2.1\% | 2.2\% | 1.9 | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | ( $1 \%$ | 0.2\% | 0.6\% | 1.5\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.2\% | 1.7\% | 2.5\% | 3.0\% | 3.4\% | 3.4\% | 3.7\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.2\% | 1.7\% | 2.5 \% | 3.0\% | 3.3\% | 3.3\% | 3.6\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 8.7\% | 9.0\%' | 8.9\% | 8.3\% | 7.6\% | 6.6\% | 6.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nearures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Colorado has the 35th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Colorado after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIYING THE DATA IN COLORADO

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FFARURES

- Providis co. $\eta_{\text {r aratively }}$ large standard deduction
- Stato sar rs cax base excludes groceries

Req.ires the use of combined reporting for the co porate income tax

- Provides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Provides a refundable dependent care tax credit


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## CONNECTICUT

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PRE PERTY TAX
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Connecticut enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## CONNECTICUT State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 23,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 23,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 45,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 45,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 77,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 77,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 131,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 131,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 341,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 341,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 968,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 968,200 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,600 | \$34,800 | \$60,700 | \$99,400 | \$195,100 | \$505,100 | \$3,14,5,700 |
| (10\%) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.8\% | 4.9\% | 3.8\% | 3.2\% | 2.2\% | 1 +\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.5\% | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 1.6\% | 1.1\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.0\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.3\% | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (H)PROPERTY TAXES | 5.5\% | 3.3\% | 4.9\% | 4.9\% | t. \% | 3.1\% | 1.2\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.4\% | 3.3\% | 4.8\% | 4.8! | 4.1\% | 2.6\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 0.8\% |
| 83) INCOME TAXES | -0.8\% | 1.1\% | 3.5\% | 4.0\% | 4.6\% | 5.1\% | 6.2\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.8\% | 1.0\% |  | 4.0\% | 4.5\% | 5.0\% | 6.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.5\% | 9.2\%'s | 12.2\% | 12.1\% | 11.1\% | 9.6\% | 8.1\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic' m asures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Connecticut has the 29th most unfair state nul local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Connecticut after state and local taxes are collecteí' than w-fore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the in lex.

## TAX FEATURES D'ォiving THE DATA IN CONNECTICUT

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. onal income tax structure
- Provides reíundable Earned Income Tax Credit (E1. C) (vredit was reduced in 2017)
- Prr vides comparatively large personal exemptions and credits for low- and middle-income taxpayers
- Provides a property tax credit for low- and middleincome taxpayers
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high reliance on property taxes
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers


## DELAWARE

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Share of Family Income


83 PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Delaware enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## DELAWARE State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 19,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 34,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 34,700 \text { to } \\ & \$ 59,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 59,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 100,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 197,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 197,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 444,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 444,900 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$10,900 | \$26,000 | \$46,900 | \$78,200 | \$135,900 | \$280,900 | \$1,023,700 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 2.9\% | 2.0\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0 j\% | 0.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.0\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.2\% | 1.5\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 1.5\% | . $.1 . \%$ | 1.3\% | 1.0\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 1.4\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.7\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.5\% | 1.7\% | 2.8\% | 3.5\% | 3.9\% | 4.4\% | 5.3\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.4\% | 1.6\% |  | 3.4\% | 3.8\% | 4.3\% | 5.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | . $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 5.5\% | 5.3! | 5.6\% | 6.1\% | 6.2\% | 6.3\% | 6.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, Delay art's state and local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 48th on the index. The large income gan wetween lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is somewhat narrower after state and incal tanes than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES DViNiNG THE DATA IN DELAWARE

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. ional income tax structure
- Provide an exemption credit in place of personal exe mpion
- Prr vides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- No statewide sales tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively low EITC
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax


## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## PREPERTYTAX <br> Share of Family Income



PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in the District of Columbia enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total District taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ${ }_{\text {District Taxes (cont.) }}$

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 23,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 23,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 44,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 44,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 70,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 70,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 122,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 122,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 304,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 304,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 919,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 9919,300 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,800 | \$34,000 | \$55,300 | \$91,400 | \$186,300 | \$473,800 | \$2,2u1,800 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.4\% | 5.3\% | 4.5\% | 3.3\% | 2.4\% | 1 +\% | 0.6\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.1\% | 2.5\% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% | 1.4\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.4\% | 2.0\% | 1.7\% | 1.2\% |  | 0.5\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.6\% | 2.4\% | 1.9\% | 1.9\% | 2. \% | 2.1\% | 1.7\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.5\% | 1.6\% | 1.2\% | 1.4\% | 1.6\% | 1.5\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | C 5\% | 0.4\% | 0.7\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -3.8\% | 1.3\% | 3.4\% | 4.9\% | 5.4\% | 5.7\% | 7.2\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -3.8\% | 1.2\% |  | 4.8\% | 5.3\% | 5.6\% | 7.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 6.3\% | 9.0\% | 9.8\% | 10.1\% | 9.8\% | 9.3\% | 9.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, the $\mathbf{D}^{\text {i }}$ trı t of Columbia's local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 50th on the index. The large incor yap between lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is somewhat narrower after ll -al tax s than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES D'สiving THE DATA IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FFARURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Provide a iefundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI.C) ) or families with children and an enhanced crerlit to workers without children in the home
- Limits itemized deductions for upper-income taxpayers
- Provides a refundable property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income and elderly taxpayers
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income

## PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE | FOURTH | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Florida enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## FLORIDA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than \$18,700 | \$18,700 to <br> $\$ 31,400$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 31,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 49,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 49,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 86,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 86,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 197,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 197,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 548,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ \quad 548,700 \end{gathered}$ |
| aVERAGE InCOME IN GROUP | \$12,500 | \$25,200 | \$38,800 | \$65,800 | \$124,200 | \$309,600 | \$2,340,500 |
| (iif) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 8.7\% | 7.1\% | 5.8\% | 4.5\% | 3.2\% | 1 3\% | 0.9\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.5\% | 3.1\% | 2.7\% | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1. $1 \%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.3\% | 1.6\% | 1.2\% | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.9\% | 2.4\% | 2.0\% | 1.5\% | $1.1 \%$ | 0.7\% | 0.4\% |
| (-1) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.9\% | 2.3\% | 2.3\% | 2.2\% | 2. \% | 2.6\% | 1.3\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.7\% | 2.1\% | 2.0\% | 2.0\% | 2.1\% | 2.0\% | 0.3\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | (1) $3 \%$ | 0.3\% | 0.6\% | 0.9\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | $6.0 \%$ | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 12.7\% | 9.5 ${ }^{\prime}$ \% | 8.1\% | 6.8\% | 5.6\% | 4.5\% | 2.3\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Florida has the 3rd most unfair state and local tax s.'ssem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Florida after state and local taxes are collected than before. โee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIYING THE DATA IN FLORIDA

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Sales ti $\times \mathrm{Oa}^{-}$E -xcludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- Comparatively high reliance on sales taxes
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset impact of sales, excise, and property taxes
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## GEORGIA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income
10.7\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Georgia enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. This includes a top income tax rate cut to $5.75 \%$ but not the cut to $5.5 \%$ that is dependent on a revenue trigger, nor the eventual scheduled expiration of the 2018 changes that are scheduled to sunset in 2025. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## GEORGA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 19,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 31,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 31,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 51,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 51,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 89,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 89,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 205,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 205,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 481,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 481,200 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,700 | \$24,900 | \$41,200 | \$67,300 | \$131,700 | \$302,300 | \$1,108,100 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.8\% | 5.9\% | 4.7\% | 3.8\% | 2.7\% | $17 \%$ | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.5\% | 3.1\% | 2.6\% | 2.2\% | 1.6\% | 1. 1\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% |  | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.2\% | 1.9\% | 2.4\% | 2.2\% | .. \% | 2.0\% | 1.7\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.1\% | 1.8\% | 2.4\% | 2.15 | 1.8\% | 1.6\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.1\% | 0.4\% | 1.2\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.7\% | 2.0\% | 2.7\% | 3.2\% | 3.9\% | 4.3\% | 4.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.7\% | 1.9\% | $2.6 \%$ | 3.2\% | 3.9\% | 4.2\% | 4.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.7\% | 9.7\% | 9.8\% | 9.3\% | 8.6\% | 7.9\% | 7.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Georgia has the 27th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Georgia after state and local taxes are collected than before. โee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'ォiving THE DATA IN GEORGIA

PROGRESSIVE TAV CU DE FEATURES

- Graduetrat a $_{1}$. oonal income tax structure; hower.r, i.p rate kicks in at \$7,000 (single filers) sc iru raliy flat
- State sales tax base excludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax rate cannot exceed 6\%
- Provides an income tax deduction for state income taxes paid
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## HAWAII

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## HAWA II State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| hare of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MIDDLE } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 20,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 20,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 36,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 36,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 55,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 55,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 95,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 95,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 213,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 213,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 457,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 457,100 \end{aligned}$ |
| average income in Group | \$10,200 | \$26,700 | \$45,000 | \$72,500 | \$134,500 | \$299,700 | \$98-200 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 10.5\% | 8.2\% | 6.2\% | 4.9\% | 3.6\% | 2 2\% | 1.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.7\% | 3.8\% | 2.9\% | 2.3\% | 1.6\% | 1. 1\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.1\% | 1.3\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 3.8\% | 3.1\% | 2.4\% | 1.9\% |  | 0.9\% | 0.6\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.8\% | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.9\% | . $6 \%$ | 1.5\% | 1.4\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.8\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.8 | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1) 10 | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 1.0\% |
| (5) INCOME TAXES | 0.6\% | 2.6\% | 3.4\% | 4.2\% | 4.3\% | 5.5\% | 6.3\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.6\% | 2.6\% | 3.4 \% | 4.1\% | 4.3\% | 5.5\% | 6.2\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | co\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 15.0\% | 13.0\% | 11.6\% | 11.0\% | 9.4\% | 9.2\% | 8.9\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Hawaii has the 15th most unfair state and local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Hawaii after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN HAWAII



## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Limits it. miozed deductions for upper-income tax, ,ay
- Pe sonal exemption phases out for upper-income taxpayers
- Provides an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Provides refundable income tax credits to reduce impact of sales, excise, and property taxes
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- EITC is temporary and non-refundable
- Provides preferential income tax rates for income from capital gains
- Comparatively high reliance on sales and excise taxes
- State and local sales tax bases include groceries
- Provides a partial income tax deduction for state income taxes paid
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate


## IDAHO

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE
$\xrightarrow{x}$

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Idaho enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## IDAHO state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 20,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 20,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 34,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 34,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 54,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 54,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 88,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 88,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 182,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 182,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 410,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ 4410,900 \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,300 | \$27,500 | \$43,900 | \$71,500 | \$120,800 | \$258,800 | \$1,008,500 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.0\% | 5.2\% | 4.4\% | 3.6\% | 2.7\% | 1 \% | 0.9\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.6\% | 3.2\% | 2.7\% | 2.4\% | 1.8\% | 1. \% | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.5\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (-1)PROPERTY TAXES | 3.3\% | 2.8\% | 2.1\% | 2.1\% | ...$\%$ | 2.0\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.3\% | 2.8\% | 2.0\% | 1.9! | 1.1\% | 1.5\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | ( ${ }^{2} \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.5\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.1\% | 0.8\% | 1.6\% | 2.6\% | 3.7\% | 4.1\% | 4.8\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.1\% | 0.8\% |  | 2.6\% | 3.6\% | 4.0\% | 4.6\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 10\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.2\% | 8.9!' | 8.1\% | 8.4\% | 7.6\% | 7.7\% | 7.2\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Idaho has the 38th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Idaho after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DViNING THE DATA IN IDAHO

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provides a efundable income tax credit to offset the impact of its sales tax on groceries
- Prr vides a property tax homestead exemption
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- State and local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## ILLINOIS

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PRU PERTY TAX
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


Figures show permanent law in Illinois enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## ILLINOIS State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 21,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 21,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 40,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 40,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 63,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 63,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 109,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 109,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 231,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 231,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 537,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ 537,400 \end{gathered}$ |
| average income in group | \$12,400 | \$30,700 | \$51,700 | \$84,000 | \$150,800 | \$343,000 | \$1,744,500 |
| (1ili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.8\% | 5.3\% | 4.2\% | 3.5\% | 2.6\% | 1 \% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.4\% | 2.9\% | 2.5\% | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1. \% | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.8\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (-) PROPERTY TAXES | 6.0\% | 4.4\% | 5.0\% | 4.5\% | *. \% | 3.8\% | 2.1\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.8\% | 4.2\% | 4.7\% | 4.2 | 4.3\% | 3.2\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | (1) $2 \%$ | 0.3\% | 0.6\% | 1.5\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 1.5\% | 2.6\% | 3.5\% | 3.8\% | 3.8\% | 4.0\% | 4.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 1.5\% | 2.5\% | $3.4 \%$ | 3.7\% | 3.7\% | 3.8\% | 4.1\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | . $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.4\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 14.4\% | 12.4\% | 12.6\% | 11.8\% | 11.0\% | 9.4\% | 7.4\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Illinois has the 8th most unfair state and local tax s.'stam in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Illinois after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'iVING THE DATA IN ILLINOIS

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Provides d itw...dable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC
- Pru vides a non-refundable property tax credit
- Pe sonal exemption is targeted to low- and middle-income taxpayers
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Comparatively low-income tax exemptions
- All retirement income is exempted from the personal income tax
- State sales tax base includes groceries, though taxed at a lower rate
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers


## INDIANA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## INDIANA <br> State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \text { 15\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 18,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 18,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 36,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 36,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 58,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 58,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 92,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 92,300 \text { to } \\ & \$ 183,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 183,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 436,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 436,100 } \end{aligned}$ |
| average income in Group | \$11,400 | \$27,800 | \$46,700 | \$73,700 | \$125,500 | \$267,000 | \$1,002,500 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.1\% | 6.0\% | 4.8\% | 4.1\% | 3.0\% | 1 3\% | 1.0\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.0\% | 3.6\% | 3.0\% | 2.6\% | 1.9\% | 1. 1 \% | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.4\% | 2.2\% | 2.9\% | 1.8\% | . $1 . \%$ | 1.9\% | 1.8\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.1\% | 2.0\% | 2.6\% | 1.5 | 1.3\% | 1.4\% | 0.7\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% | (1) 3 | 0.3\% | 0.6\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 2.3\% | 3.1\% | 3.5\% | 3.7\% | 3.8\% | 3.7\% | 3.9\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 2.2\% | 3.1\% | 3.4 \% | 3.7\% | 3.7\% | 3.7\% | 3.8\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | . $0 \%$ | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 12.8\% | 11.3! $\%$ | 11.1\% | 9.6\% | 8.4\% | 7.5\% | 6.8\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne: sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Indiana has the 12th most unfair state and local tax sy_tem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Indiana after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIING THE DATA IN INDIANA

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Provid sa ry....dable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC
- Sain stax base excludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Comparatively low-income tax exemptions
- EITC is not coupled to enhancements in the federal credit for families with $3+$ kids and married filers
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## preperty tax <br> Share of Family Income



38 personal income tax
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in lowa enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels, which includes all rate cuts and deductions changes enacted in 2018 and phasing in through 2021 that are not subject to a revenue trigger. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which me: sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, lowa has the 21st most unfair state and local tax vstem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in lowa after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See A.penai.. B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D「IVING THE DATA IN IOWA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEARURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. ional income tax structure
- Provide a iefundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Pr vides a refundable dependent care tax credit
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Levies a state inheritance tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax deduction for federal income taxes paid
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Personal income tax will be reduced and flattened if revenue triggers are met
- Allows income tax deduction for pass-through business income


## KANSAS

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## preperty tax <br> Share of Family Income



83 PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Kansas enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Allowable itemized deductions and the child care expense credit reflect fully phased-in levels (tax year 2020). Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## KANSAS State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 21,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 21,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 39,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 39,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 62,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 62,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 102,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 102,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 206,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 206,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 479,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ \text { 479,200 } \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE InCOME In Group | \$12,000 | \$31,600 | \$50,700 | \$81,600 | \$138,000 | \$301,300 | \$1,20, ,800 |
| (10\%) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 8.0\% | 6.6\% | 5.3\% | 4.6\% | 3.4\% | 2 \% | 1.0\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.7\% | 4.0\% | 3.3\% | 3.0\% | 2.2\% | 1. ${ }^{1 \%}$ | 0.7\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.2\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.2\% | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (H)PROPERTY TAXES | 3.9\% | 2.3\% | 2.8\% | 2.8\% | 2.\% \% | 2.4\% | 1.8\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.9\% | 2.2\% | 2.6\% | 2.7 | 2.5\% | 2.0\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1) 1 | 0.3\% | 0.5\% | 1.3\% |
| 83) INCOME TAXES | -0.5\% | 1.2\% | 2.5\% | 3.0\% | 3.7\% | 4.1\% | 4.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.5\% | 1.1\% |  | 3.0\% | 3.7\% | 4.0\% | 4.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.4\% | 10.1\% | 10.6\% | 10.4\% | 9.9\% | 8.6\% | 7.4\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Kansas has the $\mathbf{2 3 r d}$ most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Kansas after state and local taxes are collected than before. (fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'iving THE DATA IN KANSAS

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graduetrap e.onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Re $\quad$ uires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- State and local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide a refundable credit to offset sales tax on groceries
- Fails to provide a property tax"circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly renters and homeowners without dependent children
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## KENTUCKY

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Share of Family Income

13. PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income


Figures show permanent law in Kentucky enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## KENTUCKY State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than \$17,600 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 17,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 32,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 32,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 51,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 51,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 86,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 86,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 168,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 168,700 \text { to } \\ & \$ 411,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 4411,200 } \end{aligned}$ |
| aVERAGE InCOME in Group | \$10,000 | \$24,700 | \$40,400 | \$66,300 | \$115,400 | \$237,900 | \$93,400 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.6\% | 5.2\% | 4.3\% | 3.3\% | 2.6\% | 1 j\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.4\% | 2.5\% | 2.2\% | 1.8\% | 1.4\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.7\% | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (H) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.4\% | 1.8\% | 1.8\% | 1.8\% | . \% \% | 1.7\% | 1.2\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.4\% | 1.7\% | 1.7\% | 1.7 | 1.8\% | 1.4\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | ( $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.4\% | 0.8\% |
| 83) INCOME TAXES | 1.6\% | 3.4\% | 5.0\% | 5.0\% | 5.2\% | 5.1\% | 4.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 1.5\% | 3.4\% | 0.0\% | 5.0\% | 5.1\% | 4.9\% | 4.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | . 1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.5\% | 10.5! $\%$ | 11.1\% | 10.1\% | 9.7\% | 8.4\% | 6.7\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which elea ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Kentucky has the 25th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Kentucky after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIYING THE DATA IN KENTUCKY

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRASURES

- Sales te $\times \mathrm{Oa}^{-\epsilon}$ - xcludes groceries
- Rea re the use of combined reporting for the coi, orate income tax
- Le ies a state inheritance tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise and property taxes


## LOUISIANA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


LOUISIANA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FOURTH } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{gathered} \text { Less than } \\ \$ 17,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 17,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 32,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 32,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 50,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 50,300 \text { to } \\ & \$ 91,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 91,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 187,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \$187,200 to } \\ & \$ 473,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 473,000 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$10,500 | \$24,700 | \$42,000 | \$66,600 | \$123,900 | \$272,200 | \$1,004,200 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 9.2\% | 8.3\% | 7.0\% | 5.8\% | 4.1\% | 2 +\% | 1.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 5.9\% | 5.5\% | 4.9\% | 4.2\% | 3.0\% | 1. ${ }^{\circ}$ | 0.9\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.4\% | 1.0\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.0\% | 1.8\% | 1.5\% | 1.2\% |  | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (-) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.2\% | 1.1\% | . $.1 . \%$ | 1.7\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.2\% | 1.0 | 0.8\% | 1.2\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | ( $1 \%$ | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.8\% | 2.5\% | 2.9\% | 3.1\% | 3.3\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.1\% | 1.1\% | $\uparrow .8$ | 2.4\% | 2.9\% | 3.1\% | 3.3\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.9\% | 10.7! | 10.0\% | 9.3\% | 8.0\% | 7.2\% | 6.2\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nearures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Louisiana has the 14th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Louisiana after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D「iViNG THE DATA IN LOUISIANA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Pr vides a partially refundable dependent care tax credit
- State sales tax base excludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high reliance on sales and excise taxes
- Comparatively low EITC
- Provides an income tax deduction for federal income taxes paid
- Provides an income tax deduction for state income taxes paid
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## MAINE

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## preperty tax

Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Maine enacted through September 10, 2018 (including legislative tax conformity agreement) at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MAINE state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than $\$ 19,700$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 19,700 \text { to } \\ & \$ 35,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 35,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 56,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 56,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 91,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 91,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 185,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 185,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 434,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 434,500 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,500 | \$27,700 | \$44,900 | \$72,000 | \$126,700 | \$265,000 | \$87,200 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.1\% | 5.2\% | 4.1\% | 3.5\% | 2.7\% | 1 j\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.6\% | 2.5\% | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.8\% | 1.2\% | 0.8\% | 0.7\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 4.2\% | 2.8\% | 3.6\% | 3.3\% | \%. \% | 3.1\% | 2.3\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 4.0\% | 2.6\% | 3.3\% | 2.96 | 3.3\% | 2.3\% | 0.9\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.2\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | (1) 3 | 0.4\% | 0.8\% | 1.4\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -1.6\% | 0.6\% | 1.9\% | 2.7\% | 3.5\% | 4.9\% | 5.5\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -1.6\% | 0.6\% |  | 2.7\% | 3.5\% | 4.8\% | 5.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 8.7\% | 8.6 ${ }^{\prime}$ \% | 9.6\% | 9.4\% | 9.9\% | 9.5\% | 8.6\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Maine has the 45th most unfair state and local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Maine after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKiNING THE DATA IN MAINE

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graductrar éronal income tax st/ut.
- Pru rides a refundable Earned incrme Tax Credit (EITC)
- Provides a targeted, refundable sales tax credit
- Provides a refundable dependent care tax credit
- Provides a refundable property tax "circuit breaker" credit via the personal income tax
- Eliminates itemized deductions for upper-income taxpayers
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- High standard deduction with phase-out for upper-income taxpayers
- Levies a state estate tax

REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively low EITC


## MARYLAND

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

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S. Aare of Family Income

83) PERSONAL income tax

Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Maryland enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MARYLAND State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \text { 15\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 24,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 24,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 43,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 43,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 65,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 65,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 120,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 120,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 238,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 238,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 534,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 5334,800 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,500 | \$33,200 | \$54,200 | \$89,600 | \$166,500 | \$340,800 | \$1,4, 3, 000 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.9\% | 4.5\% | 3.5\% | 2.8\% | 2.0\% | $13 \%$ | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.4\% | 2.0\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 0. \% | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.7\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.8\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.4\% | 2.1\% | 2.8\% | 2.8\% | 2. \% | 2.3\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.3\% | 2.1\% | 2.7\% | 2.74 | 2.5\% | 2.0\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.5\% | 2.8\% | 4.3\% | 5.4\% | 5.9\% | 6.1\% | 6.7\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.5\% | 2.8\% | 3 | 5.4\% | 5.8\% | 6.0\% | 6.5\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.8\% | 9.5!'\% | 10.6\% | 11.0\% | 10.6\% | 9.7\% | 9.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nearures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Maryland has the 42nd most unfair state and local tan system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Maryland after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DViNG THE DATA IN MARYLAND

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (E1:C) ( 28 percent refundable/50 percent nonrefındable)
- Provides a refundable property tax"circuit breaker" credit via the personal income tax
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Levies a state estate tax and county inheritance tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax


## MASSACHUSETTS

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

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PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Massachusetts enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MASSACHUSETTS state and Local Taxes (cont.) $^{\text {( }}$

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 23,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 23,100 \text { to } \\ & \$ 44,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 44,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 74,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 74,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 131,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 131,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 279,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 279,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 719,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 719,500 } \end{aligned}$ |
| average income in group | \$13,000 | \$33,800 | \$58,600 | \$98,700 | \$183,600 | \$438,100 | \$2,507,300 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 4.8\% | 3.6\% | 2.7\% | 2.2\% | 1.6\% | 1 J\% | 0.5\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.0\% | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 0. \% | 0.3\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.4\% | 0.9\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 5.4\% | 3.0\% | 3.1\% | 3.4\% | 5.) \% | 2.4\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.3\% | 2.9\% | 3.1\% | 3.2 | 2.8\% | 2.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.2\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.2\% | 2.4\% | 3.5\% | 3.9\% | 4.0\% | 4.3\% | 4.5\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.2\% | 2.4\% | 0.4 | 3.8\% | 4.0\% | 4.1\% | 4.2\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | . $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.0\% | 9.0\% | 9.3\% | 9.4\% | 8.6\% | 7.7\% | 6.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic' m asures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Massachusetts has the 30th most unfair state and local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Massachusetts after state and local taxes are collectel' than w-fore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'ォIVING THE DATA IN MASSACHUSETTS

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Provides d itw...dable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC
- Saı stax base excludes groceries
- " $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{J}$-tax" threshold and low-income credit eliminate income tax liability for poorest taxpayers
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate


## MICHIGAN

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income
10.4\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## PREPERTYTAX <br> Share of Family Income



PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Michigan enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Personal income tax figures reflect fully phased-in changes to retirement exclusions and increases to the personal exemption (through 2022), but do not reflect reductions to marginal income tax rates scheduled to begin in 2023 if certain "triggers" are met. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MICHIGAN State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 17,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 17,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 33,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 33,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 57,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 57,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 95,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 95,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 199,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 199,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 422,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 4222,100 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$10,000 | \$25,200 | \$43,300 | \$75,400 | \$132,900 | \$284,900 | \$1,24,700 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.2\% | 5.0\% | 3.9\% | 3.1\% | 2.3\% | 1 j\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.9\% | 2.6\% | 2.1\% | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.0\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.4\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.4\% | 2.3\% | 2.6\% | 3.0\% | . $\%$ | 2.4\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.3\% | 2.2\% | 2.5\% | 2.84 | 2.5\% | 2.0\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.2\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.7\% | 2.1\% | 2.7\% | 3.2\% | 3.5\% | 3.5\% | 3.8\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.7\% | 2.0\% |  | 3.1\% | 3.4\% | 3.5\% | 3.6\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , o\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.4\% | 9.4\%' | 9.2\% | 9.2\% | 8.4\% | 7.5\% | 6.2\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nearures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Michigan has the 22nd most unfair state and local ta system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Michigan after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D「IIING THE DATA IN MICHIGAN

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRATURES

- Provid $\varsigma$ d rifu. .dable property tax "circuit breaker" credit ${ }^{\circ}$ aに
- Pro vides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Comparatively low EITC
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## MINNESOTA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

pripertytax
Share of Family Income


33 PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Minnesota enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MINNESOTA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 25,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 25,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 43,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 43,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 70,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 70,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 115,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 115,300 \text { to } \\ & \$ 227,990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 227,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 573,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 573,500 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$13,800 | \$34,100 | \$56,400 | \$90,300 | \$152,200 | \$337,200 | \$1,4-4,500 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.5\% | 5.0\% | 3.9\% | 3.1\% | 2.3\% | 1 j\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.5\% | 2.1\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | 1.2\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.9\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% |  | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.5\% | 2.6\% | 2.8\% | 3.0\% | 2. \% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.3\% | 2.3\% | 2.5\% | 2.64 | 2.2\% | 1.8\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | (1) 10 | 0.4\% | 0.5\% | 1.3\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.3\% | 1.7\% | 3.1\% | 3.8\% | 4.6\% | 5.6\% | 7.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.4\% | 1.6\% | - | 3.8\% | 4.5\% | 5.5\% | 7.3\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | , 1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 8.7\% | 9.3!' | 9.7\% | 10.0\% | 9.5\% | 9.4\% | 10.1\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, Minn soı's state and local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 47th on the index. The large income gan wetween lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is somewhat narrower after state and incal tanes than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN MINNESOTA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Limit $\overline{\text { it }}$ mized deductions for upper-income tax, rayurs
- Prr vides a refundable working families tax credit
- Provides a refundable property tax"circuit breaker" credit
- Provides a refundable dependent care tax credit
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high sales tax rate
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate


## MISSISSIPPI

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


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PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show law in Mississippi as of September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MISSISSIPPI State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than $\$ 16,100$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 16,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 25,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 25,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 43,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 43,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 77,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 77,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 162,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 162,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 393,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 393,800 } \end{aligned}$ |
| aVERAGE InCOME in Group | \$10,200 | \$20,400 | \$34,300 | \$56,900 | \$108,400 | \$224,600 | \$80,200 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.7\% | 7.4\% | 6.2\% | 5.0\% | 3.7\% | 2 1\% | 1.1\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.6\% | 4.6\% | 4.0\% | 3.2\% | 2.5\% | 1. $1 \%$ | 0.7\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.3\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.8\% | 1.9\% | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 0.9\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (H) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 2.5\% | 1.7\% | . \% \% | 1.8\% | 1.9\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 2.3\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1\% | 0.3\% | 0.6\% | 1.3\% |
| 83) INCOME TAXES | 0.3\% | 1.0\% | 2.1\% | 2.5\% | 2.7\% | 2.6\% | 3.7\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.2\% | 0.9\% | $2.0 \%$ | 2.4\% | 2.6\% | 2.4\% | 3.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | , 1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.2\% | 10.1\% | 10.8\% | 9.2\% | 8.1\% | 6.5\% | 6.7\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic masures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Mississippi has the 24th most unfair state a a docal tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Mississippi after state and local taxes are collectei' than w_fore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES Driving THE DATA IN MISSISSIPPI

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES
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## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- All retirement income is exempted from the personal income tax
- Comparatively high reliance on sales taxes
- Sales tax base includes groceries
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## MISSOURI

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PREPERTYTAX
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Missouri enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels, which includes tax cuts enacted and triggered to date, but does not include the impact of tax cuts dependent on future triggers. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MISSOURI State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 17,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 17,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 34,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 34,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 55,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 55,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 93,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 93,100 \text { to } \\ & \$ 187,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 187,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 447,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ 447,300 \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE InCOME In Group | \$10,500 | \$25,000 | \$43,500 | \$72,800 | \$125,600 | \$266,300 | \$1,22¢,900 |
| (10\%) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.9\% | 5.2\% | 4.3\% | 3.6\% | 2.6\% | 1 \% | 0.9\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.6\% | 3.3\% | 2.8\% | 2.5\% | 1.8\% | 1. ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ \% | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (H)PROPERTY TAXES | 3.6\% | 2.2\% | 2.2\% | 2.5\% | 2..\% | 2.1\% | 1.1\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.5\% | 2.1\% | 2.2\% | 2.4 | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1) 1 | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.7\% |
| 83) INCOME TAXES | 0.4\% | 1.5\% | 2.6\% | 3.1\% | 3.9\% | 4.0\% | 4.2\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.3\% | 1.4\% |  | 3.1\% | 3.8\% | 3.9\% | 4.2\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | -0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.9\% | 8.8! ${ }^{\prime}$ | 9.0\% | 9.2\% | 8.7\% | 7.8\% | 6.2\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nea ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Missouri has the 28th most unfair state and local tax rytem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Missouri after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN MISSOURI

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graduct.a a $_{1}$. onal income tax structure; however, ©? ? kicks in at $\$ 8,000$ so virtually flat


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax deduction for federal income taxes paid
- State sales tax base includes groceries, though taxed at a lower rate
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Allows income tax exclusion for pass-through business income
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## MONTANA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX


preperty tax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Montana enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## MONTANA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than \$18,000 | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 18,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 35,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 35,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 56,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 56,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 92,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 92,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 185,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 185,400 \text { to } \\ & \$ 448,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 448,500 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$9,700 | \$26,800 | \$42,800 | \$73,600 | \$123,200 | \$261,900 | \$1,126,400 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 2.1\% | 1.7\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 0.6\% | 0 3\% | 0.1\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0. 1\% | 0.0\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |  | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 5.3\% | 3.5\% | 3.0\% | 2.6\% | 2.\% | 2.0\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 4.6\% | 2.9\% | 2.5\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.2\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% | ( 5\% | 0.5\% | 0.8\% | 1.2\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.5\% | 1.0\% | 2.8\% | 3.1\% | 3.9\% | 3.8\% | 4.8\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.4\% | 1.0\% |  | 3.1\% | 3.8\% | 3.7\% | 4.7\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 7.9\% | 6.3! $\%$ | 7.1\% | 6.6\% | 6.9\% | 6.1\% | 6.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, Mont na state and local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 43 rd on the index. The large income gan wetween lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is somewhat narrower after state and ical tanes than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES D「IVING THE DATA IN MONTANA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- No ct ate vide sales tax

Provides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI C.C)

- Provides a refundable property tax "circuit breaker" credit via the personal income tax
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively low EITC
- Provides an income tax deduction for federal income taxes paid
- Provides an income tax credit based on capital gains income
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## NEBRASKA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
S. Aare of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Nebraska enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## NEBRASKA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 24,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 24,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 38,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 38,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 65,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 65,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 103,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 103,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 204,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 204,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 462,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 462,600 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$13,800 | \$32,400 | \$50,500 | \$82,700 | \$139,500 | \$286,000 | \$1,003,600 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.1\% | 5.3\% | 4.6\% | 3.6\% | 2.7\% | $17 \%$ | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.4\% | 3.0\% | 2.7\% | 2.2\% | 1.7\% | 1. \% | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 0.9\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.7\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 5.3\% | 3.8\% | 3.8\% | 3.4\% | 5. \% | 2.8\% | 3.2\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.2\% | 3.8\% | 3.6\% | 3. | 2.8\% | 2.1\% | 0.8\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | (1) 3 | 0.3\% | 0.7\% | 2.4\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.2\% | 0.8\% | 2.5\% | 2.8\% | 3.6\% | 4.2\% | 4.7\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.2\% | 0.8\% | 2.4 ' | 2.8\% | 3.6\% | 4.2\% | 4.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | © 0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.1\% | 10.0\% | 10.8\% | 9.8\% | 9.4\% | 8.7\% | 8.7\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nearures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Nebraska has the 36th most unfair state and local tax cy-tem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Nebraska after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIYING THE DATA IN NEBRASKA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Pr vides a partially refundable dependent care tax credit
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a county-level inheritance tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high reliance on property taxes
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE | FOURTH | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Nevada enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## NEVADA State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 20,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 20,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 35,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 35,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 53,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 53,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 90,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 90,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 188,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 188,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 473,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ -473,600 \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$13,700 | \$26,800 | \$42,200 | \$69,700 | \$126,400 | \$283,600 | \$1,683,500 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.1\% | 5.3\% | 4.5\% | 3.6\% | 2.6\% | 1 j\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.4\% | 2.8\% | 2.5\% | 2.1\% | 1.6\% | 1. $1 \%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.1\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.2\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.6\% | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |
| (-1)PROPERTY TAXES | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | 2.1\% | 1.8\% | . $\%$ | 2.3\% | 1.0\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.0\% | 1.8\% | 2.1\% | 1.8! | 1.6\% | 2.0\% | 0.2\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | (1\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.8\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.3\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | $\checkmark .0$ | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | . $0 \%$ | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.2\% | 8.1\% | 7.6\% | 6.4\% | 5.2\% | 4.5\% | 1.9\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Nevada has the 5th most unfair state and local tax s.'stam in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Nevada after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'iving THE DATA IN NEVADA

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Sales ti $\times \mathrm{Oa}^{-}$E -xcludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- Comparatively high reliance on sales and excise taxes
- Imposes a business payroll tax in lieu of a corporate profits tax
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE
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Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income


## PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE |  |  |  |  |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | FOURTH |  |  |  |
| $20 \%$ | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |  |  |  |
| $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |  |  |  |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in New Hampshire enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Rates for the state BPT and BET are reflected at 7.9 percent and 0.675 percent, respectively. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 26,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 26,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 45,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 45,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 72,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 72,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 128,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 128,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 243,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 243,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 514,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text {, } 514,900 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$16,100 | \$35,800 | \$57,200 | \$97,500 | \$169,200 | \$350,500 | \$1,40],900 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 2.4\% | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0 +\% | 0.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.0\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.0\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |  | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 6.2\% | 4.6\% | 6.3\% | 5.0\% | *. \% | 3.4\% | 1.9\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 6.0\% | 4.4\% | 6.1\% | 4.8! | 4.1\% | 2.8\% | 0.8\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | (1) 0 | 0.3\% | 0.6\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 0.6\% | 0.7\% | 1.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | U.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.5\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | $15 \%$ | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.1\% | 6.7\% | 8.1\% | 6.6\% | 5.7\% | 4.5\% | 3.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which elea ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, New Hampshire has the 16th most unfair state an fivcal tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in New Hampshire after state and local taxes are collecteat than bufore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- No stair vicí? -ules tax
- Rea re, the use of combined reporting for the coi, orote income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No broad-based personal income tax
- Comparatively high reliance on property taxes
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## NEW JERSEY

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income

## NEW JERSEY State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than \$23,800 | $\begin{gathered} \$ 23,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 45.300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 45,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 74,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 74,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 132,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 132,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 313,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 313,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 897,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 897,300 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$14,600 | \$34,000 | \$58,100 | \$100,200 | \$188,900 | \$439,000 | \$1,86¢,800 |
| (iif) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.4\% | 4.2\% | 3.2\% | 2.6\% | 1.9\% | 1 3\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.4\% | 2.0\% | 1.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0. \% \% | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.5\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.4\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |
| (-) PROPERTY TAXES | 5.7\% | 4.4\% | 5.2\% | 5.8\% | . \% | 3.7\% | 2.2\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.6\% | 4.3\% | 5.0\% | 5.7, | 4.6\% | 3.0\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | (1) | 0.3\% | 0.7\% | 1.5\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -2.4\% | 0.1\% | 1.7\% | 2.3\% | 3.4\% | 4.6\% | 7.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -2.5\% | 0.1\% | 4.6 \% | 2.3\% | 3.3\% | 4.5\% | 6.7\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | . $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 8.7\% | 8.6! $\%$ | 10.1\% | 10.7\% | 10.1\% | 9.6\% | 9.8\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, New I rrs. v's state and local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 46th on the index. The large income gan wetween lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is somewhat narrower after state and incal tanes than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN NEW JERSEY

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Pr vides a refundable property tax "circuit breaker" credit via the personal income tax
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Levies a tax on inheritances
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high reliance on property taxes
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate
- Eliminated estate tax in 2018


## NEW MEXICO

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


[^3]PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


Figures show permanent law in New Mexico enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## NEW MEXICO state and Local 1 Taxes (cont.) $^{2}$

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | Less than <br> \$17,700 | $\begin{gathered} \$ 17,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 32,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 32,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 49,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 49,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 86,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 86,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 165,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 165,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 376,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text {, 376,500 } \end{aligned}$ |
| aVERAGE InCOME in Group | \$11,500 | \$25,100 | \$39,400 | \$65,400 | \$116,400 | \$229,700 | \$84,400 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 9.6\% | 8.5\% | 6.9\% | 5.3\% | 4.0\% | 2 +\% | 1.4\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 5.3\% | 5.1\% | 4.2\% | 3.3\% | 2.5\% | 1. \% | 0.9\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 3.2\% | 2.8\% | 2.3\% | 1.7\% | $1.2 \%$ | 0.7\% | 0.4\% |
| (H) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.2\% | 2.6\% | 2.3\% | 2.1\% | . $0 . \%$ | 1.7\% | 1.2\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.2\% | 2.5\% | 2.2\% | 2.0 | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | ( $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.8\% |
| 83. INCOME TAXES | -2.2\% | -0.4\% | 0.9\% | 2.2\% | 3.2\% | 3.4\% | 3.5\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -2.2\% | -0.4\% | 0.9 ' | 2.2\% | 3.1\% | 3.3\% | 3.3\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | -0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.6\% | 10.7! | 10.2\% | 9.7\% | 8.9\% | 7.4\% | 6.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic masures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, New Mexico has the 19th most unfair state a na local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in New Mexico after state and local taxes are collecteć' than w-fore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the in lex.

## TAX FEATURES D'iVING THE DATA IN NEW MEXICO

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Pr vides a refundable low-income tax credit
- Provides a refundable dependent care tax credit
- Sales tax base excludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax exclusion equal to at least half of capital gains income
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## NEW YORK

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## NEW YORK State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 19,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 36,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 36,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 60,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 60,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 107,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 107,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 251,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 251,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 780,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 780,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,700 | \$27,700 | \$47,600 | \$81,000 | \$155,800 | \$398,700 | \$2,451,200 |
| (1i17) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.1\% | 6.0\% | 4.9\% | 3.8\% | 2.8\% | $17 \%$ | 0.9\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.6\% | 3.4\% | 2.8\% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% | 1. \% | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.3\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.2\% | 1.8\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 6.7\% | 4.7\% | 4.3\% | 4.6\% | *. \% | 3.5\% | 2.5\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 6.0\% | 4.0\% | 3.6\% | 4.0\% | 3.9\% | 2.7\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | 0.7\% | ( $6 \%$ | 0.6\% | 0.9\% | 1.9\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -2.4\% | 0.6\% | 3.3\% | 4.5\% | 5.9\% | 6.7\% | 8.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -2.5\% | 0.5\% | 3.2 \% | 4.4\% | 5.7\% | 6.4\% | 7.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | - $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | 0.5\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.4\% | 11.3! $\%$ | 12.4\% | 12.9\% | 13.1\% | 11.9\% | 11.3\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which -1ea ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, New York has the 44th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in New York after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'氏IYING THE DATA IN NEW YORK

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (E1:C) in. New York State and an additional credit in New York City
- Provides a refundable child tax credit
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively high combined state and local sales tax rates
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate


## NORTH CAROLINA

## STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in North Carolina enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels including personal and corporate tax rate reductions scheduled to go into effect in 2019. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## NORTH CAROLINA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which rea_ ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, North Carolina has the 31st most unfair state and ic cal tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in North Carolina after state and local taxes are collected thar before. „see Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'iving THE DATA IN NORTH CAROLINA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- State siles © $\lambda \lambda$.'ase excludes groceries
- Com sar tively high standard deduction

Mor gage interest and property tax deductions ar. capped at $\$ 20,000$

## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Comparatively high state and local sales tax rates
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) since credit was eliminated in 2013
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## NORTH DAKOTA

## STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income
10.3\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Chare of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income

| 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 0.7\% | 0.8\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.7\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FOURTH } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \text { 15\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in North Dakota enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## NORTH DAKOTA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 27,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 27,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 43,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 43,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 66,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 66,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 117,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 117,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 245,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 245,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 639,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 639,900 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$16,600 | \$35,600 | \$55,200 | \$92,000 | \$157,900 | \$367,700 | \$1,336,300 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.7\% | 6.6\% | 5.9\% | 4.6\% | 3.2\% | 1 3\% | 1.1\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.5\% | 3.1\% | 2.9\% | 2.3\% | 1.7\% | 1. \% | 0.7\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 3.4\% | 2.9\% | 2.6\% | 2.0\% | 1.2\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% |
| (-1)PROPERTY TAXES | 2.3\% | 1.7\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% | .. \% | 1.5\% | 1.5\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.1\% | 1.7\% | 1.8\% | 1.10 | 1.5\% | 1.0\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.2\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | ( ${ }^{2} \%$ | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 0.9\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.3\% | 0.5\% | 0.7\% | 0.8\% | 1.1\% | 1.1\% | 1.8\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.2\% | 0.5\% |  | 0.8\% | 1.1\% | 1.0\% | 1.7\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 10\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.3\% | 8.9!' | 8.5\% | 6.8\% | 6.0\% | 4.5\% | 4.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, North Dakota has the 17th most unfair state and i cal tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in North Dakota after state and local taxes are collected than be.fre. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKiNiNG THE DATA IN NORTH DAKOTA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Salec ta base excludes groceries

Req-ires the use of combined reporting for the co porate income tax

## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax deduction for state income taxes paid
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Provides an income tax exclusion equal to 40 percent of long-term capital gains income
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## OHIO

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PRU PERTY TAX
Chare of Family Income

PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Ohio enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## 0-10 State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 19,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 33,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 33,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 55,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 55,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 91,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 91,800 \text { to } \\ & \$ 188,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 188,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 455,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 455,700 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,200 | \$26,500 | \$44,100 | \$71,700 | \$123,100 | \$267,000 | \$1,058,700 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.0\% | 5.8\% | 4.9\% | 4.0\% | 3.0\% | 1 \%\% | 1.0\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.0\% | 2.8\% | 2.5\% | 2.2\% | 1.7\% | 1. \% | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.1\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.9\% | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.8\% | 2.7\% | 2.8\% | 3.0\% | 2. \% | 2.7\% | 1.9\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.8\% | 2.7\% | 2.7\% | 2.8 | 2.7\% | 2.2\% | 0.7\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1) $2 \%$ | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 1.2\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 1.5\% | 2.2\% | 3.1\% | 3.5\% | 4.0\% | 3.8\% | 3.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 1.5\% | 2.2\% | \% | 3.5\% | 4.0\% | 3.7\% | 3.6\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 12.3\% | 10.8 ${ }^{\prime}$ \% | 10.7\% | 10.4\% | 9.8\% | 8.3\% | 6.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which me: sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Ohio has the 13th most unfair state and local tax cy-tem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Ohio after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See A,penain. B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIVING THE DATA IN OHIO

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Provides an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

Sale: tax base excludes groceries

## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Imposes a gross receipts tax in lieu of a corporate profits tax
- EITC is limited and non-refundable
- Allows income tax exclusion and lower rate for pass-through business income
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## OKLAHOMA



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
S., are of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Oklahoma enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## OKLAHOMA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| hare of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 19,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 34,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 34,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 56,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 56,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 89,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 89,100 \text { to } \\ & \$ 194,500 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 194,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 455,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 455,600 \end{aligned}$ |
| average income in Group | \$12,000 | \$26,100 | \$43,700 | \$71,800 | \$127,900 | \$278,600 | \$1,155,300 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 9.2\% | 7.7\% | 6.5\% | 5.0\% | 3.6\% | $23 \%$ | 1.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 5.0\% | 4.5\% | 3.8\% | 3.1\% | 2.4\% | 1. \% | 0.8\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.2\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.9\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% | 1.2\% |  | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.9\% | 2.3\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | ...\% | 1.8\% | 1.4\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.8\% | 2.3\% | 2.1\% | 1.8 | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1 \%}$ | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.8\% |
| (5) INCOME TAXES | 0.2\% | 1.2\% | 2.0\% | 2.9\% | 3.2\% | 3.3\% | 3.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.1\% | 1.2\% | 2.0 | 2.9\% | 3.2\% | 3.3\% | 3.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | L0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 13.2\% | 11.2\% | 10.7\% | 9.8\% | 8.6\% | 7.4\% | 6.2\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which rea ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Oklahoma has the 9th most unfair state and local tax sy-tem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Oklahoma after state and local taxes are collected than before. (S e App-ndix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES Driying THE DATA IN OKLAHOMA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Gradue $+r a$, $\in$ ional income tax structure, but esser (1) 11) fat since the top rate starts at \$12,000
- Pru ides an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Prrvides a refundable tax credit to reduce the impact of its sales tax on groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Comparatively low, non-refundable EITC
- State sales tax base includes groceries
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Comparatively high combined state and local sales tax rate
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## OREGON

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

TOTAL TAX
regressive


Share of Family Income

10.1\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Oregon enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## OREGON State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 21,600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 21,600 \text { to } \\ & \$ 37,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 37,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 63,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 63,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 103,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 103,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 222,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 222,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 483,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ \text { 483,400 } \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,700 | \$29,000 | \$48,200 | \$80,300 | \$144,700 | \$307,700 | \$1,120,100 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 2.3\% | 1.6\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0.5\% | 0 3\% | 0.1\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.0\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.0\% | 1.3\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.4\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 0.3\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% |  | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 5.8\% | 3.3\% | 3.3\% | 3.0\% | 2. \% | 2.4\% | 1.7\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.7\% | 3.1\% | 3.1\% | 2.8 | 2.6\% | 1.9\% | 0.7\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | ( $3 \%$ | 0.3\% | 0.5\% | 1.0\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 1.9\% | 3.3\% | 4.6\% | 5.1\% | 5.5\% | 6.2\% | 6.3\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 1.9\% | 3.3\% | 4.6 \% | 5.1\% | 5.4\% | 6.1\% | 6.2\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | し0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.1\% | 8.2'\% | 9.1\% | 8.9\% | 8.8\% | 8.8\% | 8.1\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which nearures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Oregon has the 41st most unfair state and local tax . vsem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Oregon after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See Arpenaı. $B$ for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'iving THE DATA IN OREGON

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. on onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Pr vides a refundable property tax "circuit breaker" credit for renters via the personal income tax
- Provides refundable dependent care tax credit
- No statewide sales tax
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides a limited income tax deduction for federal income taxes paid
- Allows lower personal income tax rates for passthrough business income
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income homeowners


## PENNSYLVANIA



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## PREPERTYTAX <br> Share of Family Income



PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


Figures show permanent law in Pennsylvania enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## PENNSYLVANIA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| hare of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \text { 15\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 19,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 38,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 38,100 \text { to } \\ & \$ 62,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 62,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 102,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 102,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 228,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 228,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 511,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \quad 511,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,600 | \$28,600 | \$49,400 | \$81,200 | \$142,600 | \$329,400 | \$1,3<2,500 |
| (1ili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.6\% | 5.2\% | 4.4\% | 3.3\% | 2.4\% | 1 j\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.1\% | 2.0\% | 1.8\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 0. \% | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.6\% | 1.6\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.9\% | 1.6\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (H) PROPERTY TAXES | 4.6\% | 2.6\% | 2.7\% | 2.8\% | 2. \% | 2.7\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 4.5\% | 2.4\% | 2.5\% | 2.74 | 2.7\% | 2.2\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1\% ${ }^{1}$ | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.2\% |
| 83) INCOME TAXES | 2.6\% | 3.8\% | 4.1\% | 4.2\% | 4.2\% | 3.7\% | 3.7\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 2.5\% | 3.7\% | +. 0 \% | 4.1\% | 4.0\% | 3.5\% | 3.3\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | $\text { . } 1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.4\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 13.8\% | 11.6! $\%$ | 11.1\% | 10.3\% | 9.5\% | 7.8\% | 6.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic' m asures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Pennsylvania has the 7th most unfair state a a local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Pennsylvania after state and local taxes are collectev than 'wefore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the in lex.

## TAX FEATURES DKIVING THE DATA IN PENNSYLVANIA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Provid"s no -., fundable "tax forgiveness" credit to low. inc ne taxpayers
- Saı s tax base excludes groceries
- Le Ies a state inheritance tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Fails to provide a standard deduction or personal exemption
- All retirement income is exempted from the personal income tax
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Comparatively high cigarette tax


## RHODE ISLAND

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PREPERTYTAX
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


Figures show permanent law in Rhode Island enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## RHODE ISLAND state and $^{\text {Local }}$ Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 21,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 21,700 \text { to } \\ & \$ 34,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 34,300 \text { to } \\ & \$ 59,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 59,700 \text { to } \\ & \$ 100,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 213,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 213,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 467,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 467,700 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,000 | \$28,600 | \$45,700 | \$75,600 | \$141,700 | \$292,600 | \$1,128,300 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 7.4\% | 5.0\% | 4.3\% | 3.2\% | 2.3\% | 1 j\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.1\% | 2.4\% | 2.2\% | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.7\% | 1.4\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.5\% | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 5.6\% | 3.5\% | 3.7\% | 3.7\% | 5. \% | 3.4\% | 2.4\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 5.3\% | 3.3\% | 3.5\% | 3.4\% | 3.5\% | 2.7\% | 0.8\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% | (1) 10 | 0.3\% | 0.7\% | 1.6\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.9\% | 1.0\% | 1.5\% | 2.3\% | 2.8\% | 4.1\% | 4.9\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.9\% | 1.0\% | 4.5\% | 2.2\% | 2.8\% | 4.1\% | 4.8\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 12.1\% | 9.5 ${ }^{\prime}$ ' | 9.5\% | 9.2\% | 9.1\% | 9.0\% | 7.9\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne: sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Rhode Island has the 32nd most unfair state and li rai tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Rhode Island after state and local taxes are collected thai befor. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D「IIING THE DATA IN RHODE ISLAND

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Com rar tively high standard deduction, personal ext mp.ion, and dependent exemption
- St-ndard deduction and personal exemption phase-out for upper-income taxpayers
- Provides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate


## SOUTH CAROLINA

## STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in South Carolina enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## SOUTH CAROLINA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| InCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 19,400 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 19,400 \text { to } \\ & \$ 30,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 30,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 49,700 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 49,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 83,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 83,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 185,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 185,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 416,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 416,000 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,000 | \$25,300 | \$39,500 | \$64,500 | \$119,300 | \$261,300 | \$99\%,300 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.1\% | 4.9\% | 4.1\% | 3.3\% | 2.4\% | 1 +\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.8\% | 2.8\% | 2.4\% | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.2\% | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.0\% | 2.3\% | 2.3\% | 2.3\% | 2. \% | 2.0\% | 1.9\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.9\% | 2.3\% | 2.2\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | ( $3 \%$ | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 1.4\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.1\% | 0.8\% | 1.7\% | 3.0\% | 3.7\% | 3.7\% | 4.1\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.8\% |  | 3.0\% | 3.7\% | 3.6\% | 3.9\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | $\text { . } 0 \%$ | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 8.3\% | 8.0 $\%$ | 8.1\% | 8.6\% | 8.2\% | 7.2\% | 6.8\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, South Carolina has the 39th most unfair state ana 'oval tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in South Carolina after state and local taxes are collectec' than i -fore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the inc ex.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIVING THE DATA IN SOUTH CAROLINA

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Salec ta^ base excludes groceries

Prov des an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- EITC is non-refundable
- Provides an income tax deduction equal to 44 percent of capital gains income
- Allows lower personal income tax rates for passthrough business income
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## SOUTH DAKOTA

## STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income
11.2\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Chare of Family Income


## PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE | FOURTH | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in South Dakota enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## SOUTH DAKOTA state and Local Iaxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 25,800 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 25,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 40,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 40,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 67,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 67,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 109,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 109,900 \text { to } \\ & \$ 230,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 230,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 559,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 559,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$14,900 | \$32,800 | \$52,600 | \$84,800 | \$148,500 | \$319,700 | \$1,4Y2, 400 |
| (iili) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 8.4\% | 7.9\% | 6.3\% | 5.2\% | 3.6\% | 2 \% | 1.0\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.4\% | 4.1\% | 3.4\% | 2.8\% | 2.1\% | 1. $\%$ | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.7\% | 2.8\% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% |  | 0.6\% | 0.3\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.8\% | 1.9\% | 2.5\% | 2.3\% | 2.. \% | 1.8\% | 1.5\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.8\% | 1.8\% | 2.4\% | 2.15 | 2.0\% | 1.3\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | 1.0\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | U.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , o\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 11.2\% | 9.8!'\% | 8.9\% | 7.4\% | 5.8\% | 4.0\% | 2.5\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, South Dakota has the 4th most unfair state and lo an tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in South Dakota after state and local taxes are collected than befort. See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES Driving THE DATA IN SOUTH DAKOTA

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FFÁSURES

- No sigi ifica 1 r rogressive features


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- No corporate income tax
- State sales tax base includes groceries
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## TENNESSEE

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income
10.5\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

priperty tax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.1 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE | FOURTH | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show law in Tennessee enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels, which includes reductions in the "Hall" income tax on interest and dividends down to 3 percent. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## TENNESSEE State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & \text { 20\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 18,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 18,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 31,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 31,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 51,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 51,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 87,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 87,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 189,300 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 189,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 471,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 471,200 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,000 | \$25,600 | \$40,800 | \$66,600 | \$120,900 | \$283,000 | \$1,34, \%,600 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 8.2\% | 7.8\% | 6.7\% | 5.2\% | 3.9\% | $23 \%$ | 1.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.8\% | 4.7\% | 4.1\% | 3.3\% | 2.5\% | 1. \% | 0.8\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 2.3\% | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.4\% | 1.0\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% |
| (-1)PROPERTY TAXES | 2.2\% | 1.5\% | 1.7\% | 2.0\% | . $\%$ | 1.6\% | 1.0\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.2\% | 1.5\% | 1.6\% | 1.9! | 1.5\% | 1.3\% | 0.3\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1\% ${ }^{1 \%}$ | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.8\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | U. 0 | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | .1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.3\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.5\% | 9.4\%'s | 8.5\% | 7.3\% | 5.7\% | 4.2\% | 2.8\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which rea. $\mu$ res the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Tennessee has the 6th most unfair state and local tax . vs eem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Tennessee after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Sеe App_ndix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DViNING THE DATA IN TENNESSEE

PROGRESSIVE TAV CLDE FEATURES

- Narrov. rer. n.al income tax includes only interest, $^{\text {in }}$ divid_d, . d capital gains income, and is being ph ise out


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No broad-based personal income tax
- Comparatively high reliance on sales taxes
- State sales tax base includes groceries, though taxed at a lower rate
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## TEXAS



## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income

## PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE | FOURTH | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Texas enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## TEXAS State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 20,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 20,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 35,800 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 35,800 \text { to } \\ \$ 56,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 56,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 98,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 98,200 \text { to } \\ & \$ 216,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 216,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 617,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 亿617,900 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$13,000 | \$28,400 | \$45,300 | \$74,200 | \$138,200 | \$326,000 | \$1,605,700 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 9.3\% | 8.4\% | 6.8\% | 5.3\% | 3.8\% | $23 \%$ | 1.2\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.2\% | 4.0\% | 3.3\% | 2.7\% | 2.0\% | 1. $\%$ | 0.7\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.9\% | 1.5\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 3.2\% | 2.9\% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% | 1.2\% | 0.7\% | 0.4\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.7\% | 2.5\% | 2.9\% | 3.3\% | \%. \% | 3.0\% | 1.8\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.6\% | 2.4\% | 2.8\% | 3.24 | 3.4\% | 2.6\% | 0.7\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | (1\% ${ }^{1 \%}$ | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | C. 0 | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 13.0\% | 10.9!' | 9.7\% | 8.6\% | 7.4\% | 5.4\% | 3.1\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Texas has the 2nd most unfair state and local tax . vs iem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Texas after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See $A_{1}$ penain. B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DKIYING THE DATA IN TEXAS

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Sales ti $\times \mathrm{Oa}^{-}$E -xcludes groceries
- Real re- cumbined reporting for the Texas fra. chıse tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- Imposes a gross receipts tax in lieu of a corporate profits tax
- Fails to provide tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## UTAH

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE
$\xrightarrow{x}$
Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Chare of Family Income

(3) PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Utah enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## UTAH State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ \text { 20\% } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TOP } \\ & \text { 1\% } \end{aligned}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 22,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 22,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 39,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 39,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 63,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 63,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 104,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 104,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 202,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 202,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 486,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ 486,500 \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$14,100 | \$32,500 | \$50,600 | \$80,800 | \$139,400 | \$288,400 | \$1,3८7,500 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.1\% | 4.5\% | 3.6\% | 3.0\% | 2.2\% | 1 +\% | 0.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.6\% | 2.5\% | 2.0\% | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.5\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.5\% | 1.3\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.2\% |
| (-1)PROPERTY TAXES | 2.1\% | 1.4\% | 1.7\% | 2.0\% | 1.1\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.1\% | 1.4\% | 1.7\% | 1.9! | 1.5\% | 1.3\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1 \%}$ | 0.1\% | 0.4\% | 1.1\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.3\% | 2.0\% | 2.9\% | 3.8\% | 4.1\% | 4.2\% | 4.5\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.3\% | 2.0\% |  | 3.8\% | 4.0\% | 4.2\% | 4.4\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 10\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 7.5\% | 7.9!' | 8.2\% | 8.8\% | 7.9\% | 7.3\% | 6.7\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which me: sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Utah has the 40th most unfair state and local tax cy-tem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Utah after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See Appenain. B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D ${ }^{\prime}$ IIING THE DATA IN UTAH

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Providis $a_{1}, t_{i}=d$ credit based on federal standard or ite $\quad, 7 \in$ deductions to low- and middlein on. ofilers
- Kecuires the use of combined reporting for the curporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- State sales tax base includes groceries, though taxed at a lower rate
- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## VERMONT

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


PREPERTYTAX
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Vermont enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## VERMONT State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 4 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 21,200 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 21,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 39,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 39,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 59,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 59,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 94,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 94,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 196,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 196,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 460,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 460,100 \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$11,500 | \$29,200 | \$49,200 | \$74,800 | \$131,100 | \$279,700 | \$99.600 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.1\% | 4.3\% | 3.8\% | 3.2\% | 2.2\% | $13 \%$ | 0.6\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.0\% | 2.0\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% | 1.2\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.9\% | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 0.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.2\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.9\% | 4.7\% | 4.7\% | 3.7\% | (3.) \% | 4.5\% | 3.5\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.5\% | 4.6\% | 4.3\% | 3.4 | 4.6\% | 3.7\% | 1.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.3\% | 0.2\% | 0.5\% | ( 30 | 0.4\% | 0.8\% | 1.9\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.3\% | -0.0\% | 1.5\% | 2.2\% | 3.2\% | 4.2\% | 6.3\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.3\% | -0.0\% | $4.4 \%$ | 2.1\% | 3.1\% | 4.1\% | 6.1\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 8.7\% | 9.0\%' | 10.1\% | 9.1\% | 10.4\% | 10.0\% | 10.4\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, Verm nt state and local tax system does not worsen income inequality and ranks 49th on the index. The large income gan wetween lower- and middle-income taxpayers, as compared to the wealthy, is somewhat narrower after state and incal tanes than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology for additional detail.)

## TAX FEATURES D ${ }^{\prime}$ IIING THE DATA IN VERMONT

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FFARURES

- Graduäer ers inal income tax structure
- Provir es r rutundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Pro ides a refundable property tax "circuit breaker" crer'it to low-income taxpayers via the income tax
- Many resident homeowners pay school taxes based on income rather than property value
- Provides a partially refundable dependent care tax credit
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides a capital gains tax break
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate


## VIRGINIA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## PREPERTYTAX

Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Virginia enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## VIRGINIA <br> State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

| Share of Family Income |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income group | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| INCOME RANGE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 22,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 22,000 \text { to } \\ & \$ 39,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 39,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 64,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 64,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 116,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 116,600 \text { to } \\ \$ 244,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 244,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 587,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { over } \\ \text { 5587,200 } \end{gathered}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$12,900 | \$29,300 | \$50,800 | \$87,100 | \$162,600 | \$337,800 | \$1,4N,500 |
| (1iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.4\% | 4.4\% | 3.5\% | 2.8\% | 2.0\% | $13 \%$ | 0.6\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 3.1\% | 2.6\% | 2.2\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% | 0. $\%$ | 0.4\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.1\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | - $0.2 \%$ | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.2\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% |  | 0.2\% | 0.1\% |
| (H) PROPERTY TAXES | 3.1\% | 2.5\% | 2.4\% | 2.7\% | 2. \% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 3.0\% | 2.4\% | 2.3\% | 2.64 | 2.4\% | 1.9\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | ( 1 1\% | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.3\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 1.2\% | 2.5\% | 3.3\% | 3.8\% | 4.0\% | 4.4\% | 4.6\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 1.2\% | 2.4\% | 5.3 | 3.8\% | 4.0\% | 4.3\% | 4.5\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 10\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.8\% | 9.3! $\%$ | 9.2\% | 9.3\% | 8.6\% | 8.0\% | 7.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which ne. sures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Virginia has the 33rd most unfair state and local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Virginia after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D'aiving THE DATA IN VIRGINIA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FEATURES

- Graductraresonal income tax structure, though the trprairstarts at \$17,000
- Pru rides an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- EITC is non-refundable
- Narrow income tax brackets mean majority of taxpayers pay top income tax rate
- Fails to provide refundable income tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes or to help workers and their families
- State sales tax base includes groceries, though taxed at a lower rate
- Fails to use combined reporting as part of its corporate income tax
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income
17.8\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

prepertytax
Share of Family Income


## PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND | MIDDLE | FOURTH | NEXT | NEXT | TOP |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Washington enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## WASHINGTON state and Local Taxes (cont.) $^{\text {( }}$

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{gathered} \text { LOWEST } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |
| Income range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 24,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \$24,000 to } \\ & \$ 44,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 44,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 70,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 70,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 116,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 116,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 248,200 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 248,200 \text { to } \\ \$ 545,900 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text { 545,900 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$13,500 | \$33,300 | \$56,300 | \$91,000 | \$158,900 | \$348,900 | \$1,613,200 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 13.3\% | 9.7\% | 8.1\% | 6.4\% | 4.7\% | 2 3\% | 1.7\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 4.0\% | 3.3\% | 2.9\% | 2.3\% | 1.8\% | 1. $\%$ | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 4.4\% | 2.8\% | 2.2\% | 1.6\% | 1.1\% | 0.7\% | 0.3\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 4.8\% | 3.7\% | 3.1\% | 2.4\% | 1.7\% | 1.1\% | 0.8\% |
| (H) PROPERTY TAXES | 4.5\% | 2.7\% | 2.9\% | 2.8\% | 2. \% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 4.4\% | 2.7\% | 2.8\% | 2.8 | 2.3\% | 1.5\% | 0.4\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | ( $1 \%$ | 0.1\% | 0.3\% | 0.9\% |
| 83. INCOME TAXES | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | - $0 \%$ | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 17.8\% | 12.4! $\%$ | 11.0\% | 9.2\% | 7.1\% | 4.7\% | 3.0\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic' m asures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Washington has the most unfair state and I. cal tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Washington after state and local taxes are collected thai befor. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES D $\mathbb{1}$ IING THE DATA IN WASHINGTON

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Sales te $\times \mathrm{Oa}^{-}$E - xcludes groceries
- Levirs a tate estate tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- Imposes a gross receipts tax in lieu of a corporate profits tax
- Enacted a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), but lawmakers have failed to provide funding for the credit
- Comparatively high reliance on sales taxes
- Comparatively high combined state and local sales tax rate
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income taxpayers


## WEST VIRGINIA

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

REGRESSIVE


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income


3
PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in West Virginia enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## WEST VIRGINIA state and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 15,900 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 15,900 \text { to } \\ \$ 29,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 29,500 \text { to } \\ \$ 48,100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 48,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 81,500 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 81,500 \text { to } \\ & \$ 158,700 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 158,700 \text { to } \\ \$ 401,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & 401,600 \end{aligned}$ |
| average income in group | \$8,900 | \$22,700 | \$37,000 | \$61,600 | \$107,400 | \$220,500 | \$70.400 |
| (iil) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 6.6\% | 5.3\% | 4.6\% | 3.6\% | 2.7\% | $17 \%$ | 0.9\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.8\% | 2.7\% | 2.5\% | 2.0\% | 1.5\% | 1. $1 \%$ | 0.6\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 2.7\% | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 0.9\% |  | 0.4\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 2.4\% | 2.0\% | 1.4\% | 1.6\% | ©. \% | 1.4\% | 1.8\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 2.3\% | 1.9\% | 1.2\% | 1.5 | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.5\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% | (1) ${ }^{1 \%}$ | 0.2\% | 0.4\% | 1.3\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | 0.5\% | 1.9\% | 2.5\% | 3.6\% | 4.6\% | 4.6\% | 4.7\% |
| Personal Income Tax | 0.4\% | 1.8\% | 5 \% | 3.6\% | 4.5\% | 4.5\% | 4.6\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | , 0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 9.4\% | 9.1\% | 8.5\% | 8.8\% | 8.7\% | 7.7\% | 7.4\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, whic' m asures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, West Virginia has the 37th most unfair state nú local tax system in the country. Incomes are more unequal in West Virginia after state and local taxes are collecte 1 thar wefore. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the in lex.

## TAX FEATURES D「IIVING THE DATA IN WEST VIRGINIA

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. ional income tax structure
- Stato sar s cax base excludes groceries

Prov des a refundable property tax"circuit breaker" crf dit to low-income taxpayers via the income tax

- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Local sales tax bases include groceries
- Fails to provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## WISCONSIN

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers

## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income

preperty tax
Share of Family Income


PERSONAL INCOME TAX
Share of Family Income


NOTE:
Figures show permanent law in Wisconsin enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## WISCONSIN state and Local Taxes (cont.) $^{\text {( }}$

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  |  | TOP 20\% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| INCOME GROUP | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOWEST } \\ & 20 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { SECOND } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { MIDDLE } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { FOURTH } \\ 20 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \text { 15\% } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { NEXT } \\ 4 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TOP } \\ \text { 1\% } \end{gathered}$ |
| Income Range | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less than } \\ & \$ 22,100 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 22,100 \text { to } \\ \$ 39,400 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 39,400 \text { to } \\ \$ 65,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 65,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 100,300 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 100,300 \text { to } \\ \$ 198,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \$ 198,000 \text { to } \\ \$ 512,600 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { over } \\ & \text {,512,600 } \end{aligned}$ |
| AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP | \$14,700 | \$30,400 | \$50,800 | \$79,500 | \$133,200 | \$302,300 | \$1,102,400 |
| (1i17) SALES \& EXCISE TAXES | 5.8\% | 4.8\% | 3.8\% | 3.2\% | 2.3\% | 1 +\% | 0.8\% |
| General Sales-Individuals | 2.4\% | 2.2\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% | 1.3\% | 0. $1 \%$ | 0.5\% |
| Other Sales \& Excise-Ind. | 1.8\% | 1.3\% | 0.8\% | 0.6\% | 0.4\% | 0.3\% | 0.1\% |
| Sales \& Excise on Business | 1.6\% | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% |  | 0.3\% | 0.2\% |
| (\#) PROPERTY TAXES | 4.3\% | 3.6\% | 3.4\% | 3.7\% | 5.\% | 2.4\% | 1.6\% |
| Home, Rent, Car-Individuals | 4.3\% | 3.6\% | 3.3\% | 3.54 | 3.3\% | 2.1\% | 0.6\% |
| Other Property Taxes | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.1\% | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | 0.1\% | 0.4\% | 0.9\% |
| (3) INCOME TAXES | -0.0\% | 1.7\% | 3.0\% | 3.8\% | 4.4\% | 4.6\% | 5.4\% |
| Personal Income Tax | -0.1\% | 1.7\% | . 0 | 3.7\% | 4.3\% | 4.5\% | 5.2\% |
| Corporate Income Tax | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | - 1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.1\% | 0.2\% |
| (s) TOTAL TAXES | 10.1\% | 10.2\% | 10.1\% | 10.6\% | 10.1\% | 8.5\% | 7.7\% |

## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which -lea-ures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Wisconsin has the 34th most unfair state and local tax rystem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Wisconsin after state and local taxes are collected than before. (Fee Aprendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

## TAX FEATURES DViNING THE DATA IN WISCONSIN

## PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FFARURES

- Graduetra $a_{r}$ e. . onal income tax structure
- Provide a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EI:-)
- Prr vides a refundable property tax"circuit breaker" credit to low-income taxpayers via the income tax
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides an income tax exclusion equal to 30 percent of capital gains income
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


## TOTAL TAX

regressive


Share of Family Income
9.6\%


## SALES \& EXCISE TAX

Share of Family Income


## PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Share of Family Income

| $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOWEST | SECOND |  |  |  |  |  |
| $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | MIDDLE <br> $20 \%$ | FOURTH <br> $20 \%$ | NEXT <br> $15 \%$ | NEXT <br> $4 \%$ | TOP <br> $1 \%$ |

## NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Wyoming enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

## WYOMING State and Local Taxes (cont.)

## TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income


## ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which niecures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, Wyoming has the 10th most unfair state and local tad sy tem in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Wyoming after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See Apndix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index).

## TAX FEATURES D ${ }^{\prime}$ IIING THE DATA IN WYOMING

PROGRESSIVE TAV CL DE FRAIURES

- Sales ti $\times \mathrm{Oa}^{-}$E -xcludes groceries


## REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- No personal income tax
- No corporate income tax
- Fails to provide refundable tax credits to offset sales, excise, and property taxes
- Does not levy a tax on estates or inheritances


# METHODOLOGY 


#### Abstract

The Institute on Taxation \& Economic Policy has engaged in research on tax issues since 1980, with a focus on the distributional consequences of both current law and propsed changes. Much of ITEP's research, including this report/is based on ITEP's proprietary microsimulation tav nodel, which estimates the amount of federal, state and lacal taxes paid by residents of every state at different incone revels under current law and alternative tax structures.


## ABOUT WHO PAYS?

Since 1996, ITEP has published - seies of reports that measure and compare the fairness, or incidence, of state and local taves n all fifty states and the District of Columbia. The reports, entitled "Who Pays?," t.ch show a single-year snapshot of state and local tax incidence, including the er ects of all enacted tax changes. This is the sixth edition of this report. In general, the rusuits of these reports are not strictly comparable with prior editions because of frequent 'mprovements to the model's data sources and methodology.

The report s. ows the effect of current state and local tax laws, reflecting the effect of tax charos aracted through September 10, 2018. This includes the effect of automatic chaños in state tax policy related to "The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act," Pub. L. No. 115-97, as wn li claw changes enacted in dozens of states in the wake of that law. In cases where tax cha es enacted have not yet taken full effect, we model changes as if they were already rully implemented (we do not include tax changes dependent on a revenue trigger). This choice ensures that our analysis reflects the real long-term fairness challenges facing each state's tax system. A notable exception to this rule is state responses to the recent United State Supreme Court decision in South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc. (2018), which clarified the conditions under which state sales and use taxes can be applied to sales made by businesses with no physical presence in the state. While several states have already enacted reforms designed to bolster sales and use tax collections in response to this ruling, the likely revenue impact of these changes is unclear. For this reason, our analysis excludes the impact of Wayfair-related reforms.

While the report looks at the law as it exists in 2018, our analysis is applied to the population of each state at 2015 levels, showing the amount of income, consumption and property taxes paid by residents in that year. This choice is made because as of mid-2018,
tax year 2015 was the last year for which detailed data on the amounts and composition of personal income were available on a fifty-state basis. These data, published by the Internal Revenue Service, are important in ensuring the accuracy of our analyses. These two analytical choices mean that an accurate summary of the report's approach is "2018 law at 2015 income levels."

The report's universe of taxpayers includes most, but not all, of the residents of each state. We exclude elderly taxpayers, dependent filers, and those with negative incomes; all other Americans living in each of the fifty states and the District of Columbia are included. These exclusions mean the report's universe includes all non-elderly taxpayer units, inclu ang single taxpayers, families headed by married couples, and families headed by sir.le pa-ents.

## TAXES INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY

The report focuses on the major state and local taxes levied in ea-h state and in the District of Columbia. The report breaks these taxes into three ro groups: consumption taxes, including general sales taxes and specialized excis - taxes; property taxes, including taxes on homes, businesses and motor vehicles; and inco $m f$ taxes paid by individuals and businesses. To provide a clear picture of the polic, choices within the reach of each state's lawmakers, the report looks only at how the ta yes collected by a given state fall on that state's residents, excluding the impact of taxcs levied by other states. The taxes included in this report represent about 90 percer tof all state and local taxes collected in 2015.

## SALES AND EXCIS!:TARES

- The report inclua's the statewide general sales and use taxes levied by 45 states and the ist -ict of Columbia. The report also includes the local sales and use tax sc ب rrently levied by about two-thirds of the states. Where the base of thes local taxes differs from the base of the state tax, the differences are flected in our analysis.

Thf analysis includes excise taxes on alcohol, tobacco, and motor vehicle fuels, each of which are levied by all the states and many local governments. In the increasing number of states and localities now levying special excise taxes on soft drinks or recreational cannabis, these taxes are included as well.

- The report also includes the effect of indirect consumption taxes: the sales and excise taxes that are paid initially by businesses rather than individuals. These taxes are usually passed through to consumers in the form of higher prices; a substantial fraction of these taxes are exported to these businesses' customers in other states, which means a share of these taxes are excluded from our presentation of the distributional impact of each state's taxes on its own residents.


## PROPERTY TAXES

- State and local governments levy taxes on real property (e.g., homes) and, in some states, on personal property such as motor vehicles. While locallyadministered rates can vary substantially within a state, our analysis models
a uniform statewide-average tax rate on real and personal property in each state. This is necessary because the ITEP microsimulation model's unique identifiers for each record include geographic information only on the state of residence. Property taxes on rental property are distributed partly to property owners and partly to tenants. The analysis of motor vehicle property taxes includes the effect of charges levied on taxpayers registering motor vehicles, as these are close substitutes for tax policies such as valuebased vehicle property taxes and even motor fuel taxes. The analysis also includes taxes levied by some states on estates and inheritances.
- A substantial share of real and personal property taxes are paid initially by businesses, and these taxes are ultimately passed through to individ uat business owners and/or the customers and employees of these bus, ne ses The analysis calculates the share of property taxes falling initially on businesses - including but not limited to real property taxes. ca.nible personal property taxes, and inventory taxes - and allocate these taxes to residents according to their shares of capital income, n 9 s s and consumption. As is the case with the corporate income tax and ennsun..ption taxes, a substantial share of the business property tax is enpo ted to residents of other states and is therefore excluded from our p er entation of the distributional impact of each state's taxes on its own residerio.


## INCOME TAXES

- Forty-one states and the Distric of Columbia levy broad, statewide taxes on personal income, usuall dised partly on federal rules. Local governments in more than a dozen tat eiso levy income-based taxes, either on local wages or the same broad measure of personal income used at the state level. Each of these tax re included in the analysis.
- Most states . Iso levy entity-level taxes on corporations, usually based primaril, or the amount of profits reported in the state. These taxes are als, se metimes based on the value of capital stock in each state. The resor includes all of these taxes. Most of the final incidence of these taxes is assumed to fall on owners of corporate stock, and about a quarter is assumed to fall on workers in the form of lower wages. Since most of the taxes paid on corporate income are typically paid by large, multi-state corporations with sales and employees in many states, a significant fraction of the corporate income tax incidence is exported to other states, and thus excluded from our presentation of the distributional impact of each state's taxes on its own residents.


## INCOME INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY

There are two broad ways in which a distributional analysis can sort taxpayers by income level. One approach, used by legislative fiscal analysts in most states, uses income definitions based on "Adjusted Gross Income." In this approach, the starting point is the
income that is actually subject to income taxes in a given state. The other approach, used by ITEP, is to use a more universal income definition, including both income that is subject to tax and income that is exempt.

For components of income that are subject to income taxes, ITEP relies on information from the Internal Revenue Service's "Statistics of Income" publication, which provides detailed state-specific information on components of income at different income levels. For components of income that are either fully or partially tax-exempt, ITEP uses data from the Congressional Budget Office and the Current Population Survey to estimate income levels in each state. The generally non-taxable income items for which ITEP makes state '/ sy-state estimates (which are included in our measure of "total income") include: Soci2" Secut ity benefits, Worker's Compensation benefits, unemployment compensation, VA 'Vene its, child support, financial assistance, public assistance, and SSI.

It's widely understood that taxpayers at all income levels tend to und -renort certain income categories, especially capital gains, pass-through business nc.me, rental income and farm income. For this reason, ITEP's modeling incorpor?'s estımates of the amount of unreported income of each type. This unreported income is ir claded in our "total income" estimates for each state.

## WHY THE TOP QUINTILE IS REPERTED AS THREE SUBGROUPS

The best-off twenty percent of Americais , re a diverse group, including everyone from solidly middle-class couples earning $\$ 105,000$ per year, all the way up to multimillionaire executives. For this reason, this ctad reports effective tax rates for three subgroups: the "Next 15 percent," or $80^{\text {th }}-94^{\text {th }}$ p.rce tile, the "Next 4 percent," or $95^{\text {th }}-99^{\text {th }}$ percentile, and the "Top 1 percent."

The best-off twenty peicent of Americans enjoyed more than half of nationwide personal income in 2015, ac oring to ITEP's estimates. The best-off 1 percent of taxpayers alone enjoyed 19 percent of nationwide personal income. (By contrast, the poorest 20 percent of Americar. earned about 3 percent of nationwide income.) This means that incremental differences in the tax treatment of the best-off taxpayers can have substantial implications for state tor collections.
10. over, many states have rules in place that provide special tax breaks for capital gains na other income sources that are highly concentrated in the hands of the best-off 1 percent. An analysis showing the impact of a capital gains tax break on families in the top 20 percent of the income distribution would gloss over the substantial differences in how such a tax break treats taxpayers residing at various points throughout the top 20 percent.

## WHY THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY IS LIMITED TO NON-ELDERLY TAXPAYERS

The analyses contained in this report show the tax incidence of singles and couples, with and without children, who are under the age of 65 . State tax structures routinely treat elderly families more generously than other families; for this reason, including seniors in distributional analyses of state tax systems can present an inaccurate view of how tax systems affect most families.

Virtually every state conforms to at least one of the federal government's elderly income tax breaks. All 41 states and the District of Columbia that levy broad-based income taxes
follow the federal exemption for Social Security benefits, with many states exempting them altogether. Many states allow their seniors to claim the same higher federal standard deduction.

But most income tax states go far beyond these tax preferences inherited from federal income tax rules to allow special elderly-only tax breaks of their own. Thirty-six states allow an income tax exemption for private or public pension benefits. These range from fully exempting all pension benefits for adults above a certain age (three states - Illinois, Mississippi, and Pennsylvania) to only exempting very specific benefits such as those for military veterans. More than a dozen states allow senior citizens an extra persor al exemption or exemption credit, allowing these taxpayers to shelter twice as moch of heir income from tax as similar non-elderly taxpayers can claim.

For example, Illinois exempts all pension and retirement income from their $\vee x$ base which costs the state more than $\$ 1$ billion annually. If retirement income $w-e$ taxed, the middle twenty percent of Illinoisans would see a tax increase equivalent t 0.2 percent of their income on average. Those in the next quintile would see their wes increased by 0.3 percent of their income.
 dramatically change the apparent incidence of rol er y taxes.

Because so many states offer special con eration for elderly taxpayers, including elderly families in the Who Pays? analysis wo ld no give an accurate depiction of how the tax structure treats the majority of taxpayers.

## THE ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

The ITEP Tax Inequ alr $v$ index measures the effects of each state's tax system on income inequality. Essentia' ${ }^{1}$ y, it answers the following question: Are incomes more or less equal after state ta es than before taxes? For each state, the index compares incomes by income group befo e and after state and local taxes.

The incex for each state equals one minus the average of the following ratios: 1) the afterax ncome of the richest one percent as a share of pretax income over the after-tax income of the poorest 20 percent as a share of pretax income; 2) the after-tax income of the richest one percent as a share of pretax income over the after-tax income of the middle 60 percent as a share of pretax income; and 3) the after-tax income of the best-off 20 percent as a share of pretax income over the after-tax income of the poorest 40 percent as a share of pretax income, half-weighted.

States with regressive tax structures have negative tax inequality indexes, meaning that incomes are less equal in those states after state and local taxes than before. In states with positive tax inequality indexes, incomes are at least somewhat more equal after state and local taxes than before.

## WHAT HAPPENED TO THE FEDERAL OFFSET?

Unlike previous editions of Who Pays?, this $6^{\text {th }}$ Edition does not include a "federal deduction offset" because of restrictions placed on the deduction by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Specifically, the increased standard deduction will deny its benefits to most previous claimants, and the $\$ 10,000$ cap on the deduction means that for most current claimants, the deduction will not vary significantly in proportion to state and local taxes paid. The combined result of these two changes is that the deduction no longer functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes. These federal policy changes are in place temporarily, through the end of 2025.

## COMPARISONS TO PREVIOUS VERSIONS OF WHO PAYS?

The methodology used in this study is broadly similar to the a ${ }_{\mathrm{Y}}$ proach used in previous editions of the report. However, we have recently made veveral methodological improvements impacting both income estimatio a.i. tax modeling. For this reason, we discourage direct comparison of the report's $\mathrm{r} \in \mathrm{s}$, lts with prior editions.

The effective tax rates calculated in this rep rt also differ, in many states, from those reported in prior editions of the study b cause of changes attributable not to state and local tax laws but to the business cycle. Sy. lical trends in components of personal income such as capital gains realizations af es eerally pronounced, for instance.

Long-run structural issues an also lead to changes in tax incidence over time, even absent specific changos in tax law. For example, some states' effective sales tax rates show a visible decline fron the previous edition because their sales tax collections have shrunk substantially, as a st are of income. This trend reflects the outdated, slow-growing tax bases in use in $m$ ost states.

## IDEP MICROSIMULATION

## OMODEL OVERVIEW

The ITEP model is a tool for calculating revenue yield and incidence, by income group, of federal, state and local taxes. It calculates revenue yield for current tax law and proposed amendments to current law. Separate incidence analyses can be done for categories of taxpayers specified by marital status, the presence of children, and age.

In computing its estimates, the ITEP model relies on one of the largest databases of tax returns and supplementary data in existence, encompassing close to three quarters of a million records. To forecast revenues and incidence, the model relies on government or other widely respected economic projections.

The ITEP model's federal tax calculations are very similar to those produced by the congressional Joint Committee on Taxation, the U.S. Treasury Department and the Congressional Budget Office (although each of these four models differs in varying
degrees as to how the results are presented). The ITEP model, however, adds state-by-state estimating capabilities not found in those government models.

Below is an outline of each area of the ITEP model and what its capabilities are:
(3) THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX MODEL ANALYZES THE REVENUE AND INCIDENCE OF CURRENT FEDERAL AND STATE PERSONAL INCOME TAXES AND AMENDMENT OPTIONS INCLUDING CHANGES IN:

- Rates, including special rates on capital gains
- Inclusion or exclusion of various types of income
- Inclusion or exclusion of federal and state adjustments
- Exemption amounts and a broad variety of exemption types and, if relevant, phase-out methods
- Standard deduction amounts and a broad variety of sta. dard deduction types and phase-outs
- Itemized deductions and deduction phase-nuts, and
- Credits, such as earned-income and chd-c.... credits.
(iii) THE CONSUMPTION TAX MODEL AI ALYZZES THE REVENUE YIELD AND INCIDENCE OF CURRENT SALES \&ND EXCISE TAXES. It also has the capacity to analyze the revenue and incider ce inplications of a broad range of base and rate changes in general sales taxes, special poles to kes, and excise taxes on products such as gasoline and tobacco. There are more than 250 base items available to amend in the model, reflecting, for example, sales tax has cifferences among states and the impact of proposed expansions or reductions in the ose.

THE PROPER F AX MODEL ANALYZES REVENUE YIIELD AND INCIDENCE OF CURREIV STATE AND LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES. It can also analyze the revenu and incidence impacts of statewide policy changes in property tax, including the effe to circuit breakers, homestead exemptions, and rate and assessment caps.
(S) UUCORPORATE INCOME TAX MODEL ANALYZES REVENUE YIELD AND INCIDENCE OF CURRENT CORPORATE INCOME TAX LAW, POSSIBLE RATE CHANGES AND CERTAIN BASE CHANGES. The majority of the corporate income tax is assigned to owners of corporate stock, with the remainder falling on labor income.


LOCAL TAXES: THE MODEL CAN ANALYZE THE STATEWIDE REVENUE AND INCIDENCE OF AGGREGATE LOCAL TAXES (NOT, HOWEVER, BROKEN DOWN BY INDIVIDUAL LOCALITIES) . This capacity is especially important for taxes on real and personal property, which are almost entirely levied at the local level.

## ITEP MODEL DATA SOURCES

The ITEP model is a "microsimulation model." That is, it works on a very large stratified sample of tax returns and other data, aged to the year being analyzed. This is the same kind
of tax model used by the U.S. Treasury Department, the congressional Joint Committee on Taxation and the Congressional Budget Office. The ITEP model uses the following microdata sets and aggregate data:

## MICRO-DATA SETS:

IRS 1988 Individual Public Use Tax File, Level III Sample; IRS Individual Public Use Tax Files; Current Population Survey; Consumer Expenditure Survey; U.S. Census; American Community Survey.

## PARTIAL LIST OF AGGREGATED DATA SOURCES:

Miscellaneous IRS data; Congressional Budget Office and Joint Committee on Taxa: ion forecasts; other economic data (Commerce Department, WEFA, etc.); state tix department data; data on overall levels of consumption for specific goodः (Commerce Department, Census of Services, etc.); state specific consumption and cons raption tax data (Census data, Government Finances, etc.); state-specific proper'y tax data (Govt. Finances, etc.); American Housing Survey; Census of Population Ho ving; Energy Information Administration; Federal Highway Administratio BDS Analytics; s for Disease Control and Prevention.


[^0]:    1 The 6th edition of Who Pays?, unless otherwise noted, shows the impact of permanent tax laws on non-elderly taxpayers, including the impact of all tax changes enacted through September 10, 2018, at 2015 income levels.

[^1]:    2 Income Inequality Weighs on State Tax Revenues, a September 2014 report from Standard and Poor's

[^2]:    PREPERTYTAX
    Share of Family Income

[^3]:    PREPERTYTAX
    Share of Family Income

