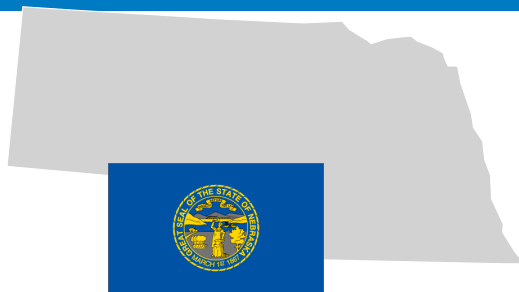


# Tax Facts & Comparisons Nebraska

Taxes are complicated. Each state's tax code is a multifaceted system with many moving parts, and Nebraska is no exception. The Tax Foundation produces a number of rankings that evaluate states on tax structures and overall tax burdens. Here's how Nebraska scores.



## Tax Foundation Rankings of Nebraska

### State Business Tax Climate Index

**29<sup>th</sup>**  
best

Nebraska ranks 29th out of the 50 states on the Tax Foundation's 2014 *State Business Tax Climate Index*, which annually compares the states' tax systems on over 100 variables that impact business. Last year, Nebraska ranked 34th.

Nebraska's individual income tax ranks 25th best, its corporate income tax ranks 31st best, its sales tax ranks 27th best, its property tax ranks 39th best, and its unemployment insurance tax ranks 13th best.

Neighboring states' ranks: South Dakota (2nd), Iowa (41st), Missouri (17th), Kansas (22nd) Colorado (20th) Wyoming (1st)

### State-Local Tax Burdens Rank

**25<sup>th</sup>**  
highest

Estimated at 9.4% of income, Nebraska's 2011 state-local tax burden ranks 25th highest nationally, below the national average of 9.8%. Nebraska taxpayers pay \$3,991 per capita in state and local taxes.

Neighboring states' ranks: South Dakota (48th), Iowa (29th), Missouri (33rd), Kansas (26th) Colorado (32nd) Wyoming (50th)

### Tax Freedom Day®

**2015**  
**April**  
**17**

In 2014, Nebraska taxpayers worked 107 days into the year until April 17 to pay their total tax bill, ranking 21st highest nationally.

That's 7 days before national Tax Freedom Day (April 21), the day when Americans finally have earned enough money to pay their total tax bill for the year.

More at [taxfoundation.org/publications](http://taxfoundation.org/publications)

# Nebraska Taxes at a Glance

Each state uses a variety of tax tools to raise revenue, including individual income taxes, property taxes, and sales taxes, among others. Here are some facts on how Nebraska structures their different tax types:

Note: All collections listed on this page are combined state and local tax collections as reported by the Census Bureau's Government Finance Division. For all ranks, 1 indicates highest among the 50 states.

## General Info

		Rank	Nat. Avg.
Income per capita	\$42,281	19th	\$43,735
Federal aid as % of gen. revenue	32%	26th	32.8%
State debt per capita	\$8,170	21st	\$3,678

## Individual Income Tax

Number of brackets	4
Bottom income bracket rate	2.46%
Bottom bracket kick in	\$0
Top income tax rate	6.84%
Top bracket kick in	\$29,000
Collections per capita (2012)	\$994
Collections rank (2012)	22nd

## Property Tax

Collections per capita (2012)	\$1,598
Collections rank (2012)	13th
Property taxes paid as share of owner-occupied housing value (2013)	1.84%
Property taxes paid percent rank (2013)	7th

## Sources of State & Local Tax Collections

	Nebraska	All States.
Property Tax	36%	32%
Sales Tax	23%	23%
Corporate Income Tax	3%	4%
Individual Income Tax	23%	22%
Other	15%	20%

## Corporate Income Tax

Number of brackets	2
Top corporate tax rate	7.81%
Collections per capita (2012)	\$127
Collections rank (2012)	24th

## Sales Tax

State rate	5.50%
State + average local rate	6.80%
State + average local rank	26th
Collections per capita (2011)	\$1,021
Collections rank (2011)	22nd

## Excise Taxes

	Rate	Rank
Gasoline taxes and fees	26.5¢ per gallon	26th
Cigarette taxes	\$0.64 per pack	37th
Spirits taxes	\$3.75 per gallon	36th
Beer taxes	\$0.31 per gallon	20th
Cell phone taxes	18.48%	2nd

## Other Taxes

	Rate	Exemption
Gross receipts tax	None	N/A
Capital stock tax	Variable	\$11,995
Inheritance tax	1% - 18%	Variable
Estate tax	None	N/A

## About the Tax Foundation



The Tax Foundation is the nation's leading independent tax policy research organization. Since 1937, our principled research, insightful analysis, and engaged experts have informed smarter tax policy at the federal, state, and local levels. Our Center for

State Tax Policy is routinely relied upon for presentations, testimony, and media appearances on state tax and fiscal policy, and our website is a comprehensive resource for information on tax and spending policy in each U.S. state.

More at [taxfoundation.org](http://taxfoundation.org)