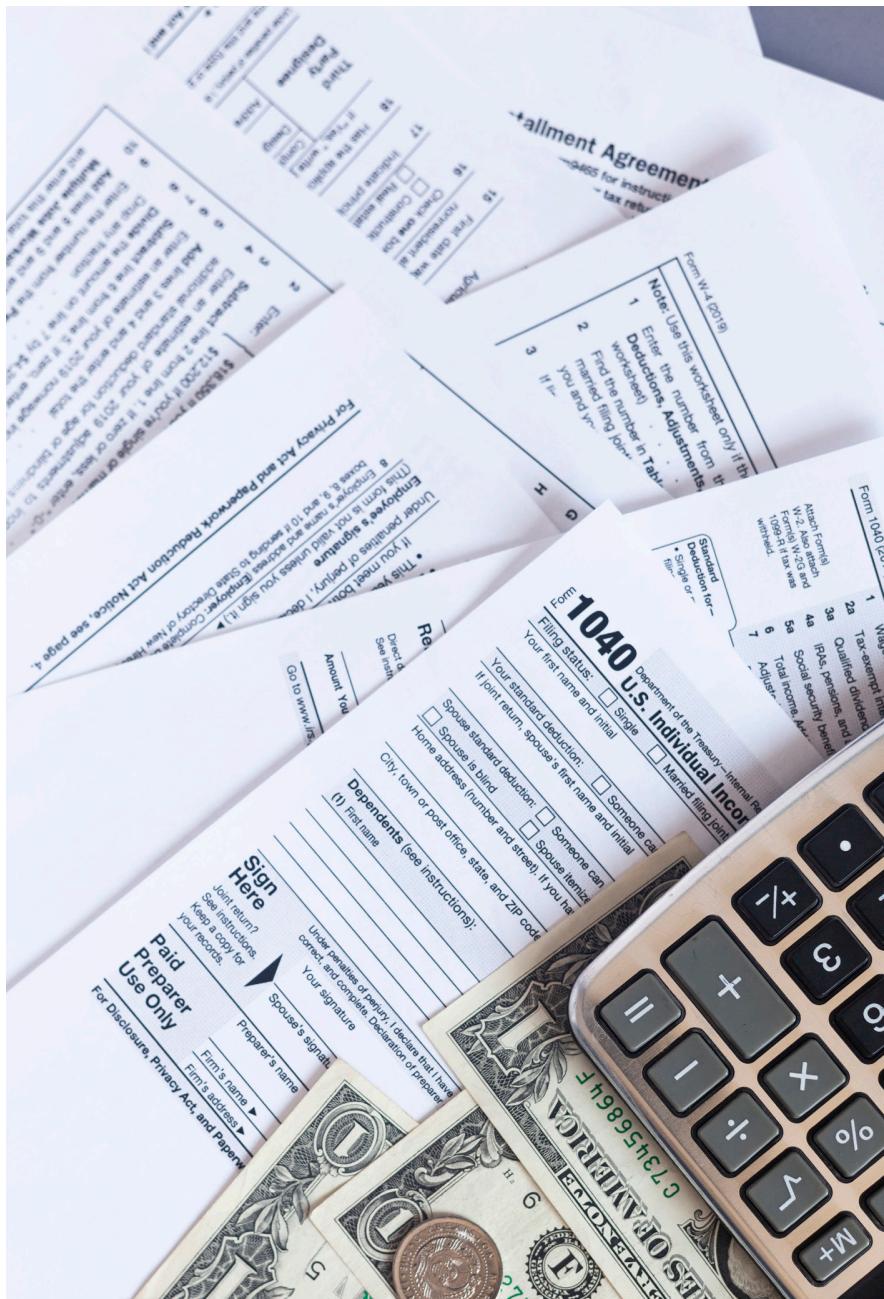


# State Government Tax Collections Summary Report: 2020

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## STATE GOVERNMENT TAX COLLECTIONS SUMMARY

State government tax collections totaled \$1,066.1 billion in fiscal year 2020, down 2.5 percent from the \$1,093.4 billion collected in fiscal year 2019 and was the first decline after eight consecutive years of increases. Although 2020 total state revenue figures have yet to be released, 2019 total state government tax collections accounted for 49.1 percent of state government general revenue.

In 2020, 35 states and the District of Columbia reported a decrease from the previous year's total tax collections compared to two states reporting a decrease in the previous year. At \$388.0 billion, individual income tax remained the single largest source of state government tax revenues in 2020, down 5.6 percent nationally from \$411.2 billion in 2019. General sales and gross receipts taxes, the second largest source of state government tax revenues, accounted for \$341.8 billion, an increase of 1.4 percent from 2019. Corporation net income tax decreased 12.4 percent in 2020, following a 23.2 percent increase in 2019.

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The distribution of state tax collections by tax category has remained relatively constant over the last 10 years.<sup>1</sup> In fiscal year 2020, most the nation's state tax collections came from individual income (36.5 percent) and general sales and gross receipts (32.2 percent). In the Northeast, Midwest, and West regions, individual income tax collections accounted for the largest percentage of tax collections with 47.0 percent, 36.2 percent, and 39.8 percent, respectively. In the South,

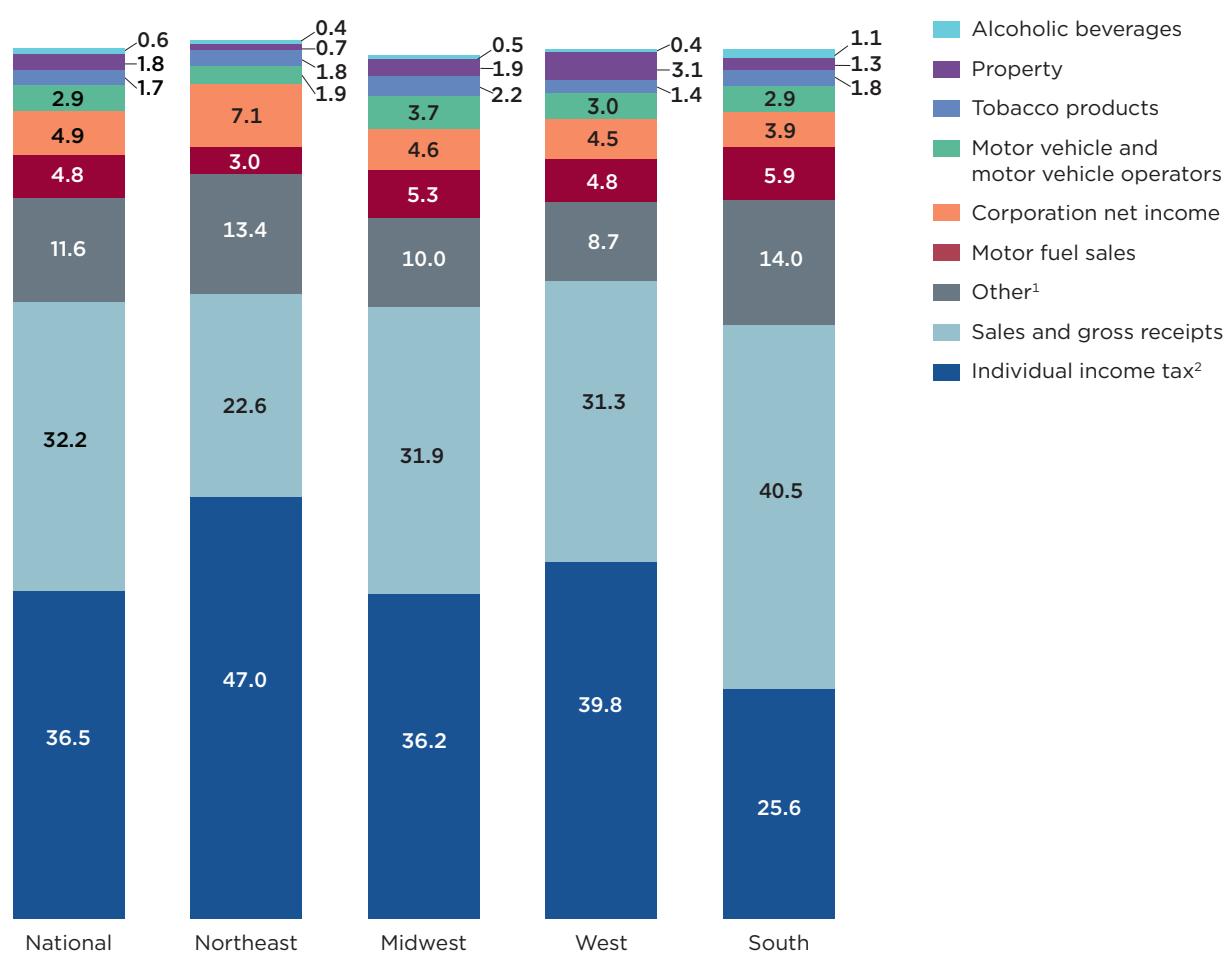
general sales and gross receipts taxes were the largest of the categories at 40.5 percent.

For further information on state and local government tax revenue, please contact the Economy-Wide Statistics Division, U.S. Census Bureau at 866-492-0140 or by e-mail at <[ewd.statetax@census.gov](mailto:ewd.statetax@census.gov)>.

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<sup>1</sup> For Figure 1 and the final paragraph of this brief, the District of Columbia is excluded from all calculations.

Figure 1.  
**State Government Tax Revenue by Type of Tax for the Nation and Census Regions: FY 2020**  
(In percent)



<sup>1</sup> The category "other" consists of other taxes not classified elsewhere.

<sup>2</sup> Individual income tax returns are typically filed in the second quarter resulting in higher second quarter collections.

Note: Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Quarterly Summary of State and Local Government Tax Revenue.