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State-by-State Guide to Taxes on Retirees

State Compare List

Use the chart below to see how selected states stack up when it comes to taxes that affect retirees. Click the links for key details on any state taxation policy. Compare as many as five states at once.

Go back to the Retiree Tax Map (</kiplinger-tools/retirement/t055-s001-state-by-state-guide-to-taxes-on-retirees/index.php>) to select different states to compare.

	<small>REMOVE (KIPIMAGES/DELETE_STATE.PNG)</small> DELAWARE (INDEX.PHP? STATE_ID=8)	<small>REMOVE (KIPIMAGES/DELETE_STATE.PNG)</small> MARYLAND (INDEX.PHP? STATE_ID=21)	<small>REMOVE (KIPIMAGES/DELETE_STATE.PNG)</small> PENNSYLVANIA (INDEX.PHP? STATE_ID=39)	<small>REMOVE (KIPIMAGES/DELETE_STATE.PNG)</small> VIRGINIA (INDEX.PHP? STATE_ID=47)	<small>REMOVE (KIPIMAGES/DELETE_STATE.PNG)</small> WEST VIRGINIA (INDEX.PHP? STATE_ID=49)
THE BOTTOM LINE	Most Tax-Friendly	Not Tax-Friendly	Not Tax-Friendly	Tax-Friendly	Mixed Tax Picture
INCOME TAX RANGE	Low: 2.2% High: 6.8% (local taxes may also apply) (index.php?state_id=8#income_tax_range)	Low: 2% High: 5.75% (local taxes also apply) (index.php?state_id=21#income_tax_range)	Flat 3.07% (local taxes may also apply) (index.php?state_id=39#income_tax_range)	Low: 2% High: 5.75% (index.php?state_id=47#income_tax_range)	Low: 3% High: 6.5% (local taxes may also apply) (index.php?state_id=49#income_tax_range)
TAX ON SOCIAL SECURITY	No	No	No	No	No
TAX BREAKS FOR OTHER RETIREMENT INCOME	Yes (index.php?state_id=8#retirement_income)	Yes (index.php?state_id=21#retirement_income)	Yes (index.php?state_id=39#retirement_income)	Yes (index.php?state_id=47#retirement_income)	Yes (index.php?state_id=49#retirement_income)
STATE SALES TAX RATE	0% (no local taxes) (index.php?state_id=8#state_sales_tax)	6% (no local taxes) (index.php?state_id=21#state_sales_tax)	6% (avg. combined state & local rate is 6.34%) (index.php?state_id=39#state_sales_tax)	5.3% (avg. combined state & local rate is 5.75%) (index.php?state_id=47#state_sales_tax)	6% (avg. combined state & local rate is 6.52%) (index.php?state_id=49#state_sales_tax)
MEDIAN REAL PROPERTY TAX	\$562 in taxes per \$100,000 of assessed home value (index.php?state_id=8#property_taxes_new)	\$1,057 in taxes per \$100,000 of assessed home value (index.php?state_id=21#property_taxes_new)	\$1,499 in taxes per \$100,000 of assessed home value (index.php?state_id=39#property_taxes_new)	\$804 in taxes per \$100,000 of assessed home value (index.php?state_id=47#property_taxes_new)	\$571 in taxes per \$100,000 of assessed home value (index.php?state_id=49#property_taxes_new)
REAL PROPERTY TAX BREAKS FOR SENIORS	Yes (index.php?state_id=8#property_tax)	Yes (index.php?state_id=21#property_tax)	Yes (index.php?state_id=39#property_tax)	Yes (index.php?state_id=47#property_tax)	Yes (index.php?state_id=49#property_tax)
ESTATE OR INHERITANCE TAX	None (index.php?state_id=8#inheritance_tax)	Both (index.php?state_id=21#inheritance_tax)	Inheritance Tax (index.php?state_id=39#inheritance_tax)	None (index.php?state_id=47#inheritance_tax)	None (index.php?state_id=49#inheritance_tax)
FOR MORE INFORMATION	Go to State Profile (index.php?state_id=8#)	Go to State Profile (index.php?state_id=21#)	Go to State Profile (index.php?state_id=39#)	Go to State Profile (index.php?state_id=47#)	Go to State Profile (index.php?state_id=49#)



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