

Property Tax: New Mexico Comparison to Other States

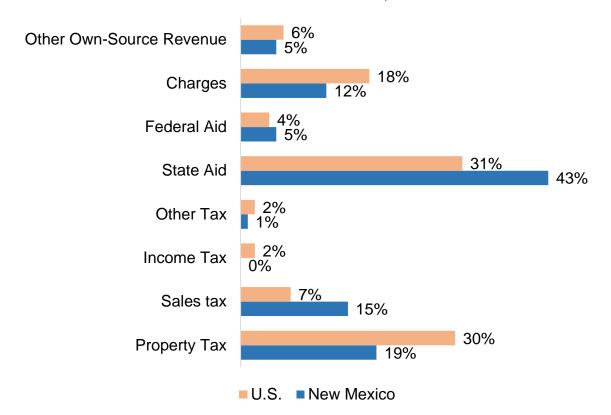
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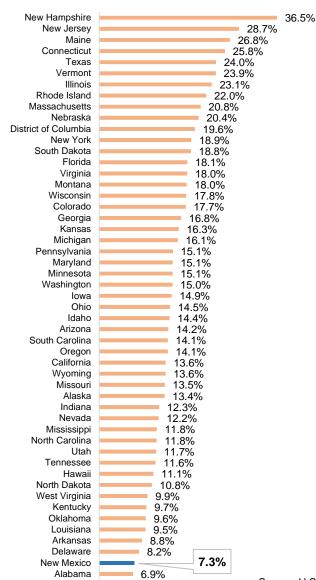
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State and local governments in New Mexico rely less heavily on property taxes than most states.

Sources Of Local General Revenue, New Mexico and U.S., 2019

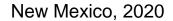


Property Tax as a Percent of State and Local General Revenue, 2019

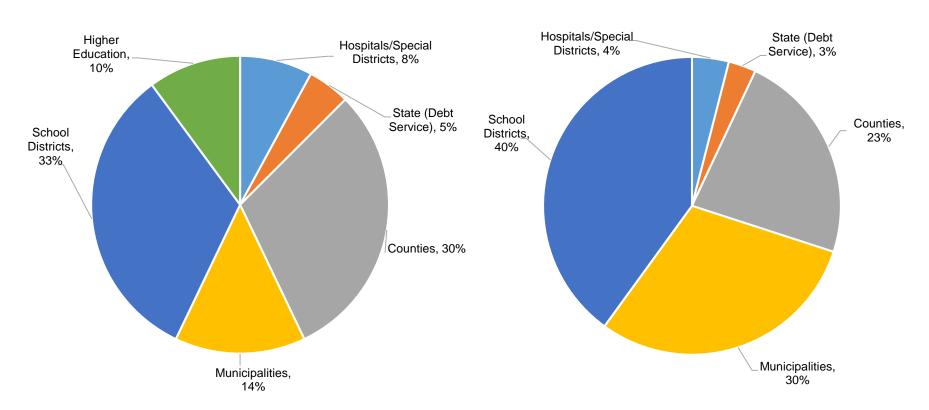


Source: U.S.

Distribution of Property Taxes

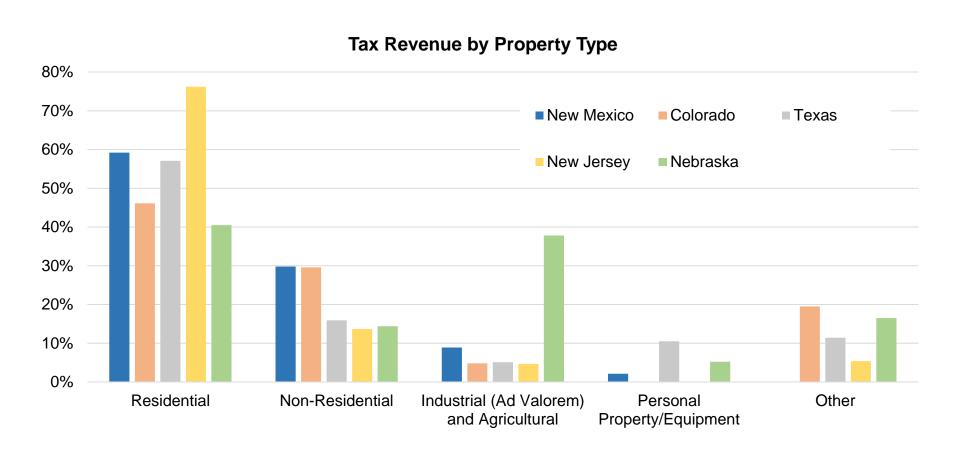


National Average, 2017



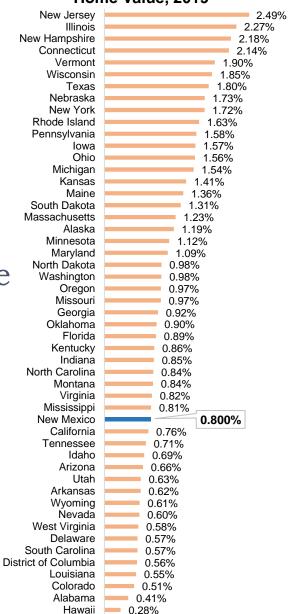
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, DFA Property Tax Facts

Share of Property Tax by Property Type

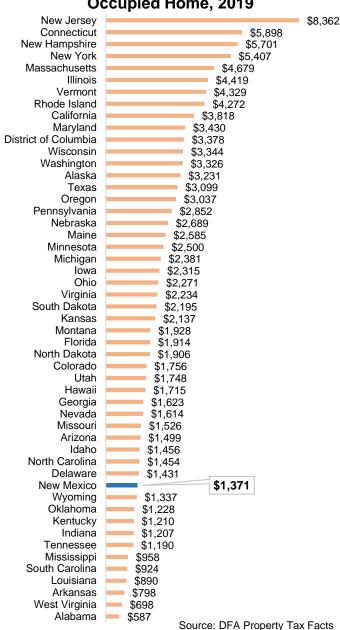


The amount of property taxes paid by New Mexicans is moderately low, measured as a rate on the home value and as an absolute value.

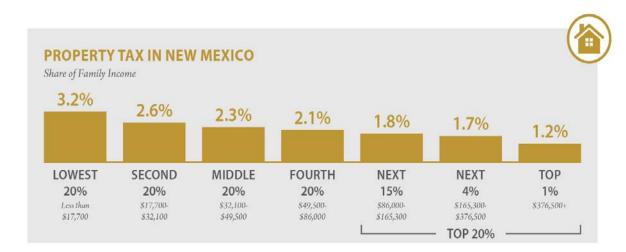
Effective Tax Rate on Median Home Value, 2019



Median Annual Property Tax, Owner-Occupied Home, 2019

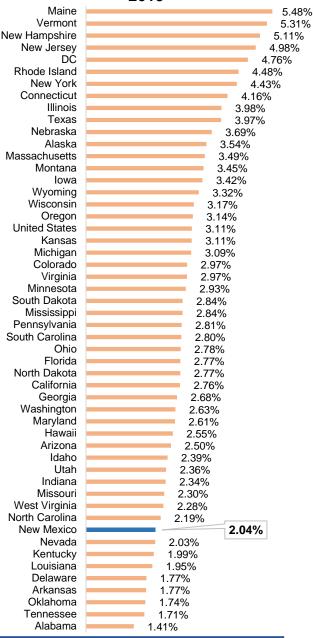


On average, property taxes account for 2.04 percent of income in New Mexico. The share of income increases at lower incomes and decreases at higher incomes.



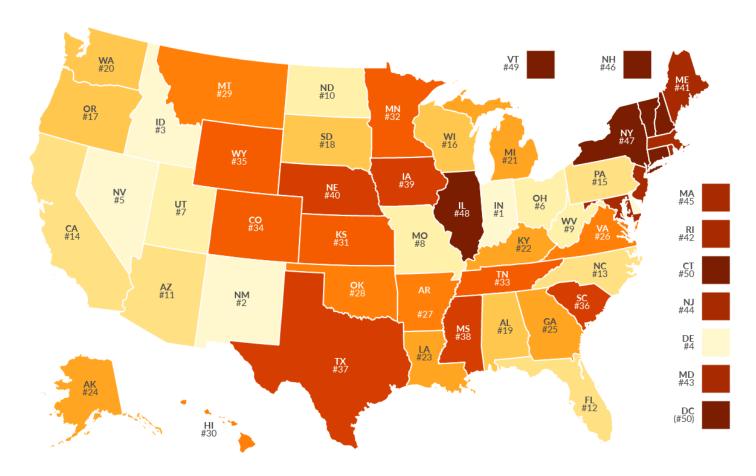
Source: ITEP, Lincoln Institute

Property Tax as Share of Income, 2019

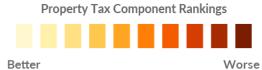


How Does Your State Rank on Property Taxes?

Property Tax Component Rankings, 2022 State Business Tax Climate Index



Note: A rank of 1 is best, 50 is worst. D.C.'s score and rank do not affect other states. The report shows tax systems as of July 1, 2021 (the beginning of Fiscal Year 2022). Source: Tax Foundation, 2022 State Business Tax Climate Index.



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National Property Tax Trends

- Circuit-breakers
- Shifting tax base
- Repealing assessment limits

PIT Rebate for Excess of Elderly Taxpayers Maximum Property Tax Liability

Fiscal Year	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Claims	16,152	16,081	15,796	14,373	14,156
Expenditure (thousands)	\$3,340	\$3,358	\$3,307	\$3,036	\$2,988

Recent Legislation

- Real Estate Transfer Taxes
 - HB 158 in the 2022 regular session
- Special treatment of non-primary residences
 - HB 71 in the 2022 regular session
- Expanding the disabled veteran exemption
 - HJR 6 in the 2022 regular session

HB 158 (2022 Regular Session): Proposed Real Estate Transfer Tax					
Property Value	Tax Rate				
\$0 - \$499,999	0.00%				
\$500,000 - \$750,000	0.5%				
\$750,001 and greater	1.2%				

In summary, New Mexicans have low income taxes relative to other states.

	New Mexico	U.S. Average	Rank (of 51) 1 is highest
Per capita property tax	\$884	\$1,758	46
Property tax percentage of personal income	2.0%	3.1%	43
Total property tax as percentage of state-local revenue	7.3%	16.6%	50
Median owner-occupied home value ²	\$171,400	\$217,500	34
Median real estate taxes paid for owner- occupied home ²	\$1,371	\$2,471	40
Effective tax rate, median owner-occupied home ³	0.8%	1.1%	35

Source: Lincoln Institute