The Distribution of Select Federal Tax Deductions and Credits Across the States

Data Tables

Federal tax reform discussions often include proposals to reduce or eliminate various tax expenditures—special exclusions, deductions, credits, and other provisions that allow people or businesses to reduce their income taxes. These data tables provide the underlying data for the interactive maps that highlight the state distribution of several federal tax deductions and credits. The maps reveal wide variation across the states, indicating that changing federal tax expenditures likely would change the geographic distribution of federal tax benefits.

Tax expenditures reduce the revenue the government would otherwise collect and are often similar to direct government spending in their goals as they seek to promote activities such as charitable giving and homeownership. In 2014, federal tax expenditures are estimated to total about \$1.2 trillion, rivaling total federal "discretionary" spending that Congress allocates annually to areas such as defense, education, and transportation. Itemized deductions have been identified in various proposals under discussion in Washington as a target for tax reform and as a group are estimated to total about \$211 billion in forgone revenue in 2014 (see definition of summing tax expenditures). This amount is on a par with the largest single tax expenditures. The earned income tax credit (\$63 billion) and the child tax credit (\$45 billion) are some of the biggest federal tax credits.

The geographic distribution of federal tax expenditures is influenced by how a particular expenditure is structured as well as differences across states in income and other demographic characteristics, economic conditions, state tax structures, and other factors.

It is important to note that deduction amounts are not comparable, and cannot be added to, the credit amounts. This is because deductions reduce the amount of income that is subject to tax, whereas credits reduce the tax amount itself. Thus, the deduction amounts do not reflect the direct impact on a filer's tax bill while the credit amounts do.

All Federal Itemized Deductions, by State, 2012

Itemized deductions include those for state and local taxes paid, mortgage interest, charitable contributions, and certain other expenses. In 2012, tax filers claimed about \$1.3 trillion in itemized deductions, resulting in roughly \$176 billion in forgone federal revenue (see definition of summing tax expenditures).

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	31.6%	\$8,684	\$27,502
Alabama	28.4%	\$6,147	\$21,677
Alaska	24.3%	\$4,998	\$20,600
Arizona	30.9%	\$7,758	\$25,126
Arkansas	24.2%	\$5,748	\$23,736
California	35.0%	\$12,249	\$34,947
Colorado	35.4%	\$8,880	\$25,059
Connecticut	42.8%	\$14,522	\$33,957
Delaware	34.1%	\$7,940	\$23,274
District of Columbia	40.1%	\$13,808	\$34,459
Florida	24.7%	\$6,479	\$26,221
Georgia	34.4%	\$8,279	\$24,074
Hawaii	30.6%	\$7,904	\$25,827
Idaho	30.4%	\$7,074	\$23,247
Illinois	34.3%	\$9,228	\$26,941
Indiana	25.4%	\$5,362	\$21,125
lowa	31.0%	\$6,909	\$22,297
Kansas	29.8%	\$7,408	\$24,832
Kentucky	28.1%	\$6,001	\$21,388
Louisiana	24.0%	\$6,133	\$25,553
Maine	29.9%	\$6,621	\$22,157
Maryland	46.8%	\$13,303	\$28,424
Massachusetts	38.4%	\$11,512	\$29,983
Michigan	29.0%	\$6,333	\$21,864
Minnesota	37.7%	\$9,350	\$24,793
Mississippi	24.1%	\$6,405	\$26,557

Missouri	28.7%	\$6,603	\$22,988
Montana	29.9%	\$6,767	\$22,652
Nebraska	29.6%	\$7,498	\$25,325
Nevada	26.9%	\$7,686	\$28,573
New Hampshire	33.9%	\$8,288	\$24,478
New Jersey	42.4%	\$13,126	\$30,961
New Mexico	24.6%	\$5,454	\$22,193
New York	35.6%	\$12,656	\$35,600
North Carolina	33.0%	\$7,826	\$23,744
North Dakota	19.9%	\$5,243	\$26,319
Ohio	29.3%	\$6,285	\$21,447
Oklahoma	25.6%	\$6,850	\$26,764
Oregon	37.8%	\$9,418	\$24,935
Pennsylvania	30.4%	\$7,424	\$24,409
Rhode Island	34.8%	\$8,530	\$24,494
South Carolina	29.1%	\$7,094	\$24,396
South Dakota	18.6%	\$4,473	\$23,989
Tennessee	22.6%	\$5,052	\$22,313
Texas	24.3%	\$6,340	\$26,124
Utah	37.4%	\$10,999	\$29,420
Vermont	28.8%	\$6,697	\$23,218
Virginia	38.9%	\$10,803	\$27,778
Washington	33.1%	\$8,168	\$24,654
West Virginia	18.3%	\$3,927	\$21,476
Wisconsin	34.6%	\$7,811	\$22,588
Wyoming	22.3%	\$16,880	\$75,728

Total Federal Deductions for State and Local Taxes Paid, by State, 2012

Tax filers who itemize on their federal return may deduct certain taxes paid to state and local governments. These include income, sales, real estate, and other taxes. In 2012, tax filers deducted about \$485 billion for taxes paid, resulting in roughly \$45 billion in forgone federal revenue (see definition of summing tax expenditures).

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	31.3%	\$3,344	\$10,670
Alabama	28.0%	\$1,495	\$5,334
Alaska	23.4%	\$1,069	\$4,576
Arizona	30.7%	\$2,038	\$6,629
Arkansas	24.1%	\$1,937	\$8,041
California	34.9%	\$5,100	\$14,598
Colorado	35.3%	\$2,752	\$7,796
Connecticut	42.6%	\$7,528	\$17,657
Delaware	33.8%	\$2,750	\$8,143
District of Columbia	39.9%	\$5,742	\$14,400
Florida	24.0%	\$1,511	\$6,302
Georgia	34.2%	\$2,696	\$7,885
Hawaii	30.4%	\$2,501	\$8,219
Idaho	30.3%	\$2,251	\$7,425
Illinois	34.2%	\$4,101	\$12,006
Indiana	25.3%	\$1,908	\$7,534
lowa	30.9%	\$2,771	\$8,965
Kansas	29.7%	\$2,921	\$9,821
Kentucky	28.0%	\$2,390	\$8,547
Louisiana	23.8%	\$1,515	\$6,358
Maine	29.8%	\$3,016	\$10,127
Maryland	46.6%	\$5,480	\$11,759
Massachusetts	38.3%	\$5,104	\$13,331
Michigan	28.9%	\$2,429	\$8,406
Minnesota	37.6%	\$4,018	\$10,681

Mississippi	24.0%	\$1,411	\$5,881
Missouri	28.6%	\$2,432	\$8,496
Montana	29.5%	\$2,325	\$7,882
Nebraska	29.5%	\$2,902	\$9,838
Nevada	26.5%	\$1,388	\$5,243
New Hampshire	33.4%	\$2,986	\$8,940
New Jersey	42.3%	\$6,687	\$15,826
New Mexico	24.4%	\$1,523	\$6,237
New York	35.4%	\$6,650	\$18,768
North Carolina	32.8%	\$2,928	\$8,915
North Dakota	19.8%	\$1,403	\$7,084
Ohio	29.2%	\$2,809	\$9,622
Oklahoma	25.5%	\$1,862	\$7,311
Oregon	37.3%	\$3,854	\$10,336
Pennsylvania	30.3%	\$3,044	\$10,048
Rhode Island	34.7%	\$3,924	\$11,293
South Carolina	29.0%	\$2,226	\$7,687
South Dakota	18.4%	\$992	\$5,401
Tennessee	22.2%	\$1,085	\$4,878
Texas	23.7%	\$1,655	\$6,984
Utah	37.3%	\$2,632	\$7,062
Vermont	28.8%	\$3,035	\$10,555
Virginia	38.7%	\$3,872	\$9,993
Washington	32.8%	\$2,120	\$6,471
West Virginia	18.2%	\$1,501	\$8,239
Wisconsin	34.5%	\$3,763	\$10,910
Wyoming	21.9%	\$1,167	\$5,324

Federal Deduction for State and Local Income Taxes Paid, by State, 2012

Tax filers who itemize on their federal return may deduct income taxes paid to state and local governments. They may deduct income or sales taxes, but not both. In 2012, the combined deductions for income and sales taxes totaled about \$299 billion, resulting in roughly \$29 billion in forgone federal revenue.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	23.1%	\$1,949	\$8,445
Alabama	22.7%	\$1,046	\$4,606
Alaska	6.0%	\$70	\$1,176
Arizona	21.9%	\$1,107	\$5,061
Arkansas	20.3%	\$1,449	\$7,154
California	28.1%	\$3,454	\$12,299
Colorado	30.7%	\$1,789	\$5,835
Connecticut	38.2%	\$4,510	\$11,799
Delaware	32.0%	\$1,974	\$6,160
District of Columbia	37.8%	\$4,599	\$12,165
Florida	1.9%	\$299	\$15,598
Georgia	30.1%	\$1,756	\$5,834
Hawaii	25.9%	\$1,943	\$7,503
Idaho	24.5%	\$1,571	\$6,408
Illinois	29.2%	\$2,063	\$7,071
Indiana	23.9%	\$1,335	\$5,589
lowa	27.0%	\$1,738	\$6,447
Kansas	24.0%	\$1,835	\$7,656
Kentucky	24.6%	\$1,727	\$7,022
Louisiana	19.5%	\$1,024	\$5,249
Maine	27.2%	\$1,813	\$6,657
Maryland	43.7%	\$3,817	\$8,726
Massachusetts	35.8%	\$3,065	\$8,561
Michigan	25.0%	\$1,358	\$5,424
Minnesota	34.7%	\$2,692	\$7,766

Mississippi	17.7%	\$854	\$4,836
Missouri	24.9%	\$1,528	\$6,137
Montana	27.4%	\$1,549	\$5,656
Nebraska	25.8%	\$1,706	\$6,601
Nevada	2.5%	\$316	\$12,843
New Hampshire	14.3%	\$697	\$4,885
New Jersey	34.7%	\$3,290	\$9,493
New Mexico	20.2%	\$932	\$4,622
New York	30.9%	\$4,459	\$14,452
North Carolina	28.8%	\$2,031	\$7,061
North Dakota	14.8%	\$777	\$5,253
Ohio	26.5%	\$1,785	\$6,733
Oklahoma	20.7%	\$1,262	\$6,090
Oregon	34.9%	\$2,630	\$7,531
Pennsylvania	26.8%	\$1,684	\$6,285
Rhode Island	32.4%	\$2,048	\$6,314
South Carolina	25.0%	\$1,549	\$6,188
South Dakota	1.8%	\$187	\$10,224
Tennessee	2.0%	\$151	\$7,581
Texas	1.4%	\$129	\$9,380
Utah	33.3%	\$1,797	\$5,404
Vermont	26.3%	\$1,570	\$5,976
Virginia	35.8%	\$2,456	\$6,862
Washington	2.5%	\$209	\$8,405
West Virginia	17.1%	\$1,184	\$6,924
Wisconsin	31.4%	\$2,219	\$7,067
Wyoming	2.4%	\$335	\$13,704

Federal Deduction for State and Local Sales Taxes Paid, by State, 2012

Tax filers who itemize on their federal return may deduct sales taxes paid to state and local governments. They may deduct sales or income taxes, but not both. In 2012, the combined deductions for income and sales taxes totaled about \$299 billion, resulting in roughly \$29 billion in forgone federal revenue.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	7.3%	\$113	\$1,543
Alabama	4.8%	\$69	\$1,415
Alaska	7.1%	\$73	\$1,028
Arizona	8.4%	\$139	\$1,650
Arkansas	3.6%	\$59	\$1,630
California	6.4%	\$87	\$1,359
Colorado	4.2%	\$48	\$1,150
Connecticut	3.9%	\$35	\$898
Delaware	0.3%	\$4	\$1,398
District of Columbia	1.7%	\$15	\$892
Florida	19.7%	\$279	\$1,417
Georgia	3.6%	\$41	\$1,163
Hawaii	4.0%	\$45	\$1,126
Idaho	5.4%	\$62	\$1,151
Illinois	4.5%	\$59	\$1,303
Indiana	1.3%	\$17	\$1,318
lowa	3.8%	\$39	\$1,021
Kansas	5.5%	\$92	\$1,654
Kentucky	3.0%	\$28	\$938
Louisiana	4.0%	\$81	\$2,006
Maine	2.2%	\$14	\$629
Maryland	2.4%	\$22	\$914
Massachusetts	2.2%	\$16	\$736
Michigan	3.5%	\$34	\$959
Minnesota	2.7%	\$29	\$1,060

Mississippi	5.9%	\$91	\$1,529
Missouri	3.4%	\$39	\$1,142
Montana	0.4%	\$5	\$1,494
Nebraska	3.5%	\$44	\$1,267
Nevada	21.7%	\$332	\$1,529
New Hampshire	0.5%	\$5	\$911
New Jersey	7.0%	\$68	\$962
New Mexico	3.8%	\$49	\$1,264
New York	4.2%	\$54	\$1,267
North Carolina	3.6%	\$36	\$1,009
North Dakota	4.9%	\$53	\$1,079
Ohio	2.4%	\$27	\$1,106
Oklahoma	4.5%	\$67	\$1,484
Oregon	0.3%	\$5	\$1,450
Pennsylvania	3.1%	\$29	\$929
Rhode Island	2.0%	\$19	\$921
South Carolina	3.5%	\$35	\$997
South Dakota	15.3%	\$224	\$1,470
Tennessee	18.4%	\$404	\$2,189
Texas	19.7%	\$376	\$1,906
Utah	3.6%	\$46	\$1,256
Vermont	2.1%	\$16	\$755
Virginia	2.4%	\$22	\$922
Washington	27.7%	\$602	\$2,171
West Virginia	1.0%	\$11	\$1,161
Wisconsin	2.8%	\$23	\$819
Wyoming	17.4%	\$221	\$1,269

Federal Deduction for Real Estate Taxes Paid, by State, 2012

Tax filers who itemize on their federal return may deduct real estate taxes paid to state and local governments. In 2012, tax filers deducted about \$172 billion for real estate taxes paid, resulting in roughly \$15 billion in forgone federal revenue.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. Average	27.0%	\$1,189	\$4,401
Alabama	23.1%	\$300	\$1,300
Alaska	21.8%	\$880	\$4,031
Arizona	27.3%	\$662	\$2,429
Arkansas	20.1%	\$345	\$1,716
California	28.3%	\$1,405	\$4,967
Colorado	31.9%	\$786	\$2,461
Connecticut	39.0%	\$2,740	\$7,035
Delaware	30.6%	\$737	\$2,410
District of Columbia	26.1%	\$1,057	\$4,053
Florida	20.3%	\$881	\$4,333
Georgia	28.9%	\$770	\$2,663
Hawaii	23.5%	\$450	\$1,917
Idaho	27.4%	\$585	\$2,133
Illinois	30.8%	\$1,896	\$6,146
Indiana	23.0%	\$478	\$2,078
lowa	28.0%	\$882	\$3,150
Kansas	26.9%	\$853	\$3,171
Kentucky	25.0%	\$533	\$2,130
Louisiana	17.5%	\$360	\$2,053
Maine	27.8%	\$1,068	\$3,836
Maryland	38.1%	\$1,582	\$4,148
Massachusetts	34.5%	\$1,900	\$5,501
Michigan	26.6%	\$947	\$3,557
Minnesota	34.8%	\$1,193	\$3,433
Mississippi	19.0%	\$363	\$1,908

Missouri	25.8%	\$714	\$2,765
Montana	26.5%	\$676	\$2,552
Nebraska	26.3%	\$1,003	\$3,813
Nevada	22.2%	\$604	\$2,719
New Hampshire	31.9%	\$2,132	\$6,691
New Jersey	37.2%	\$3,245	\$8,730
New Mexico	21.5%	\$509	\$2,367
New York	26.2%	\$2,058	\$7,869
North Carolina	29.1%	\$767	\$2,633
North Dakota	16.2%	\$552	\$3,417
Ohio	26.1%	\$962	\$3,691
Oklahoma	21.7%	\$495	\$2,281
Oregon	33.5%	\$1,184	\$3,536
Pennsylvania	27.4%	\$1,283	\$4,679
Rhode Island	32.0%	\$1,616	\$5,053
South Carolina	25.9%	\$499	\$1,930
South Dakota	16.1%	\$562	\$3,480
Tennessee	19.9%	\$505	\$2,538
Texas	20.5%	\$1,102	\$5,376
Utah	33.7%	\$732	\$2,173
Vermont	27.0%	\$1,398	\$5,188
Virginia	34.0%	\$1,221	\$3,594
Washington	30.4%	\$1,250	\$4,107
West Virginia	16.0%	\$240	\$1,500
Wisconsin	31.9%	\$1,440	\$4,518
Wyoming	19.5%	\$454	\$2,322

Federal Mortgage Interest Deduction, by State, 2012

Tax filers who itemize on their federal return may deduct interest paid on mortgage debt and home equity debt, subject to certain limits. In 2012, tax filers deducted about \$328 billion in mortgage interest, resulting in roughly \$82 billion in forgone federal revenue.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	23.7%	\$2,260	\$9,524
Alabama	21.3%	\$1,694	\$7,952
Alaska	20.4%	\$2,091	\$10,226
Arizona	24.5%	\$2,446	\$9,973
Arkansas	17.8%	\$1,265	\$7,107
California	25.6%	\$3,565	\$13,925
Colorado	29.5%	\$3,082	\$10,447
Connecticut	32.5%	\$3,154	\$9,712
Delaware	28.5%	\$2,781	\$9,774
District of Columbia	24.2%	\$3,209	\$13,274
Florida	17.6%	\$1,769	\$10,037
Georgia	26.5%	\$2,285	\$8,609
Hawaii	22.0%	\$3,029	\$13,750
Idaho	24.4%	\$2,080	\$8,521
Illinois	26.2%	\$2,241	\$8,540
Indiana	20.5%	\$1,434	\$7,006
lowa	22.7%	\$1,454	\$6,403
Kansas	22.2%	\$1,560	\$7,028
Kentucky	22.2%	\$1,513	\$6,824
Louisiana	17.3%	\$1,409	\$8,162
Maine	23.7%	\$1,799	\$7,574
Maryland	34.4%	\$3,794	\$11,042
Massachusetts	29.6%	\$3,023	\$10,207
Michigan	23.0%	\$1,722	\$7,474
Minnesota	30.1%	\$2,606	\$8,652
Mississippi	16.8%	\$1,189	\$7,078

Missouri	22.4%	\$1,679	\$7,478
Montana	21.9%	\$1,800	\$8,206
Nebraska	22.2%	\$1,477	\$6,662
Nevada	20.6%	\$2,188	\$10,618
New Hampshire	27.7%	\$2,539	\$9,183
New Jersey	30.3%	\$3,071	\$10,129
New Mexico	19.3%	\$1,736	\$8,975
New York	21.9%	\$2,101	\$9,583
North Carolina	26.0%	\$2,135	\$8,196
North Dakota	13.8%	\$1,028	\$7,446
Ohio	23.2%	\$1,572	\$6,778
Oklahoma	18.5%	\$1,312	\$7,084
Oregon	29.1%	\$2,729	\$9,382
Pennsylvania	23.7%	\$1,882	\$7,956
Rhode Island	27.9%	\$2,389	\$8,567
South Carolina	23.0%	\$1,890	\$8,202
South Dakota	13.5%	\$1,056	\$7,805
Tennessee	17.7%	\$1,524	\$8,601
Texas	18.1%	\$1,520	\$8,393
Utah	30.1%	\$2,743	\$9,106
Vermont	22.7%	\$1,762	\$7,774
Virginia	31.0%	\$3,492	\$11,277
Washington	27.4%	\$3,076	\$11,243
West Virginia	14.2%	\$1,050	\$7,409
Wisconsin	27.0%	\$1,862	\$6,910
Wyoming	17.2%	\$1,651	\$9,595

Federal Deduction for Charitable Contributions, by State, 2012

Tax filers who itemize on their federal return may deduct contributions made to qualifying charities and nonprofit organizations. In 2012, tax filers deducted about \$199 billion for charitable contributions, resulting in roughly \$42 billion in forgone federal revenue.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. Average	25.9%	\$1,369	\$5,296
Alabama	24.5%	\$1,494	\$6,101
Alaska	17.4%	\$903	\$5,184
Arizona	25.8%	\$1,088	\$4,211
Arkansas	19.3%	\$1,263	\$6,537
California	28.9%	\$1,514	\$5,244
Colorado	29.0%	\$1,378	\$4,754
Connecticut	35.7%	\$1,961	\$5,500
Delaware	28.1%	\$1,097	\$3,898
District of Columbia	33.0%	\$2,730	\$8,269
Florida	19.9%	\$1,212	\$6,101
Georgia	29.2%	\$1,679	\$5,744
Hawaii	24.8%	\$941	\$3,787
Idaho	24.5%	\$1,372	\$5,595
Illinois	28.1%	\$1,334	\$4,740
Indiana	20.2%	\$984	\$4,864
lowa	25.1%	\$1,079	\$4,294
Kansas	24.3%	\$1,502	\$6,169
Kentucky	22.8%	\$1,045	\$4,584
Louisiana	18.7%	\$1,064	\$5,702
Maine	22.5%	\$673	\$2,994
Maryland	39.4%	\$1,843	\$4,680
Massachusetts	31.7%	\$1,492	\$4,706
Michigan	24.3%	\$1,076	\$4,421
Minnesota	31.9%	\$1,296	\$4,064
Mississippi	20.1%	\$1,259	\$6,265

Missouri	22.9%	\$1,177	\$5,131
Montana	23.1%	\$1,183	\$5,123
Nebraska	24.7%	\$1,393	\$5,647
Nevada	21.7%	\$1,186	\$5,457
New Hampshire	25.7%	\$806	\$3,132
New Jersey	35.9%	\$1,311	\$3,652
New Mexico	18.8%	\$881	\$4,687
New York	30.0%	\$1,758	\$5,857
North Carolina	27.9%	\$1,380	\$4,947
North Dakota	14.6%	\$887	\$6,061
Ohio	22.9%	\$943	\$4,111
Oklahoma	20.4%	\$1,538	\$7,551
Oregon	30.2%	\$1,279	\$4,232
Pennsylvania	24.7%	\$1,062	\$4,292
Rhode Island	29.0%	\$915	\$3,155
South Carolina	24.8%	\$1,308	\$5,270
South Dakota	14.5%	\$1,256	\$8,655
Tennessee	18.6%	\$1,305	\$7,035
Texas	19.0%	\$1,389	\$7,315
Utah	32.4%	\$2,814	\$8,675
Vermont	21.0%	\$838	\$3,985
Virginia	31.9%	\$1,501	\$4,702
Washington	26.3%	\$1,391	\$5,286
West Virginia	13.0%	\$615	\$4,721
Wisconsin	27.7%	\$987	\$3,556
Wyoming	15.2%	\$12,480	\$82,237

Federal Child Tax Credit, by State, 2012

Tax filers can claim a credit worth up to \$1,000 for each qualifying child. This credit is nonrefundable, meaning it cannot reduce taxes below zero. In 2012, the child tax credit reduced tax filers' overall tax liabilities by about \$28 billion.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	15.7%	\$190	\$1,208
Alabama	16.9%	\$195	\$1,155
Alaska	16.8%	\$224	\$1,336
Arizona	17.3%	\$208	\$1,202
Arkansas	17.6%	\$206	\$1,166
California	16.2%	\$186	\$1,148
Colorado	16.2%	\$205	\$1,264
Connecticut	13.9%	\$167	\$1,202
Delaware	15.8%	\$186	\$1,178
District of Columbia	8.7%	\$84	\$960
Florida	13.1%	\$144	\$1,101
Georgia	16.3%	\$183	\$1,124
Hawaii	15.6%	\$194	\$1,243
Idaho	18.8%	\$254	\$1,354
Illinois	15.5%	\$189	\$1,222
Indiana	17.2%	\$221	\$1,284
lowa	17.5%	\$240	\$1,368
Kansas	17.8%	\$234	\$1,316
Kentucky	17.3%	\$212	\$1,223
Louisiana	17.1%	\$199	\$1,162
Maine	14.3%	\$176	\$1,237
Maryland	15.1%	\$177	\$1,174
Massachusetts	13.3%	\$163	\$1,226
Michigan	14.5%	\$187	\$1,290
Minnesota	15.9%	\$215	\$1,349
Mississippi	17.7%	\$194	\$1,096

Missouri	16.1%	\$203	\$1,256
Montana	14.6%	\$193	\$1,324
Nebraska	17.8%	\$244	\$1,370
Nevada	17.2%	\$200	\$1,159
New Hampshire	14.3%	\$184	\$1,286
New Jersey	14.2%	\$167	\$1,170
New Mexico	17.0%	\$201	\$1,181
New York	13.1%	\$151	\$1,151
North Carolina	16.9%	\$192	\$1,141
North Dakota	16.0%	\$225	\$1,408
Ohio	15.5%	\$198	\$1,277
Oklahoma	18.5%	\$229	\$1,240
Oregon	14.8%	\$184	\$1,245
Pennsylvania	14.5%	\$183	\$1,263
Rhode Island	14.2%	\$167	\$1,180
South Carolina	16.4%	\$187	\$1,139
South Dakota	16.1%	\$223	\$1,384
Tennessee	16.2%	\$190	\$1,168
Texas	18.2%	\$216	\$1,190
Utah	22.6%	\$342	\$1,515
Vermont	13.8%	\$174	\$1,262
Virginia	15.6%	\$190	\$1,216
Washington	16.1%	\$203	\$1,258
West Virginia	16.1%	\$205	\$1,271
Wisconsin	16.0%	\$211	\$1,321
Wyoming	16.3%	\$230	\$1,416

Federal Refundable Child Tax Credit, by State, 2012

The refundable child tax credit is available to some tax filers who cannot claim the full child tax credit amount because it exceeds their taxes. The combined value of the refundable and nonrefundable child credits is worth up to \$1,000 for each qualifying child. In 2012, the refundable child tax credit reduced tax filers' overall tax liabilities by about \$27 billion.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	14.1%	\$188	\$1,340
Alabama	18.6%	\$247	\$1,326
Alaska	9.5%	\$127	\$1,336
Arizona	17.5%	\$258	\$1,472
Arkansas	18.4%	\$240	\$1,305
California	16.0%	\$223	\$1,396
Colorado	11.8%	\$170	\$1,436
Connecticut	8.7%	\$104	\$1,200
Delaware	12.5%	\$160	\$1,282
District of Columbia	11.2%	\$132	\$1,177
Florida	15.4%	\$198	\$1,289
Georgia	20.0%	\$279	\$1,396
Hawaii	11.6%	\$154	\$1,326
Idaho	15.8%	\$236	\$1,492
Illinois	13.6%	\$187	\$1,376
Indiana	13.5%	\$187	\$1,385
lowa	10.5%	\$139	\$1,323
Kansas	12.8%	\$176	\$1,380
Kentucky	15.2%	\$198	\$1,303
Louisiana	18.3%	\$227	\$1,242
Maine	9.5%	\$113	\$1,184
Maryland	11.3%	\$145	\$1,280
Massachusetts	7.7%	\$90	\$1,164
Michigan	11.9%	\$155	\$1,300
Minnesota	9.3%	\$127	\$1,356

Mississippi	22.7%	\$290	\$1,275
Missouri	13.3%	\$171	\$1,285
Montana	10.7%	\$136	\$1,277
Nebraska	11.8%	\$162	\$1,368
Nevada	16.5%	\$242	\$1,469
New Hampshire	7.0%	\$82	\$1,181
New Jersey	10.4%	\$132	\$1,270
New Mexico	17.4%	\$225	\$1,289
New York	12.4%	\$154	\$1,239
North Carolina	17.3%	\$236	\$1,364
North Dakota	8.0%	\$102	\$1,274
Ohio	11.8%	\$151	\$1,280
Oklahoma	16.1%	\$219	\$1,359
Oregon	11.8%	\$161	\$1,369
Pennsylvania	9.8%	\$120	\$1,228
Rhode Island	10.5%	\$123	\$1,164
South Carolina	17.5%	\$231	\$1,316
South Dakota	10.8%	\$144	\$1,336
Tennessee	16.6%	\$226	\$1,357
Texas	18.7%	\$257	\$1,378
Utah	17.5%	\$295	\$1,683
Vermont	8.0%	\$95	\$1,182
Virginia	11.7%	\$151	\$1,294
Washington	11.0%	\$156	\$1,414
West Virginia	12.0%	\$143	\$1,193
Wisconsin	10.2%	\$142	\$1,383
Wyoming	8.9%	\$121	\$1,353

Federal Earned Income Tax Credit, by State, 2012

The earned income tax credit is a refundable credit that supplements earnings of low- to moderate-income workers. The value of the credit varies depending on income and family size. In 2012, the earned income tax credit reduced tax filers' overall tax liabilities by about \$64 billion.

State	Claim rate	Per-filer average	Per-claimant average
U.S. average	19.2%	\$443	\$2,311
Alabama	26.2%	\$691	\$2,638
Alaska	14.3%	\$281	\$1,967
Arizona	21.1%	\$511	\$2,420
Arkansas	25.6%	\$627	\$2,448
California	19.0%	\$431	\$2,271
Colorado	15.2%	\$316	\$2,080
Connecticut	12.7%	\$260	\$2,043
Delaware	17.2%	\$381	\$2,221
District of Columbia	16.9%	\$375	\$2,218
Florida	23.4%	\$553	\$2,361
Georgia	25.9%	\$669	\$2,580
Hawaii	17.2%	\$361	\$2,099
Idaho	20.6%	\$454	\$2,201
Illinois	17.3%	\$403	\$2,338
Indiana	18.6%	\$420	\$2,258
Iowa	15.2%	\$317	\$2,087
Kansas	16.7%	\$368	\$2,203
Kentucky	22.1%	\$501	\$2,266
Louisiana	26.9%	\$707	\$2,625
Maine	16.7%	\$326	\$1,947
Maryland	14.9%	\$325	\$2,189
Massachusetts	12.7%	\$248	\$1,958
Michigan	18.3%	\$419	\$2,296
Minnesota	13.5%	\$274	\$2,025
Mississippi	32.4%	\$877	\$2,704

Missouri	19.7%	\$448	\$2,278
Montana	17.5%	\$350	\$1,998
Nebraska	16.0%	\$348	\$2,177
Nevada	18.9%	\$430	\$2,267
New Hampshire	12.2%	\$226	\$1,850
New Jersey	13.9%	\$302	\$2,173
New Mexico	24.6%	\$565	\$2,301
New York	19.2%	\$426	\$2,220
North Carolina	22.2%	\$525	\$2,367
North Dakota	12.6%	\$248	\$1,977
Ohio	17.8%	\$406	\$2,276
Oklahoma	21.6%	\$508	\$2,346
Oregon	16.5%	\$332	\$2,004
Pennsylvania	15.4%	\$322	\$2,098
Rhode Island	16.4%	\$354	\$2,158
South Carolina	24.4%	\$589	\$2,411
South Dakota	16.2%	\$335	\$2,071
Tennessee	23.4%	\$559	\$2,396
Texas	23.3%	\$598	\$2,562
Utah	17.3%	\$389	\$2,253
Vermont	14.7%	\$267	\$1,813
Virginia	16.4%	\$361	\$2,202
Washington	14.3%	\$295	\$2,061
West Virginia	20.3%	\$433	\$2,134
Wisconsin	14.4%	\$300	\$2,082
Wyoming	13.7%	\$271	\$1,973

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