

State General Sales and Use Tax Rates, As of February 1, 2010

State	Tax Rate	Rank
Ala.	4%	39
Alaska	None	—
Ariz. (b)	5.6%	28
Ark.	6%	13
Calif. (a)	8.25%	1
Colo.	2.9%	46
Conn.	6%	13
Del. (c)	1.92%	47
Fla.	6%	13
Ga.	4%	39
Hawaii (d)	4%	39
Idaho	6%	13
Ill.	6.25%	10
Ind.	7%	2
Iowa	6%	13
Kans.	5.3%	32
Ky. (e)	6%	13
La.	4%	39
Maine	5%	33
Md.	6%	13
Mass.	6.25%	10
Mich.	6%	13
Minn.	6.875%	7
Miss.	7%	2
Mo.	4.225%	38
Mont.	None	—
Nebr.	5.5%	29
Nev.	6.85%	8
N.H.	None	—
N.J.	7%	2
N.M. (f)	5.375%	31
N.Y.	4%	39
N.C.	5.75%	27
N.D.	5%	33
Ohio (g)	5.5%	29
Okla.	4.5%	37
Ore.	None	—
Pa.	6%	13
R.I.	7%	2
S.C.	6%	13
S.D.	4%	39
Tenn.	7%	2
Tex. (h)	6.25%	10
Utah (a)	5.95%	26
Vt.	6%	13
Va. (a)	5%	33
Wash. (i)	6.5%	9
W.Va.	6%	13
Wis.	5%	33
Wyo.	4%	39
D.C.	6.00%	13

Note: State rates only, except where noted. Some states permit counties or cities to levy local sales taxes; for an average of local rates in each state see table 16. In addition to sales taxes some states levy gross receipts taxes (GRTs). GRTs are collected at the firm level instead of at retail, and apply to a broad range of intermediate goods, unlike sales taxes which in principle should apply only to end products. Some states levy only a GRT, and some levy both a GRT and a sales tax.

- (a) Three states levy a mandatory, statewide, "local" add-on. In California and Virginia it is 1%, in Utah 1.25%. The states exclude them when listing the state rates, but we include them.
- (b) Arizona has no sales tax but does have a 5.6% GRT called the transaction privilege tax.
- (c) Delaware has no sales tax but does have a GRT. Business and occupational gross receipts tax rates range from 0.096% to 1.92%, depending on the business activity.
- (d) Hawaii has no sales tax but does have a GRT. The rate varies depending on the business activity; it is 0.15% on insurance commissions, 0.5% on certain activities such as wholesaling, and 4% on most activities at the consumer level.
- (e) Kentucky has a GRT called the limited liability entity tax (LLET) in addition to its 6% sales tax. Corporations pay the LLET, which is the lesser of 0.095% of gross receipts or 0.75% of gross profits. The tax phases in between \$3 million and \$6 million of gross receipts or profits. Minimum tax \$175.
- (f) New Mexico has no sales tax but does have a GRT. The rate varies by municipality, with a minimum of 5.375%.
- (g) Ohio has a GRT that is levied in addition to its 5.5% sales tax. It is called the commercial activity tax (CAT). Firms with receipts over \$1 million pay the CAT; firms with receipts between \$150K and \$1 million pay a minimum tax of \$150. The rate increased to its final rate of 0.26% as of 4/1/2009.
- (h) Texas has a GRT that is levied in addition to its 6.25% sales tax. It is called the margins tax and the rate is 1% (.5% for retailers).
- (i) Washington has a GRT in addition to its 6.5% sales tax. It is called the business and occupation tax and is levied at various rates. The major rates are 0.471% for retail sales, 0.484% for wholesale and manufacturing, and 1.5% for service and other activities.

Source: forms and tables published by state revenue departments.

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