

Table 2: Tax Comparison of States with the Highest Personal Income

(Data provided by the Minnesota Taxpayers Association)

State	2005 Personal Income	2005 Personal Income Rank	Taxes Per \$1,000 Income	Per \$1,000 Total Tax Rank	Per \$1,000 Income Tax Rank	Per \$1,000 Property Tax Rank	Per \$1,000 Sales Tax Rank	Per \$1,000 Excise Tax Rank	Per \$1,000 Corporate Tax Rank
Wyoming*	\$37,305	10	\$151	1	---	5	9	46	---
New York	\$39,967	6	\$150	2	1	7	22	45	24
Washington D.C.	\$52,811	1	\$147	3	4	16	20	---	---
Hawaii	\$34,489	20	\$134	4	10	46	1	7	35
Alaska*	\$35,564	16	\$133	6	---	14	47	37	1
Rhode Island	\$35,324	18	\$123	8	22	6	38	10	34
Wisconsin	\$33,278	22	\$121	10	13	9	32	30	14
Connecticut	\$47,388	2	\$119	12	13	8	39	21	27
New Jersey	\$43,831	3	\$117	16	34	4	42	29	6
California	\$36,936	13	\$116	17	8	39	15	50	5
Nevada	\$35,744	15	\$114	20	---	34	8	3	---
Minnesota	\$37,290	11	\$114	23	7	35	37	16	8
Delaware	\$37,088	12	\$111	26	14	50	---	14	4
Pennsylvania	\$34,937	19	\$111	25	19	25	40	17	18
Illinois	\$36,264	14	\$111	27	39	11	41	12	11
Maryland	\$41,972	5	\$108	33	3	41	46	27	26
Massachusetts	\$43,501	4	\$107	35	6	17	45	44	10
Washington	\$35,479	17	\$107	36	---	30	2	24	---
Florida	\$34,001	21	\$106	39	---	21	11	25	32
Virginia	\$37,503	9	\$104	42	15	27	44	38	40
Colorado	\$37,510	8	\$95	47	33	33	26	47	44
New Hampshire	\$37,768	7	\$91	50	43	1	---	8	3
U.S. Average	\$34,471		\$113						

* = Three states in particular -- Alaska, Montana and Wyoming -- have unusually high tax and/or spending numbers which affect their rankings, but do not accurately reflect the tax load on their residents. Alaska -- because of its oil reserves fund -- annually makes payments to its residents of about \$1,000 per person. Wyoming and Montana tax their coal industries very heavily, thus shielding the average taxpayer from the cost of higher than average spending. All Alaska data and primarily spending data for Wyoming and Montana should be considered with this in mind.