

Ohio Economic Freedom Fact Sheet

Using an updated methodology to determine economic freedom, Ohio ranked 38th out of the 50 states this year. That is down one place from last year, using the same updated methodology, when Ohio ranked 37th but up from the 45th spot from two years ago.



Neighboring States' Rankings

Freer Than Ohio



- Indiana: 14th
- Pennsylvania: 26th
- Michigan: 34th

Less Free Than Ohio



- Kentucky: 49th
- West Virginia: 48th

Ohio's Strengthens & Weaknesses

Strengths

- 11th – Top income tax rate and top income tax rate threshold
- 16th – Government employees as a percentage of total employees
- 24th – Property tax and other taxes as a percentage of income

Weaknesses

- 50th – Insurance and retirement payments as a percentage of personal income
- 44th – Government spending
- 35th – Sales tax revenue as a percentage of income

