

Ohio Economic Freedom Fact Sheet

The Fraser Institute, using an updated methodology to measure economic freedom, ranked Ohio 35th out of the 50 states this year. That is up two places from last year, when Ohio ranked 37th and up from the 45th spot four years ago.



Neighboring States' Rankings

Freer Than Ohio

Indiana: 8th

Pennsylvania: 24th

Michigan: 31st

Less Free Than Ohio

Kentucky: 39th

West Virginia: 49th

Ohio's Strengthens & Weaknesses

Strengths

11th – Top income tax rate

15th – Property tax and other taxes as a percentage of income

17th – Government employees as a percentage of total employees

Weaknesses

49th – Insurance and retirement payments as a percentage of personal income

40th – Government spending

33rd – Sales tax revenue as a percentage of income

