

# Georgia

## Poor Families in Georgia Remain Subject to the Income Tax

**Georgia's 2000 income tax threshold — the income level at which families begin paying income tax:**

*Ranking among  
42 states with  
income taxes*

☞ For two-parent families of four: **\$15,300.**

**14<sup>th</sup> lowest**

☞ For single-parent families of three: **\$12,100.**

**11<sup>th</sup> lowest**

**Georgia's 2000 income tax on working-poor and near-poor families:**

☞ For families of four with *incomes at the poverty line* (\$17,601): **\$55.**

**16<sup>th</sup> highest**

☞ For families of three with *incomes at the poverty line* (\$13,737): **\$36.**

**13<sup>th</sup> highest**

☞ For families of three with *incomes at 125% of the poverty line* (\$17,171): **\$165.**

**16<sup>th</sup> highest**

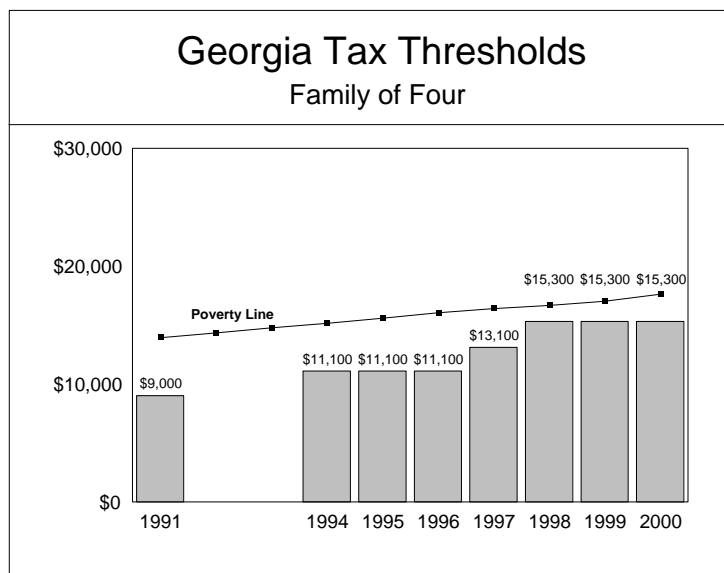
☞ For families of three with *minimum-wage earnings* (\$10,712):  
**\$21 refund.**

**12<sup>th</sup> lowest**

**Despite some progress, Georgia continues to tax families with incomes below the poverty line.**

☞ Georgia's tax threshold for families of four increased during the mid-1990s, but has not changed in the last three years.

☞ In 1991, a family of four owed tax when its income exceeded 65 percent of the poverty line. For 2000, Georgia's tax threshold has risen to 87 percent of the poverty line.



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