

Ohio

Poor Families in Ohio Are Subject to the Income Tax

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

Ranking among 42 states with income taxes

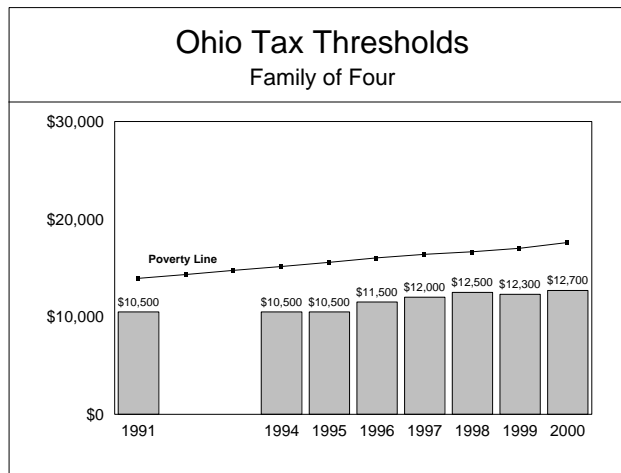
- ☞ For two-parent families of four: **\$12,700.** **7th lowest**
- ☞ For single-parent families of three: **\$10,200.** **9th lowest**

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

- ☞ For families of four with *incomes at the poverty line* (\$17,601): **\$113.** **14th highest**
- ☞ For families of three with *incomes at the poverty line* (\$13,737): **\$55.** **11th highest**
- ☞ For families of three with *minimum-wage earnings* (\$10,712): **\$8.** **10th highest**
- ☞ For families of four with *incomes at 125% of the poverty line* (\$22,001): **\$253.** **18th highest**
- ☞ For families of three with *incomes at 125% of the poverty line* (\$17,171): **\$151.** **17th highest**

Ohio has consistently taxed families with incomes below the poverty line.

- ☞ Ohio's tax threshold for families of four has increased over the last decade, but the gap between the threshold and the poverty line has remained large.
- ☞ In 1991, a family of four owed tax when its income exceeded 75 percent of the poverty line. For 2000, Ohio's tax threshold is 72 percent of the poverty line.



Source: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.