

Ohio

Working-Poor and Near-Poor Families in Ohio Are Hit Harder by the Income Tax Than Those in Most Other States

Ohio's 2006 income tax threshold

Rank among the 42 states with income taxes

(The income level at which families begin paying income tax)

(1 = lowest threshold)

- For single-parent families of three: \$14,200 12
- For two-parent families of four: \$15,600 (tied for) 7

Ohio's 2006 income tax levied on working-poor and near-poor families

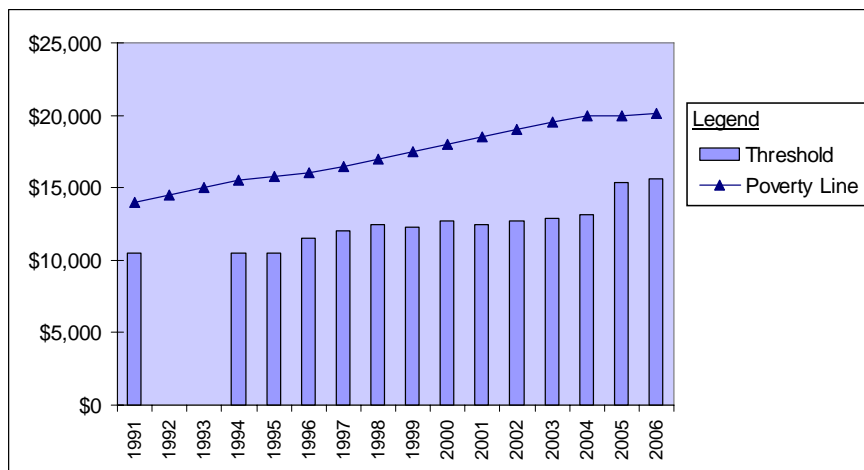
Rank (1 = highest tax)

- For families of three with incomes at the poverty line (\$16,079): \$93 10
- For families of four with incomes at the poverty line (\$20,615): \$159 14
- For families of three with minimum-wage earnings (\$10,712): \$0 (tied for) 7
- For families of three with incomes at 125% of poverty line (\$20,099): \$208 16
- For families of four with incomes at 125% of poverty line (\$25,769): \$335 15

Ohio's taxation of working-poor families has changed little since the early 1990s; it continues to tax families in poverty.

- In 1991, a family of four owed tax when its income reached 75 percent of the poverty line. Ohio's tax threshold is now 76 percent of the poverty line.
- In 1994, a family of four at the poverty line owed \$107 in income tax. By 2006, such a family owed \$159, an increase of 9 percent after adjusting for inflation.

Income Tax Threshold for Family of Four



Year	Threshold
1991	\$10,500
1992	no data
1993	no data
1994	\$10,500
1995	\$10,500
1996	\$11,500
1997	\$12,000
1998	\$12,500
1999	\$12,300
2000	\$12,700
2001	\$12,500
2002	\$12,700
2003	\$12,900
2004	\$13,100
2005	\$15,400
2006	\$15,600