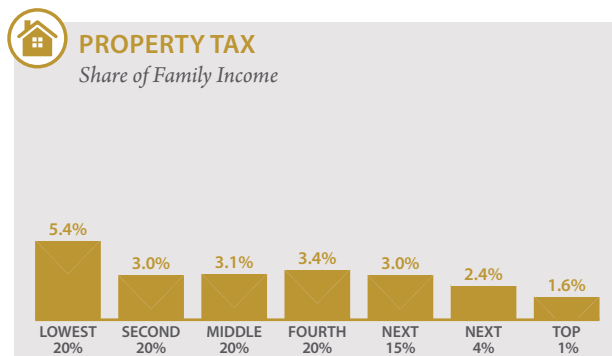
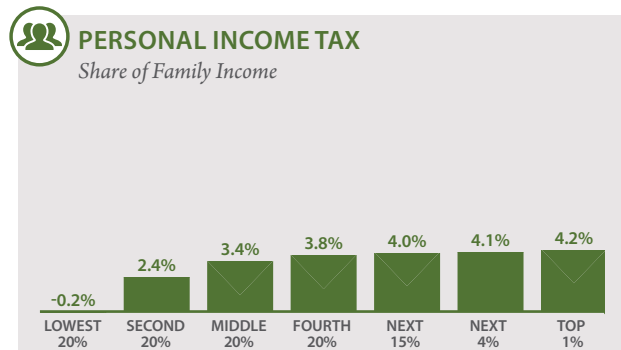
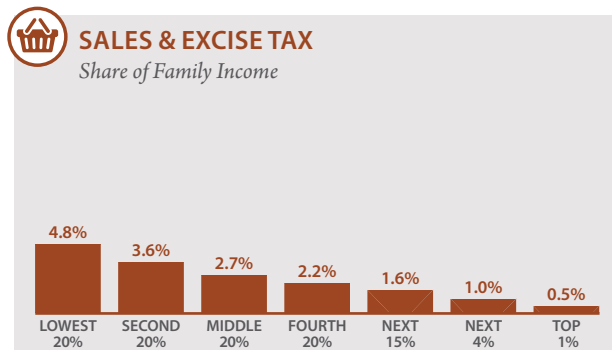
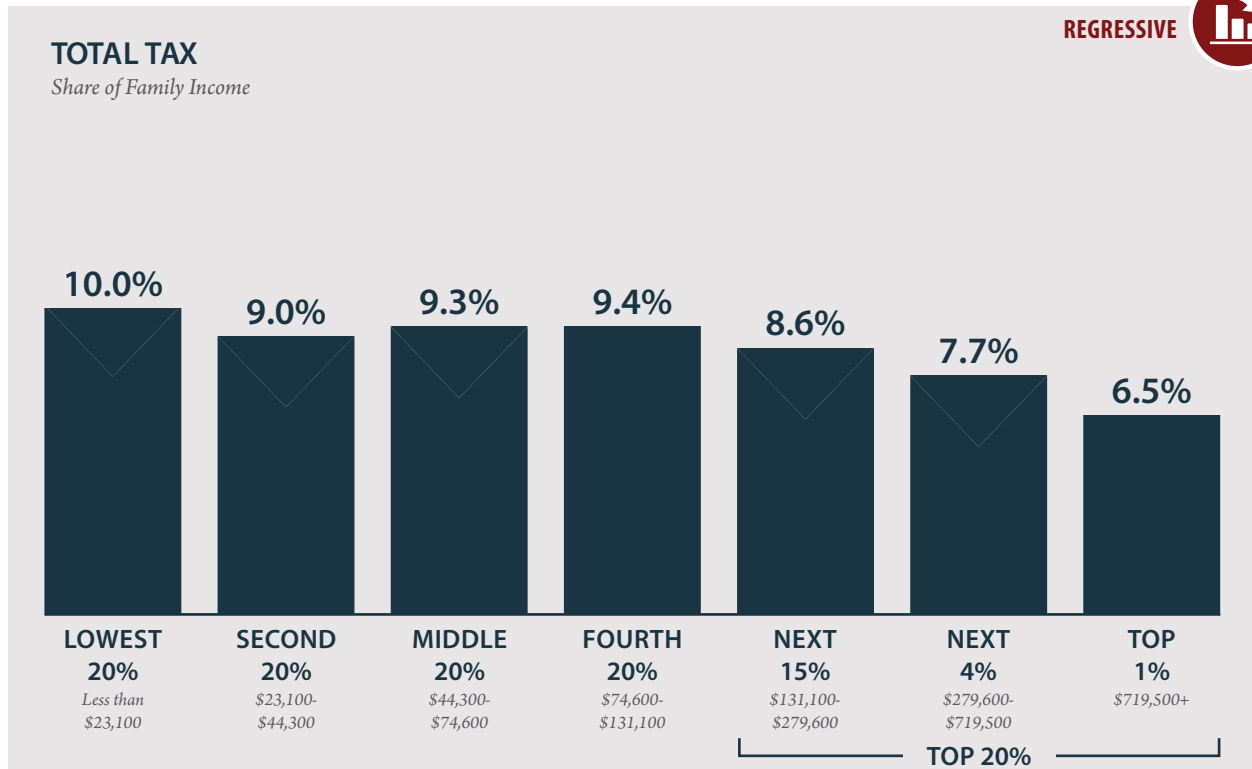


MASSACHUSETTS

STATE AND LOCAL TAX SHARES OF FAMILY INCOME for non-elderly taxpayers







NOTE:

Figures show permanent law in Massachusetts enacted through September 10, 2018 at 2015 income levels. Top figure represents total state and local taxes as a share of income. The 6th edition of Who Pays does not include the impact of the federal deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) because policy changes in the 2017 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act temporarily limited the extent to which the SALT deduction functions as a generalized offset of state and local taxes.

MASSACHUSETTS State and Local Taxes (cont.)

TOTAL TAX

Share of Family Income

INCOME GROUP	TOP 20%						
	LOWEST 20%	SECOND 20%	MIDDLE 20%	FOURTH 20%	NEXT 15%	NEXT 4%	TOP 1%
INCOME RANGE	Less than \$23,100	\$23,100 to \$44,300	\$44,300 to \$74,600	\$74,600 to \$131,100	\$131,100 to \$279,600	\$279,600 to \$719,500	over \$719,500
AVERAGE INCOME IN GROUP	\$13,000	\$33,800	\$58,600	\$98,700	\$183,600	\$438,100	\$2,507,300
 SALES & EXCISE TAXES	4.8%	3.6%	2.7%	2.2%	1.6%	1.0%	0.5%
General Sales—Individuals	2.0%	1.7%	1.4%	1.2%	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%
Other Sales & Excise—Ind.	1.4%	0.9%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%
Sales & Excise on Business	1.4%	1.1%	0.8%	0.6%	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%
 PROPERTY TAXES	5.4%	3.0%	3.1%	3.4%	3.0%	2.4%	1.6%
Home, Rent, Car—Individuals	5.3%	2.9%	3.1%	3.2%	2.8%	2.0%	0.4%
Other Property Taxes	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.4%	1.2%
 INCOME TAXES	-0.2%	2.4%	3.5%	3.9%	4.0%	4.3%	4.5%
Personal Income Tax	-0.2%	2.4%	3.4%	3.8%	4.0%	4.1%	4.2%
Corporate Income Tax	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%
 TOTAL TAXES	10.0%	9.0%	9.3%	9.4%	8.6%	7.7%	6.5%

Individual figures may not sum to totals due to rounding.

ITEP TAX INEQUALITY INDEX

According to ITEP's Tax Inequality Index, which measures the impact of each state's tax system on income inequality, **Massachusetts has the 30th most unfair state and local tax system** in the country. Incomes are more unequal in Massachusetts after state and local taxes are collected than before. (See Appendix B for state-by-state rankings and the methodology section for additional detail on the index.)

TAX FEATURES DRIVING THE DATA IN MASSACHUSETTS



PROGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Provides a refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
- Sales tax base excludes groceries
- "No-tax" threshold and low-income credit eliminate income tax liability for poorest taxpayers
- Requires the use of combined reporting for the corporate income tax
- Levies a state estate tax



REGRESSIVE TAX CODE FEATURES

- Personal income tax uses a flat rate
- Fails to provide a property tax "circuit breaker" credit for low-income, non-elderly taxpayers
- Comparatively high cigarette tax rate