**TAX FRIENDLY STATES**

**SOURCES: CCH, WOLTERS KLUWER, TAX FOUNDATION, KIPLINGER**

1. **ALASKA 13. SOUTH DAKOTA**
2. **WYOMING**
3. **GEORGIA**
4. **ARIZONA**
5. **MISSISSIPPI**
6. **DELEWARE**
7. **NEVADA**
8. **LOUISIANA**
9. **SOUTH CAROLINA**
10. **FLORIDA**
11. **TENNESSEE**
12. **NEW MEXICO**

**ALASKA:**

* **NO STATE INCOME TAX**
* **SALES TAX –NONE BUT SOME MUNICIPALITIES IMPOSE A LOCAL TAX OF 2-5% UP TO 7% AVG IS 1.69%**
* **PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED AT FULL MARKET VALUE, BUT HOMEOWNERS 65 AND OLDER ARE EXEMPT ON FIRST $150,000**
* **NO INHERITANCE TAX**
* **ESTATE TAX LIMITED TO FEDERAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTION**
* **GOVERNMENT GIVES YOU AN ANNUAL DIVIDEND CHECK TO EACH RESIDENT ON ITS OIL REVENUES**

**WYOMING:**

* **NO STATE INCOME TAX**
* **SALES TAX- 4% PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND GROCERIES ARE EXEMPT-COUNTIES CAN ADD UP TO 3% IN ADDITIONAL TAXES**
* **PROPERTY TAXES-A % OF MEAN HOME VALUE 0.58%**
* **ESTATE TAX- NONE**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **GAS TAXES & FEES ARE .24 PER GALLON**
* **TAX ON BEER IS .02, THE LOWEST IN THE U.S**

**GEORGIA:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX- 1-6%**
* **SALES TAX- 4%**
* **PROPERTY TAXES-A % OF MEAN HOME VALUE 0.97%**
* **ESTATE TAX- NONE**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS ARE NOT TAXED, AND SO IS UP TO $35,000 OF MOST RETIREMENT INCOME FOR RESIDENTS AGE 62-64.**
* **65 & OLDER THE EXEMPTION IS $65,000**
* **NO TAX ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS & FOOD, JURISDICTIONS CAN ADD UP TO 4%**

**ARIZONA:**

* **STATE TAX 2.59 TO 4.54**
* **SALES TAX- 5.6% DEPENDING ON LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES, CAN BE AS HIGH AS 12%**
* **FOOD & PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ARE TAX FREE**
* **PROPERTY TAXES % OF MEDIUM HOME VALUE-LOWERS PROPERTY TAX IN THE U.S.**
* **ARIZONA HAS A USE TAX**
* **ARIZONA DOES NOT TAX FOOD OR PRESCRIPTIONS**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS ARE NOT TAXED**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **ESTATE TAX – NONE**
* **OUT OF STATE GOVT PENSIONS ARE FULLY TAXED**
* **GAS TAX & FEES IS .19 PER GALLON**
* **THERE IS AN ANNUAL VEHICLE TAX**

**MISSISSIPPI:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX- 3-5%**
* **SALES TAX- 7%**
* **PROPERTY TAX-A % OF THE MEAN VALUE OF HOME VALUE 0.63**
* **ESTATE TAX- IMPOSED ON OVER $1 MIL-SO FOLLOWS FEDERAL**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **RETIREMENT INCOME- DOES NOT TAX ANY RETIREMENT INCOME**
* **GAS TAX & FEES IS .18 PER GALLON**
* **PRESCRIPTION DRUGS,UTILITIES,NEWSPAPERS AND HEALTHCARE SERVICES ARE EXEMPT FROM**

**SALES TAX.**

**DELEWARE:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX 2.2 TO 6.75%**
* **SALES TAX- NONE**
* **PROPERTY TAX-A % OF MEAN VALUE OF HOME VALUE 0.52**
* **ESTATE TAX- YES $5.34 MIL EXEMPT**
* **ASSETS LEFT TO SURVIVING SPOUSE ARE EXEMPT**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS ARE NOT TAXED**
* **RETIREMENT BENEFITS EXEMPT UP TO $12,500. FOR THOSE 60 & OLDER INCLUDING DIVIDENDS, INTEREST, CAPITAL GAINS AND RENTAL INCOME**
* **HOMEOWNERS 65 & OLDER CAN GET A CREDIT TO HALF OF THE SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES UP TO $500.**
* **GAS TAX & FEES IS .23 PER GALLON**
* **TAXES ON BEER IS .16 PER GALLON AND .97 FOR GALLON OF WINE**

**NEVADA:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX- NONE**
* **SALES TAX- 6.5%**
* **PROPERTY TAXES- A % OF THE MEAN VALUE OF HOME VALUE 0.90**
* **RETIREMENT BENEFITS- NOT TAXED**
* **ESTATE TAX- NONE**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **NO TAX ON FOOD AND PRESCRIPTIONS**

**LOUISIANA:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX 2-6%**
* **SALES TAX 4%-10.75%**
* **PROPERTY TAX-A % OF MEAN VALUE OF HOME VALUE 0.48**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **ESTATE TAX-SAME AS FEDERAL IMPOSED ON MORE THAN 1 MIL**
* **RETIREMENT INCOME EXEMPT FROM TAX**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY-NOT TAXED**
* **GAS TAX & FEES IS .20 PER GALLON**

**SOUTH CAROLINA:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX 3-7%**
* **SALES TAX 6%, LOCALITIES CAN ADD UP TO 3% MORE**
* **PROPERTY TAX-A % OF MEAN VALUE OF HOME VALUE 0.54**
* **ESTATE TAX- NONE**
* **INHERITANCE TAX- NONE**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS ARE NOT TAXED**
* **ISSUES A PROPERTY CREDIT FOR 55 AND OLDER ON FIRST $55,000 OF FMV OF PROPERTY**
* **GAS TAX & FEES IS .17 PER GALLON**
* **ANNUAL TAX ON VEHICLES**
* **GROCERIES, SOME COLD PREPARED FOOD, PRESCRIPTIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM STATE SALES TAX**

**FLORIDA:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX- NONE**
* **SALES TAX -6%-7.5%**
* **PROPERTY TAXES – 100% OF ITS MARKET VALUE**
* **HOMEOWNERS EXEMTION UP TO $50,000**
* **ESTATE TAX- NONE**
* **INHERITANCE TAX – NONE**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS & PRIVATE PENSION INCOME NOT TAXED**

**TENNESSEE:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX – 6% ON DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST ONLY**
* **SALES TAX- 7%**
* **ESTATE TAX- NONE**
* **INHERITANCE TAX 5.5 TO 9.5% ON MORE THAN 2 MIL- MAY BE ELIMINATED IN 2016**
* **RETIREMENT BENEFITS-NOT AXED**
* **PRESCRIPTION DRUGS- NOT TAXED**

**NEW MEXICO:**

* **STATE INCOME TAX 1.7%-4.9%**
* **SALES TAX-5.125%, ADDITIONAL COUNTY TAXES MAY BE ADDED UP TO 3.56%**
* **SOCIAL SECURITY IS TAXES BUT $8000. EXEMPTION SUBJECT TO INCOME RESTRICTIONS**
* **RETIREMENT BENEFITS ARE TAXED, BUT $2500. EXEMPTION SUBJECT TO INCOME RESTRICTIONS**
* **PRESCRIPTION DRUGS EXEMPT FROM TAXES**
* **GAS TAX & FEES IS .19 PER GALLON**
* **PROPERTY TAXES ARE ABOUT $26.47 PER $1000**

**OTHER STATES THAT DO NOT TAX ANY RETIREMENT BENEFITS:**

1. **NEW HAMPSHIRE- NO STATE TAX**
2. **SOUTH DAKOTA- NO STATE TAX**
3. **TEXAS-NO STATE TAX**
4. **WASHINGTON-NO STATE TAX**
5. **ALABAMA**

**LEAST FRIENDLY STATES:**

1. **CALIFORNIA**
2. **CONNECTICUT**
3. **IOWA**
4. **MAINE**
5. **NEBRASKA**
6. **NEW JERSEY**
7. **NEW YORK**
8. **MINNESOTA**
9. **RHODE ISLAND**
10. **VERMONT**
11. **HAWAII**
12. **ILLINOIS**
13. **OREGON**
14. **MONTANA**