# State Taxes: Vhat Might the Future Be

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## State Taxes as a Percentage of Personal Income, 1980-2016





#### **Share of Total Taxes**





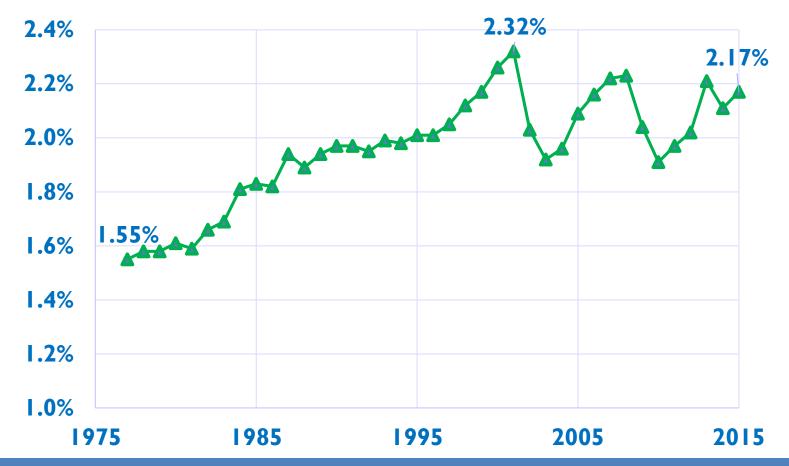
## **Personal Income Tax**

- Revenue Trends
- Structural Changes
- Impetus for Change



## State Income Tax Revenue

as a % of Personal Income





## • Structural Changes

- Rates and Brackets
- **Retirement Income**
- Pass Through Income
- Tax Credits
- o **EITC**



## Impetus for Change

#### • Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, aka

- "An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018"
- **Drive for Consumption Tax**
- o Income Inequality
- New Economy



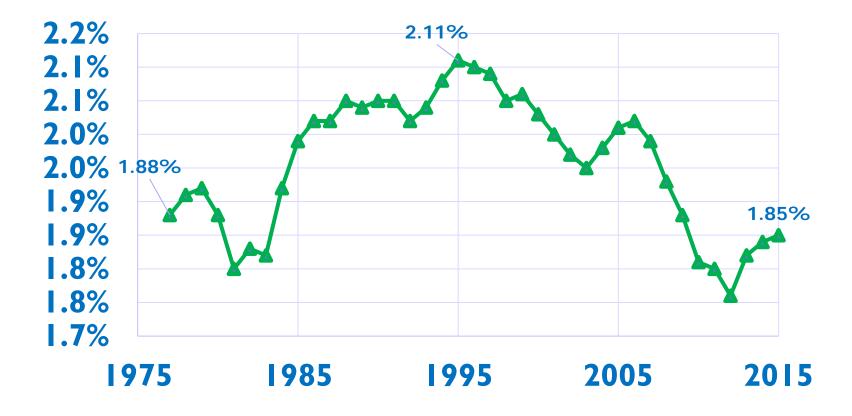
## Sales and Use Tax

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#### **State Sales Tax Revenue**

as a % of Personal Income





## • Structural Changes

• Rate Changes

• Base Changes

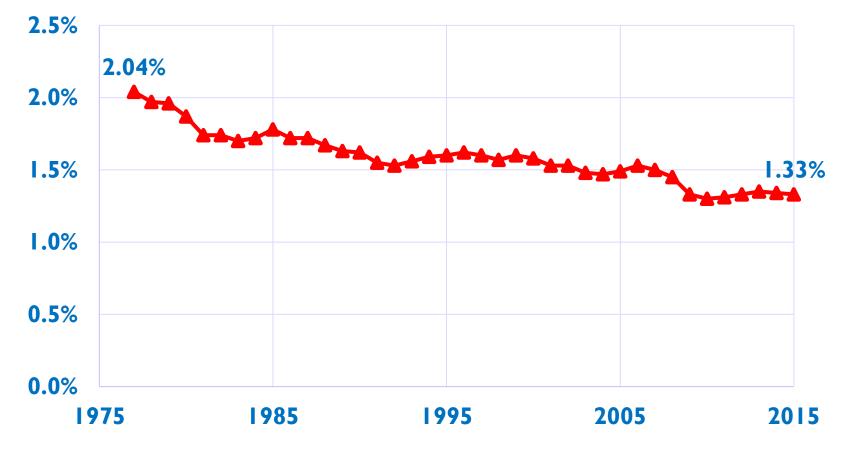


#### **Distribution of Sales Tax Rates**

	Year				
	1980	1990	2000	2012	2017
2.0% – 2.9%	1	0	1	1	1
3.0% - 3.9%	17	4	1	0	0
4.0% - 4.9%	18	15	12	10	9
5.0% - 5.9%	7	15	17	8	11
6.0% - 6.9%	2	11	13	21	20
7.0% - 7.9%	1	0	2	6	5
8.0% - 8.9%	0	1	0	0	0
Average	<b>3.95%</b>	4.88%	5.17%	5.63%	<b>5.67%</b>



#### Sales Tax Revenue as a % of Income: Alabama





## • Impetus for Change

- Growth of Services
- Remote Sales
- New Economy

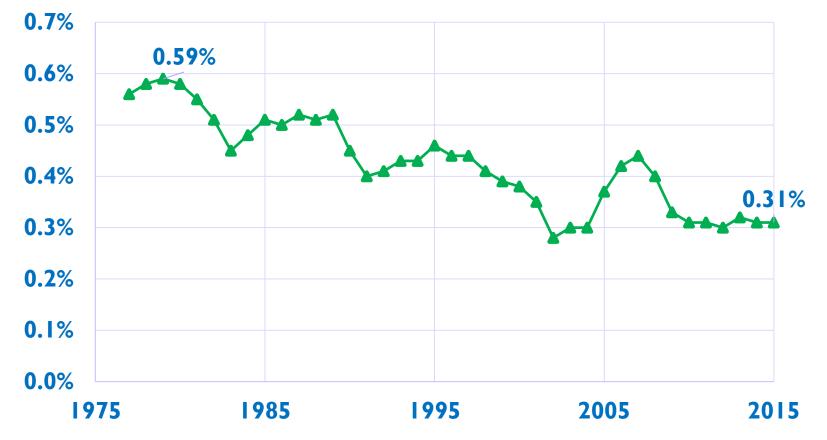


## **Corporate Income Tax**

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#### State Corporate Income Tax as a % of Personal Income





## • Structural Changes

• Rate Changes

• Other Changes



#### **Corporate Income Tax Rate Changes**

State	2012	2018	
Arizona	6.968%	4.9%	
Idaho	7.6%	7.4%	
Indiana	8.5%	6.0%	
New Hampshire	8.5%	8.2%	
New Mexico	7.6%	6.2%	
New York	7.1%	6.5%	
North Carolina	6.9%	3.0%	
North Dakota	5.2%	4.31%	
Rhode Island	9.0%	7.0%	
West Virginia	7.75%	6.5%	
District of Columbia	9.975%	8.25%	



- Impetus for Change
  - Competition for Jobs –
    Geographic Mobility of Capital
  - Calls for its Elimination
  - New Economy



"On corporate tax, ignoring that: capital is mobile, that our tax system is built on the old world of bricks and mortar, that tax systems dovetail together poorly, all of this is a kind of willful blindness." Jolyon Maugham



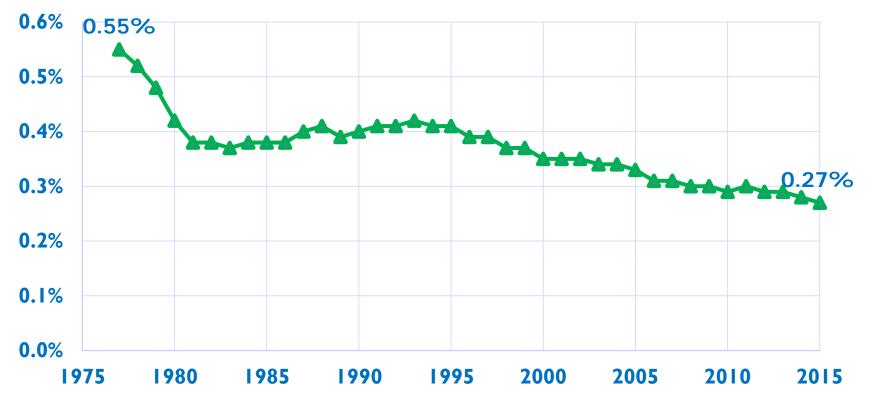
## **Motor Fuel Tax**

- Revenue Trends
- Rate Changes
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## **State Motor Fuel Tax**

as a % of Personal Income





## • Impetus for Change

- Change in Federal Role
- Fuel Efficiency



## • Other Possible Changes

- Telecommunication Taxes
- Carbon Tax



## Thank You!

