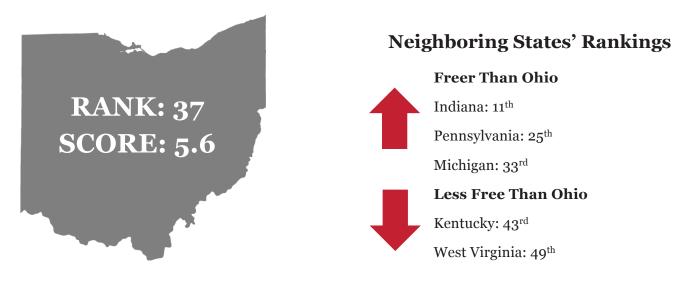
Ohio Economic Freedom Fact Sheet

Using an updated methodology to determine economic freedom, Ohio ranked 37th out of the 50 states this year. That is up one place from last year, using the same updated methodology, when Ohio ranked 38th and up from the 45th spot three years ago.



Ohio's Strengthens & Weaknesses

Strengths

- ${\bf 11}^{\rm th}$ Top income tax rate and top income tax rate threshold
- 16^{th} Government employees as a percentage of total employees
- $22^{\mbox{\scriptsize nd}}$ Property tax and other taxes as a percentage of income

Weaknesses

- 49th Insurance and retirement payments as a percentage of personal income
- 42nd Government spending
- 40th Sales tax revenue as a percentage of income

