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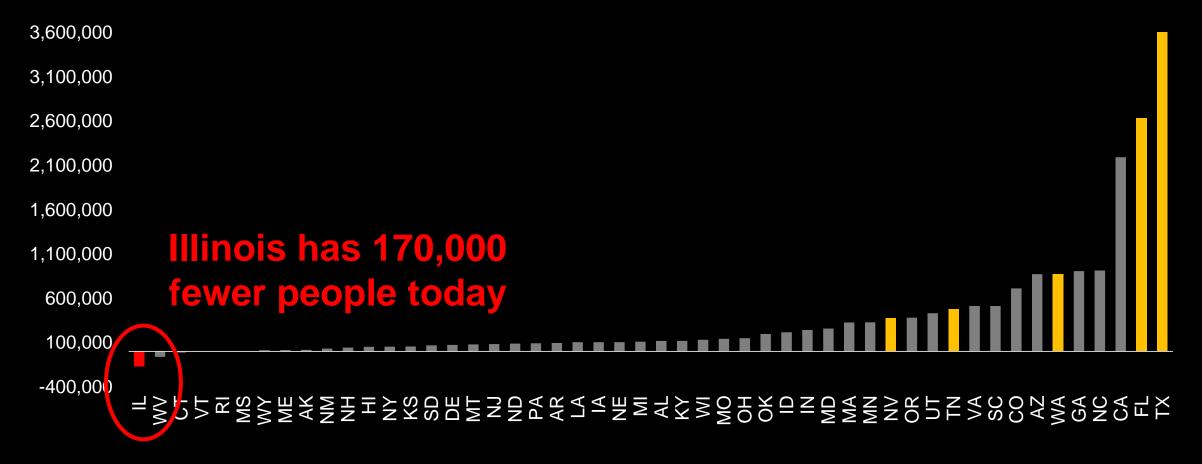
Illinois needs reforms, not tax hikes

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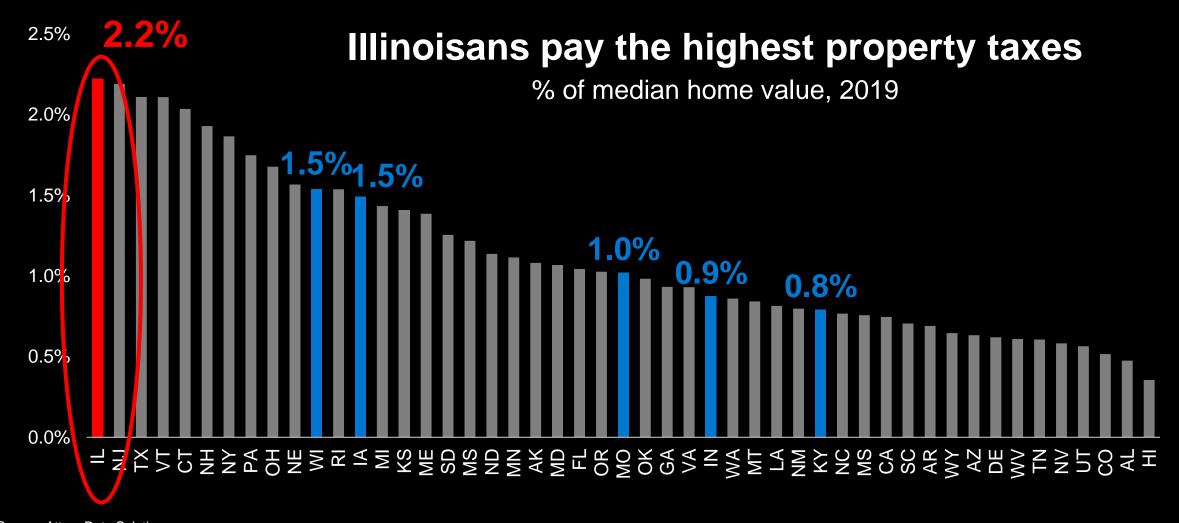


Illinois has shrunk more than any other state

Population, 2019 vs. 2010

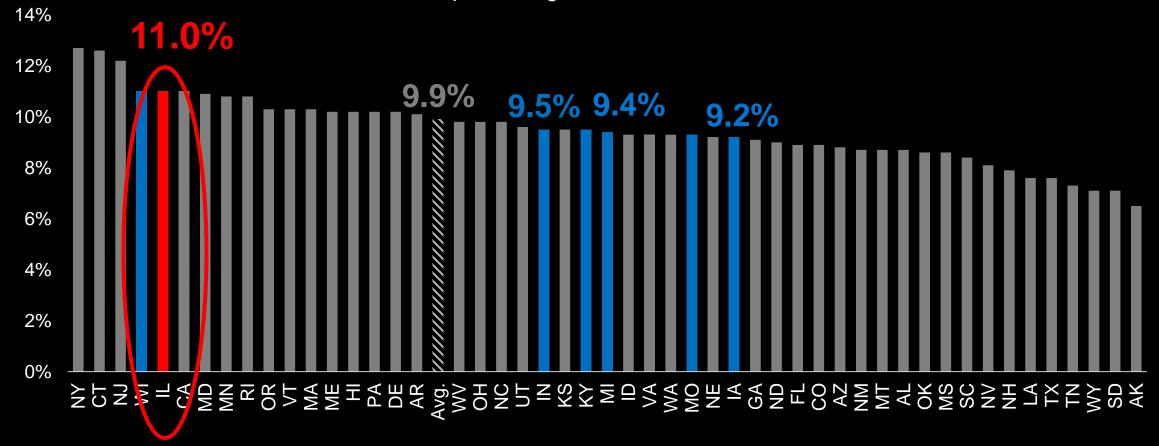


Source: U.S. Census Bureau



Illinois has one of nation's highest state/local tax burdens

Taxes as a percentage of state income, FY 2012



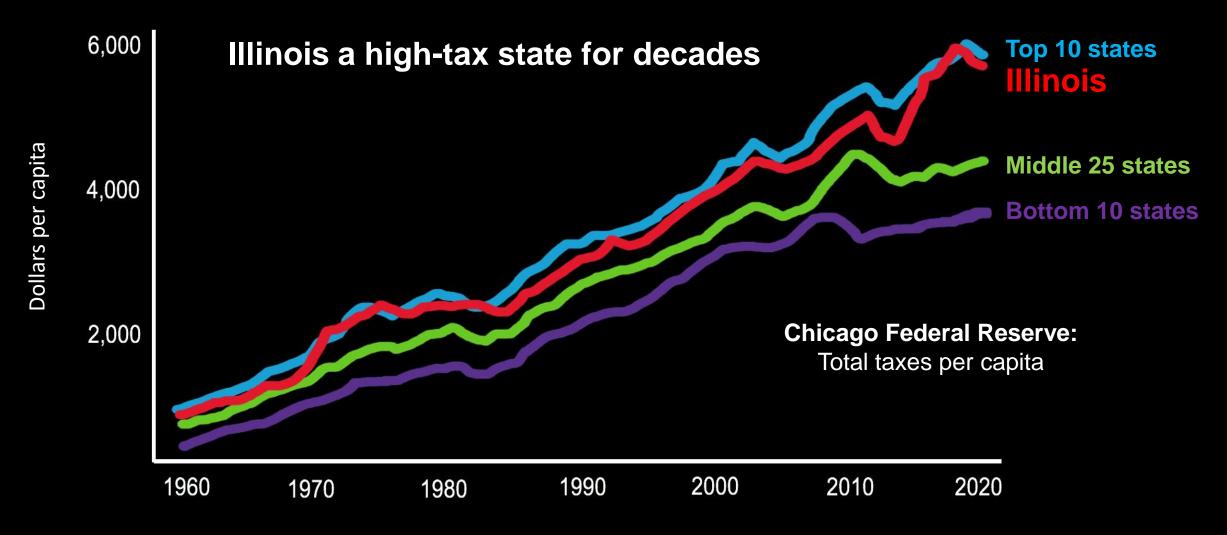
Kiplinger 50-state ranking:

Illinois: nation's "least tax-friendly state"

WalletHub 50-state ranking:

Illinois: nation's highest effective state/local tax rate (14.96%)

Source: WalletHub, Kiplinger 5

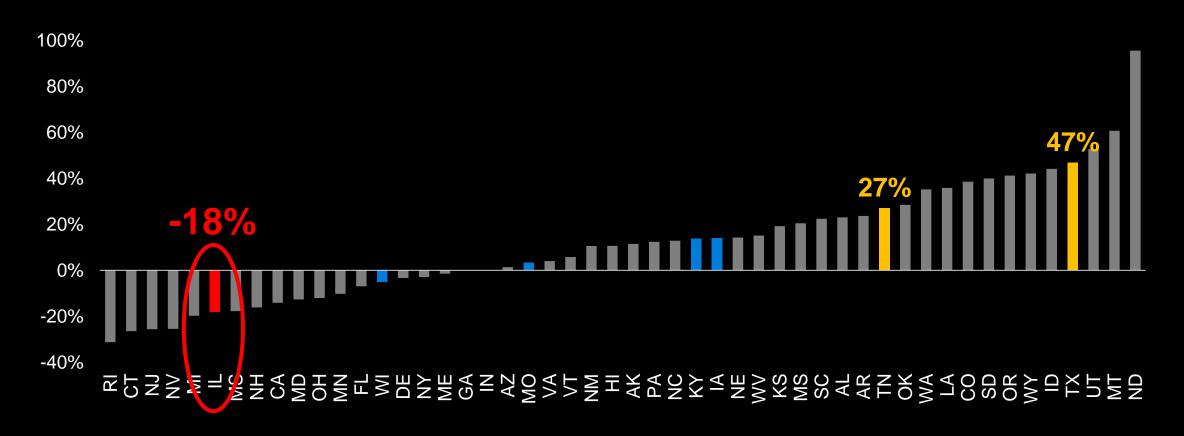


Source: Leslie McGranahan, "Comparing the Finances of Illinois and Other States" Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Midwest Economy Blog; Author's calculations based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau and Haver Analytics



Illinois home values suffer one of the nation's worst declines

Inflation-adjusted growth in home values, 2005-2018



Illinois is the most corrupt state in America.

891 convictions

for public corruption since 2000, the most in the nation.

Source: ABC 7 I-Team

Progressive tax introductory rates

4.75% \$0-\$10K

4.90% \$10K-\$100K

4.95% \$100K-\$250K

7.75% \$250K-\$350K

7.85% \$350K-\$750K

7.99% flat \$750K+

Introductory rates raise: \$3.6 billion

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+ $1.8 Structural deficit
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+ \$1.0 Unpaid bills

+ \$4.0 Actual pension costs

= \$10.0 billion

Progressive tax rates needed to raise \$10 billion

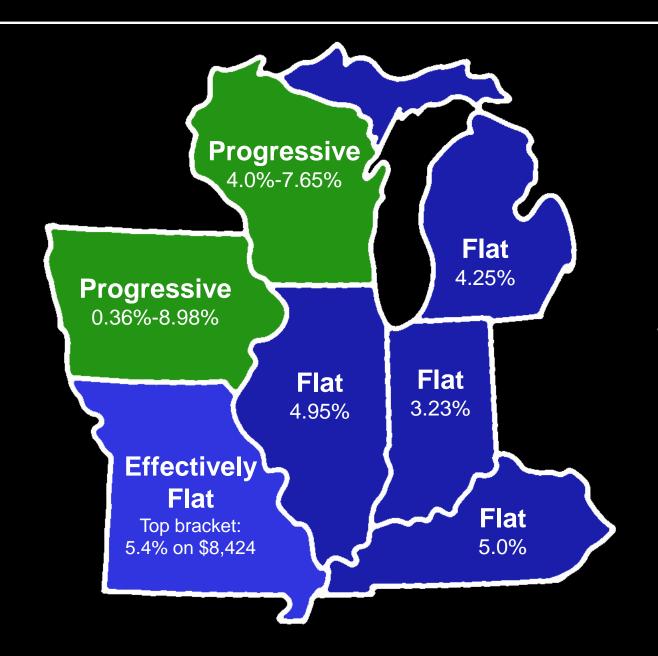
Marginal tax rate	Income tax bracket
4.95%	\$0-50K
8.5%	\$50K-\$75K
9.0%	\$75K-\$150K
9.5%	\$150K-\$250K
10.5%	\$250K-\$1M
11.2%	\$1M+

\$5 billion-plus

Education spending

Progressive tax rates needed to raise \$15 billion

Marginal tax rate	Income tax bracket
4.95%	\$0-50K
9.5%	\$50K-\$75K
10.0%	\$75K-\$100K
13.0%	\$100K-\$250K
13.5%	\$250K-\$1M
14.0%	\$1M+



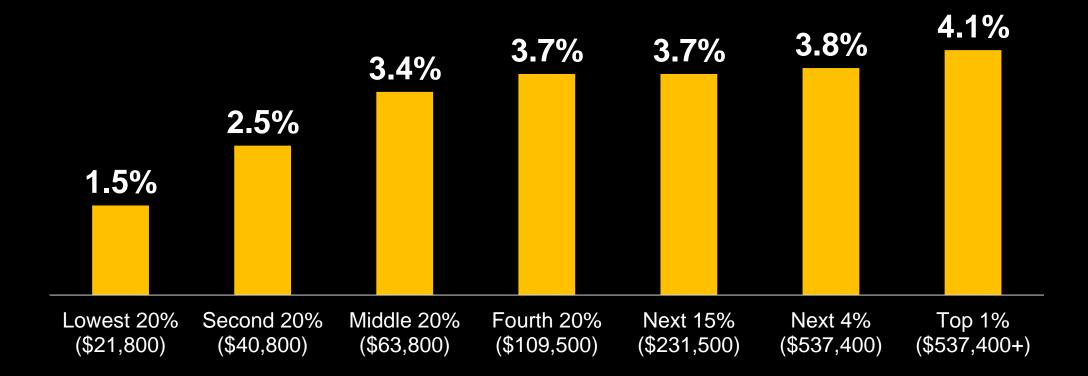
Most of Illinois' neighbors are flat or virtually-flat tax states

Tax hikes of the past few years

- Gas tax (Now 3rd-highest in the nation)
- Cigarette and e-cig taxes (Now 9th-highest in the nation)
- Vehicle registration fee hike
- Real estate transfer tax hike
- New gambling expansion and taxes

Illinois' flat tax is already progressive

Income taxes as a share of family income, 2015



Source: ITEP "Who Pays, 6th Edition"

Illinois' rate: 4.95% flat

Highest tax brackets

Missouri: 5.4% on \$8,424

Georgia: 5.75% on \$7,000

N. Mexico: 4.9% on \$16,000

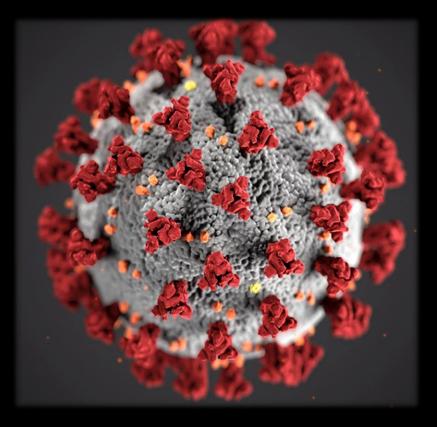
18 out of 32 progressive tax states are structured more like a flat tax

"One thing a progressive tax would do is make clear you can have graduated rates when you are taxing retirement income."

-Treasurer Michael Frerichs

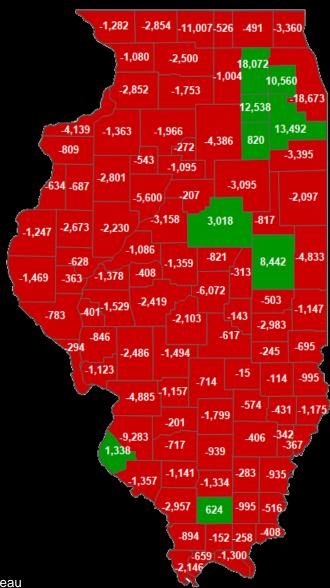
Every state with a progressive tax also taxes retirement income

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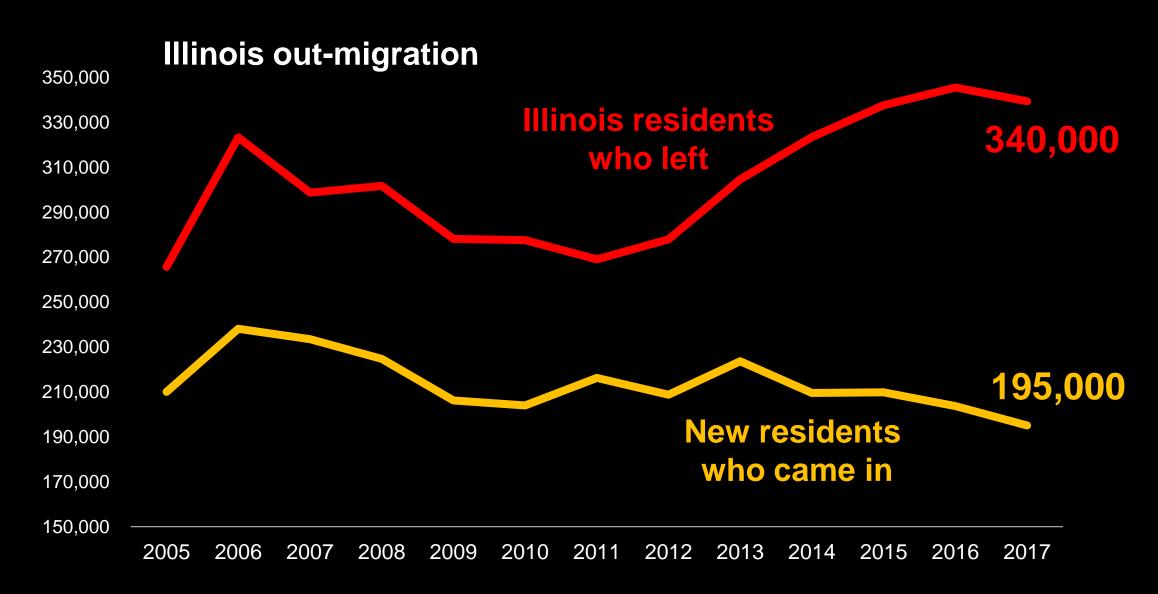






93 of Illinois' 102 counties have lost population since 2010

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



Source: U.S. Census Bureau 20

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