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Which Major U.S. Cities Have the Highest Sales Tax Rates?

A new report from the Tax Foundation takes a look.

Long Beach, California and Chicago are tied for the top spot in a new ranking of combined state and local sales tax rates released this week.

The Tax Foundation issued the ranking, which looks at rates as of July 1 in U.S. cities with populations over 200,000.

Combined state and local sales tax rates in Long Beach and Chicago check in at 10.25 percent, according to the foundation's report. Contributing to that total rate is a local sales tax of 3 percent in Long Beach and 4 percent in Chicago. State tax accounts for the rest.

Baton Rouge and New Orleans, Louisiana and Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama are next on the list with combined sales tax rates of 10 percent. In both of the Alabama cities, 6 percent of the total rate is local and 4 percent is state. In the Louisiana cities, the rate is evenly divided at 5 percent state, 5 percent local.

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