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tax rates across jurisdictions.

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There were 398 sales tax rate changes in the first six months of 2017 across the U.S., an increase of 30.49 percent from the 305 changes that occurred in the first six months of 2016. That's according to the annual mid-year tax rate study issued by [Vertex Inc.](#), a tax technology provider.

The Vertex 2017 Mid-Year Sales Tax Rate Report lists two state sales tax changes during the first half of 2017:

- Effective January 1, 2017, California decreased their rate from 6.25 percent to 6.00 percent. However, this does not change the combined tax rates as the .25 reduction

from the state was added to all counties.

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- Puerto Rico currently has the highest state sales tax rate at 10.50 percent. The Value Added Tax legislation has officially been repealed and Puerto Rico will continue with the currently imposed Sales and Use Tax Imposition.
- Indiana, Mississippi, Rhode Island and Tennessee have the second highest state sales tax rate at 7.00 percent.
- Kodiak, Nome and Wrangell, all in Alaska, and Winter Park, CO have the highest city sales tax rate at 7.00 percent. Hoonah, AK and Selawik, AK have the second highest rate of 6.50.
- Tuba City (including the surrounding areas that are in the To'Nanees'Dizi Local Government), Coconino County, AZ has the highest combined sales tax rate of 12.90 percent.

The report highlights an ongoing sales tax trend of ever-changing and varying sales tax rates across jurisdictions. In the last 10 years in the U.S. there have been:

- 2,361 new sales and use taxes, an average of 224 per year;
- 4,209 sales and use tax changes, an average of 400 per year; and
- 6,570 new and changed sales and use tax rates, an average of 625 per year.

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