

NYC Hotel & Sales Tax History Overview

The current total tax of a hotel room in NYC is **14.75% + \$3.50 per room per night**. Below is an overview of the components of the tax and changes in New York State and New York City hotel and sales tax policy since 1990.

Current NYC Hotel Room Occupancy Taxes (as of December 2013)

NYC Hotel Room Occupancy Tax:	5.875%	
Total Retail Sales Tax:¹	+8.875%	
(New York City Sales Tax)		4.5%
(New York State Sales Tax)		4.0%
(NYS Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District Tax)		0.375%
Total tax on a New York City hotel room (as of December 2013):	=14.75%	
	+\$3.50/room/night	
(NYC Hotel Room Occupancy Use Fee)		\$2.00/room/night
(NYS Javits Center Expansion Fund)		\$1.50/room/night

Historical Changes

August 2009:

- Effective August 1, the NYC sales tax increased by 0.50%, from 4.0% to 4.5%.
- This increase brought the total tax of a NYC hotel room to **14.75% + \$3.50/room/night**.

March 2009:

- Effective March 1, the NYC Hotel Room Occupancy Tax (HROT) was increased by 0.875% to 5.875%. This has been renewed three times.
- This increase brought the total tax of a NYC hotel room to **14.25% + \$3.50/room/night**.

June 2005:

- Total tax on a NYC hotel room was reduced to **13.375% + \$3.50/room/night**, which included a \$1.50 Javits Center Expansion fund charge.
- The Fiscal 2006 NYS budget adopted several important changes to sales and use taxes:
 - Effective June 1, NYS enacted legislation to increase the additional tax imposed within the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District (MCDT) in support of the MTA from 0.25% to 0.375% .
 - At the same time, overall state and city sales tax rates were reduced to 4% each.

June 2003:

- Total tax of a NYC hotel room rose to **13.625% + \$2.00/room/night** as a result of tax increases designed to close post 9/11 budget gaps at both the state and city levels.
- This was the first increase since 1994

1994:

- Total tax on a NYC hotel room returned to pre-1990 levels of **13.25% + \$2.00/room/night**.
 - NYC HROT: 5.0% + \$2.00/room/night
 - NYC sales tax: 4.0%
 - NYS sales tax (incl. .25% for MTA): 4.25%

1990:

- Total tax on a NYC hotel room rose to **19.25% + \$2.00/room/night** when budgetary crises resulted in a 1% increase in the city's HROT and the creation of a 5% state hotel tax.
 - NYC HROT: 6.0% + \$2.00/room/night
 - NYS hotel occupancy tax: 5.0%
 - NYC sales tax: 4.0%
 - NYS sales tax (incl. .25% for MTA): 4.25%

¹Clothing and shoes under \$110 USD are tax free.