

Georgia



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Overall Rank

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Georgia	Overall Rank	To Governor	To State Senate	To State House	To Parties	To PACs
Individual Giving	18	34	31	28	1	1
		\$6,600/election	\$2,600/election	\$2,600/election	Unlimited	Unlimited
PAC Giving	21	34	32	29	1	
		\$6,600/election	\$2,600/election	\$2,600/election	Unlimited	
Party Giving	32	31	32	32		
		\$6,600/election	\$2,600/election	\$2,600/election		
Union Giving	19	19	21	19		
		\$6,600/election	\$2,600/election	\$2,600/election		
Corporate Giving	16	17	18	17		
		\$6,600/election	\$2,600/election	\$2,600/election		

Inflation Adjustment: Yes

Georgia earns high marks for allowing individuals to give unlimited amounts to parties and political committees. Its grade suffers though from moderately low limits on giving to candidates across-the-board, particularly by party committees. Fortunately, these limits are adjusted for inflation, maintaining Georgians' ability to contribute over time.

Interestingly, Georgia imposes separate limits in runoff elections. While the Index does not credit the Peach State for this provision (rather, it takes the "regular per election" limits), it is another positive sign that the Georgia General Assembly recognizes that limiting contributions limits speech, and more speech is needed if you have to run in a runoff election.