

North Carolina

17 Overall Rank

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North Carolina	Overall Rank	To Governor	To State Senate	To State House	To Parties	To PACs
Individual Giving	29	22	16	16	1	43
		\$5,100/election*	\$5,100/election*	\$5,100/election*	Unlimited	\$5,100/election
PAC Giving	20	39	25	26	1	
		\$5,100/election	\$5,100/election	\$5,100/election	Unlimited	
Party Giving	1	1 Unlimited	1 Unlimited	1 Unlimited		
Union Giving	50	50	50	50		
		Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited		
Corporate Giving	50	50	50	50		
		Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited		

Inflation Adjustment: Yes

*Contributions from family members of a candidate are not subject to these limits.

North Carolina legislators increased the amount that individuals may contribute to candidates and political committees as recently as 2013, strengthening its score in the Index. Among the states that limit individual contributions to candidates, only five earn higher scores in the Index than the Tar Heel State. Unfortunately, North Carolina's score is dragged

down by its unusually low limit on contributions from individuals to PACs. Furthermore, 11 states impose no limits on individual, party, and PAC giving to candidates, including North Carolina's northern neighbor, Virginia. North Carolinians would be well served if their state learned from Virginia's example and removed its contribution limits entirely.