Maryland: nonprofits that lost tax-exempt status for missed filings, 2021 to 2025

Each year from 2021 to 2025, 38.8 of every 1,000 Maryland organizations that must file an annual return lost federal tax-exempt status for missing three returns in a row. That's the 9th highest rate of the 50 states and DC. The national rate was 34.4.

6,968
lost status from 2021 to 2025, about 1,394 a year. 13th most by count.

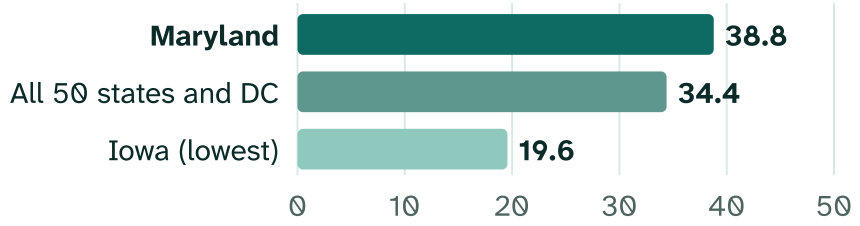
5,857
of them were 501(c)(3) charities, 84% of the total.

1,496
lost status in 2025, or 41.6 per 1,000.

35,923
Maryland organizations must file an annual return. 63% of them file the Form 990-N e-Postcard.

Maryland against the country

Organizations that lost tax-exempt status for every 1,000 required to file, per year, 2021 to 2025.



Many organizations on the list had already closed and never told the IRS, so a name on the list doesn't mean anyone did something wrong.

What a nonprofit in Maryland can do

- **File every year, even a quiet one.** Groups whose gross receipts are normally $50,000 or less file the Form 990-N e-Postcard online. It's due May 15 if your year ends December 31.
- **File late rather than not at all.** A late return still counts if it reaches the IRS before the third missed due date.
- **Check where you stand.** The IRS Tax Exempt Organization Search (apps.irs.gov/app/eos) shows whether an organization lost its status. If it did, there's a way back, starting with a new application.

Every state, the method and a free CSV:
donewithember.com/resources/nonprofits-lost-tax-exempt-status-by-state/

Source: IRS Automatic Revocation of Exemption List (revocations posted through September 29, 2026) and IRS Exempt Organizations Business Master File (September 8, 2026); Ember analysis. Rates use organizations required to file an annual return on the September 2026 Business Master File. Free to reuse under CC BY 4.0 with a link to the study. General information, not legal or tax advice.