

Quarterly Summary of State and Local Government Tax Revenue

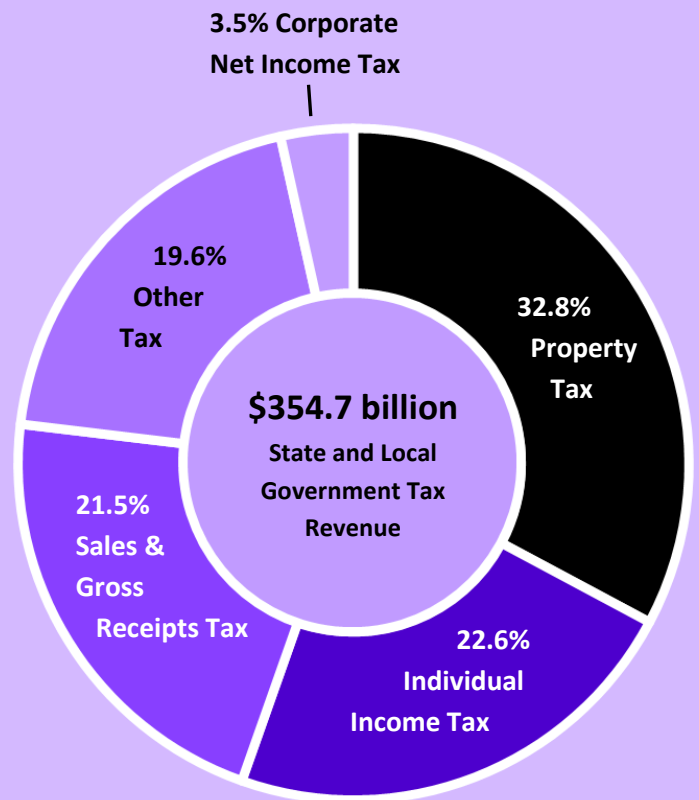
A Comprehensive Summary of State and Local Government Tax Revenue

As the composition of the United States continues to evolve, the ability to interpret state and local government activity is integral in understanding this change. The U.S. Census Bureau's Governments Division provides the most comprehensive, uniform, and precise information of the nation's state and local government activity. The information on the structure, organization, employment, and finances of state and local governments allows you to gain insight into the intricate subject of governmental activity.

The U.S. Census Bureau collects quarterly data on state and local government tax activity. This information is made available through the release of the Quarterly Summary of State and Local Government Tax Revenue. An Information Sheet, Time Series/Trend Charts, and data tables provide quarterly estimates of state and local government tax revenue at a national level, as well as detailed tax revenue data for individual states. These statistics offer insight that help paint the picture of the nation's financial activity.

The statistics the U.S. Census Bureau provides reflect social and economic trends, and influence both the breadth and depth of countless economic decisions. Uses of the data include, but are not limited to, appropriations decisions made by Congress, Gross Domestic Product calculations made by the Bureau of Economic Analysis, and research and comparative analysis by academia and the public.

State & Local Government Tax Revenue, Totals By Type of Tax – Quarter 1 2013



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Quarterly Summary of State and Local Government Tax Revenue

For information on sampling and nonsampling errors, see <http://www.census.gov/govs/qtax/>.

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Statistics about state and local governments are used to account for nearly 12 percent of the Nation's Gross Domestic Product and are a key input for the Flow of Funds for the Federal Reserve and the National Income and Product Accounts for the Bureau of Economic Analysis – important indicators for national economic and public policy. Statistics about governments serve as the foundation for developing national policy and analysis by a variety of entities:

- **State and Local Governments:** Policy research and analysis, allocation of funds, comparative analysis
- **U.S. Congress:** Policy research and analysis
- **Private Sector:** Research and comparative analysis
- **Teachers and Students:** Educational purposes
- **Academic Professionals:** Policy research and analysis
- **Federal Reserve:** Development of the Flow of Funds Accounts
- **Bureau of Economic Analysis:** Development of the public sector component of Gross Domestic Product
- **Other Federal Agencies:** Measure government activities, policy research and analysis
- **General Public:** Research and comparative analysis

Data for this survey are currently available at census.gov/govs/ntax. Here you will be able to access:

- Quarterly Tax Information Sheet
- Time Series/Trend Charts
- National Totals of State and Local Tax Revenue
- National Totals of State Tax Revenue
- State Tax Collections by State

Data on governments are also available at:

- census.gov/govs
- <http://factfinder2.census.gov>
- data.gov

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