Census of Governments: 1962

GRAPHIC SUMMARY

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Preface

This report is the fifth and last of the publications making up Volume VI (Topical Studies) of the 1962 Census of Governments. This census is conducted in accordance with the Act of Congress, approved September 7, 1950, "to provide for the conduct of a periodic census of governments" (Title 13, Section 161, United States Code).

Plans and specifications for the 1962 Census of Governments were developed by the Governments Division of the Bureau of the Census in consultation with other parts of the Bureau, other Federal Government agencies, and the standing Census Advisory Committee on State and Local Government Statistics.

As more fully explained in the Introduction, the charts presented in this publication are reproduced from various other reports of the 1962 Census of Governments. These charts were prepared by the Jeffersonville (Indiana) Census Operations Office, subject to technical guidance by the Geography Division of the Bureau of the Census.

The cooperation and assistance of the many thousands of local and State government officials who provided data for the 1962 Census of Governments is gratefully acknowledged.

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Introduction

The charts shown in this report are, with limited exceptions, directly reproduced from various other reports of the 1962 Census of Governments. The exceptions involve a few instances where some change has been made in the original layout or shading of a chart as originally issued, and the exception notes on page 34 of this report, relating to the finances of state governments, which are based upon the regular annual "Compendium of State Government Finances".

A descriptive listing of all the final reports of the 1962 Census of Governments appears on pages 53 and 54. Below is a guide to the original source publications, where the figures that underlie each chart may be found, together with extensive related statistics and information on data sources, concepts, and classifications.

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[Diagram showing state-local government expenditure for education by region for three years: 1942, 1957, and 1962.]

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### Reports from the 1962 Census of Governments

Reports from the 1962 Census of Governments provide data concerning amounts and characteristics of governmental property in the United States. These reports are available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402, or from any field office of the U.S. Department of Commerce. Order forms may be obtained free of charge from the following:

**Publications**

- **Volume IV, Governmental Finances, No. 1, Finances of School Districts**
- **Volume IV, Governmental Finances, No. 3, Finances of County Governments**
- **Volume III, Census of Governments, 1962, Part 5, Covers all States and for Selected Financial Items**
- **Volume V, Governmental Finances, No. 4, Compendium of Government Finances, 1962**
- **Volume VI, Employee-Retirement Systems of State and Local Governments**
- **Volume VII, Census of Public Employment, 1962**

**References:**
- The State-by-State Report provides a comprehensive summary of the census findings on government finances for the year 1962. It shows nationwide amounts for the Federal Government, States, and local governments by type of government. Other reports provide detailed data on public employment, property values, and financial assets of public employees.

**Statistics:**
- The State by State report presents data for each of the States and for the United States. Selected financial items are reported for population size groups of these governments, and individually for the municipalities and New England-type townships having 10,000 or more inhabitants.
- The National and State-by-State presentation also provides detailed statistics including per capita figures, percentage distributions, and State rankings.

**Methodology:**
- The data are compiled from various sources, including annual reports of state and local governments, and other public and private data sources. The statistics are reported for different time periods, including 1962 and earlier years.

**Data Availability:**
- Data are available for all states and for the United States. The reports are downloadable in PDF format from the Census Bureau website.

**Suggested citation:**

- Suggested reading material is provided in the reports and publications.
Volume VI. Topical Studies. No. 2. State Payments to Local Governments. This report provides a summary description of programs involving grants and reimbursements to local governments, arranged by function (education, highways, public welfare, health and hospitals, and other), indicating the basis of allocation and amounts distributed under each program during fiscal 1962. Comprehensive summaries of 1962 State payments to local governments are also included, with comparative historical data on a State-by-State basis. 107 pages. $5.95

Volume VI. Topical Studies. No. 3. State Reports on State and Local Government Finances. This bibliographic report provides a summary descriptive listing, by States, of periodic State government publications that contain statistics on State and local government finances. 55 pages. $4.00

Volume VI. Topical Studies. No. 4. Historical Statistics on Governmental Finances and Employment. This report supplies nationwide figures on governmental revenue, expenditure, and indebtedness, by Federal, State, and local levels of government, for selected years (1900, 1913, 1922, 1967, biennially from 1913 to 1950, and annually from 1952 to 1962). Nationwide figures on public employment are presented for the period since 1940. State-by-State data on the finances and employment of State and local governments appear for selected years since 1942. 132 pages. $7.00

Volume VI. Topical Studies. No. 5. Graphic Summary of the 1962 Census of Governments. This publication makes available in a single source the charts and maps first issued in various other reports of the census, together with brief explanatory text and a reference guide to the subject matter reports where the underlying statistics appear. 57 pages. $5.00

Volume VII. State Reports. This series of publications (one for each State, one for the District of Columbia, and one for Puerto Rico) brings together for each of these 52 areas all or most of the information subject to such State-by-State presentation from certain other reports of the census—mainly, Volume I, Summary III, Volume IV, and Numbers 2 and 3 of Volume VI. Each report also includes supplementary detail on finances of the State government, summary data on assessed values, and a brief description of any unusual characteristics of governmental structure in the particular State. (Scheduled for publication beginning December 1964; various prices.)