

Price of Government

State and Local Government Revenues

The state general fund forecast represents only a portion of public sector revenues and spending in Minnesota. In broad terms, the "Price of Government" is a measure of the cost of all general government services statewide. It answers the question: *How much do Minnesotans pay to state and local governments in total?* It is comprehensive and includes nearly all revenues generated by state and local units of government as well as public school districts. All state taxes, property taxes, special assessments, fees and charges are included. Federal taxes are not included. The measure serves as a financial index for the cost of public services in Minnesota.

The annual receipts collected by each unit of government are considered to represent the aggregate cost that Minnesota taxpayers pay for public services. The "Price of Government" measures that cost for each fiscal year relative to Minnesota Personal Income. The result is stated as a percentage of total statewide personal income. For fiscal year 2016 it is projected at 15.3 percent. In other words, for every dollar of Minnesota taxpayer personal income, 15.3 cents will be paid to state, county, township, and school districts for services during that year.



Minnesota Price of Government State and Local Revenues as % of MN Personal Income

November 2015 Forecast



Because the price of government focuses on revenues collected by the state, local governments and school districts, it is designed to be a performance measure for both taxpayers in general and policymakers during the budget development process.

The following table shows the revenues collected at each level of government, excluding federal grants and excluding intergovernmental revenues such as state aid to school districts, cities and counties. The results are called "own source" revenues and represent the taxes, fees and charges at each level of government.

Own Source Revenues

(\$ in millions)

	Projected FY 2016	Percent of Total	Projected FY 2017	Percent of Total
State Revenues				
Tax Revenues	\$23,617		\$24,671	
Non-Tax Revenues	3,821		3,722	
Total State Revenues	27,438	63%	28,393	63%
Local Non-School Revenues				
Tax Revenues	6,170		6,418	
Non-Tax Revenues	6,545		6,739	
Total Local Non-School Revenues	12,715	29%	13,157	29%
School District Revenues				
Tax Revenues	2,429		2,602	
Non-Tax Revenues	793		806	
Total School District Revenues	3,222	8%	3,408	8%
Total Own Source Revenues	\$43,375		\$44,958	
Minnesota Personal Income	\$283,975		\$297,798	
Governmental Revenue as Percent of				
Personal Income	15.3%		15.1%	

In FY 2016, of all payments Minnesotans will make in taxes, fees and charges, the state will collect 63 percent. Counties, cities, and townships will collect about 29 percent, while school districts will collect about 8 percent. However, once intergovernmental aids are considered, the state will spend only 37 percent of the total while non-school local governments will spend 36 percent, and school districts will spend 26 percent.

A table showing price of government data follows. It includes major taxes and other revenue sources for FY 2006 through FY 2019 shown by level of government.

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2015 November Forecast Price of Government State & Local Revenues as a Percent of Personal Income (\$ in Thousands)

	Actual FY 2006	Actual FY 2007	Actual FY 2008	Actual FY 2009	Actual FY 2010	Actual FY 2011	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Actual FY 2015	Projected FY 2016	Projected FY 2017	Projected FY 2018	Projected FY 2019
State Revenues														
Tax Revenues: Individual Income Tax	6,862,953	7,230,855	7,759,209	6,988,235	6,530,958	7,529,204	7,972,460	9,012,500	9,659,554	10,403,481	10,678,200	11,278,400	12,053,700	12,678,800
General Sales Tax Corporate Income Tax	4,484,813 1,061,627	4,525,773 1,171,101	4,592,576 1,020,181	4,366,488 708,194	4,430,792 663,505	4,686,836 924,613	4,959,128 1,044,159	5,065,744 1,280,743	5,368,451 1,278,209	5,482,099 1,455,275	5,757,676 1,339,544	6,076,536 1,304,936	6,375,807 1,317,160	6,635,455 1,349,785
Gasoline & Special Fuels Taxes	650,363	647,941	651,855	708,194	826,753	924,013 849,534	845,177	857,362	877,702	889,252	900,300	903,414	898,230	901,749
Motor Vehicle License Tax	491,406	483,991	477,323	501,441	531,551	557,175	580,240	623,210	652,951	687,115	720,668	759,950	793,650	821,050
Motor Vehicle Sales Tax	538,718	533,261	512,662	442,627	453,563	506,035	558,379	597,785	640,272	694,265	726,314	782,823	839,017	873,722
Statewide Property Tax Health Care Taxes	631,279 440,980	665,744 467,410	704,246 481,608	729,373 516,792	766,831 525,153	766,926 546,903	799,333 484,278	811,388 513,763	835,554 525,318	838,080 554,751	837,881 587,423	851,453 617,777	866,634 650,397	888,866 684,950
All Other Taxes	1,528,458	1,373,816	1,339,263	1,333,019	1,327,011	1,358,831	1,434,307	1,419,267	2,017,761	2,056,285	2,068,564	2,096,203	2,136,767	2,167,099
Subtotal - State Taxes	16,690,597	17,099,892	17,538,923	16,331,929	16,056,117	17,726,057	18,677,461	20,181,762	21,855,772	23,060,603	23,616,570	24,671,492	25,931,362	27,001,476
Non-Tax Revenues:														
Fees & Charges	1,268,418	1,177,089	1,220,266	1,228,610	1,265,434	1,285,126	1,205,344	1,222,131	1,180,866	1,138,905	1,205,410	1,120,945	1,151,354	1,153,016
Investment Earnings	185,763	264,747	253,303	171,748	75,683	68,572	72,194	77,114	84,431	93,588	98,039	119,847	148,926	163,367
Post-Secondary Tuition Tobacco Settlements	1,061,327 180,790	1,150,022 183,911	1,221,500 184,411	1,307,918 179,854	1,447,977 168,297	1,598,637 169,375	1,630,000 166,861	1,674,300 170,060	1,678,700 175,399	1,629,700 170,747	1,641,300 162,370	1,641,300 161,957	1,641,300 161,022	1,641,300 160,379
All Other Resources	569,495	474,762	533,964	701,676	760,955	777,684	854,442	906,671	1,173,559	920,234	713,892	677,544	662,241	657,827
Subtotal - State Non Tax Revenues	3,265,793	3,250,531	3,413,444	3,589,806	3,718,346	3,899,394	3,928,841	4,050,276	4,292,955	3,953,174	3,821,011	3,721,593	3,764,843	3,775,889
Subtotal - State Own Source Revenues	19,956,390	20,350,423	20,952,367	19,921,735	19,774,463	21,625,451	22,606,302	24,232,038	26,148,727	27,013,777	27,437,581	28,393,085	29,696,205	30,777,365
Federal Grants	6,056,552	6,531,710	6,781,953	8,031,181	9,725,606	9,756,757	8,486,104	8,808,041	9,409,547	10,564,728	11,850,784	12,238,115	12,638,848	13,031,376
TOTAL STATE REVENUES	26,012,942	26,882,133	27,734,320	27,952,916	29,500,069	31,382,208	31,092,406	33,040,079	35,558,274	37,578,505	39,288,365	40,631,200	42,335,053	43,808,741
Local Non-School Revenues														
Tax Revenues:														
Property Tax	3,691,559	3,977,679	4,303,124	4,643,104	4,875,947	4,973,156	5,057,424	5,300,123	5,367,186	5,447,952	5,575,149	5,801,634	6,034,649	6,294,372
Sales Tax Other Taxes	132,800 161,507	142,405 164,632	181,214 148,454	234,361 186,030	281,471 186,593	295,212 172,002	316,217 175,355	331,528 176,652	346,540 215,053	361,334 220,892	372,878 221,992	391,754 224,612	412,215 230,646	430,822 244,065
Subtotal - Local Taxes	3,985,866	4,284,716	4,632,793	5,063,495	5,344,011	5,440,369	5,548,996	5,808,303	5,928,779	6,030,178	6,170,019	6,418,000	6,677,510	6,969,259
Non-Tax Revenues:	3,303,000	4,204,710	4,002,700	3,003,403	3,344,011	5,440,505	3,340,330	5,000,000	0,020,770	0,000,170	0,170,010	0,410,000	0,011,010	0,000,200
Special Assessments	344,394	341,531	345,448	329,666	344,332	347,913	321,931	338,755	368,775	380,601	385,718	397,267	411,656	427,217
Licenses and Permits	199,330	197,952	180,199	168,677	151,194	157,641	170,119	189,936	206,706	213,583	216,284	222,677	230,691	239,366
Charges for Services	1,075,780	1,089,702	1,166,288	1,105,485	1,122,285	1,091,618	1,101,390	1,200,528	1,321,625	1,346,207	1,360,415	1,395,935	1,440,753	1,489,291
Investment Earnings Selected Enterprise Revenues	224,633 2,943,018	380,413 3,214,027	489,121 3,294,338	359,674 3,425,271	178,693 3,468,110	143,817 3,432,935	189,380 3,586,765	118,811 3,819,575	(48,374) 3,786,805	100,224 3,900,262	107,240 3,946,995	114,746 4,062,455	122,779 4,207,952	131,373 4,365,513
Miscellaneous Revenues	498,821	506,124	531,468	463,039	615,737	512,230	504,049	483,034	471,922	521,709	528,795	4,002,455	4,207,952 565,615	4,305,513
Subtotal - Local Non Tax Revenues	5,285,976	5,729,749	6,006,862	5,851,812	5,880,351	5,686,154	5,873,634	6,150,639	6,107,459	6,462,586	6,545,447	6,738,503	6,979,446	7,240,055
Subtotal - Local Own Source Revenues	9,271,842	10,014,465	10,639,655	10,915,307	11,224,362	11,126,523	11,422,630	11,958,942	12,036,238	12,492,764	12,715,466	13,156,503	13,656,956	14,209,314
Intergovernmental Revenue:														
State Aid	2,570,258	2,701,489	2,765,824	2,494,934	2,587,881	2,498,658	2,541,924	2,499,281	2,541,940	2,696,874	2,792,418	2,804,207	2,823,236	2,842,658
Local Aid	203,588	239,302	457,236	541,921	340,912	308,779	333,561	330,102	409,895	384,705	384,705	384,705	384,705	384,705
Federal Aid	731,744	779,073	795,978	1,004,511	1,077,804	1,218,445	1,169,494	1,121,132	985,667	1,030,354	1,050,961	1,071,980	1,093,420	1,115,288
Subtotal - Intergovernmental Revenue	3,505,590	3,719,864	4,019,038	4,041,366	4,006,597	4,025,882	4,044,979	3,950,515	3,937,502	4,111,933	4,228,084	4,260,892	4,301,361	4,342,651
TOTAL LOCAL NON-SCHOOL REVENUES	12,777,432	13,734,329	14,658,693	14,956,673	15,230,959	15,152,405	15,467,609	15,909,457	15,973,740	16,604,697	16,943,550	17,417,395	17,958,317	18,551,965

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School District Revenues														
<i>Tax Revenues:</i> Property Tax Taconite Production Tax	1,364,355 7,842	1,599,861 8,500	1,764,204 8,490	1,908,471 8,867	2,056,723 8,667	2,122,599 8,805	2,162,072 7,679	2,262,056 7,606	2,297,370 7,257	2,338,525 8,908	2,419,452 9,119	2,592,949 8,664	2,716,670 8,740	2,803,501 8,231
Subtotal - School District Tax Revenues	1,372,197	1,608,361	1,772,694	1,917,338	2,065,390	2,131,404	2,169,751	2,269,662	2,304,627	2,347,433	2,428,571	2,601,613	2,725,410	2,811,732
Non-Tax Revenues:														
Fee Revenue Other Miscellaneous Revenue	442,392 360,366	456,810 386,963	479,537 375,218	491,257 317,470	487,304 266,948	493,927 261,008	509,731 261,224	516,350 248,829	526,486 264,903	517,519 262,765	527,869 265,393	538,427 268,047	549,195 270,727	560,179 273,434
Subtotal - School District Non Tax Revenues	802,758	843,773	854,755	808,727	754,252	754,935	770,955	765,179	791,389	780,284	793,262	806,474	819,922	833,613
Subtotal - School Dist Own Source Revenue:	2,174,955	2,452,134	2,627,449	2,726,065	2,819,642	2,886,339	2,940,706	3,034,841	3,096,016	3,127,717	3,221,833	3,408,087	3,545,332	3,645,345
Intergovernmental Revenue: State Aid State Paid Tax Credits	6,234,345 8,706	6,424,245 9,440	6,760,948 9,489	6,864,416 9,425	6,755,240 9,592	6,868,597 9,567	7,007,915 10,184	7,285,035 9,934	7,527,881 9,766	8,124,869 9.661	8,384,843 9,794	8,672,482 9,918	8,839,788 9,930	9,000,547 9,930
Market Value Homestead Credit Homestead Agric Land MV Credit Local Aid	60,880 5,300 30,643	59,743 5,597 30,576	56,302 5,768 36,389	53,475 5,777 38,738	53,994 5,624 43,389	57,165 5,470 40,314	60,934 5,345 40,927	132 5,279 43,350	0 5,134 47,235	0 5,021 51,394	0 8,803 52,429	0 8,938 52,429	0 8,938 52,429	0 8,938 52,429
Federal Aid	595,642	590,552	609,822	633,187	1,362,002	905,266	797,199	709,503	695,420	689,862	696,761	703,728	710,766	717,873
Subtotal - Intergovernmental Revenue	6,935,516	7,120,153	7,478,718	7,605,018	8,229,841	7,886,379	7,922,504	8,053,233	8,285,436	8,880,807	9,152,630	9,447,495	9,621,851	9,789,717
TOTAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES	9,110,471	9,572,287	10,106,167	10,331,083	11,049,483	10,772,718	10,863,210	11,088,074	11,381,452	12,008,524	12,374,463	12,855,582	13,167,183	13,435,062
Total State, Local & School District Revenues														
Tax Revenues Non-Tax Revenues Intergovernmental Revenue	22,048,660 9,354,527 16,497,658	22,992,969 9,824,053 17,371,727	23,944,410 10,275,061 18,279,709	23,312,762 10,250,345 19,677,565	23,465,518 10,352,949 21,962,044	25,297,830 10,340,483 21,669,018	26,396,208 10,573,430 20,453,587	28,259,727 10,966,094 20,811,789	30,089,178 11,191,803 21,632,485	31,438,214 11,196,044 23,557,468	32,215,160 11,159,720 25,231,498	33,691,105 11,266,570 25,946,502	35,334,282 11,564,211 26,562,060	11,849,557
TOTAL ALL REVENUES	47,900,845	50,188,749	52,499,180	53,240,672	55,780,511	57,307,331	57,423,225	60,037,610	62,913,466	66,191,726	68,606,378	70,904,177	73,460,553	75,795,768
Less: Intergovernmental Revenues	(16,497,658)	(17,371,727)	(18,279,709)	(19,677,565)	(21,962,044)	(21,669,018)	(20,453,587)	(20,811,789)	(21,632,485)	(23,557,468)	(25,231,498)	(25,946,502)	(26,562,060)	(27,163,744)
Total Own Source Revenues	31,403,187	32,817,022	34,219,471	33,563,107	33,818,467	35,638,313	36,969,638	39,225,821	41,280,981	42,634,258	43,374,880	44,957,675	46,898,493	48,632,024
Minnesota Personal Income	193,989,000	205,856,500	216,840,750	228,070,000	216,267,000	225,853,000	247,630,000	256,846,000	261,232,000	273,325,000	283,975,000	297,798,000	312,890,000	328,483,000
Revenue as Percent of Personal Income	16.2%	15.9%	15.8%	14.7%	15.6%	15.8%	14.9%	15.3%	15.8%	15.6%	15.3%	15.1%	15.0%	14.8%