

PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS IN 2016

County treasurers provide collections data for all taxing districts imposing an ad valorem property tax, either authorized by statute or approved by voters. This data excludes special benefit assessments levied.

Property Taxes due in 2016

- Property taxes due in 2016 grew 6.1 percent to \$11.080 billion, a \$571 million increase
- Collections of taxes due in 2016 grew 5.3 percent to \$10.892 billion, a \$551 million increase
- The collection response rate decreased 0.5 percent to 97.4 percent in 2016
- Tax roll cancellations (transfer to exempt status, correction of errors, destroyed property, and uncollectible accounts) exceeded tax roll additions (omitted property, property removed from exempt status, and new structures not previously on the rolls) by \$3.6 million. This amount equaled 0.03 percent of the 2016 tax roll.

County Collection Responses

- Garfield County had the highest collection response rate at 99.5 percent
- Thirty-eight counties reported collection response rates of 95 percent or more
- The lowest rate of collection response was 94.1 percent

Delinquent Property Taxes

- Delinquent taxes (taxes on the rolls prior to the 2016 tax year) were \$283 million
- Of the above amount, plus additions, \$171 million was collection during the year
- The statewide delinquent tax response rate was 60.4 percent
- Thirty-four counties had a 50 percent or better delinquent tax collection response rate
- Fourteen counties had a 60 percent or better delinquent tax collection response rate

Current and Delinquent Property Taxes

- The combined amount of current and delinquent taxes due in 2016 was \$11.363 billion
- Total collections were \$10.063 billion, which was 96.8 percent of the total due
- Total collections were 99.9 percent of the current rolls
- Delinquent taxes due at the end of 2016 were down 0.5 percent to \$285 million, a decrease of \$1.3 million.