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(02-08-2017)



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**Economics and Statistics Administration**  
**U.S. Census Bureau**  
Washington, DC 20233-0001  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

**A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:**

We are requesting your cooperation with the **2017 Census of Governments, Survey of Local Government Finances**. This survey provides the only source of nationwide, comprehensive information on state and local government finances. Results of this survey are used by the U.S. Congress, federal agencies, state governments, other local governments, educational and research organizations, and the general public.

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**User ID:**  
**Password:**  
**Due Date:**

We estimate this survey will take an average of 1.5 to 6 hours to complete. Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

If you need assistance completing this voluntary survey, visit us online at the website above or call our customer help line at 1-800-832-2839, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

**Thank you** in advance for your voluntary participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people, places, and economy. Your response makes a difference.

Sincerely,

John H. Thompson  
Director  
U.S. Census Bureau

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### **OMB Number**

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### **Authority and Confidentiality**

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### **Burden Estimate Statement**

We estimate this survey will take an average of 1.5 to 6 hours to complete, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to:

ITMD Survey Comments 0607-0585  
U.S. Census Bureau  
4600 Silver Hill Road  
Room ITMD-5K158  
Washington, DC 20233

You may email comments to [itmd.surveys@census.gov](mailto:itmd.surveys@census.gov). Be sure to use "ITMD Survey Comments 0607-0585" as the subject.

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Sincerely,

Dale C. Kelly  
Chief, International Trade Management Division  
U.S. Census Bureau

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Sincerely,

Dale C. Kelly  
Chief, International Trade Management Division  
U.S. Census Bureau



January 5, 2017

NAME  
Title  
Address 1  
Address 2  
City, ST Zip

Dear NAME:

We are writing to request information for our **2017 Census of Governments, Survey of Local Government Finances**. This survey provides the only source of nationwide, comprehensive information on state and local government finances. Results of this survey are used by the U.S. Congress, federal agencies, state governments, and other local governments, educational and research organizations and the general public.

Title 13 United States Code (U.S.C.), Sections 161 and 182 authorize the U.S. Census Bureau to conduct this collection and to request your voluntary assistance and has been approved by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget number 0607-0585. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13 U.S.C., Section 9(b) exempting data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

As in previous survey years, we would like to obtain copies of the reports specified below for all **county, city, township, and special purpose governments** in STATE. The data we are requesting is for local governments with fiscal years ending July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

- File 1
- File 2
- File 3
- File 4

Please send the reports via e-mail to [ewd.local.finance@census.gov](mailto:ewd.local.finance@census.gov). If the requested reports are not available electronically, or if you need further assistance, please call our customer help line at 1-800-832-2839, Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM Eastern Time or via the e-mail address above.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people, places, and our economy. Your response makes a difference.

Sincerely,

Randy A. Moore  
Branch Chief, Local Finance Statistics Branch  
International Trade Management Division of the U.S. Census Bureau



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## **Burden Estimate Statement**

We estimate this survey will take an average of 24 hours to complete, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to:

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**A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:**

We are requesting your cooperation with the **2017 Census of Governments, Survey of State Government Finances**. This survey provides measures of revenue by source, expenditures by character and function, indebtedness by term, and cash and investments by purpose for the 50 state governments in the United States. It is the only comprehensive source of information on the finances of all state governments in the United States. The information collected serves as an integral part of the foundation for developing national economic and public policy by measuring public activity.

Please complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to the Census Bureau in the envelope provided.

We estimate this survey will take an average of 1 hour to complete. Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

If you need assistance completing this survey, please call us on 1-866-820-7210, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

**Thank you** in advance for your voluntary participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people, places, and economy. Your response makes a difference.

Sincerely,

John H. Thompson  
Director  
U.S. Census Bureau

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### **Burden Estimate Statement**

Please note that this collection of information applies to governments with wide differences in the size of their service areas, the amount of population served, and the extent and complexity of their activities. We estimate the time to complete this survey varies from 30 minutes to 2 hours, with an average of 1 hour, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to:

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### **PAST DUE NOTICE**

Our records indicate that we have not received your **2017 Census of Governments, Survey of State Government Finances**.

Please complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to the Census Bureau in the envelope provided. If you have already submitted your survey, **thank you for your response**.

If you need assistance completing this survey, please call us on 1-866-820-7210, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

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Sincerely,

Dale C. Kelly  
Chief, International Trade Management Division  
U.S. Census Bureau



**A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:**

We are requesting your cooperation with the **2017 Census of Governments, Survey of Public Pensions**. This survey is the only source of comprehensive information on the finances of state and locally administered public employee defined benefit plans in the United States. The information collected serves as an integral part of the foundation for developing national economic and public policy by measuring public activity.

Please report online using the information below and keep this letter for future reference:

**Website:**  
**User ID:**  
**Password:**  
**Due Date:**

We estimate this survey will take an average of 2.5 hours to complete. Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

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Sincerely,

John H. Thompson  
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Sincerely,

Dale C. Kelly  
Chief, International Trade Management Division  
U.S. Census Bureau

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale C. Kelly".

Dale C. Kelly  
Chief, International Trade Management Division  
U.S. Census Bureau

**Subject:** 2017 annual Survey of State Government Tax Collections (STC)

Dear NAME:

The U.S. Census Bureau is requesting your help in providing data for the **2017 Annual Survey of State Government Tax Collections (STC)**. This summary is the only comprehensive source of details on tax collections by type of tax imposed and collected by state governments in the United States. The U.S. Congress, federal agencies, state and local governments, educational and research organizations, and the general public utilize these data for the following purposes: development of gross domestic product estimates, development of the national income and product accounts, and tax policy research.

Title 13, United States Code, Section 182, authorizes the U.S. Census Bureau to conduct this collection and to request your voluntary assistance and has been approved by the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and given the number 0607-0585. Information provided in this survey compiled from or customarily provided in public records is exempt from confidential treatment as cited in Title 13, United States Code, Section 9.

Please complete and return the attached spreadsheet by **December 31, 2017** by replying to this email.

If the information is not currently available, please respond with an estimated date for when this data will become available. If you identify areas where we have historically missed tax line items, please add these tax line items directly into the spreadsheet. If there are any changes or revisions to prior year data, please provide those corrections directly into the attached spreadsheet, designating the revised values with an "R" in the FN column of the appropriate year. A PDF of our tax section of the classification manual is attached as a reference for data categorization/classification.

If you need any assistance, please contact us by phone at 1-866-820-7210 weekdays between 7 AM and 5 PM ET or by email at [ewd.statetax@census.gov](mailto:ewd.statetax@census.gov). You can see the published statistics for the survey on our website: [www.census.gov/govs/statetax/](http://www.census.gov/govs/statetax/).

Thank you for participating in the 2017 Annual Survey of State Government Tax Collections. The Census Bureau appreciates your help.

Sincerely,

Dale C. Kelly  
Chief, International Trade Management Division

Attachments



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