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2014 - 2015	June 2013	Treasury
2015 - 2016	December 2014	Treasury
2016 - 2017	June 2016	Treasury
2017 - 2018	September 2017	Treasury
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APPENDIX ON TAX CREDITS, DEDUCTIONS, AND EXEMPTIONS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021

The Appendix on Tax Credits, Deductions, and Exemptions (formerly entitled the Tax Expenditure Appendix) is a compilation of the revenue cost of the various tax credits, deductions, and exemptions contained in Michigan tax law. Section 1 of Public Act 72 of 1979 requires the Governor to submit a report on specific tax credits, deductions, and exemptions along with the annual presentation of the *Executive Budget* to the Legislature. Throughout this report, credits, deductions, and exemptions will often be referred to as tax expenditures.

Tax expenditures can be defined broadly as the tax revenue foregone as a result of preferential provisions such as credits, deductions, exemptions, deferrals, exclusions, or lower tax rates. These provisions are tax expenditures because, like appropriations, they allocate resources for specific public purposes, but do so through the tax system rather than the expenditure system.

Total tax expenditures are projected to increase 3.4 percent between fiscal year (FY) 2020 and FY 2021, from \$42.92 billion to \$44.37 billion. Tax expenditures are divided into five broad categories: business privilege, consumption, individual income, local property, and transportation.

Business privilege tax expenditures are predicted to decrease from \$980.5 million to \$949.2 million from FY 2020 to FY 2021. The estimates under the business privilege tax category reflect the credits, deductions, and exemptions in place under the corporate income tax and the credits which may be claimed under the Michigan business tax.

Consumption tax expenditures are predicted to increase 3.4 percent between FY 2020 and FY 2021, from \$18,683.7 million to \$19,318.8 million. The impact of the pandemic was incorporated, but for this sector of the economy the impact was different in the various industries. Comparisons between the estimates for consumption tax expenditures contained in this report and those in prior editions of the *Tax Expenditure Appendix* are not valid due to changes in the methodology and data sources used to calculate tax expenditures related to services.

Individual income tax expenditures are predicted to rise from \$10,911.5 million in FY 2020 to \$11,149.7 million in FY 2021, a 2.2 percent increase. In recent tax years the income tax adjustment for income attributable to another state has been volatile, resulting in volatility of the estimated income tax expenditure.

Local tax expenditures are predicted to increase 4.9 percent between FY 2020 and FY 2021, rising from \$12,278.0 million to \$12,884.8 million. The value of local tax exemptions rises with higher property values.

Transportation tax expenditures are predicted to increase by 1.4 percent between FY 2020 and FY 2021, from \$62.3 million to \$63.2 million.

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION TO TAX EXPENDITURES

Section 1 of Public Act 72 of 1979 requires the Governor to submit a report on specific tax credits, deductions, and exemptions along with the annual presentation of the *Executive Budget* to the Legislature:

The governor, with the annual budget message to the legislature, shall report, at a minimum, the tax credits, deductions, and exemptions enumerated in this act. The message shall include tax credits, deductions, and exemptions by budget and also shall contain a separate report on tax credits, deductions, and exemptions in total, which may be printed as an appendix to the budget. The department of treasury shall furnish these items to the governor for inclusion in the report as required by this act.

The *Appendix on Tax Credits, Deductions, and Exemptions* is a compilation of the revenue cost of the various tax credits, deductions, and exemptions contained within the Michigan state and local tax structure. These provisions are more commonly known as tax expenditures and will be referred to as tax expenditures in this report. When known, the number of taxpaying units taking advantage of a given tax expenditure is also included.

This *Appendix* is divided into eight chapters. Chapter 1 discusses the definition and measurement of tax expenditures. Chapter 2 presents a summary of tax expenditures by type of tax. Chapter 3 lists tax expenditures by budget category. Chapters 4 through 8 examine the five main tax expenditure categories in greater detail: business privilege, consumption, individual income, transportation, and local property. Chapters 4 through 8 discuss changes in tax laws and the reliability of tax expenditure estimates. In addition, a brief description of each tax expenditure is provided.

Defining Tax Expenditures

Tax expenditures can be defined broadly as the tax revenue foregone as a result of preferential provisions such as credits, deductions, exemptions, deferrals, exclusions, or lower tax rates. These provisions are tax expenditures because, like appropriations, they allocate resources for specific public purposes, but do so through the tax system rather than the expenditure system. For economic purposes, it makes no difference whether a policy objective is pursued through direct spending or through the tax code. For example, a tax credit of 50 percent of the amount spent on health care by individuals is exactly the same as a spending program that pays 50 percent of health care expenses, since both reduce the effective cost of health care by 50 percent, assuming the choice of how to establish the subsidy does not affect the population covered by the program.

Classifying items as tax expenditures is a subjective process. Some argue that the tax expenditure definition should be as broad as possible, encompassing all deductions or credits that reduce the

taxable base from 100 percent of income or wealth. Others recommend a narrower definition that includes only those tax deductions or credits that are adjustments to the "normal" or appropriate tax structure. The narrow tax expenditure definition reserves the term tax expenditure for items that are substitutes for direct spending. This report includes statutory credits, deductions, and exemptions, a broad concept than tax expenditures, and this broader approach includes several tax provisions that many would consider adjustments necessary to obtain the appropriate tax base, such as the exemption for food under the sales tax.

Changes in law can affect revenues and not involve a tax expenditure. For example, reductions in tax rates would generally reduce tax revenues but do not fit the definition of a tax expenditure. Changes in the way the tax law apportions income between states would also not qualify as a tax expenditure. Finally, a tax change that requires a change in the recognition of income between subsidiaries (perhaps through unitary or separate reporting) or the recognition of expenses between a client and an employment agency would not be tax expenditures.

Traditionally, tax expenditures have served two purposes. First, they redistribute the tax burden. Tax expenditures such as personal income tax exemptions, sales tax exemptions for food and prescription drug purchases, and the corporate income tax credit for small firms all shift the relative tax burden. These tax expenditures are designed to reduce the tax burden on low-income individuals and businesses. Second, tax expenditures create an incentive for individuals or firms to change their behavior. The earned income tax credit, at both the federal and state levels, is intended to increase work effort and attachment to the labor force and is a good example of a tax expenditure designed to influence taxpayer behavior.

Tax expenditures are so named because they can be viewed as alternatives to direct government appropriations or regulation. In fact, tax expenditures are very similar to direct appropriations in many respects. The main difference is that while appropriations achieve policy goals directly, tax expenditures achieve policy goals indirectly by changing relative prices or reducing costs. For example, the government may help the poor directly by providing food stamps. Alternatively, the government can exempt food from the sales tax, which lowers the cost of food purchases relative to other goods. This will aid poorer residents because they spend a greater percentage of their income on basic needs such as food, which is not taxed.

However, the allocation of government resources through the tax system suffers from some drawbacks. First, because tax expenditures accomplish their goals indirectly, they may provide a less efficient means of targeting benefits than direct expenditures. Sometimes, the targeted group may not receive the benefits, or other groups who were not targeted originally may benefit. Second, policymakers tend to ignore tax expenditures during the budgeting process. Instead, they focus their attention almost strictly upon actual revenue and spending. They may spend less time considering potential new tax expenditures and revenue that might be collected by eliminating or reducing current tax expenditures. Finally, providing resources via tax expenditures may be more costly than through direct appropriation. Centralized purchasing of certain items such as prescription drugs or diabetic supplies by the state may result in a lower cost than if individuals purchase the items and then apply for a tax credit. On the other hand, the cost to governments of administering most tax expenditures is usually a fraction of the cost of administering direct spending programs.

Annual review of tax expenditures would encourage policymakers to rank all policy goals before deciding which should be funded, by how much, and by what means. Ideally, this review process would use three criteria in order to evaluate which tax expenditures are retained. First, the effectiveness of the specific tax expenditure should be evaluated. Does it accomplish its objective at the lowest cost without unintended outcomes? Second, the tax expenditure should be more effective relative to alternatives such as direct spending or regulation. Finally, the relative importance of the tax expenditure and its goals should be examined and compared to direct spending actions. This report does not attempt to evaluate each tax expenditure according to these criteria. It is designed to aid policymakers in evaluating the efficiency, effectiveness, and relative importance of each tax expenditure.

Technical Issues

State Versus Federal Tax Expenditures

The starting point in calculating Michigan taxable income is the federal Internal Revenue Code definition of adjusted gross income (AGI). As a result, the exclusions and deductions used in the calculation of federal AGI also reduce state income tax liability. Exclusions or deductions from federal AGI that Michigan does not disallow specifically are classified as federal tax expenditures. This classification does not mean that federal tax expenditures are outside the control of state government. Michigan could require that specific federal tax expenditures be added back to AGI in calculating Michigan taxable income.

State Versus Local Tax Expenditures

This report also distinguishes between state tax expenditures (associated with taxes collected by the state government) and local tax expenditures (associated with taxes collected by local governments). For the purposes of this report, the distinction between state and local government tax expenditures rests on which level of government collects the tax, not the level of government affected by the tax expenditure. In fact, some state tax expenditures have implications for local government budgets, while some local government tax expenditures have ramifications for the state government budget. For example, property tax exemptions granted for industrial or commercial development are classified as local tax expenditures. These local property tax exemptions also have state budget implications because they reduce state education tax revenue and reduce taxable value per pupil and thus increase state aid payments to local school districts through the state's formula for providing funds to K-12 education.

Income Tax Personal Exemption

For tax year 2019, individual Michigan taxpayers could claim a \$4,400 personal exemption for themselves and each of their dependents. The personal exemption is classified as a tax expenditure in this report. Some contend that the exemption is essential for determining an appropriate income tax base and should not be considered a tax expenditure.

Industrial Processing Exemption From Sales Tax

The levy of a "pure" retail sales tax takes place only at the retail level, that is, sales to the final consumer. Goods or services used in the production of consumer goods are exempt from this pure retail sales tax. States differ as to the business purchases they exempt from the sales tax. In Michigan, sales of goods used in industrial processing are exempt, although sales of goods used in business, but not in the actual manufacturing process, are subject to taxation. In this sense, the exclusion of non-retail sales from a pure retail sales tax base is not a tax expenditure even though it is a statutory exemption in the General Sales Tax Act.

Measuring Tax Expenditures

The estimates in this report for fiscal year (FY) 2020 and FY 2021 are based on the most recent data available. Tax year 2019 income tax data (returns processed in the spring of 2020) are used, as are 2020 property and sales tax data, and tax year 2018 Corporate Income Tax (CIT) data. Most estimates of the cost (in terms of foregone revenue) of credits, deductions, exemptions, and other reductions are based on actual tax return data. However, many exemptions are not reported on tax returns. In these instances, tax expenditure estimates were derived from other sources.

The tax expenditure estimates *do not* necessarily reflect the amount of actual revenue that would be gained through the repeal of specific provisions. This is attributable to three economic assumptions (listed below) which have been made to ease the task of estimation. (These assumptions are consistent with those made at the federal level and used by other states.)

Assumption 1: The elimination of a particular tax expenditure does not alter economic behavior.

In many instances, tax expenditures are specifically designed to provide incentives for people and businesses to behave in a certain manner. Elimination of tax expenditures would most likely alter their behavior. For example, if the sales tax exemption for food were eliminated, the final price that consumers pay for food would increase and food purchases would decline. In this case, the elimination of the tax expenditure would be similar to a price increase. This drop in food purchases offsets some of the revenue gain from eliminating the exemption.

Assumption 2: Each tax expenditure is independent.

The repeal of certain tax expenditure provisions can increase or decrease the revenue losses associated with other provisions that are kept in place. For example, reducing or removing one property tax exemption may allow firms to take greater advantage of other exemptions, offsetting at least some of the original revenue impact.

Assumption 3: The elimination of tax expenditures does not affect overall macroeconomic conditions.

In principle, repeal or enactment of major tax expenditure provisions would have some impact on the economy. For example, imposing the sales tax on services or repealing the personal income tax exemption may significantly reduce income levels and affect taxpayers' spending which would affect the macro economy. However, marginal changes in particular provisions are unlikely to have a significant impact on overall income levels and rates of economic growth.

In essence, each tax expenditure estimate is an isolated estimate. That is, each estimate assumes implicitly that no other tax expenditures exist (i.e., there is no interaction) and that all other factors remain constant (i.e., taxpayers do not change their behavior and the repeal of the provision does not affect the overall economy). Because this report ignores many of these factors to simplify estimation, actual state revenue gains from eliminating specific tax expenditures would generally fall short of the estimates.

Cautionary Notes and the Reliability of Estimates

In many instances, this report aggregates individual tax expenditure estimates. However, due to the simplifying assumptions that have been made, aggregating various tax expenditure estimates in order to measure the cost of changing all of them simultaneously will not be accurate. The estimated revenue gain from simultaneously eliminating two tax expenditures will be less than the sum of the cost of the two measured separately. Therefore, the reader is cautioned regarding interactions between tax expenditures.

The reader is also cautioned about comparing tax expenditure estimates across years. Substantial changes in federal, state, and local tax laws occur each year that affect the number, type, and magnitude of tax expenditures. In addition, measurement techniques may also vary from year to year, depending on the available data.

Tax expenditure estimates that appear in this report have different levels of reliability depending on the accuracy of the data and the estimation procedure employed. Chapters 4 through 8 denote the reliability of tax expenditure estimates included in the respective chapters. High reliability implies that the estimate should be relatively accurate. If the estimate does not approximate closely the actual value of the tax expenditure, it is most likely incorrect by a relatively small margin. Conversely, low reliability implies that the actual value could be much greater or smaller and that the range of possible values is large. Reliability indicators are as follows:

1. High reliability level.

This category is reserved for estimates that were derived using actual recent tax return data. The tax expenditure for education savings plans, which is based on recent income tax return data, is an example of an estimate that is accurate and highly reliable.

2. Average reliability level.

Tax expenditure estimates in this category were also based on tax return data. However, specific economic assumptions were necessary to derive these estimates because less recent data or sample data were used. The personal exemption from city income taxes is an example of an estimate with average reliability. Estimates were based on a recent survey of city treasurers. Some city estimates were carried forward from last year, while other estimates were based on rounded figures. While this will affect the precision of the total estimate, the impact should be relatively small.

3. Low reliability level.

This category is reserved for estimates that are imprecise. Estimates in this category were based on highly aggregated (national) data, required restrictive assumptions, or used poor non-tax data sources. For example, federal income tax expenditure estimates have a low degree of reliability because they were based on national tax expenditure data apportioned to Michigan.

Why Report Tax Expenditures?

Some economists argue that a regular periodic evaluation of tax expenditures should become common practice. Unlike fixed appropriations, tax expenditures are open-ended entitlements: if people or firms qualify for an exemption, they receive it. In periods of recession, tax expenditures are rarely re-examined as budget cuts are typically focused on direct spending. When the economy improves, both direct spending and tax expenditures tend to increase as legislators can afford to be more generous.

According to the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR), there are at least three reasons why tax expenditures should be reviewed periodically:

1. Tax Equity.

Reviewing tax expenditures helps to ensure both vertical and horizontal equity in the tax structure. Horizontal equity refers to taxpayers in similar income groups, while vertical equity refers to taxpayers in different income groups. If a tax system that relies on voluntary compliance is to work, people must regard that system as equitable.

2. Fiscal Discipline.

Adopting regular tax expenditure reporting gives policymakers more information regarding available resources and how these resources are being used. All state programs, whether they are funded through direct or indirect spending, should work in unison so that particular policy objectives can be attained.

3. Political Accountability.

By mandating a periodic review of the tax code, state lawmakers would foster a public discussion about how the tax system should be designed. In addition, lawmakers would indicate publicly whether they support or oppose certain tax expenditures, much like the appropriations process.

The Michigan Legislature has recognized these potential problems and places sunset dates on some new tax expenditures, or requires a report on the activity related to the tax break. In addition, the annual publication of this report provides an itemization of tax expenditures along with their cost.

Credits, deductions and exemptions are listed in this report independent of the steps necessary to amend or eliminate them. Some of these items may be altered with a change in Michigan statute, while others may require a change in federal law to allow Michigan to change its policy. Others, such as the sales tax exemption for food other than prepared food, would require an amendment to the Michigan Constitution.

Finally, the inclusion of any item as a tax expenditure should not be viewed as an expression of support for or objection to any particular tax policy. As noted above, tax expenditures represent spending done outside of the annual appropriation process. While a periodic review of tax expenditures is encouraged as a way to better conduct public policy, the inclusion of a particular credit, deduction, or exemption in this report does not signify any conclusion regarding the public policy merit of that particular tax expenditure.

CHAPTER 2

SUMMARY OF TAX EXPENDITURES

Chapter 2 lists tax expenditures by the tax categories business privilege, consumption, individual income, transportation, local property, and other local tax expenditures. Chapter 2 also includes aggregated tax expenditures. As noted earlier, aggregated measures of tax expenditures should be viewed with caution. The independence assumption underlying individual tax expenditure estimates is unrealistic and, if relaxed, aggregated figures would likely decrease.

Total tax expenditures are projected to increase from \$42.916 billion in FY 2020 to \$44.366 billion in FY 2021, a 3.4 percent increase (see Exhibit 1). The overall increase in tax expenditures was concentrated in consumption and property tax expenditures.

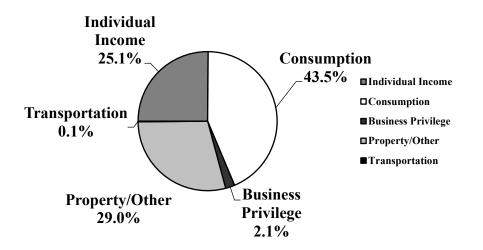
Tax Category	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)	Change (000)
Business Privilege	\$980,500	\$949,200	-\$31,300
Consumption	18,683,695	19,318,825	635,130
Individual Income	10,911,500	11,149,670	238,170
Property	12,012,160	12,614,980	602,820
Other Local (City Income)	265,920	269,770	3,850
Transportation	62,302	63,161	859_
TOTAL	\$42,916,077	\$44,365,606	\$1,449,529

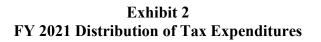
Exhibit 1 Total Tax Expenditures, FY 2020 and FY 2021

Totals may differ slightly due to rounding.

Most tax expenditures result from deductions, exemptions, or credits from consumption, income, and property taxes (see Exhibit 2). For FY 2021, consumption tax expenditures comprise 43.5 percent of total tax expenditures, while income tax expenditures comprise 25.1 percent and property and other local taxes comprise 29.0 percent. Not surprisingly, taxes that generate significant revenue are also associated with large tax expenditures (see Exhibit 3). Most notable

are consumption tax expenditures resulting from the exemptions for food, services, and industrial processing.





Total may not equal 100 percent due to rounding.

Exhibit 3		
FY 2021 Tax Expenditures and Projected Revenue		
(millions of dollars)		

Tax Category	Tax Expenditure	Projected Revenues*	Percent of Revenues
Business Privilege			
Oil and Gas Severance	\$2.8	\$20.9	13.4%
Corporate Income/MBT	903.4	1,209.6	74.7%
Consumption			
Total Alcohol	0.1	289.2	0.0%
Cigarette and Tobacco	17.1	889.8	1.9%
Sales and Use	19,301.6	12,031.0	160.4%
Individual Income Tax	7,946.9	11,853.4	67.0%
Transportation			
Aviation Fuel	2.9	4.2	70.0%
Gasoline	38.4	1,110.2	3.5%
Diesel Fuel	6.3	241.3	2.6%
Motor Vehicle Registration	14.7	1,400.0	1.0%
City Income Tax	269.8	603.9	44.7%
-			
TOTAL	\$28,504.1	\$29,653.5	96.1%

*From Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference, January 2022. City income taxes are not a consensus estimate.

Exhibits 4 through 8 provide a breakdown of individual tax expenditures across the five tax categories. An asterisk denotes a new tax expenditure or one that has been modified by legislation since the publication of the previous report. For more detailed information regarding these changes, consult the specific chapter relating to the tax expenditure.

Exhibit 4 Business Privilege Tax Expenditures

	FY 2020	FY 2021
Tax or Tax Expenditure	(000)	(000)
Insurance Company		
Disability Insurance Exclusion	\$7,200	\$7,600
Michigan Association and Facilities Credit	29,800	\$29,600
Michigan Examination Fees Credit	5,300	5,600
Supplemental Workers' Compensation	200	200
SUBTOTAL	\$42,500	\$43,000
Oil and Gas Severance Tax		
Marginal Wells	\$2,000	\$2,200
Public Land	600	600
SUBTOTAL	\$2,600	\$2,800
Corporate Income Tax		
Foreign Dividends Income Exclusion	\$212,000	\$217,300
Government Securities' Income Exclusion	1,400	600
Income from Extractive Activities Deduction	300	300
Small Business Alternate Tax Credit	6,100	6,400
SUBTOTAL	\$219,800	\$224,600
Michigan Business Tax Certificated Credits		
Brownfield Redevelopment Credit	\$29,900	\$40,300
Farmland Preservation Credit	1,500	1,500
Historic Preservation Credit	6,100	8,800
Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA)	603,500	552,900
MEGA Polycrystaline Silicon Manufacturing	0	0
Renaissance Zone Credit	10,000	10,000
Michigan Business Tax Non-Certificated Credits		
Compensation Credit and Investment Tax Credit	\$36,700	\$37,000
Personal Property Tax Credit	6,000	6,100
Research and Development Credit	19,200	19,400
Small Business Credit	200	200
Other Non-Certificated Credits	2,500	2,600
SUBTOTAL	\$715,600	\$678,800
TOTAL	\$980,500	\$949,200

Exhibit 5 Consumption Tax Expenditures

Tax or Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Alcoholic Beverages Taxes		
Beer Shipped Out-of-State	n.a.	n.a.
Damaged Beer	n.a.	n.a.
Homemade Wine	n.a.	n.a.
Small Brewer's Credit	\$90	\$90
SUBTOTAL	\$90	\$90
Tobacco Products Tax		
Bad Debt Deduction	\$360	\$360
Licensee Expenses	12,810	12,580
Sales on Military Bases and Reservations	4,200	4,160
SUBTOTAL	\$17,370	\$17,100
Sales and Use Tax Expenditures		
Air and Water Pollution	\$56,030	\$54,910
Aircraft Parts	14,330	14,470
Bad Debts	10,400	10,400
Cargo Aircraft	22,520	22,750
Church Construction	2,310	2,020
Church Cars	1,980	1,930
Collection Fee	31,190	31,500
Commercial Domestic Aircraft	4,090	4,130
Commercial Vessels	n.a.	n.a
Communication and Telephone Exemption	29,930	29,180
Data Centers	2,000	1,230
Donated Property	n.a.	n.a
Donated Vehicles	125	125
Driver Training	110	110
Employee Meals	17,680	16,840
Enterprise Zone Credit	n.a.	n.a
Food Food for Students	1,448,000	1,468,000
Government or Red Cross	18,500 219,000	15,150 221,000
Gratuity and Tips	84,400	85,240
Horticultural and Agricultural Products	302,000	311,100
Imported Property from Other States	1,870	1,910

Tax or Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Industrial Processing	\$1,469,000	\$1,446,970
Interstate Communications	6,100	6,000
Interstate Trucks and Trailers	43,110	43,110
Investment Coins	1,510	1,490
Isolated Sales	n.a.	n.a.
Military PX Sales	200	200
Military Vehicles Sales	n.a.	n.a.
Military Vehicles Sales (Residents Out-of-State)	n.a.	n.a.
Newspapers, Periodicals, and Films	110,000	110,000
Nonprofit Ambulance and Fire Services	n.a.	n.a.
Nonprofit Hospital or Housing Construction	7,000	7,000
Nonprofit Organizations	193,400	195,300
Nonprofits Sales under \$5,000	n.a.	n.a.
Nonresident Merchandise Transfer	n.a.	n.a.
Nonresident Property	n.a.	n.a.
Ophthalmic and Orthopedic Products	68,200	70,200
Prescription Drugs	704,000	742,000
Radio and TV	6,640	6,570
Rail Rolling Stock	6,960	6,870
Residential Utilities	169,200	172,600
Returned Vehicles	1,140	1,140
Sales of Business	n.a.	n.a.
Sale of Water	71,900	72,600
Services (Including Nonprofits)	13,415,500	13,996,720
Small Out-of-State Purchases	n.a.	n.a.
Tax on the Difference - Vehicles	47,440	53,120
Telephone Services	17,280	18,100
Textbooks Sold by Schools	n.a.	n.a.
Tribal Tax Agreement	n.a.	n.a.
Vehicles and Aircraft Transfers	39,490	37,520
Vehicles Purchased for Use in Another State	n.a.	n.a.
Vending Machines and Mobile Facilities	21,700	22,130
SUBTOTAL	\$18,666,235	\$19,301,635
TOTAL	\$18,683,695	\$19,318,825

Exhibit 5 (Continued)

Note: Total may differ from Exhibit 1 due to rounding.

Tax or Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
State Income Tax		
Adjustments to Income (except military)	\$0	\$0
College Savings Accounts	13,590	14,020
Dependent Exemption	20,080	20,280
Disabled Veteran Exemption	510	510
Earned Income Credit	113,930	90,240
Farmland Credit	53,950	55,840
Historic Preservation Credit	60	50
Home Heating Assistance Credit	110	110
Homestead Property Tax Credit	784,820	739,330
Income Attributable to Another State	3,622,220	3,658,450
Income from Extractive Activities Deduction	800	800
Income Tax Paid to Other State Credit	84,680	89,190
Military Pay	28,300	29,320
Miscellaneous Deductions	8,650	8,910
Net Operating Loss Deduction	3,500	4,200
Net Adjustment for Gains/Losses	88,820	89,710
Pension and Retirement Benefits Deduction	494,040	498,990
Personal Exemption	1,487,210	1,539,140
Renaissance Zones	800	780
Senior Investment Income Deduction	16,520	16,680
Senior Standard Deduction	448,160	515,380
Social Security Benefits	504,330	524,500
Special Exemption	15,490	15,650
State and Local Income Tax Refunds	22,840	23,070
Tribal Tax Agreements	n.a.	n.a.
U.S. Government Bond Interest Deduction	11,660	11,770
TOTAL STATE	\$7,825,070	\$7,946,920
Federal Adjustments		
Accelerated Depreciation	\$133,900	\$123,250
Employer Contributions to Insurance	1,082,790	1,148,260
Employer Pension Plans	784,660	826,070
Federal Adjustments to Income	36,170	36,390
Fellowships and Scholarships	19,550	22,520
Gain on Sale of Primary Residence	222,130	229,670
Income Maintenance Benefits	3,570	5,280

Exhibit 6 Individual Income Tax Expenditures

Exhibit 6	(Continu	ed)
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Tax or Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Federal Adjustments (continued)		
Individual Retirement Accounts	\$316,540	\$322,040
Interest on Life Insurance Savings	75,810	69,700
Medical Savings Account	36,590	38,660
Railroad Retirement Benefits	920	910
Social Security Benefits	235,990	244,320
Student Loan Deduction	13,410	13,810
Veterans' Benefits	83,370	82,070
Workers' Compensation	41,030	39,800
TOTAL FEDERAL	\$3,086,430	\$3,202,750
TOTAL STATE AND FEDERAL	\$10,911,500	\$11,149,670

Exhibit 7 Transportation Tax Expenditures

Tax or Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Aviation Gasoline and Marine Fuel		
Federally Owned Aircraft	\$331	\$336
Interstate Flight Refund	2,700	2,600
Marine Vessel Exemption	764	775
SUBTOTAL	\$3,795	\$3,711
Motor Fuel Taxes		
Diesel Fuel for Jobsites and Charter Firms	\$6,220	\$6,307
Diesel Fuel for Railroads	n.a.	n.a.
Evaporation and Loss Allowance	16,550	16,906
Fuel for Off-Road Use	1,579	1,601
Municipal Franchise Vehicles	1,804	1,829
Public Vehicles	17,843	18,093
Tribal Tax Agreements	n.a.	n.a.
SUBTOTAL	\$43,996	\$44,736
Motor Vehicles Registration Fee		
Disabled Veterans' Vehicles	\$739	\$749
Handicapper Vans	n.a.	n.a.
Intercity Commercial Buses	n.a.	n.a.
Public and Nonprofit Vehicles	13,757	13,950
SUBTOTAL	\$14,496	\$14,699
Watercraft Registration Fee		
Publicly-Owned Vehicle	\$15	\$15
TOTAL	\$62,302	\$63,161

Exhibit 8		
Local Property and Other Local Tax Expenditures		

Tax or Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Property and Other Local Tax Expenditures		
Agriculture Transfers	\$45,980	\$46,850
Air and Water Pollution Control	130,000	130,000
Church Transfers	n.a.	n.a.
Cultural Organizations	n.a.	n.a.
Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption	47,900	49,100
Enterprise Zone Credit	0	0
Exempt Property - ESA	n.a.	n.a.
Fairground Property	n.a.	n.a.
Homestead Exemption	3,770,000	3,860,000
Homestead Exemption for Farm Property	188,000	192,000
Industrial Facilities Development	248,700	253,400
Mobile Homes	65,330	66,570
Neighborhood Enterprise Zones	29,900	30,500
Obsolete Property Rehabilitation	13,400	13,700
Personal Property - Indust./Commercial Ad Valorem	382,900	390,200
Personal Property - Industrial Facilities	73,700	75,100
Small Taxpayer Exemption and Eligible Manufacturing		
Personal Property	448,500	457,000
Poverty Exemption	6,220	6,310
Railroad Right-of-Way/Broadband Credit	69,110	72,510
Renaissance Zones	41,000	41,800
Specifically-Taxed Property	n.a.	n.a.
Tax-Exempt Property	2,142,000	2,171,000
Tax Increment Financing	327,700	333,900
Taxable Value Cap	3,980,500	4,423,700
Water Softeners	1,320	1,340
SUBTOTAL	\$12,012,160	\$12,614,980
City Income Tax		
Federal Deductions	n.a.	n.a.
Net Profits of Financial Institutions	n.a.	n.a.
Nonresident Reduced Rate	\$252,510	\$256,300
Pensions, Annuities, and Retirement	n.a.	n.a.
Personal Exemption	13,410	13,470
Supplemental Unemployment Benefits	n.a.	n.a.
SUBTOTAL	\$265,920	\$269,770
TOTAL	\$12,278,080	\$12,884,750

CHAPTER 3

TAX EXPENDITURE BUDGET

Chapter 3 illustrates the concept of a tax expenditure budget. This presentation organizes tax expenditures by the spending category that benefits from the expenditure rather than by the revenue source that finances it. Tax expenditures are grouped in categories similar to direct expenditures in the *Executive Budget* such as commerce, education, transportation, and natural resources. This allows for a comparison of funding between direct appropriations and tax expenditures for selected spending categories.

By a wide margin, the commerce and income distribution budget categories tend to receive most funding from tax expenditures (see Exhibit 9). Relative to direct spending, tax expenditures appear to be a preferred method to fund these objectives. In contrast, transportation and higher education are funded much more intensively via direct appropriations (see Exhibit 10).

Exhibits 11 and 12 provide an itemized breakdown of tax expenditures by spending category. These exhibits are a simple reorganization of the summary tables provided in Chapter 2; only the groupings are different.

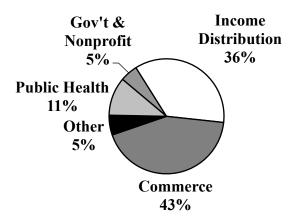


Exhibit 9 Tax Expenditure Budget, FY 2021

Exhibit 10		
Comparison of State Tax and Direct Expenditures (From State Resources)		
for Selected Spending Categories, FY 2021		

FY 2021 Tax FY 2021 Direct				
	Expenditure	Expenditure	Total	Percent Tax
Spending Category	(000)	(000)	(000)	Expenditure
Agriculture	\$366,940	\$107,770	\$474,710	77.3%
Commerce (LARA)	16,352,550	408,901	16,761,451	97.6%
Higher Education	533,560	1,573,899	2,107,459	25.3%
Health & Human Services	13,466,904	8,079,851	21,546,756	62.5%
Military Affairs	117,379	101,735	219,114	53.6%
Natural Resources	56,010	373,498	429,508	13.0%
Transportation	81,048	3,597,529	3,678,577	2.2%
TOTAL	\$30,974,391	\$14,243,183	\$45,217,575	68.5%

Notes:

1. FY 2021 expenditure figures from *FY 2020-21 Appropriations Report, Part II - Initial Appropriations*, Senate Fiscal Agency. Totals are from "State Spending from State Resources."

2. The Governor combined the Departments of Human Services and Community Health into the Department of Health and Human Services. Tax expenditures related to public health and income distribution have been combined here.

Note that Exhibit 10: (1) compares *own* state resources to tax expenditures (i.e., it ignores federal grants), and (2) *does not* include local tax expenditures and local direct expenditures. For example, the income distribution budget category does not include tax expenditures associated with the city income tax. Tax expenditures associated with the government and nonprofit budget category are also not included, because there is no comparable direct expenditure category.

Exhibit 11			
Fiscal Summary, Tax Ex	penditure Budget		

Budget Category	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
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Agriculture	\$948,175	\$1,003,923
Commerce	18,518,330	19,077,748
Education	1,066,410	1,086,560
Government and Nonprofit Organizations	2,167,547	2,196,975
Income Distribution	15,206,180	15,822,284
Military Affairs	117,819	117,379
Natural Resources	187,130	186,010
Public Health	4,625,649	4,793,679
Transportation	78,837	81,048
TOTAL	\$42,916,077	\$44,365,606

Note: Total may differ from Exhibit 1 due to rounding. See Exhibit 12 for a detailed list of tax expenditures.

Tax/Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Agriculture		
General Property Tax		
Agriculture Transfer	\$45,980	\$46,850
Homestead Exemption for Farm Property	188,000	192,000
Taxable Value Cap	358,245	398,133
Income Tax		
Farmland Development Credit (PA 116)	53,950	55,840
Sales and Use Taxes		
Horticultural or Agricultural Products	302,000	311,100
TOTAL	\$948,175	\$1,003,923
Commerce		
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes		
Small Brewer's Credit	\$90	\$90
Tobacco Products Tax		
Bad Debt Deduction	360	360
Licensee Expenses	12,810	12,580
Income Tax		
Accelerated Depreciation	133,900	123,250
Income Attributable to Another State	3,622,220	3,658,450
Net Operating Loss Deduction	3,500	4,200
Net Adjustment for Gains/Losses	88,820	89,710
Renaissance Zone Credit	800	780
Insurance Company Retaliatory Tax		
Disability Insurance Exclusion	7,200	7,600
Michigan Association and Facilities Credit	29,800	29,600
Michigan Examination Fees Credit	5,300	5,600
Supplemental Workers' Compensation Credits	200	200
Corporate Income Tax		
Foreign Dividends Income Exclusion	212,000	217,300
Government Securities' Income Exclusion	1,400	600
Small Business Alternate Tax Credit	6,100	6,400
Michigan Business Tax		
Brownfield Redevelopment Credit	29,900	40,300
Compensation/Investment Tax Credits	36,700	37,000
Farmland Development Credit (PA 116)	1,500	1,500
Historic Preservation Credit	6,100	8,800

Exhibit 12 Tax Expenditure Budget Detail

Tax/Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Commerce (Continued)		
Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA)	603,500	552,900
MEGA Polycrystaline Silicon Manufacturing	0	0
Personal Property Tax Credit	6,000	6,100
Renaissance Zone Credit	10,000	10,000
Research and Development Credit	19,200	19,400
Small Business Credit	200	200
Other Certificated Credits	2,500	2,600
Oil and Gas Severance Tax		
Marginal Wells	2,000	2,200
Property Tax		
Broadband Investment Credit	26,960	28,460
Enterprise Zone	0	0
Exempt Property - ESA	n.a.	n.a.
Industrial Facilities Development	248,700	253,400
Mobile Homes	65,330	66,570
Neighborhood Enterprise Zones	29,900	30,500
Obsolete Property Rehabilitation	13,400	13,700
Personal Property - Indust./Commercial Ad Valorem	382,900	390,200
Personal Property - Industrial Facilities	73,700	75,100
Small Taxpayer/Eligible Manufacturing Personal Prop.	448,500	457,000
Renaissance Zones	41,000	41,800
Tax Increment Financing	327,700	333,900
Taxable Value Cap	955,320	1,061,688
Water Softeners	1,320	1,340
Sales and Use Taxes		
Aircraft Parts	14,330	14,470
Bad Debts	10,400	10,400
Cargo Aircraft	22,520	22,750
Collection Fee	31,190	31,500
Commercial Domestic Aircraft	4,090	4,130
Communication and Telephone Exemption	29,930	29,180
Data Centers	2,000	1,230
Employee Meals	17,680	16,840
Gratuities and Tips	84,400	85,240
Imported Property from Other States	1,870	1,910
Industrial Processing	1,469,000	1,446,970
Interstate Telecommunications	6,100	6,000
Interstate Trucks and Trailers	43,110	43,110
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Tax/Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Commerce (Continued)		
Investment Coins	1,510	1,490
Newspapers, Periodicals, and Films	110,000	110,000
Radio and TV	6,640	6,570
Returned Vehicles	1,140	1,140
Sale of Water	71,900	72,600
Services (except education, health, and nonprofits)	9,007,780	9,449,970
Tax on the Difference - Vehicles	47,440	53,120
Telephone Services	17,280	18,100
Vehicle and Aircraft Transfers	\$39,490	\$37,520
Vending Machines	21,700	22,130
TOTAL	\$18,518,330	\$19,077,748
Education		
Income Tax		
College Savings Account	\$13,590	\$14,020
Fellowships and Scholarships	19,550	22,520
Higher Education/Public Contribution Credit	\$0	\$0
Property Tax		
Exempt Public Education Property	546,000	553,000
Sales Tax		
Services	487,270	497,020
TOTAL	\$1,066,410	\$1,086,560
Government and Nonprofit Orga	nizations	
Aviation Gasoline Tax		
Federally Owned Aircraft	\$331	\$336
Income Tax		
Historic Preservation Credit	60	50
U.S. Government Bond Interest Deduction	11,660	11,770
Motor Fuel Taxes		
Public Vehicles	17,843	18,093
Motor Vehicle Weight Tax		
Public and Nonprofit Vehicles	13,757	13,950
Oil and Gas Severance Tax		
Public Land	600	600
Property Tax		
Tax Exempt Property	1,596,000	1,618,000

Tax/Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)
Government and Nonprofit Organiza	tions (Continued)	
Sales and Use Taxes		
Church Cars	1,980	1,930
Church Construction	2,310	2,020
Government or Red Cross	219,000	221,000
Nonprofit Organizations	193,400	195,300
Services	110,591	113,911
Watercraft Registration Fee		
Publicly Owned Watercraft	15	15
TOTAL	\$2,167,547	\$2,196,975
Income Distribution	L	
City Income Tax		
Nonresident Reduced Rate	\$252,510	\$256,300
Personal Exemption	13,410	13,470
General Property Tax		
Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption	\$47,900	\$49,100
Homestead Exemption	3,770,000	3,860,000
Poverty Exemption	6,220	6,310
Taxable Value Cap	2,666,935	2,963,879
Income Tax		
Adjustments to Income (gains/losses and other)	0	0
Adjustments to Income (federal)	36,170	36,390
Dependent Exemption	20,080	20,280
Earned Income Tax Credit	113,930	90,240
Employer Contributions to Health and Life Insurance	1,082,790	1,148,260
Employer Pension Plans	784,660	826,070
Gain on Sale of Primary Residence	222,130	229,670
Home Heating Assistance Credit	110	110
Homestead Property Tax Credit (excluding veterans)	784,320	738,960
Income Maintenance Benefits	3,570	5,280
Individual Retirement Account	316,540	322,040
Interest on Life Insurance Savings	75,810	69,700
Miscellaneous Deductions	8,650	8,910
Other State Tax Credit	84,680	89,190
Pension and Retirement Benefits Deduction	494,040	498,990

Tax/Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)			
Income Distribution (Continued)					
Personal Exemption	1,487,210	1,539,140			
Railroad Retirement Benefits	920	910			
Senior Investment Income Deduction	16,520	16,680			
Senior Special Deduction	448,160	515,380			
Social Security Benefits (federal exclusion)	235,990	244,320			
Social Security Benefits (in federal AGI)	504,330	524,500			
Special Exemption	15,490	15,650			
State and Local Income Tax Refunds	22,840	23,070			
Student Loan Deduction	13,410	13,810			
Workers' Compensation	41,030	39,800			
Sales and Use Taxes					
Donated Vehicles	125	125			
Food	1,448,000	1,468,000			
Food for Students	18,500	15,150			
Residential Utilities	169,200	172,600			
TOTAL	\$15,206,180	\$15,822,284			
Military Affairs					
Cigarette Tax					
Sales on Military Bases and Reservations	\$4,200	\$4,160			
Income Tax					
Disabled Veteran Exemption	510	510			
Military Pay	28,300	29,320			
Veterans' Benefits	83,370	82,070			
Veterans' Property Tax Credit	500	370			
Motor Vehicle Weight Tax					
Disabled Veteran Vehicles	739	749			
Sales and Use Taxes					
Military Post-Exchange Sales	200	200			
TOTAL	\$117,819	\$117,379			

Tax/Tax Expenditure	FY 2020 (000)	FY 2021 (000)	
Natural Resources			
Income Tax			
Income from Extractive Activities Deduction	\$800	\$800	
Corporate Income Tax			
Income from Extractive Activities Deduction	300	300	
Property Tax			
Air and Water Pollution	130,000	130,000	
Sales and Use Taxes			
Air and Water Pollution	56,030	54,910	
TOTAL	\$187,130	\$186,010	
Public Health			
Income Tax			
Medical Care Savings	\$36,590	\$38,660	
Sales and Use Taxes			
Medical Services	3,809,859	3,935,819	
Nonprofit Hospital Construction	7,000	7,000	
Ophthalmic and Orthopedic Products	68,200	70,200	
Prescription Drugs	704,000	742,000	
TOTAL	\$4,625,649	\$4,793,679	
Transportation			
Aviation Gasoline Tax			
Interstate Flight Refund	\$2,700	\$2,600	
Motor Fuel Taxes			
Diesel Fuel for Jobsites	6,220	6,307	
Evaporation and Loss Allowance	16,550	16,906	
Fuel for Off-Road Use	1,579	1,601	
Marine Vessel Fuel	\$764	\$775	
Municipal Franchise Vehicles	1,804	1,829	
Sales and Use Taxes			
Driver Training	110	110	
Rail Rolling Stock	6,960	6,870	
Utility Property Tax			
Railroad Right-of-Way	42,150	44,050	
TOTAL	\$78,837	\$81,048	

CHAPTER 4

BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAX EXPENDITURES

Business privilege tax expenditures include insurance company retaliatory, oil and gas severance, and corporate income expenditures. Business privilege tax expenditures are projected to decrease from \$980.5 million in FY 2020 to \$949.2 million in FY 2021. The reduction of tax credits and deductions under the corporate income tax results in much smaller tax expenditures than under the Michigan Business Tax (MBT).

Estimate Reliability	(2)	Small Business Alternative Tax Rate Credit, most
		Certificated Credits, Severance and Insurance Tax
	(3)	Other Corporate Income Tax and MBT Tax
		Expenditures

This year's report includes tax expenditures for the corporate income tax, which replaced the MBT for most corporate taxpayers effective January 1, 2012. A big difference between the corporate income tax and the MBT is that business entities other than traditional corporations (sole proprietorships, partnerships, S-corporations, and other flow-through entities) are not taxed under the corporate tax. The income from flow-through entities is taxable to the owners under the individual income tax. Other tax expenditure estimates from business privilege taxes were based on 2018 data. Insurance and oil and gas severance tax expenditure estimates are also reliable because they were based on recent data collected by the state.

Business Privilege Tax Expenditure Changes

Public Act 215 of 2017 amended the Revenue Act to allow a taxpayer and the Department of Treasury to settle payment disputes through a new mechanism prior to an informal conference.

Public Act 216 of 2017 amended the Income Tax Act to exempt self-insured groups for worker's compensation from the corporate income tax. This codified existing practice so there should be no change in the revenues from the tax.

Public Act 217 of 2017 amended the Michigan Business Tax Act to allow for a project that had been approved for a brownfield tax credit to be amended to extend the period for project completion and remain eligible for the credit.

Public Act 57 of 2018 created the Recodified Tax Increment Financing Act to recodify several tax increment financing statutes, increase reporting requirements for authorities, and repeal without recodifying two tax increment financing statutes while providing for the continuation of an obligation under the repealed statute.

Public Act 173 of 2018 repealed the Health Insurance Claims Assessment Act, a tax imposed on health care claims paid by insurance carriers and third-party administrators. The repeal was effective on October 1, 2018, and was replaced by the Insurance Provider Assessment Act enacted under Public Act 175.

Public Act 175 of 2018 created the Insurance Provider Assessment Act, an assessment that would apply at varying rates to non-Medicaid health insurers, Medicaid managed care services, and specialty prepaid health plans. The revenue raised from the assessment will support the Medicaid program.

Public Act 222 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to change the tax rate on qualified health insurance premiums subject to the tax on insurance companies. The rate is generally 1.25 percent of gross direct premiums. The Act would set the rate on premiums attributable to qualified health insurance premiums at 0.95 percent, beginning January 1, 2019. Beginning with calendar year 2020, the rate attributable to qualified health insurance premiums is subject to change each year.

Public Act 458 of 2018 amended the Michigan Strategic Fund Act to include in the definition of a "qualified new job" under the Michigan Business Development Program an employee of a business who is not a Michigan resident but is employed at a project location that is in Michigan and for that business not less than 75 percent of the employees of the business are Michigan residents.

Public Act 460 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to alter the definition of equity capital for financial institutions. In addition, the Act eliminated five-year averaging of equity capital in the tax base for tax years beginning after December 31, 2020.

Public Act 540 of 2018 created the Economic Development Incentive Evaluation Act to require the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget to contract with an outside entity to evaluate the state's economic development incentives.

Public Acts 90 through 92 of 2019 amended the Michigan Business Tax Act, the Michigan Economic Growth Authority Act, and the Income Tax Act, respectively, to allow an acquiring firm to claim a credit that the acquired firm was awarded under the Michigan Business Tax. The acquiring firm would be eligible for up to \$12 million of the credit for which the acquired firm was eligible.

Insurance Company Tax

Effective January 1, 2012, the MBT on Michigan insurance premiums was replaced by a 1.25 percent tax in the Income Tax Act. Foreign companies are also subject to a retaliatory tax, which requires them to pay the same tax that a Michigan-based insurer would have to pay in the firm's home state. Foreign insurers pay the premiums tax or the retaliatory tax, whichever is greater. The estimated yield from taxes on insurers is \$354.8 million for FY 2021; revenue goes to the State General Fund.

Captive Insurance Companies Exempts companies authorized under the Insurance Code as captive insurance companies or special purpose financial captives from the MBT and its gross premiums tax.	n.a.
Disability Insurance Exclusion	\$7,600,000
Exempts the first \$190,000,000 of disability insurance premiums written in Michigan.	
Michigan Association and Facilities Credit Provides a credit for payments made to the Michigan workers' compensation placement facility, the Michigan basic property insurance association, the Michigan automobile insurance placement facility, the property and casualty guaranty association, and the life and health guaranty association.	\$29,600,000
Michigan Examination Fees Credit Allows an insurance company to claim a credit equal to 50 percent of the examination fees paid by the company during the year under section 224 of the insurance code.	\$5,600,000
Workers' Disability Supplemental Benefit (WDSB) Credit Provides a credit for 100 percent of the supplemental cost of living payments made to persons injured between September 1965 and December 1979. Prior to the identical Single Business Tax (SBT) credit, firms were reimbursed through the appropriations process for these payments.	\$200,000

Oil and Gas Severance Tax

Enacted in 1929, the oil and gas severance tax is levied on the privilege of producing oil and gas. The base is the gross cash market value of oil and gas that is severed from the ground. The tax rate is 6.6 percent for normal oil production, 5.0 percent for natural gas production, and 4.0 percent for stripper wells, marginal properties, and production achieved through carbon dioxide secondary or enhanced recovery projects. The projected yield is \$20.9 million for FY 2021; revenue goes to the State General Fund.

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FY 2021 Estimate

Marginal Wells

Taxes oil from marginal or stripper wells at 4.0 percent, rather than the 6.6 percent rate on other oil production.

\$2,200,000

\$600.000

Public Land

Exempts oil and gas severed from publicly-owned lands from taxation.

Corporate Income Tax Expenditures

Public Act 38 of 2011 added a 6.0 percent tax on corporate income to the Income Tax Act. The new tax took effect on January 1, 2012, and applies only to C corporations and entities taxed as C corporations for federal income tax purposes, with the tax imposed on federal taxable income subject to allocation or apportionment. A significant difference between the MBT and the new corporate tax is the elimination of most tax credits. The only credit enacted against the corporate income tax is the small business alternative credit. Financial institutions are not taxed on business income or gross receipts, but are subject to a tax of 0.29 percent on their apportioned net capital.

An entity that has received, has been approved before 2012 to receive, or has been assigned certain certificated tax credits under the MBT may elect to continue to file and pay under the MBT in lieu of the corporate income tax. Examples of the remaining certificated credits are the photovoltaic credit, the MEGA employment tax credit, polysilicon credit, select renaissance zone credits, battery pack credits, historic preservation credit, brownfield redevelopment credit, film production and infrastructure credits, and the farmland preservation credit.

Revenues from the corporate income tax were estimated at the January 2022 Consensus Conference to be \$1,698.1 million in FY 2021. The net revenues from the MBT were estimated at -\$489.6 million in FY 2021, driven mainly by certificated credits with some other factors contributing.

Included with the estimated reduction in corporate tax revenue associated with the small business alternative credit are estimates of the remaining certificated credits that will be claimed by those taxpayers that continue to file under the MBT.

	FY 2021 Estimate
Brownfield Redevelopment Credit (MBT Certificated Credit) Provides credit for a portion of the cost for investments made for the demolition, construction, restoration, alteration, renovation, or improvement of buildings located in Brownfield development zones.	\$40,300,000
Compensation and Investment Tax Credits (Non-Certificated Credits) The compensation credit is equal to 0.370 percent of the taxpayer's Michigan compensation. The investment tax credit (ITC) is equal to 2.90 percent of Michigan investment. The sum of the compensation credit and ITC cannot exceed 52 percent of the MBT liability.	\$37,000,000

Farmland Preservation Credit (MBT Certificated Credit) Provides property tax relief for corporate farms eligible under former Public Act 116 of 1974 and reenacted by Public Act 451 of 1994. Unlike most MBT certificated credits, an agreement for this credit may be entered into after 2011.	\$1,500,000
Foreign Dividends Exemption (Corporate Income) Excludes dividends and royalties received from a foreign entity or person from taxable income. There are constitutional limitations that do not make taxing foreign dividends a simple policy.	\$217,300,000
Government Securities Interest Exemption (Corporate Income) Excludes interest income from obligations or securities of the federal government, State of Michigan or Michigan governmental unit.	\$600,000
Historic Preservation Credit (MBT Certificated Credit) Provides for a credit of up to 25 percent of expenditures for the restoration of a qualified historic site.	\$8,800,000
Income from Extractive Activities Deduction (Corporate Income) The extraction of oil, natural gas, and non-ferrous metals are subject to specific taxes in lieu of other taxes.	\$300,000
Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) Credits (MBT Certificated Credit) Provides numerous credits for new or expanding firms based on additional payroll and health care costs or additional business activity costs associated with an expansion or new location. Credits are also available for job retention.	\$552,900,000
 MEGA Polycrystalline Silicon Manufacturing Credit (MBT Certificated Credit) Provides for a single twelve-year MEGA credit for the manufacture of polycrystalline silicon to be used for solar cells and semiconductor microchips beginning with a tax year that begins after December 31, 2011. The credit's MEGA agreement must have been entered by December 31, 2008. 	\$0
Other Non-Certificated Credits These include the Arts and Culture, Large Food Retailer, Low-Grade Hematite, and Worker's Disability Supplemental Benefit credits.	\$2,600,000

 Personal Property Tax Credit (Non-Certificated Credit) The personal property tax credit provides three separate refundable credits for personal property taxes paid in the tax year. The credits equal: (1) 35 percent of eligible industrial personal property taxes; (2) 13.5 percent of State Utility Tax Act taxes on eligible telephone equipment; and (3) 10 percent of the personal property tax paid on an eligible natural gas pipeline. 	\$6,100,000
Renaissance Zone Credit (MBT Certificated Credit) Provides a credit for the portion of tax attributable to business activity in a renaissance zone designated based on a development or qualified collaboration agreement.	\$10,000,000
Research and Development Credit (Non-Certificated Credit) Provides a credit equal to 1.90 percent of the taxpayer's research and development expenses in Michigan. The taxpayer cannot claim an ITC and this credit on the same expenses. The sum of this credit, the ITC, and compensation credit cannot exceed 65 percent of the taxpayer's MBT liability.	\$19,400,000
Small Business Alternative Tax Credit (Corporate Income) For qualifying smaller firms, provides a credit that effectively lowers the taxpayer's tax to 1.8 percent of adjusted business income. Qualifications include: Gross receipts must be less than or equal to \$20 million (the credit is phased out for firms with gross receipts between \$19 million and \$20 million). Total adjusted business income may not exceed \$1.3 million. Allocated business income limit for any one owner may not exceed \$180,000 (with a credit phase-out between \$160,000 and \$180,000).	\$6,400,000
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CHAPTER 5

CONSUMPTION TAX EXPENDITURES

Consumption tax expenditures include tax expenditures associated with alcohol, cigarette, and sales and use taxes. Total consumption tax expenditures are projected to increase to \$19,318.8 million in FY 2021, a 3.4 percent increase over the FY 2020 level of \$18,683.7 million. The growth in sales and use tax expenditures associated with exempt services such as health care and professional, scientific, and technical services account for most of the growth between FY 2020 and FY 2021. Sales and use tax expenditure estimates are based on FY 2008 through FY 2017 data. Alcohol and cigarette tax expenditure estimates were based on FY 2019 and FY 2020 data.

Estimate Reliability	(1)	Alcohol and Cigarette Taxes
		Residential Utilities Exemption
	(3)	Other Sales and Use Tax Expenditures

Because firms' sales tax returns provide no information regarding most sales of exempt goods or services, sales and use tax expenditures are difficult to estimate. For example, because restaurants do not report the actual gratuities and tips their workers receive, it is not possible to accurately gauge the revenue lost from excluding these payments from the sales tax base. In this and many other instances, it was necessary to base estimates on restrictive assumptions. In addition, many estimates were based on national sales data apportioned to Michigan.

Cigarette tax expenditure estimates were based on recent tax collections. These estimates are reliable.

Consumption Tax Expenditure Changes

Public Acts 218 through 221 of 2017 amended the General Sales Tax Act and the Use Tax Act to make dental prosthetics exempt from sales and use taxes and clarified the definitions of those products.

Public Acts 1 and 2 of 2018 amended the Use Tax Act and the General Sales Tax Act, respectively, to increase the maximum trade-in value subtracted from the sales price when a motor vehicle is used as payment for a new or used motor purchased from a dealer. The Acts also eliminated the cap on the value of a recreational vehicle used as payment on the purchase of a recreational vehicle from a dealer.

Public Acts 113 and 114 of 2018 amended the General Sales Tax Act and the Use Tax Act, respectively, to exempt certain tangible personal property used in agriculture including greenhouses. To qualify, a greenhouse cannot be primarily used to grow marijuana.

Public Acts 167 and 168 of 2018 amended the General Sales Tax Act and the Use Tax Act, respectively, to allow a purchaser to claim a refund of sales or use tax from the Department of Treasury if the purchaser failed to present a claim of exemption or otherwise notify the seller of a

valid exemption at the time of purchase. The refund claim must be submitted within four years of the original purchase and must be accompanied by the required evidence to support the exemption claim.

Public Act 174 of 2018 amended the Use Tax Act to delete a provision that would have reinstated the use tax on managed care medical services provided under Medicaid upon the repeal of the Health Insurance Claims Assessment.

Public Act 201 of 2018 amended the Use Tax Act to provide a limited exemption for property obtained by contractors who satisfy three conditions. First, the property was purchased by another person. Second, the other person is not exempt from either the Michigan sales tax or use tax. Finally, the property was acquired by the contractor for the sole purpose of affixing the property to real estate for that other person.

Public Act 249 of 2018 amended the General Sales Tax Act to increase the limit on aggregate sales at retail that would allow certain non-profit entities to be exempt from paying sales tax. Under prior law, the limit was \$5,000, so that if sales at retail exceeded \$5,000 all sales were subject to tax. Under the new law, if aggregate sales at retail are less than \$25,000, the first \$10,000 of sales of tangible personal property for fund-raising purposes are exempt.

Public Act 530 of 2018 amended the General Sales Tax Act to expand the exemption for purchases by non-profit organizations to include organizations exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code. The exemption is limited on a purchase of a single item for fund raising purposes to items with a sales price not greater than \$25,000.

Public Acts 673 and 679 of 2018 amended the General Sales Tax Act and the Use Tax Act, respectively, to exempt the sales and use tax liability from private contractors on buses that are used to provide transportation services to or from school or school-related events.

Public Acts 143 through 146 of 2019 amended the General Sales Tax and Use Tax Acts to require marketplace facilitators to report and remit sales and use taxes for sales that occur on their marketplace, and to codify the nexus standards implemented by the state following the U.S. Supreme Court decision in *South Dakota v. Wayfair*. Those sellers with either \$100,000 in gross receipts or 200 or more separate transactions would be required to report and remit Michigan sales or use tax on sales sourced to Michigan.

Alcoholic Beverage Taxes

The following table lists specific alcoholic beverage taxes and their expected yields for FY 2021 (millions of dollars).

Alcoholic Beverage Taxes (millions)

Tax	Location of Deposit	FY 2021 <u>Revenue</u>
Beer and Wine Excise	General Fund	\$52.0
4.0 Percent Liquor Excise	School Aid Fund	\$76.7
4.0 Percent Liquor Specific	General Fund	\$80.5
4.0 Percent Liquor Tourism	Convention Facility Development Fund	\$80.5

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Beer Shipped Out-of-State Exempts beer manufactured in Michigan, or imported into this state, and then shipped for sale and consumption outside the state.	n.a.
Damaged Beer Exempts beer from the beer tax when consumed on the manufacturer's property or not offered for sale.	n.a.
Homemade Wine Exempts homemade wine or alcoholic cider from the wine tax when made on the premises by an owner for family use.	n.a.
Small Brewer's Credit Allows brewers who produce less than 50,000 barrels annually to apply for a \$2 per barrel credit on the first 30,000 barrels produced.	\$90,000

Tobacco Products Tax

In 1947, the State of Michigan enacted an excise tax on the sale and distribution of cigarettes to consumers. The tax rate is currently \$2.00 per pack of 20 cigarettes. Cigarette tax revenues are mainly distributed to the School Aid Fund, the Medicaid Benefits Trust Fund, and the General Fund-General Purpose account. In FY 2021, the tax on cigarettes yielded an estimated \$780.0 million. Taxes on other tobacco products (smokeless tobacco and cigars) yielded \$109.8 million.

Bad Debt Deduction Allows cigarette wholesalers to deduct any losses from bad debts.	\$360,000
Licensee Expenses Exempts 1.5 percent of the cigarette tax due from licensees, and 1.0 percent of the tax on other tobacco products, to cover their expenses in administering the tax.	\$12,580,000
Sales on Military Bases and Reservations Exempts the sale of cigarettes on U.S. military bases and to tribal members living within their own tribe's Indian country. Tribal tax agreements establish the number of cigarettes that each tribe may obtain tax-free for the tribe's resident members.	\$4,160,000

State Convention Facility Development Tax

Public Act 106 of 1985 is known as the State Convention Facility Development Act. The Act levies a tax of 1.5 percent of the room charge on hotels with 81 to 160 rooms located in Wayne (excluding Detroit), Oakland, and Macomb Counties, and 5 percent on hotels with over 160 rooms. For Detroit, the rates are 3 and 6 percent. The Act became effective October 1, 1985. Revenue is used to pay for qualified convention facilities and other statutorily required distributions, with excess revenue returned to Michigan counties.

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Small Hotel Exemption

Excludes hotels and motels with fewer than 81 rooms from the state convention facility development tax.

Sales and Use Tax Expenditures

Enacted in 1933, the sales tax is levied on gross proceeds from retail sales of tangible personal property for use or consumption. The sales tax rate is equal to 6 percent. Sales tax collections are projected to have yielded \$9,407.2 million in FY 2021. Sales tax revenues are distributed as follows: 73.3 percent to the School Aid Fund; up to 24.3 percent to cities, villages, and townships; and the remainder to the General Fund. State law earmarks 4.65 percent of the sales tax on transportation-related items to the Comprehensive Transportation Fund (CTF). The use tax is levied on the privilege of use, storage, and consumption of certain tangible personal property that is not subject to the sales tax. It is also levied on the services of telephone, telegraph, and other leased wire communications; sales of used autos between individuals; and transient hotel and

motel charges. Most services are exempt. The use tax was enacted in 1937 as a complement to the sales tax; the rate is 6 percent of the purchase or rental price. Two-thirds of the revenue goes to the General Fund while the remainder is deposited into the School Aid Fund. Use tax collections are projected to total \$2,132.3 million in FY 2021. Use tax collections do not include the local community stabilization share tax described under Public Act 80 of 2014. Current law directs \$491.5 million of the tax collected for FY 2021 to the authority. Due to their complementary nature, sales and use tax expenditures are reported together and include both the state use tax and the local community stabilization share tax.

Air and Water Pollution Exempts the sale of personal property purchased or installed as part of air or water pollution control facilities.	\$54,910,000
Aircraft Parts Exempts sales of parts and materials affixed in Michigan to passenger, cartage, and certain other aircraft from tax.	\$14,470,000
Bad Debts Effective January 1, 1984, a retailer is allowed to deduct the amount of bad debts related to previously reported, taxable retail sales at the time that these debts become worthless or uncollectible.	\$10,400,000
Cargo Aircraft Exempts from use tax aircraft owned by an air carrier certified by the United States Department of Transportation and used solely for the transport of air cargo.	\$22,750,000
Church Construction Exempts materials used in the construction of a church sanctuary. This exemption was created by Public Act 274 of 1998.	\$2,020,000
Church Cars Exempts sales of most cars and trucks to regularly organized churches or houses of religious worship.	\$1,930,000
Collection Fee Sales and use tax returns are due by the 20th of the month for sales made the previous month. A seller may retain 0.75 percent of the tax (not to exceed \$20,000) if proceeds are remitted by the 12th of the month, or 0.50 percent of the tax (not to exceed \$15,000) if proceeds are remitted from the 13th through the 20th of the month.	\$31,500,000

Commercial Domestic Aircraft	\$4,130,000
Exempts from use tax aircraft owned by domestic passenger carriers if the aircraft is used primarily in regular commercial passenger transportation.	
Commercial Vessels Exempts sales of commercial vessels of 500 tons or more when purchased on special order. Also exempts bunker and galley fuel, provisions, supplies, maintenance and repairs for the exclusive use of such vessels engaged in interstate commerce.	n.a.
Communication and Telephone Exemption Exempts communications and telephone service from coin-operated installations, switchboards, concentrator identifiers, and interoffice circuitry and their accessories for telephone answering services and directory advertising proceeds.	\$29,180,000
Data Centers Exempts the sale of data center equipment to the owner or operator of a qualified data center or a colocated business for assembly, use, or consumption in the operation of the data center, or a person engaged in construction or improvement to the extent the equipment is affixed to or made a structural part of a data center.	\$1,230,000
Donated Vehicles Exempts certain vehicle transfers from the sales or use taxes when the vehicle is transferred from a qualifying organization to certain low-income families.	\$125,000
Driver Training Exempts property used for demonstration or driver training programs.	\$110,000
Employee Meals Exempts meals provided by employers to their employees.	\$16,840,000
Food Exempts food for human consumption, except prepared food intended for immediate consumption.	\$1,468,000,000
Food for Students Exempts sales of food by nonprofit schools or other similar educational institutions to students.	\$15,150,000

Government or Red Cross Exempts sales to the United States or agencies or instrumentalities wholly owned by the U.S.; the American Red Cross; and the State of Michigan, its departments, institutions, and political subdivisions.	\$221,000,000
Gratuity and Tips Excludes a separately billed and itemized gratuity or tip from a retailer's gross proceeds.	\$85,240,000
Horticultural and Agricultural Products Exempts sales of property used or consumed in connection with production of horticultural or agricultural products to persons engaged in business.	\$311,100,000
Imported Property Exempts property that is not an aircraft purchased by a nonresident and brought into Michigan more than 90 days after purchase from the use tax. A similar exemption applies to property purchased by a resident and brought into the state more than 360 days after purchase.	\$1,910,000
Industrial Processing Exempts sales to persons for use or consumption in industrial processing. This tax expenditure estimate excludes raw materials used in production. This estimate includes exemptions for durable and non-durable manufacturing equipment and utility expenses.	\$1,446,970,000
International Telecommunications Exempts international and WATS calls from the use tax.	\$6,000,000
Interstate Trucks and Trailers Exempts purchases of qualified trucks and their trailers (and parts affixed to them) by interstate motor carriers from sales and use tax.	\$43,110,000
Investment Coins Exempts investment coins from sales and use tax. Investment coins are legal tender with a fair market value greater than the face value of the coins.	\$1,490,000
Isolated Sales Exempts an isolated sale or transfer transaction by a property owner not required to possess a sales tax license.	n.a.
Military PX Sales	\$200,000

Exempts military post-exchange sales.

Military Vehicle Sales Exempts vehicle sales to nonresidents serving in the U.S. armed forces, or when purchased by a Michigan resident in military service when sales tax is paid to another state.	n.a.
Newspapers, Periodicals, and Films Exempts sales of copyrighted films, newspapers, and periodicals.	\$110,000,000
Nonprofit Ambulance and Fire Service Exempts sales of vehicles not for resale to Michigan nonprofit corporations organized exclusively to provide a community with ambulance or fire department services.	n.a.
Nonprofit Hospital or Housing Construction Exempts tangible personal property used by contractors where the property is affixed to and made a structural part of the real estate of a nonprofit hospital or nonprofit housing.	\$7,000,000
Nonprofit Organizations Exempts sales to nonprofit schools, hospitals, homes for the care of children or aged persons, and other benevolent institutions operated by an entity of government, a regularly-organized church, a religious or fraternal organization, a veteran's organization, a nonprofit corporation, or a parent-cooperative preschool.	\$195,300,000
Nonprofit Sales Under \$25,000 Exempts sales made for raising funds up to \$10,000 for qualified nonprofit organizations.	n.a.
Nonresident Merchandise Transfer Exempts promotional merchandise that is transferred pursuant to a redemption offer to a person located outside the state.	n.a.
Nonresident Property Exempts the storage, use, or consumption of property brought into Michigan by a nonresident living temporarily within this state.	n.a.
Ophthalmic and Orthopedic Products Exempts sales to individuals of artificial limbs or eyes, ophthalmic products, or orthopedic appliances.	\$70,200,000
Prescription Drugs Exempts drugs, both prescription and over-the- counter drugs	\$742,000,000

dispensed by a prescription, for human consumption.

Radio and TV Exempts sales to persons licensed to operate commercial radio or television stations when the property is used as a component of a film, tape, or recording produced for resale or transmission.	\$6,570,000
Rail Rolling Stock Exempts rail rolling stock and selected other related equipment, material, and supplies from sales and use taxes.	\$6,870,000
Residential Utilities Exempts the residential use of electricity, natural gas, and home heating fuels from the additional two percent sales and use tax rate.	\$172,600,000
Returned Vehicles Exempts from gross proceeds "a refund less an allowance" for motor vehicle buybacks by manufacturers under provisions of the lemon law.	\$1,140,000
Sale of Business Excludes from the use tax non-inventoried property purchased as part of a business.	n.a.
Sale of Water Exempts the sale of water through water mains or delivered in bulk tanks in quantities over 500 gallons.	\$72,600,000
Services Exempts services for categories listed in the table below. The estimates include services consumed by businesses, consumers, and government/non-profit entities. Approximately \$4.48 billion of the total represents services purchased by consumers.	\$13,996,720,000

Category	<u>For Profit</u>	<u>Nonprofit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Accommodations and Food Service	\$14.7	\$0.0	\$14.7
Admin., Support, and Waste Mgmt.	1,056.2	16.9	1,073.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	162.6	43.6	206.2
Construction	1,672.9	0.0	1,672.9
Educational Services	76.3	420.7	497.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,837.8	2,098.0	3,935.8
Information	357.0	0.0	357.0
Other Services (except Public Admin.)	536.5	114.9	651.4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical	2,777.4	17.9	2,795.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,069.4	0.0	1,069.4
Transportation and Warehousing	1,609.9	0.0	1,609.9
Utilities	<u>0.0</u>	<u>113.9</u>	<u>113.9</u>
TOTAL	\$11,170.8	\$2,825.9	\$13,996.7

Service Tax Expenditures, FY 2021 (millions)

Source: Calculations by the Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis using the 2017 Economic Census: Geographic Area Series, Michigan, U.S. Department of Commerce. Totals may differ from other exhibits and may not add due to rounding.

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Small Out-of-State Purchases Exempts property purchased outside Michigan where the purchase price or actual value does not exceed \$10 per calendar month.	n.a.
Tax on the Difference - Vehicles Exempts a portion of the credit given for motor vehicles used as a partial payment on the purchase of a motor vehicle. The exemption was limited to no more than \$7,000 in 2021 and will rise by \$1,000 each succeeding January 1. The full value of a trade-in is also exempt for a titled watercraft used as partial payment on the purchase of a titled watercraft.	\$53,120,000
Telephone Services Exempts tangible personal property located on the premises of the	\$18,100,000

Exempts tangible personal property located on the premises of the subscriber and central office equipment or wireless equipment directly used in transmitting, receiving, or switching, or in the monitoring or switching of a two-way interactive device.

Textbooks Sold by Schools	n.a.
Exempts sales of textbooks sold by a public or nonpublic school to students enrolled in a K-12 program.	
Tribal Tax Agreements	n.a.
Exempts certain sales of tangible personal property to tribes and tribal members for use within a designated agreement area, while providing for increased collections on sales to non-members.	
Vehicle and Aircraft Transfers	\$37,520,000
Exempts certain isolated transfers of vehicles, aircraft, snowmobiles, or watercraft.	····
Vehicles Purchased for Use in Another State	n.a.
Provides for an adjusted tax on the vehicles purchased in Michigan for use in another state. The sales tax is equal to what would have been paid if the vehicle had been purchased in the other state.	
Vending Machines and Mobile Facilities	\$22,130,000
Exempts the portion of gross proceeds representing commissions paid	
to an entity otherwise exempt from the sales tax where the gross	
proceeds are from certain non-electric vending machines where	
consideration is 10 cents or less. Also exempts sales of nonalcoholic beverages, and items sold near room temperature from a mobile	
facility or vending machine.	

CHAPTER 6

INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX EXPENDITURES

Individual income tax expenditures include federal income tax expenditures (i.e., tax revenue foregone due to deductions, credits, or exemptions from the calculation of federal adjusted gross income), and state income tax expenditures (i.e., tax revenue foregone due to credits and exemptions that appear on the state income tax form). State individual income tax expenditures are projected to increase 1.6 percent from \$7,825.1 million in FY 2020 to \$7,946.9 million in FY 2021. Federal income tax expenditures are projected to increase 3.8 percent from \$3,086.4 million in FY 2020 to \$3,202.8 million in FY 2021. Individual income tax expenditure estimates were based on tax year 2019 data.

Estimate Reliability	(1)	State Income Tax Expenditures (high reliability)
	(3)	Federal Income Tax Expenditures (low reliability)

State income tax expenditure estimates are reliable because they are based on actual individual tax returns for tax year 2019. In addition, most state income tax expenditures are credits that are relatively stable from year to year.

In contrast, federal income tax expenditure estimates are less reliable. Federal income tax expenditures are estimated by apportioning total (national) federal tax expenditure estimates to Michigan using a three-step formula (outlined later). Thus, Michigan federal income tax expenditure estimates will only be as reliable as federal government (national) estimates and the assumptions used to apportion those estimates to Michigan.

Individual Income Tax Expenditure Changes

Public Acts 109-111 of 2017 created the Good Jobs for Michigan Program which allowed businesses that create new jobs to capture some amount of the withholding taxes from new employees depending on the number, location, and wages of the new positions. The captured withholding taxes paid on the qualified new jobs would be transferred to the Good Jobs for Michigan Fund and then used to pay the businesses in the program.

Public Act 149 of 2017 amended the Income Tax Act to provide subtractions for retirement or pension benefits from government employment for taxpayers who: (1) were born after 1952; (2) were retired as of January 1, 2013; and (3) received benefits from employment with a governmental agency not covered by the Social Security Act.

Public Acts 31 and 32 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to exclude a health maintenance organization (HMO) from the definition of "insurance company" and to exempt HMOs from the tax imposed on insurance companies. These Public Acts codified existing practice.

Public Act 38 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to make several changes related to personal and dependency exemptions. The Act specified the number of exemptions a taxpayer is allowed and deleted the statutory reference to the number of exemptions claimed on the taxpayer's federal return. The exemption amount was increased by \$50 for tax year 2018 to \$4,050, increased to \$4,400 for 2019, \$4,750 for 2020, and \$4,900 for 2021. After 2021, the exemption amount will be the inflation-adjusted exemption plus an additional \$600. The references to the Internal Revenue Code were updated to require taxpayers to use either the Code in effect as of January 1, 2018, or the version in effect for the tax year.

Public Act 103 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to allow certain renaissance zones that were granted an extension or renewal to be qualified renaissance zones for the deduction under the Income Tax Act.

Public Act 118 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to change the due date for the annual reconciliation of withholding tax, commonly filed using Form MI-W3. The new due date is consistent with the federal due date for reporting withholding each year.

Public Act 161 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to extend through fiscal year 2021 – 2022 a specific method for determining the amount of weatherization funding that may be provided from federal funds under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, require certain additional reporting from taxpayers claiming the home heating credit in order to comply with federal requirements, and to require additional reporting from the Department of Health and Human Services to the Legislature.

Public Acts 588 and 589 of 2018 amended the Income Tax Act to provide a deduction for compensation received under the Wrongful Imprisonment Compensation Act, to the extent included in adjusted gross income. In addition, this compensation is excluded from total household resources, the income measure used to calculate the homestead property tax credit and home heating credit. Public Act 589 provides an additional personal exemption if a taxpayer has a certificate of stillbirth, beginning for tax year 2019.

State Income Tax Expenditures

Enacted in 1967, the Michigan individual income tax is a direct tax on federal AGI after certain adjustments are made. For FY 2021, the State of Michigan collected an estimated \$11,853.4 million in net income tax revenue. Income tax revenue goes to the School Aid Fund and General Fund.

State income tax expenditures include the state personal exemption, subtractions from income, and various state tax credits. In tax year 2019, these tax expenditures reduced Michigan's effective income tax rate from a nominal rate of 4.25 percent to an average effective rate of 2.35 percent. Detailed information on income tax expenditures is presented in Exhibits 13 through 16.

College Savings Account A deduction is allowed for contributions to purchase contracts under the Michigan Education Trust or to fund accounts in the Michigan Education Savings Program. Investment earnings are also exempt.	\$14,020,000
Dependent Exemption Taxpayers claimed as a dependent on another taxpayer's return may claim an exemption equal to \$1,500 for themselves when filing their tax return.	\$20,280,000
Disabled Veterans Exemption Allows a taxpayer to claim an additional exemption of \$400 if the taxpayer or a dependent of the taxpayer is a qualified disabled veteran.	\$510,000
Earned Income Tax Credit Provides a refundable income tax credit equal to 6 percent of any federal earned income tax credit for which a taxpayer is eligible.	\$90,240,000
Farmland Development Credit Provides an income tax credit for property taxes paid on farms covered by a farmland development rights agreement to reduce conversion of agricultural and open space lands to other uses (see Exhibit 16). This credit was expanded by Public Act 421 of 2000.	\$55,840,000
Historic Preservation Credit Provides a credit against qualified expenditures made to rehabilitate a historic resource. The rehabilitation plan must be certified by the Michigan Historical Center.	\$50,000
Holocaust Survivor Asset Recovery Deduction Public Act 181 of 1999 allows Holocaust survivors to subtract any income received as a result of a settlement of claims against any entity or individual for any recovered asset pursuant to the German act regulating unresolved property claims.	n.a.
Home Heating Assistance Credit Provides a refundable credit to assist low-income households with the cost of home heating. For FY 2021, these credits totaled an estimated \$67.2 million. The program is primarily funded with a block grant from the federal government. The credit's net cost to the state was \$81,400 in FY 2021.	\$110,000

 Homestead Property Tax Credit Provides a refundable credit against income tax liability for property tax paid. Beginning for tax year 2018, this credit is generally 60 percent of the amount by which property taxes exceed 3.2 percent of household income. Renters may use 23 percent of the rent paid to approximate their property tax, and then calculate their credit as above. Special credits are available for low-income senior citizens, veterans, and blind and disabled persons. For tax year 2019, homestead credits, 	\$739,330,000
excluding the farmland credit itemized separately, totaled \$784.8 million (Exhibit 16). Of the homestead credits, 57.0 percent went to general taxpayers, 34.7 percent went to senior citizens, and the remaining 8.3 percent went to veterans and blind and disabled persons.	
Income Attributable to Another State Provides a deduction to Michigan residents for business income earned in another state and gains on the sale of property in other states. In addition, non-residents may deduct income not allocated to Michigan. This deduction has been growing rapidly in recent tax years.	\$3,658,450,000
Income from Extractive Activities Deduction The extraction of oil, natural gas, and non-ferrous metals are subject to specific taxes in lieu of other taxes.	\$800,000
Income Tax Paid to Another State Credit Provides a credit to Michigan taxpayers subject to income tax if the taxpayer's income is also taxed by another state. For tax year 2019, taxpayers claimed \$80.1 million in credits.	\$89,190,000
Military Pay Exempts compensation received while on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces.	\$29,320,000
Miscellaneous Deductions	\$8,910,000
Includes the amount used to determine the federal credit for the elderly or totally and permanently disabled and expenses from a recreational marijuana business not deducted in determining AGI.	ψ0,210,000
Net Operating Loss Deduction Taxpayers may only deduct the Michigan portion of a net operating loss.	\$4,200,000

Net Adjustment for Gains/Losses Michigan taxpayers only include in Michigan taxable income gains or losses on business or real property if that property is in Michigan. Losses on property located outside Michigan may not be subtracted and gains on property located outside Michigan may be excluded.	\$89,710,000
Pension and Retirement Benefits Deduction Provides a deduction for pension and retirement benefits based on the age of the taxpayer and, if married, the taxpayer's spouse. For those born prior to 1946, all benefits from public sources are deductible and benefits from private sector plans are deductible up to \$54,404 for singles and \$108,808 for married couples filing a joint return (2021 limits). The deduction for pension and retirement benefits is replaced with the Michigan standard deduction against all income when those born after 1945 reach age 67, with the deduction for those born after 1952 subject to additional restrictions.	\$498,990,000
Personal Exemption Exempts \$4,900 (tax year 2021) from AGI for each personal exemption claimed on the federal income tax return. The personal exemption reduced tax year 2019 revenue by approximately \$1,433 million.	\$1,539,140,000
The distribution of effective exemptions across AGI classes is outlined in Exhibit 13. Effective exemptions are exemptions that offset actual income.	
Renaissance Zones Public Act 376 of 1996 establishes Renaissance Zones. Public Act 98 of 1999 allows for the designation of 10 additional zones. Public Act 139 of 1999 lets the communities with zones designated in 1996 establish new subzones and extend the tax cuts in their subzones. The Income Tax Act exempts residents of the zones from tax on most types of income. Special provisions apply to capital gains, interest, dividend, and lottery income.	\$780,000
Senior Investment Income Deduction Allows a taxpayer who was born prior to 1946 to deduct dividends, interest, and capital gains included in AGI up to limits which are adjusted for inflation annually. The limits for tax year 2021 are \$12,127 for singles and \$24,254 for couples filing a joint return. The	\$16,680,000

limits are reduced by the amount deducted for pension and retirement

benefits.

Senior Standard Deduction Beginning in tax year 2013, taxpayers born after 1945 and before 1953 who have reached age 67 are eligible for a deduction against all income in lieu of a deduction for retirement benefits. The deduction is \$20,000 for singles and \$40,000 for couples filing a joint return. Beginning for tax year 2020, a deduction is also available to those reaching age 67 and born after 1952.	\$515,380,000
Social Security Benefits Included in AGI Provides a deduction for Social Security benefits included in AGI. Depending on income, benefit recipients may have to include some Social Security benefits in AGI for federal tax purposes.	\$524,500,000
Special Exemption Allows a taxpayer and his or her spouse to each claim a \$2,800 exemption for tax year 2021 if they or a dependent are disabled. These exemptions are adjusted periodically for inflation.	\$15,650,000
State and Local Income Tax Refunds Provides a deduction of a state and local income tax refund if the refund is included in AGI. For federal tax purposes, payments of state and local taxes that are reported as an itemized deduction but subsequently returned as a refund are included in AGI for the year in which the refund was received. The reduction in the number of taxpayers claiming itemized deductions after tax year 2017 reduced the number subsequently required to include any refund in AGI.	\$23,070,000
Tribal Tax Agreements Exempts all non-business income of resident tribal members from the income tax. Business income will be allocated based on the percentage of business activity that takes place within tribal and trust lands.	n.a.
U.S. Government Bond Interest Deduction Provides a deduction for interest received on debt issued by the U.S. Government and included in AGI. The deduction includes interest received from U.S. Savings Bonds and U.S. Treasury bills, notes, and	\$11,770,000

bonds.

Adjusted	MI-10	40s	Gen. Pro	p Tax Credit	Effective	Exemptions ⁽¹⁾
Gross Income	Number	Percent	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
Zero Income ⁽²⁾	110,535	2.2%	10,897	\$9,165,879	0	\$0
\$0 - 2,000	167,408	3.4%	12,807	9,484,098	-64,073	-11,981,643
2,001 - 4,000	137,261	2.8%	9,517	6,501,988	9,448	1,766,762
4,001 - 6,000	136,868	2.8%	12,314	8,087,041	31,777	5,942,351
6,001 - 8,000	134,540	2.7%	15,858	10,379,675	44,505	8,322,392
8,001 - 10,000	134,243	2.7%	20,056	13,467,061	63,946	11,957,966
10,001 - 12,000	146,250	3.0%	32,238	23,205,841	104,991	19,633,228
12,001 - 14,000	135,933	2.8%	29,690	20,965,845	107,673	20,134,789
14,001 - 16,000	142,126	2.9%	40,309	29,770,907	161,508	30,202,043
16,001 - 18,000	125,039	2.5%	33,666	24,127,336	135,552	25,348,140
18,001 - 20,000	122,538	2.5%	34,174	24,193,461	141,037	26,373,977
20,001 - 25,000	289,643	5.9%	80,478	53,126,846	337,775	63,163,904
25,001 - 30,000	273,342	5.6%	80,140	50,047,274	344,409	64,404,506
30,001 - 35,000	251,951	5.1%	76,175	45,574,511	340,818	63,733,025
35,001 - 40,000	221,171	4.5%	65,737	38,119,054	312,025	58,348,710
40,001 - 45,000	192,736	3.9%	54,559	30,888,657	281,228	52,589,715
45,001 - 50,000	170,789	3.5%	45,398	25,130,704	258,479	48,335,593
50,001 - 55,000	155,531	3.2%	36,980	17,117,262	245,031	45,820,745
55,001 - 60,000	142,179	2.9%	28,559	6,468,092	236,530	44,231,124
60,001 - 70,000	252,666	5.1%	4,369	1,107,186	455,508	85,180,082
70,001 - 80,000	214,659	4.4%	359	166,182	429,286	80,276,567
80,001 - 90,000	186,050	3.8%	101	68,814	396,976	74,234,466
90,001 - 100,000	160,228	3.3%	50	38,014	359,376	67,203,320
Over 100,000	911,343	<u>18.5</u> %	184	162,349	2,207,716	412,842,838
TOTAL	4,915,029	100.0%	724,615	\$447,364,077	6,941,522	\$1,298,064,602

Exhibit 13 Selected Individual Income Tax Expenditures by Income Class, CY 2019

⁽¹⁾ Effective exemptions in this exhibit are <u>personal</u> exemptions that offset exemptions. This number does not include disabled and other special exemptions.

⁽²⁾ Includes 39,558 credit-only returns.

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Adjusted Gross Income	Total Adjusted Gross Income	Total Income Tax Paid	Effective Tax Rate
Zero Income ⁽²⁾	(\$7,420,391,880)	(\$64,154,380)	
\$0 - 2,000			64 500/
	124,977,187	(\$80,722,535)	-64.59%
2,001 - 4,000	412,286,514	(\$27,406,399)	-6.65%
4,001 - 6,000	684,527,056	(\$24,115,901)	-3.52%
6,001 - 8,000	941,555,425	(\$22,276,069)	-2.37%
8,001 - 10,000	1,209,472,156	(\$20,844,037)	-1.72%
10,001 - 12,000	1,607,783,740	(\$28,386,213)	-1.77%
12,001 - 14,000	1,766,063,685	(\$18,674,757)	-1.06%
14,001 - 16,000	2,129,591,789	(\$27,492,218)	-1.29%
16,001 - 18,000	2,124,782,617	(\$7,061,065)	-0.33%
18,001 - 20,000	2,327,226,964	\$906,945	0.04%
20,001 - 25,000	6,514,494,606	\$49,439,086	0.76%
25,001 - 30,000	7,507,708,230	\$101,488,757	1.35%
30,001 - 35,000	8,177,242,288	\$147,685,873	1.81%
35,001 - 40,000	8,282,634,529	\$174,531,213	2.11%
40,001 - 45,000	8,182,118,087	\$187,197,796	2.29%
45,001 - 50,000	8,104,584,436	\$196,739,316	2.43%
50,001 - 55,000	8,160,023,903	\$210,734,782	2.58%
55,001 - 60,000	8,170,252,153	\$222,724,249	2.73%
60,001 - 70,000	16,386,399,727	\$461,746,752	2.82%
70,001 - 80,000	16,073,209,621	\$460,940,592	2.87%
80,001 - 90,000	15,792,120,146	\$459,098,154	2.91%
90,001 - 100,000	15,203,153,313	\$449,013,907	2.95%
Over 100,000	252,822,171,205	\$6,245,408,193	<u>2.47%</u>
TOTAL	\$385,283,987,497	\$9,046,522,041	2.35%

Exhibit 14 Effective Income Tax Rates by Income Class, CY 2019⁽¹⁾

Effective rate excluding zero income AGI and Taxes Paid	2.32%
Effective rate excluding zero income AGI	2.30%

(1) Values in this table are based on a sample of the 4,875,471 MI-1040 and MI-1040CR returns.

(2) Includes 39,558 credit-only returns (zero income).

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Exhibit 15 Tax Expenditures as a Percent of Adjusted Gross Income, CY 2019

Adjusted	Effective	Adjustments	Nonr efundabl e	Prop. Tax
Gross Income	Exemptions ⁽¹⁾	to Income	Credits ⁽²⁾	Credits
Less Than \$2,000	655.3%	375.3%	-0.3%	1344.7%
2,001 - 4,000	129.0%	63.3%	-0.2%	155.8%
4,001 - 6,000	86.0%	44.2%	0.0%	96.0%
6,001 - 8,000	67.9%	38.7%	0.1%	76.6%
8,001 - 10,000	58.5%	34.5%	0.1%	64.1%
10,001 - 12,000	54.9%	29.0%	0.1%	61.4%
12,001 - 14,000	48.9%	29.5%	0.1%	50.8%
14,001 - 16,000	51.3%	24.5%	0.1%	49.4%
16,001 - 18,000	42.5%	24.0%	0.2%	40.1%
18,001 - 20,000	39.0%	23.5%	0.1%	35.7%
20,001 - 25,000	32.4%	23.0%	0.2%	27.9%
25,001 - 30,000	27.1%	21.1%	0.2%	21.5%
30,001 - 35,000	23.3%	18.5%	0.2%	17.2%
35,001 - 40,000	20.5%	17.9%	0.3%	13.9%
40,001 - 45,000	18.5%	18.3%	0.3%	11.4%
45,001 - 50,000	17.0%	18.8%	0.3%	9.2%
50,001 - 55,000	15.7%	19.2%	0.3%	6.3%
55,001 - 60,000	14.9%	20.0%	0.3%	2.6%
60,001 - 70,000	13.9%	20.4%	0.3%	0.6%
70,001 - 80,000	12.9%	19.9%	0.3%	0.4%
80,001 - 90,000	12.0%	19.7%	0.4%	0.4%
90,001 - 100,000	11.2%	19.4%	0.4%	0.3%
Over 100,000	4.3%	37.4%	0.5%	0.2%

(1) The effective exemption number includes special exemptions (e.g., disabled exemption).

(2) Income tax credits were divided by the tax rate (4.25%) to determine the equivalent tax deduction. Nonrefundable credits include the credit for taxes paid to other states, and the historic preservation credit.

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	General		Seniors		Veterans	
County	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
ALCONA	300	\$130,000	400	\$192,500	< 50	\$2,000
ALGER	400	153,300	300	167,300	< 50	1,000
ALLEGAN	6,000	3,024,000	4,000	2,720,900	< 50	4,900
ALPENA	1,400	528,400	1,300	655,900	< 50	4,500
ANTRIM	1,100	517,700	900	538,800	< 50	1,100
ARENAC	600	218,400	600	313,600	< 50	1,300
BARAGA	200	79,800	200	111,300	< 50	600
BARRY	2,600	1,301,700	2,000	1,364,900	< 50	1,900
BAY	6,800	2,836,300	5,100	2,845,700	100	17,100
BENZIE	900	412,600	700	385,300	< 50	2,700
BERRIEN	10,200	4,910,700	6,600	4,308,000	100	7,700
BRANCH	2,400	1,115,600	1,400	980,400	< 50	1,500
CALHOUN	9,300	4,700,800	5,300	3,762,000	100	12,000
CASS	2,000	851,300	1,400	841,000	< 50	1,100
CHARLEVOIX	1,600	748,800	1,200	792,600	< 50	1,000
CHEBOYGAN	1,200	468,600	1,000	500,500	< 50	2,600
CHIPPEWA	1,700	656,500	1,100	656,100	< 50	4,100
CLARE	1,500	610,600	1,000	536,500	< 50	5,000
CLINTON	2,900	1,531,100	2,200	1,578,600	< 50	2,600
CRAWFORD	500	240,900	400	185,100	< 50	1,900
DELTA	1,800	718,100	1,600	888,700	< 50	6,600
DICKINSON	1,400	544,600	1,200	717,400	< 50	4,200
EATON	8,000	4,487,400	5,200	3,764,600	< 50	4,100
EMMET	2,300	1,186,600	1,400	921,800	< 50	1,500
GENESEE	31,700	16,738,900	14,900	9,325,100	100	28,100
GLADWIN	1,000	431,100	1,100	630,300	< 50	4,800
GOGEBIC	700	243,500	600	313,100	< 50	4,500
GRAND TRAVERSE	7,100	4,185,300	4,100	2,955,400	< 50	2,600
GRATIOT	2,100	880,200	1,400	876,300	< 50	2,300
HILLSDALE	2,100	985,000	1,500	909,900	< 50	2,500
HOUGHTON	1,600	666,700	900	530,400	< 50	5,300
HURON	1,800	791,500	1,800	1,197,600	< 50	3,800
INGHAM	26,000	15,831,300	9,900	7,953,800	100	12,800
IONIA	3,300	1,530,200	2,000	1,232,500	< 50	4,200
IOSCO	1,100	430,200	1,000	523,300	100	5,000
IRON	400	160,700	500	233,800	< 50	2,000
ISABELLA	3,900	1,795,700	1,600	1,062,400	< 50	3,800
JACKSON	9,900	5,076,600	6,200	4,330,500	100	10,100
KALAMAZOO	20,200	11,578,600	9,300	7,234,500	< 50	5,900
KALKASKA	900	378,500	500	291,400	< 50	2,000
KENT	55,200	32,995,800	22,200	16,357,100	100	16,800
KEWEENAW	100	27,200	100	33,400	< 50	300

Exhibit 16 Property Tax Credits by County, CY 2019

	General		Seniors		Veterans	
County	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
LAKE	500	\$194,900	400	\$192,600	< 50	\$1,600
LAPEER	3,900	1,941,600	2,700	1,579,500	< 50	3,300
LEELANAU	600	319,800	600	363,800	< 50	1,700
LENAWEE	5,900	3,006,500	4,500	2,989,500	< 50	2,500
LIVINGSTON	500	194,900	400	192,600	< 50	1,600
LUCE	100	53,700	100	43,100	< 50	800
MACKINAC	500	175,200	400	211,400	< 50	2,500
MACOMB	75,200	55,186,300	43,100	35,424,300	100	27,600
MANISTEE	1,200	516,900	1,200	725,700	< 50	1,000
MARQUETTE	4,000	1,780,500	1,900	1,166,600	100	11,200
MASON	1,900	878,800	1,600	1,090,300	< 50	1,700
MECOSTA	1,900	869,600	1,100	627,400	< 50	3,000
MENOMINEE	1,100	424,300	800	429,500	< 50	1,900
MIDLAND	4,800	2,317,700	2,900	1,948,800	< 50	10,200
MISSAUKEE	700	291,700	500	288,000	< 50	900
MONROE	7,100	3,747,700	5,100	3,169,000	< 50	5,400
MONTCALM	3,600	1,629,400	2,500	1,573,000	< 50	4,500
MONTMORENCY	400	145,400	400	206,800	< 50	2,200
MUSKEGON	13,000	6,524,300	7,600	5,199,300	100	12,000
NEWAYGO	2,300	1,101,600	1,800	1,182,100	< 50	4,000
DAKLAND	70,200	51,836,200	40,400	34,787,600	100	27,900
DCEANA	1,400	594,300	1,200	746,400	< 50	3,300
DGEMAW	1,100	420,000	900	456,900	< 50	2,800
ONTONAGON	200	62,500	200	119,500	< 50	2,900
OSCEOLA	1,100	452,200	900	535,200	< 50	1,500
OSCODA	200	81,100	200	100,000	< 50	1,100
DTSEGO	1,500	689,600	800	460,800	< 50	2,600
OTTAWA	17,200	9,850,900	10,800	7,735,000	< 50	3,000
PRESQUE ISLE	500	186,000	600	287,100	< 50	2,700
ROSCOMMON	1,300	523,100	1,200	613,400	< 50	2,500
SAGINAW	13,500	6,212,300	7,100	4,169,400	100	16,000
ST. CLAIR	10,600	5,370,800	7,000	4,508,400	100	7,800
ST. JOSEPH	3,400	1,481,200	2,000	1,226,000	< 50	2,800
SANILAC	2,100	969,400	1,700	1,033,400	< 50	3,500
SCHOOLCRAFT	300	96,300	300	115,000	< 50	2,100
SHIAWASSEE	4,800	2,298,200	3,300	2,044,600	< 50	6,500
FUSCOLA	2,800	1,199,300	2,200	1,231,000	< 50	4,000
VAN BUREN	4,900	2,348,600	3,200	2,241,600	< 50	5,800
WASHTENAW	23,700	17,769,600	8,900	8,408,200	< 50	10,200
WAYNE LESS DETROIT	83,400	61,098,900	42,700	36,113,200	100	31,900
WEXFORD	2,200	1,005,600	1,400	884,400	< 50	2,800
OUTSIDE OF MICHIGAN	6,200	3,723,300	2,100	1,608,400	< 50	3,000
DETROIT	99,800	66,906,300	19,400	14,886,600	200	48,500
TOTAL	724,600	\$447,364,100	368,900	\$272,087,100	3,100	\$503,600

Exhibit 16 (Continued)

	Blind and Disabled		Farmland		Total Credits	
County	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
ALCONA	100	\$20,400	< 50	\$14,300	800	\$359,300
ALGER	< 50	25,300	< 50	100	700	347,000
ALLEGAN	700	483,900	100	852,000	10,800	7,085,700
ALPENA	300	179,100	< 50	21,400	3,000	1,389,300
ANTRIM	100	57,800	< 50	74,800	2,100	1,190,100
ARENAC	100	54,200	100	267,800	1,400	855,300
BARAGA	< 50	20,900	< 50	0	500	212,600
BARRY	300	201,500	100	717,400	5,000	3,587,300
BAY	1,200	807,700	200	1,661,600	13,400	8,168,400
BENZIE	100	68,300	< 50	2,500	1,700	871,400
BERRIEN	1,200	880,700	100	422,900	18,100	10,529,900
BRANCH	300	177,800	200	976,900	4,300	3,252,200
CALHOUN	1,600	1,215,100	200	1,203,800	16,400	10,893,700
CASS	200	130,700	100	864,900	3,700	2,689,100
CHARLEVOIX	100	100,400	< 50	52,000	3,000	1,694,900
CHEBOYGAN	200	130,300	< 50	14,500	2,400	1,116,400
CHIPPEWA	200	113,700	< 50	30,200	3,100	1,460,700
CLARE	300	172,400	< 50	140,000	2,900	1,464,600
CLINTON	300	200,600	100	772,700	5,500	4,085,600
CRAWFORD	100	46,000	< 50	15,000	1,000	488,900
DELTA	300	181,200	< 50	51,700	3,700	1,846,400
DICKINSON	200	123,900	< 50	16,800	2,900	1,406,900
EATON	700	633,100	100	666,200	14,200	9,555,500
EMMET	200	137,900	< 50	8,200	3,900	2,255,900
GENESEE	4,800	3,840,900	100	421,400	51,600	30,354,500
GLADWIN	200	112,200	< 50	72,300	2,400	1,250,700
GOGEBIC	100	68,800	< 50	0	1,400	629,800
GRAND TRAVERSE	500	367,900	< 50	40,900	11,700	7,552,000
GRATIOT	300	202,300	300	2,316,100	4,200	4,277,200
HILLSDALE	300	173,900	200	932,200	4,200	3,003,400
HOUGHTON	200	90,000	< 50	0	2,800	1,292,400
HURON	300	141,800	900	8,091,500	4,800	10,226,200
INGHAM	2,400	2,080,600	100	1,605,500	38,500	27,484,000
IONIA	400	241,800	100	927,500	5,800	3,936,100
IOSCO	200	110,900	< 50	76,500	2,400	1,145,900
IRON	100	40,700	< 50	3,400	1,000	440,600
ISABELLA	300	240,300	100	613,000	6,000	3,715,200
JACKSON	1,300	1,011,400	100	470,900	17,500	10,899,600
KALAMAZOO	1,900	1,653,900	100	638,300	31,500	21,111,200
KALKASKA	100	50,000	< 50	400	1,600	722,300
KENT	4,100	3,557,700	100	861,500	81,600	53,788,800
KEWEENAW	< 50	1,700	< 50	0	100	62,500
	~ 50	1,700	- 50	U	100	02,500

Exhibit 16 (Continued)

LAKE200\$93,300< 50		Blind and Disabled		Farmland		Total Credits	
LAPEER 500 344,000 100 301,700 7,200 4,170,10 LEELANAU <50 253,800 <50 46,500 11,600 309,30 LENAWEE 800 653,700 400 2,657,100 11,600 8,797,20 LUCE <50 14,200 <50 0 0 00 11,80 MACKINAC 100 31,300 <50 6,000 2,000 42,660 MACKINAC 100 7,458,500 <50 124,800 125,800 9,8221,50 MAROUETTE 300 7,458,500 <50 3,200 6,300 1,972,80 MAROUETTE 300 124,400 <50 3,200 6,300 1,203,90 MECOSTA 200 137,100 <50 66,500 2,000 9,81,30 MIDSAUKEE 100 59,100 <50 66,500 12,000 9,044,480 MONTCALM 500 332,100 100 1,057,500 6,900 4,595,50 <th>County</th> <th>Number</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Number</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Number</th> <th>Amount</th>	County	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
LEELANAU < 50	LAKE	200	\$93,300	< 50	\$3,600	1,000	\$486,100
LENAWEE 800 653,700 400 2,657,100 11,600 9,309,30 LIVINGSTON 600 469,300 < 50	LAPEER	500	344,000	100	301,700	7,200	4,170,100
LIVINGSTON 600 469300 < 50 3,600 12,600 8,79720 LUCE < 50	LEELANAU	< 50	23,800	< 50	46,500	1,300	755,600
LUCE < 50 14200 < 50 0 300 111,80 MACKINAC 100 31,300 < 50	LENAWEE	800	653,700	400	2,657,100	11,600	9,309,300
LUCE < 50 14200 < 50 0 300 111,80 MACKINAC 100 31,300 < 50	LIVINGSTON	600	469,300	< 50	3,600	12,600	8,797,200
MACOMB 7,300 7,458,500 < 50 124,800 125,800 98,221,50 MARQUETTE 300 122,400 < 50	LUCE	< 50	14,200	< 50	0	300	111,800
MACOMB 7,300 7,458,500 < 50 124,800 125,800 98,221,50 MARQUETTE 300 224,400 < 50	MACKINAC	100	31,300	< 50	6,100	900	426,600
MANISTEE 200 122,400 < 50 6,900 2,700 1,372,80 MARQUETTE 300 234,300 < 50	MACOMB	7,300		< 50		125,800	98,221,500
MARQUETTE 300 234,300 < 50 3,200 6,300 3,195,90 MASON 200 149,800 < 50	MANISTEE			< 50			1,372,800
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Exhibit 16 (Continued)

Federal Income Tax Expenditures

Michigan's income tax uses the federal definition of AGI as the starting point in calculating taxable income. Therefore, income sources excluded from AGI at the federal level are excluded automatically from state income taxation unless the state explicitly adds these items back. This section lists income sources that are not included in the federal definition of AGI and are not added back to Michigan taxable income.

Federal income tax expenditure estimates were derived using a three-step formula:

- 1. Federal (national) government tax expenditure estimate times Michigan's apportionment factor equals Michigan's share of federal government revenue loss.
- 2. Michigan's share of federal revenue loss divided by the average marginal tax rate for federal taxpayers equals Michigan income excluded from federal taxation.
- 3. Michigan income excluded from federal taxation times the state income tax rate equals Michigan's tax expenditure due to federal deductions or exemptions.

Federal government estimates are from the Budget of the United States Government.

The apportionment factors for the various expenditures are based on relevant statistics from the Bureau of Economic Analysis, the U.S. Census Bureau, and other sources. Federal marginal tax rates are from the U.S. Department of Treasury.

The reader is again cautioned regarding the reliability of federal income tax expenditure estimates. The accuracy of these estimates is dependent upon the accuracy of federal estimates, apportionment factor estimates, and marginal tax rate estimates.

Accelerated Depreciation When a person buys property to be used in a business or to earn rent and the property has a useful life of more than one year, the cost of the property is typically depreciated over its expected life. For tax purposes, a person may deduct depreciation at an accelerated rate. The federal tax expenditure estimate for depreciation now compares tax law depreciation with the estimated economic depreciation adjusted for inflation.	\$123,250,000
Employer Contributions to Health and Life Insurance Exempts employer payments for employee medical insurance from taxation. Also exempts employer payments for life insurance premiums on the first \$50,000 of life insurance.	\$1,148,260,000

<u>FY 2</u>	2021 Estimate
	\$826,070,000

Employer Pension Plans Exempts employer payments into qualified employee pension plans from taxation.	\$826,070,000
Federal Adjustments to Income Excludes moving expenses, health insurance purchased by self- employed persons, and alimony paid from the calculation of federal AGI.	\$36,390,000
Fellowships and Scholarships Excludes most fellowships and scholarships used for tuition and fees for degree-seeking candidates from the calculation of federal AGI.	\$22,520,000
Gain on Sale of Primary Residence Excludes from AGI a gain from the sale of a primary residence. To qualify for the full exemption, the taxpayer must have owned and lived in the home for at least two of the past five years and not claimed an exclusion in the previous two years. The maximum exclusion is \$250,000 for a single return and \$500,000 for a joint return.	\$229,670,000
Income Maintenance Benefits Excludes public assistance benefits such as Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) and general assistance from taxation.	\$5,280,000
Individual Retirement Accounts Since 1982, taxpayers could establish an IRA and deduct from taxable income contributions up to \$2,000 per year. The maximum contribution is \$6,000 for 2021. Only persons with an AGI below \$105,000 on a joint return (\$66,000 on a single return) or those not covered by an employer retirement plan can take the full \$6,000 deduction. A partial deduction, phased out according to income, is available between \$105,000-\$125,000 for joint filers and \$66,000- \$76,000 for single filers.	\$322,040,000
Interest on Life Insurance Savings Exempts interest earned from life insurance from tax if used to buy additional life insurance.	\$69,700,000
Medical Care Savings Account Reduces income by the amount contributed by or on behalf of a taxpayer to a qualified medical care savings account.	\$38,660,000

	FY 2021 Estimate
Railroad Retirement Benefits Exempts most Type I railroad retirement benefits, which are taxed the same as social security benefits (see below).	\$910,000
Social Security Benefits Excluded from AGI Exempts most social security benefits. Federal social security benefits are not taxable unless half of these benefits plus modified AGI exceed \$32,000 on a joint return or \$25,000 on an individual return. If benefits exceed this amount, a portion (generally no more than 50 percent but potentially up to 85 percent of social security benefits) is taxable under federal law. This estimate is only for the portion of Social Security benefits that are excluded from federal AGI. The portion included in AGI is reported separately above.	\$244,320,000
Student Loan Deduction Allows a deduction for interest paid on qualified education loans.	\$13,810,000
Veterans' Benefits Excludes veterans' benefits administered by the Veterans' Administration from AGI.	\$82,070,000
Workers' Compensation Exempts workers' compensation received by the worker or his or her beneficiaries from taxation.	\$39,800,000

CHAPTER 7

TRANSPORTATION TAX EXPENDITURES

Transportation tax expenditures are projected to rise modestly, increasing from \$62.30 million in FY 2020 to \$63.16 million in FY 2021. Transportation tax expenditure estimates were based on FY 2019 and FY 2020 data.

Estimate Reliability	(1)	Aviation Fuel Tax
		Motor Vehicle Registration Fee
		Watercraft Registration Fee
	(2)	Marine Vessel Fuel
		Motor Fuel Tax

Because most transportation tax expenditures require taxpayers to claim a refund from the state, transportation tax expenditure estimates have a relatively high degree of reliability. In addition, most of the estimates were based on recent data.

Transportation Tax Expenditure Changes

Public Act 55 of 2018 amended the Motor Fuel Tax Act to exempt certain fuels used to power industrial boilers and diesel-powered marine vessels. Previously these fuels were subject to tax upon sale but the purchasers could seek a refund of the tax if the fuel was used for a non-highway purpose.

Aircraft Registration and Transfer Fee

In lieu of general or local property taxes on aircraft, the state levies an aircraft registration fee. The tax base is either the maximum gross weight or maximum take-off weight, whichever is greater. The registration fee is assessed at one cent per pound. The transfer fee is \$1. These fees yielded an estimated \$414,000 to the state's Aeronautics Fund in FY 2021.

Aviation Fuel Tax Expenditures

Enacted in 1929, the aviation fuel tax is a tax on fuel sold for propelling aircraft. It is levied on the privilege of using aviation facilities, and the rate is three cents per gallon. In FY 2021, the aviation fuel tax raised \$4.2 million, which is deposited into the state's Aeronautics Fund.

Federally-Owned Aircraft \$336,000 Exempts the federal government from the aviation gasoline tax for fuel used in federally-owned aircraft. \$2,600,000

Interstate Flight Refund

Airlines that operate scheduled interstate flights receive a refund of 1.5 cents per gallon of aviation fuel used.

Marine Vessel Fuel Tax Expenditures

Enacted in 1947, the marine vessel fuel tax is levied on the privilege of operating vessels on navigable streams. The rate is 15 cents per gallon on diesel fuel. Two percent of gasoline sales is assumed to be for off-road use and is earmarked to the Recreation Improvement Fund. Not less than 80 percent of this amount is transferred to the Waterways Fund.

FY 2021 Estimate

Marine Vessel Exemption

Exempts watercraft used: by federal, state, or local governments; for commercial fishing; by the Sea Scouts; in interstate or foreign commerce; by a railroad company; and in connection with an activity providing a person's chief means of livelihood from the tax on marine fuels.

Motor Carrier Privilege Fee

A \$100 fee is assessed on most vehicles operating on highways as common and contract carriers. Buses, trucks, or tractors used solely for the transportation of household goods pay a \$50 fee. The fee was enacted in 1929 for the privilege of using highways. Revenue is deposited into the Michigan Transportation Fund. There are no tax expenditures associated with this fee.

Motor Fuel Taxes

Motor fuel taxes include gasoline, diesel fuel, motor carrier diesel fuel, and liquefied petroleum gas taxes. The tax rate on gasoline increased to 26.3 cents per gallon, effective January 1, 2017. The diesel fuel tax rate also increased to 26.3 cents per gallon in January 2017. Revenue is earmarked to the Michigan Transportation Fund, and distributed to the state, counties, and cities to maintain roads, and to the Comprehensive Transportation Fund to help finance public transportation. In FY 2021, motor fuel taxes raised an estimated \$1,351.5 million including the new revenue from the higher tax rates.

\$775,000

Diesel Fuel for Railroads Exempts diesel fuel used by railroad locomotives from motor fuel taxes.	n.a.
Evaporation and Loss Allowance The 2 percent evaporation and loss allowance was replaced in 1997 by a 1.5 percent allowance for the collection of fuel taxes.	\$16,906,000
Fuel for Job Sites and Charter Firms Exempts fuel consumed on job sites or by private and public charter bus trips from the gasoline and diesel fuel taxes.	\$6,307,000
Fuel for Off-Road Use Exempts fuel purchased for motor vehicles used exclusively on nonpublic roads.	\$1,601,000
Municipal Franchise Vehicles Refunds gasoline tax to persons operating passenger vehicles under a municipal franchise, license, permit, agreement or grant, such as taxi cabs.	\$1,829,000
Public Vehicles Exempts fuel purchased for motor vehicles owned or leased by state, federal, or local governments from motor fuel taxes.	\$18,093,000
Tribal Tax Agreements Provides for tribes to obtain tax-free motor fuel for use by the tribe, tribal entities, and resident tribal members. Sales to other parties made by tribal retailers will be fully taxed.	n.a.

Motor Vehicle Registration Fee

The motor vehicle registration fee was based originally on vehicle weight and type and was levied in lieu of the general property tax. Beginning with model year 1984, the registration fee for passenger vehicles became based on the vehicle's value rather than its weight. Other vehicles are still taxed on their weight. Registrations are effective for one year and expire annually on the owner's birthday. For FY 2021, the motor vehicle registration fee raised \$1,400.0 million, including the higher fees.

	<u>FY 2021 Estimate</u>
Disabled Veterans' Vehicles Provides totally disabled veterans free vehicle license plates.	\$749,000
Handicapper Vans Reduces the tax by 50 percent for vans that are owned by persons using a wheelchair.	n.a.
Intercity Commercial Buses Intercity commercial buses pay a registration fee of \$25 rather than a tax based on weight.	n.a.
Public and Nonprofit Vehicles Motor vehicles owned and operated by the state, a state institution, a municipality, a nonprofit college or university, or other nonprofit organization pay a lower rate of \$5 for license plates with a five-year registration period.	\$13,950,000

Watercraft Registration Fee

A fee is assessed on motorboats and other vessels operating in Michigan waters based on boat type and length. The fee was enacted in 1967. The Marine Safety Fund receives 49 percent of the revenue, the Waterways Fund receives 17.5 percent, and the Harbor Development Fund receives the remaining 33.5 percent. Registrations are valid for three years.

Publicly-Owned Watercraft	\$15,000
Levies a special fee of \$1.50 for publicly-owned vessels if the vessels	
are not used for recreational, commercial, or rental purposes.	

CHAPTER 8

PROPERTY AND OTHER LOCAL TAX EXPENDITURES

Property tax expenditures include expenditures associated with general property, iron ore specific, mobile home, real estate property transfer, and city income taxes. Local property and other local tax expenditures are projected to increase 4.9 percent from \$12,278.1 million in FY 2020 to \$12,884.8 million in FY 2021. Estimates related to property taxes have stopped decreasing due to the stabilization of property values in many parts of the state. Estimates were based on FY 2019 and FY 2020 data.

Estimate Reliability (1)

- 1) Railroad Right-of-Way
- (3) Tax-Exempt Property
- (1-2) Homestead Exemption for Farm and Homestead Property Other Local Taxes Technology Parks

Tax expenditure estimates attributable to tax-exempt property are not reliable due to the inherent difficulty of estimating values of tax-exempt properties within each of Michigan's 83 counties. County equalization directors provide these estimates based on their own estimates or surveys of local units. Estimates are somewhat arbitrary because equalization directors use different methods to derive estimates. In many cases, equalization directors did not provide estimates, and estimates from previous years were used. These latter cases are noted in the exhibits.

Other local tax expenditures include accommodations, city income, and city utility users' tax. For most of these categories, data were not available to estimate the statewide value of tax expenditures associated with these taxes. The two exceptions are the Nonresident Reduced Rate and Personal Exemption tax expenditures associated with the city income tax. These estimates were based on a survey of city treasurers and are relatively stable from year to year.

Property and Other Local Tax Expenditure Changes

Public Act 42 of 2017 amended the General Property Tax Act to allow a filing extension for a personal property tax exemption in 2017 only. A larger number of properties would likely qualify for an exemption as eligible manufacturing personal property, which would reduce revenues from the State Education Tax and local property taxes.

Public Acts 46 through 50 of 2017 created incentives for Transformational Brownfield Plans (TBP) by amending the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing, Income Tax, General Sales Tax, Use Tax, and Michigan Renaissance Zone Acts. Plans could be approved through December 31, 2022. There are several key provisions of the new incentive program.

• To qualify as a TBP, the project must be determined to have a transformational impact on local economic development and community revitalization.

- The project must involve a minimum capital investment, based on the population of the local unit where the project will occur.
- The project must be mixed-use development, with some combination of retail, office, residential, or hotel uses included in the plan.
- A qualified project could capture tax increment revenues, income tax from construction workers employed within the eligible property, income tax revenue from residents, and withholding tax revenue from employees working on the eligible property after completion.
- Tangible property that would be affixed and made a structural part of the real property would be exempt from sales and use taxes.
- Generally, the Michigan Strategic Fund could approve no more than 5 TBPs in any year statewide, and no more than 5 in any individual local unit for all years.
- Allow for the rescission of the income tax exemptions that apply in a designated Renaissance Zone upon the request of the property owner and the local unit designating the Zone, and the approval of the Michigan Strategic Fund and city imposing an income tax within the Zone.

Public Acts 121 and 122 of 2017 amended the General Property Tax Act to prevent a retroactive action to rescind an out-of-state exemption to allow a person to claim a current or retroactive personal residence exemption and impose penalties for wrongfully obtaining or attempting to claim an exemption.

Public Act 135 of 2017 prohibited local units of government from imposing an excise tax on the manufacture, distribution, wholesale sale or retail sale of food, whether for immediate or nonimmediate consumption.

Public Act 189 of 2017 amended the General Property Tax Act to allow a township, city, or the state to sue a person for unpaid property taxes only if that person owned the property on the tax day for the year in which the unpaid tax was levied.

Public Acts 261 through 264 of 2017 amended the General Property Tax Act, State Essential Services Assessment Act, Alternative State Essential Services Assessment Act, and Public Act 198 of 1974 for plant rehabilitation and industrial development districts, respectively, to revise the due date for filing personal property tax exemptions and appeals when the due date of February 20 falls on a weekend or a legal holiday.

Public Act 39 of 2018 amended the City Income Tax Act to restore the personal and dependency exemptions by revising the definition to grant an exemption for each exemption claimed under the Michigan Income Tax Act.

Public Act 132 of 2018 amended the General Property Tax Act to amend the filing requirements for claiming an exemption for eligible personal property under the small taxpayer exemption.

Public Act 133 of 2018 amended the General Property Tax Act to remove a requirement that a property remain unoccupied in order for an individual to claim a principal residence exemption

when the individual resides in a nursing home, assisted living facility, or any other location if residing there solely for purposes of convalescence.

Public Act 172 of 2018 amended the State Real Estate Transfer Tax Act to change one of the eligibility requirements for an exemption from the tax. To claim an exemption after the change, the property would need to have been the principal residence of the seller; the state equalized value at the time of the sale was equal to or less than the lesser of the SEV on (1) the first Tax Day after the issuance of a certificate of occupancy was issued, or (2) the date of the seller's acquisition of the property; and was for a price that would be arrived at in an arm's length transaction.

Public Act 203 of 2018 amended the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act to modify the definition of demolition. The new definition expands the activities that would qualify as eligible activities.

Public Acts 247 and 248 of 2018 amended the Local Community Stabilization Authority (LCSA) Act to make changes to the administrative provisions of the Act, including reporting and payment dates, requiring the Department of Treasury to make distribution calculations available online, and to earmark a portion of the LCSA fund to fire protection grants.

Public Acts 250 and 251 of 2018 amended the Commercial Rehabilitation Act and the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act, respectively, to create a process for a certificate holder to have a rehabilitation certificate revoked and potentially later reinstated. The Acts flow from a situation where a property covered by a certificate had a decline in taxable value, but the certificate locked in the taxes at the higher taxable value.

Public Act 456 of 2018 amended the City Income Tax Act to establish requirements for voluntary withholding by employers not located in Detroit on the income of employees who reside within the City of Detroit. The Act also gives the City of Detroit administrative lien and levy powers to collect unpaid income tax.

Public Act 474 of 2018 amended the Michigan Renaissance Zone Act to require that, under certain conditions, a facility previously approved as a renaissance zone for a renewable energy facility on or before December 31, 2009 shall become renewed as a zone designated for an agricultural processing facility.

Public Acts 480 and 481 of 2018 amended the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act and the Recodified Tax Increment Financing Act, respectively, to change the calculation of the captured tax paid to an authority if the capture of school operating taxes is reduced due to certain exemptions and make eligible for reimbursement the exemption of industrial personal property from school operating taxes.

Public Act 484 of 2018 amended Public Act 33 of 1951 to require that a special assessment levied under Public Act 33 be spread on the taxable value of the property assessed based on the special benefit provided to the property. In addition, a special assessment under Public Act 33 must be levied on all properties within the special assessment district that are not exempt from the collection of taxes under the General Property Tax Act.

Public Acts 505 and 541 of 2018 amended the Alternative State Essential Services Assessment Act and the State Essential Services Assessment Act, respectively, to change the date by which an exemption could be rescinded if payment of the assessment is not received, and to change the penalty for late filing.

Public Act 553 of 2018 amended the Revenue Act to add a liability under the City Income Tax Act for a city income tax administered by the Department of Treasury to the list of liabilities to which the Department may apply a state tax refund. This would only apply to the City of Detroit currently.

Public Act 616 of 2018 amended the Local Community Stabilization Authority Act to make changes to the administration of the reimbursements provided under the Act.

Public Act 633 of 2018 amended the General Property Tax Act to allow for the continuation of a principal residence exemption when the owner is not living in the residence due to damage or destruction but meets the criteria that indicate an intent to return to the property.

Public Act 672 of 2018 amended the General Property Tax Act to increase the limitation on acres of qualified forest property that can be exempted from the tax levied by the local school district for operating purposes from 1.2 million acres to 2.5 million acres.

Public Acts 116 through 118 of 2019 amended the General Property Tax Act to exempt an alternative energy system with a generating capacity of not more than 150 kilowatts, under certain conditions.

Utility Property Tax Expenditures

The State of Michigan levies a utility property tax on certain public utilities doing business in Michigan. The tax base is equal to 50 percent of the true cash value of all property owned by railroad, railroad car, and telephone and telegraph companies. Enacted in 1905, the utility property tax rate equals the average statewide general property tax rate in the preceding year on commercial and industrial property. Revenue is deposited into the General Fund, and FY 2021 collections were \$32.4 million.

FY 2021 Estimate

Broadband Investment Credit

Public Act 50 of 2002 provides a credit for the state utility property tax for a company that installs telecommunications equipment with information carrying capability exceeding 200 kilobits per second in both directions. This credit was intended to accelerate the introduction of broadband Internet access to Michigan.

Railroad Right-of-Way

Provides a credit to railroad companies for maintaining or improving certain rolling stock and rights-of-way in Michigan.

\$44,050,000

\$28,460,000

General Property Tax

Enacted in 1893, Michigan's general property tax is the main source of revenue for local governments. The property tax is levied on a base of taxable value. Taxable value cannot increase in any one year by more than 5 percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less (excluding transfers, new construction, and additions). Rates may vary by local unit, though each local unit's rate is subject to the State Constitution (Article IX, Sec. 6) and various statutes. The following table lists average statewide millage rates since 1990. The one-year reduction in the State Education Tax to 5 mills was responsible for the decline in average millage rates for 2003.

FY 2021 Estimate

Agricultural Transfers	\$46,850,000
Increases in the taxable value of property are capped at 5 percent or	
the rate of inflation, whichever is less. When ownership in property	
is transferred, the taxable value is set equal to the state equalized	
value, which is 50 percent of the true cash value. This provision	
exempts transfers of agricultural property from the "pop up" in	
taxable value when the new owner certifies that the property will	
continue to be used in agriculture.	
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Air and Water Pollution Control	\$130,000,000
Exempts air and water pollution control equipment from the property	
tax after approval and certification by the State Tax Commission.	
Cultural Organizations	n.a.
Exempts from the property tax real property owned and occupied by	
a nonprofit organization meeting specific requirements. Some of the	
requirements are that the organization must be: incorporated under	
state law; devoted exclusively to the development of literature, music,	
painting or sculpture; and available to the general public on a regular	
basis. Data are not available to estimate this item.	

Exhibit 17
Average Statewide Millage Rates

Calendar <u>Year</u>	Homestead <u>Property</u>	Non-homestead <u>Property</u>	<u>All Property</u>
1993	n.a.	n.a.	56.64
1994	30.22	48.17	38.19
1995	31.00	48.79	38.88
1996	31.36	49.54	39.32
1997	31.36	49.63	39.25
1998	31.43	49.68	39.27
1999	31.40	49.76	39.16
2000	31.54	50.10	39.32
2001	32.12	50.72	39.78
2002	32.60	51.00	40.17
2003	31.81	49.74	39.00
2004	32.71	50.81	40.00
2005	32.60	51.38	39.88
2006	32.66	51.38	39.96
2007	32.72	51.49	39.89
2008	33.14	50.94	38.94
2009	32.86	51.09	39.13
2010	33.13	50.40	39.70
2011	33.68	50.97	40.00
2012	33.47	51.24	40.40
2013	33.53	51.47	40.47
2014	33.92	51.77	40.79
2015	34.21	52.33	41.12
2016	34.55	52.95	41.70
2017	34.56	52.96	41.68
2018	34.96	53.23	41.98
2019	35.04	53.38	42.06

Source: All Property Millage Rates from State Tax Commission except 1994; CY 1994 All Property Rate and Homestead and Non-homestead millage rates from Office of Revenue and Tax Analysis, Michigan Department of Treasury.

FY 2021 Estimate

Disabled Veteran Homestead Exemption Exempts from property taxes real property used and owned by a disabled veteran who is entitled to veterans' benefits at the 100 percent rate, has received or is receiving assistance due to disability for specially adapted housing, or has been rated by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as unemployable.	\$49,100,000
Fairground Property Exempts property owned by an agricultural society and used primarily for fair purposes.	n.a.
Homestead Exemption Exempts most owner-occupied housing that is the primary residence of the owner from local school operating mills, generally 18 mills.	\$3,860,000,000
Homestead Exemption for Farm Property Exempts qualified agricultural property, including houses, from local school operating mills.	\$192,000,000
 Industrial Facilities Development Allows local governments to grant property tax exemptions for up to 12 years to encourage the establishment of new industrial facilities and the creation, restoration, or replacement of obsolete facilities. In lieu of property tax, an industrial facilities tax is levied on industrial property (building, machinery, and equipment, but not land). For a restored facility, the industrial facilities tax is levied at the same rate as the local property tax, but only on the taxable value of the property before the exemption. Therefore, the value of restoration or replacement is exempt from the industrial facilities tax. For a new facility approved after 1993, the industrial facility tax is half the property tax rate applied to the taxable value of the new facility. The full 6-mill State Education Tax rate is levied unless reduced by the Director of the Strategic Fund. Exhibit 18 displays a partial estimate of the taxable value of property subject to the industrial facilities development program. Public Act 39 of 2007 and Public Act 457 of 	\$253,400,000

2008 reduced the tax on new facility personal property on land

classified as industrial or commercial real property.

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Neighborhood Enterprise Zones Allows local units of government that participate in this program to grant property tax abatements. For new housing, the property tax rate is equal to one-half the statewide average millage rate. For rehabilitated housing, assessments are frozen so that the value of improvements is not taxed.	\$30,500,000
Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Under the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act (OPRA), commercial buildings in qualified local governmental units may be granted an OPRA abatement certificate, which results in reduced property taxes on the increased value of renovated and redeveloped facilities.	\$13,700,000
Personal Property Ad Valorem Exemptions Exempts industrial personal property from the 18-mill property tax for local schools and the state education tax (6 mills). Commercial personal property is exempt from 12 of the 18 mills for schools.	\$390,200,000
Personal Property Industrial Facilities Provides an exemption from the industrial facilities tax equal to the portion of the tax attributable to the 6 mills for state education tax and the 18 mills for school operations.	\$75,100,000
Small Taxpayer Exemption/Eligible Manufacturing Personal Property The small taxpayer exemption provides an exemption for personal property classified as industrial or commercial personal property if, among other qualifications, the true cash value of all industrial and commercial personal property owned by, leased by or in the possession of the owner in a tax collecting unit is less than \$80,000.	\$457,000,000
Eligible Manufacturing Personal Property (EMPP) is personal property used at least 50% of the time in industrial processing or direct integrated support. EMPP is exempt if placed in service after 2012 or more than 10 years before the tax year, e.g. for 2021, placed in service before 2011. Exempt EMPP is subject to the state Essential Services Assessment.	
Poverty Exemption Provides an exemption for impoverished individuals who, in the judgment of the township supervisor and board of review, are unable to contribute towards the provision of public services.	\$6,310,000

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Exempts homeowners in a Renaissance Zone or a business that is located and conducts business activity within a Renaissance Zone from most property taxes.

Tax-Exempt Property

Renaissance Zones

Exhibit 18 reports the results from the 2020 County Survey of Tax-Exempt Property. The survey includes seven categories of taxexempt property reported by county. These estimates of the taxable value of exempt property were provided by county equalization departments, as required by Public Act 155 of 1925. Exhibit 17 contains a map of Michigan's counties.

The total estimated taxable value of exempt property (not including tax-exempt property for industrial facility development) reported was \$39.4 billion. If taxed at the 2019 average nonhomestead statewide rate of 53.38 mills, tax-exempt property would have yielded \$2.10 billion in property tax revenue.

Note: Tax-exempt property for Ingham and Wayne counties is not included in estimates. Both counties contain *substantial* tax-exempt property used for public education, state and federal government, municipal and personal purposes. Estimates for the various classifications of tax-exempt property are presented below.

Tax-Exempt Acreage

Exhibit 19 shows exempt nonprofit religious or educational property by county. Properties are exempt under Article IX, Sec. 4, of the State Constitution. Tax-exempt acreage totaled an estimated 1,007,035 acres in 2019.

Tax-Exempt County and Municipal Property

Exempts real property owned by counties, townships, cities, villages, and school districts.

Fax-Exempt Federal Proper	ty		
Exempts real property	belonging to the	e United States	government.

Tax-Exempt Other Real Tax Exempt Property

Exempts other real property including hospitals, charitable institutions, selected nonprofit organizations, cemeteries, and utilities.

\$369,000,000

\$303,000,000

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\$258,000,000

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\$41,800,000

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Tax-Exempt Personal Property Exempts specific items from the property tax. Examples include hospital equipment, special tools, inventories, solar wind and water energy equipment, air and water pollution equipment, and wood and fish harvesting equipment.	\$464,000,000
Examples of personal property owners receiving the exemption include charitable institutions, libraries, banks and trusts, credit unions, parent-cooperative preschools, government units, airports, memorial posts, and public service organizations. The estimate does not include personal property owned by religious and nonprofit educational organizations.	
Tax-Exempt Public Education Property Exempts real property owned, leased, loaned, or otherwise made available to school districts if the property is used primarily for public school purposes.	\$553,000,000
Tax-Exempt Specifically-Taxed Property Imposes a registration fee on motor vehicles, boats, and aircraft in lieu of property taxes. The difference between the revenue from the registration fee compared to revenue that would result from a property tax represents a tax expenditure.	n.a.
Tax-Exempt State Property Exempts real property owned by the State of Michigan.	\$224,000,000
Tax Increment Financing Allows municipalities to create tax increment finance plans under the Downtown Development Authority Act, P.A. 197 of 1975; the Tax Increment Finance Authority Act, P.A. 450 of 1980; the Local Development Finance Authority Act, P.A. 281 of 1986; and the Brownfield Redevelopment Act, P.A. 381 of 1996. Each authority may capture millage from the general property tax and industrial and commercial facilities taxes. The captured revenue, which would normally accrue to the city, county, and school district, is diverted to finance commercial and industrial costs.	\$333,900,000

Estimates of the cost of tax increment financing assume that local units would have invested in projects without assistance from tax increment finance plans. To the extent these investments would not have occurred without funding through the tax increment finance plan, the tax expenditure estimates are overstated.

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\$4,423,700,000 **Taxable Value Cap** Limits the rate of increase in property tax assessments to 5 percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less. Taxable value becomes 50 percent of true cash value when ownership is transferred. **Veterans' Organizations** n.a. Exempts real and personal property owned and occupied by veterans' Previously, exemptions were limited to those organizations. buildings used as residences. Some revenue will be lost through the exemption, but only a few headquarters were previously on the tax rolls. Water Softeners and Water Coolers \$1,340,000 Exempts rented or leased water softener equipment and leased bottled water coolers from the personal property tax.

Iron Ore Specific Tax

The iron ore tax is levied on iron ore mines in lieu of property tax. The tax was enacted in 1951 to encourage commercial development of mineral resources in Michigan. The rate is 1.1 percent of the value per gross ton of iron ore pellets, and it is levied only in Marquette County. The iron ore tax yielded \$8.0 million in FY 2021. The state's share of the iron ore specific tax is deposited into the School Aid Fund. The state received \$4.6 million in FY 2021.

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Exhibit 18 Estimated Taxable Value of Exempt Real and Personal Property by County, 2020 (Taxable Value in Thousands)

	Industrial			County	
	Facilities			and	Public
<u>County</u>	Tax	Federal	State	<u>Municipal</u>	Education
ALCONA	\$188,200	\$107,321	\$6,771	\$26,009	\$38,608
ALGER*	113	22,328	1,757	2,230	7,253
ALLEGAN *	120,594	0	0	0	0
ALPENA *	704	9,094	68,954	103,000	68,200
ANTRIM	0	0	0	0	0
ARENAC	2,799	517	4,594	1,450	1,160
BARAGA *	861	20,100	39,143	20,860	24,515
BARRY	16,441	0	936	64,681	30,644
BAY *	91,869	819	1,148	4,095	10,918
BENZIE *	0	33,116	85,394	20,320	5,463
BERRIEN	39,612	0	0	0	0
BRANCH *	55,737	0	854	10,450	4,500
CALHOUN	81,031	5,148	56,221	284,917	28,617
CASS *	22,739	10	3,419	20,837	133,043
CHARLEVOIX *	101,829	979	22,066	24,426	44,643
CHEBOYGAN *	0	2,665	94,153	46,218	26,014
CHIPPEWA*	1,869	1,243,228	50,000	3,000	54,000
CLARE *	8,209	927	25,013	3,443	37,108
CLINTON *	5,903	15	3,200	15,000	25,000
CRAWFORD *	915	28,545	330,000	6,233	21,150
DELTA *	21,683	206,309	67,816	23,000	12,500
DICKINSON	17,458	4,496	91,059	18,059	50,130
EATON	50,530	362	23,190	143,370	50,728
EMMET	7,139	0	61,189	324	2,308
GENESEE	97,010	20,397	68,260	583,691	680,656
GLADWIN *	2,689	0	25,000	13,000	31,000
GOGEBIC	969	163,922	3,423	31,205	224
GRAND TRAVERSE *	12,522	11,299	107,530	326,037	116,585
GRATIOT *	28,137	1,650	9,250	8,700	185,000
HILLSDALE	13,020	277	3,900	23,000	100,000
HOUGHTON	62	18,977	104,660	15,549	142,372
HURON*	56,841	39,400	10,542	85,700	0
INGHAM *	80,817	899	254,499	72,864	39,846
IONIA *	16,624	0	3,297	17,255	21,800
IOSCO *	0	7,893	49,295	3,394	185
IRON	823	24,080	26,662	4,858	1,606
ISABELLA	5,502	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
JACKSON *	94,089	2,000	201,000	38,000	98,000
KALAMAZOO	204,931	42,866	435,807	920,432	1,706,706
KALKASKA *	2,996	1,000	100,000	100,000	95,000
KENT *	543,538	24,450	23,766	174,895	484,900
KEWEENAW	0	33,546	2,700	540	270

Exhibit 18 (Continued)

				Total Taxable	Exempt
	Personal		Exempt	Value Real and	as a Percent
<u>County</u>	Property	Other	<u>Total</u>	Personal Property	of Taxable
ALCONA	\$0	\$877	\$179,586	\$776,664	18.8%
ALGER*	55,000	0	88,568	\$404,418	18.0%
ALLEGAN *	113,900	0	113,900	\$5,204,416	2.1%
ALPENA *	36,547	0	285,795	\$962,241	22.9%
ANTRIM	0	0	0	\$2,012,390	0.0%
ARENAC	34,483	0	42,205	\$602,678	6.5%
BARAGA *	53,017	3,427	161,062	\$292,374	35.5%
BARRY	125,345	59,271	280,877	\$2,359,259	10.6%
BAY *	72,382	4,521	93,883	\$2,946,138	3.1%
BENZIE *	0	15,503	159,796	\$1,361,447	10.5%
BERRIEN	12,066	760,410	772,476	\$8,252,997	8.6%
BRANCH *	0	6,500	22,304	\$1,546,595	1.4%
CALHOUN	535,205	135,877	1,045,985	\$3,750,050	21.8%
CASS *	0	0	157,309	\$2,331,096	6.3%
CHARLEVOIX *	3,526	13	95,653	\$2,282,270	4.0%
CHEBOYGAN *	6,200	21,998	197,248	\$1,512,367	11.5%
CHIPPEWA *	21,200	3,500	1,374,928	\$1,179,043	53.8%
CLARE *	72,638	0	139,129	\$1,131,201	11.0%
CLINTON *	43,215	0	86,430	\$3,027,057	2.8%
CRAWFORD *	53,403	20,000	459,331	\$657,215	41.1%
DELTA *	0	0	309,625	\$1,202,467	20.5%
DICKINSON	7,101	32,801	203,646	\$919,469	18.1%
EATON	235,475	175,133	628,258	\$3,875,912	13.9%
EMMET	0	0	63,821	\$3,140,524	2.0%
GENESEE	995,308	59,547	2,407,859	\$10,178,182	19.1%
GLADWIN *	6,315	2,460	77,775	\$1,029,187	7.0%
GOGEBIC	908	4,707	204,389	\$554,426	26.9%
GRAND TRAVERSE *	0	189,865	751,316	\$5,651,353	11.7%
GRATIOT *	135,000	10,000	349,600	\$1,479,339	19.1%
HILLSDALE	15,000	44,625	186,802	\$1,411,505	11.7%
HOUGHTON	4,107	17,774	303,439	\$973,571	23.8%
HURON*	0	0	135,642	\$2,466,743	5.2%
INGHAM *	119,197	150,356	n.a.	\$8,440,080	n.a.
IONIA*	3,900	0	46,252	\$1,767,315	2.6%
IOSCO *	0	597	61,364	\$1,205,254	4.8%
IRON	0	5,500	62,706	\$537,273	10.5%
ISABELLA	n.a.	n.a.	0	\$1,976,397	0.0%
JACKSON *	200,000	5,000	544,000	\$4,841,702	10.1%
KALAMAZOO	156,552	124,749	3,387,112	\$9,211,501	26.9%
KALKASKA *	100,000	55,000	451,000	\$842,070	34.9%
KENT *	1,840,872	158,010	2,706,893	\$25,416,818	9.6%
KEWEENAW	870	6,900	44,826	\$157,158	22.2%

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	Industrial			County	
	Facilities			and	Public
<u>County</u>	Tax	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Municipal</u>	Education
LAKE *	\$118	\$73,422	\$41,768	\$8,266	\$9,252
LAPEER *	34,906	1,055	28,783	68,188	37,909
LEELANAU	0	707,279	28,490	109,277	6,530
LENAWEE *	100,337	1,500	34,800	76,300	228,800
LIVINGSTON *	41,742	3,269	3,407	96,681	89,524
LUCE *	11,500	50	8,000	2,571	4,301
MACKINAC *	n.a.	22,794	73,314	10,193	15,013
MACOMB *	795,737	2,939,414	82,904	461,687	880,193
MANISTEE	4,455	153,615	45,084	40,100	43,020
MARQUETTE *	90	64,000	45,000	24,000	210,000
MASON *	7,350	143,000	34,700	93,300	178,600
MECOSTA *	1,072	8,136	15,860	11,775	452,000
MENOMINEE *	4,473	0	74,966	94	705
MIDLAND *	162,044	335	9,130	75,210	90,150
MISSAUKEE	1,630	80	58,053	30,300	68,678
MONROE *	132,623	145	10,908	80,528	177,373
MONTCALM *	10,868	n.a.	0	n.a.	n.a.
MONTMORENCY	610	270	220,590	1,960	936
MUSKEGON	50,533	18,056	90,108	151,647	956,537
NEWAYGO	16,294	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
OAKLAND *	271,865	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
OCEANA *	7,218	16,500	6,100	2,200	15,000
OGEMAW *	533	6,230	12,830	8,171	6,256
ONTONAGON	0	226,033	28,637	4,586	11,261
OSCEOLA	3,778	0	4,790	5,700	23,800
OSCODA	963	160,865	55,258	12,650	19,252
OTSEGO *	2,041	2,016	22,300	6,285	80,000
OTTAWA *	278,643	21,391	31,971	213,112	893,584
PRESQUE ISLE *	373,177	0	40,315	108,911	n.a.
ROSCOMMON*	1,485	113	230,000	5,717	32,088
SAGINAW *	154,000	28,000	162,000	220,000	715,000
SAINT CLAIR*	71,092	12,699	66,192	217,989	246,092
SAINT JOSEPH *	104,296	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
SANILAC	4,424	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
SCHOOLCRAFT *	10,039	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	48,867
SHIAWASSEE *	6,476	675	18,500	68,000	93,000
TUSCOLA*	13,292	0	0	0	0
VAN BUREN *	97,974	0	1,000	12,500	7,500
WASHTENAW *	166,776	0	230	474	10,259
WAYNE *	120,974	1,823	1,882	262,253	32,507
WEXFORD *	18,230	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0
TOTAL	\$4,878,672	\$6,689,577	\$4,052,455	\$5,489,414	\$10,032,131

Exhibit 18 (Continued)

				Total Taxable	Exempt
	Personal		Exempt	Value Real and	as a Percent
<u>County</u>	Property	Other	<u>Total</u>	Personal Property	of Taxable
LAKE *	\$680	\$5,462	\$138,850	\$619,424	18.3%
LAPEER *	13,111	69,962	219,008	\$3,178,925	6.4%
LEELANAU	0	110,894	962,470	\$3,009,940	24.2%
LENAWEE *	0	21,000	362,400	\$3,644,791	9.0%
LIVINGSTON *	9,364	43,531	245,776	\$9,803,981	2.4%
LUCE *	650	1,749	17,321	\$192,904	8.2%
MACKINAC *	7,817	2,164	131,295	\$1,081,177	10.8%
MACOMB *	159,121	415,808	4,939,127	\$29,808,022	14.2%
MANISTEE	56,442	62,121	400,382	\$1,185,824	25.2%
MARQUETTE *	10	242,000	585,010	\$2,560,014	18.6%
MASON *	0	84,000	533,600	\$2,028,023	20.8%
MECOSTA *	64,696	4,200	556,667	\$1,432,179	28.0%
MENOMINEE *	0	4,431	80,196	\$818,091	8.9%
MIDLAND *	154,540	110,240	439,605	\$3,573,832	11.0%
MISSAUKEE	0	0	157,111	\$667,063	19.1%
MONROE *	0	8,671	277,625	\$6,461,917	4.1%
MONTCALM *	89,554	0	89,554	\$1,987,550	4.3%
MONTMORENCY	0	3,687	227,442	\$506,419	31.0%
MUSKEGON	849,251	0	2,065,599	\$4,790,920	30.1%
NEWAYGO	n.a.	18,265	18,265	\$1,628,898	1.1%
OAKLAND *	170,604	n.a.	170,604	\$62,997,745	0.3%
OCEANA *	4,100	0	43,900	\$1,273,954	3.3%
OGEMAW *	0	2,844	36,331	\$896,063	3.9%
ONTONAGON	27,996	117,213	415,726	\$276,956	60.0%
OSCEOLA	0	6,750	41,040	\$771,247	5.1%
OSCODA	3,915	4,632	256,572	\$412,495	38.3%
OTSEGO *	45,800	3,665	160,066	\$1,328,134	10.8%
OTTAWA *	0	819,463	1,979,521	\$12,476,232	13.7%
PRESQUE ISLE *	n.a.	n.a.	149,226	\$704,538	17.5%
ROSCOMMON*	8,400	9,514	285,832	\$1,392,572	17.0%
SAGINAW *	1,548,000	250,000	2,923,000	\$5,327,959	35.4%
SAINT CLAIR*	129,346	178,053	850,371	6,479,850	11.6%
SAINT JOSEPH *	n.a.	n.a.	0	2,099,829	0.0%
SANILAC	0	7,062	7,062	1,674,168	0.4%
SCHOOLCRAFT *	n.a.	n.a.	48,867	378,815	11.4%
SHIAWASSEE *	12,000	0	192,175	1,917,000	9.1%
TUSCOLA*	0	0	0	1,987,954	0.0%
VAN BUREN *	1,500	0	22,500	3,461,389	0.6%
WASHTENAW *	774	647	12,384	18,474,642	0.1%
WAYNE *	95,484	30,391	424,340	44,211,966	1.0%
WEXFORD *	n.a.	n.a.	0	1,029,811	0.0%
TOTAL	\$8,416,403	\$4,682,949	\$39,362,930	\$325,771,332	10.8%

Note: Wayne and Ingham Counties are not in totals. 2017 taxable value for Wayne County was \$39.5 billion.

* Based on surveys from current and prior years as counties did not provide estimates.

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	Estimated		Estimated
<u>County</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
ALCONA	410	LAKE *	1,052
ALGER*	14,000	LAPEER *	1,950
ALLEGAN *	1,000	LEELANAU	1,244
ALPENA *	5,800	LENAWEE *	9,200
ANTRIM	1,000	LIVINGSTON *	1,213
ARENAC *	23,112	LUCE *	2,300
BARAGA	492,120	MACKINAC *	240
BARRY	8,341	MACOMB *	5,467
BAY*	889	MANISTEE	4,500
BENZIE *	554	MARQUETTE *	140
BERRIEN *	20,667	MASON *	620
BRANCH *	425	MECOSTA *	2,400
CALHOUN *	5,670	MENOMINEE *	80,252
CASS *	773	MIDLAND *	2,000
CHARLEVOIX *	350	MISSAUKEE *	900
CHEBOYGAN	13,702	MONROE *	3,200
CHIPPEWA*	1,500	MONTCALM *	7,000
CLARE *	172	MONTMORENCY	475
CLINTON *	100	MUSKEGON	2,500
CRAWFORD *	1,519	NEWAYGO *	6,800
DELTA *	5,295	OAKLAND *	4,562
DICKINSON	250	OCEANA *	500
EATON	3,165	OGEMAW *	693
EMMET *	1,000	ONTONAGON	200
GENESEE	12,000	OSCEOLA*	1,285
GLADWIN *	1,000	OSCODA *	193
GOGEBIC	2,090	OTSEGO *	735
GRAND TRAVERSE	2,484	OTTAWA *	7,267
GRATIOT *	300	PRESQUE ISLE *	92,659
HILLSDALE	2,900	ROSCOMMON	1,398
HOUGHTON	8,075	SAGINAW *	4,500
HURON *	341	SAINT CLAIR *	11,972
INGHAM *	n.a.	SAINT JOSEPH *	8,712
IONIA *	544	SANILAC *	5,200
IOSCO *	32,857	SCHOOLCRAFT *	n.a.
IRON	60	SHIAWASSEE *	325
ISABELLA *	2,882	TUSCOLA *	475
JACKSON *	3,020	VAN BUREN *	4,530
KALAMAZOO	40,000	WASHTENAW *	200
KALKASKA *	340	WAYNE *	625
KENT *	3,200	WEXFORD *	343
KEWEENAW	13,300	TOTAL	1,007,035

Exhibit 19 General Property Tax – Estimated Exempt Acreage by County, 2019

* Based on a previous year's survey.

Notes: Many estimates are rounded to the nearest hundred. Wayne County is not included. Total may differ due to rounding.

Mobile Home Tax

Enacted in 1959, the mobile home tax is levied on mobile homes in lieu of property tax. The tax rate is \$3 per month per occupied mobile home located in licensed mobile home parks. Township or city treasurers administer the mobile home tax. Counties and municipalities keep 50 cents each, while the remaining \$2 is remitted to the state and deposited into the School Aid Fund. The 2021 state share of this tax totaled \$3.4 million indicating \$5.1 million in total state and local collections. Exhibit 20 only shows the county share of the tax.

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Mobile Home Tax Expenditure

The tax burden on mobile home occupants (\$36 per year) is small compared with the tax burden on homeowners. The reported figure is an estimate of the difference between the amount of property taxes that would be paid on mobile homes if they were not exempt and the amount collected from the mobile home tax.

Out-of-State Coaches

Exempts out-of-state coaches when accompanied by an out-of-state auto for an accumulated period of up to 90 days during any 12-month period if the occupants are tourists and not engaged in business in Michigan.

Essential Services Assessment Tax

Enacted in 2014, the Essential Services Assessment (ESA) is imposed on manufacturing personal property otherwise exempt from the general property tax. The tax is imposed at a declining rate based on increasing age. The Michigan Strategic Fund may exempt property from the regular rate of the ESA and either subject the property to the alternative rate (1/2 of the regular rate) or exempt the property entirely, based on certain conditions. The tax is due by August 15th and is deposited into the General Fund. The ESA yielded \$125.8 million in FY 2021.

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Exempt Property

Partial or full exemptions from the ESA may be granted by the Michigan Strategic Fund for personal property that is part of a broader business plan that includes at least \$25 million in personal property investment.

\$66,570,000

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Real Estate Property Transfer Tax

Enacted in 1966, the county real estate property transfer tax is a tax on the transfer of an interest in real property. The tax is levied at a rate of 55 cents per \$500 (0.11 percent), or fraction thereof, on the fair market value of the property being transferred. The treasurer of the county in which the transfer takes place collects the tax, and the revenue goes to the county general fund. The estimated statewide revenue yield was approximately \$42.3 million in 2019 (see Exhibit 20).

The School Finance Reform Package of 1994 created a state real estate property transfer tax in addition to the county tax. The rate is \$3.75 per \$500 (0.75 percent), or fraction thereof, on the fair market value of the property being transferred. The tax is collected by the county treasurer and forwarded to the state. Revenue is deposited into the School Aid Fund. The state real estate transfer tax yielded \$490.3 million in FY 2021.

Although several exemptions from the state and county transfer tax are permitted, they are designed to define which real estate transfers are subject to the tax. The act does not define real estate transfers explicitly, but by exclusion. Exempt transfers include transfers involving federal, state and local units of governments, certain conveyances between spouses, instruments used to straighten boundary lines when no money is paid, and land contracts in which the title passes to the grantee only when the contract has been paid. Public Act 203 of 2000 added churches and church property to the list of exempt transfers. Transfers of less than \$100 are also exempt. There are no estimates regarding these tax expenditures due to an absence of data.

Accommodations Tax

Under Public Act 263 of 1974, owners of businesses providing rooms to transient guests are subject to the accommodations tax which is collected by the county treasurer. Housing and nursing homes are excluded from the tax. Only counties with a population of less than 600,000 that have a city with a population of at least 40,000 may levy the tax. Counties currently imposing the tax include: Calhoun, Genesee, Ingham, Kalamazoo, Kent, Muskegon, Saginaw, Washtenaw, and Wexford. The tax is levied on the amount transient guests pay for lodging. The maximum rate is 5 percent and is determined by the county. Revenues (less administrative costs) are dedicated to convention facilities and the promotion of conventions and tourism. The tax yielded approximately \$36.2 million in 2019 (see Exhibit 20).

City Income Tax

A city income tax is levied by adoption of a city ordinance subject to voter approval. Income earned and received by city residents, income earned in the city by nonresidents, and corporate income earned in the city are subject to city income taxes. In CY 2019, city income taxes totaled \$611.0 million after raising \$566.0 million in 2018 (see Exhibit 22). For 2021, 24 cities levied a city income tax. While rates vary, most cities levy a 1.0 percent tax on residents and corporations and a 0.5 percent tax on nonresidents. Revenue collections go to the general fund of the taxing city, and most revenue comes from city residents.

FY 2021 Estimate

Federal Deductions Tax expenditures for city income taxes are similar to those for state and federal income taxes. However, most city income taxes are based on gross income from salaries, bonuses, wages, commissions, interest, and dividends rather than on federal AGI.	n.a.
Net Profits of Financial Institutions Exempts net profits of financial institutions and insurance companies from the city income tax. No statewide estimate is available.	n.a.
Nonresident Reduced Rate	\$256,300,000
Nonresidents' income is taxed at half the rate paid by residents.	+
Pensions, Annuities, and Retirement Plans Exempts proceeds of pensions, annuities, and retirement plans from the city income tax. Although no statewide estimate is available, this tax expenditure is likely to be substantial.	n.a.
Personal Exemption Exempts a certain amount of income for each person claimed on the federal form. The exemption amounts for the various cities are listed in Exhibit 22. While most cities record the number of personal exemptions provided, some do not. In these cases, personal exemptions are estimated based on the number of tax returns multiplied by a weighted average number of exemptions.	\$13,470,000
Supplemental Unemployment Benefits Exempts supplemental unemployment benefits from the city income tax. A statewide estimate is not available.	n.a.

City Utility Users' Tax

The uniform city utility users' tax is based on the privilege of consuming public telephone, electric, steam, or gas services in a city of 600,000 or more. Currently, Detroit is the only city in Michigan eligible to levy the tax. The maximum rate is 5 percent, which is the current rate in Detroit. Revenues are earmarked for increased law enforcement. Collections totaled \$40.5 million in 2019.

	Mobile Home		Real Estate
<u>County</u>	Accommodations	(County Share)	<u>Prop. Trans.</u>
ALCONA	\$0	\$126	\$63,039
ALGER *	0	174	40,903
ALLEGAN	0	26,171	692,715
ALPENA	0	1,310	95,714
ANTRIM *	0	343	198,945
ARENAC *	0	1,983	54,954
BARAGA	0	0	20,334
BARRY	0	9,328	318,028
BAY	0	11,384	315,766
BENZIE *	0	419	144,914
BERRIEN *	0	0	676,479
BRANCH *	0	4,193	140,170
CALHOUN *	1,436,009	82,430	433,866
CASS *	0	4,379	255,819
CHARLEVOIX	0	3,567	315,082
CHEBOYGAN	0	658	156,720
CHIPPEWA	0	2,659	118,575
CLARE	0	1,679	105,667
CLINTON	0	11,148	371,968
CRAWFORD	0	114	216
DELTA	0	3,966	155,668
DICKINSON	0	2,517	84,547
EATON *	0	9,336	472,141
EMMET	0	2,930	537,629
GENESEE	1,514,826	55,040	1,639,318
GLADWIN	0	1,815	113,422
GOGEBIC *	0	240	28,228
GRAND TRAVERSE	0	12,730	903,394
GRATIOT *	0	3,851	84,427
HILLSDALE	0	1,948	164,211
HOUGHTON *	0	0	93,099
HURON	0	2,866	151,365
INGHAM *	3,195,664	13,495	1,079,039
IONIA	0	5,111	207,252
IOSCO	0	1,641	108,054
IRON	0	126	77,167
ISABELLA	0	4,450	237,817
JACKSON	0	26,060	674,839
KALAMAZOO *	2,851,544	27,062	1,270,656
KALKASKA *	0	110	77,915
KENT	11,371,398	55,117	4,328,833
KEWEENAW *	0	0	18,802

Exhibit 20 Miscellaneous Local Taxes Kept by Counties, 2019

Exhibit 20 (Continued)

		Real Estate	
<u>County</u>	Accommodations	(County Share)	<u>Prop. Trans.</u>
LAKE	\$0	\$0	\$63,030
LAPEER *	0	10,397	411,685
LEELANAU	0	630	355,202
LENAWEE	0	11,256	426,613
LIVINGSTON	0	25,147	1,485,488
LUCE	0	0	37,787
MACKINAC	0	0	150,092
MACOMB *	0	71,371	4,468,553
MANISTEE	0	156	134,363
MARQUETTE *	0	2,598	271,997
MASON	0	3,621	138,379
MECOSTA	0	2,607	170,566
MENOMINEE	0	2,147	110,035
MIDLAND	0	5,488	451,958
MISSAUKEE	0	47	0
MONROE *	0	40,190	727,451
MONTCALM	0	4,045	236,131
MONTMORENCY *	0	74	54,110
MUSKEGON	909,648	20,955	669,497
NEWAYGO	0	6,156	192,377
OAKLAND	0	98,399	0
OCEANA	0	1,487	126,400
OGEMAW *	0	457	38,328
ONTONAGON	0	0	61,641
OSCEOLA	0	128	77,872
OSCODA	0	42	37,782
OTSEGO	0	519	159,792
OTTAWA	0	37,513	2,056,550
PRESQUE ISLE *	0	354	32,736
ROSCOMMON *	0	1,833	162,807
SAGINAW	3,274,668	12,499	630,034
SAINT CLAIR *	0	19,246	673,451
SAINT JOSEPH *	0	4,069	240,257
SANILAC *	0	6,402	127,945
SCHOOLCRAFT	0	0	46,438
SHIAWASSEE *	0	14,686	218,675
TUSCOLA	0	3,862	154,913
VAN BUREN	0	460	100,307
WASHTENAW	6,871,041	39,647	2,846,865
WAYNE *	4,788,153	86,032	6,792,972
WEXFORD *	0	2,194	120,721
TOTAL	\$36,212,951	\$929,182	\$42,289,496
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* Figures carried forward from a previous year.

Exhibit 21			
Estimated Tax Expenditures From			
City Income Tax Personal Exemptions, 2019			

	Re	sident	Nonresident and Partial-Year Resident		
<u>City</u>	Quantity	Amount	<u>Quantity</u>	Amount	
Albion	15,966	\$95,796	2,668	\$9,541	
Battle Creek	42,409	318,068	38,132	142,995	
Benton Harbor	861	6,458	4,031	15,116	
Big Rapids*	2,551	15,306	11,316	33,948	
Detroit	322,842	4,648,925	381,518	2,746,930	
East Lansing	14,317	85,902	37,502	112,506	
Flint	36,572	219,432	70,867	212,601	
Grand Rapids	121,790	1,096,110	165,836	746,262	
Grayling *	666	19,980	3,893	58,395	
Hamtramck	18,109	108,654	9,885	29,655	
Highland Park	6,082	72,984	5,747	34,482	
Hudson *	1,625	16,250	1,512	7,560	
Ionia	4,628	32,396	13,096	45,836	
Jackson *	14,819	88,914	29,690	89,070	
Lansing *	66,413	398,478	113,453	340,359	
Lapeer *	4,842	29,052	28,154	84,462	
Muskegon	10,509	63,054	24,378	73,134	
Muskegon Heights	1,277	7,662	3,019	9,057	
Pontiac *	18,782	112,692	55,534	166,602	
Port Huron	10,983	65,898	17,350	52,050	
Portland	2,995	29,950	2,326	11,630	
Saginaw	26,044	292,995	35,962	202,286	
Springfield *	3,604	27,030	5,700	21,375	
Walker	21,725	130,350	36,902	110,706	
TOTAL	770,411	\$7,982,335	1,098,471	\$5,356,558	

* Used from previous year's survey

City Income Tax Rate					
		Non-		Personal	Collections
<u>City</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Resident</u>	Corporation	Exemption	<u>(000s)</u>
Albion	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	\$600	\$1,061
Battle Creek	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	\$000 750	16,656
Big Rapids	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	2,098
Detroit	2.40%	1.20%	2.00%	600	2,098
Flint	2.40%	0.50%	2.00%	600	15,604
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Grand Rapids	1.50%	0.75%	1.50%	600	90,553
Grayling	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	3,000	552
Hamtramck	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	2,202
Highland Park	2.00%	1.00%	2.00%	600	3,398
Hudson	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	1,000	463
Ionia	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	700	2,326
Jackson	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	8,307
Lansing	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	34,077
Lapeer	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	3,173
Muskegon	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	8,291
Muskegon Heights	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	1,050
Pontiac	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	12,625
Port Huron	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	6,532
Portland	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	1,000	624
Saginaw	1.50%	0.75%	1.50%	750	12,998
Springfield	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	750	930
Walker	1.00%	0.50%	1.00%	600	11,082

Exhibit 22 City Tax Rates and Exemption Allowances, 2021

TOTAL

\$516,755