

PROPERTY TAX COLLECTIONS IN 2021

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

Property Taxes due in 2021

- Property taxes due in 2021 increased 4.52 percent to \$16.0 billion, a \$675.1 million increase
- Collections of taxes due in 2021 increased 4.49 percent to \$15.310 billion, a \$657.7 million increase
- The collection response rate decreased to 98.1 percent in 2021
- Tax roll cancellations (transfer to exempt status, correction of errors, destroyed property, and uncollectible accounts) exceeded tax roll additions (omitted property, property removed from exempt status, and new structures not previously on the rolls) by \$12.5 million. This amount equaled 0.08 percent of the 2021 tax roll

County Collection Responses

- Garfield County had the highest collection response rate at 99.7 percent
- Thirty-eight counties reported collection response rates of 95 percent or more
- The lowest rate of collection response was 90.9 percent

Delinquent Property Taxes

- Delinquent taxes (taxes on the rolls prior to the 2021 tax year) were \$400 million
- Of the above amount, plus additions, \$226 million was collected during the year
- The statewide delinquent tax response rate was 56.5 percent
- Thirty-three counties had a 50 percent or better delinquent tax collection response rate
- Twenty-six counties had a 60 percent or better delinquent tax collection response rate

Current and Delinquent Property Taxes

- The combined amount of current and delinquent taxes due in 2021 was \$16.000 billion
- Total collections were \$15.536 billion, which was 97.1 percent of the total due
- Total collections were 99.6 percent of the current rolls
- Delinquent taxes due at the end of 2021 were down 7.9 percent to \$369 million, a decrease of \$31 million