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# **Overview**

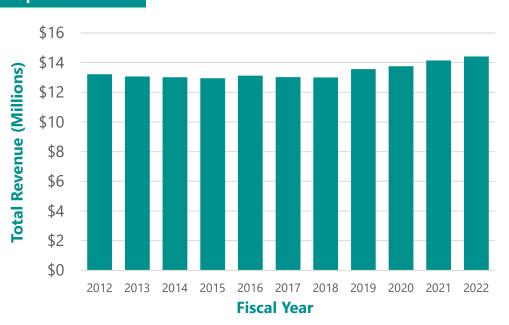
# Other Tax Collections - Fiscal Years (FY) 2019-2022

	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
911 Emergency Telephone System Fee	\$13,558,898	\$13,752,387	\$14,140,568	\$14,408,215
Cigarette License Fee	\$34,097	\$20,445	\$26,080	\$108,975
Cigarette Tax	\$64,496,884	\$63,447,053	\$65,291,417	\$65,508,116
Consumer Counsel Fee	\$768,265	\$1,736,461	\$1,093,101	\$1,170,580
Electrical Energy Producers' License Tax	\$4,184,978	\$3,910,294	\$3,298,244	\$3,929,711
Hospital Facility Utilization Fee	\$22,578,403	\$32,681,387	\$31,937,500	\$35,016,050
Inheritance and Estate Tax	\$0	\$735	\$24	\$0
Intermediate Care Facility Utilization Fee	\$397,440	\$323,293	\$311,860	\$313,407
Invasive Species Fee	\$3,688,075	\$2,581,134	\$2,565,289	\$1,531,836
Lodging Facility Use Tax	\$36,297,514	\$33,679,511	\$35,058,060	\$61,624,239
Lodging Sales Tax	\$26,703,268	\$28,110,048	\$36,045,092	\$63,138,857
Nursing Facility Utilization Fee	\$23,200,576	\$22,088,780	\$17,800,928	\$18,061,814
Public Contractor's Gross Receipts Fees and Taxes	\$3,597,205	\$6,728,555	\$3,897,240	\$2,840,073
Public Service Commission Fee	\$2,460,333	\$5,239,599	\$5,331,686	\$4,056,719
Rail Car Tax	\$3,593,860	\$4,293,652	\$5,186,537	\$4,019,546
Retail Telecommuniation's Excise Tax	\$13,223,885	\$11,788,418	\$8,814,228	\$8,570,714
Sales Tax - Rental Vehicles	\$5,907,633	\$5,572,444	\$5,455,846	\$9,529,671
TDD Telecommunications Service Fee	\$1,386,037	\$1,421,675	\$1,502,526	\$1,541,544
Tobacco Products Tax	\$12,702,208	\$12,185,252	\$11,882,493	\$11,768,474
Wholesales Energy Transaction Tax	\$3,490,244	\$3,350,982	\$2,981,105	\$3,352,254
<b>Total Collections</b>	\$242,269,803	\$252,912,105	\$252,619,822	\$310,490,798

# 911 Emergency Telephone System

#### Statute: Title 10, Chapter 4

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$13,212,111
2013	\$13,062,990
2014	\$13,009,356
2015	\$12,947,304
2016	\$13,120,489
2017	\$13,020,367
2018	\$13,003,639
2019	\$13,558,898
2020	\$13,752,387
2021	\$14,140,568
2022	\$14,408,215



#### **Fee Rate**

Montana imposes monthly fees totaling \$1.00 per telephone access line to pay for 911 services. The 2017 Legislature changed the structure and use of these fees, beginning in FY 2019. Through FY 2018, the fee was collected to fund three services: \$0.25 to support basic 911 services, \$0.25 to support enhanced 911 services, and \$0.50 to support wireless enhanced 911 services. Beginning in FY 2019, the fee was now collected to fund two services: \$0.75 for distribution to local governments that host 911 answering services, and \$0.25 to fund a competitive grant program open to telecommunications providers and local governments.

The 2021 Legislature included prepaid wireless services sold through third parties, such as retail and grocery stores, in those required to pay the \$1.00 fee. Previously, the department could not collect the fee on prepaid wireless services because providers successfully argued in court that they cannot determine where pre-paid cards will be used.

# **Filing and Payment**

The subscriber paying for exchange access line services is liable for the fees, but providers collect the fees and remit them to the state on a quarterly basis. For prepaid services, the consumer pays the tax, and the seller collects and remits it. The provider collecting the fee must file a return by the last day of the month following the end of each calendar quarter.

## **Distribution**

The 2017 Legislature changed the distribution of 911 fees, beginning in FY 2019.

Through FY 2018, the department deposited each of the three fees in separate accounts, with 2.74 percent of total collections statutorily appropriated to the Department of Administration to cover its costs of administering the program. Starting in FY 2019, the department deposits all the fees into a single account. The Department of Administration then allocates funds to the individual programs. The Department of Administration is appropriated a fixed amount from collections to cover its costs.

#### **Distribution of 911 Fees**

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Emergency System Acct. (2.74%)	\$356,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Basic 911 Emergency Program (24.315%)	\$3,161,835	(\$164)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhanced 911 Phone Program (24.315%)	\$3,161,835	(\$164)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wireless Enhanced 911 P	hone Progra	am			
911 Jurisdictions (24.315%)	\$3,161,835	\$164	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wireless Providers (24.315%)	\$3,161,835	\$164	\$0	\$0	\$0
911 Distribution	\$0	\$10,169,174	\$10,314,290	\$10,605,426	\$10,806,162
911 Grants	\$0	\$3,389,725	\$3,438,097	\$3,535,142	\$3,602,054

# **State Comparison**

Local governments typically provide 911 services with the cooperation of telecommunications providers. Funding for 911 services comes from fees imposed by state governments, local governments, or both. The following fee table is based on information from the National Emergency Number Association and shows the fees for each state. Where a range of fees is shown, it generally indicates that there are varying local fees, sometimes combined with a statewide fee.

### **911 Emergency Telephone System Fees**

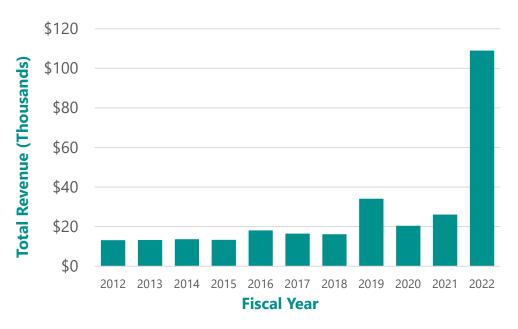
State	Landline	Wireless	Prepaid Wireless	Voice over Internet Protocol
Alabama	\$1.86	\$1.86	\$1.86	\$1.86
Alaska	\$0.00 to \$2.00	\$0.00 to \$2.00	n/a	n/a
Arizona	\$0.20	\$0.20	0.80%	\$0.20
Arkansas	5% to 12%	\$1.30	10.00%	\$1.30
California	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30	\$0.30
Colorado	\$0.80 to \$3.10	\$0.80 to \$3.10	\$1.38	\$0.80 to \$3.10
Connecticut	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57	\$0.57
Delaware	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$0.60
District of Colum- bia	\$0.76	\$0.76	2.00%	\$0.76
Florida	\$0.40 to \$0.44	\$0.40	\$0.40	\$0.40
Georgia	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
Hawaii	\$0.27	\$0.66	n/a	\$0.66
Idaho	\$1.00 to \$1.25	\$1.00 to \$1.25	2.50%	\$1.00 to \$1.25
Illinois	\$1.50	\$1.50	3.00%	\$1.50
Indiana	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00

Iowa	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$0.51	\$1.00
Kansas	\$0.90	\$0.90	2.06%	\$0.90
Kentucky	\$0.32 to \$4.00	\$0.70	\$0.93	\$0.32 to \$4.00
Louisiana	Residential: \$0.38 to \$1.25 Business: \$0.99 to \$6.00	\$0.85 to \$1.25	4%	\$0.38 to \$1.25
Maine	\$0.35	\$1.25	\$0.60	\$1.25
Maryland	\$1.25	\$1.25	\$0.60	\$1.25
Massachusetts	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Michigan	\$0.25 to \$3.25	\$0.25 to \$3.25	5.00%	\$0.25 to \$3.25
Minnesota	\$0.95	\$0.95	\$0.95	\$0.95
Mississippi	Residential: \$1.00 Commercial: \$2.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Missouri	Varies by county	n/a	n/a	n/a
Montana	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Nebraska	\$0.50 to \$1.00	\$0.45 to \$0.70	1.10%	n/a
Nevada	Varies by jurisdiction	Varies by jurisdiction	n/a	n/a
New Hampshire	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
New Jersey	\$0.90	\$0.90	n/a	\$0.90
New Mexico	\$0.51	\$0.51	1.38%	\$0.51
New York	\$0.35 to \$1.00	\$1.20 to \$1.50	n/a	\$0.35
North Carolina	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65
North Dakota	\$1.50 to \$2.00	\$1.50 to \$2.00	2.50%	\$1.50 to \$2.00
Ohio	\$0.00 to \$0.50	\$0.25	0.50%	n/a
Oklahoma	3% to 15%	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.75
Oregon	\$1.25	\$1.25	\$1.25	\$1.25
Pennsylvania	\$1.65	\$1.65	\$1.65	\$1.65
Rhode Island	\$1.00	\$1.26	2.50%	\$1.26
South Carolina	\$0.45 to \$1.00	\$0.62	\$0.62	\$0.45 to \$1.00
South Dakota	\$1.50	\$1.50	2.00%	\$1.25
Tennessee	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
Texas	\$0.50 plus local vari- ations	\$0.50	2.00%	\$0.50 plus local variations
Utah	\$0.80	\$0.80	1.78%	\$0.80
Vermont	Universa	al service	2.40%	n/a
Virginia	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.50	\$0.75
Washington	\$0.95	\$0.95	\$0.95	\$0.95
West Virginia	\$0.98 to \$6.40	\$3.00	6.00%	\$0.98 to \$6.40
Wisconsin	\$0.16 to \$0.40	n/a	n/a	n/a
Wyoming	\$0.25 to \$0.75	\$0.25 to \$0.75	1.50%	\$0.25 to \$0.75

# **Cigarette License Fee**

#### Statute: 16-11-122, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$13,130
2013	\$13,230
2014	\$13,610
2015	\$13,330
2016	\$18,095
2017	\$16,450
2018	\$16,115
2019	\$34,097
2020	\$20,445
2021	\$26,080
2022	\$108,975



#### **Fee Rate**

Sellers of tobacco, alternative nicotine, and vapor products in Montana must have a license from the state and renew the license annually. The \$50 licensing fees are assessed to:

- wholesalers, who buy products from manufacturers and attach tax stamps
- sub-jobbers, who buy tax-stamped products for resale
- vendors
- retailers

The sale of alternative nicotine and vapor products requires a separate license with an annual fee of \$20.

## **Cigarette License Fee Schedule**

Status	Annual Renewal Fee
Wholesalers	\$50
Sub-jobbers	\$50
Retailers	\$50
Vendors	\$50
Alternative Tobacco and Vapor Products	\$20

# **Filing and Payment**

Licenses must be renewed annually by the license issue anniversary date. License fees are due at the time of renewal.

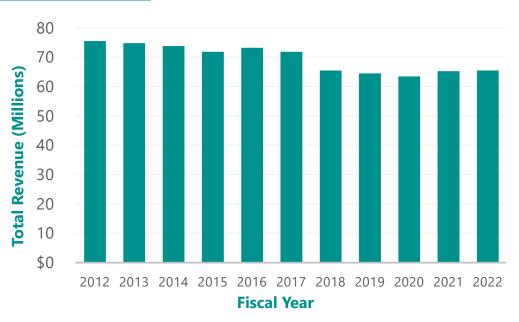
# **Distribution**

Revenues from the license fees are deposited in the state general fund (16-11-124, MCA). Cigarette enforcement activities are funded by an appropriation from the general fund, rather than directly by fees.

# **Cigarette Tax**

#### Statute: 16-11-111, MCA and 16-11-119, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$75,533,075
2013	\$74,790,040
2014	\$73,839,772
2015	\$71,843,320
2016	\$73,219,123
2017	\$71,872,218
2018	\$65,495,811
2019	\$64,496,884
2020	\$63,447,053
2021	\$65,291,417
2022	\$65,508,116



## **Tax Rate**

Cigarettes and small cigars that resemble cigarettes are subject to a tax of \$1.70 per a pack of 20. If they are sold in a different size package, the tax is \$0.085 per cigarette.

The 2003 Legislature increased the rate from \$0.18 to \$0.70, effective May 1, 2003. In 2004, voters approved Initiative 149, which increased the rate to its current level.

# Filing and Payment

The department pre-collects the tax by selling tax insignias to wholesalers, who must affix them to each package of cigarettes to indicate the tax has been paid. Only a licensed wholesaler may purchase the insignias. The department sells the insignias at face value minus an allowance for the costs of affixing the decals and collecting the tax on behalf of the department.

### Distribution

Cigarette tax revenues are distributed to the following entities:

- Tribes, pursuant to revenue-sharing agreements
- Department of Public Health and Human Services, for maintenance and operation of state veterans' nursing homes. The larger of:
  - 8.3 percent of revenues, or
  - \$4 million
- Long-Range Building Program Account
  - 2.6 percent of revenues
- State special revenue fund for Health and Medicaid initiatives
  - 44 percent of revenues
- State general fund (16-11-119, MCA)
  - Remaining revenues after above allocations

#### **Distribution of Cigarette Tax**

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Revenue	\$65,495,811	\$64,496,884	\$63,447,053	\$65,291,417	\$65,508,116
Tobacco and Cig. Tribal Agreement	\$3,929,686	\$3,490,777	\$3,584,285	\$3,428,249	\$3,405,295
Remainder	\$61,566,125	\$61,006,107	\$59,862,768	\$61,863,168	\$62,102,821
State Veterans' Home (8.3%)	\$5,107,968	\$5,060,928	\$4,965,768	\$5,132,274	\$5,151,790
SW State Veterans' Home (1.2%)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Long Range Building Program (2.6%)	\$1,600,087	\$1,585,351	\$1,555,542	\$1,607,700	\$1,613,814
DPHHS-Medicaid Initiatives (44%)	\$27,078,385	\$26,829,016	\$26,324,556	\$27,207,234	\$27,310,693
General Fund (remainder)	\$27,755,344	\$27,499,742	\$26,982,669	\$27,887,415	\$27,993,461

# **Taxation of Cigarettes on Indian Reservations**

Under federal law, tribal governments reserve the right to tax cigarettes sales to tribal members on their reservations. To avoid problems with non-members trying to avoid the tax by buying cigarettes on reservations, Montana has entered into revenue-sharing agreements with the tribal governments of each reservation. These agreements provide for a refund of the tax on a fixed number of cigarettes sold to retailers on each reservation, and for each tribe to receive a share of revenue from the tax.

# **State Comparison**

Every state has a state cigarette tax. Five states allow local jurisdictions to impose an additional tax. The following table shows state, local, and combined cigarette taxes as of January 1, 2018.

There is a wide range of taxes, from \$0.21 in parts of Missouri to over \$7 in parts of Illinois. Twenty-three states and the District of Columbia have taxes that are higher than Montana's rate of \$1.70 per pack, 25 states have taxes that are lower than Montana's, and one has the same tax rate as Montana.

### **Cigarette Excise Tax Rates**

State	State Tax Per Pack	Local Tax Per Pack	Total
Alabama	\$0.68	\$0.01 to \$0.25	\$0.69 to \$0.93
Alaska	\$2.00		\$2.00
Arizona	\$2.00		\$2.00
Arkansas	\$1.15		\$1.15
California	\$2.87		\$2.87
Colorado	\$0.84		\$0.84
Connecticut	\$4.35		\$4.35
Delaware	\$2.10		\$2.10
District of Columbia	\$4.98		\$4.98
Florida	\$1.34		\$1.34
Georgia	\$0.37		\$0.37
Hawaii	\$3.20		\$3.20
Idaho	\$0.57		\$0.57
Illinois	\$2.98	\$0.10 to \$4.18	\$3.08 to \$7.16
Indiana	\$1.00		\$1.00
Iowa	\$1.36		\$1.36
Kansas	\$1.29		\$1.29
Kentucky	\$1.10		\$1.10
Louisiana	\$1.08		\$1.08
Maine	\$2.00		\$2.00
Maryland	\$2.00		\$2.00
Massachusetts	\$3.51		\$3.51
Michigan	\$2.00		\$2.00
Minnesota	\$3.65		\$3.65
Mississippi	\$0.68		\$0.68
Missouri	\$0.17	\$0.04 to \$0.07	\$0.21 to \$0.24
Montana	\$1.70		\$1.70
Nebraska	\$0.64		\$0.64
Nevada	\$1.80		\$1.80
New Hampshire	\$1.78		\$1.78
New Jersey	\$2.70		\$2.70

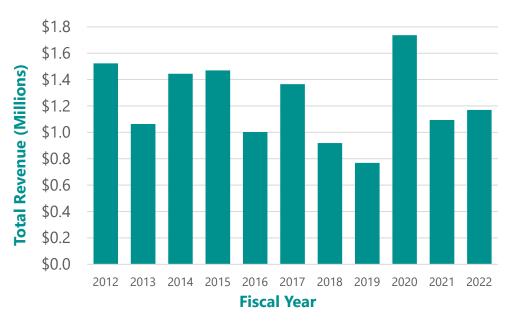
State	State Tax Per Pack	Local Tax Per Pack	Total
New Mexico	\$2.00		\$2.00
New York	\$4.35	\$0 to \$1.50	\$4.35 to \$5.85
North Carolina	\$0.45		\$0.45
North Dakota	\$0.44		\$0.44
Ohio	\$1.60		\$1.60
Oklahoma	\$2.03		\$2.03
Oregon	\$1.33		\$1.33
Pennsylvania	\$2.60		\$2.60
Rhode Island	\$4.25		\$4.25
South Carolina	\$0.57		\$0.57
South Dakota	\$1.53		\$1.53
Tennessee	\$0.67	\$0.01	\$0.68
Texas	\$1.41		\$1.41
Utah	\$1.70		\$1.70
Vermont	\$3.08		\$3.08
Virginia	\$0.30	\$0.02 to \$0.15	\$0.32 to \$0.45
Washington	\$3.03		\$3.03
West Virginia	\$1.20		\$1.20
Wisconsin	\$2.52		\$2.52
Wyoming	\$0.60		\$0.60

Source: Federation of Tax Administrators

# **Consumer Counsel Fee**

Statute: Title 69, Chapter 1, Part 2, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$1,523,517
2013	\$1,063,563
2014	\$1,444,344
2015	\$1,469,750
2016	\$1,002,553
2017	\$1,365,518
2018	\$919,347
2019	\$768,265
2020	\$1,736,461
2021	\$1,093,101
2022	\$1,170,580



#### **Fee Rate**

All companies regulated by the Public Service Commission (PSC) are assessed a fee to cover the operation of the Consumer Counsel, which represents consumers in proceedings before the PSC. The fee is a percentage of gross revenue from regulated activities. The rate is set annually for the following fiscal year.

#### **Consumer Counsel Fee Rates**

Tax Year	Rate
10/1/2011 - 9/30/2012	0.120%
10/1/2012 - 9/30/2013	0.070%
10/1/2013 - 9/30/2014	0.110%
10/1/2014 - 9/30/2015	0.100%
10/1/2015 - 9/30/2016	0.060%
10/1/2016 - 9/30/2017	0.100%
10/1/2017 - 9/30/2018	0.046%
10/1/2018 - 9/30/2019	0.051%
10/1/2019 - 9/30/2020	0.127%
10/1/2020 - 9/30/2021	0.048%
10/1/2021 - 9/30/2022	0.069%

# **Filing and Payment**

All companies regulated by the Public Service Commission are subject to the fee. The fee is due within 30 days after the end of each quarter.

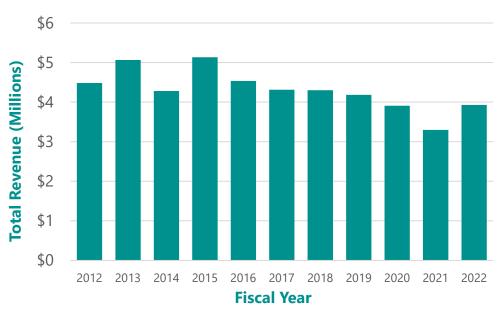
# **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited in a state special revenue account for the operation of the Office of Consumer Counsel. (69-1-201; 223; 224, MCA)

# **Electrical Energy Producers' License Tax**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 51, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$4,481,361
2013	\$5,066,602
2014	\$4,279,845
2015	\$5,132,926
2016	\$4,536,484
2017	\$4,313,577
2018	\$4,301,551
2019	\$4,184,978
2020	\$3,910,294
2021	\$3,298,244
2022	\$3,929,711



#### **Tax Rate**

The tax was first enacted in 1933 and is \$.0002 per kilowatt hour (\$0.20 per MWh) of electrical energy generated, manufactured, or produced in the state for barter, sale, or exchange, other than for plant use.

# **Filing and Payment**

Businesses that produce electrical energy pay the license tax. The license tax is due within 30 days after the end of each quarter.

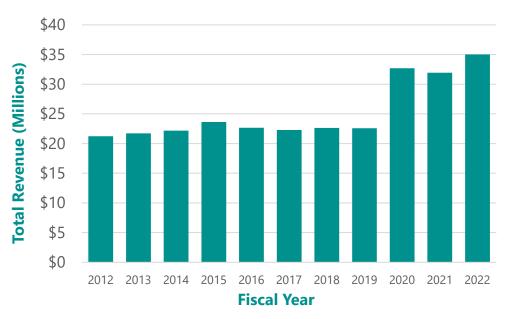
## **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited in the state general fund. (15-51-103, MCA)

# **Hospital Facility Utilization Fee**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 66, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$21,238,158
2013	\$21,703,642
2014	\$22,179,418
2015	\$23,626,972
2016	\$22,667,834
2017	\$22,282,214
2018	\$22,619,596
2019	\$22,578,403
2020	\$32,681,387
2021	\$31,937,500
2022	\$35,016,050



#### **Fee Rate**

Beginning in 2019, all hospitals licensed by the state, except for the Montana State Hospital, are required to pay a \$70 utilization fee for each inpatient bed day. A utilization fee of 0.90 percent of outpatient revenue was added in 2019.

# Filing and Payment

The hospital must pay the fees for the preceding calendar year on all taxable inpatient bed days. The table below lists the fee per inpatient bed day since the fee was instituted.

## **Hospital Facility Utilization Fee Schedule**

Period Over Which Fee Applies	Fee Per Inpatient Bed Day
January 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005	\$19.43
July 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005	\$29.75
January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007	\$27.70
July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007	\$47.00
January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008	\$43.00
January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009	\$48.00
January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2018	\$50.00
Beginning January 1, 2019	\$70.00

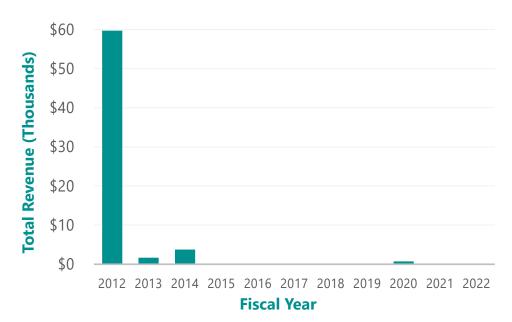
# **Distribution**

54 percent of the outpatient utilization fee revenue is deposited in the Montana HELP Act special revenue account (53-6-1315, MCA). The remaining proceeds from the outpatient utilization fee; all proceeds from the inpatient utilization fee are deposited in a special revenue account for use by the Department of Public Health and Human Services to reimburse hospitals serving Medicaid patients. (15-66-102, MCA)

# **Inheritance and Estate Tax**

### Statute: Title 72, Chapter 16, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$59,718
2013	\$1,676
2014	\$3,741
2015	\$35
2016	\$62
2017	\$0
2018	\$0
2019	\$0
2020	\$735
2021	\$24
2022	\$0



#### **Tax Rate**

An estate tax is a tax on the value of the estate a person leaves when they die. The estate tax is paid by the estate of the deceased. An inheritance tax is a tax on the value of the bequest each heir receives.

Before 2001, Montana had an inheritance tax with rates that varied according to the heir's relationship to the decedent. Montana's inheritance tax was repealed in November 2000 by the passage of Legislative Referendum 116, resulting in the inheritance tax not applying to bequests made on or after January 1, 2001.

Montana also has an estate tax equal to the difference between the state inheritance tax and amount of credit that the federal estate tax law allows for state taxes. This way, the estate tax allows the state to receive a share of the federal tax on Montana estates, with that share determined by federal law. With repeal of the inheritance tax, the estate tax became a standalone tax.

Federal legislation passed in 2001 and 2010 changed the federal estate tax law. It phased out the credit for state taxes between 2002 and 2004 and replaced it with a deduction beginning in 2005. With no federal credit, Montana has an estate tax with an effective rate of zero.

No Montana tax applies to the estates of people who died after January 1, 2005. All estate-related revenue received in FY 2006 through 2020 is from the estates of people who died before the end of 2004. The state continues to receive small amounts of this type of revenue because it can take years for final settlement of all issues pertaining to an estate.

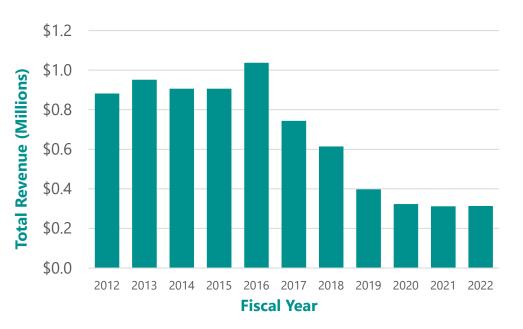
### Distribution

Revenues are deposited in the state general fund.

# **Intermediate Care Facility Utilization Fee**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 67, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$882,024
2013	\$951,767
2014	\$906,220
2015	\$906,155
2016	\$1,036,982
2017	\$743,617
2018	\$614,244
2019	\$397,440
2020	\$323,293
2021	\$311,860
2022	\$313,407



#### **Fee Rate**

The Intermediate Care Facility Utilization Fee is 6 percent of the revenue of intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled. The fee was first implemented by the 2003 Legislature at a rate of 5 percent. The 2005 Legislature changed the fee per bed-day to a quarterly payment of 6 percent of the intermediate care facility's quarterly revenue divided by the resident bed days for the same period. For facilities operated by the state, the fee is calculated on total quarterly expenditures.

# **Filing and Payment**

Reports and payments are due within 30 days of the end of each quarter.

## **Distribution**

Of the revenue generated by this fee, 30 percent is deposited into the state general fund and 70 percent into the prevention and stabilization account in the state special revenue fund for the Department of Public Health and Human Services to finance, administer, and provide health and human services. (15-67-102, MCA)

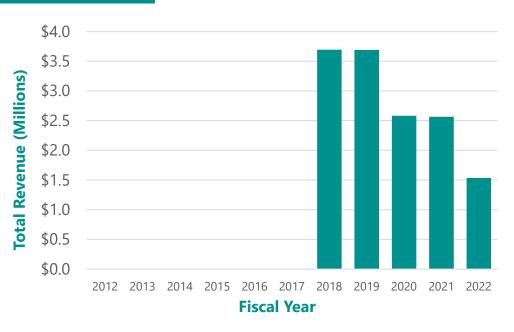
## **Distribution of Intermediate Care Facility Utilization Fees**

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
General Fund (30%)	\$184,273	\$119,232	\$96,988	\$93,558	\$94,022
Prevention and Stabilization (70%)	\$429,971	\$278,208	\$226,305	\$218,302	\$219,385

# **Invasive Species Fee**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 72, Part 6, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$0
2013	\$0
2014	\$0
2015	\$0
2016	\$0
2017	\$0
2018	\$3,695,798
2019	\$3,688,075
2020	\$2,581,134
2021	\$2,565,289
2022	\$1,531,836



#### **Fee Rate**

The 2017 Legislature created temporary fees on hydroelectric power to fund programs to prevent the spread of invasive aquatic species. These fees applied from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2019. The 2019 Legislature established a tiered fee structure and made the fees permanent. The 2021 Legislature replaced the tiered structure with a flat quarterly fee of \$397.88 per megawatt of nameplate capacity. Facilities with a nameplate capacity less than 1.5 megawatts are exempt.

# **Filing and Payment**

Reports and payment are due within 30 days of the end of each quarter.

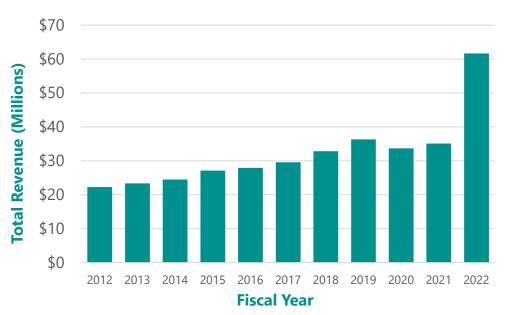
# **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited in the invasive species state special revenue account. (80-7-1004, MCA)

# **Lodging Facility Use Tax**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 65, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$22,257,882
2013	\$23,334,117
2014	\$24,487,190
2015	\$27,127,478
2016	\$27,910,664
2017	\$29,539,381
2018	\$32,805,856
2019	\$36,297,514
2020	\$33,679,511
2021	\$35,058,060
2022	\$61,624,239



#### **Tax Rate**

The 1987 Legislature enacted a tax on short-term lodging, with the proceeds used primarily to fund tourism promotion. The tax is imposed on users of short-term, overnight lodging facilities and is 4 percent of the lodging charge. This rate is in addition to, and applies to the same facilities as, the Lodging Sales Tax (15-65-131, MCA), which was enacted in 2003 at a rate of 3 percent and raised in 2020 to 4 percent, for an effective total of 8 percent for both taxes.

# **Filing and Payment**

The owner or operator of a facility collects the tax from customers and must pay the tax quarterly to the department. The tax is due on, or before, the last day of the month immediately following the end of the quarter. To simplify compliance, the department has lodging operators file a single return, combining the lodging facility use tax and the lodging sales tax.

## **Distribution**

The department's costs of administering the Lodging Facility Use Tax are paid out of receipts from the tax. This process differs from most taxes, where the department's costs are paid from the state general fund. For each fiscal year, the legislature appropriates an amount to the department to cover its costs, and this amount is deducted from tax collections.

The legislature originally chose not to tax business travel by state employees. However, rather than exempting state travel from the tax, the legislature required the department to reimburse state agencies for the tax they paid.

Agencies reported the amount they spent on lodging from each of their funding sources, and the department reimbursed each of the funds.

This system was cumbersome to administer and difficult to track, so in 2011, the legislature simplified the process (HB 111). Beginning in FY 2012, 30 percent of tax collected from state agencies is deposited in the general fund. Tax on state agency travel paid with federal funds is given to the Department of Administration to be returned to the federal government through its normal process for returning unspent federal funds. The rest of the tax paid by state agencies is included in the normal distribution.

The remaining revenue is allocated to the following accounts:

Percentage of allocation	Fund/department	Purpose	
60.3%	Department of Commerce	Statewide tourism promotion	
1.4%	Invasive species state special revenue account		
0.5%	State Tribal Economic Development Commission	Tourism promotion	
1%	Montana Historical Society	Roadside historical signs and historic sites	
2.5%	Montana University System	Montana Travel Research Program	
2.6%	Montana Historical Society	Costs of state museum and Robert Scriber sculpture collection	
6.5%	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks	Maintain facilities in state parks	
22.5%	Regional nonprofit tourism corps/visitors bureau	Local tourism promotion	
Lesser of 2.7% or \$1 million	Montana Heritage Preservation and Development	Preservation of historic properties	

Each of the state's six tourism promotion regions receives revenue proportional to the tax collected in its region. If the share of this allocation due to taxes collected in a city or resort area is more than \$35,000, half of that amount goes to the local convention and visitors bureau.

The 2011 Legislature (HB 477) created the 2.6 percent allocation to the Historical Society, the 2017 Legislature (SB 309) created the 0.5 percent allocation to the State-Tribal Economic Development Commission, and the 2019 Legislature (HB 411) created the 1.4 percent allocation to the invasive species account. In all three cases, the legislature reduced the Department of Commerce's allocation by the same percentage.

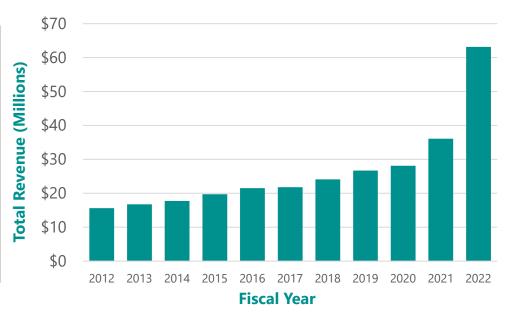
# **Distribution of Lodging Facility Use Tax**

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$32,805,856	\$36,297,514	\$33,679,511	\$35,058,060	\$61,624,239
DOR Administration	\$127,958	\$128,574	\$130,716	\$130,712	\$130,801
Travel Reimbursements	\$144,524	\$126,280	\$112,665	\$54,395	\$245,579
MT Heritage Preservation Acct.	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$1,000,000
Remainder	\$32,133,373	\$35,642,660	\$33,036,130	\$34,472,952	\$60,247,859
Department of Commerce	\$20,692,675	\$22,953,424	\$20,810,585	\$21,717,961	\$36,932,065
Aquatic Invasive Species	\$0	\$0	\$463,890	\$482,622	\$857,465
MT Historical Society Sites & Signs	\$321,326	\$356,418	\$330,350	\$344,730	\$612,475
MT University System	\$803,311	\$891,053	\$825,874	\$861,825	\$1,531,187
MT Historical Society Interpret. Acct.	\$835,444	\$926,692	\$858,909	\$896,298	\$1,592,435
Fish, Wildlife, and Parks	\$2,088,605	\$2,316,718	\$2,147,258	\$2,240,736	\$3,981,087
Regional Tourism	\$7,229,801	\$8,019,443	\$7,432,853	\$7,756,415	\$13,780,685
State/Tribal Economic Development	\$0	\$178,211	\$165,176	\$172,366	\$306,238

# **Lodging Sales Tax**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 68, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$15,606,496
2013	\$16,719,931
2014	\$17,725,159
2015	\$19,696,526
2016	\$21,492,606
2017	\$21,780,133
2018	\$24,091,089
2019	\$26,703,268
2020	\$26,110,048
2021	\$36,045,092
2022	\$63,138,857



#### **Tax Rate**

The 2003 Legislature enacted a 3 percent selective sales and use tax on accommodations and campgrounds. The tax rate increased to 4 percent on January 1, 2020. This 4 percent tax is levied in addition to, and applies to the same facilities as, the Lodging Facilities Use Tax (15-68-102, MCA), for a combined total of 8 percent for both taxes.

# Filing and Payment

The sales tax is imposed on the purchaser and collected and paid by the seller to the department. The tax is due by the last day of the month immediately following the end of the quarter. Sellers who file a return and pay the tax on time may keep 5 percent of the tax collected as compensation for collecting the tax. Prior to 2020, the vendor allowance was capped at \$1,000 per location. To simplify compliance, the department has the seller file a single return, combining the Lodging Facility Use Tax and the Lodging Sales Tax.

## Distribution

Prior to 2020, all accommodations and campground sales and use tax revenue went to the state general fund. The 2019 Legislature passed SB 338, which established allocations to other funds and accounts. Beginning with calendar year 2020 and ending in 2024, the revenue from the accommodations and campground sales and use tax is allocated as follows (15-68-820, MCA):

# **Lodging Sales Tax Allocation (until December 2024)**

Percentage of Allocation	Fund/Department
75%	General Fund
5%	Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program
20%	Montana Heritage Center (construction)

Beginning calendar year 2025, the revenue allocation is adjusted:

# **Lodging Sales Tax Allocation (beginning January 2025)**

Percentage of Allocation	Fund/Department
75%	General Fund
6%	Montana Heritage Center (maintenance)
6%	Travel Reimbursement and Tourism Promotion
6%	Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program
7%	Long Range Building Program

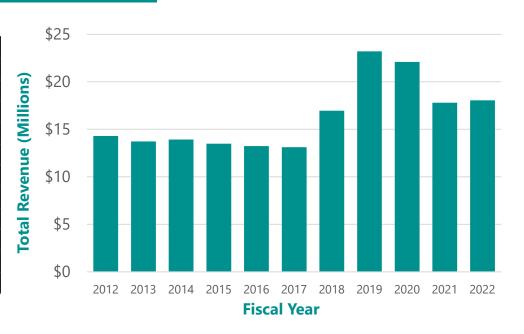
# **Lodging Sales Tax Distribution**

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
General Fund	\$24,091,089	\$26,703,268	\$25,058,028	\$27,033,819	\$47,354,143
Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program	\$0	\$0	\$610,403	\$1,802,254	\$3,156,943
Montana Heritage Center	\$0	\$0	\$2,441,616	\$7,209,019	\$12,627,771

# **Nursing Facility Utilization Fee**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 60, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$14,294,205
2013	\$13,719,662
2014	\$13,929,619
2015	\$13,485,243
2016	\$13,232,878
2017	\$13,109,763
2018	\$16,959,437
2019	\$23,200,576
2020	\$22,088,780
2021	\$17,800,928
2022	\$18,061,814



#### **Tax Rate**

All nursing homes licensed by the Department of Public Health and Human Services and the Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center must pay a fee for each bed-day of services provided to a resident. For FY 2007 through 2017, the fee was \$8.30. The 2017 Legislature (HB 618) increased the fee to \$11.30 for FY 2018 and to \$15.30 beginning in FY 2019.

# Filing and Payment

The fee is due quarterly. Reports and payments are due on or before the last day of the month following the end of each quarter.

## Distribution

Revenues are to be used to fund the state share of Medicaid payments to nursing homes.

For all facilities, other than the Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center, \$2.80 is distributed to the general fund, and the remainder is distributed to the nursing facility utilization fee account. (15-60-102, MCA)

Utilization fees paid by the Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center are distributed 30 percent to the state general fund and 70 percent to the prevention and stabilization account administered by DPHHS to finance, administer, and provide health and human services. (53-6-1101, MCA)

# **Distribution of Nursing Facility Utilization Fees**

# **Non-Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center Facilities**

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
General Fund	\$4,114,818	\$4,165,533	\$3,965,650	\$3,180,615	\$3,230,809
Nursing Facility Util. Acct. Fee	\$12,491,167	\$18,597,188	\$17,704,568	\$14,199,793	\$14,423,887

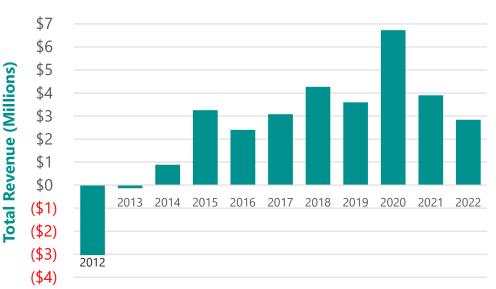
# **Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center Facilities**

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
General Fund (30%)	\$106,036	\$131,357	\$125,569	\$126,156	\$122,135
Prevention and Stabilization Fee (70%)	\$247,417	\$306,499	\$292,993	\$294,364	\$284,982

# **Public Contractor's Gross Receipts**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 50, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	-\$3,041,921
2013	-\$137,587
2014	\$887,078
2015	\$3,256,741
2016	\$2,397,493
2017	\$3,078,111
2018	\$4,266,687
2019	\$3,597,205
2020	\$6,728,555
2021	\$3,897,240
2022	\$2,840,073



**Fiscal Year** 

#### **Tax Rate**

The Public Contractor's Gross Receipts Tax equals 1 percent of the gross receipts from state, local government, or federal construction contracts, other than construction of a federal research facility. The tax applies both to prime contractors and subcontractors. Contracts with a value of \$5,000 or less are exempt.

# **Filing and Payment**

Contractors are required to file a registration form with the department at the time they are awarded a contract. The agency awarding the contract is required to withhold the tax and submit it to the department within 30 days of any payment to the contractor. The prime contractor is required to withhold the tax from payments to subcontractors and file a report with the department within 30 days.

## **Refunds of the Tax**

The purpose of the Public Contractor's Gross Receipts Tax is to provide an incentive for out-of-state contractors to pay other taxes they owe, not to raise revenue directly. Contractors who pay corporate or individual income tax, property taxes on their equipment, and motor vehicle fees on their business vehicles may use their contractor's gross receipts tax payments as credits against those taxes.

Contractors who have paid property taxes and vehicle fees may request a refund of their contractor's gross receipts tax payments up to the amount of these taxes and fees. Alternatively, a contractor may

use their contractor's gross receipts tax payments as a credit against individual or corporate income tax. A contractor may also claim a refund for property taxes and vehicle fees and use any contractor's gross receipts tax payments over this amount as an income tax credit.

Refunds for property taxes and vehicle fees must be for the same year that the contractor's gross receipts tax was paid. Corporate and individual income tax credits can be carried forward for up to five years.

In most years, tax payments are greater than refunds and credits, resulting in net revenue from the tax. In FY 2012 and 2013, total refunds exceeded total payments and, as a result, total contractor's gross receipts revenue was negative. There were two reasons for this. In those years, contractors were claiming credits from work on federal Reinvestment and Recovery projects in earlier years, while new contracts had returned to a normal level. At the same time, upgrades to the department's data processing systems allowed the department to clear a backlog of pending refunds.

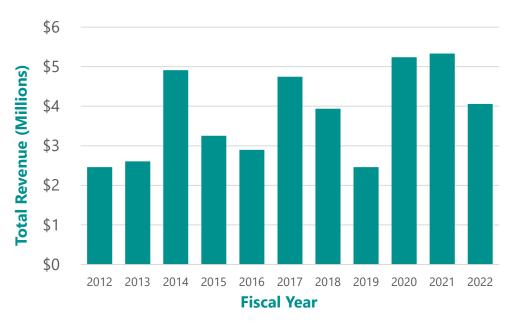
## Distribution

Revenues are deposited in the state general fund. (15-50-311, MCA)

# **Public Service Commission Fee**

Statute: Title 69, Chapter 1, Part 4, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$2,461,936
2013	\$2,608,068
2014	\$4,910,861
2015	\$3,254,094
2016	\$2,897,229
2017	\$4,745,981
2018	\$3,936,916
2019	\$2,460,333
2020	\$5,239,599
2021	\$5,331,686
2022	\$4,056,719



#### **Tax Rate**

All companies providing services that are regulated by the Public Service Commission, other than motor carriers, are subject to a tax on gross operating revenue from final sales. Revenues from sales for resale to other regulated companies are not subject to the tax. The tax rate is set annually for the succeeding fiscal year to cover appropriations for the operation of the Department of Public Service Regulation.

#### **Public Service Commission Fee Rates**

Effective Dates	Rate
10/1/2008 - 9/30/2009	0.260%
10/1/2009 - 6/30/2010	0.210%
07/1/2010 - 9/30/2010	0.370%
10/1/2010 - 9/30/2011	0.420%
10/1/2011 - 9/30/2012	0.200%
10/1/2012 - 9/30/2013	0.230%
10/1/2013 - 9/30/2014	0.420%
10/1/2014 - 9/30/2015	0.200%
10/1/2015 - 9/30/2016	0.230%
10/1/2016 - 9/30/2017	0.390%
10/1/2017 - 9/30/2018	0.240%
10/1/2018 - 9/30/2019	0.162%
10/1/2019 - 9/30/2020	0.439%
10/1/2020 - 9/30/2021	0.347%
10/1/2021 - 9/30/2022	0.220%

# **Filing Requirements**

Taxpayers must file and pay the tax within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter.

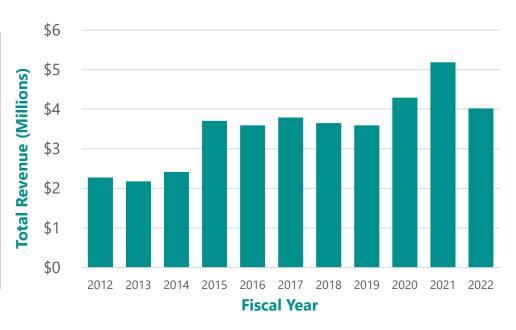
# **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited in a state special revenue account for the administration of the Public Service Commission. (69-1-402, MCA)

# **Rail Car Tax**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 23, Part 2, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$2,273,412
2013	\$2,178,957
2014	\$2,418,072
2015	\$3,706,309
2016	\$3,594,460
2017	\$3,790,195
2018	\$3,648,993
2019	\$3,593,860
2020	\$4,293,652
2021	\$5,186,537
2022	\$4,019,546



#### **Tax Rate**

A railroad car company owns, operates, or furnishes rail cars but does not own or operate tracks. Since rail cars have no fixed location, property tax on rail car companies is collected by the state rather than at the local level.

The market value of rail car property is centrally assessed by the department. It is based on the value of the company's rolling stock and the fraction of its car-miles traveled in Montana. The taxable value is calculated using the rate for railroad property, which is calculated annually as the average rate applied to non-railroad commercial and industrial property. Tax is calculated by multiplying the taxable value by the average of mill levies applied to commercial and industrial property.

The legislature changed taxation of rail car companies from a gross receipts tax to an ad valorem (i.e. proportional to the value) tax in the 1992 Special Session. The 1997 Legislature temporarily lowered the mill levy applied to rail car companies to 95 percent of the average mill levy. This change expired at the end of Tax Year 2002.

# **Filing Requirements**

Rail car companies are required to file a report by April 15 of each year, providing the number and cost of rail cars owned at the end of the previous year, and the number of car miles traveled inside and outside Montana.

The department computes the Rail Car Tax and sends the railroad car company a written notice with the amount of taxes due. This notice must include the taxable value of the property and the average levy used (15-23-214, MCA). One half of the tax is due by November 30 of each year. The other half of the tax is due by May 31 of each year.

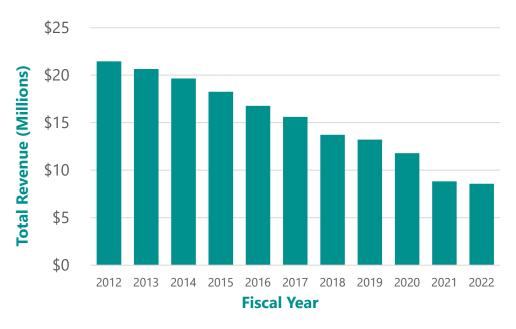
# Distribution

Revenues are deposited in the state general fund. (15-23-215, MCA)

# Retail Telecommunications Excise Tax

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 53, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$21,459,017
2013	\$20,651,872
2014	\$19,656,770
2015	\$18,256,517
2016	\$16,774,868
2017	\$15,602,798
2018	\$13,725,924
2019	\$13,223,885
2020	\$11,788,418
2021	\$8,814,228
2022	\$8,570,714



#### **Tax Rate**

The Retail Telecommunications Excise Tax is 3.75 percent on retail sales of telecommunications service when the transmission either originates or terminates in Montana.

The tax applies to both landline and traditional mobile service but does not apply to prepaid wireless service purchased through a third party, such as pre-paid phone cards purchased at a grocery store or other retailer.

Prior to 2000, Montana levied a telephone company license tax of 1.8 percent on the gross revenue telephone companies earned from in-state telephone calls. The 1999 Legislature replaced it with the current tax as part of legislation that also reduced property taxes on telecommunication company property.

# **Filing Requirements**

Each retail telecommunication service provider must file a quarterly return due 60 days after the end of the quarter.

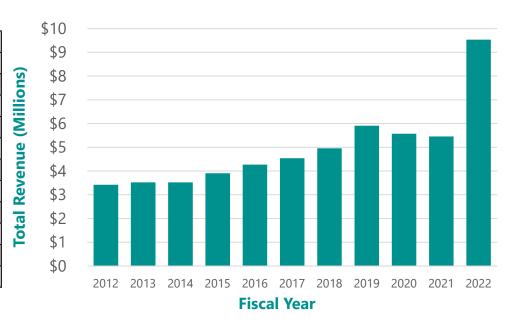
## **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited in the state general fund. (15-53-156, MCA)

# **Sales Tax - Rental Vehicles**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 68, MCA

Fiscal Year	Total Revenue
2012	\$3,419,763
2013	\$3,523,211
2014	\$3,521,324
2015	\$3,906,745
2016	\$4,269,438
2017	\$4,536,234
2018	\$4,958,598
2019	\$5,907,633
2020	\$5,572,444
2021	\$5,455,856
2022	\$9,529,671



#### **Tax Rate**

The 2003 Legislature enacted a 4 percent sales and use tax on the base rental charge for vehicles rented for 30 days or fewer (15-68-102, MCA). The base rental charge includes:

- charges based on time of use or mileage
- charges for personal accident insurance
- charges for additional or underage drivers
- charges for certain accessory equipment

Rental vehicles subject to the tax include:

- automobiles, vans and SUVs
- trucks rated at one ton or less
- · motorcycles and quadracycles
- off-highway vehicles
- motorboats and sailboats
- trucks, trailers and semis with GVW less than 22,000 pounds

Vehicles designed to carry more than 15 passengers, farm vehicles, machinery, or equipment, and vehicles rented to a driver are not subject to the tax.

# **Filing and Payment**

The sales tax is imposed on the purchaser, and collected and paid by the seller to the department. The tax is due by the last of the month immediately following the end of each quarter. A rental vehicle business that files a return and pays the tax on time may keep 5 percent of the tax collected as compensation for collecting the tax. Prior to Tax Year 2020, the vendor allowance was capped at \$1,000 per location.

# **Distribution**

Before 2016, all rental vehicle sales tax revenue was deposited into the state's general fund. Beginning with calendar year 2016, rental vehicle sales tax revenue is distributed as follows (15-68-820, MCA):

- 75 percent: State general fund
- 25 percent: Senior citizen and persons with disabilities transportation

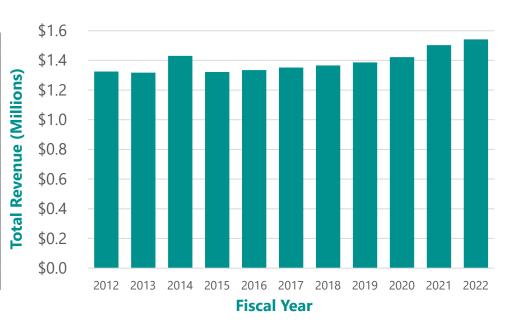
#### **Distribution of Rental Car Sales Tax**

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
General Fund (75%)	\$3,718,948	\$4,430,725	\$4,179,333	\$4,091,884	\$7,147,254
Senior Citizen/Disabilities Trans. (25%)	\$1,239,650	\$1,476,908	\$1,393,111	\$1,363,962	\$2,382,418

# **TDD Telecommunications Service Fee**

Statute: Title 53, Chapter 19, Part 3, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$1,325,236
2013	\$1,317,336
2014	\$1,430,128
2015	\$1,321,811
2016	\$1,334,146
2017	\$1,352,174
2018	\$1,365,782
2019	\$1,386,037
2020	\$1,421,675
2021	\$1,502,526
2022	\$1,541,544



#### **Fee Rate**

A monthly fee of \$0.10 is assessed on each access line in the state to fund telecommunications services for individuals who have disabilities preventing them from using regular telecommunications services. Service providers include the fee in customers' bills or in the price charged for pre-paid service. A service provider may deduct and keep 0.75 percent of the total fees collected each month to cover its administrative expenses. The 2007 Legislature clarified that all telecommunications providers, including those using newer technologies or formats such as Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) or prepaid wireless service, must collect the fee and remit the revenue to the state.

# **Filing and Payment**

The fee is paid by the subscriber but is collected by and paid to the state by the service provider on a quarterly basis. Returns and payments are due on the last day of the month immediately following the end of each quarter.

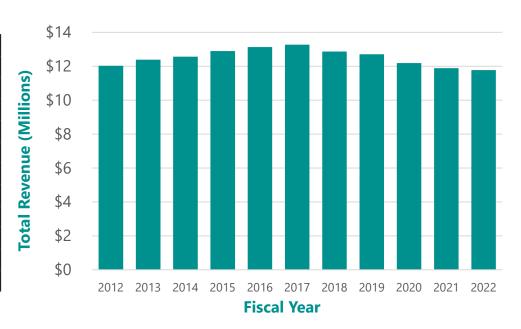
## **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited in a special revenue account to provide telecommunications devices for persons with disabilities. (53-19-310, MCA)

# **Tobacco Products Tax**

#### Statute: Title 16, Chapter 11, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$12,024,144
2013	\$12,386,794
2014	\$12,562,721
2015	\$12,894,293
2016	\$13,131,013
2017	\$13,268,717
2018	\$12,864,522
2019	\$12,702,208
2020	\$12,185,252
2021	\$11,882,493
2022	\$11,768,474



#### **Tax Rate**

All tobacco products, excluding cigarettes and moist snuff, are subject to a tax of 50 percent of their wholesale price. Before May 1, 2003, the tax rate on these products was 12.5 percent. The 2003 Legislature increased the tax to 25 percent of the wholesale price. Initiative 149, effective January 1, 2005, increased the taxes on these products to 50 percent of the wholesale price, and the tax on moist snuff to \$0.85 per ounce, with the taxpayer allowed a 1.5 percent reduction for administrative expenses.

Cigarettes are subject to the Cigarette License Fee and the Cigarette Tax.

#### **Tobacco Products Tax Rate**

Product	Tax Rate
Moist Snuff	\$0.85 per ounce
All Other Tobacco* *Excludes Cigarettes	50% of wholesale price

# **Filing Requirements**

The tax is collected monthly from the wholesaler. Wholesalers must submit returns to the department on or before the 15th day of the month.

## **Distribution**

After tribal revenue-sharing agreements, 50 percent of the revenues are distributed to the state general fund and 50 percent to the Department of Public Health and Human Services for health and Medicaid initiatives. (16-11-119, MCA)

#### **Distribution of Tobacco Products Tax**

Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Revenue	\$12,864,522	\$12,702,208	\$12,185,252	\$11,882,493	\$11,768,474
Tobacco And Cig. Tribal Agreement	\$749,454	\$963,658	\$676,775	\$659,835	\$638,788
Remainder	\$12,115,068	\$11,738,550	\$11,508,477	\$11,222,658	\$11,129,687
General Fund (50%)	\$6,057,534	\$5,869,275	\$5,754,238	\$5,611,329	\$5,564,843
DPHHS (50%)	\$6,057,534	\$5,869,275	\$5,754,238	\$5,611,329	\$5,564,843

# **State Comparison**

All states place a tax on non-cigarette tobacco products. In most states, the tax is based on the wholesale price. Twelve states base the tax on another price, usually the manufacturer's price. Four states base their tax on the quantity of product, rather than its value, and 20 states, including Montana, have separate quantity-based taxes on at least one product, most often snuff.

Tax rates vary significantly across the United States, ranging from 6.6 percent of the wholesale price in Tennessee to 210 percent on snuff and chewing tobacco in Massachusetts. The average of state rates is 47.5 percent.

# **Tobacco Products Tax Rates**

State	Snuff	Chewing and Smoking Tobacco	Cigars	E-Cigarettes
Alabama	1¢-12¢/oz.	Chewing: 1.5¢/oz. Smoking: 4¢-6¢/oz.	4¢-40.5¢/10 cigars	
Alaska	75% wholesale price	75% wholesale price	75% wholesale price	
Arizona	22.25¢/oz.	5.45-22.25¢/oz.	44.1¢/10 cigars -21.8¢/cigar	
Arkansas	68% mfr. price	68% mfr. price	68% mfr. price	
California	56.93% wholesale price	56.93% wholesale price	56.93% wholesale price	56.93% wholesale price
Colorado	40% mfr. price	40% mfr. price	40% mfr. price	
Connecticut	300¢/oz.	50% wholesale price	50% wholesale price, 50¢ cap	LC Closed system: 40¢/mL Open: 10% wholesale price
Delaware	92¢/oz.	30% wholesale price	30% wholesale price	5¢/mL
District of Columbia	91% wholesale price	91% wholesale price	91% wholesale price	91% wholesale price
Florida	85% wholesale price	85% wholesale price		
Georgia	10% wholesale price	10% wholesale price	2.5¢/10 cigars; 23% wholesale price	Closed system: 5¢/mL; Open & disposables: 7% wholesale price
Hawaii	70% wholesale price	70% wholesale price	50% wholesale price; <i>LC</i>	·
Idaho	40% wholesale price	40% wholesale price	40% wholesale price	
Illinois	30¢/oz.	36% wholesale price	36% wholesale price; <i>LC</i>	15% wholesale price
Indiana	40¢/oz.	24% wholesale price	24% wholesale price	
Iowa	119¢/oz.	50% wholesale price	10% wholesale price	
Kansas	10% wholesale price	10% wholesale price	10% wholesale price	\$0.05/mL
Kentucky	19¢/unit	15% wholesale price	15% wholesale price	Open: 15% whole- sale price; Closed: \$1.50/cartridge
Louisiana	20% mfr. price	Chewing: 20% mfr. price; Smoking: 33% mfr price	8%-20% mfr. price	5¢/mL

State	Snuff	Chewing and Smoking Tobacco	Cigars	E-Cigarettes
Maine	\$2.02/oz. (with min. tax)	Chewing: \$2.02¢/oz. Smoking: 43% wholesale price	43% wholesale price	43% wholesale price
Maryland	30% wholesale price	30% wholesale price	Non-premium: 70% wholesale price Premium: 15% wholesale price	
Massachusetts	210% wholesale price	Chewing: 210% wholesale price Smoking: 40% wholesale price	40% wholesale price	75% wholesale price
Michigan	32% wholesale price	32% wholesale price	32% wholesale price	
Minnesota	95% wholesale price	95% wholesale price	95% wholesale price	95% wholesale price
Mississippi	15% mfr. price	15% mfr. price	15% mfr. price	
Missouri	10% mfr. price	10% mfr. price	10% mfr. price	
Nebraska	44¢/oz.	20% wholesale price	20% wholesale price	
Nevada	30% wholesale price	30% wholesale price	30% wholesale price	30% wholesale price
New Hampshire	65.03% wholesale price	65.03% wholesale price	65.03% wholesale price	Open: 8% wholesale price Closed: 30¢/mL
New Jersey	75¢/oz.	30% wholesale price	30% wholesale price	Liquid nicotine: 10¢/mL Container e-liquid: 10% retail price
New Mexico	25% mfr. price	25% mfr. price	25% mfr. price; 50¢ cap	Open: 12.5% mfr price Closed: 50¢/ cartridge
New York	200¢/oz. (with min. tax)	75% wholesale price	75% wholesale price	20% retail price
North Carolina	12.8% wholesale price	12.8% wholesale price	12.8% wholesale price	5¢/mL
North Dakota	60¢/oz.	Chewing: 16¢/oz Smoking: 28% wholesale price	28% wholesale price	
Ohio	17% wholesale price	17% wholesale price	LC: 37% wholesale price Others: 17% wholesale price	10¢/mL

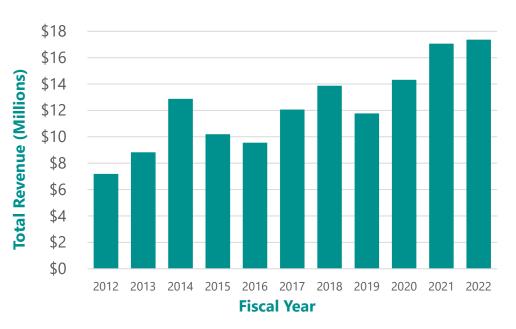
State	Snuff	Chewing and Smoking Tobacco	Cigars	E-Cigarettes
Oklahoma	60% mfr. price	Chewing: 60% mfr. price Smoking: 80% mfr price	3.6-120¢/10 cigars	
Oregon	\$1.78/oz. (with min. tax)	65% wholesale price	65% wholesale price; 50¢ cap	
Pennsylvania	55¢/oz	55¢/oz	same as cigarettes	40% wholesale price
Rhode Island	\$1/oz.	80% wholesale price	80% wholesale price, 50¢ cap; <i>LC</i>	
South Carolina	5% mfr. price	5% mfr. price	5% mfr. price	
South Dakota	35% wholesale price	35% wholesale price	35% wholesale price	
Tennessee	6.6% wholesale price	6.6% wholesale price	6.6% wholesale price	
Texas	\$1.22/oz. (with min. tax)	\$1.22/oz. (with min. tax)	1¢-15¢/10 cigars	
Utah	183¢/oz.	10 86% mfr. price	86% mfr. price;	56% mfr. price
Vermont	\$2.57/oz. or \$3.08/ pack if less than 1.2oz.	92% wholesale price15-10-420, MCA,	92% wholesale price under \$2.17; \$2/cigar \$2.17 to \$10; \$4/cigar \$10+	92% wholesale price
Virginia	36¢/oz.	Chewing: 42¢-140¢/unit RYO: 10% mfr. price Other: 20% mfr price	20% mfr. price	6.6¢/mL
Washington	\$2.53 per 1.2oz. min.	95% taxable sales price	95% taxable sales price, 75¢ cap; <i>LC</i>	≤5mL container: 27¢/mL >5mL container: 9¢/mL
West Virginia	12% wholesale price	12% wholesale price	12% wholesale price	7.5¢/mL
Wisconsin	100% mfr. price	71% mfr. price	71% mfr. price, 50¢ cap	5¢/mL
Wyoming	60¢/oz. (with min. tax)	20% wholesale price	20% wholesale price	15% wholesale price

Little Cigars (LC): State taxes little cigars the same as cigarettes.

# **Unclaimed Property**

#### Statute: Title 70, Chapter 9, Part 8, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$7,188,318
2013	\$8,827,032
2014	\$12,882,668
2015	\$10,196,308
2016	\$9,554,713
2017	\$12,068,348
2018	\$13,868,626
2019	\$11,775,074
2020	\$14,316,177
2021	\$17,058,760
2022	\$17,362,872



Montana is considered a "custodial state," which means the state holds any abandoned property on behalf of its rightful owners until the owner claims the property. Under Montana's Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, any intangible and certain tangible property unclaimed by its owner must be turned over to the Department of Revenue. Intangible and tangible property covered by the act includes such items as:

- money
- uncashed checks
- uncashed payroll checks
- utility deposits
- interest dividends or income
- savings and checking accounts
- safe deposit box contents
- gift certificates
- stocks, bonds, and uncashed coupons

The department maintains records on all abandoned property reported in Montana.

Reports filed by holders of abandoned property (such as banks and insurance companies) may be examined by the public. If the tangible abandoned property is not claimed within three years after the receipt of the property, the State of Montana shall sell the property to the highest bidder at a public sale within the state. The proceeds from the sale will then be held on behalf of the owner in the state general fund.

Since 1963, approximately \$135 million worth of unclaimed property has been turned over to the state. During this time period, the department has returned nearly \$48 million of the unclaimed property to its rightful owners.

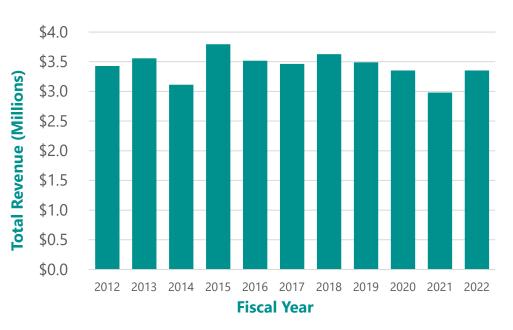
# **Distribution**

Revenues up to \$100,000 are allocated to the agency refund account, with the remainder deposited into the state general fund. The refund period for items valued at more than \$50 is unlimited. (70-9-813, MCA)

# **Wholesale Energy Transaction Tax**

#### Statute: Title 15, Chapter 72, MCA

Fiscal Year	<b>Total Revenue</b>
2012	\$3,427,411
2013	\$3,558,221
2014	\$3,112,284
2015	\$3,795,377
2016	\$3,516,131
2017	\$3,463,834
2018	\$3,628,180
2019	\$3,490,244
2020	\$3,350,982
2021	\$2,981,105
2022	\$3,352,254



## Tax Rate

The Wholesale Energy Transaction Tax is \$0.00015 per kilowatt hour (\$0.15 per MWh) on all electricity transmitted by a transmission service provider in the state. There is also a 5 percent exemption for electricity produced in the state to compensate for transmission line losses.

# Filing and Payment

The tax went into effect on January 1, 2000 and is paid on a calendar quarter basis. Payment is due to the state within 30 days after the close of the quarter.

## **Distribution**

Revenues are deposited into the state general fund. (15-72-106, MCA)