

Washington State Department of Revenue Budget Fact Sheet

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What the Department of Revenue does:

- As Washington's primary tax collection agency, we oversee about 60 taxes and collects 96 percent of all General Fund taxes.
- Collected \$18.2 billion in tax revenues in Fiscal Year 2008.
- Processes 1.9 million tax returns a year from more than 470,000 businesses filing monthly, quarterly or annually.
- Collects and distributes all local sales tax revenue

2007-09 Operating Budget	\$215.0 million
2009-11 Maintenance Level	\$225.2 million
2009-11 Operating Budget	\$234.4 million

Reductions and actions we are taking:

- Moving to more electronic service delivery to reduce printing and postage costs.
- Eliminating salary increases for Washington Management Services/Executive Management Services in the 2009-11 biennium.
- Reducing tax return processing staff as more businesses are required to file and pay taxes electronically rather than by paper.

Programs and services we will continue to deliver:

- Provide taxpayer assistance, information and education.
- Respond to more than 310,000 telephone calls annually.
- Conduct appeals.
- Administer property taxes.
- Manage the state's Unclaimed Property Program.
- Locate unregistered businesses.
- Audit taxpayer records and collect delinquent taxes.
- Enforce compliance with tax laws.

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