

The Components of Your Tax Dollar

Your combined property tax rate increased by \$0.89 (3.8%) compared to last year. The rate increase is primarily due to a slowing rate of growth in assessed property values and decreasing State Aid to the City and MPS.

The City of Milwaukee's tax rate increased by eight cents to \$8.09 (1.0%), or nine percent of the total increase. The tax rate decreased for Milwaukee County (-0.5%), while it increased for MATC (1.0%). The MPS tax rate increased by 84 cents to \$8.25 (11.3%). The State of Wisconsin rate decreased by one cent and the MMSD rate decreased by two cents.

Tax levy caps for the City and County of Milwaukee have been in place since 2005. These limits require that the percent increase in the property tax levy be no more than 2% or the increase in new construction, whichever is greater. The City and County of Milwaukee met this requirement for 2008.

Comparative Property Tax Rates Per \$1,000 of Assessed Value

Units of Government	2007 ^{1,3}	2008 ²	Change
City of Milwaukee	\$8.01	\$8.09	\$.08
Milwaukee Public Schools ⁴	\$7.41	\$8.25	\$.84
Milwaukee County	\$4.22	\$4.20	-.02
Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC)	\$1.92	\$1.94	\$.02
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD)	\$1.39	\$1.37	-.02
State of Wisconsin	\$.19	\$.18	-.01
Total	\$23.14	\$24.03	\$.89

(Excludes Lottery & First Dollar Tax Credits)

¹ Funds the 2008 Budget. ² Funds the 2009 Budget.
³ Rates must be used with 2007 assessed value to determine 2007 net taxes as shown on your tax bill.
⁴ School Tax Credit (\$1.43 in 2007 and \$1.57 in 2008) is included in Milwaukee Public Schools rate.



The Lottery & First Dollar Credit

This year the Lottery Credit is \$87.28 for each qualifying property. The State Constitution limits the Lottery Credit to a homeowner's primary residence. New in 2009 is the First Dollar Tax Credit in the amount of \$37.82, producing additional tax relief.

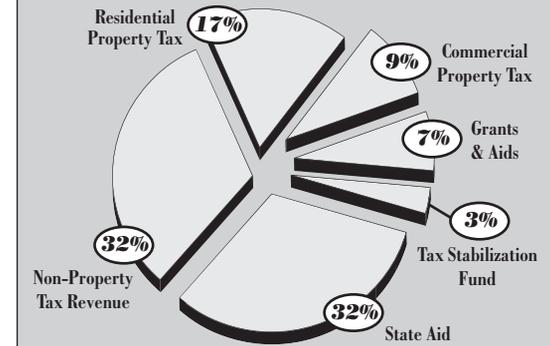
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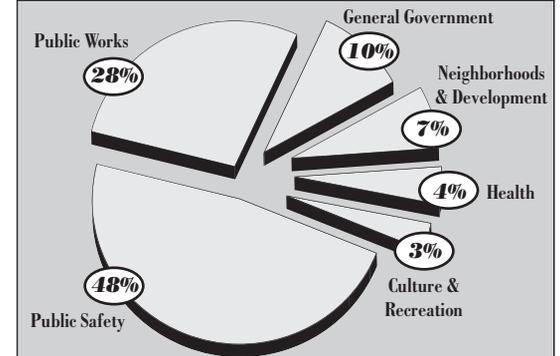


2009 Budget Sources of City Revenue*



State Aid (\$ IN MILLIONS)	\$ 273
Non-Property Tax Revenues	\$ 267
Property Taxes: Residential	\$ 145
Property Taxes: Commercial	\$ 77
Grant & Aid Projects	\$ 60
Tax Stabilization Fund (TSF)	\$ 23
* Total	\$ 845

City Services Provided by this Revenue*



Public Safety (\$ IN MILLIONS)	\$ 411
Public Works	\$ 233
General Government	\$ 82
Neighborhoods & Development	\$ 58
Health	\$ 33
Culture & Recreation	\$ 28
* Total	\$ 845

*Excludes G.O. debt service paid by the City for MPS purposes.

Elected City Officials Involved In The City Budget	
Tom Barrett, Mayor W. Martin Morics, CPA, Comptroller	
Common Council Members	
Willie L. Hines, Jr., President 15th District Alderman	
1. Ashanti Hamilton	8. Robert G. Donovan
2. Joe Davis, Sr.	9. Robert W. Puente
3. Nik Kovac	10. Michael J. Murphy
4. Robert J. Bauman	11. Joe Dudzik
5. Jim Bohl	12. James N. Witkowiak
6. Milele A. Coggs	13. Terry L. Witkowski
7. Willie C. Wade	14. Tony Zielinski

City of Milwaukee Revenue Sources 1999-2008



Since 1999, State Aids have declined while local revenues (Taxes, Fees, etc.) have risen.

Citywide Tax Levies

Levy by Unit of Government	2007 ¹	2008 ²	Change ³
(\$ IN MILLIONS)			
Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS) ⁴	\$251.1	\$287.8	14.6%
City of Milwaukee	\$227.5	\$237.0	4.2%
Milwaukee County (General Levy)	\$151.1	\$155.0	2.6%
Less County Sales Tax Credit	\$ (31.2)	\$ (32.1)	2.9%
Equals Milwaukee County (Net Levy)	\$119.9	\$122.9	2.5%
Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC)	\$ 54.7	\$ 57.0	4.2%
Sewerage District (MMSD)	\$ 39.5	\$ 40.1	1.5%
State of Wisconsin	\$ 5.4	\$ 5.5	1.9%
Total	\$698.1	\$750.3	+ 7.5%

¹ Funds the 2008 Budget.

² Funds the 2009 Budget.

³ Percent change on tax bill may differ due to a change in the assessed value of your property.

⁴ Excludes school tax credit.

City of Milwaukee



2008

Combined Property Tax Report

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Based on 2009 budgets adopted by the City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee School Board, Milwaukee County, MATC and Metropolitan Sewerage District