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(See "RATINGS" herein)

*In the opinion of Kutak Rock LLP, Bond Counsel, under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions and assuming the accuracy of certain representations and continuing compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Series 2016A Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax; and interest on the Series 2016A Notes is not included in Colorado taxable income or Colorado alternative minimum taxable income under Colorado income tax laws as described herein. See "TAX MATTERS."*



**\$275,000,000**  
**STATE OF COLORADO**  
**EDUCATION LOAN PROGRAM**  
**TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES**  
**SERIES 2016A**

**Dated: Date of Delivery****Maturity Date: June 29, 2017**

The proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes will be used as more fully described herein to (i) make interest-free loans to certain Colorado school districts identified herein in order to alleviate temporary general fund cash flow deficits expected to be experienced by such school districts during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, and (ii) pay the costs of issuing the Series 2016A Notes.

The Series 2016A Notes will be issued in fully registered form and registered initially in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, the securities depository for the Series 2016A Notes. Beneficial Ownership Interests in the Series 2016A Notes, in non-certificated book-entry only form, may be purchased in integral multiples of \$5,000 by or through participants in the DTC system. Beneficial Ownership Interests will be governed as to receipt of payments, notices and other communications, transfers and various other matters with respect to the Series 2016A Notes by the rules and operating procedures applicable to the DTC book-entry system as described herein.

The principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes, at the rate per annum specified below, is payable on the maturity date of the Series 2016A Notes specified above. The Series 2016A Notes are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Reoffering Yield</u>	<u>CUSIP No.*</u>
\$ 50,000,000	5.00%	104.137%	0.570%	19672M BT4
50,000,000	5.00	104.127	0.580	19672M BT4
100,000,000	2.00	101.316	0.590	19672M BS6
75,000,000	2.00	101.315	0.591	19672M BS6

The Series 2016A Notes are special, limited obligations of the State payable solely from and secured by a pledge of the Pledged Revenues described herein. Interest on the Series 2016A Notes will be payable from amounts deposited by the State Treasurer upon issuance of the Series 2016A Notes in the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account; and the principal of the Series 2016A Notes will be payable from amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, as payment of their Program Loans and, if necessary, from certain State funds, all as described herein. The Series 2016A Notes do not constitute a debt, an indebtedness or a multiple fiscal year financial obligation of the State or the Participating Districts within the meaning of any applicable provision of the constitution or statutes of the State, and the registered owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes may not look to any source other than the Pledged Revenues for payment of the Series 2016A Notes.

**An investment in the Series 2016A Notes involves risk. Prospective investors are urged to read this Official Statement in its entirety, giving particular attention to the matters discussed in "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS," in order to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.**

The Series 2016A Notes are offered when, as and if issued by the State, subject to the approving opinion of Kutak Rock LLP, Denver, Colorado, as Bond Counsel. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the State by the Attorney General of the State, and by Kline Alvarado Veio, P.C., Denver, Colorado, as special counsel to the State. The Series 2016A Notes are expected to be delivered through the facilities of DTC on or about July 21, 2016.

Dated: July 14, 2016

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## NOTICES

This Official Statement does not constitute an offer to sell the Series 2016A Notes in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer in such jurisdiction. No dealer, salesman or other person has been authorized by the State, the State Treasurer or the Financial Advisor to give any information or to make any representation other than those contained herein and, if given or made, such other information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the State or any other person.

The information and expressions of opinion in this Official Statement are subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create the implication that there has been no change in the matters described in this Official Statement since the date hereof.

The information in this Official Statement has been obtained from officers, employees and records of the State, the Participating Districts and other sources believed to be reliable, but this Official Statement is not to be construed as the promise or guarantee of the State, the State Treasurer or the Financial Advisor.

The order and placement of materials in this Official Statement, including the appendices, are not to be deemed a determination of relevance, materiality or importance, and this Official Statement, including the appendices, must be considered in its entirety. The captions and headings in this Official Statement are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent, or affect the meaning or construction, of any provisions or sections of this Official Statement. The offering of the Series 2016A Notes is made only by means of this entire Official Statement.

This Official Statement is submitted in connection with the initial offering and sale of the Series 2016A Notes and may not be reproduced or used, in whole or in part, for any other purpose.

The Series 2016A Notes have not been recommended by any federal or state securities commission or regulatory authority. Furthermore, the foregoing authorities have neither confirmed the accuracy nor determined the adequacy of this Official Statement. Any representation to the contrary is unlawful.

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### CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS REGARDING PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES AND OTHER FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS IN THIS OFFICIAL STATEMENT

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This Official Statement, including, but not limited to, the material set forth in “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – State Equalization Funding of School Districts – Summary Financial Information Regarding the Participating Districts,” “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” “DEBT AND CERTAIN OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND,” “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST” and “APPENDIX E – STATE PENSION SYSTEM,” contains statements relating to future results that are “forward looking statements.” When used in this Official Statement, the words “estimate,” “anticipate,” “forecast,” “project,” “intend,” “propose,” “plan,” “expect” and similar expressions identify forward looking statements. The achievement of certain results or other expectations contained in forward looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance or achievements described to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward looking statements. The State Treasurer does not plan to issue any updates or revisions to those forward looking statements if or when its expectations or events, conditions or circumstances on which these statements are based occur.

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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Relating to

**\$275,000,000**

**STATE OF COLORADO**

### **EDUCATION LOAN PROGRAM TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES SERIES 2016A**

## INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page, inside cover, prefatory information and the appendices, furnishes information in connection with the issuance and sale by the State of Colorado (the “State”) of its \$275,000,000 State of Colorado Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2016A (the “Series 2016A Notes”).

*This introduction is not a summary of this Official Statement. It is only a summary description of and guide to, and is qualified by, more complete and detailed information contained in the entire Official Statement and the documents summarized or described herein. A full review should be made of the entire Official Statement. The offering of Series 2016A Notes to potential investors is made only by means of the entire Official Statement.*

*This Official Statement contains information that was either not available or differs from that contained in the Preliminary Official Statement dated July 8, 2016, as supplemented by the First Supplement to Preliminary Official Statement dated July 13, 2016, including, without limitation, the interest rates, prices, reoffering yields, CUSIP numbers, original purchasers of and the aggregate purchase price paid by the original purchasers for the Series 2016A Notes. Accordingly, prospective investors should read this Official Statement in its entirety.*

### **Purpose**

Sections 29-15-112 and 22-54-110, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended (“C.R.S.”), referred to herein collectively as the “Loan Program Statutes,” establish a program (the “Loan Program”) for making interest-free loans (“Program Loans”) to participating Colorado school districts (the “Participating Districts”) in order to alleviate Participating Districts’ temporary general fund cash flow deficits. The Series 2016A Notes are being issued for the purpose of funding the Loan Program for the State’s fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 (“Fiscal Year 2016-17”), and paying the costs of issuing the Series 2016A Notes, and are the first series of Notes being issued for funding the Loan Program for Fiscal Year 2016-17. See “THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS.”

The net proceeds of the sale of the Series 2016A Notes will be deposited in the Series 2016A Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes Proceeds Account (the “Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account”) of the State’s General Fund (the “General Fund”) and used to make Program Loans to approximately 23 Participating Districts in order to alleviate actual temporary general fund cash flow deficits currently forecast by each Participating District during Fiscal Year 2016-17. See “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Summary Financial Information Regarding the Participating Districts.” Prior to receiving a Program Loan, each Participating District is required to adopt a resolution (each a “District Resolution” and collectively the “District Resolutions”) pledging to the repayment of its Program Loan those ad valorem property tax revenues received by the Participating District during the period of March through June of 2017 that are required to be deposited in the Participating District’s

general fund (“Taxes”), and is required to execute a promissory note payable to the State Treasurer (each a “District Note” and collectively the “District Notes”) to evidence its repayment obligation. See “THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS – Program Loans – The Participating Districts,” “DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES” and “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS.”

### **The Series 2016A Notes**

**Authorization.** The Series 2016A Notes are issued pursuant to the Loan Program Statutes; Part 2 of Article 57 of Title 11, C.R.S. (the “Supplemental Public Securities Act”); and a resolution (the “State Resolution”) adopted by the State Treasurer (the “State Treasurer”) and approved and countersigned by the Controller of the State (the “State Controller”). See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Authorization.”

**General Provisions.** The Series 2016A Notes will be dated the date of issuance and delivery to the original purchasers thereof (the “Closing Date”) and will mature on June 29, 2017 (the “Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date”). The Series 2016A Notes are not subject to redemption prior to the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date. Interest on the Series 2016A Notes, at the rate per annum set forth on the cover page hereof (computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months), will accrue from the Closing Date and will be payable on the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date. See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – General Provisions.”

**Book-Entry Only System.** The Series 2016A Notes will be issued in fully registered form (*i.e.*, registered as to payment of both principal and interest) and registered initially in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”), which will serve as securities depository for the Series 2016A Notes. Ownership interests in the Series 2016A Notes (“Beneficial Ownership Interests”), in non-certificated book-entry only form, may be purchased in integral multiples of \$5,000 by or through participants in the DTC system (“DTC Participants”). Beneficial Ownership Interests will be recorded in the name of the purchasers thereof (“Beneficial Owners”) on the books of the DTC Participants from whom they are acquired, and will be governed as to the receipt of payments, notices and other communications, transfers and various other matters with respect to the Series 2016A Notes by the rules and operating procedures applicable to the DTC book-entry system as described in “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – General Provisions” and “APPENDIX F – DTC BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM.” References in this Official Statement to the registered owners or the owners of the Series 2016A Notes mean Cede & Co. or such other nominee as may be designated by DTC, and not the Beneficial Owners.

**Security and Sources of Payment.** The Series 2016A Notes are special, limited obligations of the State payable solely from and secured by a pledge of the following (the “Pledged Revenues”), which the State Treasurer believes will be sufficient for the repayment of the Series 2016A Notes:

- amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, as repayment of their Program Loans;
- amounts deposited to the “Series 2016-17 Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes Repayment Account” of the General Fund (the “Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account”) as discussed in “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account*”; and
- any unexpended proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and of any additional tax and revenue anticipation notes authorized and issued pursuant to the Loan Program Statutes and the Supplemental Public Securities Act and payable from and secured by a pledge of all or any portion of the Pledged Revenues on a parity with the pledge thereof in favor of

the registered owners (the “Owners”) of the Series 2016A Notes (“Parity Lien Notes”) that have not been loaned to the Participating Districts, together with the interest earnings thereon in excess of the amount deposited by the State Treasurer in the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account on the Closing Date. See “THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS – The Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account.”

Interest on the Series 2016A Notes will be payable from a deposit to be made by the State Treasurer on the Closing Date to the Interest Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account in an amount equal to the interest to accrue on the Series 2016A Notes from the Closing Date to the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date. This deposit is to be made from “Current General Fund Revenues,” consisting of any cash income or other cash receipt credited to the General Fund for Fiscal Year 2016-17 that is (i) subject to appropriation for Fiscal Year 2016-17 and (ii) not yet credited to the General Fund as of the Closing Date, but not including the proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes, any Parity Lien Notes or of any other borrowing of the State.

Principal of the Series 2016A Notes will be payable from amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, as repayment of their Program Loans, supplemented if necessary by, among other things, any funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the District Notes, including Current General Fund Revenues and any amounts in the State Funds from which the State Treasurer is authorized to borrow under State law (“Borrowable Resources”).

*The ability of the State Treasurer to use Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State of Colorado General Fund Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2016A (the “State Series 2016A General Fund Notes”), planned to be issued by the State Treasurer at or about the same time as the issuance of the Series 2016A Notes, in the principal amount of \$600 million in order to fund anticipated cash flow shortfalls in the State’s General Fund in Fiscal Year 2016-17.*

The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account and the Pledged Revenues are irrevocably pledged to the payment when due of the principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes. The Owners of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes will be equally and ratably secured by a first lien on the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account and the moneys credited thereto.

The Series 2016A Notes do not constitute a debt, an indebtedness or a multiple fiscal year financial obligation of the State or the Participating Districts within the meaning of any applicable provision of the Constitution of the State of Colorado (the “State Constitution”) or State statutes, and the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes may not look to any source other than the Pledged Revenues for payment of the Series 2016A Notes.

See generally “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – Parity Lien Notes,” “DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES,” “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

## **Legal and Tax Matters**

Kutak Rock LLP, Denver, Colorado, is serving as bond counsel (“Bond Counsel”) in connection with the issuance of the Series 2016A Notes and will deliver its opinion substantially in the form included in this Official Statement as “APPENDIX G – FORM OF OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL.” Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the State by the Attorney General of the State and by Kline Alvarado Veio, P.C., Denver, Colorado, as special counsel to the State.

In the opinion of Kutak Rock LLP, Bond Counsel, under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions and assuming the accuracy of certain representations and continuing compliance with certain covenants, interest on the Series 2016A Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax; and interest on the Series 2016A Notes is not included in Colorado taxable income or Colorado alternative minimum taxable income under Colorado income tax laws as described herein. See also “LEGAL MATTERS” and “TAX MATTERS” and “APPENDIX G – FORM OF OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL.”

## **Continuing Disclosure**

In accordance with the exemption set forth in paragraph (d)(3) of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (“Rule 15c2-12”), no undertaking to report annual financial information or operating data as set forth in the final Official Statement, or audited financial statements, will be provided by the State in connection with the Series 2016A Notes because the Series 2016A Notes have a stated maturity of less than 18 months. However, the State Treasurer does undertake in the State Resolution to provide notice of certain enumerated events if they occur, as described in “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account* – Covenants of the State” and “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE.”

For a discussion of the recent compliance by the State and certain State departments and agencies that utilize the State’s credit with the various continuing disclosure undertakings of such entities, see “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE – Compliance With Other Continuing Disclosure Undertakings.”

## **State Economic and Demographic Information**

This Official Statement contains economic and demographic information about the State prepared by Development Research Partners, Inc. for use by the State. See “APPENDIX D – CERTAIN STATE ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION.” Development Research Partners, Inc. has consented to the inclusion of such information in this Official Statement. The State does not assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of such information. The information in such Appendix has been included in the Official Statement in reliance upon the authority of Development Research Partners, Inc. as experts in the preparation of economic and demographic analyses. Potential investors should read such Appendix in its entirety for information with respect to the economic and demographic status of the State.

## **Additional Information**

Brief descriptions of the Series 2016A Notes, the State Resolution, the Loan Program Statutes, the District Resolutions, the District Notes, the Participating Districts, the State and certain other statutes, reports, documents and instruments are included in this Official Statement. Such descriptions do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive and are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document, statute, report or other instrument. During the offering period, copies of the State Resolution and certain other documents referred to herein may be obtained from RBC Capital Markets, LLC (the



“Financial Advisor”), 1801 California Street, Suite 3850, Denver, Colorado 80202, Attention: Dan O’Connell, telephone number (303) 595-1222.

### **Investment Considerations**

An investment in the Series 2016A Notes involves risk. Prospective investors are urged to read this Official Statement in its entirety, giving particular attention to the matters discussed in “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS,” in order to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision.

### **Forward Looking Statements**

See the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

### **Miscellaneous**

The cover page, inside cover, prefatory information and appendices to this Official Statement are integral parts hereof and must be read together with all other parts of this Official Statement.

Information contained in this Official Statement has been obtained from officers, employees and records of the State, the Participating Districts and from other sources believed to be reliable, but this Official Statement is not to be construed as the promise or guarantee of the State, the State Treasurer or the Financial Advisor. The information herein is subject to change without notice, and neither the delivery of this Official Statement nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create the implication that there has been no change in the matters described in this Official Statement since the date hereof. So far as any statements made in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion, forecasts, projections or estimates, whether or not expressly stated, they are set forth as such and not as representations of fact.

This Official Statement shall not be construed as a contract or agreement between the State and the registered owners or Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes.

## **THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS**

### **The Loan Program**

Timing differences between revenue collections and disbursements cause many Colorado school districts to incur annual cash flow deficits. The salaries of some school district employees are paid over a 12-month period, and some school district expenses occur on a relatively consistent monthly basis, although most salaries and expenses of school districts are incurred during the traditional school year of September through May. The primary sources of revenue to school districts to meet these expenditures include (i) funding from the State pursuant to the Public School Finance Act of 1994, as amended (the “Public School Finance Act”), which is received in approximately equal monthly amounts throughout the July 1-June 30 fiscal year of the school districts and the State (the “Fiscal Year”), and (ii) property taxes levied by the school districts, most of which are received in March through June when property taxes are paid by taxpayers. See “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS.” As a result, school districts often experience cash flow shortages during the fall and winter months before such tax revenues are received. School districts may address this cash flow shortage in a variety of ways, including: (i) borrowing funds from the State; (ii) transferring funds to the school district’s general fund from other school district funds on a short-term basis; (iii) borrowing funds on a short-term basis through the

issuance by the school district of tax anticipation notes; or (iv) borrowing funds on a short-term basis from a bank or other lender.

Under the Loan Program Statutes, upon approval by the State Treasurer of an application submitted by a school district, the State Treasurer is to make available to such school district in any month of the budget year in which a cash flow deficit occurs an interest-free or low-interest loan from the State's General Fund or from the proceeds of tax and revenue anticipation notes. There are certain limits on the receipt of such loans. For instance, a Program Loan may not be made to provide assistance for matters eligible for payment from the school district's contingency reserve or to cover a foreseeable level of uncollectible property taxes, nor may a Program Loan be used by a school district for the simultaneous purchase and sale of the same security or an equivalent security in order to profit from price disparity. All loans to a school district are to be made from the proceeds of tax and revenue anticipation notes issued by the State Treasurer as discussed below; provided, however, that if the amount of the tax and revenue anticipation notes, if any, issued on behalf of a school district as determined by the State Treasurer is not sufficient to cover the school district's cash deficit, the State Treasurer may, in his or her discretion, make available to such school district an emergency low-interest loan from the State's General Fund. Such loan is to have the same rate of interest as that paid by the State Treasurer on the general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes issued by the State Treasurer pursuant to Part 9 of Article 75 of Title 24, C.R.S. See "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Liquidity Sources in the Event of a Default in the Repayment of Program Loans; Subordination of Certain State Funds."

The Loan Program Statutes authorize the State Treasurer to issue tax and revenue anticipation notes for the purpose of alleviating temporary cash flow deficits by making interest-free loans available to eligible school districts. The Series 2016A Notes are being issued pursuant to this authorization. See also "THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Authorization."

### **Application of Series 2016A Notes Proceeds**

The proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes, net of amounts used to pay costs and expenses relating to the issuance and sale of the Series 2016A Notes, will be deposited in the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account and disbursed from time to time by the State Treasurer upon request of the Participating Districts in order to alleviate temporary general fund cash flow deficits expected to be experienced by such Participating Districts during Fiscal Year 2016-17, subject to the conditions stated in the State Resolution and the District Resolutions. See "Program Loans" and "The Participating Districts" below, "DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES" and "SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS."

### **The Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account**

The State Resolution directs the State Controller to establish within the State's General Fund the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account, which is to be segregated from all other accounts in the General Fund. Moneys deposited in the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account are to be applied in accordance with the Loan Program Statutes, including the payment of the costs and expenses related to the issuance and sale of the Series 2016A Notes. The original purchasers of the Series 2016A Notes will not be responsible for the application or disposition by the State or its officers of any of the funds derived from the sale of the Series 2016A Notes.

Moneys held in the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account may be commingled for investment purposes with other moneys in the General Fund but are not available for the payment of other General Fund expenditures or interfund transfers. Investment earnings on moneys credited to the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account up to the amount deposited by the State Treasurer to the Interest Subaccount on the Closing Date are to be credited to the State General Fund and will not be credited to the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account; and investment earnings on moneys credited to the Series 2016A Notes

Proceeds Account in excess of the amount deposited by the State Treasurer to the Interest Subaccount on the Closing Date are to be retained therein until June 25, 2017, on which date any remaining moneys credited to such Account are to be transferred to the Interest Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account, after which the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account is to be closed. See “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Investment of the State Pool.”

### **Program Loans**

In order to participate in the Loan Program, each Participating District’s governing board (the “Board of Education”) must adopt a resolution approving the amount of the Program Loan (the “Maximum Principal Amount”) and submit any actual or projected financial or budgetary statements required by the State Treasurer, as well as certain other financial information required by the State Treasurer. Based on such information, the State Treasurer has approved the Maximum Principal Amount of the Program Loan for each such Participating District.

An aggregate amount of not more than the Maximum Principal Amount may be drawn upon in the manner provided in the District Resolution and expended by the Participating District from time to time to fund its general fund cash flow deficit occurring during Fiscal Year 2016-17. See also “DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES” and “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS.”

### **The Participating Districts**

As of the date hereof, the Participating Districts that have requested the State Treasurer to issue the Series 2016A Notes on their behalf are set forth in “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Summary Financial Information Regarding the Participating Districts.” Denver School District No. 1 and Boulder Valley School District RE-2 are expected to borrow the largest percentages of available proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and planned Parity Lien Notes. See “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Summary Financial Information Regarding the Participating Districts.”

## **THE SERIES 2016A NOTES**

The following is a summary of certain provisions of the Series 2016A Notes during such time as the Series 2016A Notes are subject to the DTC book-entry system. Reference is hereby made to the State Resolution in its entirety for the detailed provisions pertaining to the Series 2016A Notes, including provisions applicable upon discontinuance of participation in the DTC book-entry system.

### **Authorization**

The Series 2016A Notes are being issued pursuant to the Loan Program Statutes, the Supplemental Public Securities Act and the State Resolution. The Loan Program Statutes authorize the State Treasurer to issue tax and revenue anticipation notes from time to time to accomplish the purposes of the Loan Program Statutes. See “THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS.” The State Treasurer may, and currently expects to, issue additional Parity Lien Notes in Fiscal Year 2016-17. See “Parity Lien Notes” under this caption.

### **General Provisions**

The Series 2016A Notes will be issued in fully registered form (*i.e.*, registered as to payment of both principal and interest) and registered initially in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, which will serve as securities depository for the Series 2016A Notes. Beneficial Ownership Interests in the

Series 2016A Notes, in non-certificated book-entry only form, may be purchased in integral multiples of \$5,000 by or through DTC Participants. Such Beneficial Ownership Interests will be recorded in the name of the Beneficial Owners on the books of the DTC Participants from whom they are acquired, and will be governed as to payment of principal and interest and the receipt of notices and other communications, transfers and various other matters with respect to the Series 2016A Notes by the rules and operating procedures applicable to the DTC book-entry system as described in “APPENDIX F – DTC BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM.” References in this Official Statement to the registered owners or the owners of the Series 2016A Notes mean Cede & Co. or such other nominee as may be designated by DTC, and not the Beneficial Owners.

The Series 2016A Notes will be dated as of the Closing Date, mature on the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date and bear interest at the rate per annum (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement. Interest on the Series 2016A Notes will accrue from the Closing Date and will be payable on the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date. The principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes will be payable by the State Treasurer, as paying agent for the Series 2016A Notes (the “Paying Agent”), to Cede & Co., as the Owner of the Series 2016A Notes, for subsequent credit to the accounts of the Beneficial Owners. See “APPENDIX F – DTC BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM.” Interest on the Series 2016A Notes will cease to accrue on the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date.

The Deputy State Treasurer or the Chief Financial Officer of the Department of the Treasury will serve as the registrar for the Series 2016A Notes (the “Registrar”), subject to the provisions of the DTC book-entry system.

*Neither the State, the State Treasurer, the Deputy State Treasurer, the Chief Financial Officer of the Department of the Treasury, the State Controller nor the Financial Advisor has any responsibility or obligation to any Beneficial Owner with respect to (i) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC or any DTC Participant, (ii) the distribution by DTC or any DTC Participant of any notice that is permitted or required to be given to the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes under the State Resolution, (iii) the payment by DTC or any DTC Participant of any amounts received under the State Resolution with respect to the Series 2016A Notes, (iv) any consent given or other action taken by DTC or its nominee as the Owner of Series 2016A Notes or (v) any other related matter.*

### **No Redemption Prior to Maturity**

The Series 2016A Notes are not subject to redemption prior to the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date.

### **Security and Sources of Payment**

*The Series 2016A Notes are special, limited obligations of the State payable solely from the Pledged Revenues, on parity with any additional Parity Lien Notes. The Series 2016A Notes do not constitute a debt, an indebtedness or a multiple fiscal year financial obligation of the State or the Participating Districts within the meaning of any applicable provision of the State Constitution or State statutes, and the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes may not look to any source other than the Pledged Revenues for payment of the Series 2016A Notes.*

**The Pledged Revenues.** The Pledged Revenues consist of: (i) amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, in repayment of their Program Loans; (ii) amounts deposited to the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account as provided below; and (iii) any unexpended proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes that have not been loaned to Participating Districts, together with the interest earnings thereon in excess of the amount

deposited by the State Treasurer in the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account on the Closing Date. See “THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS – The Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account.”

***The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account.*** The State Resolution directs the State Controller to establish within the General Fund the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account, including therein the Interest Subaccount and the Principal Subaccount, all of which are to be segregated from all other accounts in the General Fund. The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account and the Pledged Revenues are irrevocably pledged to the payment when due of the principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes. The Owners of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes will be equally and ratably secured by a first lien on the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account and the moneys credited thereto.

On the Closing Date, the State Treasurer is required to deposit to the Interest Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account, from Current General Fund Revenues then available, an amount equal to the interest to accrue on the Series 2016A Notes from the Closing Date to the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date.

The State Resolution also requires the State Treasurer to credit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account all amounts received from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, in repayment of their Program Loans. However, if on June 26, 2015, the amount credited to the Principal Subaccount is less than the principal amount of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes, the State Treasurer is to deposit to the Principal Subaccount the amount of the deficiency from any funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the District Notes. The State Resolution further provides that the State Treasurer is to first utilize all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes prior to the application of Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes.

*The ability of the State Treasurer to use Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes. In addition, the covenant of the State Treasurer to first use all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes in order to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account does not constitute a pledge of or lien on such other funds for that purpose, and there is no limit on the availability or use of such other funds for any other purpose permitted or required by law. If it becomes necessary to make a deposit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account in order to fund a deficiency therein, the State Resolution requires the State Treasurer to take such actions as may be necessary to identify and designate the District Notes as an investment of the Funds used to make such deposit, and the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes will have no right or claim to any amounts received by the State under the District Notes after June 25, 2017. The making of such investment by the State Treasurer, and the determination of the Fund or Funds, if any, to be used therefor, is in all cases subject to the application of the investment policies for the various State Funds established by statute and the State Treasurer and the exercise of the discretion and fiduciary obligation of the State Treasurer in the investment of State funds. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Liquidity Sources in the Event of a Default in the Repayment of Program Loans; Subordination of Certain State Funds,” “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds,” “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS” and “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND.”*

Moneys held in the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account may be commingled for investment purposes with other moneys in the General Fund but are not available for the payment of other General Fund expenditures or interfund transfers. Interest income from the investment or reinvestment of moneys credited to the Interest Subaccount and the Principal Subaccount up to and including June 25, 2017, is to be credited to the General Fund and not credited to the Interest Subaccount or the Principal Subaccount. See “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Investment of the State Pool.”

***Limitations on the Obligations of the State.*** The State Resolution provides that no provision thereof or of the Series 2016A Notes is to be construed or interpreted: (i) to directly or indirectly obligate the State to make any payment in any Fiscal Year in excess of amounts appropriated for such Fiscal Year; (ii) as creating a debt or an indebtedness of the State within the meaning of any applicable provision of the State Constitution or State statutes; (iii) as creating a multiple fiscal year direct or indirect debt or other financial obligation whatsoever of the State within the meaning of Article X, Section 20 of the State Constitution (the “Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights” or “TABOR”) for which adequate cash reserves have not been pledged irrevocably and held for payment in all future fiscal years; (iv) as a delegation of governmental powers by the State; (v) as a loan or pledge of the credit or faith of the State or as creating any responsibility by the State for any debt or liability of any person, company or corporation within the meaning of Article XI, Section 1 of the State Constitution; or (vi) as a donation or grant by the State to, or in aid of, any person, company or corporation within the meaning of Article XI, Section 2 of the State Constitution. See “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights.”

### **Parity Lien Notes**

The State Resolution authorizes the State Treasurer from time to time during Fiscal Year 2016-17 to issue additional tax and revenue anticipation notes pursuant to the Loan Program Statutes that are payable from and secured by a pledge of all or any portion of the Pledged Revenues on a parity with (but not superior to) the pledge in favor of the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes. Such Parity Lien Notes may have such details as the State Treasurer may determine; provided, however, that the Parity Lien Notes are required to be (i) non-redeemable prior to their Maturity Date, (ii) due and payable as to both principal and interest on the Maturity Date and (iii) payable from the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account.

The State Treasurer currently anticipates that one or more series of Parity Lien Notes will be issued in Fiscal Year 2016-17 in an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$275 million. The State Resolution does not limit the principal amount of Parity Lien Notes.

### **Covenants of the State**

The State Treasurer covenants in the State Resolution for the benefit of the original purchasers (the “Purchasers”) and the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes to: (i) keep proper books of record and accounts showing complete and correct entries of all transactions relating to the Funds and Accounts referred to therein and in such manner that the amount of Program Loans made to each Participating District and the amount of repayment of such Program Loans by each Participating District may at all times be readily and accurately determined; and (ii) take any and all actions that may be reasonably required to ensure timely collection of the amounts due by Participating Districts under their respective District Notes.

### **Defaults and Remedies**

Each of the following constitutes an “Event of Default” under the State Resolution:

- payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Series 2016A Notes is not made on the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date; or

- the State fails to perform or observe any of the covenants, agreements or conditions contained in the State Resolution or in the Series 2016A Notes and such failure continues for 15 days after receipt of written notice thereof by the State Treasurer from any Owner of any of the Series 2016A Notes.

Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, any Owner of the Series 2016A Notes may: (i) bring any suit, action or proceeding, at law or in equity, to collect sums due and owing on the Series 2016A Notes or to enforce and protect such Owner's rights under the State Resolution and the Series 2016A Notes; (ii) compel, to the extent permitted by law, by mandamus or otherwise, the performance by the State of any covenant in the State Resolution or the Series 2016A Notes; or (iii) examine the books and records of the State and require the State Treasurer to account for all moneys and investments constituting Pledged Revenues as if the State Treasurer were the trustee of an express trust. Neither principal of nor interest on the Series 2016A Notes may be accelerated as a consequence of any Event of Default.

If on the Maturity Date the moneys in the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account are insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes, the State Treasurer is to ratably apply the moneys in the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account to the payment of the principal and interest then due and unpaid upon the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes, without preference or priority of principal over interest or of interest over principal, or of any Series 2016A Note or Parity Lien Note over any other Series 2016A Note or Parity Lien Note, according to the amounts due, respectively, for principal and interest, to the persons entitled thereto without any discrimination or preference.

### **Tax Covenant**

The State Treasurer covenants in the State Resolution for the benefit of the Purchasers and the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes that, subject to further investment limitations established pursuant to the terms of the State Resolution, moneys in the Series 2016A Notes Proceeds Account and the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account not immediately needed will be invested only in investments authorized by the Loan Program Statutes; Article 36 of Title 24, C.R.S.; or, to the extent applicable, Part 6 of Article 75 of Title 24, C.R.S.

The State Treasurer further covenants that the State Treasurer will not take any action or omit to take any action with respect to the Series 2016A Notes, the proceeds thereof or other funds of the State if such action or omission: (i) would cause the interest on the Series 2016A Notes to lose its exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the United States Treasury Regulations thereunder (the "Tax Code"); (ii) would cause interest on the Series 2016A Notes to lose its exclusion from alternative minimum taxable income as defined in Section 55(b)(2) of the Tax Code except to the extent such interest is required to be included in the adjusted current earnings adjustment applicable to corporations under Section 56 of the Tax Code in calculating corporate alternative minimum taxable income; or (iii) would cause interest on the Series 2016A Notes to lose its exclusion from State taxable income or State alternative minimum taxable income under present State law. This covenant will remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the payment in full of the Series 2016A Notes until the date on which all obligations of the State Treasurer in fulfilling such covenant under the Tax Code and State law have been met. See also "TAX MATTERS."

## **INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

An investment in the Series 2016A Notes involves certain investment risks that are discussed throughout this Official Statement. Each prospective investor should make an independent evaluation of all information presented in this Official Statement in order to make an informed investment decision.

Particular attention should be given to the factors described below that, among others, could affect the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes.

### **Limited Obligations**

The Series 2016A Notes are special, limited obligations of the State payable solely from and secured by a pledge of the Pledged Revenues. The State has not pledged its General Fund, taxing power or revenues, other than the Pledged Revenues, to the payment of the Series 2016A Notes. The Series 2016A Notes do not constitute a debt, indebtedness or multiple fiscal year financial obligation of the State or any political subdivision thereof within the meaning of any applicable provision of the State Constitution or State laws; do not constitute general obligations of the State, the Participating Districts or any other political subdivision of the State; and no governmental entity has pledged its faith and credit for the payment of the Series 2016A Notes. If an Event of Default under the State Resolution should occur, there may not be sufficient Pledged Revenues available to pay the principal of and/or the interest on the Series 2016A Notes. See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – Defaults and Remedies.”

### **Repayment of Program Loans**

The primary source of Pledged Revenues pledged to pay the principal of the Series 2016A Notes is amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, as repayment of their Program Loans, which in turn are payable solely from the Taxes of the respective Participating Districts received during the period of March through June of 2017. Property taxes received by a Participating District either prior or subsequent to such period will not be available for repayment of its Program Loan. There is no assurance that a Participating District will collect sufficient Taxes from March through June of 2017 to repay its Program Loan in full. In such event, the State Treasurer is required by the State Resolution to fund the amount of the deficiency, and pay the principal amount of the Series 2016A Notes, from any funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the District Notes, but is first to utilize all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes prior to the application of Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes. The State Treasurer is entitled and intends to recover those moneys from such Participating District under the default provisions of the Loan Program Statutes and the District Resolution. See generally “DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES” and “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Taxes – Ad Valorem Property Tax Procedure – Summary Financial Information Regarding the Participating Districts.”

The obligation of a Participating District to make payments in respect of its Program Loan does not constitute a joint obligation with any other Participating District and is strictly limited to the principal amount of the District Note and, under the circumstances described in “DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES – Participation in the Loan Program,” default interest thereon (the “Payment Obligation”) under its District Resolution.

### **Liquidity Sources in the Event of a Default in the Repayment of Program Loans; Subordination of Certain State Funds**

As discussed in “Repayment of Program Loans” under this caption and in “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account*” and “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” in the event of a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account resulting from a default in the repayment of Program Loans, the State Resolution requires the State Treasurer to deposit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account the amount of the deficiency from any funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the



District Notes. The State Resolution further provides that the State Treasurer is to utilize all other funds that are eligible for investment for such purpose prior to the application of Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes.

*The ability of the State Treasurer to use Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes planned to be issued by the State Treasurer at or about the same time as the Series 2016A Notes. In addition, the covenant of the State Treasurer to first use all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes in order to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account does not constitute a pledge of or lien on such funds for that purpose, and there is no limit on the availability or use of such funds for any other purpose permitted or required by law. If it becomes necessary to make a deposit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account in order to fund a deficiency therein, the State Resolution requires the State Treasurer to take such actions as may be necessary to identify and designate the District Notes as an investment of the Funds used to make such deposit, and the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes will have no right or claim to any amounts received by the State under the District Notes after June 25, 2017. The making of such investment by the State Treasurer, and the determination of the Fund or Funds, if any, to be used therefor, is in all cases subject to the application of the investment policies for the various State Funds established by statute and the State Treasurer and the exercise of the discretion and fiduciary obligation of the State Treasurer in the investment of State funds. See “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds.”*

### **Budgets and Revenue Forecasts**

The State Constitution requires that expenditures for any Fiscal Year not exceed revenues for such Fiscal Year. In addition, Section 24-75-201.1(1)(d), C.R.S., provides that for each Fiscal Year, a portion of the unrestricted General Fund year-end balance is to be retained as a reserve (the “Unappropriated Reserve”), and Section 24-75-201.1, C.R.S., provides that General Fund appropriations for each Fiscal Year, with certain exceptions, may not exceed specified amounts, as discussed in “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations – Revenues and Unappropriated Amounts – Expenditures; The Balanced Budget and Statutory Spending Limitation.”

The State relies on revenue estimation as the basis for budgeting and establishing aggregate funds available for expenditure for its appropriation process. By statute, the Governor’s Office of State Planning and Budgeting (“OSPB”) is responsible for developing the General Fund revenue estimate. The most recent OSPB revenue forecast was issued on June 20, 2016 (the “OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast”), and is included in its entirety in this Official Statement. See “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.” The Colorado Legislative Council also prepares quarterly revenue forecasts which are released on the same dates as the OSPB revenue forecasts.

The State’s Fiscal Year budgets are not prepared on a cash basis, but rather are prepared using the modified accrual method of accounting in accordance with the standards promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (“GASB”), with certain statutory exceptions. The State could experience temporary and cumulative cash shortfalls as the result of differences in the timing of the actual receipt of revenues and payment of expenditures by the State compared to the inclusion of such revenues and expenditures in the State’s Fiscal Year budgets on a modified accrual basis, which is not solely based on when such amounts are received or paid. If an unanticipated cash shortfall were to occur in late Fiscal Year 2016-17, it may adversely affect the State’s ability to fund, if necessary, any deficiency in the

Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account on June 25, 2017. See “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations,” “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

The OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast projects that General Fund revenues in Fiscal Year 2015-16 will increase by \$159.0 million, or 1.6%, over Fiscal Year 2014-15, and that General Fund revenues in Fiscal Year 2016-17 will increase by \$600.9 million, or 6.0%, over Fiscal Year 2015-16. The OSPB also projects that the State will end Fiscal Year 2015-16 with reserves of \$7.9 million above the Unappropriated Reserve requirement and that the State will end Fiscal Year 2016-17 with reserves of \$10.5 million below the Unappropriated Reserve requirement. These figures are based on revenue and budget information available when the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast was completed and are subject to change in subsequent OSPB revenue forecasts based on new information on revenue and expenditures.

The next OSPB revenue forecast will be released in September of 2016. General Fund revenue projections in this and subsequent OSPB revenue forecasts may be materially different from the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast. If a revenue shortfall is projected for Fiscal Year 2016-17 and subsequent forecasted years, budget cuts and/or actions to increase the amount of money in the General Fund will be necessary to ensure a balanced budget. A revenue shortfall in Fiscal Year 2016-17 may adversely affect the State’s ability to fund, if necessary, any deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account on June 25, 2017. See “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts – *Revenue Shortfalls*” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

Prospective investors are cautioned that any forecast is subject to uncertainties, and inevitably some assumptions used to develop the forecasts will not be realized, and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, there are likely to be differences between forecasted and actual results, and such differences may be material. No representation or guaranty is made herein as to the accuracy of the forecasts. See the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

### **Parity Lien Notes**

The State Resolution permits the State to issue Parity Lien Notes upon satisfaction of certain conditions provided therein and in the Loan Program Statutes. If issued, such Parity Lien Notes would be payable from and secured by a pledge of the Pledged Revenues on parity with the pledge securing the Series 2016A Notes. Therefore, the issuance of Parity Lien Notes could materially diminish the level of repayment coverage provided by the Taxes and other funds as security for the Series 2016A Notes. The State Treasurer currently anticipates that one or more series of Parity Lien Notes will be issued in Fiscal Year 2016-17 in an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$275 million. The State Resolution does not limit the principal amount of Parity Lien Notes. See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Authorization – Parity Lien Notes.”

### **Loss of Tax Exemption**

As discussed in “TAX MATTERS,” the interest on the Series 2016A Notes could become includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes and/or become includable in Colorado taxable income or Colorado alternative minimum taxable income as a result of a failure of the State to comply with certain covenants contained in the State Resolution.

## **Future Changes in Laws**

Various State laws and State Constitutional provisions apply to the operations of the Participating Districts and the imposition, collection and expenditure of ad valorem property taxes and other funds by the Participating Districts, including the Taxes and other funds pledged to the repayment of the Program Loans, as well as to the operations of and availability and appropriation of funds by the State. There is no assurance that there will not be any changes in, interpretation of or addition to such laws that would have a material adverse effect, directly or indirectly, on the operations of the Participating Districts, the imposition, collection or expenditure of ad valorem property taxes and other funds by the Participating Districts or the ability of the Participating Districts to repay the Program Loans, or on the affairs of the State, the availability of and appropriation of funds by the State or the ability of the State to repay the Series 2016A Notes.

## **DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES**

The Board of Education of each Participating District that has requested the State Treasurer to issue the Series 2016A Notes on its behalf has, or prior to the Closing Date is required to have, adopted a District Resolution that authorizes the Participating District to borrow funds from the State Treasurer pursuant to the Loan Program, and has, or prior to the Closing Date is required to have, executed and delivered a District Note to the State Treasurer to evidence the Participating District's obligation to repay its Program Loan. The obligation of a Participating District to make payments in respect of its District Note is not a joint obligation with any other Participating District and is strictly limited to the Payment Obligations of such Participating District under its District Resolution.

Set forth below is a summary of the District Resolutions and District Notes. The District Resolutions and District Notes are substantially the same except as to Maximum Principal Amount and the cash flow projections. The references in this summary to a single District Resolution, District Note or Participating District are, except where otherwise indicated, equally applicable to all of the District Resolutions, District Notes, and Participating Districts. The following summary does not purport to be complete, and is qualified by express reference to the provisions of the District Resolutions and District Notes, copies of which are available as provided in "INTRODUCTION – Additional Information" and "MISCELLANEOUS." A District Resolution may be amended only with the written consent of the State Treasurer. See also "THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS – Program Loans – The Participating Districts."

## **Participation in the Loan Program**

The District Resolution authorizes the Participating District to participate in the Loan Program for Fiscal Year 2016-17, and to issue and deliver the District Note to the State Treasurer in the Maximum Principal Amount to evidence the Participating District's Payment Obligation, for the purpose of paying the Participating District's projected budgeted expenditures during Fiscal Year 2016-17. The District Note matures on June 25, 2017 (the "District Note Maturity Date"), and is interest-free through such date; provided, however, that if the District Note is not paid in full on the District Note Maturity Date, it will become a defaulted note (a "Defaulted Note") and the unpaid portion thereof will bear interest thereafter until paid at a default rate equal to the interest rate, or the weighted average interest rate, paid by the State Treasurer on the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes. The District Note may be prepaid in whole or in part at any time prior to the District Note Maturity Date.

The Participating District may obtain advances on its Program Loan in the manner discussed in "THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS – Program Loans."

The State Treasurer is authorized pursuant to the District Resolution to maintain records on behalf of the Participating District that reflect the outstanding principal amount due under the District Note, the date and amount of the Program Loan and repayment of the Program Loan by the Participating District to the State Treasurer.

### **Security for and Payment of the District Note**

The District Note is payable from and secured by a lien in the amount of the Participating District's Payment Obligations on all of the Participating District's ad valorem taxes on real and personal property received by the Participating District during the period of March through June of 2017 that are required to be credited to the Participating District's general fund. Such lien has priority over all other expenditures from such Taxes until the Participating District's Payment Obligations are paid in full. All Taxes received by the Participating District are to be paid to the State Treasurer within one Business Day of receipt until the Payment Obligations are paid in full. The District Resolution authorizes the State Treasurer to pledge and assign the District Note and all or any part of the Participating District's obligations thereunder, including, without limitation, the Participating District's Payment Obligations, to secure the payment of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes. See "SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS."

### **Defaults and Remedies**

The occurrence of any of the following constitutes a "District Event of Default" with respect to the District Resolution and District Note:

- (i) failure by the Participating District to pay in full the principal amount of the District Note when due or before the District Note Maturity Date;
- (ii) default by the Participating District in the performance or observance of any other covenant, agreement or obligation of the Participating District under its District Note or District Resolution (other than as described in the previous paragraph) and failure to cure such default within ten days after the earlier of the date that the Participating District furnishes notice of a default or the Participating District receives written notice of default from the State Treasurer;
- (iii) with certain exceptions, any warranty, representation or other statement by or on behalf of the Participating District contained in its District Resolution or in any certificate, requisition, report or any other instrument furnished in compliance with or in reference to its District Resolution or its District Note is false or misleading in any material respect; or
- (iv) the Participating District applies for or consents to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, liquidator, custodian or the like either of itself or of its property; admits in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due; makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; or is adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent.

Upon the occurrence of a District Event of Default as described in clause (i) above, the statutory remedy of the State Treasurer is to notify the treasurer of each county in which the Participating District levies Taxes that the Participating District is in default on its obligation to pay its Payment Obligation and the amount of the Payment Obligation. Pursuant to the Loan Program Statutes, the county treasurer is thereupon required to withhold any "Default Taxes" (being ad valorem taxes on real and personal property received or to be received by the Participating District after the District Note Maturity Date that are required to be credited to the Participating District's general fund and are available for payment of the Defaulted Note pursuant to Section 22-54-110(2)(c), C.R.S.) to be received by the District and in the possession of the county treasurer in the amount of such unpaid Payment Obligation. If the amount of

Default Taxes to be received by the District and in the possession of the county treasurer at the time such notice is given is less than the amount of the Payment Obligation, the county treasurer is to withhold additional Default Taxes to be received by the District and in the possession of the County Treasurer until such time as the Payment Obligation has been paid to the State Treasurer in full. *Default Taxes are available solely to repay a Participating District's Payment Obligation to the State Treasurer following a District Event of Default and are not pledged to the payment of the Series 2016A Notes.*

The State Treasurer also may, with the agreement of the Participating District, acquire from the Participating District real property having a fair market value at least equal to the outstanding balance of the District Note and lease back such property to the Participating District pursuant to a lease-purchase agreement that is subject to annual appropriation. If a Participating District defaults in the payment of rent required by the lease-purchase agreement and fails to cure such default, the State Treasurer may take possession of the property and, upon entry of a judgment in favor of the State Treasurer and the issuance of a writ of restitution, the State Treasurer is to liquidate the property to the best advantage of the State.

Upon the occurrence of any District Event of Default, the State Treasurer may take any other action at law or in equity to enforce the performance or observance of any other obligation, agreement or covenant of the Participating District, and to enforce the levy, liens, pledges and security interests granted or created under the District Resolution. The several remedies available to the State Treasurer upon a District Event of Default are cumulative. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power occurring upon any default is to impair any such right or power or be construed to be a waiver thereof, and all such rights and powers may be exercised as often as may be deemed expedient.

A District Event of Default does not constitute an Event of Default under the State Resolution. See "THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Defaults and Remedies."

### **Other Covenants and Representations**

The Participating District also makes the following covenants and agreements in the District Resolution:

- The Participating District will provide to the State Treasurer demographic and financial information concerning the Participating District relevant to the Participating District's obligations under the District Resolution, which the State Treasurer is authorized to provide, on behalf of the Participating District, to such other parties as the State Treasurer deems necessary and in the best interests of the Participating District in order to consummate the transactions contemplated by the District Resolution and under the Loan Program. The Participating District further covenants that, with respect to the Participating District's operations or description as of the Closing Date and as of the date provided, whether prior to or following the Closing Date, the information so provided will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact, and will not omit any material fact necessary to prevent such statements or information so provided, in light of the circumstances under which they are made, from being misleading.
- The Participating District will not issue notes or other obligations for cash flow purposes that are payable from the Taxes or Defaulted Taxes or are secured by a lien on the Taxes or Defaulted Taxes that is superior to or on a parity with the lien of the District Note.
- The Participating District will furnish to the State Treasurer as soon as possible (and in any event within two Business Days) after the discovery by the Participating District of any District Event of Default, or of any event, act or occurrence that with notice or lapse of time, or both, would become a District Event of Default (a "District Default"), a

certificate of an Authorized Officer (as defined in the District Resolution) setting forth the details of such District Event of Default or District Default and the action proposed to be taken by the Participating District with respect thereto.

- The Participating District will deliver to the State Treasurer such financial data as the State Treasurer may reasonably request (including, without limitation, any information relating to Taxes, expenses, available funds, tax rolls, financial statements, budget and cash flow) and, if requested, copies of the Participating District's audited year-end financial statements, budgets, official statements and similar information issued by it to the public.

The Participating District also represents to the State Treasurer that unless, prior to the Closing Date, one of the Authorized Officers of the District notifies the State Treasurer in writing to the contrary, among other things: (i) it has had an ad valorem property tax collection rate of not less than 90% of the aggregate amount of ad valorem property taxes levied within the Participating District in each of the most recent three Fiscal Years; (ii) as of the date of adoption of the District Resolution and on the date of issuance of the District Note the Participating District reasonably expects to collect at least 90% of such amount for Fiscal Year 2016-17; (iii) the Participating District has not defaulted within the past five years, and is not currently in default, on any debt obligation; and (iv) any documents setting forth, among other matters, financial information regarding the District and information relating to the District Resolution and the District's obligations thereunder, other disclosures by the District pursuant to the District Resolution and cash flow projections and ongoing reports pursuant to the District Resolution have been and will be prepared consistent with generally accepted accounting principles; and (v) the District's budget and financial accounting policies and procedures are in compliance with State law.

### **Parties in Interest**

Nothing in the District Resolution, expressed or implied, is intended to or is to be construed to confer upon or to give to any person or party other than the State Treasurer, acting on behalf of the State, as the sole owner of the District Note, any rights, remedies or claims under or by reason of the District Resolution or any covenant, condition or stipulation thereof, and all covenants, stipulations, promises and agreements in the District Resolution are for the sole and exclusive benefit of the State Treasurer, acting on behalf of the State, as a third party beneficiary.

## **SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS**

### **Taxes**

The Program Loans are payable solely from the Taxes of the Participating Districts, and do not constitute general obligations of the Participating Districts. See "DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS AND DISTRICT NOTES – Security for and Payment of the District Note."

Taxes are limited to ad valorem taxes on real and personal property received by the Participating District during the period of March through June of 2017 that are required to be credited to the Participating District's general fund. These in turn are comprised of the ad valorem property taxes that the Participating District is authorized to impose in accordance with the Public School Finance Act, plus certain permitted "override revenues," both of which are discussed in this section.

In addition to the Taxes, the Participating Districts are also authorized to impose ad valorem property taxes for certain other purposes, such as for bond redemption and capital improvements, and

receive various other local, State and federal revenues. However, none of these other revenues constitute Taxes pledged to the payment of the District Loans.

### **State Equalization Funding of School Districts**

The discussion under this caption provides an overview of the funding of the Colorado school districts under existing State statutes. *The State portion of the school districts' funding is not pledged to pay the Program Loans.*

**Public School Finance Act of 1994.** Colorado school districts are funded primarily from revenues that are determined in accordance with the Public School Finance Act, which was adopted in furtherance of the duty of the State legislature, known as the General Assembly, under Article IX, Section 2 of the State Constitution to provide for a thorough and uniform system of public schools throughout the State. The Public School Finance Act has applied to school districts for budget years beginning on and after July 1, 1994, and its provisions are to be used to calculate for each school district an amount that represents the financial base of support for public education in that district (the "Total Program"), which is then funded in part by the school district and in part by the State.

The constitutionality of the existing public school finance system has been subject to legal challenges from time to time. With certain exceptions these challenges have been resolved in favor of the State. See also "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Future Changes in Laws"

During the 2013 legislative session the General Assembly passed Senate Bill ("SB") 13-213, which creates a new public school finance act that substantially changes the current public school finance system. However, implementation of the new funding program is conditional upon passage by no later than November 2017 of a citizen-initiated Statewide ballot measure to increase State revenues for funding public education. Such an initiative was submitted to the State's voters at the State's general election held on November 5, 2013, but was defeated. Should a subsequent funding initiative be successful, various administrative provisions of the new program would take effect during the first budget year commencing after the election and the new funding formula and the distribution of State moneys under the provisions of the new program would take effect in the second budget year commencing after the election. The new funding program, if eventually implemented, will have no impact on the State's ability to pay the Series 2016A Notes or, if issued, any Parity Lien Notes.

**Total Program Funding Formula.** Funding to school districts is based on a per-pupil formula that calculates the Total Program. For each pupil funded in the October 1 pupil count, the formula provides a base per pupil amount of money, increased each year to account for inflation (\$6,292.39 for Fiscal Year 2015-16 and \$6,367.90 for Fiscal Year 2016-17), plus additional money to recognize variances among school districts in cost of living, personnel costs and size. The Total Program amount also includes additional funding for at-risk pupils. As these components vary among school districts, so does the amount of Total Program funding provided.

A new factor was introduced in the school finance formula starting in Fiscal Year 2010-11 due to the budget balancing challenges facing the State. This new factor, originally called the "State Budget Stabilization Factor," and pursuant to SB 11-230 renamed the "Negative Factor" beginning with Fiscal Year 2011-12, reduces in an equitable manner the amount of funding that school districts would have received prior to the application of this factor. In general, the Negative Factor is calculated by first determining the Total Program funding amount for all school districts in the State (the "Statewide Total Program") prior to application of the Negative Factor. The Negative Factor then reduces this Statewide Total Program to an amount set by the General Assembly, which amount reflects reductions to stabilize the State's budget for each Fiscal Year, as applicable. The difference between the Statewide Total Program amount prior to application of the Negative Factor and the established floor amount for the Statewide Total

Program after the application of the Negative Factor is utilized to calculate a percentage reduction that is then applied to decrease each school district's Total Program funding amount for a given Fiscal Year.

SB 11-230 extends the Negative Factor to each subsequent budget year without specifying the amount of Total Program funding for any budget year after Fiscal Year 2011-12. The Negative Factor percentage fluctuates depending on the amount of revenues received by the State in a particular Fiscal Year and action taken by the General Assembly.

The general rule for calculating Total Program funding for Fiscal Year 2011-12 and thereafter is as follows:

$$\text{Total Program} = \text{Funded Pupil Count (October 1)} \times \text{Total Per Pupil Funding} + \text{At-Risk Funding} + \text{On-Line Funding and ASCENT} - \text{Negative Factor}$$

Funded Pupil Count = The sum of (i) the greater of the number of pupils enrolled in the school district for the current budget year or the average enrollment for the current and up to four prior budget years (less the Colorado Preschool Program Pupil Counts), plus (ii) the school district's On-line Pupil Count plus (iii) the school district's Colorado Preschool Program Pupil Count.

Per Pupil Funding = A formula which takes into consideration a Statewide base level plus adjustments for variances in district size, cost of living, personnel costs and non-personnel cost factors specified in the Public School Finance Act.

At-Risk Funding = Formulaic funding amounts which are based upon the number of district pupils, pupils Statewide eligible for the federal free lunch program and English language learner pupils.

On-Line Funding and ASCENT = Funding amounts for pupils receiving an education predominantly through an on-line program and residing in the State or participating in the "Accelerating Students Through Concurrent Enrollment" ("ASCENT") program administered by the Colorado Department of Education pursuant to Section 22-35-108, C.R.S. The goals of the ASCENT program are to, among other things, increase the percentage of students who participate in postsecondary education, especially among low-income and traditionally underserved populations.

Negative Factor = An amount equal to (i) the Negative Factor percentage reduction for a given year multiplied by (ii) a district's Total Program funding amount before application of the Negative Factor.

The Statewide Total Program funding amount is established in the Public School Finance Act initially based upon projections of various factors. Once actual figures are known, a mid-year revision may be made to this amount.

The Statewide Total Program funding amount for Fiscal Year 2015-16, after application of the Negative Factor, was initially established by SB 15-267 at an amount of not less than \$6,233,955,737, which amount was later reduced by House Bill ("HB") 16-1253 to \$6,233,835,044 due to actual funded pupil count and the actual at-risk pupil counts for the 2015-16 budget year being lower than anticipated when the General Assembly appropriated money for the Statewide Total Program funding for the 2015-16 budget year during the 2015 legislative session. The initial Statewide Total Program funding amount for Fiscal Year 2016-17, after application of the Negative Factor, has been established by HB 16-1422 at an amount of not less than \$6,394,528,931, constituting a Negative Factor of 11.51%.



The Public School Finance Act provides for a minimum level of Total Program funding for Fiscal Year 2015-16 of \$7,875.42 per traditional pupil plus \$7,588.00 per on-line pupil (\$6,919.92 and \$6,667.37, respectively, before application of the Negative Factor), although a school district's ability to accept the full amount of Total Program funding may be limited by the constraints on the school district's annual revenue and spending growth discussed in "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights" below. The final Statewide Total Program funding amount for Fiscal Year 2015-6, after application of the Negative Factor, is \$6,239,564,775, constituting a Negative Factor of 11.83%. The minimum level of Total Program funding for Fiscal Year 2016-17 is currently projected to be \$7,969.06 per traditional pupil and \$7,679.00 per on-line pupil (\$7,051.49 and \$6,794.83, respectively, before application of the Negative Factor).

**Amendment 23.** In November of 2000, the State's voters approved an amendment to the State Constitution relating to funding for public schools, commonly referred to as "Amendment 23." Amendment 23 requires that the base per-pupil funding amount and the funding for categorical programs (such as transportation, language proficiency, expelled and at-risk students, special education, gifted and talented education, vocational education, small attendance centers and comprehensive health education): (i) increase by the rate of inflation plus one percentage point for Fiscal Year 2001-02 through Fiscal Year 2010-11, and (ii) increase by at least the rate of inflation each year thereafter. Amendment 23 also creates the State Education Fund, and (i) mandates that there be deposited therein an amount equal to all State revenues collected from a tax of one-third of one percent on federal taxable income, as modified by law, of every individual, estate, trust and corporation, as defined by law, and (ii) exempts such revenues from the revenue limitations of TABOR. See "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights" below. The General Assembly may appropriate moneys from the State Education Fund only to increase funding in preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade education or for purposes specifically provided in Amendment 23, including accountable education reform, accountable programs to meet State academic standards, reducing class size, expanding technology education, improving public safety, accountability reporting, performance incentives for teachers and public school building capital construction. The Amendment 23 funds may not be used to reduce the current level of general fund appropriations for Total Program funding and categorical programs. Amendment 23 further requires the State to increase its General Fund appropriation for the Public School Finance Act by at least 5% in each year from Fiscal Year 2001-02 through Fiscal Year 2010-11, except in any Fiscal Year in which State personal income grows less than 4.5% between the previous two Fiscal Years, as was the case for Fiscal Years 2008-09 and 2009-10. The State was not required to increase by at least 5% its General Fund appropriation for the Total Program in Fiscal Year 2010-11. See also "SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Certain Funds Eligible for Investment in the District Notes – *The State Education Fund*" for a discussion of the State Education Fund established by Amendment 23.

**Sources of Funding of Total Program.** Under the Public School Finance Act, a school district's Total Program is funded in part by the school district (the "local share"), with the State funding the balance (the "State share"). The local share is the amount raised by the school district's ad valorem property tax levy (assuming 100% collection) plus the amount of specific ownership tax revenue paid to the school district in the prior Fiscal Year that is attributable to the school district's general fund, excluding override revenues.

Pursuant to the Public School Finance Act, a school district's property tax levy to fund the local share of its Total Program is to be the lowest of the following: (i) the number of mills (one mill equals \$0.001) levied by the school district for the immediately preceding property tax year; (ii) the number of mills that will generate property tax revenue in an amount equal to the school district's Total Program for the applicable budget year minus the minimum State aid and the amount of specific ownership tax revenue paid to the school district; (iii) for school districts that have not obtained voter approval to retain and spend revenues in excess of the property tax revenue limitation imposed on such school districts by TABOR (such voter approval commonly referred to as being "De-Bruce"), the number of mills that may

be levied by such school districts in accordance with the property tax revenue limitation imposed by TABOR; or (iv) 27.000 mills. See “Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights” below and “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Repayment of Program Loans.”

Specific ownership tax revenue is the portion of the revenues of the specific ownership tax on certain motor vehicles and other personal property imposed by the State pursuant to Article 3 of Title 42, C.R.S., allocable to the school district. Specific ownership taxes are collected on property within each county by the county treasurer, and the total amount of specific ownership taxes collected by the county treasurer is apportioned among all taxing entities within the county on the basis of the amount of ad valorem property taxes levied by such entities within the county during the preceding calendar year.

The difference between the Total Program and the amount generated from the school district’s mill levy is required to be paid by the State. The State Legislature is required to make annual appropriations to fund the State’s share of the Total Program of all school districts. The availability of State funds to the school district may be affected by actions of the legislature and by the cash position of the State itself. In the event the State’s appropriation for its share of the Total Program of all school districts is not sufficient to fund fully the State’s share, the Department of Education is required to submit a request for a supplemental appropriation in an amount which will fund fully the State’s share during the Fiscal Year in which such insufficiency occurs. If a supplemental appropriation is not made, a percentage reduction in State aid to all school districts receiving State aid is to be made in funding categories not mandated by the State Constitution. Such reductions, or “rescissions,” occurred in Fiscal Years 2001-02, 2002-03, 2008-09 and 2009-10. For Fiscal Year 2010-11, the reduction in State aid was effected through the application of the Negative Factor. It is expected that the Negative Factor may occur in future years as a result of State budgetary constraints. See also “Amendment 23” above.

### **Override Revenues**

The other source of Taxes pledged to the repayment of Program Loans is “override revenues” received by the Participating District. If a school district or its electorate desires to spend property tax revenues in excess of the amount authorized to fund its share of the Total Program, the school district may, or upon receipt of a valid initiative petition is required to, seek voter approval to raise and spend additional, or “override,” property tax revenues. Override revenues currently are permitted for excess transportation costs, special building and technology fund, excess costs related to a full-day kindergarten program and, for school districts that obtained voter approval for override revenues in 2009 or thereafter, capital construction projects. Override revenues are also permitted for a school district whose Fiscal Year 1994-95 actual Total Program exceeded its funding formula calculation for that Fiscal Year (a “hold harmless” district).

The Public School Finance Act currently provides that a school district’s override revenues are to be limited to the sum of: (a) the greater of (i) 20% (25% in the case of a school district that obtained voter approval for override revenues in 2009 or thereafter, and 30% for “small rural districts”) of the school district’s Total Program, or (ii) \$200,000; plus (b) an amount equal to the maximum dollar amount of property tax revenue that the school district could have generated for Fiscal Year 2001-02 in a cost of living adjustment election pursuant to Section 22-54-107.5, C.R.S. Override revenues are generated solely from increased property taxes and do not affect the amount of State funding that the school district is otherwise eligible to receive under the Public School Finance Act.

### **Ad Valorem Property Taxation Procedure**

***Property Subject to Taxation.*** Subject to the limitations discussed in “Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights” below, the Board of Education of each school district has the power to certify to each county in which the school district is located a levy for collection of ad valorem taxes against all taxable property within the school district.

Property taxes are uniformly levied against the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the boundaries of the school district. Both real and personal property are subject to taxation unless exempt. Exempt property includes, without limitation: property of the United States of America; property of the State and its political subdivisions; public libraries; public school property; charitable property; religious property; nonprofit cemeteries; irrigation ditches, canals, and flumes used exclusively to irrigate the owner's land; household furnishings and personal effects not used to produce income; intangible personal property; and inventories of merchandise and materials and supplies that are held for consumption by a business or are held primarily for sale; livestock; agricultural and livestock products; and works of art, literary materials and artifacts on loan to a political subdivision, gallery or museum operated by a charitable organization. The State Board of Equalization supervises the administration of all laws concerning the valuation and assessment of taxable property and the levying of property taxes.

***Determination of Actual Value.*** Each County Assessor in the State annually conducts appraisals in order to determine, on the basis of statutorily specified approaches, the statutory "actual" value of all taxable property within the county as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. The statutory actual value of a property is not intended to represent current market value, but, with certain exceptions, is determined by the County Assessor utilizing a "level of value" ascertained for each two-year reassessment cycle from manuals and associated data published by the State Property Tax Administrator for the statutorily-defined period preceding the assessment date. The statutory actual value is based on the "level of value" for the period one and one-half years immediately prior to the July 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the beginning of the two-year reassessment cycle (adjusted to the final day of the data-gathering period). The one and one-half year period used to determine the level of value advances two years with the start of each reassessment cycle.

The following table sets forth the State property appraisal system for property tax levy years 2011 through 2016:

<u>Levy Years</u>	<u>Collection Years</u>	<u>Value Calculated as of July 1</u>	<u>Based on the Market Period</u>
2011 and 2012	2012 and 2013	2010	Jan. 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010
2013 and 2014	2014 and 2015	2012	Jan. 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012
2015 and 2016	2016 and 2017	2014	Jan. 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

Oil and gas leaseholds and lands, producing mines and other lands producing nonmetallic minerals are valued based on production levels rather than by the base year method. Public utilities are valued by the State property tax administrator based upon the value of the utility's tangible property and intangibles (subject to certain statutory adjustments), gross and net operating revenues and the average market value of its outstanding securities during the prior calendar year.

***Determination of Assessed Value.*** Assessed valuation, which represents the value upon which ad valorem property taxes are levied, is calculated by the County Assessor as a percentage of statutory actual value. To avoid extraordinary increases in residential real property taxes when the base year level of value is changed, the State Constitution requires the General Assembly to adjust the ratio of valuation for assessment of residential property for each year in which a change in the base year level of value occurs based on an estimated target percentage. This adjustment is mandated in order to maintain the same percentage of the aggregate statewide valuation for assessment attributable to residential property that existed in the previous year. The State Constitution also prohibits any valuation for assessment ratio increase for a property class without prior voter approval. See "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights" below. The ratio of valuation for assessment of residential property has been 7.96% since the 2003 levy year.

All other taxable property, with certain exceptions, is assessed at 29% of statutory actual value. Vacant land (other than agricultural land), which includes land upon which no buildings, structures or fixtures are located, but may include land with site improvements, is also assessed at 29% of statutory actual value. Producing oil and gas property is generally assessed at 87.5% of statutory actual value.

***Protests, Appeals, Abatements and Refunds.*** Property owners are notified of the valuation of their land or improvements, or taxable personal property and certain other information related to the amount of property taxes levied, in accordance with certain statutory deadlines. Property owners are given the opportunity to object to increases in the actual value of such property, and may petition for a hearing thereon before the county's board of equalization. Upon the conclusion of such hearings, the County Assessor is required to complete the assessment roll of all taxable property and, no later than August 25<sup>th</sup> each year, prepare an abstract of assessment therefrom. The abstract of assessment and certain other required information is reviewed by the State Property Tax Administrator prior to October 15<sup>th</sup> of each year and, if necessary, the State Board of Equalization may order the County Assessor to correct assessments. The valuation of property is subject to further review during various stages of the assessment process at the request of the property owner, by the State Board of Assessment Appeals, the State courts or by arbitrators appointed by the applicable Board of County Commissioners. On the report of an erroneous assessment, an abatement or refund must be authorized by the Board of County Commissioners; however, in no case will an abatement or refund of taxes be made unless a petition for abatement or refund is filed within two years after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year in which the taxes were levied. Refunds or abatements of taxes are prorated among all taxing entities that levied a tax against the property.

***Statewide Review.*** The General Assembly is required to cause a valuation for assessment study to be conducted each year in order to ascertain whether or not County Assessors statewide have complied with constitutional and statutory provisions in determining statutory actual values and assessed valuations for that year. The final study, including findings and conclusions, must be submitted to the General Assembly and the State Board of Equalization by September 15<sup>th</sup> of the year in which the study is conducted. Subsequently, the State Board of Equalization may order a county to conduct reappraisals and revaluations during the following property tax levy year. A school district's assessed valuation may be subject to modification following any such annual assessment study.

***Homestead Exemption.*** The State Constitution provides to qualified senior citizens and qualified disabled veterans a property tax exemption equal to 50% of the first \$200,000 of the actual value of owner-occupied residential real property. In order to qualify for the senior citizen exemption, the owner or his or her spouse must be at least 65 years of age and have occupied the residence for at least ten years, and in order to qualify for the disabled veteran exemption, the veteran must be rated 100% permanently disabled by the federal government. The State is required to reimburse all local governments for the reduction in property tax revenue resulting from this exemption, and therefore the exemption does not result in a loss of revenue to school districts. The homestead exemption for qualified senior citizens was suspended by the General Assembly for property tax collection years 2011 and 2012 as part of a State budget balancing package, which means that senior citizens were required to pay property taxes to local governments for 2011 and 2012 and the State is not required to reimburse such amounts to the local governments. The exemption was restored beginning with property tax bills payable in 2013.

***Taxation Procedure.*** The County Assessor is required to certify to the school district the assessed valuation of property within the school district no later than August 25<sup>th</sup> of each year, which amount is subject to adjustment until December 10<sup>th</sup> of such year. Subject to the limitations of the State Constitution, based upon the valuation certified by the County Assessor, the school district's Board of Education computes a rate of levy that, when levied upon every dollar of the valuation for assessment of taxable property within the school district, and together with other legally available school district revenues, will raise the amount required by the school district in its upcoming Fiscal Year. The school district subsequently certifies to the applicable county or counties the rate of levy sufficient to produce the needed funds. Such certification must be made no later than December 15<sup>th</sup> of the property tax levy year for collection of taxes in the ensuing year.

The Board of County Commissioners is required to certify to the County Assessor the levy for all taxing entities within the county by December 22<sup>nd</sup> of each year. If such certification is not made, it is the duty of the County Assessor to extend the levies of the previous year. Further revisions to the assessed

valuation of property may occur prior to the final step in the taxing procedure, which is the delivery by the County Assessor of the tax list and warrant to the County Treasurer.

***Property Tax Collections.*** Property taxes levied in one year are collected in the succeeding year. Thus, taxes levied in 2016 will be collected in 2017. Taxes are due on January 1<sup>st</sup> in the year of collection; however, they may be paid in either a single payment (not later than the last day of April) or in two equal installments (not later than the last day of February and June 15<sup>th</sup>) without interest or penalty. Interest accrues on unpaid first installments at the rate of 1% per month from March 1<sup>st</sup> until the date of payment unless the whole amount is paid by April 30<sup>th</sup>. If the second installment is not paid by June 15<sup>th</sup>, the unpaid installment will bear interest at the rate of 1% per month from June 16<sup>th</sup> until the date of payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the full amount of taxes is to be paid in a single payment after the last day of April and is not so paid, the unpaid taxes will bear penalty interest at the rate of 1% per month accruing from the first day of May until the date of payment. The County Treasurer collects current and delinquent property taxes, as well as any interest or penalty, and after deducting a statutory fee for such collection, remits the balance to the school district on a monthly basis, with an additional mid-month payment in March, May and June.

All taxes levied on property, together with interest thereon and penalties for default, and other costs of collection with respect to such taxes as have become delinquent, constitute a perpetual lien on and against the property taxed from January 1<sup>st</sup> of the property tax levy year until paid. Once a tax lien attaches, it has priority over all other liens, even those created prior in time (except for certain federal liens) such as a deed of trust or mortgage on the property. Thus, while a foreclosure will extinguish liens junior to the lien being foreclosed, it will not extinguish an existing tax lien. The lien would have to be paid as part of the foreclosure process in order to obtain clear title to the property. It is the County Treasurer's duty to enforce the collection of delinquent real property taxes by tax sale of the tax lien on such realty, but no lien can be filed or other collection procedures begun more than six years after the date the taxes become due. Delinquent personal property taxes are enforceable by court action, employment of a collection agency or distraint, seizure and sale of the property. Tax sales of tax liens on realty are held on or before the second Monday in December of the collection year, preceded by a notice of delinquency to the taxpayer and a minimum of four weeks of public notice of the impending public sale. The County Treasurer will issue a certificate of purchase to the successful bidder at the sale, but a deed on the property cannot be issued until at least three years after the sale. Sales of personal property may be held at any time after October 1<sup>st</sup> of the collection year following notice of delinquency and public notice of sale.

Tax liens may not be sold for less than the aggregate amount of all due taxes, delinquent interest and fees. If no bid to settle the full value of the tax lien is offered, the County Treasurer removes the property from the tax rolls and strikes off the tax lien to the county until the county sells the lien or it is redeemed by the original tax debtor. When any real property has been stricken off to the county and there has been no subsequent purchase, the taxes on such property may be determined to be uncollectible after a period of six years from the date of becoming delinquent and they may be canceled by the county after that time. Therefore, to the extent that a tax lien is not successfully sold at an auction or the county cancels the uncollectible taxes, the proceeds of tax liens sold may not necessarily be sufficient to produce the amount required with respect to property taxes levied by the school district and property taxes levied by overlapping taxing authorities, as well as any interest or costs due thereon.

### **Taxpayer's Bill of Rights**

Article X, Section 20 of the State Constitution limits the ability of the State and its local governments, such as school districts, to increase revenues, debt and spending and restricts property, income and other taxes. Generally, TABOR limits most percentage increases in spending and property tax revenues to the prior year's amounts, adjusted for inflation, local growth and voter approved changes. Local growth for school districts is defined as the percentage change in student enrollment. Any revenue received during a Fiscal Year in excess of the limitations provided for in TABOR must be refunded to the taxpayers during

the next Fiscal Year unless voters approve a revenue change as an offset. TABOR also requires that school districts obtain voter approval for certain tax or tax rate increases and to create any “multiple fiscal year direct or indirect ... debt or other financial obligation,” except for refinancing debt at a lower interest rate or adding new employees to existing pension plans. Voter approval under TABOR is not required for the issuance of the District Notes as they are both issued and payable within the same Fiscal Year and as such do not constitute a “multiple fiscal year direct or indirect ... debt or other financial obligation” within the meaning of TABOR. TABOR also requires school districts to establish and maintain an emergency reserve equal to 3% of fiscal year spending (as defined in TABOR) excluding bonded debt service.

Many of the provisions of TABOR are ambiguous. Several lawsuits have been filed regarding TABOR, and some of its provisions have been judicially interpreted. Future litigation regarding TABOR could raise questions that bear upon the operations and financial condition of school districts. See also “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights.”

### **Budgets**

School districts are required by State law to annually formulate a budget and to hold a public hearing thereon prior to the determination of the amounts to be financed in whole or in part by ad valorem property taxes, funds on hand or estimated revenues from other sources.

No later than 30 days prior to the beginning of each Fiscal Year, the administrators of the school district are required to present the proposed budget to the Board of Education. After conducting a public hearing on the budget proposals, at which time any person paying school taxes in the school district has an opportunity to be heard, the Board of Education is required to adopt a final budget for the succeeding Fiscal Year by resolution specifying the amount of money appropriated to each fund. Beginning in 2009, the Board of Education is required to file the adopted budget with the Department of Education on or before January 31 of each year. By December 15<sup>th</sup> the Board of Education is to certify to the applicable board of county commissioners the amounts necessary to be raised from levies against the assessed valuation of all taxable property located within the school district to defray expenditures therefrom during the next ensuing Fiscal Year. The Board of Education may not expend moneys in excess of the amount appropriated by resolution for a particular fund.

The annual budget for all expenditures and estimated revenues prepared by the Board of Education becomes the financial operating plan for the school district after adoption by the Board of Education. The budget may be revised from time to time after following steps required by Board of Education policy and State law.

### **Financial Statements**

An annual audit of the school district’s financial affairs is required by State law to be submitted to the Board of Education within five months after the close of the Fiscal Year and filed with the State Auditor and the State Commissioner of Education within 30 days after receipt thereof by the school district. Failure to file an audit report may result in the withholding of moneys of the school district by the applicable county treasurers until the audit report is filed with the State Auditor.

Due to the number of Participating Districts, the audited financial statements of the Participating Districts are not presented in this Official Statement; however, such financial statements are available upon request as provided in “INTRODUCTION – Additional Information” and “MISCELLANEOUS.”

### **Summary Financial Information Regarding the Participating Districts**

The following table sets forth certain financial information concerning the Participating Districts. The Participating Districts expected to borrow the largest percentages of available proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and planned Parity Lien Notes are Denver School District No. 1 and Boulder Valley School District RE-2. See “Largest Borrowers” following the table.

# Participating District Financial Information

(Totals may not add due to rounding)

Participating District	Amount of Program Loans <sup>1</sup>						Fiscal Year 2016-17 Tax Information				Fiscal Year 2015-16 Loan Program Information <sup>5</sup>	
	Series 2016A Notes	% of Total	Projected Parity Lien Notes	% of Total	Total Amount Borrowed	% of Total	Estimated 2016 Assessed Valuation (000's) <sup>2</sup>	Estimated 2017 Tax Collections <sup>3</sup>	Ratio of Amount Borrowed to Estimated 2017 Tax Collections	3 Year Average <sup>4</sup>	Amount Borrowed	Repayment Date (2016)
Boulder Valley	\$ 46,756,338	15.4%	\$ 65,504,352	24.1%	\$112,260,690	19.5%	\$ 6,026,913	\$208,196,958	53.9%	99.4%	\$121,373,640	May 12
Cherry Creek (Arapahoe 5)	30,538,085	10.1	41,929,925	15.4	72,468,010	12.6	5,255,383	190,812,209	38.0	98.8	65,626,212	May 12
Colorado Springs D-11	--	--	3,226,590	1.2	3,226,590	0.6	2,472,692	78,308,439	4.1	99.0	--	--
Commerce City (Adams 14)	2,017,134	0.7	2,816,805	1.0	4,833,939	0.8	658,223	17,633,051	27.4	97.5	--	--
Custer County C-1	217,794	0.1	217,811	0.1	435,605	0.1	99,690	1,793,826	24.3	100.3	269,086	March 11
Denver R-1	174,076,535	57.4	74,694,458	27.5	248,770,993	43.2	13,463,620	377,159,767	66.0	99.3	197,000,000	May 12
Douglas County RE-1	18,433,823	6.2	40,776,991	15.0	59,210,814	10.3	5,708,184	165,618,970	35.8	97.3	21,000,000	March 11
Durango (La Plata 9-R)	4,266,605	1.4	3,105,419	1.1	7,372,024	1.3	1,393,629	15,852,750	46.5	98.3	4,561,848	March 25
Eagle County RE-50	11,219,691	3.7	8,239,353	3.0	19,459,044	3.4	2,797,547	34,587,825	56.3	98.8	19,642,154	May 12
Englewood (Arapahoe 1)	--	--	2,015,844	0.7	2,015,844	0.4	468,679	13,575,845	14.8	99.5	--	--
Estes Park (Larimer R-3)	978,976	0.3	1,551,260	0.6	2,530,236	0.4	362,432	8,089,553	31.3	99.6	2,130,450	May 12
Gilcrest (Weld RE-1)	399,510	0.1	2,946,220	1.1	3,345,730	0.6	1,311,239	11,745,851	28.5	99.3	8,748,574	May 27
Hayden (Routt RE-1)	909,411	0.3	810,093	0.3	1,719,504	0.3	102,717	2,821,692	60.9	97.4	1,799,202	May 27
Keenesburg (Weld RE-3J)	2,408,962	0.8	4,635,439	1.7	7,044,401	1.2	1,444,048	16,397,567	43.0	99.9	7,120,445	May 27
Lake County (Leadville)	1,576,028	0.5	959,483	0.4	2,535,511	0.4	230,523	5,547,112	45.7	97.0	2,801,705	May 12
Mapleton (Adams 1)	1,118,532	0.4	323,838	0.1	1,442,370	0.3	510,477	14,339,464	10.1	98.3	--	--
Mesa County 51 (Grand Junction)	--	--	4,488,000	1.7	4,488,000	0.8	1,670,434	42,653,629	10.5	98.7	--	--
Montezuma - Cortez RE-1	1,870,562	0.6	1,854,908	0.7	3,725,470	0.6	676,530	8,922,312	41.8	99.8	2,111,284	May 12
Platte Valley (Weld RE-7)	385,306	0.1	1,213,169	0.5	1,598,475	0.3	1,346,161	6,961,380	23.0	99.9	3,667,959	May 12
Pueblo 70	504,166	0.2	1,741,158	0.6	2,245,324	0.4	669,182	16,208,113	13.9	98.5	2,813,981	March 11
Summit County RE-1	5,822,102	1.9	4,807,016	1.8	10,629,118	1.9	1,749,716	21,525,942	49.4	99.8	1,062,774	March 11
Wiggins (Morgan RE-50(J))	12,795	0.0	313,845	0.1	326,640	0.1	165,210	2,341,018	14.0	97.7	300,000	March 11
Windsor (Weld RE-4)	--	--	3,585,081	1.3	3,585,081	0.6	590,159	17,201,371	20.8	100.0	3,470,870	May 12
	\$303,512,355	100.0%	\$271,757,058	100.0%	\$575,269,413	100.0%						

<sup>1</sup> These are estimates based upon information furnished by the Participating Districts regarding the amounts that they will borrow from the proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and Parity Lien Notes expected to be issued by the State Treasurer in Fiscal Year 2016-17. Such amounts do not necessarily represent the actual Maximum Principal Amount that will be borrowed from the Loan Program by such Participating Districts. See "THE LOAN PROGRAM; APPLICATION OF SERIES 2016A NOTES PROCEEDS." The Owners of the Series 2016A Notes will have a lien upon the Taxes of these Participating Districts, as well as on the Taxes of any Participating Districts that have not yet expressed the intent to participate in the Series 2016A Notes program (and thus are not included in the table) but eventually do participate in the program. Such lien also will be on parity with the lien thereon of the Owners of any Parity Lien Notes. The State Treasurer expects to issue Parity Lien Notes in Fiscal Year 2016-17. See "THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Parity Lien Notes."

<sup>2</sup> Assessed valuation amounts are required by State law to be certified by County Assessors to the school districts within their respective counties no later than August 25<sup>th</sup> of each year, and are subject to adjustment until December 10<sup>th</sup> of such year. See "Ad Valorem Property Tax Procedure – Taxation Procedure" above. The estimated amounts have been provided by the Department of Education based upon information furnished by the Participating Districts and the applicable County Assessors, and other factors. Such amounts are estimates only, and material differences could occur between these estimates and the final assessed valuations certified by the County Assessors. See also the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

<sup>3</sup> This amount was calculated for each Participating District by multiplying the estimated 2016 assessed value of the Participating District by the Participating District's estimated 2016 general fund mill levy; and assumes collections of 100% of Taxes collected by all Participating Districts normally during the months of March through June of 2017. Mill levies for 2017 tax collections are not required to be certified by the Participating Districts until December 15, 2016. The estimated mill levies used to calculate the estimated Taxes collected during Fiscal Year 2016-17 are based upon information provided by the Participating Districts and are subject to change. However, because Colorado school district taxes are determined pursuant to the Public School Finance Act, such changes, if any, are not expected to be material. See "State Equalization Funding of School Districts – Allocation of Total Program Funding" above and "INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Repayment of Program Loans."

<sup>4</sup> Based on each Participating District's actual collection data for Fiscal Years 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15.

<sup>5</sup> Participating District's actual borrowing amounts and repayment dates for Fiscal Year 2015-16. These amounts were funded with the proceeds of the State's Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2015A and Series 2015B. Actual borrowing and repayment data excludes South Routt, Sierra Grande, and Briggsdale Weld (RE-10), which borrowed \$1,265,000, \$635,544 and \$1,000,000, respectively, in the Fiscal Year 2015-16 program and repaid such amounts in full on May 12, 2016, April 14, 2016, and May 12, 2016, respectively.

Sources: The Participating Districts, the Colorado Department of Education and the State Treasurer's Office

## **Largest Borrowers**

**Denver School District No. 1.** School District No. 1, commonly known as Denver Public Schools (“DPS”), is expected to be the largest borrower of proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and planned Parity Lien Notes. DPS expects to borrow approximately 57.4% of the net proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and approximately 27.5% of the net proceeds of the planned Parity Lien Notes, or approximately 43.2% of the combined amount of the Series 2016A Notes and the planned Parity Lien Notes.

DPS is the only school district serving the City and County of Denver, the boundaries of which are coterminous with those of the City, encompassing approximately 155 square miles with an estimated population of approximately 635,000. For the 2015-16 school year, the district’s full time equivalent pupil count (October 1 pupil count), including charter schools but excluding on-line and ASCENT pupils, is 85,584.6. The equivalent October 1 pupil counts for the 2014-15, 2013-14 and 2012-13 school years were 83,221.0, 79,714.5 and 76,502.5, respectively. See “State Equalization Funding of School Districts – *Total Program Funding Formula*” above in this section.

The 2015 certified assessed valuation of DPS (for ad valorem property tax collections in 2016), net of the assessed valuation attributable to tax increment financing districts from which the district derives no property tax revenue, is approximately \$13.22 billion. The district’s total tax levy for the 2015 levy year (2016 tax collection year) is 47.397 mills, of which 25.541 mills is for the district’s local share of Total Program funding pursuant to the Public School Finance Act, 10.976 mills is for voter-approved override revenues, 10.250 mills is for debt service on general obligation bonds and 0.630 mills is to recover lost revenue due to prior year tax abatements and credits. The 2016 assessed valuation of DPS (for ad valorem property tax collections in 2017), net of the assessed valuation attributable to tax increment financing districts from which the district derives no property tax revenue, is projected to be approximately \$13.5 billion.

**Boulder Valley School District RE-2.** Boulder Valley School District RE-2 (“BVSD”) is expected to be the second largest borrower of proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and the Series 2016B Notes. BVSD expects to borrow approximately 15.4% of the net proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes and approximately 24.1% of the net proceeds of the Series 2016B Notes, or approximately 19.5% of the combined amount of the Series 2016A Notes and the Series 2016B Notes.

BVSD encompasses approximately 500 square miles in Boulder and Gilpin Counties and the City and County of Broomfield approximately 20 miles northwest of Denver, including the cities of Boulder, Lafayette, Louisville and Superior, a large portion of the City and County of Broomfield, the towns of Gold Hill, Jamestown, Nederland and Ward, a portion of the town of Erie and certain unincorporated areas within the counties. The district serves an estimated population of 211,000. For the 2015-16 school year, the district’s full time equivalent pupil count (October 1 pupil count), including charter schools but excluding on-line and ASCENT pupils, is 29,702.3. The equivalent October 1 pupil counts for the 2014-15, 2013-14 and 2012-13 school years were 28,556.5, 28,674.0 and 28,247.0, respectively. See “State Equalization Funding of School Districts – *Total Program Funding Formula*” above in this section.

The 2015 certified assessed valuation of BVSD (for ad valorem property tax collections in 2016), net of the assessed valuation attributable to tax increment financing districts from which the district derives no property tax revenue, is approximately \$5.85 billion. The district’s total tax levy for the 2015 levy year (2016 tax collection year) is 45.814 mills, of which 25.023 mills is for the district’s local share of Total Program funding pursuant to the Public School Finance Act, 11.348 mills is for voter-approved override revenues, 1.247 mills is to fund excess transportation costs, 7.885 mills is for debt service on general obligation bonds and 0.311 mills is to recover lost revenue due to prior year tax abatements and credits. The 2016 assessed valuation of DPS (for ad valorem property tax collections in 2017), net of the assessed valuation attributable to tax increment financing districts from which the district derives no property tax revenue, is projected to be approximately \$6 billion.



## **Major Taxpayers**

Taxes consist of only those revenues that are received by the Participating Districts during the period of March through June of 2017. Typically, taxing entities do not collect 100% of the taxes levied each year; however, the property tax collection rate among the Participating Districts historically has been very high as shown in the previous table.

Receipt of Taxes by the Participating Districts requires timely payment of ad valorem property taxes by property owners. Participating Districts having one or more large taxpayers are particularly dependent upon the timely payment of property taxes by such taxpayers. Taxpayers owning more than 10% of the property comprising the certified assessed valuation of a Participating District typically are public or private companies involved in the mining or drilling industries or in the production of power. Property tax payments by such taxpayers could be impacted not only by each taxpayer's individual financial condition but also by events that negatively impact the energy production industry as a whole. It is not possible to predict whether any such events will occur that will have a material impact upon the repayment of the Program Loans.

## **THE STATE**

### **General Profile**

Colorado became the 38<sup>th</sup> state of the United States of America when it was admitted to the union in 1876. Its borders encompass 103,718 square miles of the high plains and the Rocky Mountains, with elevations ranging from 3,315 to 14,433 feet above sea level. The current population of the State is approximately five million. The State's major economic sectors include agriculture, professional and business services, manufacturing, technology, tourism, energy production and mining. Considerable economic activity is generated in support of these sectors by government, wholesale and retail trade, transportation, communications, public utilities, finance, insurance, real estate and other services. See also "APPENDIX C – STATE OF COLORADO COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015" and "APPENDIX D – CERTAIN STATE ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION" for additional information about the State.

### **Organization**

The State maintains a separation of powers utilizing three branches of government: executive, legislative and judicial. The executive branch comprises four major elected officials: the Governor, State Treasurer, Attorney General and Secretary of State. The chief executive power is allocated to the Governor, who has responsibility for administering the budget and managing the executive branch. The State Constitution empowers the General Assembly to establish up to 20 principal departments in the executive branch. Most departments of the State report directly to the Governor; however, the Departments of Treasury, Law and State report to their respective elected officials, and the Department of Education reports to the elected State Board of Education. The elected officials serve four year terms. The current term of such officials commenced in January of 2015 (following the general election held in November of 2014) and will expire on the second Tuesday in January of 2019. No elected executive official may serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

The General Assembly is bicameral, consisting of the 35-member Senate and 65-member House of Representatives. Senators serve a term of four years and representatives serve a term of two years. No senator may serve more than two consecutive terms, and no representative may serve more than four consecutive terms. The State Constitution allocates to the General Assembly legislative responsibility for, among other things, appropriating State moneys to pay the expenses of State government. The General Assembly meets annually in regular session beginning no later than the second Wednesday of

January of each year. Regular sessions may not exceed 120 calendar days. Special sessions may be convened by proclamation of the Governor or by written request of two-thirds of the members of each house to consider only those subjects for which the special session is requested.

## **STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

The information in this section, “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST” describes general State finances and particularly funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes. On the Closing Date, the State Treasurer is required to deposit to the Interest Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account, from Current General Fund Revenues then available, an amount equal to the interest to accrue on the Series 2016A Notes from the Closing Date to the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date. The State Resolution also requires the State Treasurer to credit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account all amounts received from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, in repayment of their Program Loans. Prospective investors are advised that in the event the amounts received by the State Treasurer from Participating Districts as repayment of their Program Loans on or before June 25, 2017, together with investment earnings thereon, is insufficient to pay the principal of the Series 2016A Notes when due, the principal of the Series 2016A Notes will be payable solely from funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the District Notes. The Series 2016A Notes are not general obligations of the State. See also “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account*” and “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Repayment of Program Loans – Liquidity Sources in the Event of a Default in the Repayment of Program Loans; Subordination of Certain State Funds.”

### **The State Treasurer**

The State Constitution provides that the State Treasurer is to be the custodian of public funds in the State Treasurer’s care, subject to legislative direction concerning safekeeping and management of such funds. The State Treasurer is the head of the statutorily created Department of the Treasury (the “State Treasury”), which receives all State moneys collected by or otherwise coming into the hands of any officer, department, institution or agency of the State (except certain institutions of higher education). The State Treasurer deposits and disburses those moneys in the manner prescribed by law. Every officer, department, institution and agency of the State (except for certain institutions of higher education) charged with the responsibility of collecting taxes, licenses, fees and permits imposed by law and of collecting or accepting tuition, rentals, receipts from the sale of property and other moneys accruing to the State from any source is required to transmit those moneys to the State Treasury under procedures prescribed by law or by fiscal rules promulgated by the Office of the State Controller. The State Treasurer and the State Controller may authorize any department, institution or agency collecting or receiving State moneys to deposit such moneys to a depository to the State Treasurer’s credit in lieu of transmitting such moneys to the State Treasury.

The State Treasurer has discretion to invest in a broad range of interest bearing securities described by statute. See “Investment and Deposit of State Funds” under this caption and “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Investment of the State Pool.” All interest derived from the deposit and investment of State moneys must be credited to the General Fund unless otherwise expressly provided by law.

## Taxpayer's Bill of Rights

**General.** As discussed in "SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Taxpayer's Bill of Rights," Article X, Section 20 of the State Constitution, entitled the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights and commonly known as "TABOR," imposes various fiscal limits and requirements on the State and its local governments, excluding "enterprises," which are defined in TABOR as government-owned businesses authorized to issue their own revenue bonds and receiving less than 10% of their annual revenues in grants from all State and local governments combined. Certain limitations contained in TABOR may be exceeded with prior voter approval.

TABOR provides a limitation on the amount of revenue that may be kept by the State in any particular Fiscal Year, regardless of whether that revenue is actually spent during the Fiscal Year. This revenue limitation is effected through a limitation on "fiscal year spending" as discussed hereafter. Any revenue received during a Fiscal Year in excess of the limitations provided for in TABOR must be refunded to the taxpayers during the next Fiscal Year unless voters approve a revenue change.

TABOR also requires prior voter approval for the following, with certain exceptions: (i) any new State tax, State tax rate increase, extension of an expiring State tax or State tax policy change directly causing a net revenue gain to the State; or (ii) the creation of any State "multiple fiscal year direct or indirect ... debt or other financial obligation."

Thirdly, TABOR requires the State to maintain an emergency reserve equal to 3% of its fiscal year spending (the "TABOR Reserve"), which may be expended only upon: (i) the declaration of a State emergency by passage of a joint resolution approved by a two-thirds majority of the members of both houses of the General Assembly and subsequently approved by the Governor; or (ii) the declaration of a disaster emergency by the Governor. The annual Long Appropriation Bill (the "Long Bill") designates the resources that constitute the TABOR Reserve, which historically have consisted of portions of various State funds plus certain State real property. The amounts of the TABOR Reserve for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 have been estimated in the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast to be \$384.2 million and \$397.2 million, respectively.

**Fiscal Year Revenue and Spending Limits; Referendum C.** As noted above, unless otherwise approved by the voters, TABOR limits annual increases in State revenues and fiscal year spending, with any excess revenues required to be refunded to taxpayers. Fiscal year spending is defined as all expenditures and reserve increases except those for refunds made in the current or next Fiscal Year or those from gifts, federal funds, collections for another government, pension contributions by employees and pension fund earnings, reserve transfers or expenditures, damage awards or property tax sales.

The maximum annual percentage change in State fiscal year spending is limited by TABOR to inflation (determined as the percentage change in U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for Denver, Boulder and Greeley, all items, all urban consumers, or its successor index) plus the percentage change in State population in the prior calendar year, adjusted for revenue changes approved by voters after 1991, being the base year for calculating fiscal year spending. TABOR provides for an automatic decrease in the State fiscal year spending limit when State TABOR revenues decline without a corresponding automatic increase in State fiscal year spending limit when State TABOR revenues increase. This can result in what is commonly referred to as the "ratchet down effect" whenever there is a decline in TABOR revenues. The ratchet down effect occurs because each year's TABOR limit is calculated based on the lesser of the prior year's TABOR revenues or the prior year's TABOR limit. In a year in which the State's TABOR revenues are below the existing TABOR limit, the lesser amount is required to be used to calculate the following year's TABOR limit. Unlike this automatic reduction, the only means of increasing the TABOR limit is with the approval of State voters. The State experienced the ratchet down effect when TABOR revenues declined by 13.1% between Fiscal Years 2000-01 and 2002-03, followed by an increase of 8.0% in Fiscal Year 2003-04.

Several measures were passed by the General Assembly during the 2005 legislative session in an effort to relieve State budget challenges, including statutory changes designed to mitigate the ratchet down effect of TABOR on the State's finances. One of two measures that were referred by the General Assembly to a statewide vote in November of 2005, designated "Referendum C," was approved by State voters and thereafter codified as Sections 24-77-103.6 and 106.5, C.R.S. The immediate impact of Referendum C was to preclude any ratchet down effect on the State beginning in Fiscal Years 2005-06. It also authorized the State to retain and spend any amount in excess of the TABOR limit in Fiscal Years 2005-06 through 2009-10. For Fiscal Years 2010-11 and thereafter, Referendum C created an Excess State Revenues Cap, or "ESRC," as a voter-approved revenue change under TABOR that now serves as the limit on the State's fiscal year revenue retention. The base for the ESRC was established as the highest annual State TABOR revenues received in Fiscal Years 2005-06 through 2009-10. This amount, being the revenues received in Fiscal Year 2007-08, is then adjusted for each subsequent Fiscal Year for inflation, the percentage change in State population, the qualification or disqualification of enterprises and debt service changes, each having their respective meanings under TABOR and other applicable State law.

As a result of Referendum C, the State was able to retain the following amounts in excess of the previously applicable TABOR limit: \$1.116 billion in Fiscal Year 2005-06, \$1.308 billion in Fiscal Year 2006-07 and \$1.169 billion in Fiscal Year 2007-08. TABOR revenues did not exceed the TABOR limit in either of Fiscal Years 2008-09 or 2009-10. TABOR revenues exceeded the TABOR limit in Fiscal Years 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 by \$0.771 billion, \$1.473 billion and \$1.860 billion, respectively, although no refunds were required because such revenues were below the applicable ESRC.

The OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast states that TABOR revenues in Fiscal Years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 have exceeded or will exceed the TABOR limit by \$2.384 billion, \$2.408 billion and \$2.520 billion, respectively, resulting in the State being \$169.7 million above the actual ESRC in Fiscal Year 2014-15, \$80.7 million below the projected ESRC in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and \$46.0 million below the projected ESRC in Fiscal Year 2016-17. The OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast shows a TABOR refund of \$153.7 million<sup>1</sup> in Fiscal Year 2014-15 associated with revenues in excess of the ESRC. The other \$19.6 million of the \$169.7 million excess results from a reclassification of revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund as being subject to TABOR. This money helps fund dental services for adults under the Medicaid program. Previously, the money was not counted as TABOR revenue. However, the legal analysis and audit review on this occurred after refund amounts were established for State income tax forms. Such adjustments and audit findings have occurred in the past and the process calls for the money to be refunded in the next year a refund is due, which, according to the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast, is Fiscal Year 2017-18.

Colorado law currently specifies three mechanisms by which revenues in excess of the ESRC are to be refunded to taxpayers: a sales tax refund to all taxpayers, the earned income tax credit to qualified taxpayers and a temporary income tax rate reduction. The amount that needs to be refunded determines which refund mechanisms are used. See "APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST – Taxpayer's Bill of Rights: Revenue Limit" for a discussion of the statutorily defined refund methodology and the anticipated refund that will be distributed through each mechanism according to the revenue projections in the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast. See also "APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – General Fund Overview."

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<sup>1</sup> This amount includes \$150.1 million in revenue above the ESRC for Fiscal Year 2014-15, as well as \$3.6 million in pending amounts owed related to refunds from prior years as the result of either (a) adjustments that were made to State accounting records for years in which TABOR refunds occurred that resulted in additional required refunds to taxpayers, or (b) the refund mechanisms used in previous years resulting in refunds of less than the amount required. Such refunds are held by the State until a future year in which a TABOR refund occurs, when they are added to the total refund amount and distributed to taxpayers. See "APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST – Taxpayer's Bill of Rights: Revenue Limit."

Referendum C also creates the “General Fund Exempt Account” within the General Fund, to which there is to be credited moneys equal to the amount of TABOR revenues in excess of the TABOR limit that the State retains for a given Fiscal Year pursuant to Referendum C. Such moneys may be appropriated or transferred by the General Assembly for the purposes of: (i) health care; (ii) public elementary, high school and higher education, including any related capital construction; (iii) retirement plans for firefighters and police officers if the General Assembly determines such funding to be necessary; and (iv) strategic transportation projects in the Colorado Department of Transportation Strategic Transportation Project Investment Program.

***Voter Approval to Retain and Spend Certain Marijuana Taxes Associated with Proposition***

**AA.** At the general election held on November 3, 2015, the State’s voters authorized the State to retain and spend \$66.1 million in sales and excise taxes on the sale of marijuana and marijuana products (“Marijuana Taxes”) authorized by Proposition AA approved by the State’s voters in November of 2013 that would otherwise have been subject to a required refund to taxpayers in Fiscal Year 2015-16 pursuant to TABOR. HB 15-1367, which referred the measure (Proposition BB) to the State’s voters, also provides for the allocation of the retained amount for public school capital construction, for various purposes such as law enforcement, youth programs and marijuana education and prevention programs and for use by the General Fund for any purpose. For more information on how these amounts are treated in the General Fund, see the discussion in “General Fund and State Education Fund Budget” in the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast. HB 15-1367 also reduces the 10% special sales tax on retail marijuana sales to 8% starting in Fiscal Year 2017-18, subject, however, to later reinstatement without additional voter approval under the circumstances provided therein.

***Effect of TABOR on the Series 2016A Notes.*** Voter approval under TABOR is not required for the issuance of the Series 2016A Notes as they are both issued and payable within the same Fiscal Year and as such do not constitute a “multiple fiscal year direct or indirect ... debt or other financial obligation” within the meaning of TABOR. Further, the revenue and spending limits of TABOR are not expected to affect the ability of the State to collect and spend the Pledged Revenues for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes.

## **State Funds**

The principal operating fund of the State is the General Fund. All revenues and moneys not required by the State Constitution or statutes to be credited and paid into a special fund are required to be credited and paid into the General Fund. The State also maintains a large number of statutorily created special funds for which specific revenues are designated for specific purposes, and, if necessary, are available for paying the principal of the Series 2016A Notes. Some of the Funds are considered Borrowable Resources available to pay the principal of and interest on any outstanding State General Fund Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes. See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account*,” “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Certain Funds Eligible for Investment in the District Notes – Borrowable Resources – The State General Fund,” “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

## **Budget Process and Other Considerations**

***Phase I (Executive).*** The budget process begins in June of each year when State departments reporting to the Governor prepare both operating and capital budgets for the Fiscal Year beginning 13 months later. In August, these budgets are submitted to the OSPB, a part of the Governor’s office, for review and analysis. The OSPB advises the Governor on departmental budget requests and overall budgetary status. Budget decisions are made by the Governor following consultation with affected

departments and the OSPB. Such decisions are reflected in the first budget submitted November for each department to the Joint Budget Committee of the General Assembly (the “JBC”), as described below. In January, the Governor makes additional budget recommendations to the JBC for the budget of all branches of the State government, except that the elected executive officials, the judicial branch and the legislative branch may make recommendations to the JBC for their own budgets.

***Phase II (Legislative).*** The JBC, consisting of three members from each house of the General Assembly, develops the legislative budget proposal embodied in the Long Bill, which is introduced in and approved by the General Assembly. Following receipt of testimony by State departments and agencies, the JBC marks up the Long Bill and directs the manner in which appropriated funds are to be spent. The Long Bill includes: (i) General Fund appropriations, supported by general purpose revenue such as taxes; (ii) General Fund Exempt appropriations primarily funded by TABOR-exempt or excess TABOR revenues retained under Referendum C; (iii) cash fund appropriations supported primarily by grants, transfers and departmental charges for services; (iv) reappropriated amounts funded by transfers and earnings appropriated elsewhere in the Long Bill; and (v) estimates of federal funds to be expended that are not subject to legislative appropriation. The Long Bill usually is reported to the General Assembly in March or April with a narrative text. Under current practice, the Long Bill is reviewed and debated in party caucuses in each house. Amendments may be offered by each house, and the JBC generally is designated as a conference committee to reconcile differences. The Long Bill always has been adopted prior to commencement of the Fiscal Year in July. Specific bills creating new programs or amending tax policy are considered separately from the Long Bill in the legislative process. The General Assembly takes action on these specific bills, some of which include additional appropriations separate from the Long Bill. The Long Bill for Fiscal Year 2016-17 (HB 16-1405) was adopted by the General Assembly in April of 2016.

***Phase III (Executive).*** The Governor may approve or veto the Long Bill or any specific bills. In addition, the Governor may veto line items in the Long Bill or any other bill that contains an appropriation. The Governor’s vetoes are subject to override by a two-thirds majority of each house of the General Assembly. The Long Bill for Fiscal Year 2016-17 was approved and signed by the Governor on May 3, 2016.

***Phase IV (Legislative).*** During the Fiscal Year for which appropriations have been made, the General Assembly may increase or decrease appropriations through supplemental appropriations. Any supplemental appropriations are considered amendments to the Long Bill and are subject to the line item veto of the Governor.

***Revenues and Unappropriated Amounts.*** For each Fiscal Year, a statutorily defined amount of unrestricted General Fund year-end balances is required to be retained as a reserve (as previously defined, the “Unappropriated Reserve”), which may be used for possible deficiencies in General Fund revenues. Unrestricted General Fund revenues that exceed the required Unappropriated Reserve, based upon revenue estimates, are then available for appropriation, unless they are obligated by statute for another purpose. In response to economic conditions and their effect on estimated General Fund revenues, the General Assembly periodically modifies the required amount of the Unappropriated Reserve. Set forth in the following table are the Unappropriated Reserve requirements for Fiscal Years 2008-09 and thereafter. See also “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – General Fund Overview.”

**State of Colorado**  
**Unappropriated Reserve Requirement**

<u>Fiscal Years</u>	<u>Unappropriated Reserve Requirement<sup>1</sup></u>
2008-09 and 2009-10 <sup>1</sup>	2.0%
2010-11	2.3
2011-12	4.0
2012-13 and 2013-14	5.0
2014-15 <sup>2</sup>	6.5
2015-16 <sup>2,3</sup>	5.6
2016-17 and thereafter <sup>2,3</sup>	6.5

<sup>1</sup> The Unappropriated Reserve for Fiscal Years 2008-09 and 2009-10 was reduced from previously designated level of 4.0% of the amount appropriated for expenditure from the General Fund in such Fiscal Years.

<sup>2</sup> Per SB 15-251, starting in Fiscal Year 2015-16, General Fund appropriations for lease-purchase agreement payments made in connection with certificates of participation sold to fund certain capital projects were made exempt from the reserve calculation requirement. See “DEBT AND CERTAIN OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS – The State, State Departments and Agencies.”

<sup>3</sup> Per HB 14-1337, the Unappropriated Reserve for Fiscal Years 2014-15 and thereafter was increased to 6.5% of the amount appropriated for expenditure from the General Fund in such Fiscal Years. However, HB 16-1419 reduced the Unappropriated Reserve for Fiscal Year 2015-16 to 5.6% of General Fund appropriations subject to the appropriations limit (excluding certificates of participation payments), minus the amount of income tax revenue required by SB 16-218 to be diverted to a reserve fund to fund severance tax refunds resulting from the ruling of the Colorado Supreme Court on April 25, 2016, in *BP America Production Company v. Colorado Department of Revenue*. The Unappropriated Reserve requirement reverts to 6.5% of General Fund appropriations subject to the appropriations limit (excluding certificates of participation payments) for Fiscal Years 2016-17 and thereafter. See Notes 9 and 12 to the “General Fund Overview” table in “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – General Fund Overview,” “LITIGATION, GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AND SELF-INSURANCE – Recent Colorado Supreme Court Decision” and the section of the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast captioned “CASH FUND REVENUE FORECAST – Severance Tax Revenue.”

The OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast projects that the State will end Fiscal Year 2015-16 with reserves of \$7.9 million above the 5.6% Unappropriated Reserve requirement and will end Fiscal Year 2016-17 with reserves of \$10.5 million below the 6.5% Unappropriated Reserve requirement<sup>1</sup>. These figures are based on revenue and budget information available when the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast was completed and are subject to change in subsequent OSPB revenue forecasts based on new information on revenue and expenditures.

See also “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – General Fund Overview – Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

***Expenditures; The Balanced Budget and Statutory Spending Limitation.*** The State Constitution requires that expenditures for any Fiscal Year not exceed available resources for such Fiscal Year. Total unrestricted General Fund appropriations for each Fiscal Year are limited as provided in Section 24-75-201.1, C.R.S. For the Fiscal Years discussed in this Official Statement to and including Fiscal Year 2008-09, total General Fund appropriations were limited to: (i) such moneys as are necessary for reappraisals of any class or classes of taxable property for property tax purposes as required by Section 39-1-105.5, C.R.S., plus (ii) the lesser of (a) an amount equal to 5% of Colorado personal income (as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis for the calendar year preceding the calendar year immediately preceding a given Fiscal Year) or (b) an amount equal to 106% of General Fund appropriations for the previous Fiscal Year. Per SB 09-228, for Fiscal Years 2009-10 and thereafter, total General Fund appropriations are limited to the sum of the amount stated in (i) above plus an amount equal to 5% of Colorado personal income.

Excluded from this appropriations limit are: (i) any General Fund appropriation that, as a result of any requirement of federal law, is made for any new program or service or for any increase in the level of service for any existing program beyond the existing level of service; (ii) any General Fund appropriation that, as a result of any requirement of a final State or federal court order, is made for any new program or

<sup>1</sup> The appropriations amounts in the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 reflect current law.

service or for any increase in the level of service for an existing program beyond the existing level of service; or (iii) any General Fund appropriation of any moneys that are derived from any increase in the rate or amount of any tax or fee that is approved by a majority of the registered electors of the State voting at any general election.

The limitation on the level of General Fund appropriations may also be exceeded for a given Fiscal Year upon the declaration of a State fiscal emergency by the General Assembly, which may be declared by the passage of a joint resolution approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of both houses of the General Assembly and approved by the Governor.

See “Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights” above for a discussion of spending limits imposed on the State by TABOR and changes to these limits as the result of the approval of Referendum C.

***Fiscal Year Spending and Emergency Reserves.*** Through TABOR, the State Constitution imposes restrictions on increases in fiscal year spending without voter approval and requires the State to maintain a TABOR Reserve. See “Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights” under this caption for a discussion of the effects of the State Constitution on the State’s financial operations.

### **Fiscal Controls and Financial Reporting**

No moneys may be disbursed to pay any appropriations unless a commitment voucher has been prepared by the agency seeking payment and submitted to the central accounting system, which is managed by the Office of the State Controller, a division of the Department of Personnel & Administration. The State Controller is the head of the Office of the State Controller. The State Controller or his delegate has statutory responsibility for reviewing each commitment voucher submitted to determine whether the proposed expenditure is authorized by appropriation and whether the appropriation contains sufficient funds to pay the expenditure. All payments from the State Treasury are made by warrants or checks signed by the State Controller and countersigned by the State Treasurer, or by electronic funds transfer. The signature of the State Controller on a warrant or check is full authority for the State Treasurer to pay the warrant or check upon presentation.

The State Controller is appointed by the Executive Director of the Department of Personnel & Administration. Except for certain institutions of higher education which have elected to establish their own fiscal rules, the State Controller has statutory responsibility for coordinating all procedures for financial administration and financial control in order to integrate them into an adequate and unified system, conducting all central accounting and issuing warrants or checks for payment of claims against the State. The State Controller prepares a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, or “CAFR,” in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) applicable to governmental entities, with certain statutory exceptions for budget compliance and reporting. The State’s CAFR for Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR (the “Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR”) is appended to this Official Statement and includes the most current annual financial statements for the State.

The State implemented a new integrated financial system in July 2014 and has been experiencing various issues, including the labor allocation process which continues to utilize the State’s legacy payroll system. The longer time period to complete labor allocation, the first time closing in the new system and developing financial statement reports caused delays in closing the books and producing the State’s financial statements. This resulted in the inability of the State to release the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR until April 2016. See “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE – Compliance With Other Continuing Disclosure Undertakings.”



## **Basis of Accounting**

For a detailed description of the State's basis of accounting, see Note 5 to the financial statements in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement.

## **Basis of Presentation of Financial Results and Estimates**

The financial reports and financial schedules contained in this Official Statement are based on principles that may vary based on the requirements of the report or schedule. The fund level financial statements and revenue estimates are primarily prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue estimates are prepared for those revenues that are related primarily to the general taxing powers of the State, and to a lesser degree include intergovernmental transactions, charges for services and receipts from the federal government. The General Fund as defined in the financial statements includes revenues and expenditures for certain special cash receipts that are related to fees, permits and other charges rather than to the general taxing power of the State.

## **Financial Audits**

Financial and post-performance audits of all State agencies are performed by the State Auditor (the "Auditor") through the Auditor's staff as assisted by independent accounting firms selected solely by the Auditor. The Auditor is an employee of the legislative branch and is appointed for a term of five years by the General Assembly based on the recommendations of the Legislative Audit Committee of the General Assembly. The present Auditor has been appointed to a term expiring on June 30, 2021. The Legislative Audit Committee is comprised of members of both houses of the General Assembly and has responsibility to direct and review audits conducted by the Auditor.

The Office of the State Auditor, being the State's independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed since the date of the State Auditor's report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements presented in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR, nor has the State Auditor performed any procedures relating to this Official Statement.

## **Investment and Deposit of State Funds**

The State Treasurer is empowered by Articles 36 and 75 of Title 24, C.R.S., as well as other State statutes, to invest State funds in certain public and non-public fixed income securities. In making such investments, the State Treasurer is to use prudence and care to preserve the principal and to secure the maximum rate of interest consistent with safety and liquidity. The State Treasurer is also required to formulate investment policies regarding the liquidity, maturity and diversification appropriate to each Fund or pool of funds in the State Treasurer's custody available for investment. In accordance with this directive, the State Treasurer has developed standards for each portfolio to establish the asset allocation, the level of liquidity, the credit risk profile, the average maturity/duration and performance monitoring measures appropriate to the public purpose and goals of each Fund.

The State Treasurer is also authorized to deposit State funds in national or state chartered banks and savings and loan associations having a principal office in the State and designated as an eligible public depository by the State Banking Board or the State Commissioner of Financial Services, respectively. To the extent that the deposits exceed applicable federal insurance limits, they are required to be collateralized with eligible collateral (as defined by statute) having a market value at all times equal to at least 100% of the amount of the deposit that exceeds federal insurance (102% for banks).

See also Notes 14 and 15 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement and "APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Investment of the State Pool."

## **SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS**

### **General**

On the Closing Date, the State Treasurer is required to deposit to the Interest Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account, from Current General Fund Revenues then available, an amount equal to the interest to accrue on the Series 2016A Notes from the Closing Date to the Series 2016A Notes Maturity Date. See “The State General Fund” below and “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND.”

The State Resolution also requires the State Treasurer to credit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account all amounts received from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, in repayment of their Program Loans. However, if on June 26, 2017, the amount credited to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is less than the principal amount of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes, the State Resolution requires the State Treasurer to deposit the amount of the deficiency to the Principal Subaccount from any funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the District Notes. The State Resolution further provides that the State Treasurer is to first utilize all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes prior to the application of Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes. See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account.*”

The ability of the State Treasurer to use Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes. See “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Liquidity Sources in the Event of a Default in the Repayment of Program Loans; Subordination of Certain State Funds” and “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND.”

### **Certain Funds Eligible for Investment in the District Notes**

A deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account on June 25, 2017, is required to be funded by the State Treasurer first from all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes prior to the application of Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes. However, such covenant does not constitute a pledge of or lien on any such funds for that purpose, and there is no limit on the availability or use of such funds for any other purpose permitted or required by law. Further, the State Treasurer has both a statutory and a fiduciary obligation to use prudence and care in investing State funds. See “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds.”

If it becomes necessary to make a deposit to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account in order to fund a deficiency therein, the State Resolution requires the State Treasurer to take such actions as may be necessary to identify and designate the District Notes as an investment of the Funds used to make such deposit, and the Owners of the Series 2016A Notes will have no right or claim to any amounts received by the State under the District Notes after June 25, 2017. See also “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Liquidity Sources in the Event of a Default in the Repayment of Program Loans; Subordination of Certain State Funds,” “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds” and “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND.”

By constitutional or statutory provision and judicial decision, certain State Funds, including, without limitation, the State Education Fund, the Highway Users Tax Fund, the Public School Permanent Fund and the TABOR Emergency Reserve Fund, are not Borrowable Resources although moneys therein may be eligible for investment by the State Treasurer. The two Funds in this category with the largest current balances that are eligible for investment, and thus the Funds that are likely to be considered first by the State Treasurer as an available source of investment in the District Notes in order to provide liquidity in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account in the event of a deficiency therein, are the State Education Fund and the State Highway Fund. Prospective investors are cautioned, however, that these Funds are neither required to be utilized by the State Treasurer, nor pledged for such purpose. The making of such investment by the State Treasurer, and the determination of the Fund or Funds, if any, to be used therefor, is in all cases subject to the application of the investment policies for the various State Funds established by statute and the State Treasurer for such Funds and the exercise of the discretion and fiduciary obligation of the State Treasurer in the investment of State funds. Accordingly, no representation or warranty is made herein that the State Treasurer will in fact utilize amounts available in these Funds, if necessary, to provide liquidity to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account. See also “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds.”

***The State Education Fund.*** The State Education Fund was established by Amendment 23. Amendment 23 also mandates that an amount equal to all State revenues collected from a tax of one-third of one percent on federal taxable income, as modified by law, of every individual, estate, trust and corporation, as defined by law, is to be deposited into this Fund, and that such funds are exempt from the revenue limitations of “TABOR.” See “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights.” The General Assembly may appropriate moneys from the State Education Fund only to increase funding in preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade education or for purposes specifically provided in Amendment 23 as discussed in “SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – State Equalization Funding – Amendment 23.” The State Education Fund represents a shift of General Fund moneys to a restricted cash fund. Moneys in the State Education Fund may not be transferred to the General Fund, and consequently the State Education Fund is not a Borrowable Resource.

The following information has been provided by the State Treasurer’s office to show the actual cash and short term investment balances in the State Education Fund at June 30 of Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2014-15.

**State of Colorado**  
**State Education Fund Actual Cash and Short Term Investment Balances**  
(Dollar amounts expressed in millions)

<u>At June 30</u>	<u>Cash and Investment Balance</u>
2011 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 147.8
2012	140.6
2013 <sup>2</sup>	192.9
2014	1,012.2
2015	693.8

<sup>1</sup> This amount does not include the \$221.4 million receivable as a transfer of the Fiscal Year 2010-11 General Fund Surplus per SB 11-156. The receivable was converted to cash in December 2011 at the date of publication of the State’s Fiscal Year 2010-11 CAFR.

<sup>2</sup> This amount does not include the \$1,073.5 million receivable as a transfer of the Fiscal Year 2012-13 General Fund Surplus per HB 13-1338 (Section 24-75-220(2), C.R.S.). The receivable was converted to cash in December 2013 at the date of publication of the State’s Fiscal Year 2012-13 CAFR. See also “APPENDIX – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – General Fund Overview.”

Source: State Treasurer’s Office

***The State Highway Fund.*** The State Highway Fund is established by Section 43-1-219, C.R.S. All receipts from the following sources are to be credited to the State Highway Fund: (i) such appropriations as may, from time to time, be made by law to the Fund from excise tax revenues; (ii) all revenues accruing to the Fund by law, by way of excise taxation from the imposition of any license,

registration fee or other charge with respect to the operation of any motor vehicle upon any public highways in the State, and the proceeds from the imposition of any excise tax on gasoline or other liquid motor fuel; and (iii) certain receipts from the Limited Gaming Fund. Moneys in the State Highway Fund are to be expended for, among other things, the construction, reconstruction, repair, improvement, planning, supervision and maintenance of the State highway system and other public highways, including any county and municipal roads and highways, together with the acquisition of rights-of-way and access rights for the same; provided, however, that receipts from the Limited Gaming Fund are to be used solely for public roads and highways leading to and within a 50-mile radius of any limited gaming community (currently Black Hawk, Central City, Cripple Creek and any Indian lands where limited gaming is authorized). Moneys in the State Highway Fund may not be transferred to the General Fund, and consequently the State Highway Fund is not a Borrowable Resource.

The following information has been provided by the State Treasurer's office to show the actual cash balances in the State Highway Fund at June 30 of Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2014-15.

**State of Colorado**  
**State Highway Fund Actual Cash and Short Term Investment Balances**  
(Dollar amounts expressed in millions)

<u>At June 30</u>	<u>Cash and Investment Balance</u>
2011	\$1,118.3
2012	1,130.9
2013	1,116.2
2014	1,019.2
2015	795.3

Source: State Treasurer's Office

### **Borrowable Resources**

Borrowable Resources consist of over 600 funds and accounts other than the General Fund. By constitutional or statutory provision and judicial decision, certain State Funds, such as the Public School Permanent Fund, the State Education Fund, the Highway Users Tax Fund and the TABOR Emergency Reserve Fund, are not Borrowable Resources. Borrowable Resources are considered to be moneys in the State pool, and as such are invested as described in "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds" and "APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Investment of the State Pool."

The ability of the State Treasurer to utilize Borrowable Resources to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account will depend upon the availability of funds in the State Treasury that are eligible for investment in the District Notes, and is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes. The availability of Borrowable Resources may also be affected by the State's statutory obligation to assure the timely payment of certain school district bonds and lease obligations pursuant to Section 22-41-110, C.R.S., commonly referred to as the "State Intercept Act."

The following tables set forth the actual and estimated Borrowable Resources for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17. The estimates in the tables are based on various assumptions made by the State Treasurer's office, which are subject to uncertainties. Inevitably, some assumptions used to develop the forecasted amounts will not be realized, and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, there are likely to be differences between the forecasted amounts in the tables and the amounts ultimately realized, and such differences may be material. See also the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements. See also "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Fiscal Controls and Financial Reporting."

**State of Colorado**  
**Actual and Estimated Borrowable Resources**  
**Fiscal Year 2015-16<sup>1,2,3</sup>**

(Amounts expressed in millions; totals may not add due to rounding)

	<b>Actual</b>										<b>Estimated</b>	
	<b>July 2015</b>	<b>Aug 2015</b>	<b>Sept 2015</b>	<b>Oct 2015</b>	<b>Nov 2015</b>	<b>Dec 2015</b>	<b>Jan 2016</b>	<b>Feb 2016</b>	<b>Mar 2016</b>	<b>Apr 2016</b>	<b>May 2016</b>	<b>June 2016</b>
Aviation Fund	\$ 18.0	\$ 18.4	\$ 18.7	\$ 17.9	\$ 18.9	\$ 18.8	\$ 18.2	\$ 19.2	\$ 20.0	\$ 19.2	\$ 19.0	\$ 19.4
Capital Construction Fund	256.0	269.8	265.0	250.8	232.9	220.9	191.9	153.3	134.0	163.7	103.7	105.4
College Scholarship Fund	162.0	155.0	18.7	18.7	47.2	186.5	183.8	123.8	46.7	50.2	49.2	34.0
Colorado Student Obligation Bond Authority – Administration	31.7	32.3	39.9	38.8	37.1	30.6	32.5	31.8	32.0	31.7	32.1	41.1
Hazardous Substance Fund	14.7	14.6	15.0	15.0	14.9	14.6	14.9	14.7	14.6	14.8	14.9	15.4
Higher Education Funds <sup>4</sup>	1,211.2	1,490.6	1,643.8	1,592.0	1,528.5	1,461.1	1,624.2	1,687.7	1,687.8	1,618.0	1,514.3	1,600.2
Hospital Provider Fee	52.1	15.4	16.4	22.1	27.1	32.0	40.2	49.9	49.1	56.2	63.0	0.0
Limited Gaming Fund	48.4	3.0	4.9	8.5	12.7	16.6	20.9	25.5	29.9	35.2	40.5	46.4
Lottery Fund	45.0	49.7	33.9	42.7	50.2	40.8	48.2	51.4	34.2	43.4	52.8	36.6
Mineral Impact Fund	101.3	111.8	69.1	83.5	94.9	80.9	90.1	100.7	91.9	106.6	118.9	91.4
School Capital Construction Assistance	163.0	187.6	182.8	179.9	188.2	193.8	199.0	226.7	210.9	212.1	227.3	230.0
State and Local Severance Tax Funds	109.3	108.9	102.4	106.2	99.2	105.5	107.3	109.3	113.4	119.8	124.1	123.1
State Public School Fund	388.2	206.4	476.6	262.6	54.8	271.6	88.2	10.1	331.5	163.8	104.3	33.8
Tobacco Tax Funds	33.5	36.0	30.5	35.1	36.8	32.7	36.6	37.9	32.9	36.0	37.2	2.3
Water Conservation Construction Fund	140.0	143.0	164.5	161.9	158.3	167.0	162.9	157.4	164.5	175.7	180.0	185.5
Workers' Compensation Fund	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Borrowable Resources	1,856.3	1,845.9	2,094.4	1,796.2	1,977.0	2,359.2	2,257.3	2,265.8	2,229.3	2,133.8	2,358.6	1,525.8
Total Borrowable Resources	4,630.7	4,688.2	5,176.6	4,631.9	4,578.8	5,232.3	5,116.1	5,065.2	5,222.6	4,980.2	5,040.0	4,090.6
Total General Fund	(60.4)	(174.6)	(589.4)	(266.0)	(72.9)	(1,030.7)	(329.6)	(286.9)	(1,001.6)	(186.7)	(160.7)	528.6
Less: Notes Issued and Outstanding	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	--
<b>Net Borrowable Resources</b>	<b>\$3,970.3</b>	<b>\$3,913.6</b>	<b>\$3,987.2</b>	<b>\$3,766.0</b>	<b>\$3,906.0</b>	<b>\$3,601.7</b>	<b>\$4,186.4</b>	<b>\$4,178.2</b>	<b>\$3,621.1</b>	<b>\$4,193.5</b>	<b>\$4,600.7</b>	<b>\$4,619.2</b>

<sup>1</sup> This table shows monthly balances for 16 individual funds plus over 600 other funds and accounts of the State constituting Borrowable Resources. Such funds do not represent State funds with the largest fund balances and are included in this table to be consistent with the Borrowable Resources disclosures provided by the State in the last several years.

<sup>2</sup> The information in this table is presented on a cash basis, and is not directly comparable to similar information included in the State's CAFRs, which is presented on the modified accrual and accrual basis.

<sup>3</sup> Amounts in this table shown as estimates have been made by the State Treasurer's office based on various assumptions and are subject to change. No representation or guaranty is made herein that such estimates will be realized. See also the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

<sup>4</sup> The amounts shown for Higher Education primarily represent cash balances in institutions of higher education other than certain institutions that have statutory authority to operate their own Treasury.

Source: State Treasurer's Office

**State of Colorado**  
**Estimated Borrowable Resources**  
**Fiscal Year 2016-17**<sup>1,2,3</sup>

(Amounts expressed in millions; totals may not add due to rounding)

	<b>July 2016</b>	<b>Aug 2016</b>	<b>Sept 2016</b>	<b>Oct 2016</b>	<b>Nov 2016</b>	<b>Dec 2016</b>	<b>Jan 2017</b>	<b>Feb 2017</b>	<b>Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr 2017</b>	<b>May 2017</b>	<b>June 2017</b>
Aviation Fund	\$ 19.8	\$ 20.2	\$ 20.5	\$ 19.7	\$ 20.8	\$ 20.6	\$ 20.0	\$ 21.1	\$ 22.0	\$ 21.1	\$ 20.9	\$ 21.3
Capital Construction Fund	111.1	117.1	115.0	108.9	101.1	95.9	83.3	66.5	58.2	71.0	45.0	45.8
College Scholarship Fund	36.4	39.0	14.0	14.0	35.4	139.9	137.8	92.9	35.0	37.7	36.9	25.5
Colorado Student Obligation Bond Authority – Administration	41.8	42.6	52.6	51.1	49.0	40.4	42.9	42.0	42.2	41.8	42.4	54.3
Hazardous Substance Fund	15.3	15.2	15.6	15.6	15.5	15.2	15.5	15.3	15.2	15.4	15.5	16.0
Higher Education Funds <sup>4</sup>	1,353.7	1,665.9	1,837.3	1,779.3	1,708.3	1,633.0	1,815.3	1,886.2	1,886.4	1,808.4	1,692.5	1,788.4
Hospital Provider Fee	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Limited Gaming Fund	2.9	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.8
Lottery Fund	40.4	44.6	30.4	38.3	45.0	36.6	43.3	46.2	30.8	39.0	47.4	32.9
Mineral Impact Fund	100.9	111.4	68.8	83.2	94.5	80.6	89.8	100.3	91.6	106.1	118.4	91.0
School Capital Construction Assistance	264.7	304.6	296.8	292.1	305.6	314.7	323.2	368.1	342.5	344.5	369.2	373.6
State and Local Severance Tax Funds	122.6	122.1	114.9	119.2	111.3	118.3	120.3	122.6	127.2	134.4	139.2	138.1
State Public School Fund	18.0	9.6	22.1	12.2	2.5	12.6	4.1	0.5	15.4	7.6	4.8	1.6
Tobacco Tax Funds	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.9	2.5	2.7	2.8	0.2
Water Conservation Construction Fund	189.5	193.5	222.6	219.1	214.3	226.0	220.4	213.0	222.6	237.8	243.6	251.1
Workers' Compensation Fund	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Borrowable Resources	2,232.9	2,220.3	2,519.3	2,160.6	2,378.1	2,359.2	2,257.3	2,265.8	2,229.3	2,133.8	2,358.6	1,405.8
<b>Total Borrowable Resources</b>	<b>4,552.5</b>	<b>4,908.9</b>	<b>5,332.6</b>	<b>4,916.5</b>	<b>5,085.0</b>	<b>5,096.3</b>	<b>5,177.2</b>	<b>5,244.8</b>	<b>5,122.4</b>	<b>5,003.4</b>	<b>5,139.7</b>	<b>4,248.2</b>
Total General Fund	255.9	113.3	(347.5)	(21.6)	155.2	(877.1)	(162.5)	(145.5)	(928.0)	(89.1)	253.6	624.4
Less: Notes Issued and Outstanding	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	(600.0)	
<b>Net Borrowable Resources</b>	<b>\$4,208.4</b>	<b>\$4,422.2</b>	<b>\$4,385.2</b>	<b>\$4,294.9</b>	<b>\$4,640.2</b>	<b>\$3,619.2</b>	<b>\$4,414.7</b>	<b>\$4,499.3</b>	<b>\$3,594.4</b>	<b>\$4,314.3</b>	<b>\$4,793.3</b>	<b>\$4,872.7</b>

<sup>1</sup> This table shows monthly balances for 16 individual funds plus over 600 other funds and accounts of the State constituting Borrowable Resources. Such funds do not represent State funds with the largest fund balances and are included in this table to be consistent with the Borrowable Resources disclosures provided by the State in the last several years.

<sup>2</sup> The information in this table is presented on a cash basis estimate, and is not directly comparable to similar information to be included in the State's CAFR, which will be presented on the modified accrual and accrual basis.

<sup>3</sup> Amounts in this table are estimates made by the State Treasurer's office based on various assumptions and are subject to change. No representation or guaranty is made herein that such estimates will be realized. See also the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

<sup>4</sup> The amounts shown for Higher Education primarily represent cash balances in institutions of higher education other than certain institutions that have statutory authority to operate their own Treasury.

Source: State Treasurer's Office

## **The State General Fund**

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the State. All revenues and moneys not required by the State Constitution or statutes to be credited and paid into a special fund are required to be credited and paid into the General Fund. As required by recent changes in GAAP, the General Fund reported in the State's Fiscal Year 2010-11 CAFR and subsequent CAFRs includes a large number of statutorily created special funds that do not meet the GAAP requirements to be presented as Special Revenue Funds. To make the distinction between the statutory General Fund and the GAAP General Fund, the CAFR refers to the statutory General Fund as the General Purpose Revenue Fund. The revenues in the General Purpose Revenue Fund are not collected for a specific statutory use but rather are available for appropriation for any purpose by the General Assembly. The following discussion of the General Fund represents the legal and accounting entity referred to in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR as the General Purpose Revenue Fund.

It is presently anticipated that a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account would be funded from Current General Fund Revenues eligible for investment in the District Notes only after all other sources of funding therefor have been utilized. In addition, the right of the State Treasurer to use Current General Fund Revenues for this purpose is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes. See "APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND" for a discussion of the General Fund.

## **DEBT AND CERTAIN OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS**

### **The State, State Departments and Agencies**

The State Constitution prohibits the State from incurring debt except for limited purposes, for limited periods of time and in inconsequential amounts. The State courts have defined debt to mean any obligation of the State requiring payment out of future years' general revenues. The State currently has, and upon issuance of the Series 2016A Notes will have, no outstanding general obligation debt.

The State is authorized to and has entered into lease-purchase agreements in connection with various public projects, some of which have been financed by the sale of certificates of participation in the revenues of the related lease-purchase agreements. The obligations of the State to make lease payments under such agreements each Fiscal Year are contingent upon annual appropriations by the General Assembly. See Notes 24 and 25 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a discussion of the outstanding lease-purchase agreements entered into by the State as of June 30, 2015, as well as the aggregate minimum lease payments due under such lease-purchase agreements entered into by the State for Fiscal Years 2014-15 and thereafter. See also Note 45 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a discussion of lease-purchase agreements entered into by the State after June 30, 2015, but before publication of the Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR.

In addition to lease-purchase agreements, the State is authorized to enter into lease or rental agreements for buildings and/or equipment, all of which contain a stipulation that continuation of the lease is subject to funding by the General Assembly. Historically, these agreements have been renewed in the normal course of business and are therefore treated as non-cancelable for financial reporting purposes. In addition, these agreements generally are entered into through private negotiation with lessors, banks or other financial institutions rather than being publicly offered. See Notes 22 and 25 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a discussion of the outstanding lease/rental agreements entered into by the State as of June 30, 2015, as well as the aggregate minimum payment obligations under such agreements in Fiscal Years 2014-15 and thereafter.

The Colorado Department of Transportation (“CDOT”) has issued Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes for the purpose of financing qualified federal aid transportation projects in the State. At June 30, 2015, CDOT had outstanding approximately \$283.3 million in aggregate principal amount of such notes. The notes are payable solely from certain federal and State funds that are allocated on an annual basis by the State Transportation Commission, in its sole discretion. The allocated funds are expected to be comprised of highway moneys paid directly to CDOT by the U.S. Department of Transportation, and appropriations of revenues from the Highway Users Tax Fund allocated by statute to CDOT.

CDOT also is planning to relocate its headquarters campus and three of its regional campuses, and currently plans to finance the project by the sale of certificates of participation in an annually renewable lease-purchase agreement to be entered into by CDOT in connection with the new facilities. The size of the financing has yet to be determined.

State departments and agencies, including State institutions of higher education, also issue revenue bonds for business type activities, as well as bonds and/or notes for the purchase of equipment and construction of facilities and infrastructure. With the exception of the University of Colorado, which is governed by an elected Board of Regents, the institutions of higher education are governed by boards whose members are appointed by the Governor with the consent of the State Senate. See Notes 24, 25 and 45 to the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a discussion of such bonds and notes outstanding as of June 30, 2015, and of those issued after June 30, 2015, but before publication of the Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR. The revenue bonds and certificates of participation listed in such Notes have in most cases been publicly offered, while the notes payable listed in such Notes have generally been private financings directly with banks or other financial institutions. The State has contingent moral obligations to intercept revenue and make certain debt payments on notes and bonds issued by State school districts in the event they fail to make a required payment to the holders of such notes and bonds. See Note 43 to the State’s Fiscal Year 2014 15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement.

See also the Statistical Section of the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a ten year history of the total outstanding debt and related debt service expenditures of the State.

### **State Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes**

Under State law, the State Treasurer is authorized to issue and sell notes payable from the anticipated revenues of any one or more funds or groups of accounts to meet temporary cash flow shortfalls. Since Fiscal Year 1984-85, the State has issued tax and revenue anticipation notes, such as the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes, in order to fund cash flow shortfalls in the General Fund. For certain Fiscal Years, the State has also funded cash flow shortfalls by use of Borrowable Resources. Since Fiscal Year 2003-04, the State has also issued education loan anticipation notes, such as the Series 2016A Notes, for local school districts in anticipation of local school district revenues to be collected at a later date. All tax and revenue anticipation notes previously issued by the State have been paid in full and on time.

See Notes 23 and 44 to the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a discussion of State tax and revenue anticipation notes outstanding as of June 30, 2015, and of such notes issued after June 30, 2015, but before publication of the Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR. The State Series 2016A General Fund Notes are planned to be issued by the State Treasurer in July of 2016 in the principal amount of \$600 million in order to fund anticipated cash flow shortfalls in the State’s General Fund in Fiscal Year 2016-17.

See also the Statistical Section of the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a ten year history of the total outstanding debt and related debt service expenditures of the State.



## State Authorities

A number of State authorities have issued financial obligations to support activities related to the special purposes of such entities. Such obligations do not constitute a debt or liability of the State and the State Treasurer has no responsibility for such issuances, although pursuant to Section 22-30.5-408, C.R.S., the State may, but is not obligated to, appropriate moneys to cure unreplenished draws on debt service reserve funds for certain bonds issued by the Colorado Educational and Cultural Facilities Authority to fund facilities for charter schools. Generally, State authorities are legally separate, independent bodies governed by their own boards, some including ex-officio State officials and/or members appointed by the Governor or ranking members of the General Assembly (in most cases with the consent of the State Senate).

## Pension and Post-Employment Benefits

**General.** The State provides post-employment benefits to its employees based on their work tenure and earnings history through a defined benefit pension plan (as more particularly defined in “APPENDIX E – STATE PENSION SYSTEM,” the “State Division Plan”). State employees hired after 2005 may, in lieu of participating in the State Division Plan, elect to participate in a defined contribution plan (the “State Division DC Plan”), although the majority of State employees participate in the State Division Plan. State employees may also elect to participate in a limited healthcare plan. Each plan is administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association (“PERA”), which is a statutorily created legal entity that is separate from the State. PERA also administers plans for school districts, local governments and other entities, each of which is considered a separate division of PERA and for which the State has no obligation to make contributions or fund benefits. The State does not participate in the federal Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance (Social Security) program.

For a general description of the State Division Plan and PERA, see “APPENDIX D – STATE PENSION SYSTEM.” For a detailed discussion of the State Division Plan, the State Division DC Plan, the limited healthcare plan and PERA, see Notes 18, 19 and 20 to the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement, as well as PERA’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for calendar year 2015 (the “PERA 2015 CAFR”). The information in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR regarding PERA is derived from PERA’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for calendar year 2014, while information in this Official Statement regarding PERA is derived from the PERA 2015 CAFR. See also “*Future Accounting Standards*” hereafter.

**The State Division Plan.** The State Division Plan is funded with contributions made by the State and by each participating State employee at rates that are established by statute. The State has consistently made all statutorily required contributions to the State Division Plan. Nevertheless, at December 31, 2015, the PERA 2015 CAFR reports that the State Division Plan had an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of approximately \$10.2 billion and a funded ratio of only 57.6%. This UAAL would amortize over a 44-year period based on contribution rates as of the date of calculation and scheduled future increases in employer contributions, as well as an investment rate of return on Plan assets and discount rate on actuarially accrued liabilities of 7.5%.

The actuarial value of assets for the State Division Plan uses an asset valuation method of smoothing the difference between the market value of assets and the actuarial value of assets to prevent extreme fluctuations that may result from short-term or cyclical economic and market conditions. Accordingly, the full effect of recent fluctuations in the assets of the State Division Plan as a result of economic and market conditions is not reflected in the aforementioned funded ratio. Based on the market value of assets of the State Division Plan, at December 31, 2015, the Plan had an unfunded accrued liability of approximately \$10.7 billion and a funded ratio of 55.6%.

The funding status of the State Division Plan summarized above reflect the implementation by PERA in 2014 of GASB Statement No. 67, “Financial Reporting for Pension Plans – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 25” (“GASB 67”), which establishes new standards for financial reporting and note disclosure by defined benefit pension plans administered through qualified trusts, such as the State Division Plan, and note disclosure requirements for defined contribution pension plans administered through qualified trusts, such as the State Division DC Plan.

Because the State’s annual contributions with respect to the State Division Plan are set by statute and funded in the State’s annual budget, such contributions are not affected in the short term by changes in the actuarial valuation of the Plan assets or the funding ratio of the Plan.

See generally “APPENDIX E – STATE PENSION SYSTEM” for further information regarding the State Division Plan.

***The Health Care Trust Fund.*** The State also currently offers other post-employment health and life insurance benefits to its employees. The post-employment health insurance to State employees is provided through PERA’s Health Care Trust Fund, in which members from all divisions of PERA are eligible to participate. The Health Care Trust Fund is a cost-sharing, multiple employer plan under which PERA subsidizes a portion of the monthly premium for health insurance coverage for certain State retirees and the remaining amount of the premium is funded by the benefit recipient through an automatic deduction from the monthly retirement benefit. The Health Care Trust Fund is funded by a statutory allocation of moneys consisting of portions of, among other things, the employer statutorily required contributions, the amount paid by members and the amount of any reduction in the employer contribution rates to amortize any overfunding in each Division’s trust fund. At December 31, 2015, the Health Care Trust Fund had an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of approximately \$1.3 billion, a funded ratio of 18.4% and a 35-year amortization period. Because the Health Care Trust Fund is a cost-sharing, multiple employer plan, PERA’s actuary has not determined the portion of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability that applies to each Division participant. The benefit provided by the Health Care Trust Fund is a fixed limited subsidy of the retiree’s health care insurance premium payment, and the retiree bears all risk of medical cost inflation. See Notes 9 and 11 to the PERA 2015 CAFR for additional information regarding the Health Care Trust Fund.

***Implementation of Changes in Pension Accounting Standards Applicable to the State – GASB 68.*** GASB Statement No. 68, “Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions” (“GASB 68”), which is related to GASB 67 but is applicable to the State, is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014, and accordingly has been implemented in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement. GASB 68 revises and establishes new financial reporting requirements for most governments, such as the State, that provide their employees with pension benefits. GASB 68 requires cost-sharing employers participating in defined benefit plans to record their proportionate share of the unfunded pension liability. PERA reports that the State Division had an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of approximately \$9.7 billion as of December 31, 2013, \$9.9 billion as of December 31, 2014, and \$10.2 billion as of December 31, 2015; and the State reported a liability in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR of approximately \$9.1 billion (\$9.0 billion for the State Division and \$0.1 billion for the Judicial Division) at June 30, 2015, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. Schedules presenting the State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability for its retirement plan as of June 30, 2014 and 2015, and a ten year history of the State’s contribution to PERA for the State and Judicial Divisions, are set forth in Note RSI-2 to the Required Supplementary Information in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR. See also “Overall Financial Position and Results of Operations” in the Management’s Discussion and Analysis, and the introduction to Notes 1-7 and Notes 18-20 to the Financial Statements, in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR, as well as “APPENDIX E – STATE PENSION SYSTEM” and particularly the section thereof entitled “Implementation of Changes in Pension Accounting Standards Applicable to the State – GASB 68.”

***Effect of Pension Liability on the Series 2016A Notes.*** The Series 2016A Notes are short-term obligations maturing on June 29, 2017, and are payable from Pledged Revenues which are expected to consist primarily of amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, as repayment of their Program Loans and a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes deposited to the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account as discussed in “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment.” Therefore, the State’s current pension liability is not expected to adversely affect the State’s ability to pay the Series 2016A Notes. See also the discussion of the State’s pension liability in Management’s Discussion and Analysis in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement, and particularly the section thereof captioned “CONDITIONS EXPECTED TO AFFECT FUTURE OPERATIONS – Pension Plan Contributions.”

## **LITIGATION, GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AND SELF-INSURANCE**

### **No Litigation Affecting the Series 2016A Notes**

There is no litigation pending, or to the knowledge of the State threatened, either seeking to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery of the Series 2016A Notes or questioning or affecting the validity of the Series 2016A Notes or the proceedings or authority under which they are to be issued. There is also no litigation pending, or to the State’s knowledge threatened, that in any manner questions the right of the State Treasurer to adopt the State Resolution and to secure the Series 2016A Notes in the manner provided in the State Resolution and the Loan Program Statutes.

### **Governmental Immunity**

The Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, Article 10 of Title 24, C.R.S. (the “Immunity Act”), provides that public entities and their employees acting within the course and scope of their employment are immune from liability for tort claims under State law based on the principle of sovereign immunity, except for those specifically identified events or occurrences defined in the Immunity Act. Whenever recovery is permitted, the Immunity Act also generally limits the maximum amount that may be recovered. For incidents occurring prior to July 1, 2013, the limits are \$150,000 for injury to one person in a single occurrence and an aggregate of \$600,000 for injury to two or more persons in a single occurrence, except that no one person may recover in excess of \$150,000; and for incidents occurring on and after July 1, 2013, the maximum amounts that may be recovered under the Immunity Act are \$350,000 for injury to one person in a single occurrence and an aggregate of \$990,000 for injury to two or more persons in a single occurrence, except that no one person may recover in excess of \$350,000. These limits are subject to adjustment on January 1, 2018, and every four years thereafter based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index. In individual cases the General Assembly may authorize the recovery from the State of amounts in excess of these limits by legislative action initiated either directly by the General Assembly or upon recommendation of the State Claims Board. The Immunity Act does not limit recovery against an employee who is acting outside the course and scope of his/her employment. The Immunity Act specifies the sources from which judgments against public entities may be collected and provides that public entities are not liable for punitive or exemplary damages. The Immunity Act does not prohibit claims in Colorado state court against public entities or their employees based on contract and may not prohibit such claims based on other common law theories. However, the Immunity Act does bar certain federal actions or claims against the State or State employees sued in their official capacities under federal statutes when such actions are brought in state court. The Eleventh Amendment to the U.S. Constitution bars certain federal actions or claims against the State or its employees sued in their official capacities under federal statutes when such actions are brought in federal court.

HB 12-1361 amended the Immunity Act by waiving sovereign immunity of the State in an action for injuries resulting from a prescribed fire started or maintained by the State or any of its employees on or after January 1, 2012. A prescribed fire is defined as the application of fire in accordance with a

written prescription for vegetative fuels, but excluding a controlled burn used in farming industry to clear land of existing crop residue, kill weeds and weed seeds or to reduce fuel build-up and decrease the likelihood of a future fire.

### **Self-Insurance**

In 1985, the General Assembly passed legislation creating a self-insurance fund, the Risk Management Fund, and established a mechanism for claims adjustment, investigation and defense, as well as authorizing the settlement and payment of claims and judgments against the State. The General Assembly also utilizes the self-insurance fund for payment of State workers' compensation liabilities. The State currently maintains self-insurance for claims arising on or after September 15, 1985, under the Immunity Act and claims against the State, its officials or its employees arising under federal law. See Notes 6H, 21, 43 and General Fund Components (in Supplementary Information) in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement. Judgments awarded against the State for which there is no insurance coverage or that are not payable from the Risk Management Fund ordinarily require a legislative appropriation before they may be paid.

### **Current Litigation**

For a description of pending material litigation in which the State is a defendant, see Note 43 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement. The State believes that it has a reasonable possibility of favorable outcomes for the actions discussed in Note 43, but the ultimate outcome cannot presently be determined. Except as otherwise noted, no provision for a liability has been made in the financial statements related to the contingencies discussed in such Note.

### **Recent Colorado Supreme Court Decision**

In April 2016, the Colorado Supreme Court issued a decision in *BP America Production Company v. Colorado Department of Revenue* that allows taxpayers to claim additional severance tax deductions. The decision will result in lowering severance tax revenues in current and past tax years. SB 16-218 creates a reserve fund and diverts income tax revenue to the reserve fund to help pay for refunds estimated in the range of \$31 million to \$108 million. The Colorado Department of Revenue is conducting further analysis and intends to work with the General Assembly to propose legislation to address the long-term impact of this decision. See also "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations – *Revenues and Unappropriated Amounts*" and the section of the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast captioned "CASH FUND REVENUE FORECAST – Severance Tax Revenue."

## **RATINGS**

Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") and Standard & Poor's, a division of McGraw-Hill Financial, Inc. ("S&P"), have assigned to the Series 2016A Notes the ratings set forth on the cover page of this Official Statement. No other ratings have been applied for.

A rating reflects only the views of the rating agency assigning such rating, and an explanation of the significance of such rating may be obtained from each such rating agency. The State has furnished to the rating agencies certain information and materials relating to the Series 2016A Notes, the State and its financial condition and operations, including certain information and materials which have not been included in this Official Statement. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings on such information and materials and on investigations, studies and assumptions by the rating agencies. There is no assurance that any of the ratings will continue for any given period of time or that any of the ratings will not be revised downward, suspended or withdrawn entirely by any such rating agency if, in its judgment, circumstances so warrant. Any such downward revision, suspension or withdrawal of any such rating

may have an adverse effect on the market price of the Series 2016A Notes. The State has not undertaken any responsibility to oppose any such revision, suspension or withdrawal.

## **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

### **Series 2016A Notes**

In accordance with the exemption set forth in paragraph (d)(3) of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which exemption applies to offerings of municipal securities having a stated maturity of 18 months or less, such as the Series 2016A Notes, the State Treasurer will not undertake to provide on an ongoing basis either audited annual financial statements or annual financial information or operating data of the type presented in this Official Statement. However, the State Treasurer will undertake in the State Resolution, for the benefit of the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes, that during such time as any of the Series 2016A Notes are outstanding, the State Treasurer will provide to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (the “MSRB”), via its Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) system, in a timely manner, not in excess of ten Business Days after the occurrence of the event, notice of the occurrence of any of the events enumerated in Subsection (b)(5)(i)(C) of Rule 15c2-12 with respect to the Series 2016A Notes, including: (i) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (ii) nonpayment related defaults, if material; (iii) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the security, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Series 2016A Notes; (iv) modifications to rights of owners of the Series 2016A Notes, if material; (v) defeasances; and (vi) rating changes; as well as the following events to the extent applicable to the Series 2016A Notes: (a) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (b) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (c) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (d) Series 2016A Note calls, if material, and tender offers; (e) release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Series 2016A Notes, if material; (f) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the State; (g) the consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving the State or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the State, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; and (h) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material.

The obligations of the State Treasurer pursuant to the undertaking are for the benefit of the Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes, and, if necessary, may be enforced by such Owners and Beneficial Owners by specific performance of such obligations by any judicial proceeding available. However, breach of the State Treasurer’s obligations pursuant to the undertaking does not constitute an Event of Default under the State Resolution, and none of the rights and remedies provided in the State Resolution for Events of Default will be available to the Owners or Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes in the event of a breach of such continuing disclosure undertaking.

### **Compliance With Other Continuing Disclosure Undertakings**

From January 2011 to May 2011, the State Treasurer failed to file with the MSRB monthly cash flow schedules for the State’s General Fund Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2010A, which were issued on December 14, 2010, and paid in full at maturity. Although such filings were not required by Rule 15c2-12, the authorizing resolution for such notes included an affirmative covenant by the State Treasurer to do so.

The State Treasurer has determined that both prior to and during the previous five years the State Treasurer and certain other State departments or agencies have not complied in all material respects with other continuing disclosure undertakings entered into by such entities pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 in connection with municipal securities issued by or for the benefit of such entities by failing to file, or to file on a timely basis, on the EMMA website and its predecessor repositories, certain annual financial information, audited financial statements and/or notices of material events as required by those continuing disclosure undertakings. For example, CDOT failed to file annual financial information and audited financial statements in respect of its outstanding obligations for Fiscal Years 2008-09 through 2012-13. In addition, the State failed to file notices of bond insurer rating downgrades relating to certain outstanding obligations over the last five years, although such bond insurer downgrades did not affect the underlying rating of the State, and failed to file notices of an upgrade in the State's rating by Moody's from "Aa3" to "Aa2" as a result of a global recalibration of ratings by Moody's in May 2010. The State failed to timely file annual financial information and audited financial statements for certain obligations from Fiscal Year 2009-10 through Fiscal Year 2011-12, and failed to file on EMMA notices of such failures. Corrective actions have been taken with regard to these matters as discussed below.

Partially in response to the foregoing, the State Treasurer requested and the General Assembly enacted legislation in 2012 to provide the State Treasurer with statutory authority over debt issuance and post-issuance compliance with continuing disclosure undertakings entered into by the State, the State Treasurer and certain State departments and agencies that utilize the State's credit (collectively, the "Included Entities") in connection with financial obligations issued by or for the benefit of such the Included Entities. Consistent with this authorization, the responsibility for compliance with the continuing disclosure undertakings entered into by the Included Entities has been centralized with the State Treasurer, which is intended to ensure future compliance with such continuing disclosure undertakings.

In early 2013, the State Treasurer retained Digital Assurance Certification, LLC ("DAC Bond"), as its disclosure dissemination agent for the purpose of assisting it with auditing past compliance, making remedial filings and ensuring ongoing compliance with its continuing disclosure filing requirements with the MSRB of all information required in the continuing disclosure undertakings entered into by the Included Entities, and plans to implement other procedures intended to ensure future material compliance with such continuing disclosure undertakings.

In addition, consistent with its statutory authorization and as a result of the circumstances described above, the State Treasurer's office commenced, and is continuing to carry out, a comprehensive review of compliance by the State with the continuing disclosure undertakings entered into by the Included Entities for the purpose of determining whether there are other instances of material noncompliance with such continuing disclosure undertakings. Instances of material noncompliance discovered by the State Treasurer's office to date have been addressed by making appropriate corrective filings or taking other remedial actions, either directly or by DAC Bond, and may include corrective action and participation in the SEC's Municipal Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative.

Due to various issues that were experienced by the State in connection with the implementation of a new integrated financial system as described in "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Fiscal Controls and Financial Reporting," the State's unaudited Basic Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2014-15 and the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR were not completed and released until late January 2016 and late April 2016, respectively. Thus, the State was unable to submit its Fiscal Year 2014-15 audited financial statements for posting on EMMA by December 31, 2015, as required by numerous continuing disclosure undertakings entered into by the Included Entities. Notice of such noncompliance was posted on EMMA on January 25, 2016, the State's unaudited Basic Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2014-15 were subsequently posted on EMMA on February 1, 2016, and the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR was posted on EMMA on May 2, 2016. The State recently discovered that the OSPB March 2016 revenue forecast was not timely posted on EMMA in connection with the Higher Education

Federal Mineral Lease Certificates of Participation, Series 2014A. Both a Notice of Failure to File and the OSPB March 2016 revenue forecast were posted on EMMA on May 17, 2016.

Additional information concerning the matters discussed in this section may be obtained from the Colorado Attorney General's Office, 1300 Broadway, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Denver, Colorado 80203, Attention: Heidi Dineen, Esq., Senior Assistant Attorney General, telephone number: (720) 508-6179.

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

All legal matters incident to the validity and enforceability of the Series 2016A Notes, as well as the treatment of interest on the Series 2016A Notes for purposes of federal and State income taxation, are subject to the approving legal opinion of Kutak Rock LLP, Denver, Colorado, as Bond Counsel. The substantially final form of the opinion of Bond Counsel is appended to this Official Statement. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the State by the Office of the Attorney General of the State and by Kline Alvarado Veio, P.C., Denver, Colorado, as special counsel to the State in connection with the preparation of this Official Statement. Payment of legal fees to Bond Counsel and special counsel are contingent upon the sale and delivery of the Series 2016A Notes.

## **TAX MATTERS**

### **Generally**

In the opinion of Kutak Rock LLP, Bond Counsel, under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions, interest on the Series 2016A Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. The opinion described in the preceding sentence assumes the accuracy of certain representations and compliance by the State with covenants designed to satisfy the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Series 2016A Notes. Failure to comply with such covenants could cause interest on the Series 2016A Notes to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Series 2016A Notes. The State has covenanted to comply with such requirements. Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion regarding other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Series 2016A Notes. Notwithstanding Bond Counsel's opinion that interest on the Series 2016A Notes is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax, such interest will be included in adjusted current earnings of certain corporations, and such corporations are required to include in the calculation of alternative minimum taxable income 75% of the excess of such corporations' adjusted current earnings over their alternative minimum taxable income (determined without regard to such adjustment and prior to reduction for certain net operating losses).

Bond Counsel is further of the opinion that interest on the Series 2016A Notes is not included in Colorado taxable income or Colorado alternative minimum taxable income under Colorado income tax laws.

The accrual or receipt of interest on the Series 2016A Notes may otherwise affect the federal income tax liability of the owners of the Series 2016A Notes. The extent of these other tax consequences will depend upon such owner's particular tax status and other items of income or deduction. Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion regarding any such consequences. Purchasers of the Series 2016A Notes, particularly purchasers that are corporations (including S corporations and foreign corporations operating branches in the United States), property or casualty insurance companies, banks, thrifts or other financial institutions, certain recipients of social security or railroad retirement benefits, taxpayers entitled to claim the earned income credit, taxpayers entitled to claim the refundable credit in Section 36B of the Tax Code for coverage under a qualified health plan or taxpayers who may be deemed to have incurred or

continued indebtedness to purchase or carry tax-exempt obligations, should consult their tax advisors as to the tax consequences of purchasing or owning the Series 2016A Notes.

The amount treated as interest on the Series 2016A Notes and excluded from gross income will depend upon the taxpayer's election under Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") Notice 94-84, 1994-2 C.B. 559. Notice 94-84 states that the Service is studying whether the amount of the payment at maturity on debt obligations such as the Series 2016A Notes that is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes is (i) the stated interest payable at maturity or (ii) the difference between the issue price of the Series 2016A Notes and the aggregate amount to be paid at maturity of the Series 2016A Notes (the "original issue discount"). For this purpose, the issue price of the Series 2016A Notes is the first price at which a substantial amount of the Series 2016A Notes is sold to the public (excluding bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers). Until the Service provides further guidance, taxpayers may treat either the stated interest payable at maturity or the original issue discount as interest that is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. However, taxpayers must treat the amount to be paid at maturity on all tax-exempt debt obligations with a term that is not more than one year from the date of issue in a consistent manner. Taxpayers should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of ownership of Series 2016A Notes if the taxpayer elects original issue discount treatment.

### **Tax Treatment of Original Issue Premium**

The following disclosure relates to purchasers of the Series 2016A Notes who, under Notice 94-84 discussed above, treat the stated interest payable at the maturity of the Series 2016A Notes as the amount excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. An amount equal to the excess of the issue price of a Series 2016A Note over its stated redemption price at maturity constitutes original issue premium on such Series 2016A Note. An initial purchaser of a Series 2016A Note must amortize any original issue premium in accordance with the provisions of Section 171 of the Tax Code. Purchasers of a Series 2016A Note with original issue premium should consult with their tax advisors with respect to the determination and treatment of amortizable premium for federal income tax purposes and with respect to state and local tax consequences of owning Series 2016A Notes with original issue premium.

### **Changes in Federal and State Tax Law**

From time to time, there are legislative proposals in the Congress and in the states that, if enacted, could alter or amend the federal and state tax matters referred to above or adversely affect the market value of the Series 2016A Notes. It cannot be predicted whether or in what form any such proposal might be enacted or whether if enacted it would apply to bonds issued prior to enactment. In addition, regulatory actions are from time to time announced or proposed and litigation is threatened or commenced which, if implemented or concluded in a particular manner, could adversely affect the market value of the Series 2016A Notes. It cannot be predicted whether any such regulatory action will be implemented, how any particular litigation or judicial action will be resolved, or whether the Series 2016A Notes or the market value thereof would be impacted thereby. Purchasers of the Series 2016A Notes should consult their tax advisors regarding any pending or proposed legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation. The opinions expressed by Bond Counsel are based upon existing legislation and regulations as interpreted by relevant judicial and regulatory authorities as of the date of issuance and delivery of the Series 2016A Notes, and Bond Counsel has expressed no opinion as of any date subsequent thereto or with respect to any pending legislation, regulatory initiatives or litigation.

### **Backup Withholding**

As a result of the enactment of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005, interest on tax-exempt obligations such as the Series 2016A Notes is subject to information reporting in a manner similar to interest paid on taxable obligations. Backup withholding may be imposed on payments



made to any bondholder who fails to provide certain required information including an accurate taxpayer identification number to any person required to collect such information pursuant to Section 6049 of the Tax Code. This reporting requirement does not in and of itself affect or alter the excludability of interest on the Series 2016A Notes from gross income for federal income tax purposes or any other federal tax consequence of purchasing, holding or selling tax-exempt obligations.

## **UNDERWRITING**

The Series 2016A Notes will be purchased from the State by BofA Merrill Lynch, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC, pursuant to a competitive sale conducted by the State, for an aggregate purchase price of \$281,423,250.00, being the principal amount of the Series 2016A Notes plus an aggregate original issue premium of \$6,434,250.00 and less an aggregate underwriting discount of \$11,000.00.

Morgan Stanley, parent company of Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC, an underwriter of the Series 2016A Notes, has entered into a retail distribution arrangement with Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. As part of the distribution arrangement, Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC, may distribute municipal securities to retail investors through the financial advisor network of Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. As part of this arrangement, Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC, may compensate Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC for its selling efforts with respect to the Series 2016AB Notes.

## **FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Denver, Colorado, is acting as Financial Advisor to the State in connection with the issuance of the Series 2016A Notes, and in such capacity has assisted in the preparation of this Official Statement and other matters relating to the planning, structuring, rating and execution and delivery of the Series 2016A Notes. However, the Financial Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken, either to make an independent verification of or to assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the information contained in this Official Statement. The Financial Advisor will act as an independent advisory firm and will not be engaged in underwriting or distributing the Series 2016A Notes. The Financial Advisor's fee for services rendered with respect to the sale of the Series 2016A Notes is contingent upon the issuance and delivery of the Series 2016A Notes.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

The cover page, inside cover, prefatory information and appendices to this Official Statement are integral parts hereof and must be read together with all other parts of this Official Statement. The descriptions of the documents, statutes, reports or other instruments included herein do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive and are qualified in the entirety by reference to each such document, statute, report or other instrument. During the offering period of the Series 2016A Notes, copies of the State Resolution and certain other documents referred to herein may be obtained from the Financial Advisor at RBC Capital Markets, LLC, 1801 California Street, Suite 3850, Denver, Colorado 80202, Attention: Dan O'Connell, telephone number (303) 595-1222. So far as any statements made in this Official Statement involve matters of opinion, forecasts, projections or estimates, whether or not expressly stated, they are set forth as such and not as representations of fact.

### **OFFICIAL STATEMENT CERTIFICATION**

The preparation and distribution of this Official Statement have been authorized by the State Treasurer. This Official Statement is hereby approved by the State Treasurer as of the date set forth on the cover page hereof.

By: /s/ Jonathan Forbes  
Deputy Treasurer of the State of Colorado

## **APPENDIX A**

### **THE STATE GENERAL FUND**

The State Resolution requires that if on June 25, 2017, the amount credited to the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is less than the principal amount of the Series 2016A Notes and any Parity Lien Notes, the State Treasurer is to deposit the amount of the deficiency to the Principal Subaccount from any funds on hand or in the custody or possession of the State Treasurer and eligible for investment in the District Notes. The State Treasurer is to first utilize all other funds that are eligible for investment in the District Notes prior to the application of Current General Fund Revenues or Borrowable Resources that are eligible for investment in the District Notes. The ability of the State Treasurer to use Current General Fund Revenues that are eligible for investment in the District Notes to fund a deficiency in the Principal Subaccount of the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account is subordinate to the use of such funds for payment of any general fund tax and revenue anticipation notes of the State issued during Fiscal Year 2016-17, including, without limitation, the State Series 2016A General Fund Notes. See “THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment – *The Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account*” and “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF A DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS.”

This Appendix contains a discussion of the General Fund, including the estimated cash flows for the General Fund for Fiscal Year 2016-17. See also “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

#### **The General Fund**

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the State. All revenues and moneys not required by the State Constitution or statutes to be credited and paid into a special fund are required to be credited and paid into the General Fund. As required by recent changes in GAAP, the General Fund reported in the State’s Fiscal Year 2010-11 CAFR and subsequent CAFRs includes a large number of statutorily created special funds that do not meet the GAAP requirements to be presented as Special Revenue Funds. To make the distinction between the statutory General Fund and the GAAP General Fund, the CAFR refers to the statutory General Fund as the General Purpose Revenue Fund. The revenues in the General Purpose Revenue Fund are not collected for a specific statutory use but rather are available for appropriation for any purpose by the General Assembly. The following discussion of the General Fund represents the legal and accounting entity referred to in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR as the General Purpose Revenue Fund.

#### **General Fund Revenue Sources**

The major revenue sources to the General Fund are individual and corporate income taxes and sales and use taxes. The State also imposes excise taxes on the sale of cigarettes, tobacco products and liquor, and receives revenues from a diverse group of other sources such as insurance taxes, pari-mutuel taxes, interest income, court receipts and gaming taxes. The following table sets forth the State’s receipts from major revenue sources for the past five Fiscal Years, as well as current OSPB estimates for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17. See also “Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts” in this Appendix and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST,” as well as the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

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**State of Colorado**  
**General Fund Revenue Sources<sup>1</sup>**  
(Accrual basis; dollar amounts expressed in millions)

Revenue Source	Actual										OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast			
	Fiscal Year 2010-11		Fiscal Year 2011-12		Fiscal Year 2012-13		Fiscal Year 2013-14		Fiscal Year 2014-15		Fiscal Year 2015-16		Fiscal Year 2016-17	
	Amount	% Change	Amount	% Change	Amount	% Change	Amount	% Change	Amount	% Change	Amount	% Change	Amount	% Change
<b>Excise Taxes:</b>														
Sales Tax <sup>2</sup>	\$2,043.5	12.0%	\$2,093.2	2.4%	\$2,211.7	5.7%	\$2,425.3	9.7%	\$2,619.2	8.0%	\$2,668.8	1.9%	\$ 2,836.8	6.3%
Use Tax	190.1	22.0	200.6	5.6	242.7	21.0	241.3	(0.6)	260.3	7.8	253.8	(2.5)	268.4	5.8
	2,233.6	12.8	2,293.8	2.7	2,454.4	7.0	2,666.6	8.6	2,879.5	8.0%	2,922.6	1.5	3,105.2	6.2
Cigarette Tax	39.3	(3.8)	39.5	0.5	38.3	(3.1)	36.6	(4.5)	37.9	3.6	37.2	(1.8)	36.0	(3.1)
Tobacco Products <sup>3</sup>	13.8	(14.2)	16.0	16.1	15.6	(2.9)	16.9	8.5	17.8	5.3	21.3	19.5	19.5	(8.2)
Liquor Tax	36.4	2.8	38.4	5.3	39.2	2.2	40.3	2.9	41.5	2.8	43.7	5.3	43.8	0.2
	89.5	(3.0)	93.9	4.9	93.1	(0.9)	93.8	0.8	97.2	3.6	102.2	5.1	99.3	(2.8)
Total Excise Taxes	2,323.1	12.1	2,387.7	2.8	2,547.5	6.7	2,760.4	8.4	2,976.7	7.8	3,024.8	7.8	3,204.5	5.9
<b>Income Taxes:</b>														
Net Individual Income Tax	4,496.1	10.1	5,011.6	11.5	5,596.3	11.7	5,696.1	1.8	6,350.1	11.5	6,492.5	2.2	6,903.8	6.3
Net Corporate Income Tax	393.9	5.9	486.5	23.5	636.3	30.8	720.7	13.3	692.9	(3.9)	647.9	(6.5)	672.7	3.8
Total Income Taxes	4,890.0	9.7	5,498.1	12.4	6,232.6	13.4	6,416.8	3.0	7,043	9.8	7,140.4	1.4	7,576.5	6.1
Less State Education Fund Diversion <sup>2</sup>	(370.5)	12.6	(407.5)	10.0	(486.3)	19.3	(478.8)	(1.6)	(519.8)	8.6	(525.5)	1.1	(557.6)	6.1
Total Income Taxes to the General Fund	4,519.5	9.5	5,090.6	12.6	5,746.2	12.9	5,938.0	3.3	6,523.1	9.9	6,614.9	1.4	7,018.9	6.1
<b>Other Revenues:</b>														
Estate	(0.1)	--	0.3	--	(0.1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Insurance	189.7	1.5	197.2	4.0	210.4	6.7	239.1	13.6	256.7	7.4	289.5	12.8	299.0	3.3
Interest Income	7.9	(21.6)	13.6	71.5	17.4	28.6	15.2	(12.8)	8.9	(41.7)	9.4	5.5	12.8	37.2
Pari-Mutuel	0.5	(0.6)	0.6	14.4	0.7	10.3	0.6	(8.8)	0.6	0.2	0.6	(3.0)	0.6	(3.0)
Court Receipts	%	(80.0)	2.6	(27.6)	2.3	(9.0)	2.6	9.5	2.6	0.3	2.5	(4.2)	2.4	(1.0)
Other Income	21.2	(18.8)	23.1	8.8	18.1	(21.6)	21.3	17.9	34.0	59.3	20.1	(41.0)	24.3	21.2
Total Other	222.8	(7.7)	237.3	6.5	249.0	4.9	279.2	12.1	302.7	8.4	322.0	6.4	339.1	5.3
<b>Gross General Fund</b>	<b>\$7,065.4</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>\$7,715.7</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>\$8,542.7</b>	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>\$8,977.7</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>\$9,802.6</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>\$9,961.6</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>\$10,562.5</b>	<b>6.0%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Historically, gaming revenue was reported by OSPB as a source of revenue to the General Fund. The "Other Revenues" in this table for Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2012-13 have been restated to reflect a change in OSPB's reporting of gaming revenue to the General Fund that began with the OSPB September 2014 Revenue Forecast. Because revenue from gaming is transferred to the General Fund annually from a cash fund, the money is more appropriately reflected in "Transfers to the General Fund" in the General Fund overview table hereafter rather than as a General Fund revenue source in this table. This change does not affect the overall amount of "Total General Fund Revenue Available for Expenditure" in the General Fund overview table.

<sup>2</sup> State voters approved Proposition AA in November of 2013, which included the imposition by the State of a sales tax of 10% on sales of retail marijuana and retail marijuana products effective January 2014. Under current law, the revenue from this sales tax first goes to the General Fund and is then transferred to a cash fund. A portion of this revenue is also distributed to local governments where such sales occur. Proposition AA also approved the imposition by the State of an excise tax of 15% on certain sales of unprocessed retail marijuana effective January 2014 that does not flow through the General Fund but is mostly credited directly to a cash fund for public school capital construction projects. See "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Taxpayers' Bill of Rights – Voter Approval to Retain and Spend Certain Marijuana Taxes Associated with Proposition AA."

<sup>3</sup> All individual and corporate income tax revenues are deposited to the General Fund and then a portion of the amount is diverted by law to the State Education Fund. See Note 13 to the table in "General Fund Overview" hereafter.

Source: Office of State Planning and Budgeting

## General Fund Overview

The following table summarizes the actual revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the General Fund for Fiscal Year 2010-11 through Fiscal Year 2014-15 and the forecasts for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 from the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast. The overview incorporates the budget under current law as of the publication of the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17. Any new budget information will be incorporated in subsequent OSPB revenue forecasts. The format of the following table is used by the State in developing its annual budget, as discussed in "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations." See also "Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts" in this Appendix and "APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST," as well as the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

**State of Colorado**  
**General Fund Overview**  
**Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2016-17**

(Dollar amounts expressed in millions; totals may not add due to rounding)

	Actual (Unaudited) <sup>1</sup>					OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast	
	Fiscal Year 2010-11	Fiscal Year 2011-12	Fiscal Year 2012-13	Fiscal Year 2013-14	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17
<b>REVENUE:</b>							
Beginning Reserve	\$ 137.4	\$ 156.6	\$ 795.8	\$ 373.0	\$ 435.9	\$ 709.2	\$ 528.6
Gross General Fund Revenue <sup>2</sup>	7,065.4	7,715.7	8,542.7	8,977.7	9,802.6	9,961.6	10,562.5
Transfers to the General Fund <sup>2</sup>	178.5	162.4	12.4	14.1	64.9	24.3	46.1
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>7,381.3</b>	<b>8,034.7</b>	<b>9,351.0</b>	<b>9,364.8</b>	<b>10,303.4</b>	<b>10,695.2</b>	<b>11,137.1</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>							
Appropriation Subject to Limit <sup>3</sup>	6,811.1	7,027.8	7,459.2	8,218.7	8,869.0	9,335.6	9,813.3
Dollar Change From Prior Year	179.5	216.7	431.5	759.5	650.3	466.6	477.7
Percent Change From Prior Year	2.7%	3.2%	6.1%	10.2%	7.9%	5.3%	5.1%
Spending Outside Limit:	151.5	189.0	452.3	545.5	785.7	831.0	699.5
TABOR Refund under Subsection (7)(d) <sup>4</sup>	--	--	--	--	153.7	--	--
TABOR Refund under Subsection (3)(c) <sup>5</sup>	--	--	--	--	58.0	(58.0)	--
Rebates and Expenditures <sup>6</sup>	127.6	134.8	380.9	250.2	257.4	276.8	294.1
Transfer to Capital Construction <sup>7</sup>	12.0	49.3	61.4	186.7	248.5	271.2	84.5
Transfers to Highway Users Tax Fund <sup>7</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	--	--	199.2	158.0
Transfers to State Education Fund per SB 13-234 <sup>8</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	45.3	25.3	25.3	25.3
Transfers to Other Funds <sup>9</sup>	--	5.0	4.6	30.9	42.2	116.5	137.5
Other Expenditures Exempt from General Fund Appropriations Limit <sup>10</sup>	12.0	--	5.4	32.4	0.5	--	--
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND OBLIGATIONS</b>	<b>6,962.6</b>	<b>7,216.8</b>	<b>7,911.5</b>	<b>8,764.3</b>	<b>9,654.7</b>	<b>10,166.6</b>	<b>10,512.8</b>
Percent Change from Prior Year	(3.7)%	3.7%	9.6%	10.8%	10.2%	5.3%	3.4%
Reversions and Accounting Adjustments	26.9	36.9	7.1	(50.4)	(60.6)	--	--
<b>RESERVES</b>							
Year-End General Fund Balance	445.5	854.8	1,446.5	650.9	709.2	528.6	624.4
Year-End General Fund as a % of Appropriations	6.5%	12.2%	19.4%	7.9%	8.0%	5.7%	6.4%
General Fund Statutory Reserve Amount <sup>11, 12</sup>	156.6	281.1	373.0	410.9	576.5	520.7	634.9
Unappropriated Reserve Percentage <sup>11, 12</sup>	2.3%	4.0%	5.0%	5.0%	6.5%	5.6%	6.5%
Amount Above (Below) Statutory Reserve	288.9	573.7	1,073.5	240.0	132.7	7.9	(10.5)
Transfer of Excess Reserve to State Education Fund/ Other Funds <sup>13</sup>	(288.9)	(59.0)	(1,073.5)	(215.0)	--	--	--
Balance After Any Funds Above Statutory Reserve are Allocated	156.6	795.8	--	435.9	132.7	7.9	(10.5)

<sup>1</sup> This table is unaudited, although some of the figures reported in these columns are identified by the OSPB from the State's CAFRs which are audited for the applicable Fiscal Years.

<sup>2</sup> Historically, gaming revenue was reported by OSPB as a source of revenue to the General Fund. The amounts in these line items for Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2012-13 have been restated to reflect a change in OSPB's reporting of gaming revenue to the General Fund that began with the OSPB September 2014 Revenue Forecast. Because revenue from gaming is transferred to the General Fund annually from a cash fund, the money is more appropriately reflected in this table as a transfer to the General Fund rather than as General Fund revenue. This change does not affect the overall amount of Total General Fund Revenue Available for Expenditure.

<sup>3</sup> Per SB 09-228, commencing with Fiscal Year 2009-10 this appropriation limit was revised from: (a) the lesser of (i) 5% of Colorado personal income as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis or (ii) 6% growth applied to appropriations amounts from the General Fund during the prior Fiscal Year; to (b) 5% of Colorado personal income.

<sup>4</sup> Current law requires TABOR refunds to be accounted for in the year the excess revenue is collected. The refund amount for Fiscal Year 2014-15 includes \$150.1 million in revenue above the ESRC for Fiscal Year 2014-15, as well as \$3.6 million in pending amounts owed related to refunds from prior years as the result of either (a) adjustments that were made to State accounting records for years in which TABOR refunds occurred that resulted in additional required refunds to taxpayers, or (b) the refund mechanisms used in previous years resulting in less refunds than the amount required. Such refunds are held by the State until a future year in which a TABOR refund occurs, when they are added to the total refund amount and distributed to taxpayers. See "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Taxpayers' Bill of Rights – Fiscal Year Revenue and Spending Limits; Referendum C" and "APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST – Taxpayer's Bill of Rights: Revenue Limit."

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- <sup>5</sup> The amount shown in Fiscal Year 2014-15 reflects the amount set aside by HB 15-1367 in a special account to cover a potential TABOR refund relating to Proposition AA. HB 15-1367 submitted to the State's voters at the general election held on November 3, 2015, the question of authorizing the State to retain and expend such amount. Because voters approved Proposition BB, the State was able to use the money for the uses specified in HB 15-1367. Therefore, a reversal of the \$58 million set aside is shown in Fiscal Year 2015-16 which made it available for spending. See "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Taxpayers' Bill of Rights – *Voter Approval to Retain and Spend Certain Marijuana Taxes Associated with Proposition AA*," Note 4 above and Note 2 to the table in "General Fund Revenue Sources" above.
- <sup>6</sup> This generally includes the Cigarette Rebate, which distributes money from a portion of State cigarette tax collections to local governments that do not impose their own taxes or fees on cigarettes; the Marijuana Rebate, which distributes 15% of the retail marijuana sales tax to local governments based on the percentage of retail marijuana sales in local areas; the Old Age Pension program, which provides assistance to low-income elderly individuals who meet certain eligibility requirements; the Property Tax, Heat and Rent Credit, which provides property tax, heating bill or rent assistance to qualifying low-income disabled or elderly individuals; and the Homestead Property Tax Exemption, which reduces property-tax liabilities for qualifying seniors and disabled veterans. The homestead exemption for qualified seniors was suspended for Fiscal Years 2009-10 through 2011-12. The homestead exemption for qualified disabled veterans was not affected by this suspension. See "SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS – Ad Valorem Property Taxation Procedure – *Homestead Exemption*."
- <sup>7</sup> SB 09-228 requires transfers to capital construction and the Highway Users Tax Fund when personal income increases by more than 5.0%. Such transfers are to be reduced by half if there is a TABOR refund in an amount between 1% and 3% of total General Fund revenue in the same Fiscal Year, and are to be suspended altogether if there is a TABOR refund in excess of 3% of total General Fund revenue. Personal income growth exceeded this threshold in the 2014 calendar year, which triggers the required transfers starting in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and through Fiscal Year 2019-20. Pursuant to HB 16-1416, the dollar amount of the transfers to the Highway Users Tax Fund and the Capital Construction Fund are at fixed amounts in Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 regardless of the level of any TABOR refund. The transfer amounts to the Highway Users Tax Fund are \$199.2 million in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and \$158.0 million in Fiscal Year 2016-17. The transfer amounts to the Capital Construction Fund are \$49.8 million in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and \$52.7 million in Fiscal Year 2016-17. The capital construction transfer amounts in Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 also include transfers of General Fund money in addition to the SB 09-228 transfers, and therefore the amount shown in this line differ from the amount transferred per SB 09-228.
- <sup>8</sup> SB 13-234 requires annual General Fund transfers to the State Education Fund in Fiscal Years 2013-14 through 2018-19.
- <sup>9</sup> State law requires transfers of General Fund money to various State cash funds. Starting in Fiscal Year 2013-14, this line item includes transfers of amounts credited to the General Fund from the 10% retail marijuana sales tax (reduced to 8% starting in Fiscal Year 2017-18) to a cash fund. See Note 1 to the table in "General Fund Revenue Sources" above. However, for Fiscal Year 2015-16 only, \$40.0 million of the transfer to other funds amount is a transfer to public school capital construction related to the passage of Proposition BB. For Fiscal Year 2016-17 only, this line also includes a diversion of income tax revenue from the General Fund to a separate severance tax fund pursuant to SB 16-218, which accounts for potentially large expected severance tax refunds related to the ruling rendered by the Colorado Supreme Court on April 25, 2016, in *BP America Production Company v. Colorado Department of Revenue* that allows for taxpayers to claim additional severance tax deductions. SB 16-218 creates a reserve fund and diverts income tax revenue to the fund to help pay the refunds. The OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast projects no such diversions for Fiscal Year 2015-16, but assumes that \$44.4 million in income tax revenue will be diverted from the General Fund to the reserve fund to pay severance tax refunds in Fiscal Year 2016-17. This amount may change materially in subsequent forecasts as new information becomes available. See also "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations – *Revenues and Unappropriated Amounts*," "LITIGATION, GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AND SELF-INSURANCE – Recent Colorado Supreme Court Decision" and the section of the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast captioned "CASH FUND REVENUE FORECAST – Severance Tax Revenue."
- <sup>10</sup> Spending by the Medicaid program above the appropriated amount, called "Medicaid Overexpenditures," is usually the largest amount in this line.
- <sup>11</sup> Per SB 15-251, starting in Fiscal Year 2015-16, General Fund appropriations for lease-purchase agreement payments made in connection with certificates of participation sold to fund certain capital projects were made exempt from the reserve calculation requirement. See "DEBT AND CERTAIN OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS – The State, State Departments and Agencies." These appropriations amount to \$38.0 million in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and \$46.0 million in Fiscal Year 2016-17.
- <sup>12</sup> Per HB 14-1337, for Fiscal Years 2014-15 and thereafter, the Unappropriated Reserve has been increased to 6.5% of General Fund appropriations subject to the appropriations limit in such Fiscal Years (excluding certificates of participation payments) starting with Fiscal Year 2015-16. However, HB 16-1419 reduced the Unappropriated Reserve for Fiscal Year 2015-16 to 5.6% of General Fund appropriations subject to the appropriations limit (excluding certificates of participation payments), minus any diversions of income tax revenue pursuant to SB 16-218 as discussed in Note 9 above. The Unappropriated Reserve requirement reverts to 6.5% of General Fund appropriations subject to the appropriations limit (excluding certificates of participation payments) for Fiscal Years 2016-17 and thereafter. See also "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations – *Revenues and Unappropriated Amounts*."
- <sup>13</sup> In recent years, all or a portion of the amount in excess of the statutory reserve was required by law to be credited to other State Funds, mostly the State Education Fund. For example, per HB 12-1338, all of the Fiscal Year 2012-13 excess was transferred to the State Education Fund. All of the Fiscal Year 2013-14 excess reserves, except for \$25 million that remained in the General Fund, were transferred to various other State Funds in a specified order of priority pursuant to HB 14-1339, HB 14-1342 and SB 14-223. The amount remaining in the General Fund became part of the beginning reserve and funds available in Fiscal Year 2014-15. Under current law, all amounts remaining in the General Fund in excess of the statutory reserve in Fiscal Years 2014-15 through 2016-17 have or will become part of the beginning reserve and funds available in the following Fiscal Year.

Source: Office of State Planning and Budgeting

## Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts

**Revenue Estimating Process.** The State relies on revenue estimation as the basis for establishing aggregate funds available for expenditure for its appropriation process. By statute, the OSPB is responsible for developing a General Fund revenue estimate. No later than June 20<sup>th</sup> prior to the

beginning of each Fiscal Year, and no later than September 20<sup>th</sup>, December 20<sup>th</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup> within each Fiscal Year, the Governor, with the assistance of the State Controller and the OSPB, is required to make an estimate of General Fund revenues for the current and certain future years. The revenue estimates are not binding on the General Assembly in determining the amount of General Fund revenues available for appropriation for the ensuing Fiscal Year. The revenue estimates may be subject to more frequent review and adjustment in response to significant changes in economic conditions, policy decisions and actual revenue flow.

The most recent OSPB Revenue Forecast was issued on June 20, 2016, and is included in this Official Statement as “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.” The OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast projects revenues for Fiscal Years 2015-16 through 2017-18. The amounts forecast for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 are summarized in “General Fund Revenue Sources” and “General Fund Overview” above in this Appendix.

The OSPB begins estimating revenue by obtaining macroeconomic forecasts for national and State variables. The national forecast for the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast was provided by Moody’s Economy.com. The OSPB forecasts the State economy using a model originally developed partly in-house and partly by consultants to the State.

The model of the State economy is updated quarterly. This model is comprised of numerous dynamic regression equations and identities. Moody’s Economy.com’s forecasts for national variables are inputs to many of the Colorado equations. The model of the State economy generates forecasts of key indicators such as employment, retail sales, inflation and personal income. These forecasts are then used as inputs to revenue forecasts for income tax receipts, corporate collections, sales tax receipts, etc.

The econometric model used to forecast General Fund revenue relies on the economic data estimated using the model of the State economy discussed above. The models used for forecasting General Fund revenues incorporate changes in policy, both State and federal, as well as changes in the economic climate and historical patterns. The General Fund models are comprised of regression equations for many of the revenue categories. There are three main categories of tax revenues: excise tax receipts, income tax receipts and other tax receipts. The General Fund models forecast the majority of the categories of General Fund receipts separately. For example, the model forecasts each type of income tax receipt (withholding, estimated payments, cash with returns and refunds) individually and then aggregates the numbers to arrive at a net individual income tax receipts forecast. However, for corporate income tax receipts and sales tax collections, the model forecasts only the aggregate amount for these revenues. For many of the smaller tax revenue categories, simple trend analyses are generally utilized to derive a forecast.

**Revenue Shortfalls.** The State’s Fiscal Year budgets are prepared and surplus revenues are determined using the modified accrual basis of accounting in accordance with the standards promulgated by GASB, with certain statutory exceptions. As a result, although the Fiscal Year budgets are balanced and, based upon the current forecast, there is anticipated to be an Unappropriated Reserve, the State may experience temporary and cumulative cash shortfalls. This is caused by differences in the timing of the actual receipt of cash revenues and payment of cash expenditures by the State compared to the inclusion of such revenues and expenditures in the State’s Fiscal Year budgets on an accrual basis, which does not take into account the timing of when such amounts are received or paid. Also, prior forecasts of General Fund revenue may have overestimated the amount the State would receive for the Fiscal Year.

Whenever the Governor’s revenue estimate for the current Fiscal Year indicates that General Fund expenditures for such Fiscal Year, based on appropriations then in effect, will result in the use of one-half or more of the Unappropriated Reserve, the Governor is required to formulate a plan for the General Fund expenditures so that the Unappropriated Reserve as of the close of the Fiscal Year will be at least one-half of the required amount. The Governor is required by statute to notify the General Assembly of the plan and to promptly implement it by: (i) issuing an executive order to suspend or

discontinue, in whole or in part, the functions or services of any department, board, bureau or agency of the State government; (ii) approving the action of other State officials to require that heads of departments set aside reserves out of the total amount appropriated or available (except the cash funds of the Department of Education); or (iii) after a finding of fiscal emergency by a joint resolution of the General Assembly approved by the Governor, taking such actions necessary to be utilized by each principal department and institution of higher education to reduce State personnel expenditures.

The next OSPB revenue forecast will be released in September of 2016. General Fund revenue projections in this and subsequent OSPB revenue forecasts may be materially different from the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast if economic conditions change markedly. If a revenue shortfall is projected for Fiscal Year 2016-17 and subsequent forecasted years, which would result in a budgetary shortfall, budget cuts and/or actions to increase the amount of money in the General Fund will be necessary to ensure a balanced budget. See “SELECTED STATE FUNDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT IN DISTRICT NOTES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT IN THE REPAYMENT OF PROGRAM LOANS” and “INVESTMENT CONSIDERATIONS – Budgets and Revenue Forecasts.”

### Investment of the State Pool

**General.** The investment of public funds by the State Treasurer is subject to the general limitations discussed in “STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Investment and Deposit of State Funds.” The State Treasurer has adopted investment policies further restricting the investment of State pool moneys, which includes the General Fund. The purpose of these investment policies is to limit investment risk by limiting the amount of the portfolio that may be invested in particular types of obligations, or in obligations of particular issuers or in particular issues, by imposing rating or financial criteria for particular types of investments more restrictive than those required by law, and by limiting the maximum term of certain types of investments. A minimum of 10% of the portfolio is required to be held in U.S. Treasury securities. Any reverse repurchase agreements may be for interest rate arbitrage only, and not for liquidity or leverage purposes. Each reverse repurchase agreement and the total investment it is arbitrated against must be closely matched in both dollar amount and term.

**Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2015-16 Investments of the State Pool.** The following tables set forth the investment by category of the moneys in the State Pool as of the end of each month in Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2015-16 for which information is available.

**State of Colorado**  
**State of Colorado**  
**State Pool Portfolio Mix**  
**Fiscal Year 2014-15**

(Amounts expressed in millions)<sup>1</sup>

	<b>July 2014</b>	<b>Aug 2014</b>	<b>Sept 2014</b>	<b>Oct 2014</b>	<b>Nov 2014</b>	<b>Dec 2014</b>	<b>Jan 2015</b>	<b>Feb 2015</b>	<b>Mar 2015</b>	<b>April 2015</b>	<b>May 2015</b>	<b>June 2015</b>
Agency CMOs	\$ 17.6	\$ 16.7	\$ 15.9	\$ 15.0	\$ 14.2	\$ 13.3	\$ 12.5	\$ 11.8	\$ 11.3	\$ 10.7	\$ 10.1	\$ 9.4
Commercial Paper	0.0	140.0	60.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	150.0	0.0	50.0	368.0	291.0	484.9
U.S. Treasury Notes	974.0	974.0	973.9	973.8	973.8	973.8	973.9	949.1	909.2	909.2	909.3	909.3
Federal Agencies	3,725.4	3,568.5	3,529.3	3,234.5	2,863.2	2,654.2	3,372.5	3,242.7	2,877.3	3,707.7	3,580.8	2,710.9
Asset-Backed Securities	1,452.5	1,469.2	1,497.1	1,536.1	1,539.0	1,529.1	1,493.0	1,459.6	1,449.2	1,434.2	1,420.2	1,404.9
Money Market	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	390.0	225.0	95.0	370.0
Corporates	1,720.8	1,737.8	1,766.8	1,738.8	1,742.8	1,735.8	1,728.8	1,678.9	1,720.9	1,729.0	1,749.9	1,739.9
Certificates of Deposit	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
Totals	\$7,897.8	\$7,913.7	\$7,850.5	\$7,605.7	\$7,240.5	\$6,913.7	\$7,736.2	\$7,447.6	\$7,413.4	\$8,389.3	\$8,061.8	\$7,634.8

<sup>1</sup> This table includes all moneys in the State Pool, which includes the General Fund, Borrowable Resources and other moneys that are invested by the State Treasurer.

Source: State Treasurer's Office



**State of Colorado**  
**State Pool Portfolio Mix**  
**Fiscal Year 2015-16**  
(Amounts expressed in millions)<sup>1</sup>

	July 2015	Aug 2015	Sept 2015	Oct 2015	Nov 2015	Dec 2015	Jan 2016	Feb 2016	Mar 2016	Apr 2016	May 2016
Agency CMOs	\$ 9.3	\$ 8.5	\$ 8.1	\$ 7.7	\$ 7.3	\$ 7.2	\$ 6.6	\$ 6.2	\$ 6.1	\$ 5.5	\$ 5.2
Commercial Paper	786.9	789.9	694.9	959.8	980.8	670.8	1,014.6	384.7	463.7	963.4	591.5
U.S. Treasury Notes	909.2	894.4	894.4	894.4	879.8	849.9	849.9	785.2	770.3	846.3	1,205.0
Federal Agencies	2,877.1	2,907.1	3,065.8	2,461.2	2,321.4	2,351.3	2,826.5	3,480.9	3,454.8	3,659.8	3,749.7
Asset-Backed Securities	1,382.8	1,348.2	1,318.8	1,289.0	1,255.9	1,176.0	1,168.2	1,142.5	1,127.0	1,086.2	1,048.7
Money Market	360.0	265.0	435.0	435.0	320.0	304.8	492.9	488.0	438.0	300.0	170.0
Corporates	1,693.3	1,708.1	1,708.7	1,704.9	1,695.5	1,697.1	1,675.2	1,647.2	1,632.6	1,617.3	1,636.2
Certificates of Deposit	5.0	6.5	0.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	4.5	2.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Totals	\$8,023.6	\$7,927.7	\$8,125.7	\$7,758.5	\$7,467.2	\$7,063.6	\$8,038.4	\$7,937.2	\$7,893.0	\$8,479.0	\$8,406.8

<sup>1</sup> This table includes all moneys in the State Pool, which includes the General Fund, Borrowable Resources and other moneys that are invested by the State Treasurer.

Source: State Treasurer's Office

### General Fund Cash Flow

General Fund cash flow deficits are attributable to several categories of loans and expenditures by the State throughout each Fiscal Year, including public school distributions, medical assistance and grants and contract purchased services. The State Treasurer has certain administrative powers to remedy negative cash balances, including the ability to issue tax and revenue anticipation notes in anticipation of the receipt of revenues in the General Fund and to use Borrowable Resources. The Governor also has authority to impose spending restrictions, and the General Assembly may defer certain payments from one Fiscal Year to the next, if necessary, to ensure that the General Fund will not end any Fiscal Year with a negative fund balance. See "THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Authorization" and "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – The State Treasurer."

The following tables present on a cash basis the actual and estimated cash flows of the General Fund for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 by total categories of receipts and disbursements. The tables are based on revenue and expenditure projections prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, with accounting adjustments made by the State Treasurer to arrive at a cash basis presentation, and should be read in conjunction with the information set forth above in this Appendix. See also "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Fiscal Controls and Financial Reporting."

Monthly cash flow projections for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 are based upon (i) the General Fund appropriations for Fiscal Years 2015-16 and 2016-17 adopted by the General Assembly, (ii) historical experience as adjusted to reflect economic conditions, (iii) statutory and administrative changes and anticipated payment dates for payrolls and (iv) the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast discussed in "Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts" above. Unforeseen events or variations from underlying assumptions may cause an increase or decrease in receipts and/or disbursements from those projected for a given month, which may adversely affect the projections of estimated cash flows. Additionally, the timing of transactions from month to month may vary from the forecasts. Therefore, there are likely to be differences between the forecasted and actual results, and such differences may be material. See the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

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**State of Colorado**  
**Actual and Estimated General Fund Cash Flow**  
**Fiscal Year 2015-16**  
**Current Law<sup>1</sup>**

(Amounts expressed in millions; totals may not add due to rounding)

	Actual										Estimated		
	July 2015	Aug 2015	Sept 2015	Oct 2015	Nov 2015	Dec 2015	Jan 2016	Feb 2016	Mar 2016	Apr 2016	May 2016	June 2016	Total
Beginning Cash and Investments Balance	\$ 365.1												\$ 365.1
Revenues:													
General Fund Revenue:													
Sales and Use Tax	215.7	\$ 250.9	\$ 260.9	\$ 251.6	\$ 236.5	\$ 239.7	\$ 287.4	\$ 217.7	\$ 220.9	\$ 246.7	\$ 238.5	\$ 256.2	2,922.6
Individual Income Tax	372.2	418.6	586.6	535.9	477.7	507.1	677.5	186.4	260.6	745.5	515.9	683.0	5,967.0
Corporate Income Tax	13.1	5.9	140.4	52.6	(40.4)	57.2	48.3	7.6	78.8	127.2	25.9	131.2	647.9
Other	52.0	5.6	(13.0)	(48.8)	(4.9)	(49.9)	6.2	68.6	41.0	223.5	(36.2)	179.9	424.0
Total General Fund Revenue	653.0	681.0	974.8	791.4	668.8	754.1	1,019.3	480.3	601.3	1,342.8	744.2	1,250.3	9,961.6
Federal Revenue	447.0	552.2	706.5	449.8	604.2	698.4	582.5	599.7	720.1	514.3	607.7	1,269.0	7,751.4
Total Revenues	1,100.0	1,233.2	1,681.4	1,241.2	1,273.0	1,452.5	1,601.8	1,080.0	1,321.4	1,857.2	1,351.9	2,519.3	17,713.0
Expenditures:													
Payroll	132.0	145.8	145.8	146.7	145.5	135.9	142.5	137.6	139.4	135.0	136.8	148.2	1,691.2
Medical Assistance	446.0	547.7	398.1	392.8	593.9	503.0	339.6	545.1	432.1	723.1	720.3	482.1	6,123.7
Public School Distribution	771.0	(13.8)	880.2	0.2	1.9	874.8	3.2	0.3	875.2	0.3	0.2	2.3	3,395.9
Higher Education Distribution	3.1	45.1	2.1	4.1	4.2	42.6	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	(0.8)	102.3
Grants and Contracts	42.2	271.0	321.8	215.0	248.9	307.2	262.0	251.6	285.1	248.9	255.8	288.2	2,997.7
Other	446.1	372.2	349.4	137.6	83.8	541.9	181.2	85.3	315.0	(105.3)	(181.9)	329.2	2,554.4
Total Expenditures:	(1,840.4)	(1,368.0)	(2,097.4)	(896.5)	(1,078.1)	(2,405.5)	(928.8)	(1,020.3)	(2,047.1)	(1,002.4)	(931.7)	(1,249.0)	(16,865.2)
Total Revenues and Beginning Cash and Investments Minus Total Expenditures	(375.3)	(134.7)	(416.0)	344.7	194.9	(953.0)	673.0	59.7	(725.7)	854.7	420.2	1,270.3	1,212.9
Revenue Accrual Adjustment	142.8	(20.1)	2.1	6.5	(32.1)	4.5	2.0	(0.3)	(1.9)	10.2	(52.5)	(17.6)	43.6
Expenditure Accrual Adjustment	(156.8)	40.6	(0.9)	(27.8)	30.2	(9.3)	26.1	(16.7)	13.0	67.9	(20.4)	(282.8)	(336.8)
Extraordinary Items Impacting Cash:													
TABOR Refund	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Net Transfer In/Out -- From/To Cash Funds Per Statute	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Homestead Exemption	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(118.0)	--	--	(118.0)
General Fund Notes -- Including Interest	600.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(602.0)	(2.0)
Capital Construction Transfer	(271.1)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(271.1)
General Fund Reserve Transfer to Highway Users Tax Fund	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
State Education Fund Transfer	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Actual/Projected Monthly Cash Change	(60.4)	(114.3)	(414.8)	323.5	193.1	(957.8)	701.0	42.7	(714.6)	814.9	347.4	367.9	\$ 528.6
<b>General Fund Cash Balance End of Month</b>	<b>\$ (60.4)</b>	<b>\$ (174.6)</b>	<b>\$ (589.4)</b>	<b>\$ (266.0)</b>	<b>\$ (72.9)</b>	<b>\$ (1,030.7)</b>	<b>\$ (329.6)</b>	<b>\$ (286.9)</b>	<b>\$ (1,001.6)</b>	<b>\$ (186.7)</b>	<b>\$ 160.7</b>	<b>\$ 528.6</b>	

<sup>1</sup> General Fund revenues in this table are derived from the OSPB June 2016 Revenue Forecast. All other amounts are estimates made by the State Treasurer's office based on various assumptions and are subject to change. No representation or guaranty is made herein that such forecasted amounts will be realized. See the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward-looking statements.

Source: State Treasurer's Office

**State of Colorado**  
**Estimated General Fund Cash Flow**  
**Fiscal Year 2016-17<sup>1</sup>**  
**Current Law**

(Amounts expressed in millions; totals may not add due to rounding)

	July 2016	Aug 2016	Sept 2016	Oct 2016	Nov 2016	Dec 2016	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017	Apr 2017	May 2017	June 2017	Total
Beginning Cash and Investments Balance	\$ 528.6												\$ 528.6
Revenues:													
General Fund Revenue:													
Sales and Use Tax	213.6	\$ 268.0	\$ 278.7	\$ 268.8	\$ 252.6	\$ 256.1	\$ 307.0	\$ 232.5	\$ 235.9	\$ 263.5	\$ 254.8	\$ 273.7	3,105.2
Individual Income Tax	368.6	446.9	626.3	572.2	510.0	541.5	726.0	200.4	278.3	795.9	550.8	729.2	6,346.2
Corporate Income Tax	13.2	6.1	145.9	54.7	(42.0)	59.5	50.1	7.9	81.8	132.2	27.0	136.3	672.7
Other	51.5	4.4	(12.4)	(52.6)	(8.2)	(53.6)	2.6	70.8	44.5	238.8	(39.8)	192.6	438.6
Total General Fund Revenue	646.7	725.4	1,038.4	843.0	712.5	803.3	1,085.8	511.7	640.5	1,430.5	792.8	1,331.8	10,562.5
Federal Revenue	442.7	544.4	696.4	443.4	595.5	688.4	574.1	591.1	709.8	507.0	599.0	1,250.9	7,642.7
Total Revenues	1,089.4	1,269.8	1,734.9	1,286.4	1,308.0	1,491.7	1,659.9	1,102.8	1,350.3	1,937.4	1,391.8	2,582.7	18,205.1
Expenditures:													
Payroll	137.3	148.8	148.7	149.6	148.3	138.3	145.3	140.2	142.1	137.7	139.5	151.2	1,726.8
Medical Assistance	459.4	547.7	398.1	392.8	593.9	503.0	339.6	545.1	432.1	723.1	720.3	482.1	6,137.1
Public School Distribution	794.1	(13.0)	833.9	0.2	1.8	828.8	3.0	0.3	829.1	0.3	0.2	2.2	3,280.9
Higher Education Distribution	3.2	45.1	2.1	4.1	4.2	42.6	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	(0.8)	102.4
Grants and Contracts	43.5	271.0	321.8	215.0	248.9	307.2	262.0	251.6	285.1	248.9	255.8	288.2	2,998.9
Other	459.5	432.5	491.2	176.8	131.6	698.4	222.1	130.5	454.3	(60.9)	(140.8)	384.8	3,379.9
Total Expenditures:	(1,896.9)	(1,432.1)	(2,195.7)	(938.5)	(1,128.6)	(2,518.3)	(972.3)	(1,068.1)	(2,143.0)	(1,049.4)	(975.4)	(1,307.6)	(17,626.0)
Total Revenues and Beginning Cash and Investments Minus Total Expenditures	(279.0)	(162.3)	(460.9)	347.9	179.4	(1,026.5)	687.6	34.6	(792.7)	888.0	416.4	1,275.2	1,107.7
Revenue Accrual Adjustment	130.6	(20.1)	2.1	6.5	(32.1)	4.5	2.0	(0.3)	(1.9)	10.2	(52.5)	(17.6)	31.4
Expenditure Accrual Adjustment	(144.6)	40.6	(0.9)	(27.8)	30.2	(9.3)	26.1	(16.7)	13.0	67.9	(20.4)	(282.8)	(324.6)
Extraordinary Items Impacting Cash:													
TABOR Refund	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Net Transfer In/Out -- From/To Cash Funds Per Statute	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Homestead Exemption	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(126.0)	--	--	(126.0)
General Fund Notes -- Including Interest	600.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(602.4)	(2.4)
Capital Construction Transfer	(61.8)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	(61.8)
General Fund Reserve Transfer to Highway Users Tax Fund	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
State Education Fund Transfer	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Projected Monthly Cash Change	245.2	(141.8)	(459.6)	326.7	177.6	(1,031.4)	715.7	17.6	(781.7)	840.2	343.6	372.4	624.4
<b>General Fund Cash Balance End of Month</b>	<b>\$ 245.2</b>	<b>\$ 103.4</b>	<b>\$ (356.3)</b>	<b>\$ (29.6)</b>	<b>\$ 148.0</b>	<b>\$ (883.4)</b>	<b>\$ (167.7)</b>	<b>\$ (150.1)</b>	<b>\$ (931.7)</b>	<b>\$ (91.6)</b>	<b>\$ 252.0</b>	<b>\$ 624.4</b>	

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Source: State Treasurer's Office

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## **APPENDIX B**

### **OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST**

As discussed in “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts,” the OSPB prepares quarterly revenue estimates and is currently forecasting for Fiscal Years 2015-16 through 2017-18. The forecasts include projections of General Fund revenues available for spending and end-of-year reserves through the forecast period. Budgeted General Fund spending levels are also included. The forecasts are based on historical patterns, with economic and legislative changes explicitly included in the models that forecast revenue growth, and include both State and national economic forecasts.

The most recent OSPB Revenue Forecast was issued on June 20, 2016, and is presented in its entirety in this Appendix. The pagination of this Appendix reflects the original printed document.

Prospective investors are cautioned that any forecast is subject to uncertainties, and inevitably some assumptions used to develop the forecasts will not be realized, and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, there are likely to be differences between forecasted and actual results, and such differences may be material. No representation or guaranty is made herein as to the accuracy of the forecasts. See also the preliminary notices in this Official Statement regarding forward looking statements.

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## The Colorado Economic Outlook

### Economic and Fiscal Review



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## Summary

- With most of the revenue now collected this fiscal year, General Fund revenue is projected to increase 1.6 percent in FY 2015-16. Despite continued solid economic growth in Colorado, several factors combined to generate the low revenue growth this fiscal year, including the large drop in spending and income due to the downturn in the oil and gas sector; weaker stock market gains; and the sluggish global economic activity and strong appreciation in the dollar that reduced corporate profits. These factors will place less downward pressure on General Fund revenue in FY 2016-17 when we expect revenue growth of 6.0 percent. Continued growth in economic activity across most sectors will support this revenue growth.
- The General Fund revenue forecast for FY 2016-17 is lower relative to March by \$58.0 million, or 0.6 percent. With the FY 2016-17 enacted budget and the new forecast, the General Fund reserve will be \$10.5 million below the required amount of 6.5 percent of appropriations. This forecast incorporates a projected diversion of \$44 million in income tax revenue in FY 2016-17 to a severance tax reserve fund. These diversions occur under Senate Bill 16-218 to help cover refunds associated with the April 2016 Colorado Supreme Court's decision in BP America v. Colorado Department of Revenue that allowed severance taxpayers to claim additional severance tax deductions.
- Under this forecast and current law, General Fund appropriations subject to the limit in FY 2017-18 can grow 3.7 percent. Total General Fund and State Education Fund expenditures combined can grow 3.4 percent in FY 2017-18, assuming that the negative factor in the School Finance Act is maintained at its current level.
- Cash fund revenue subject to TABOR in FY 2015-16 is projected to be \$133.9 million, or 4.8 percent, higher than FY 2014-15, primarily as a result of growth in revenue from the Hospital Provider Fee and miscellaneous cash funds. This growth will offset a sharp decline in revenue from severance taxes. Cash fund revenue will decrease 5.3 percent in FY 2016-17. The forecast for FY 2016-17 is \$137.5 million, or 4.8 percent, lower compared with projections in March. This decrease is due mostly to the reduction in Hospital Provider Fee revenue per House Bill 16-1405 (the Long Bill), as well as the shifting forward of the transfer from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund pursuant to House Bill 16-1409.
- TABOR revenue is projected to come in \$80.7 million below the cap in FY 2015-16 and \$46.0 million under the cap in FY 2016-17. TABOR revenue is expected to be above the cap in FY 2017-18 by \$257.5 million. For FY 2017-18, the total projected TABOR refund amount of \$277.1 million includes the projected \$257.5 million exceeding the Referendum C cap plus \$19.6 million that needs to be refunded from FY 2014-15 due to the reclassification of the revenue transferred to the Adult Dental Fund from the Unclaimed Property Fund.
- Colorado's economy continues to perform solidly overall, especially considering the persistent challenges faced by the oil and gas industry and the sluggish global economy. Colorado's favorable economic attributes have helped the state perform much better than the other leading oil and gas producing states. The state had the 4<sup>th</sup> lowest unemployment rate in the country in April and demand for workers among Colorado businesses remains strong. However, tight labor market conditions are making it more difficult for businesses to grow, acting as a constraint on the state's economy. Areas tied to agriculture and dependent on minerals extraction continue to experience weaker economic activity. Economic growth for the nation overall continues to be softer than in previous expansions. Subdued business investment, new business formation, and productivity growth are main factors in the slower growth. Nonetheless, the U.S. economy is performing better than most other developed country economies.
- Although there are no clear indications of an economic downturn in the United States, the global economy continues to show signs of weakness as growth remains slow and vulnerable to downside risks, which could threaten the current expansion. We note the following items of concern: The path of China's slowing economy is particularly uncertain; the June 23 referendum in the United Kingdom on staying in the European Union has affected the economic outlook in Europe; and in the U.S., job growth has slowed and business investment remains soft.

## The Economy: Issues, Trends, and Forecast

The following section discusses overall economic conditions in Colorado, nationally, and around the world. The OSPB forecast for most economic conditions is largely unchanged from the March 2016 Colorado Economic Outlook. This section includes an analysis of:

- Economic and labor market conditions in Colorado (page 5)
- Housing costs (page 17)
- Oil and gas industry conditions (page 19)
- Economic and labor market conditions for the nation (page 23)
- International economic conditions and trade (page 28)

***Trends and forecasts for key economic indicators*** — A summary of key economic indicators with their recent trends and statistics, as well as forecasts, is provided at the end of this section. The summary of indicators is intended to provide a snapshot of the economy's performance and OSPB's economic projections, which are informed by the following analysis of the economy.

***Summary*** — Although growth has moderated, Colorado's economy continues to perform solidly overall, especially considering the persistent challenges faced by the oil and gas industry and the sluggish global economy. Colorado's favorable economic attributes have helped the state perform much better than the other leading oil and gas producing states. The state has among the lowest unemployment rates in the country and demand for workers among Colorado businesses remains strong. However, tight labor market conditions are making it more difficult for businesses to grow, acting as a constraint on the state's economy.

Rising home values and rents, along with a high rate of in-migration, is causing housing construction to ramp up, which will add employment and spending going forward. Further, after slowing during the course of 2015, growth in new business formation appears to have picked up in the state at the beginning of 2016. Persistent low prices for certain crops and livestock, along with weaker agricultural exports, continue to dampen economic activity in many rural areas of Colorado. Furthermore, in the midst of continued low energy prices, the oil and gas industry continues to contract. Employment in the industry in Colorado decreased by over 25 percent through the end of 2015 and will likely decrease by another 15 to 20 percent by the end of 2016.

Economic growth for the nation overall continues to be weaker than in previous expansions. Subdued business investment, new business formation, and productivity growth are main factors in the slower growth. Nonetheless, the U.S. economy is performing better than most other developed country economies. Financial conditions remain better than the beginning of the year, signaling a more positive outlook. As the labor market continues to tighten, employment has been growing at a slightly slower pace recently, though there is some indication that wage growth has gained some momentum. The manufacturing sector appears to have improved somewhat over recent months, but growth remains subdued due to sluggish global conditions and the stronger dollar. Other sectors, such as professional and business services and construction, which make up a much larger portion of the U.S. economy, continue to perform relatively better.

***Economic risks*** — Although there are no clear indications of an economic downturn in the United States, the global economy continues to show signs of weakness as growth remains slow and vulnerable to downside risks, which could threaten the current expansion. We note the following items of concern: The path of China's slowing economy is particularly uncertain; the June 23 referendum in the United Kingdom on staying in the European Union has affected the economic outlook in Europe; stateside, job growth has slowed and business investment remains soft.

## Colorado Economy

Although growth has moderated over the past year, Colorado's economy continues to perform solidly overall, especially considering the persistent challenges faced by the oil and gas industry and sluggish global economy. Colorado's unemployment rate is at a lower level than a year ago, and was the 7th lowest among states in May.

The state has weathered the contraction in the oil and gas industry better than other states with large oil and gas presences. Businesses outside of sectors tied to oil and gas continue to grow their sales in markets for their products and services, which is supporting continued economic momentum for the state. Many of Colorado's products are supplied to markets within the U.S. domestic economy, which is performing better than the global economy. However, sectors dependent on energy production and exports continue to struggle.

Colorado's stronger population growth, fueled by the influx of younger, higher-skilled workers into the state, is also supporting stronger growth than the nation overall. This population growth, along with growth in home values and rents, is also causing housing construction to ramp up, which will boost the economy going forward.

**Housing construction in the state is ramping up, which will boost the economy going forward.**

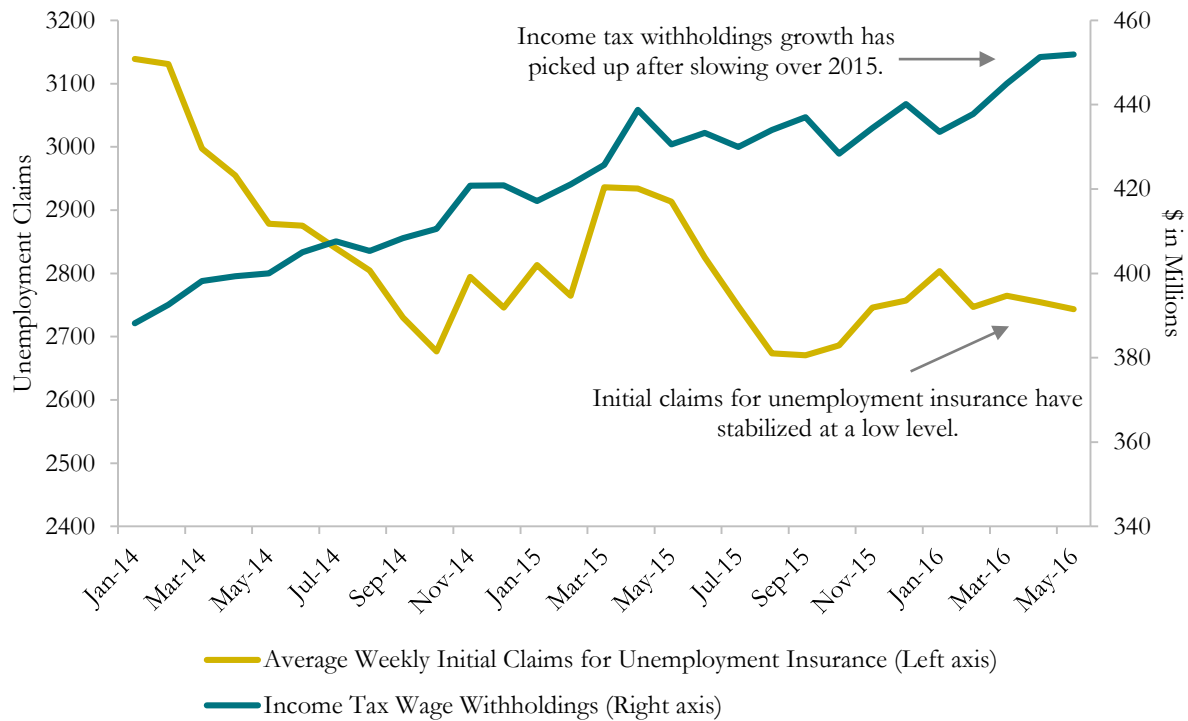
Colorado's economic growth in recent years has led to tight labor market conditions. Although this means that Coloradans continue to have more job opportunities relative to the rest of the nation, it is making it difficult for businesses seeking to expand to grow their business, which is acting as a constraint on the state's economy.

**Colorado's economic growth in recent years has led to tight labor market conditions, making it difficult for businesses to grow and acting as a constraint on the state's economy.**

The state is expected to add 63,500 jobs in 2016, a growth rate of 2.5 percent, slower than the 3.5 percent and 3.0 percent growth in 2014 and 2015, respectively, but still above the national job growth rate of 1.8 percent. Colorado's unemployment rate is expected to average 3.3 percent in 2016, below the nationwide level of 4.8 percent.

***Reliable indicators on the underlying health of the economy show some recent improvement after slowing through 2015 and the first part of 2016*** — Figure 1 shows the trends in initial unemployment insurance claims and income tax wage withholdings, two near-real-time reliable indicators of broad economic performance. After moderating in 2015 and the first part of 2016, wage withholdings growth has recently picked up. Much of the slower growth starting in 2015 can be attributed to the loss of the high wages tied to the oil and gas industry's activity that combined with a slowdown in overall job growth. Furthermore, after ticking up during the first half of 2015 and again in the first part of 2016, mostly due the oil and gas contraction, initial claims for unemployment insurance have stabilized and remain at a low level. This indicates that demand for workers among Colorado businesses remains strong.

**Figure 1. Indicators of Colorado's Economic Performance\***



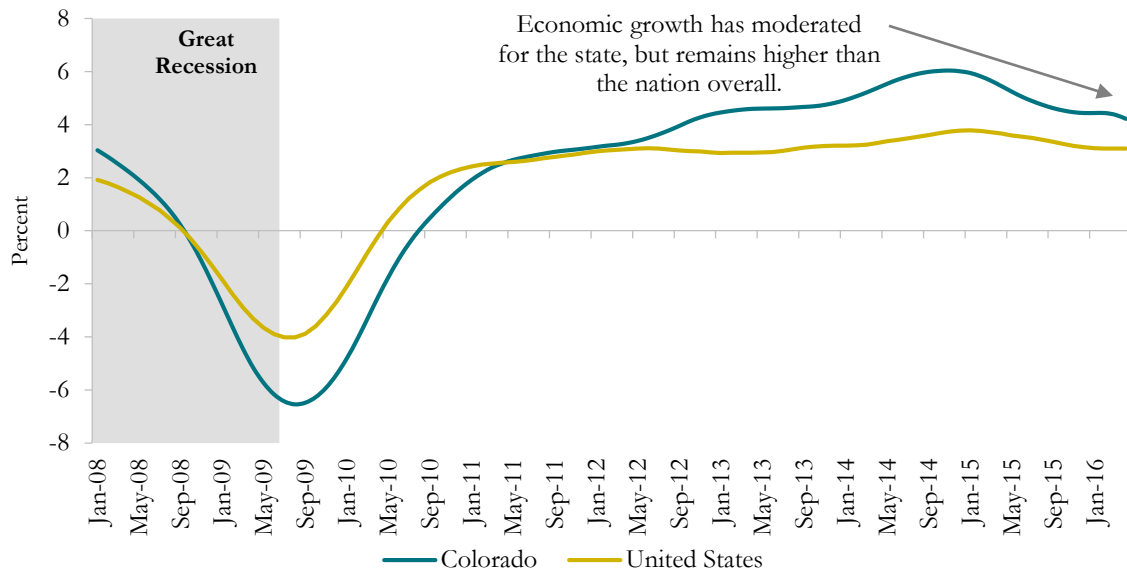
\*Seasonally Adjusted, Three-month moving average

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue, Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, and OSPB calculations

***Other measures of broad statewide economic activity show moderated growth for the state, but continued better performance than the nation overall*** — Colorado's economy has moderated overall as measured by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia's monthly State Coincident Economic Activity Index. This index is one of the most up-to-date broad measures of state economic activity. The index tends to match growth in a state's gross domestic product (GDP) over time by combining four state-level indicators to track current economic conditions — employment, average hours worked in manufacturing, the unemployment rate, and inflation-adjusted wage and salary disbursements.

Figure 2 shows Colorado's economy measured by the State Coincident Economic Activity Index compared to the U.S. overall since the Great Recession. Although economic growth has slowed from its robust pace over 2014 and the beginning of 2015, it remains stronger than the nation through April of this year, the month from which the latest data is available. To help corroborate this data, a recent US Bank survey of small businesses in the U.S. showed that 57 percent of Colorado small businesses indicated that conditions are stronger in the state than the rest of the country, the highest percentage of any of the 11 states surveyed.

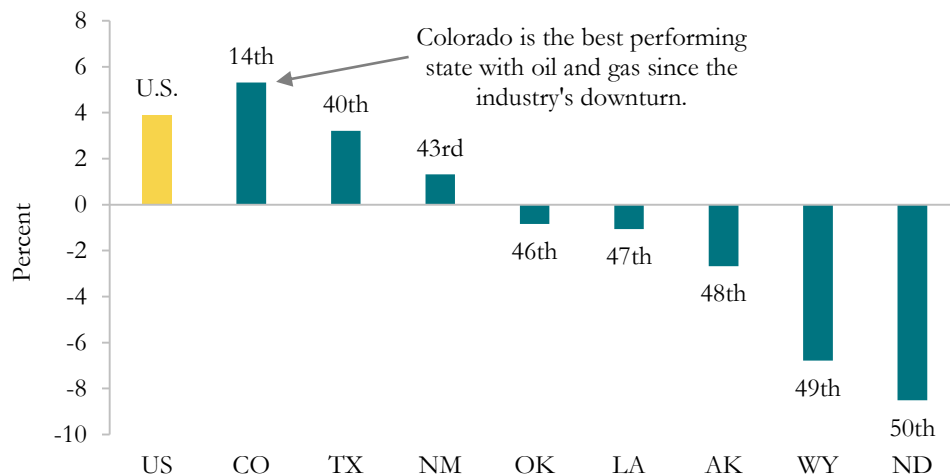
**Figure 2. Coincident Economic Activity Index, Year over Year % Change**



Source: Philadelphia Federal Reserve Branch

**Colorado has weathered the oil and gas industry contraction better than other oil and gas states** — The loss of wages, investment, and spending from the downturn in the oil and gas industry has reduced economic activity in the state. However, Colorado's favorable economic attributes have helped the state perform much better than the other leading oil and gas producing states.<sup>1</sup> Figure 3 compares the economic performance of each of the leading oil and gas producing states since the beginning of 2015. More discussion on the oil and gas industry starts on page 19.

**Figure 3. State Coincident Economic Activity Index among Largest Oil and Gas Producing States, % Change January 2015 to April 2016, with Ranking among All States**



Source: Philadelphia Federal Reserve Branch, OSPB calculations

<sup>1</sup> The selection of largest oil and gas producing states is based on each state's share of total household earnings directly resulting from the oil and gas industry.

***New business formation picked up in first part of this year, after growth slowed in 2015*** — New business formation is vital for economic vibrancy and job growth. Data on net job creation by age of business from the U.S. Census Bureau, Business Dynamics Statistics (BDS) shows that new firms are responsible for almost all net new jobs in the economy every year. New businesses are also important for productivity gains and innovations in an economy.

**New business formation appears to have picked up in the state at the beginning of 2016, an important development for ongoing job and economic growth.**

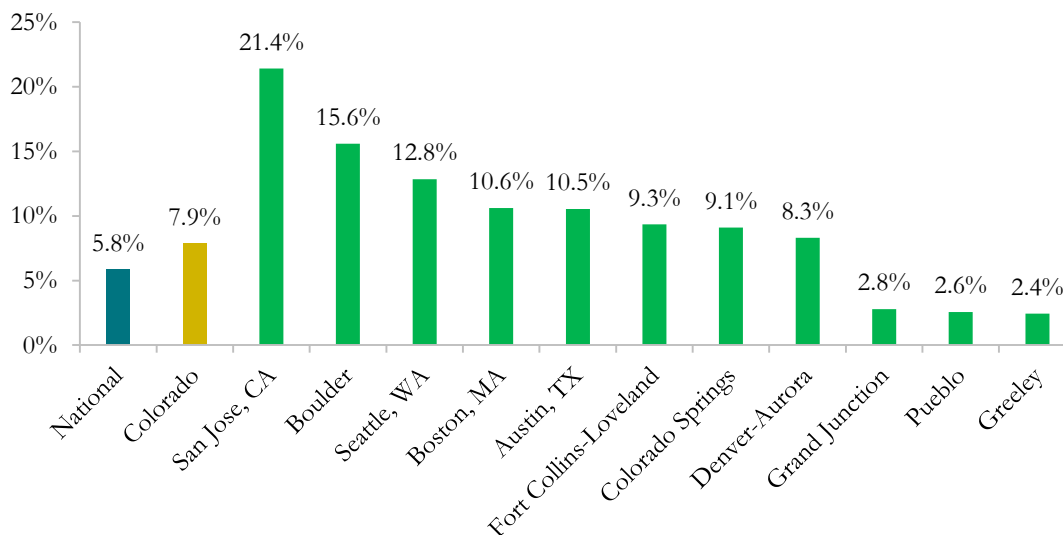
After slowing during the course of 2015, growth in new business formation appears to have picked up in the state in the first quarter of 2016, the latest information available. Data from the Colorado Secretary of State showed that filings of new entities, which mostly consist of limited

liability companies and corporations, increased 5.8 percent above the first quarter of 2015. This is an important signal of continued job and economic growth for the state in the near term as it indicates that more people are pursuing entrepreneurial opportunities in the economy.

***High-tech activity is less robust, but continues to be positive, helping fuel Colorado's economic expansion*** — An important driver of our economy, both now and in the future, is economic activities surrounding ideas, information, and technology. The high-tech sector, comprising of industries with high concentrations of workers skilled in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), is the main sector that is developing products using these components. The state's high-tech firms are involved with a wide-range of activities, such as computing and software, data processing, aerospace, medical-related products and services, communications, architecture, engineering, and other professional and technical services. Much of the recent growth in the high-tech sector is being driven by the emergence of mobile devices, social media, cloud computing, and internet search engines.

Colorado has a high concentration of technology-related firms and workers, especially along the Front Range. Figure 4 shows the concentration of workers in high-tech occupations in 2015 in select metro areas across the country and the state. Areas with higher amounts of high-tech activity generally have better performing economies. Smaller concentrations of high-tech workers in the state's areas outside of the Front Range are one reason they are experiencing less economic growth.

**Figure 4. Proportion of Workers in High Tech Occupations, Select U.S. and Colorado Regions, 2015**



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



The high-tech industries and the economic activity associated with them have been an important part of the state's growth in the current expansion. Because of their innovative activities and higher paying jobs, growth in high-tech industries leads to job growth in other sectors, from doctors and lawyers to services providers. The high-tech sector average wage in 2015 was \$76,260, nearly 50 percent higher than the statewide average for all jobs.

**The high-tech sector has been an important part of the state's economic growth in the current expansion, contributing an estimated nearly 20 percent to total wage growth.**

Growth in total wages paid to workers in the high-tech sector comprised about 14 percent of the growth in all wages that occurred in the state from 2010 to 2015, based on Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages data. However, considering the multiplier effect of the

sector, which includes economic activity within the high tech sector's supply chain as well as in other industries throughout the economy, the sector contributed an estimated 19 percent to total wage growth over the period.<sup>2</sup> Consequently, any changes in investment and employment in the sector will affect the state's overall economic performance.

**Recent data indicate continued job growth in the high-tech sector. The pace of innovation in the sector appears to be strong and the demand for high-tech products and services is expected to continue.**

The professional, scientific, and technical services industry combined with the information industry provides a proxy measure of recent employment changes in the high-tech sector. Like with overall job growth, the sector's job growth has moderated in the state from the robust pace during 2014, but remains solid through April of this year, the month from which the latest data is available.

Recently, however, some firms in the high-tech sector are having more difficulty raising capital and finding workers for expansion. It also appears that investors are reevaluating some of the valuations of companies in the sector. These trends will act as a constraint on growth in the sector, but they do not signal an imminent downturn. The pace of innovation in the sector appears to continue to be strong and the demand for high-tech products and services is expected to continue.

### ***Nonurban areas tied to agricultural economies continue to experience weaker economic activity –***

After having robust years during the 2010 to 2014 period, persistent low prices for certain crops and livestock, along with weaker agricultural exports tied to sluggish global conditions and a strong dollar, continue to dampen economic activity in many rural areas of Colorado. Most commodity prices remain below levels considered to be profitable, and the price of corn and wheat are especially low. Reduced earnings in farming and ranching also impact urban areas, such as Denver, that have food processing and marketing activities. However, the recent reprieve in dollar appreciation should provide some relief to crop and livestock exporters and agricultural-dependent economies by supporting earnings from sales in foreign markets.

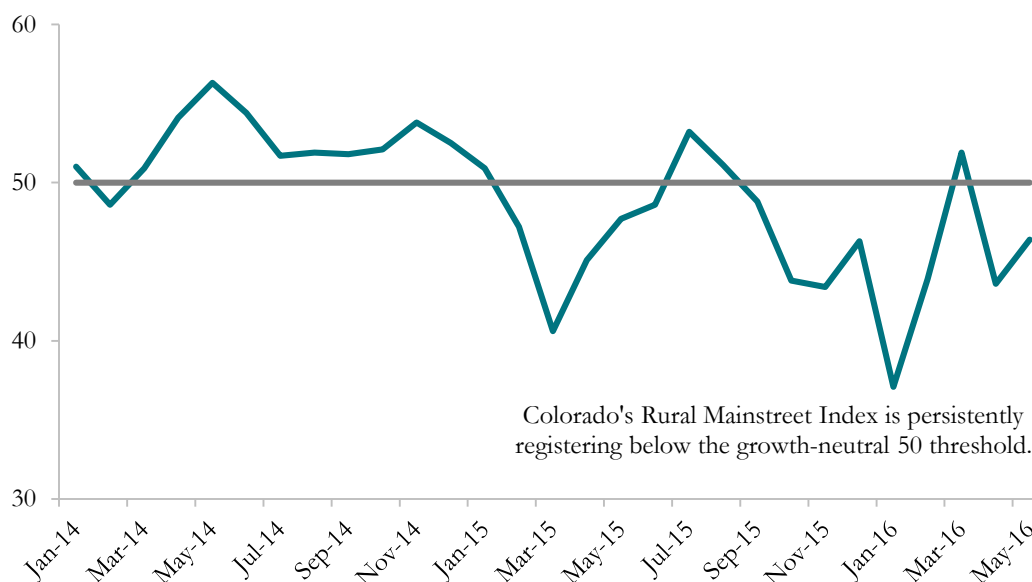
**Nonurban agricultural and energy sector-dependent areas of Colorado continue to face challenges due to weaker exports, lower crop prices, and the deep contraction of the oil and gas industry.**

Colorado's Rural Mainstreet Index, published by Creighton University, measures economic activity in rural areas by surveying community banks on current economic conditions and their economic outlooks. The index has posted readings below the 50 level that signifies growth for much of 2015 and 2016 thus far, as shown in Figure 5. The index in May registered 46.4, up from 43.6 in April. The index posted a low of 37.1 in January,

<sup>2</sup> The multiplier effects are based on EMSI's (Economic Modeling Specialists International) input-output model for Colorado.

and thus conditions have improved somewhat since that time. In addition to weaker agricultural income, some energy industry dependent rural areas have been adversely affected by the challenging conditions in the oil and gas and coal industries.

**Figure 5. Colorado's Rural Mainstreet Index**



Source: Creighton University

***After moderating through most of 2015, Colorado employment growth appears to have stabilized –***

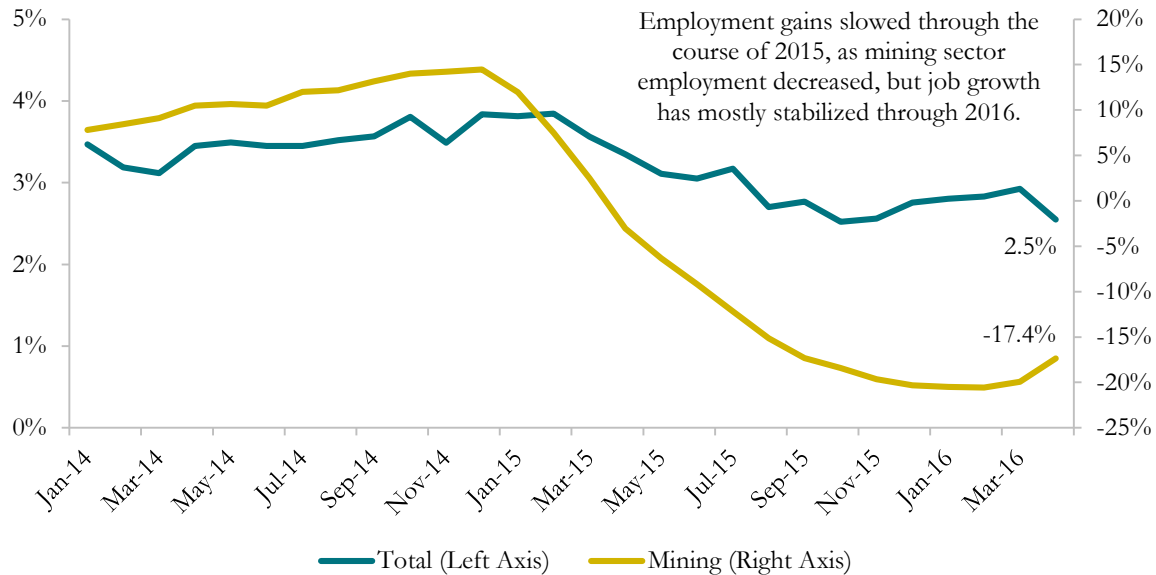
Employment gains in Colorado slowed over the course of 2015 but have remained relatively stable during the first half of 2016. The downturn in the energy sector and slowdown in manufacturing negatively impacted employment gains across the country, particularly the states that are more heavily energy dependent such as Colorado. However, Colorado's overall labor market was less impacted by the energy and manufacturing downturns and continues to post employment gains that are larger than the nation overall.

Colorado is experiencing a tight labor market, as evidenced by having the 7th lowest unemployment rate out of all states in May. Boulder, Fort Collins, and Denver all have unemployment rates that rank in the lowest 15 percent of all metro areas across the country in April, the latest month from which data is available. Furthermore, according to a report from the Conference Board concerning online help-wanted ads, the ratio of unemployed persons to online ads was 0.68 in April, the 2nd lowest in the country, behind South Dakota, and roughly half the nationwide average. A ratio below one indicates there are more job openings posted online than unemployed individuals, and is a measure of labor market tightness. The ratio has continued to decline over the past year, despite the state's moderating growth and contraction in the oil and gas industry.

As shown in Figure 6, monthly year-over-year job growth rates peaked in February 2015 at 3.8 percent. However, as mining sector employment decreased through 2015, overall employment growth slowed through the year. Employment growth appears to have mostly weathered the job losses in the mining sector as employment gains have remained relatively steady this year. The April year-over-year growth rate in Colorado of 2.5 percent remained higher than the national rate of 1.9 percent and ranks Colorado 12<sup>th</sup> out of the 50 states and Washington, D.C.



**Figure 6. Colorado Overall and Mining Sector Year-over-Year Employment Growth by Month**



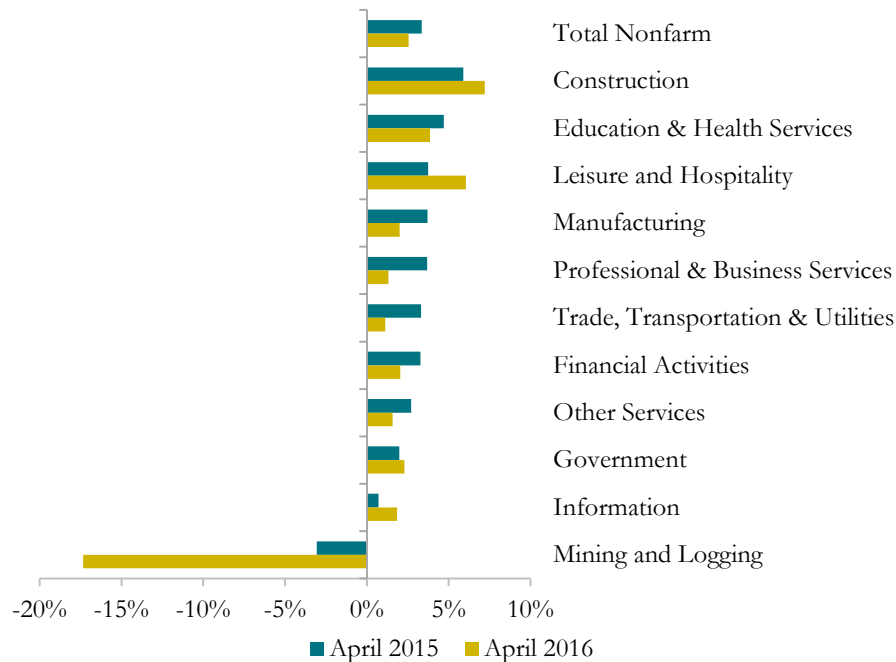
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, OSPB calculations

**Employment growth slowing across most sectors in Colorado**—Job growth continues in all sectors outside of mining, but growth rates are lower this year than they were last year in most of the sectors, as shown in Figure 7. In contrast to the national trend, where manufacturing jobs are declining, manufacturing jobs in Colorado grew 2.0 percent year-over-year in April 2016. Colorado’s relatively healthy manufacturing sector can be attributed in part to the higher amount of in-demand, advanced products that tend to be produced in the state, such as renewable energy-related and aerospace-related products. Employment in the construction industry grew at the fastest rate, 7.2 percent, as demand for construction workers remains high for residential and non-residential construction projects. Construction jobs nationally grew 4.2 percent over the same time frame.

**Jobs in the services sectors, such as professional and business services and financial activities, grew by 3.1 percent year-over-year in April, driving overall job growth of 2.5 percent.**

Service related industries, such as professional and business services, education and health services, leisure and hospitality, and financial and information activities, have fared much better than manufacturing and other goods producing industries recently. However these sectors have shown some indication of slowing recently. Service jobs, which account for over half of all nonfarm employment in Colorado, continued to grow year-over-year at a 3.1 percent clip in April 2016, though that was lower than the 3.6 percent growth in April 2015. Growth in the services sector helped dampen the impact of losses in the mining and logging industry, where employment is down nearly 18 percent since last April.

**Figure 7. Colorado Year-over-Year Employment Growth by Sector**



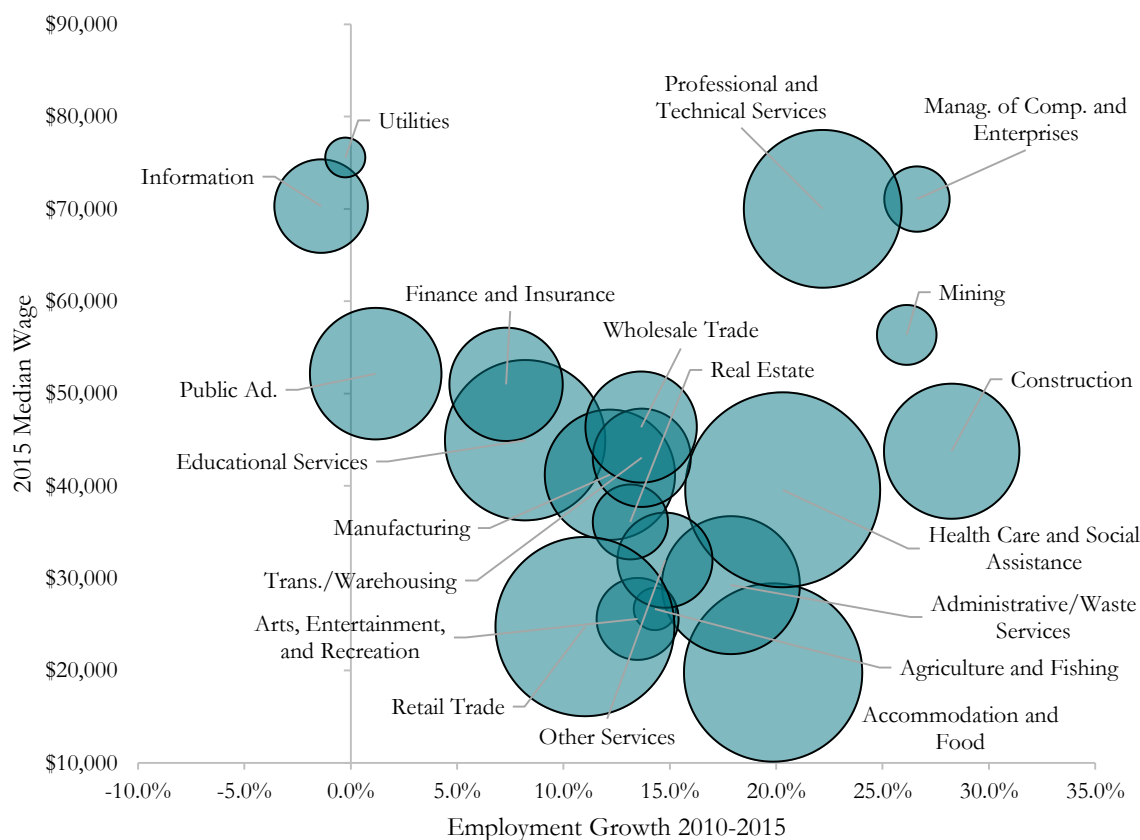
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, OSPB Calculations

***Employment growth has occurred across most Colorado industries during the current expansion –***

Looking at a longer run trend of employment growth by industry during the entire expansion thus far, most industries in Colorado have been growing, albeit at varied rates. Figure 8 illustrates industries in Colorado showing employment growth rates over a five-year period, median wages in the industry in 2015 and the size of the industry based on number of jobs in 2015.

Industries across all wage levels have grown, with construction having the fastest growth in the middle-wage industries and management of companies having the fastest growth in higher-wage industries. The professional and technical services industry, one of the largest industries in Colorado, also was one of the faster-growing and highest-paying industries. The information and utilities industries, both higher-paying, experienced a slight decline in employment over the past five years and public administration had slight growth.

**Figure 8. Employment Growth (2010-2015) and Median 2015 Wages by Colorado Industries**  
**Size of Bubble Represent Size of Industry as Measured by Employment in 2015**



Source: Colorado Department of Labor, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Data, OSPB Calculations

***Job growth has occurred at similar levels across higher-, middle-, and lower-wage paying industries, but wage growth has mostly occurred in higher-paying industries*** – The above analysis shows that there are many middle-wage industries that grew on pace with higher- and lower-wage industries over the past five years. The following figures assess the trends in employment and wage growth broken out into lower- (\$35,000 and below), middle- (\$35,000-\$65,000) and higher- (\$65,000 and above) paying industries using median annual wage data.

**Although employment growth has been relatively equal across wage groups, growth in wages has mostly occurred in the higher-wage industries.**

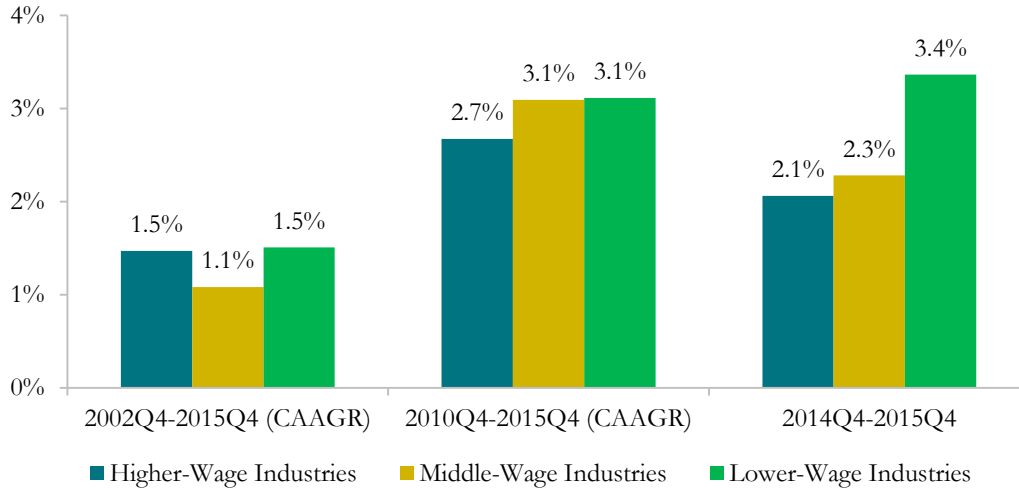
Figure 9 looks at employment growth for industries broken up by wage groups. There is some indication that the industries that fall into the middle-wage group have been growing slower than those in the lower- and higher-wage industries over the longer term. However, during the current

expansion period, middle-wage and lower-wage industries have grown at a slightly higher pace than higher-wage industries.

Over the past year, employment in lower-wage industries grew at a rate of 3.4 percent, a full percentage point higher than industries in the other two wage groups. Oil and gas related industries, which tend to fall into the higher-wage group, have declined over the past year. Additionally, some middle-wage industries that are related to manufacturing and mining also declined over the year. These declines were counteracted by growth in some

higher-wage industries such as financial and data-related industries, and in some mid-wage industries related to health care and real estate. Employment in almost all of the 29 industries that fall into the lower-wage group increased over the last year except agriculture and forestry support and apparel manufacturing.

**Figure 9. Percent Growth in Employment across Lower-, Middle-, and Higher-Wage Industries**

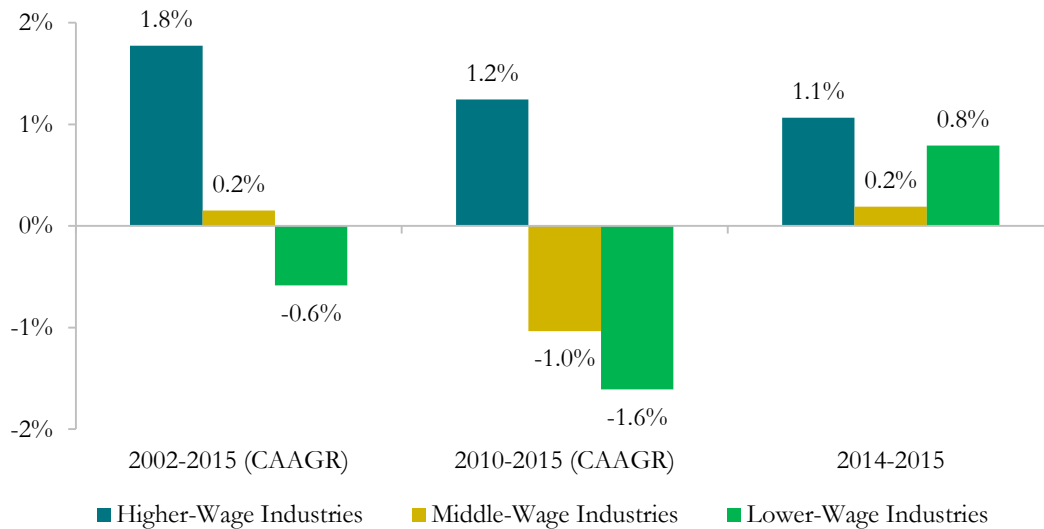


CAAGR: Compound average annual growth rate

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Colorado Department of Labor, OSPB Calculations

Wage growth has been less equally distributed across industries. Figure 10 illustrates the average inflation-adjusted wages (real wages) in lower-wage, middle-wage and higher-wage industries. Real wages in lower-wage industries, on average, have declined over the past 13-year period from 2002 to 2015 while those in middle-wage industries have increased just slightly. Over the past five years, real wages in both of these wage groups have declined. On the other hand, real wages have increased by nearly 2 percent, on an annual average growth rate basis, for the higher-wage industries over the past 13 years. Average real wages for each of the three groups have seen an improvement over the past year.

**Figure 10. Percent Growth in Real Wages across Lower-, Middle-, and Higher-Wage Industries**



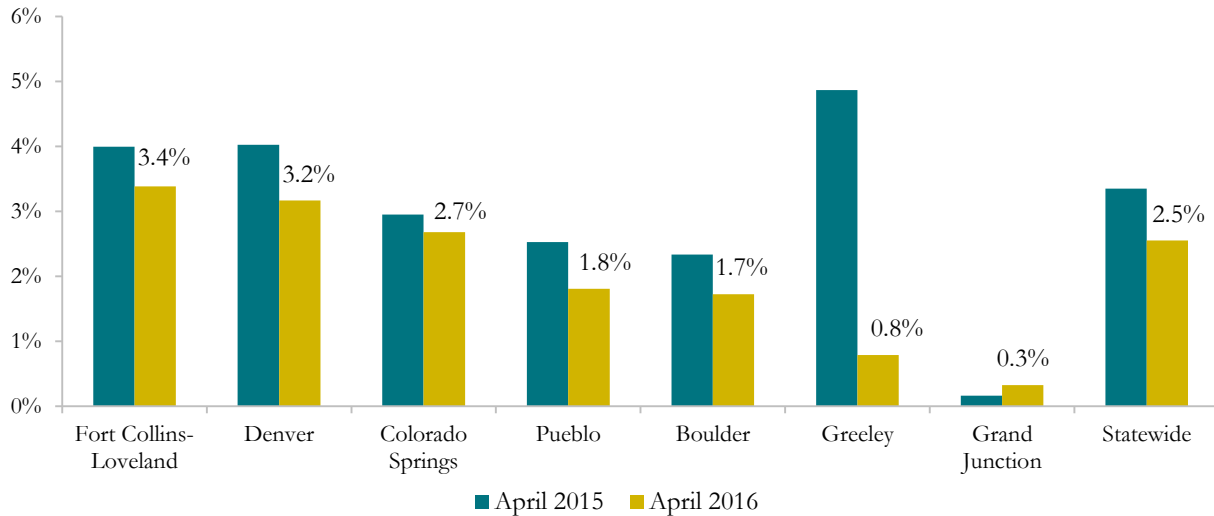
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Colorado Department of Labor, OSPB Calculations

***Job growth has moderated in all areas of Colorado since last year and growth has been concentrated in the central and northern Front Range regions*** – Job growth

over the past year was driven by gains in the Front Range cities. As shown in Figure 11, these metro areas together accounted for nearly all of the employment gains over the year. After experiencing among the fastest job growth in the country in 2014 attributable to the oil and gas boom, Greeley now has among the slowest growth largely due to the pullback in oil and gas jobs over the past year.

**Larger urban centers are accounting for most of the job growth in Colorado. Job growth has decreased significantly in Greeley due to the energy sector.**

**Figure 11. Average Year-over-Year Employment Growth by Colorado Metro Area**

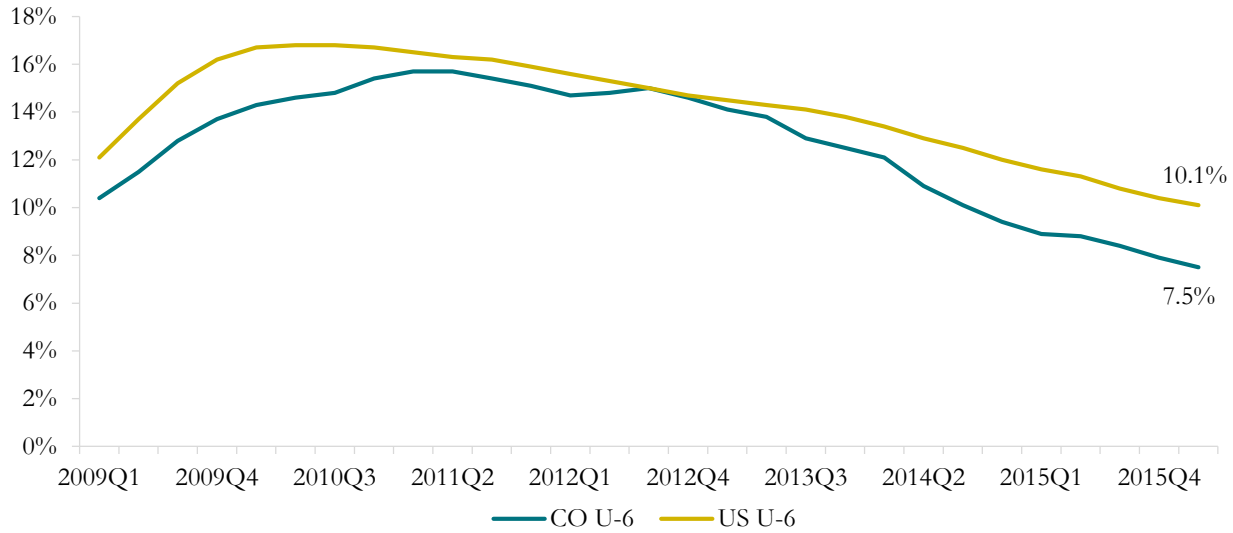


Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment

***Unemployment measures in Colorado continue to outperform the national trends*** – Although the official unemployment rate (U-3) ticked up slightly to 3.4 percent in May, it remains over a percentage point lower than the national average and ranks as the 7<sup>th</sup> lowest among all states. In addition, as Figure 12 illustrates, the broader U-6 measure, which includes marginally attached workers – workers who currently are not working nor looking for work but indicate that they would like to work and have looked within the past 12 months - and people working part-time for economic reasons, continues to drop at a faster rate than the national average. Colorado’s average U-6 rate over the second quarter of 2015 through first quarter of 2016 was 2.6 percentage points lower than the national average over this time period.

**Colorado’s U-3 unemployment rate ticked up slightly in May to 3.4 percent but remains the 7<sup>th</sup> lowest out of all states.**

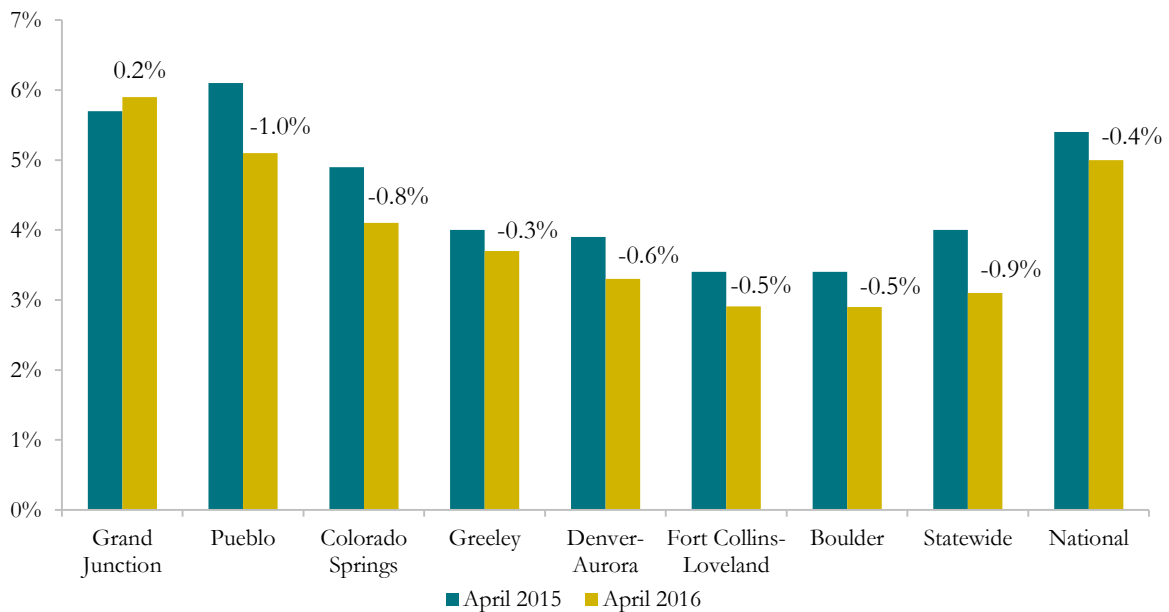
**Figure 12. Broad Measure of Unemployment  
(4-quarter moving average)**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Figure 13 shows unemployment rates across Colorado metro areas for April 2015 and 2016. As the figure demonstrates, most of Colorado's larger cities have seen a drop in their unemployment rate, though the magnitude of the change varies across the state. For instance, Pueblo and Colorado Springs saw the greatest improvement in unemployment over the past year, but also started with higher levels than cities along the northern Front Range. Boulder and Fort Collins have among the lowest unemployment rates in the country, both ranking in the lowest 10 percent of all 387 metro areas and Denver ranks in the lowest 15 percent.

**Figure 13. Unemployment Rates by Colorado Metro Area  
(Change from year ago shown above bars)**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

## Housing Costs

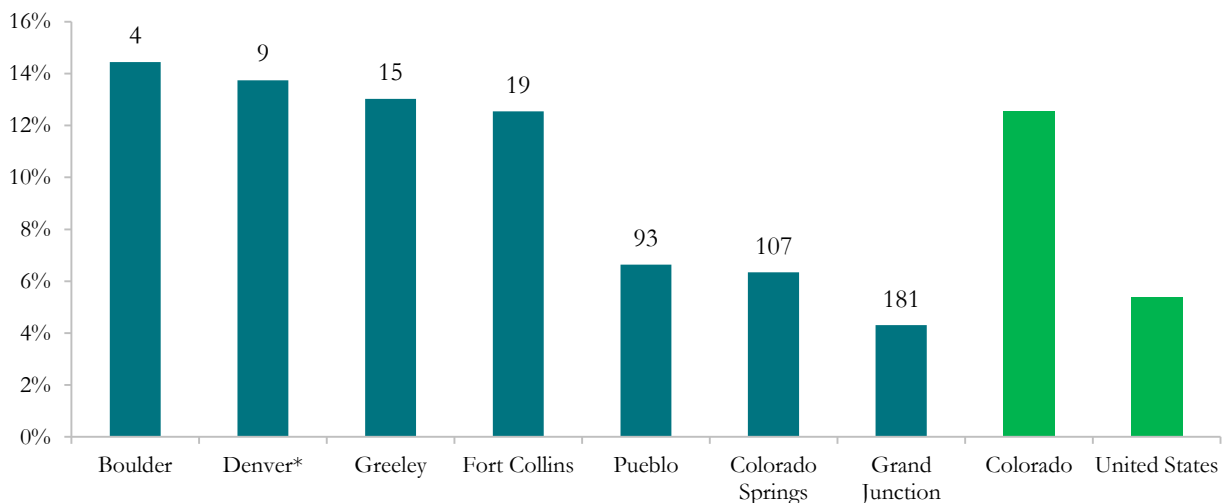
**Home prices continue to appreciate at strong rates across Colorado** – Home prices and rental rates continue to increase across most areas of the state at faster than national trends. Furthermore, home prices in the Denver Metro area have grown at the fastest rate among large cities since pre-recession peaks. Population growth fueled by high levels of in-migration, as well as low supply, have contributed to the strong appreciation. Colorado in general, and the Front Range in particular, continues to attract a younger and well educated population. In addition to the outdoor amenities Colorado offers, the labor market is exceptionally tight and the Front Range has relatively high concentrations of high-tech and higher paying employment opportunities.

**Low supply of housing in the midst of robust in-migration levels continues to put upward pressure on housing prices in many areas across the state.**

New housing permit activity increased through the latter half of 2015 and is expected to be strong over the next few years, with housing permits growing by 18.9 percent in 2016 and 9.1 percent in 2017. However, household formation is expected to outpace the level of new homes, which will continue to put upward pressure on house prices. For example, in 2015, Colorado's population increased by over 100,000 individuals while only an estimated 25,143 new homes, condos and apartments were added, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. With an average household size of 2.6 people in Colorado, the state would have needed an additional 38,500 units to accommodate the population increase in 2015, leaving a shortfall of over 13,000 units. Furthermore, these new homes and condos coming on the market, particularly in the Denver Metro area, are priced well above the price that would be achievable by many younger individuals looking to purchase their first house.

The Federal Housing Finance Agency's House Price Index shows that home prices in all of the largest Colorado cities, except Grand Junction, continued to grow faster than the national average in the first quarter of 2016. Four of these cities ranked in the top 20 for home-price appreciation with Boulder and Denver both in the top ten. According to the National Association of Realtors, Boulder's median sales price of existing single-family homes of \$479,700 in the first quarter of 2016 was the sixth highest of the 178 large cities tracked by the organization. Denver's median home price was \$369,000 and Colorado Springs' was \$239,800 in the same period.

**Figure 14. Percent Change in Home Prices, First Quarter 2015 to First Quarter 2016, Rank among 402 large U.S. cities shown above bars**

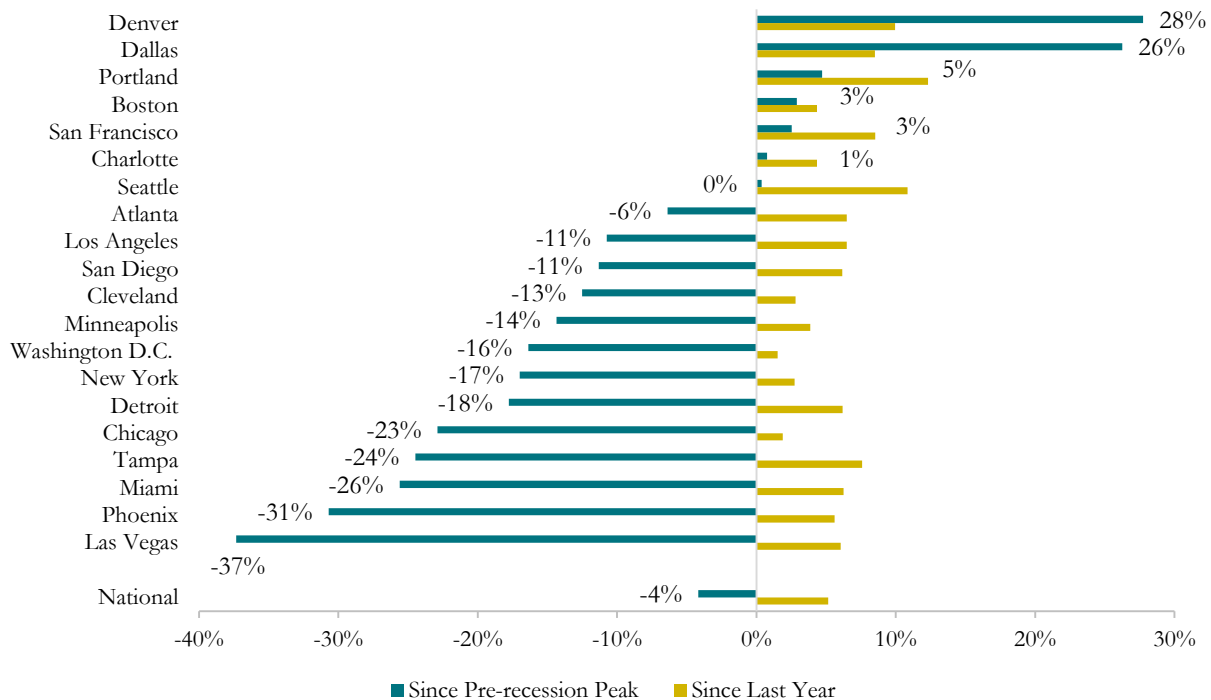


\*Includes Aurora and Lakewood

Source: Federal Housing Finance Administration, OSPB Calculations

As shown in Figure 15, according to the Case-Shiller Home Price Index, Denver home prices have surpassed their pre-recession levels by the most out of the 20 largest cities that the index tracks. Many of the cities have yet to reach their pre-recession peak levels, with some still over 30 percent below their peak. In many cases, these cities had a much larger housing boom and bust than did Denver. Denver homes tended to not appreciate as rapidly during the national housing boom but have been appreciating much faster during the past few years than most other areas around the nation. Over the past year, only Seattle and Portland home prices appreciated faster than Denver's home prices.

**Figure 15. Percent Change in Home Prices in March 2016, Since Pre-Recession Peak (shown next to bars) and Since March 2015**



Source: S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Index- S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC

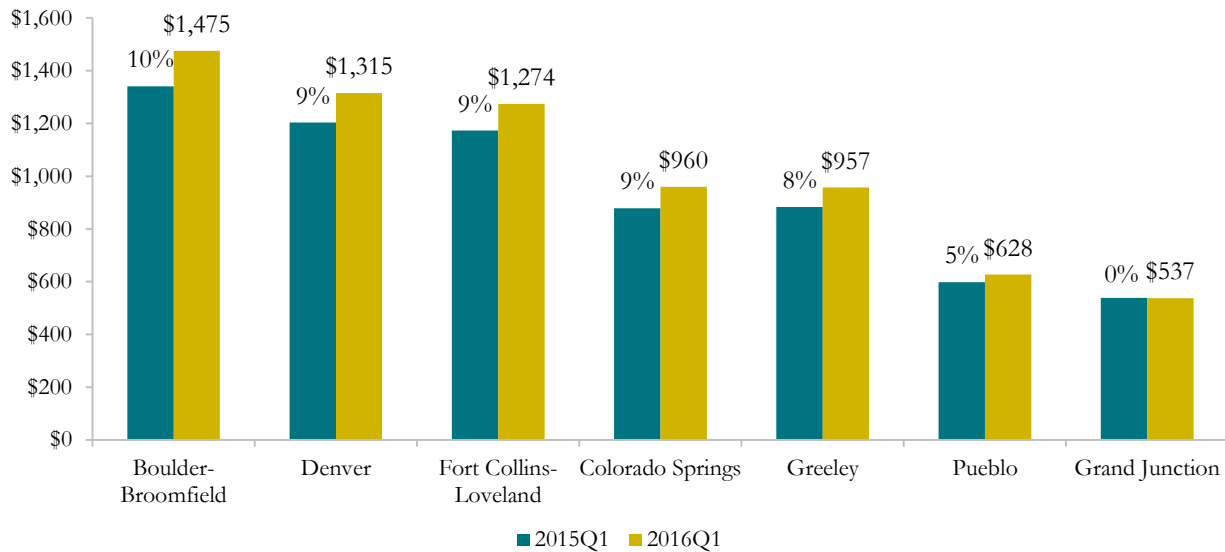
***Rents continue to rise in most metropolitan areas with growing disparity across regions*** – As shown in Figure 16, rents in most large Colorado cities rose over the past year, however growth rates varied dramatically across regions. The Boulder/Broomfield area saw both the strongest growth and highest average rents. Most cities across the Front Range continue to experience rapidly appreciating rent prices.

**Average rents rose by 5 percent or more in six of Colorado's largest cities. New rental inventory in the Denver and Boulder area could lead to tempered rent growth through the remainder of the year.**

Recent increases in vacancy rates in the Denver and Boulder Metro areas, mostly due to increased supply of multi-family housing units, may temper rental growth rates. However, robust in-migration and new household formation should continue to lead to growth in rent prices. Vacancy rates in Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Grand Junction all decreased in the first quarter of 2016 which may put upward pressure on rental rates in these cities.



**Figure 16. Average Rent in First Quarter of 2015 and First Quarter of 2016, Percent Change in Rent and Average Rent in First Quarter 2016 Shown Above Bars**



Source: Colorado Division of Housing, Apartment Association of Metro Denver

## Oil and Gas Industry Conditions

In the midst of continued low energy prices, the oil and gas industry continues to contract. Although the outlook for oil prices has improved since the March forecast, the increase in oil prices is expected to be gradual through the remainder of the year and into 2017. Further, absent a major shock, such as heightened political upheaval in the Middle East, prices will likely not return to their 2014 levels for many years. Employment in the oil and gas industry in Colorado decreased by over 25 percent through the end of 2015 and will likely decrease by another 15 to 20 percent by the end of 2016.

**Employment in the oil and gas industry contracted by over 25 percent in 2015 and could decrease another 15 to 20 percent in 2016.**

Although employment in the oil and gas industry makes up a small share of overall employment in Colorado, the industry and its associated activity made a strong contribution to Colorado's overall growth during the current expansion, helping it to outpace national growth. The industry invests large sums of money and pays high wages, increasing the amount of money circulating in the economy. Average earnings in the industry are more than twice the average earnings in Colorado. Therefore, there can be material impacts on the state from growth or contraction in the industry.

The decrease in investment and employment in the industry has contributed to the moderating overall growth in the state during the latter half of 2015 and beginning of 2016. However, Colorado's economy has been more resilient than other oil and gas intensive states because of its economic diversity and growth in other industries. In addition, lower gasoline prices have given consumers and businesses more money to spend on other goods and services, softening some of the shock. On average, gasoline prices are around 20 percent lower than last year and around 35 percent lower than they were two years ago.

***Oil prices remain suppressed due to oversupply but have improved recently*** — Oil prices dropped to around \$25 per barrel during the first few months of 2016 but have since improved and are currently just below \$50 per barrel. Production in the U.S. has slowed through the year and oil disruptions in Canada, Nigeria and

other parts of the world have put upward pressure on prices. Price projections for the remainder of the year suggest a gradual increase and are generally expected to remain in the \$50-\$60 range through 2017, although there is a high degree of uncertainty in the trajectory of oil prices.

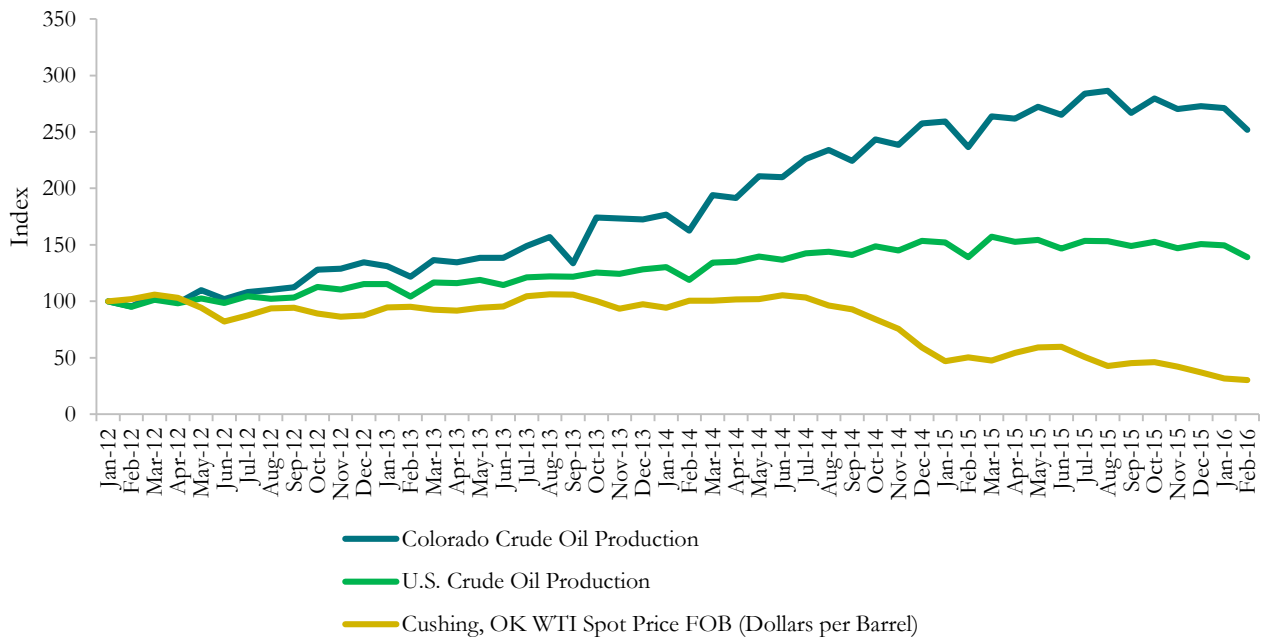
Natural gas prices are currently over 50 percent lower than their 2014 levels, due to oversupply and slower demand. The warmer winter contributed to lower demand putting further downward pressure on prices over the past six months. Natural gas prices are expected to remain low through at least the remainder of 2016 and will likely remain below their 2014 levels through the end of 2017.

Production of oil increased rapidly through mid-2015 despite lower energy prices, with U.S. production peaking around this time last year. However, production has been slowing since April 2015, as shown in Figure 17. Oil production in Colorado increased to a greater extent and has been slower to reverse course, but production began to slow during the first half of 2016. Colorado produced an estimated 126 million barrels of oil in 2015, according to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Committee, an increase of 32 percent over 2014 production. This compares with an 8 percent increase nationally. Production in Weld County accounted for nearly all of Colorado's growth; the county makes up nearly 90 percent of oil production in the state.

**Production of oil in Colorado reached record highs in 2015 with a 32 percent increase over 2014 levels.**

Energy firms have become increasingly efficient as they focus on the most productive areas to drill new wells and technology advances have allowed them to produce more oil using fewer resources. The Denver-Julesburg Basin in northeast Colorado has been identified as one of the nation's more productive and cost-effective areas to extract oil, which has contributed to the robust increase in Colorado's production over the past few years.

**Figure 17. Crude Oil Production and Price Indices (January 2010=100)**



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

U.S. production is expected to decrease by about 9 percent, on average, in 2016. Decreases will vary greatly by region and firm, though, as they require different price levels to remain profitable. Average breakeven prices — the price necessary to remain profitable — have continued a downward trend over the past few years as firms

become more efficient. Breakeven prices vary greatly by firm and region, with some firms reporting breakeven prices as low as \$30 per barrel while others are as high as \$80 per barrel. According to the Kansas City Federal Reserve’s 2016 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Energy Survey, energy firms in the 10<sup>th</sup> District, which includes Colorado, require an oil price of \$51 per barrel, on average, to remain profitable, this is down from \$60 in the fall of 2015.

The energy companies that can remain profitable in this lower price environment will be those that continue to adapt and focus on the areas that are the most efficient and cost-effective, such as the Denver-Julesburg Basin. As a result, production levels in Colorado may not decrease as significantly as other areas around the nation in 2016.

**Firms require \$51 oil prices, on average, to remain profitable in the Colorado region; oil prices are currently just below this level.**

***The oil and gas industry’s employment base continues to contract*** — Based on the latest estimates of labor market data, employment in the oil and gas industry was over 25 percent, or approximately 8,000 jobs, lower in the fourth quarter of 2015 compared with the fourth quarter of 2014. Given continued expectations of lower prices and trends in operating rigs around the state, the state could experience another 15 to 20 percent decrease in employment by the end of 2016.

On a more positive note, the prospects for these displaced workers is better than in the previous downturn in the industry during the Great Recession. This is especially the case in Colorado’s robust labor market and growing economy. Recent research conducted at the national level indicated that although the amount of layoffs in the industry has been larger during this downturn than in the late 2000’s, oil and gas workers are having an easier time finding work in other industries.<sup>3</sup> Of the individuals surveyed in the oil and gas industry in 2008, 7.3 percent were unemployed the following year. Of the individuals surveyed from September 2014 to September 2015, only 4.2 percent were unemployed. Furthermore, the individuals laid off in the oil and gas industry during the current downturn have been able to move into a broader range of other industries and have been able to maintain or even increase their level of earnings.

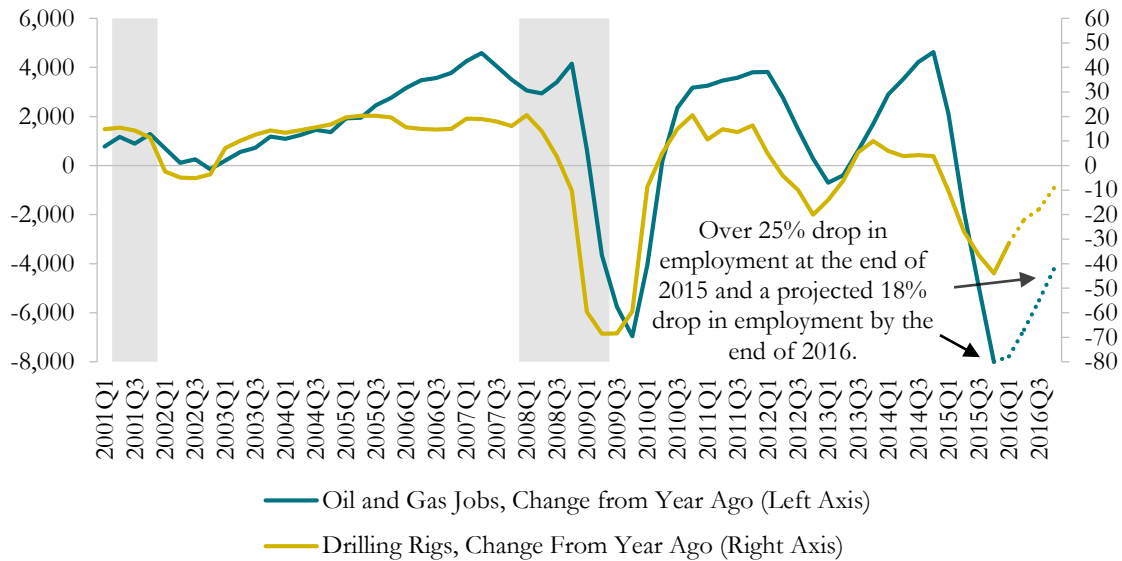
**Due to lower oil and gas prices, employment in the oil and gas industry in Colorado dropped over 25 percent through the end of 2015.**

The number of oil and gas rigs operating in Colorado continues to track closely with the trend in oil prices. After averaging 68 rigs in 2014 and 38 rigs in 2015, rigs in operation around the state have declined to just 16 rigs, but have stabilized around this level for the past two months.

Figure 18 examines the relationship between drilling rigs and oil and gas employment, both historically and projected through the end of 2016. Historically, the change in drilling rigs is highly correlated with the change in employment in the oil and gas industry. The decline in rigs and employment is expected to continue through 2016, but at a slower rate than 2015. Although prices are expected to gradually improve this year, energy firms continue to struggle in the current environment. Many firms in the industry are deeply indebted as they became highly leveraged during the boom years when prices were well over \$100 a barrel. As reduced earnings have made it difficult to make debt payments, many small and medium sized Colorado energy firms have already filed for bankruptcy and expectations are for more mergers and acquisitions as well as bankruptcies to occur through the end of the year.

<sup>3</sup> Brown, Jason P. & Kodaka, Andres. 2016. “The Reallocation of Energy-Sector Workers after Oil Price Booms and Busts.” Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City.

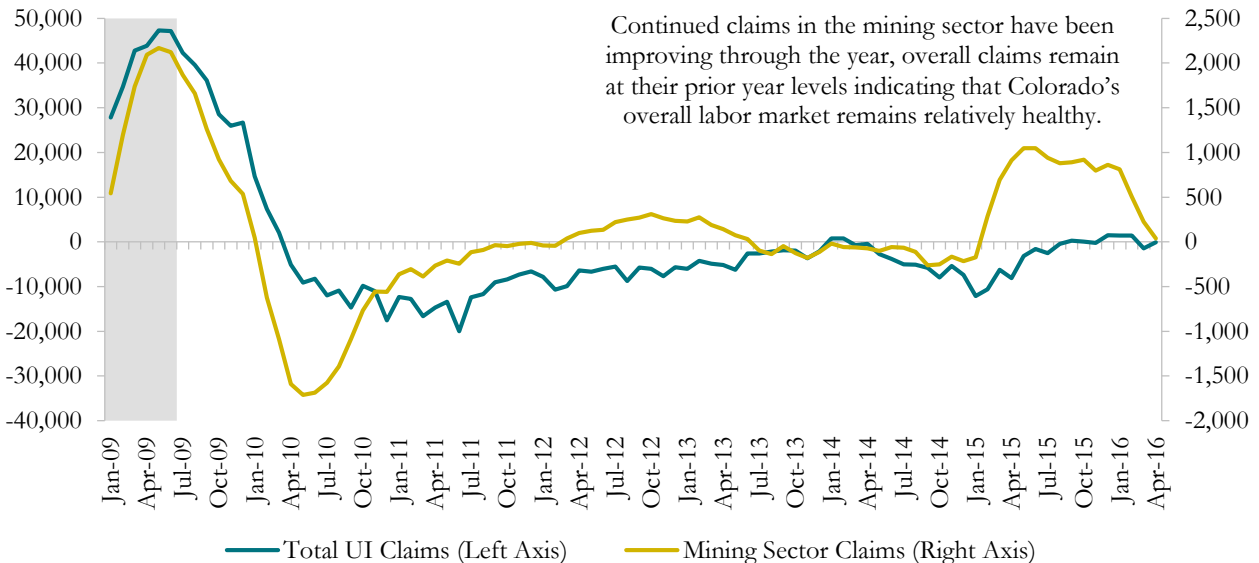
**Figure 18. Year over Year Change in Oil and Gas Employment and Operating Drilling Rigs in Colorado\***



\*Actual data on drilling rigs through the first quarter of 2016, actual employment data through the fourth quarter of 2015. The dotted lines show projections for employment and drilling rigs.  
Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment; Baker Hughes

Recent trends in unemployment claims in the mining industry indicate layoffs in the industry have slowed since the beginning of 2016, as shown in Figure 19. Overall unemployment claims in Colorado remain right around their previous year levels indicating that Colorado's job market has been able to withstand the slowdown in the energy sector.

**Figure 19. Continued Unemployment Claims in Colorado, Change from Prior Year**



Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment

## National Economy

***The national economy continues to grow modestly***—Although growth continues to be weaker than growth in previous expansions, the U.S. economy is performing better than most other developed country economies. Growth in service-oriented industries, such as professional and business services and financial activities continue to support the expansion.

Domestic demand has been growing consistently faster than global demand, which has enabled service-oriented industries and manufacturing firms that sell products domestically to continue to outperform firms focused on selling products internationally. Recent indicators of consumer spending have been mixed with some indicators showing slowing growth, while others, namely demand for housing, showing continued strength. As the labor market continues to tighten, employment has been growing at a slightly slower pace recently but there is some indication that wage growth has gained more momentum.

**The U.S. economy continues to grow modestly, driven mostly by the stronger services sector. An aging workforce, combined with slower productivity growth and business creation, among other factors, continue to temper economic growth.**

According to the Federal Reserve's May "Beige Book," businesses and other contacts across the economy indicated that economic activity continued to expand modestly across most regions and industries in recent months, although the Chicago and Kansas City districts indicated that the pace of growth slowed. Overall, manufacturing activity was mixed, with some regions indicating flat to moderate growth while others indicated slight declines. The energy sector remained weak and oil drilling continued to decrease in the Minneapolis, Kansas City, and Dallas districts. Although employment only grew modestly, tighter labor market conditions were indicated in many districts, which have put upward pressure on wages. Consumer spending and tourism were up in many districts, but others reported mixed or flat activity. Construction and real estate activity generally expanded and the overall outlook remained positive.

Growth during the current expansion continues to underperform relative to previous expansion periods. There are a number of factors contributing to this trend. A few necessary ingredients for economic growth have been generally weaker over the past decade. Growth in business investment continues to come in below historical norms and has been trending even lower recently. Additionally, new business formation, a key ingredient to spur innovation and growth, is at lower levels. The businesses that are being formed have been concentrated in fewer regions across the U.S., which is contributing to the large disparity in growth rates across regions.

The continued slower trend in measured productivity growth has also contributed to the slower growth in the U.S. and other developed countries during this recovery period. Productivity growth is essential for long-run growth in an economy, as it allows economies to use their current level of resources more efficiently. Particularly when coupled with the slowdown in the growth of the workforce, mostly due to changing demographics, a lack of productivity gains inhibit economies from experiencing more robust activity.

***Broad measures of economic activity show continued moderate growth***—The Manufacturing Composite Index and the Non-manufacturing Composite Index, both published by the Institute for Supply Management (ISM), give an indication of how the overall national economy is performing. The most recent May indices show that both the manufacturing and non-manufacturing sector continued to expand, with both indices remaining in expansion territory. These two indices use data collected from business surveys that gauge activity by tracking key behaviors, such as placing new orders, increasing production volume, hiring new employees, and making deliveries.

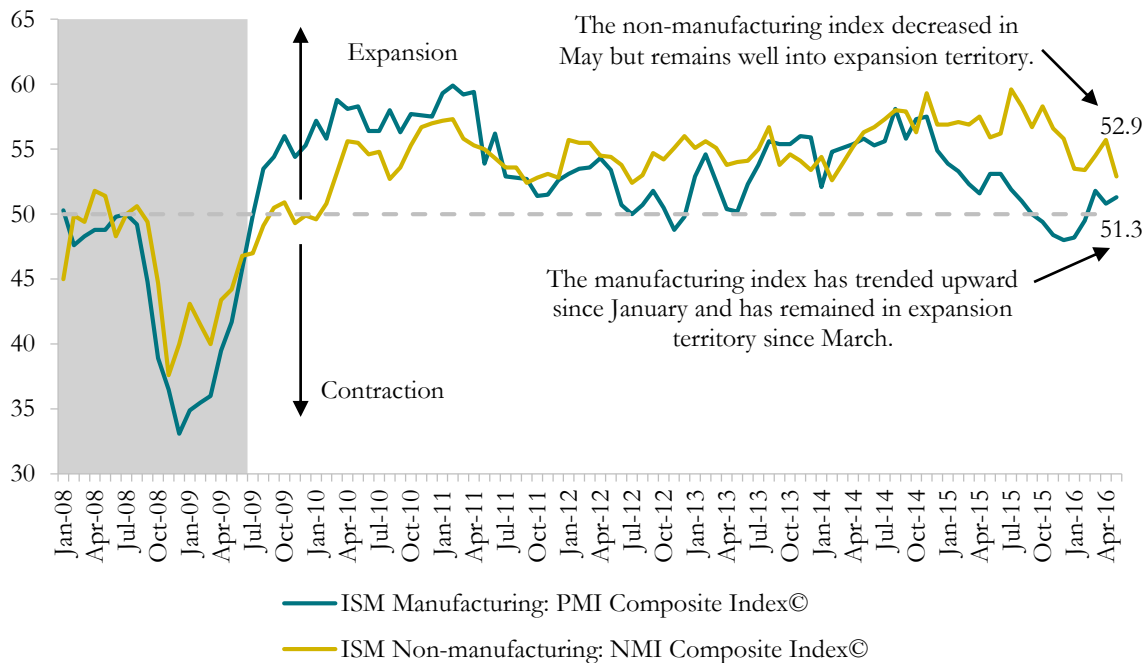
As shown in Figure 20, the non-manufacturing index, which covers the largest portion of economic activity in the U.S., covering industries ranging from agriculture to professional, scientific, and technical services, and from retail to construction, dropped to 52.9 in May from 55.7 in April. Despite the decline, the index remains above the 50 threshold, indicating that the nonmanufacturing sector of the economy continues to expand, just at a slower pace. Nearly all of the components of the index moderated over the month with the employment component entering contraction territory. This may indicate some moderation in overall growth in the services

**The ISM non-manufacturing index, which looks at the largest portion of U.S. economic activity, shows continued but slower expansion in the sector. The manufacturing index continues to regain ground and has remained in expansion territory for the past three months.**

sector. However, prior to May's decrease, the index was generally trending upward and May marked the 76<sup>th</sup> consecutive month of expansion in the services sector.

After falling into contraction territory at the end of 2015 and into the beginning of this year, the manufacturing sector has remained in expansion territory for three months, according to the ISM manufacturing index. May's index of 51.3 was a welcome increase from April's 50.8. The new orders component of the index remained strong indicating that U.S. factories continue to rebound from the slump. However, the employment component in the manufacturing index was in contraction territory. Overall, the report indicates that the manufacturing sector has been showing signs of improvement. Furthermore, the manufacturing businesses that focus more on supplying domestically demanded goods continue to perform better than those that rely on international demand.

**Figure 20. ISM Manufacturing and Non-Manufacturing Indices\***



\*Readings above 50 indicate expansion in the industry while readings below 50 indicate contraction.

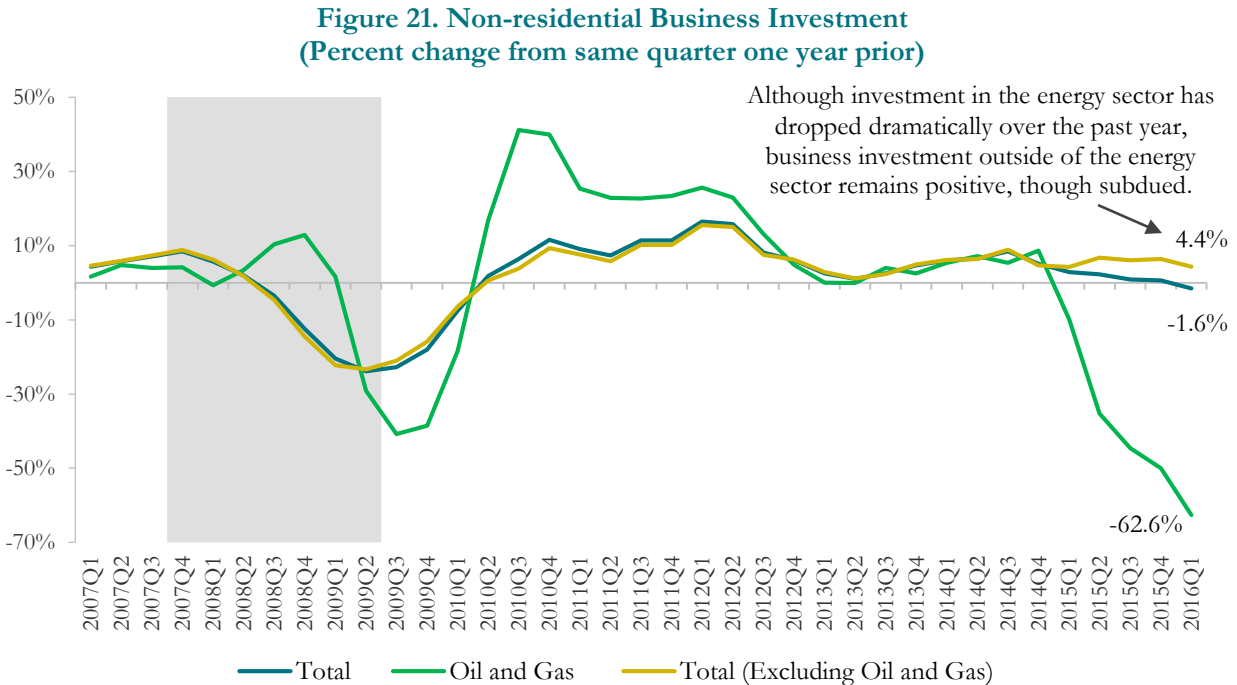
Source: Institute for Supply Management

**Business investment remains weak, largely due to the slowdown in the energy sector** – Many indicators of business investment indicate overall business investment has remained weaker during this expansion period than in previous expansion periods. Recently, investment has been trending into negative territory, as shown in



Figure 21, which shows non-residential business investment. However, the large drop in investment in the energy sector has driven the majority of the downturn as illustrated in the figure. Business investment outside of the energy industry has remained positive throughout the last year, giving some indication that investment in other sectors remains more stable.

Business investment is vital for the overall economy in that it enables continued growth and job creation. Furthermore, business investment is critical for enabling greater productivity growth, which allows for a higher sustained level of longer-run growth in an economy. The recent, subdued trends in business investment suggest that the slower pace of growth for the U.S. overall in the current expansion is likely to continue, at least in the near term.



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

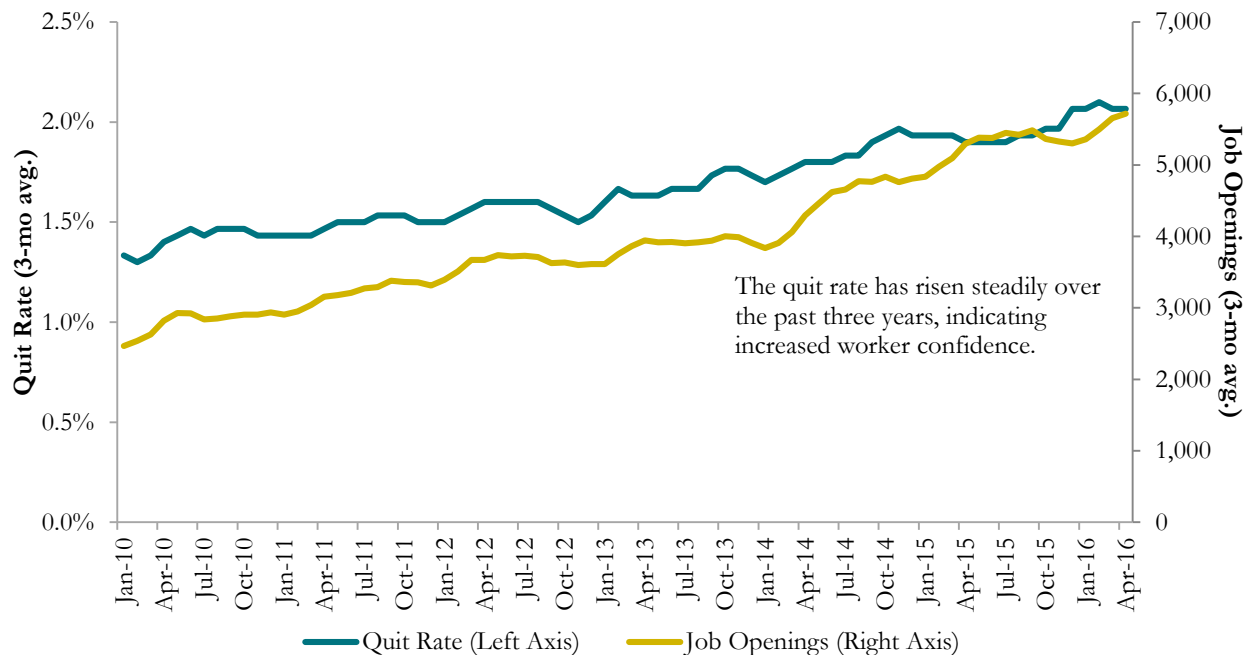
***The national labor market continues to improve, but at a slower rate*** – The May employment report from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics suggested that hiring slowed during the month, but other indicators still point to mostly positive labor market conditions. For example, employers are reporting difficulty filling positions and there are signs of upward pressure in wages, along with a rising quit rate, which signals greater worker confidence in the labor market.

***Unemployment has continued to fall*** – The U-3 rate, the most commonly reported unemployment metric, was 4.7 percent in May, down from 5.5 percent in the same month last year. The U-6 rate, which includes people not in the labor force who want and are available for work, as well as people working part-time for economic reasons, dropped to 9.7 percent in May, a decline of 1.1 percentage points since May 2015. Both indicators are still above their pre-recession lows, but the marked improvement over the last year points to a tightening labor market. On the other hand, as an indication of less positive conditions in the jobs market, the labor force participation rate fell in both April and May after posting six straight months of increases, and now stands at 62.6 percent.

Data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS) shows the long-term trend towards a strengthening labor market. As job growth has continued, the quit rate has risen. Generally, a low quit rate indicates that employees feel that they may not be able to find another opportunity, so they stay at their current jobs rather than leaving. A rising quit rate, as has been seen over the last few years, indicates that employees are increasingly confident that they will be able to find new positions after they leave their current ones. Workers can often receive higher wages when they move to new positions, and thus the rising quit rate, or the percent of workers leaving their jobs voluntarily, should also bolster overall wage growth. In April, the quit rate registered 2.0 percent and represented 58 percent of all employment separations. For context, in the previous business cycle the quit rate hit a low of 1.8 percent in 2003, then peaked at 2.3 percent in 2007, whereas in this cycle the quit rate fell all the way to 1.3 percent in 2010 and has slowly risen since.

**The quit rate was 2.0 percent in April as it continues to rise from a low of 1.3 percent in 2010 towards the previous cycle peak of 2.3 percent.**

**Figure 22. Quit Rate and Job Openings**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

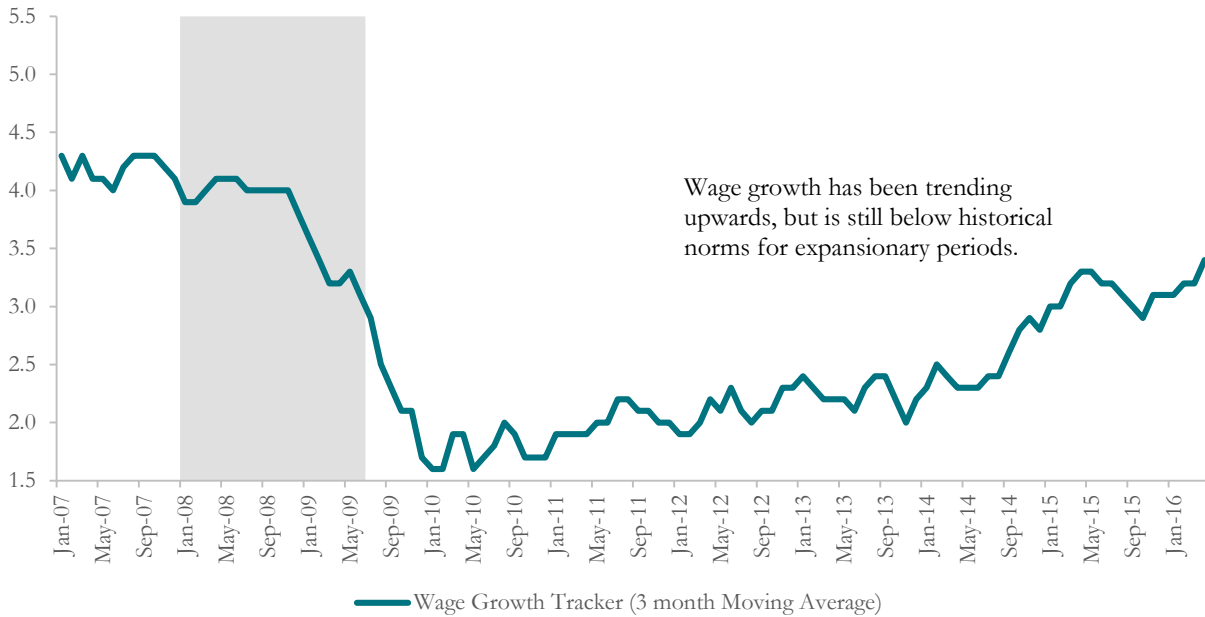
**Worker compensation is rising** – U.S. workers as a group saw their average inflation-adjusted hourly compensation rise from \$24.97 in May 2015 to \$25.59 in May 2016. Compensation trends are important because higher pay and benefits can help sustain economic growth by creating greater consumer confidence and higher levels of spending. Rising wages can signify greater gains in productivity, which helps boost living standards.

As Figure 23 shows, wage growth slowed significantly in 2008 and 2009, and has only recovered at a slow pace. Wage growth began to accelerate again in mid-2014 and has now been above 3 percent for all but one month since January 2015, hitting a high of 3.4 percent in April of this year, still below what has been seen in most recent expansion periods.

**Wages grew by 3.4 percent in April, likely due to a tightening labor market.**



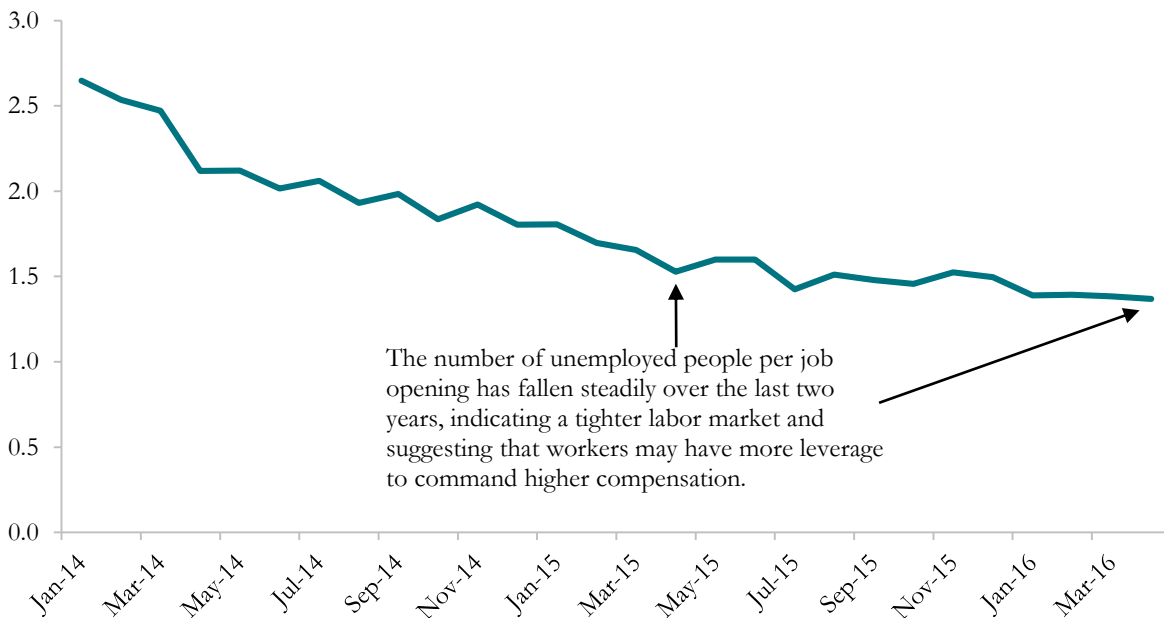
**Figure 23. Atlanta Fed Wage Growth Tracker, 3-Month Moving Average**



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

One potential explanation for the recent wage increases is a tightening labor market. As employers find it harder to fill new positions, they are likely to pay higher wages in order to better recruit and retain talented employees among a smaller pool of job candidates. Figure 24 gives support to this explanation, as it shows that the number of unemployed persons per job opening has been falling. As of April 2016, there were 1.37 unemployed people per job opening, a notable drop from the 2.63 unemployed people per job opening at the beginning of 2014.

**Figure 24. Unemployed Persons per Job Opening**

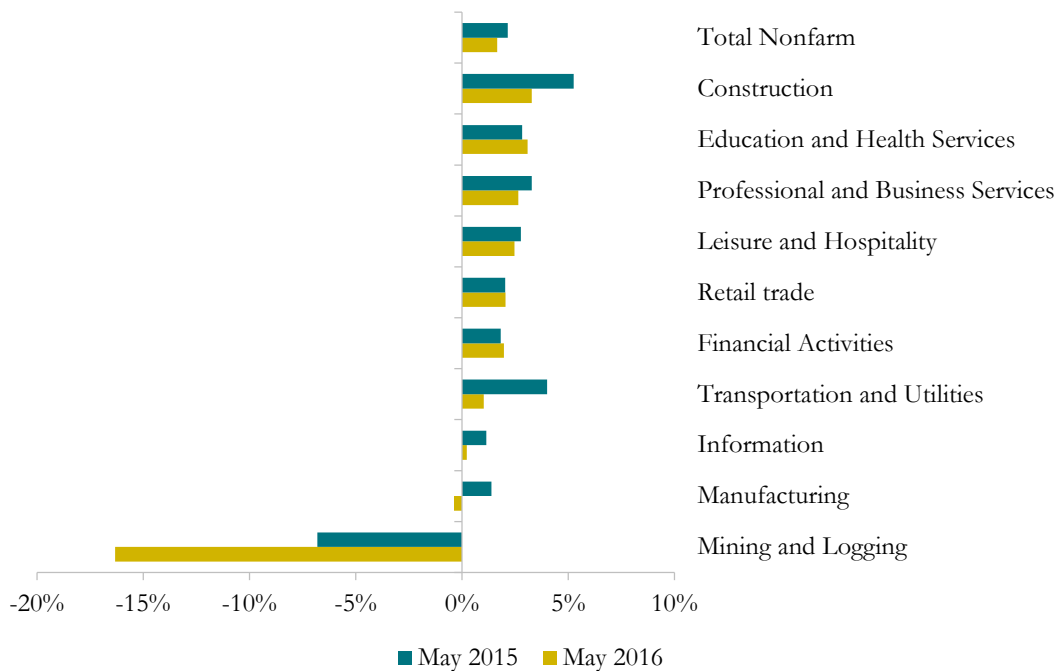


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, OSPB calculations

**Employment growth is slowing** – As Figure 25 shows, year-over-year job growth slowed from 2.2 percent in May 2015 to 1.7 percent in the same month this year. While job growth accelerated in the financial activities, education and health, and retail trade sectors, it was not enough to offset job losses in the manufacturing and mining and logging sectors. Other sectors saw employment growth, but at a slower rate than in previous months. Mining and logging has been hit especially hard by low oil and commodity prices as firms have shed over 16 percent of their workforce since May 2015. Mining and logging industries represent less than one percent of U.S. nonfarm employment, so the impact of these losses on the broad national economy has been minimal.

**Over-the-year job growth slowed to 1.7 percent in May of this year from 2.2 percent in May 2015.**

**Figure 25. Year-over-Year National Job Growth by Sector**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, OSPB calculations

## International Economic Conditions and Trade

The global economy continues to show signs of weakness, as growth remains slow and vulnerable to downside risks, which could threaten the current expansion. In light of the continued slow growth and downside risks, the World Bank has recently revised their forecast for 2016 world GDP growth downward from 2.9 percent to 2.4 percent. In general, advanced economies are expected to fare better than commodity-exporting emerging economies, which are currently facing headwinds due to declining commodity prices and unfavorable exchange rates.

The J.P. Morgan Global All-Industry Output Index declined from 51.6 in April to 51.1 in May, both well below the cycle high of 55.5 in July 2014. Ratings above 50 indicate economic expansion, while ratings below 50 indicate contracting activity is expected. The decline to 51.1 in May suggests that while the global economy is still expanding, economic activity remains sluggish.

The dollar has softened slightly, depreciating in value compared with a basket of foreign currencies, but remains in a strong position. A strong dollar can adversely affect American exporters by making their products and services more expensive to foreign buyers. While a strong dollar also makes

**The dollar remains strong but has moderated slightly in recent months, offering some relief to U.S. exporters and multinational businesses.**

imports cheaper, benefiting consumers and businesses buying from other countries, U.S. imports have not grown as expected. This may be due to worldwide trading trends, as global export values have now fallen for seven consecutive quarters and global import values for eight quarters.

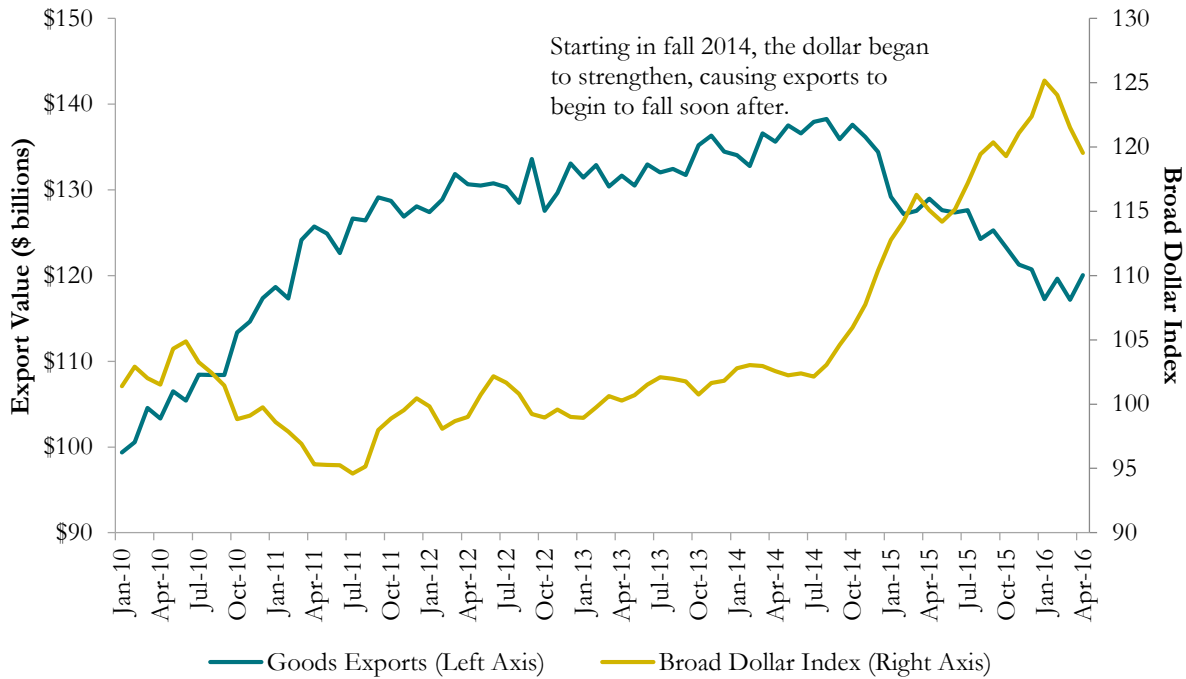
In addition, there is political uncertainty in the Eurozone regarding the outcome of Britain's referendum on whether to exit the European Union, scheduled for June 23. A vote to leave the EU could further weaken economic growth in that region.

***China's economic rebalancing continues*** – While China's economy has stabilized somewhat in the first quarter of 2016, recent indicators have suggested that this stabilization may not persist. China's transition from an economy driven by industrial production toward one based on domestic consumption is having spillover effects around the world, specifically in trade, commodities, and manufacturing.

China accounts for more than 10 percent of all global trade and is a top-10 trading partner with more than 100 nations. As a result, any reduction in China's demand for imports will have an effect on countries around the world. This is seen most clearly in the commodities market. China is a major commodities importer, accounting for about 40 percent of global demand for metals in 2014. China's slowing economy and declining demand for commodities have contributed to falling prices, causing harm to commodities exporters, which tend to be developing nations. At the same time, excess industrial capacity has contributed to an oversupply of steel and certain other manufactured goods, lowering prices below what is needed in order for industrial producers to remain viable.

***International trade continues to slow worldwide, but U.S. exports are stabilizing*** – Globally, total trade values have been declining for about two years. This can be attributed to the slowdown in China, the strong U.S. dollar, weak global economic growth, and the decline in oil and other commodity prices. The dollar's value in terms of other currencies has moderated slightly since January, but remains strong. This recent softening relative to major trading partners has provided some relief to U.S. goods manufacturers who have been struggling to sell their products overseas. Figure 26 shows the relationship between U.S. goods exports and the strength of the dollar since 2010. Note that exports fall as the value of the dollar rises and U.S. goods become more expensive to foreign buyers.

**Figure 26. U.S. Goods Exports and Broad Dollar Index**

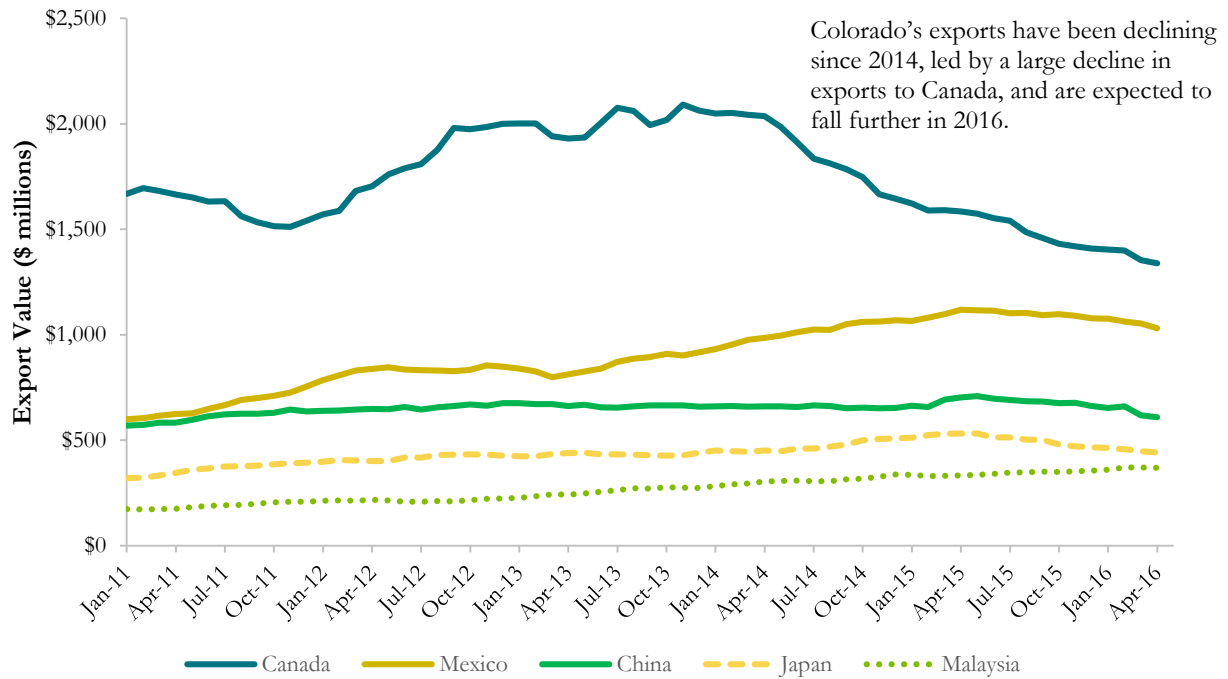


Source: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

This decline in trade is seen in Colorado’s export sector as well – Colorado’s goods export value declined nearly \$600 million from 2013-2015, and the first four months of 2016 saw state goods exports declined 11 percent as compared to the same period last year. Exports to China have declined 21 percent so far this year, representing about 18 percent of the total decline in Colorado exports. Figure 27 shows the values of Colorado’s goods exports to the top five trading partners since 2010. A portion of the decline in the value of Colorado’s exports can be attributed to the sharp fall in oil and gas and other commodity prices.

**Colorado export values have been falling since 2014, and through April were 11 percent below where they were at the same point in 2015.**

**Figure 27. Export Value to Colorado's Top 5 Trading Partners, Trailing 12 Months**

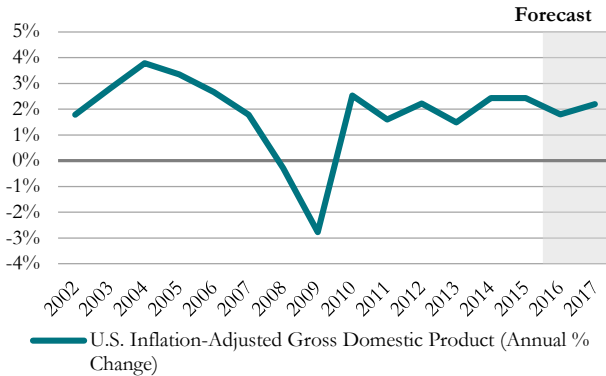


Source: WISERTrade

## Summary of Key Economic Indicators

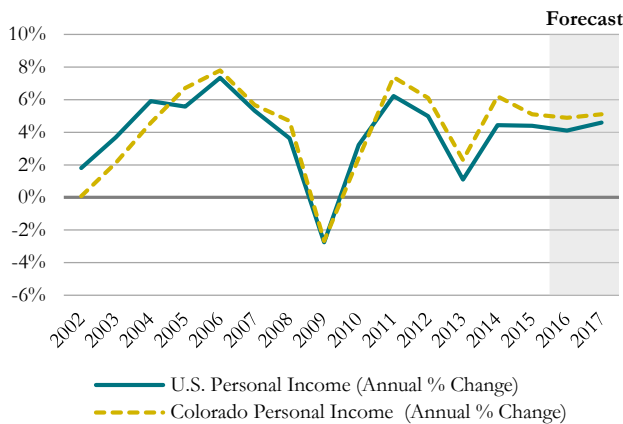
### Actual and Forecast

#### U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP)



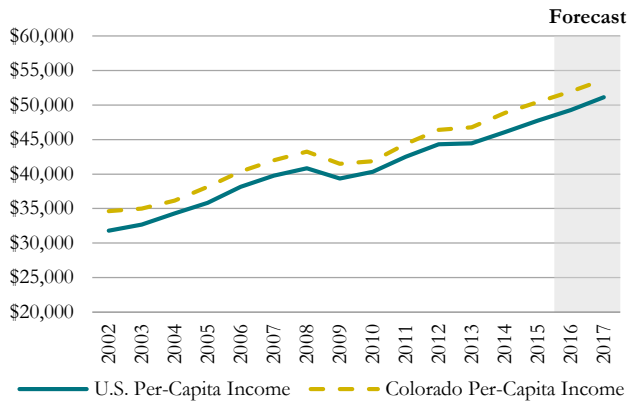
- GDP is a barometer for the economy's overall performance and reflects the value of final output in the U.S.
- The U.S. economy posted a moderate expansion of 2.4 percent in 2015 in the face of slow global growth. The pace of growth will moderate further in 2016 to 1.8 percent.

#### U.S. and Colorado Personal Income



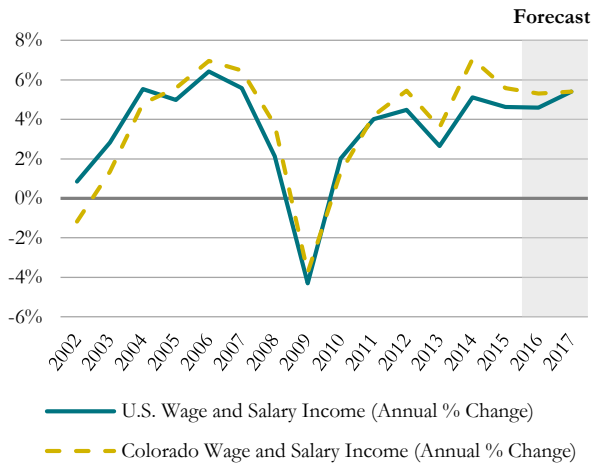
- Personal income growth in Colorado slowed to 5.1 percent in 2015 from a 6.2 percent rate in 2014, largely due to slowing employment growth and especially the oil and gas slowdown. Personal income growth will moderate further in 2016 as the energy sector continues to contract.
- Nationwide, personal income growth remained steady at 4.4 percent in 2015. A tighter labor market and gradual wage increases will allow personal income growth to remain steady through the forecast period.

## U.S. and Colorado Per-Capita Income



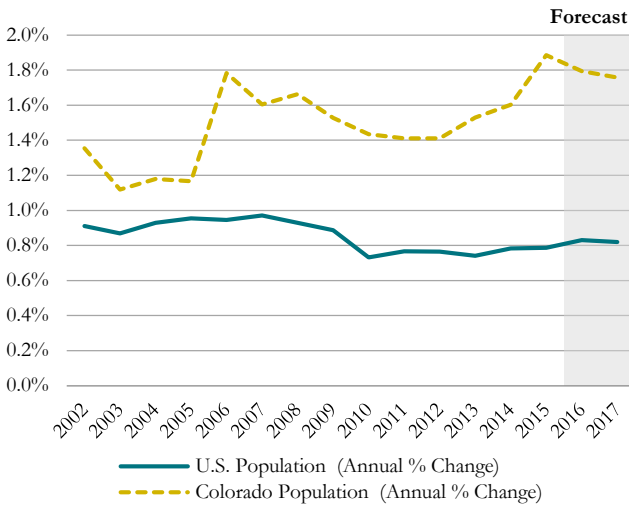
- Per-capita income in Colorado increased to \$50,418 in 2015 and will grow 3.1 percent to \$51,956 in 2016.
- In the U.S., per-capita income increased to \$47,727 in 2015 and will grow 3.2 percent to \$49,275 in 2016.

## U.S. and Colorado Wage and Salary Income



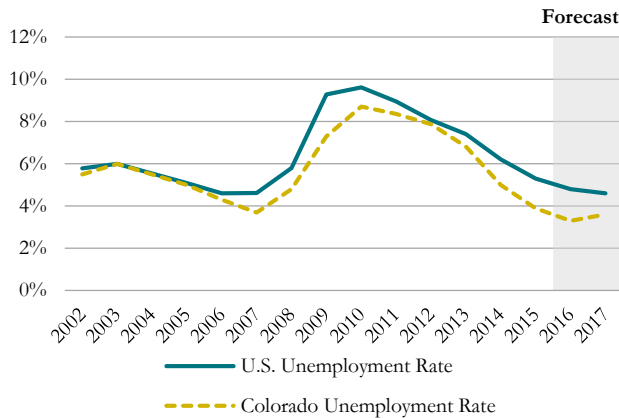
- Wage and salary growth in Colorado moderated in 2015 to 5.6 percent, largely due to the loss of relatively high-paying oil and gas jobs. Growth will decrease slightly in 2016 to 5.3 percent.
- Wage and salary income for the nation increased 4.6 percent in 2015. Moderating employment growth will be countered by quicker wage growth allowing wages and salary to grow around the same amount in 2016.

## U.S. and Colorado Population



- Relatively high in-migration rates pushed Colorado's population growth rate to 1.9 percent in 2015, over double the national rate. A similar trend will continue in 2016, as the state is expected to add 66,000 people through net migration alone. The state's total population is expected to reach 5.75 million by 2018.
- The nation's population growth rate will remain steady at about 0.8 percent per year, and the population will reach 329.4 million people by 2018.

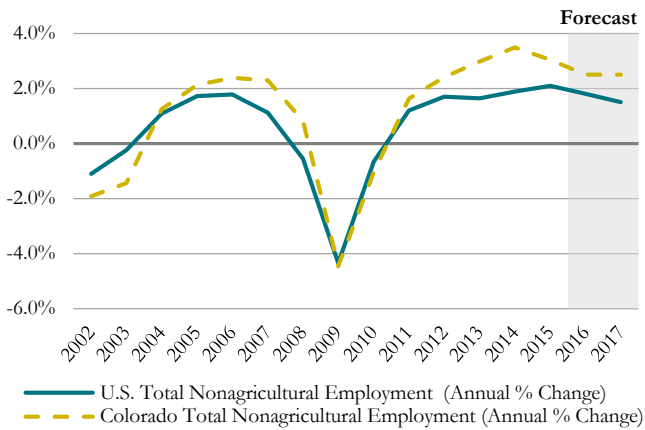
## U.S. and Colorado Unemployment



- The unemployment rate in Colorado averaged 3.9 percent in 2015, down over a full percentage point from 2014 despite the oil and gas slowdown. Unemployment is expected to average 3.3 percent in 2016.
- The national unemployment rate followed a similar trend in 2015, but remained more than a percentage point higher than in Colorado, averaging 5.3 percent in 2015. Continued improvements in the labor market will cause the rate to drop to 4.8 percent in 2016.

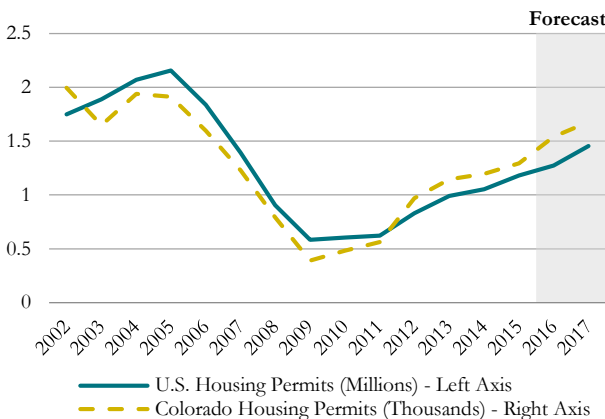


## U.S. and Colorado Total Nonagricultural Employment



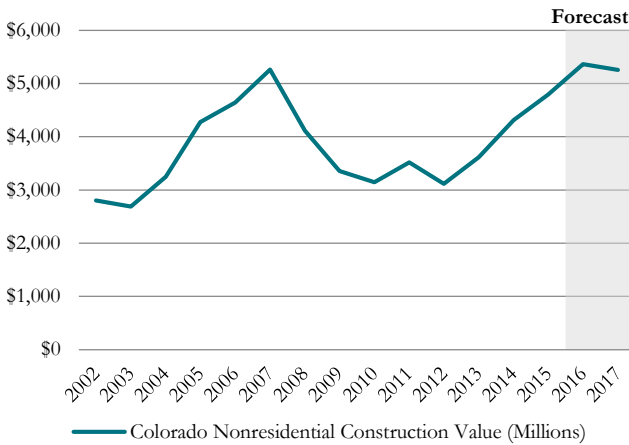
- Despite slowing job growth throughout the year, average employment in Colorado grew 3.0 percent in 2015, slightly lower than in 2014. Continued weakness in the energy sector and a tighter labor market will result in slower growth of 2.5 percent in 2016.
- In contrast to Colorado, U.S. nonfarm payroll jobs in 2015 increased at a faster rate than in 2014 — 2.1 percent versus 1.9 percent. Job growth has slowed nationwide, and OSPB forecasts an increase of 1.8 percent in 2016.

## U.S. and Colorado Housing Permits Issued



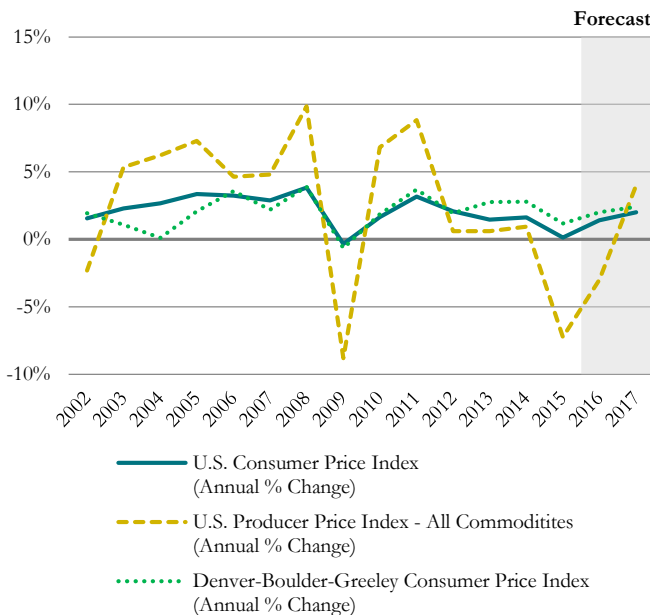
- In 2014, housing permits grew at their slowest rate since the Great Recession and only picked up moderately in 2015. In 2016, Colorado permits will increase 18.9 percent, when 36,943 permits will be issued. The increases will be driven by population growth and continued strength in the state's metro housing markets.
- U.S. housing permits posted growth of 12.4 percent in 2015, but the rate will moderate to 7.7 percent in 2016.

## Colorado Nonresidential Construction Value



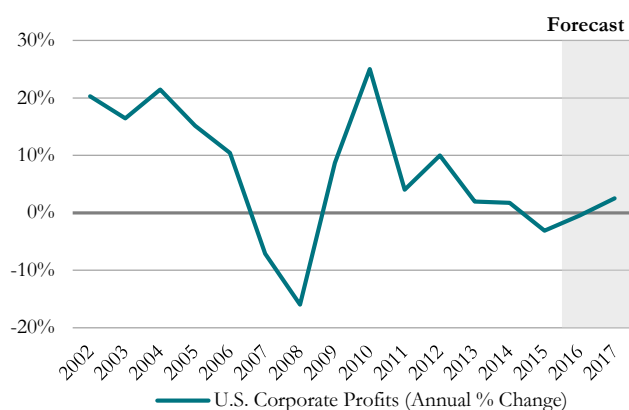
- Growth in nonresidential construction value was 11.1 percent in 2015, following 19.3 percent growth in 2014, the highest rate since before the Great Recession. Nonresidential construction in the state will have another strong year in 2016 with a growth rate of 12.0 percent.

## Consumer Price Index and Producer Price Index



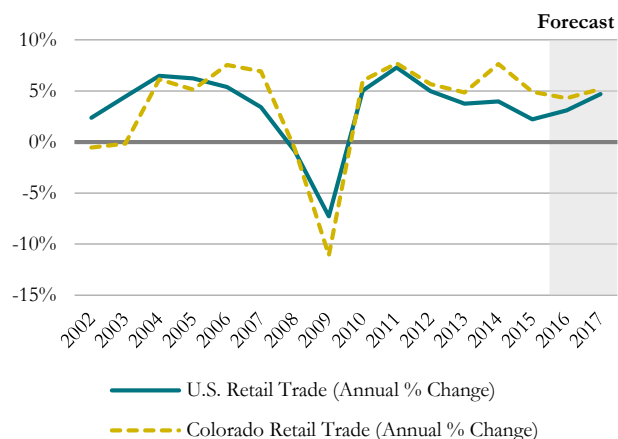
- National consumer prices remained essentially flat through 2015, growing only 0.1 percent, largely due to falling gas prices. OSPB expects prices to rise 1.4 percent in 2016, still lower than most years since the Great Recession.
- The national Producer Price Index fell 7.3 percent in 2015, largely due to low fuel and commodity prices. This trend will continue in 2016 when the index will fall another 3.0 percent before recovering to moderate growth in 2017.
- The Denver-Boulder-Greeley CPI grew more than the national index in 2015, though the 1.2 percent increase was still low by historical standards. Growth will recover in 2016 to 2.0 percent as the impact of lower gas prices will be less pronounced.

## U.S. Corporate Profits



- U.S. corporate profits fell 3.1 percent in 2015 as a weak global economy and a strong dollar impacted earnings.
- Profit growth will remain low in 2016 with another decrease of 0.5 percent as firms continue to face international headwinds and increased downward pressure from rising wages.

## Retail Trade



- Retail sales in Colorado will grow 4.3 percent in 2016 after 4.9 percent growth in 2015.
- Nationwide retail trade increased 2.2 percent in 2015, the lowest rate since the Great Recession. Sales will grow 3.1 percent in 2016.
- The lower growth rates for both the nation and the state in 2015 were due in part to the lower value of sales at gas stations from the sharp drop in gas prices.

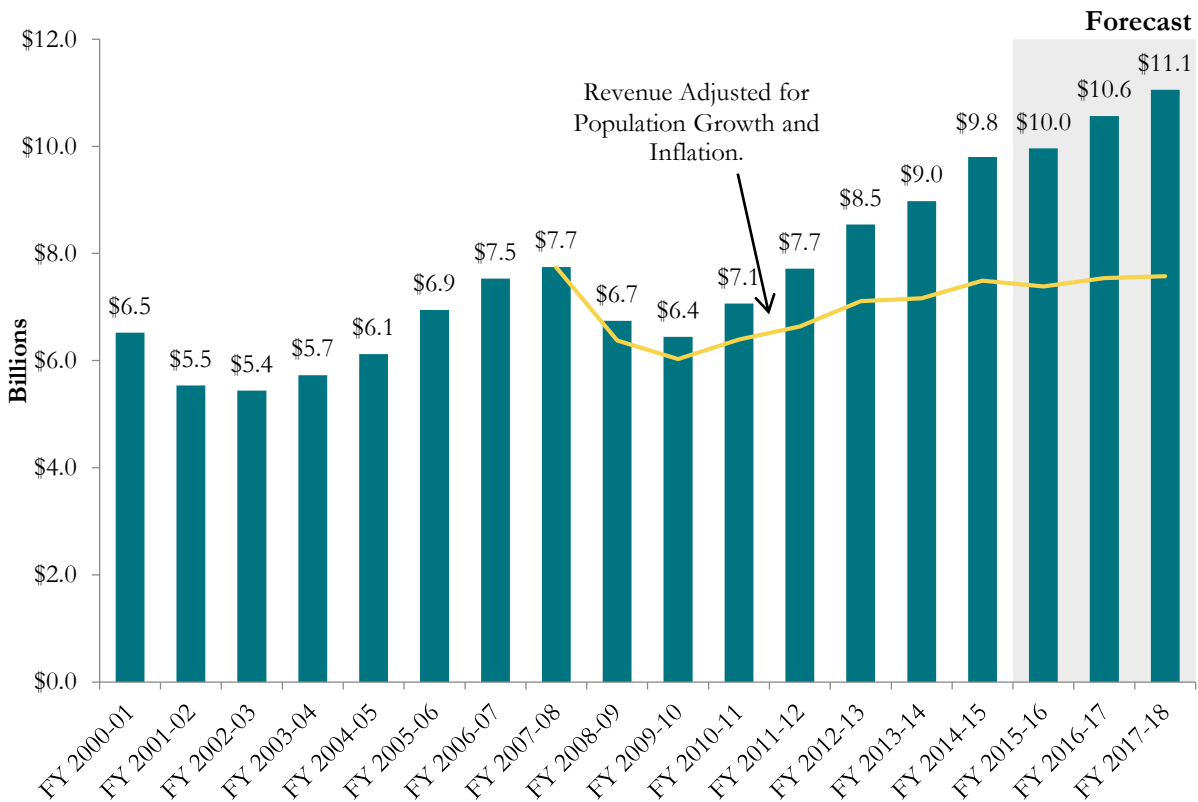
## General Fund and State Education Fund Revenue Forecast

With most of the revenue now collected this fiscal year, General Fund revenue is projected to increase 1.6 percent in FY 2015-16. This growth rate is similar to the March forecast, though projected revenue is \$15.1 million, or 0.2 percent, lower. Despite continued solid economic growth in Colorado, several factors combined to generate the low revenue growth this fiscal year. The largest of these were: the large drop in spending and income in the state due to the downturn in oil and gas sector; weaker stock market gains; and the sluggish global economic activity and strong appreciation in the dollar that reduced corporate profits.

These factors will place less downward pressure on General Fund revenue in FY 2016-17 when revenue growth of 6.0 percent is forecasted. Continued solid economic activity in the state that will generate further employment and income gains will support this revenue growth. OSPB's assessment and forecast for the economy can be found starting on page 4 in this report. Relative to the March projections, the FY 2016-17 forecast was lowered by \$58.0 million, or 0.6 percent. Weaker expectations for sales tax and capital gains income taxes were the biggest adjustments.

Figure 28 shows actual and projected total General Fund revenue from FY 2000-01 through FY 2017-18. The figure includes a line reflecting revenue adjusted for inflation and population growth since FY 2007-08. A more detailed forecast of General Fund revenue by source is provided in Table 3 in the Appendix.

**Figure 28. General Fund Revenue, Actual and Forecast, with Revenue Adjusted for Population Growth and Inflation**



Source: Office of the State Controller and OSPB

## Discussion of Forecasts for Major General Fund Revenue Sources

The following section discusses the forecasts for the three major General Fund revenue sources that together make up 95 percent of the total: individual income taxes, corporate income taxes, and sales and use taxes. General Fund revenue from the remaining group of miscellaneous sources — such as taxes paid by insurers on premiums and excise taxes on tobacco products and liquor — will grow modestly over the forecast period.

**Individual income tax** – Individual income tax collections in FY 2015-16 have come in as expected in the forecasts from both December and March. These collections are growing just 2.2 percent in FY 2015-16. Individual income tax revenue is expected to rebound with growth of 6.3 percent in FY 2016-17.

**Growth in individual income tax collections is projected at 2.2 percent in FY 2015-16 due to the reduction in income from the oil and gas contraction as well as weaker stock market gains. Individual income tax revenue is expected to grow 6.3 percent in FY 2016-17 when these factors have less downward influence on tax collections.**

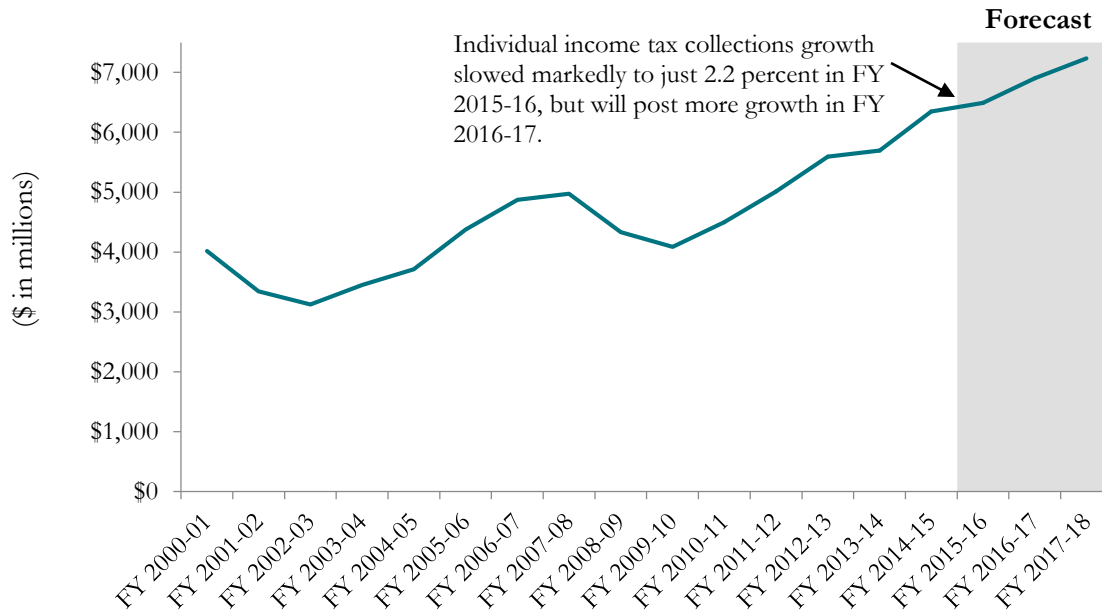
A convergence of factors markedly slowed income tax revenue growth this fiscal year from the robust gains in FY 2014-15. The deep contraction in the oil and gas industry caused a loss of high wage jobs as well as business income and oil and gas royalty payments to mineral rights owners in the state. On top of these income reductions, tepid stock market gains dampened income tax revenue.

These factors are expected to have less downward influence on income tax revenue growth for FY 2016-17, when collections are forecasted to rebound moderately with a 6.3 percent growth rate. The largest contributor to this increase is growth in wage withholdings as a result of continued job and wage gains in the state. Withholdings are expected to increase 6.7 percent in FY 2016-17, though this growth rate overstates actual growth because a portion of the increase is due to an expected larger-than-typical accrual accounting adjustment tied to the end of June's pay period that year.

Estimated income tax payments are expected to post moderate growth over the forecast period as continued tepid stock market gains and persistent weakness in oil and gas royalty payments will temper revenue increases; gains in business and rental income, however, will help support continued growth. Estimated income tax payments are taxes paid on income that is not subject to withholding, such as earnings from self-employment, rents, interest, and dividends. Capital gains account for the largest proportion of these income sources, accounting for about 30 to 35 percent of the total. Income from rents and royalties comprise around 25 to 30 percent, while business income accounts for about 15 percent of the total.

Changes in tax deductions and credits also are impacting revenue collections over the forecast period; the largest of these is the State Earned Income Tax Credit. After becoming a TABOR refund mechanism in FY 2014-15, the credit is available on an ongoing basis starting in tax year 2016. This credit will lower FY 2015-16 income tax collections by an estimated \$45.0 million — half of the full-year impact of the credit — by \$94.0 million in FY 2016-17 and a similar amount in FY 2017-18.

**Figure 29. Individual Income Tax Revenue, Actual and Forecast**



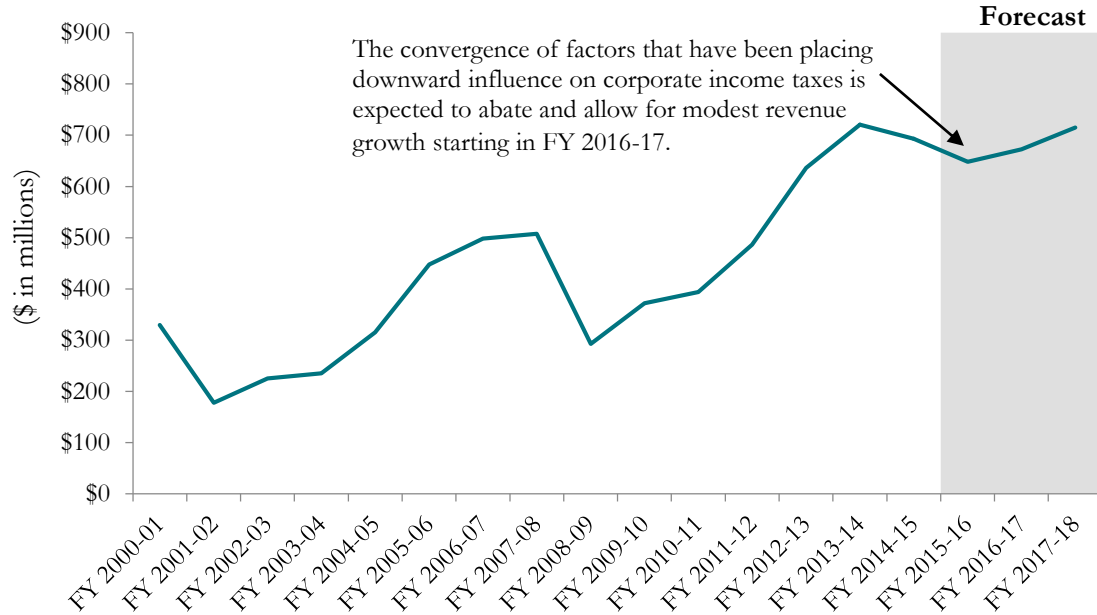
Source: Office of the State Controller and OSPB

**Corporate income tax** – Corporate income tax collections came in essentially as expected in March. Collections are projected to decrease 6.5 percent in FY 2015-16, the second consecutive annual drop. Corporate income tax revenue will rebound with growth of 3.8 percent in FY 2016-17. The convergence of factors that have been placing downward influence on corporate income taxes is expected to abate and allow for the modest revenue growth.

The strong appreciation of the dollar against other currencies was a primary factor in the weakness in corporate profits, the primary driver behind corporate income tax revenue. A stronger dollar makes U.S. products more expensive in global markets, thus reducing sales, and earnings in dollar terms. The dollar is not expected to appreciate to the same degree over the forecast period, which will help support corporate earnings. Further, less contraction in the oil and gas industry and other commodity producers will alleviate downward pressure on corporate tax collections. However, higher costs for corporations from rising wages and debt payments will temper revenue growth.

**After declining for two consecutive years, corporate income tax revenue is projected to rebound modestly in FY 2016-17.**

**Figure 30. Corporate Income Tax Revenue, Actual and Forecast**



Source: Office of the State Controller and OSPB

**Sales and use tax** – Sales tax revenue is coming in below expectations in March, and is now expected to grow 1.9 percent in FY 2015-16. We reduced the forecast for FY 2015-16 by \$31.7 million, or 1.2 percent, compared with the March forecast as sales tax collections continued to slow over the past few months. Slowing collections are perhaps due in part to the drop in spending tied to the oil and gas industry’s contraction; however, a slowdown in sales tax collections has been occurring in non-oil and gas intensive states across the country as well. Therefore, a moderation in overall spending is likely a key reason for the slower growth. Other contributing factors could be shifting preferences toward less purchases of taxable goods as well more online purchases, which are not all subject to sales tax collections.

Without the downward pressure from the contraction in oil and gas industry spending, and with continued wage and employment growth, sales taxes will grow 6.3 percent in FY 2016-17. In addition, next fiscal year’s sales tax collections will be boosted by sales tax collections by the online retailer Amazon. On February 1, 2016, Amazon began collecting state sales taxes on items purchased directly from the company and shipped to Colorado addresses. OSPB estimates that this new corporate policy will increase State sales tax revenues by \$22.0 million in FY 2016-17, after adding roughly \$7.0 million this fiscal year. These amounts represent less than 1 percent of total state sales tax revenue.

**Rising wages and continued job growth will help lead to a rebound in sales tax revenue growth in FY 2016-17 after modest growth of 1.9 percent in FY 2015-16.**

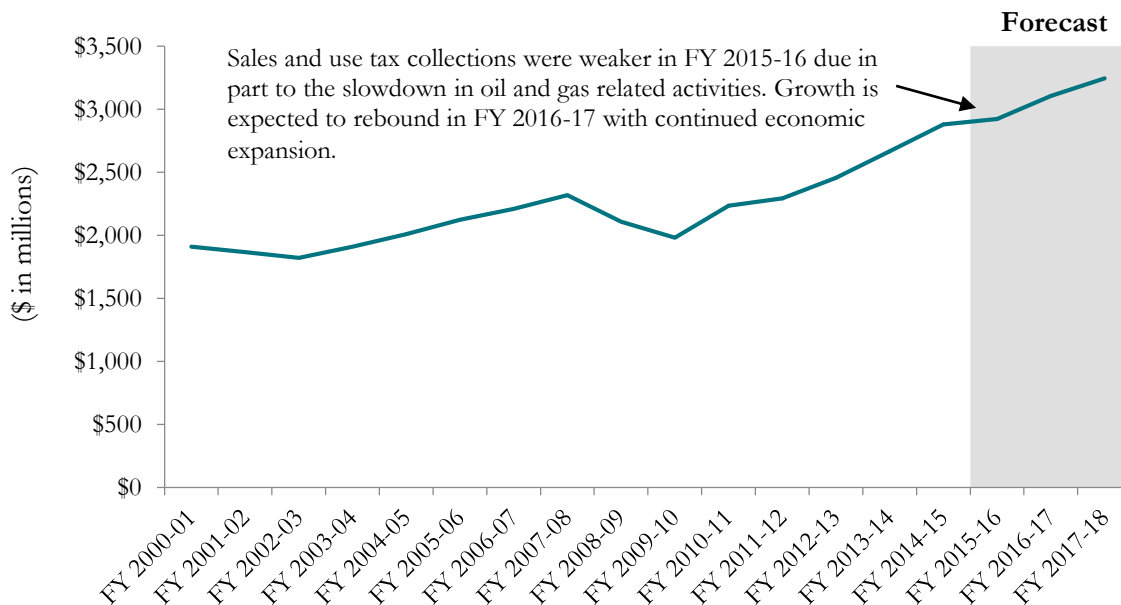
Sales tax revenue to the General Fund includes the 10 percent sales tax on retail marijuana. Growth in this revenue source is also contributing to the stronger sales tax growth in FY 2016-17. Revenue from the retail marijuana sales tax, approved by voters in 2013 under Proposition AA, goes first to the General Fund and is then transferred to the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund to support regulation and enforcement. A portion is also distributed to local governments in localities where retail marijuana sales occur. House Bill 15-1367 reduces the 10 percent tax rate to 8 percent starting in FY 2017-18. Revenue from the regular 2.9 percent sales tax on

marijuana sales does not go to the General Fund but is credited to the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund, which is included in the Miscellaneous Cash Funds category in Table 6 in the Appendix.

After growing 7.8 percent in FY 2014-15, use tax revenue is projected to decrease 2.5 percent in FY 2015-16, mostly as a result of the decline in business spending tied to the oil and gas industry. Collections will rebound with 5.8 percent growth in FY 2016-17. The use tax is a companion to the sales tax and is paid by Colorado residents and businesses on purchases that did not include a Colorado sales tax. Use taxes bring in a much smaller amount of revenue than sales taxes and are often more volatile. Much of the State's use tax revenue comes from Colorado businesses paying the tax on transactions involving out-of-state sellers.

Beginning with the 2015 individual income tax return form, individuals are asked about the total value of purchases made over the previous year for which sales or use taxes were not previously paid. For most individuals, this is related to online purchases for vendors without a Colorado presence. Individuals are then required to pay the use tax due with their return. This process is expected to collect about \$2.2 million in FY 2015-16 and a projected \$2.9 million in FY 2016-17.

**Figure 31. Sales and Use Tax Revenue, Actual and Forecast**



Source: Office of the State Controller and OSPB

### State Education Fund Revenue Forecast

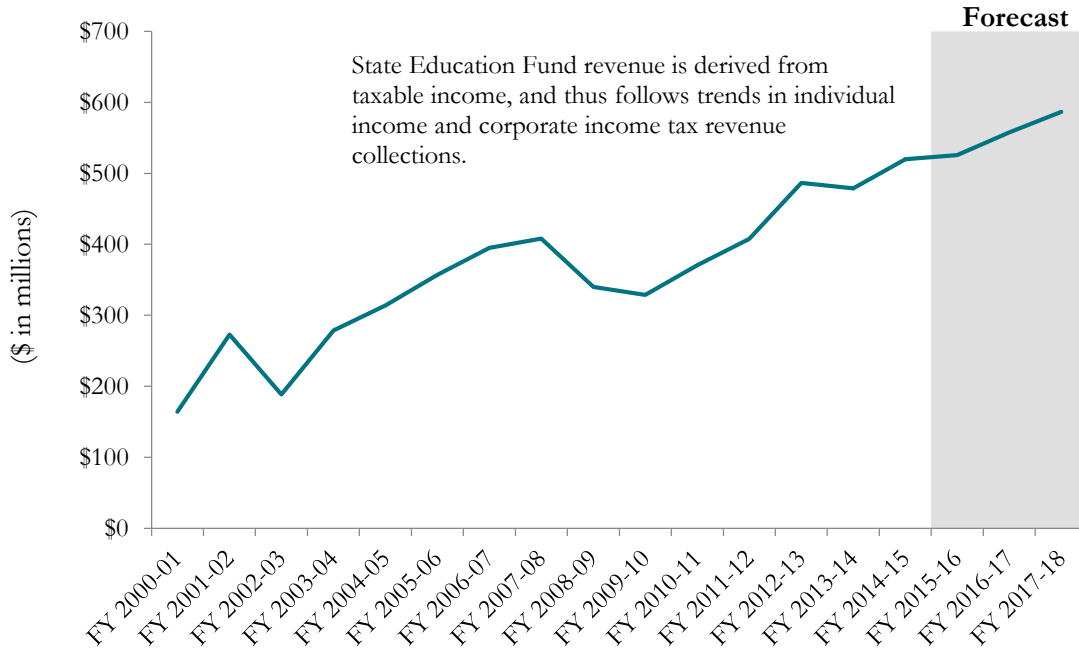
Tax revenue to the State Education Fund will increase 1.1 percent in FY 2015-16 and 6.1 percent in FY 2016-17. Because this revenue is derived from taxable income, it follows the trends in individual income and corporate income tax revenue collections discussed above. The deep contraction in the oil and gas industry reduced income in the state but the reduction will occur to a lesser degree for FY 2016-17. Further, the reprieve in the dollar's appreciation will help support taxable income from corporations. Nonetheless, growth in revenue to the State Education Fund will be tempered.

**Tax revenue to the State Education Fund will increase 1.1 percent in FY 2015-16 and 6.1 percent in FY 2016-17. State Education Fund revenue is derived from taxable income, and thus follows trends in individual income and corporate income tax revenue collections.**



The state constitution requires that one-third of one percent of taxable income from Colorado taxpayers be credited to the State Education Fund. In addition to this money, policies enacted over the past few years have transferred other General Fund money to the State Education Fund.

**Figure 32. State Education Fund Revenue  
from One-Third of One Percent of Taxable Income, Actual and Forecast**



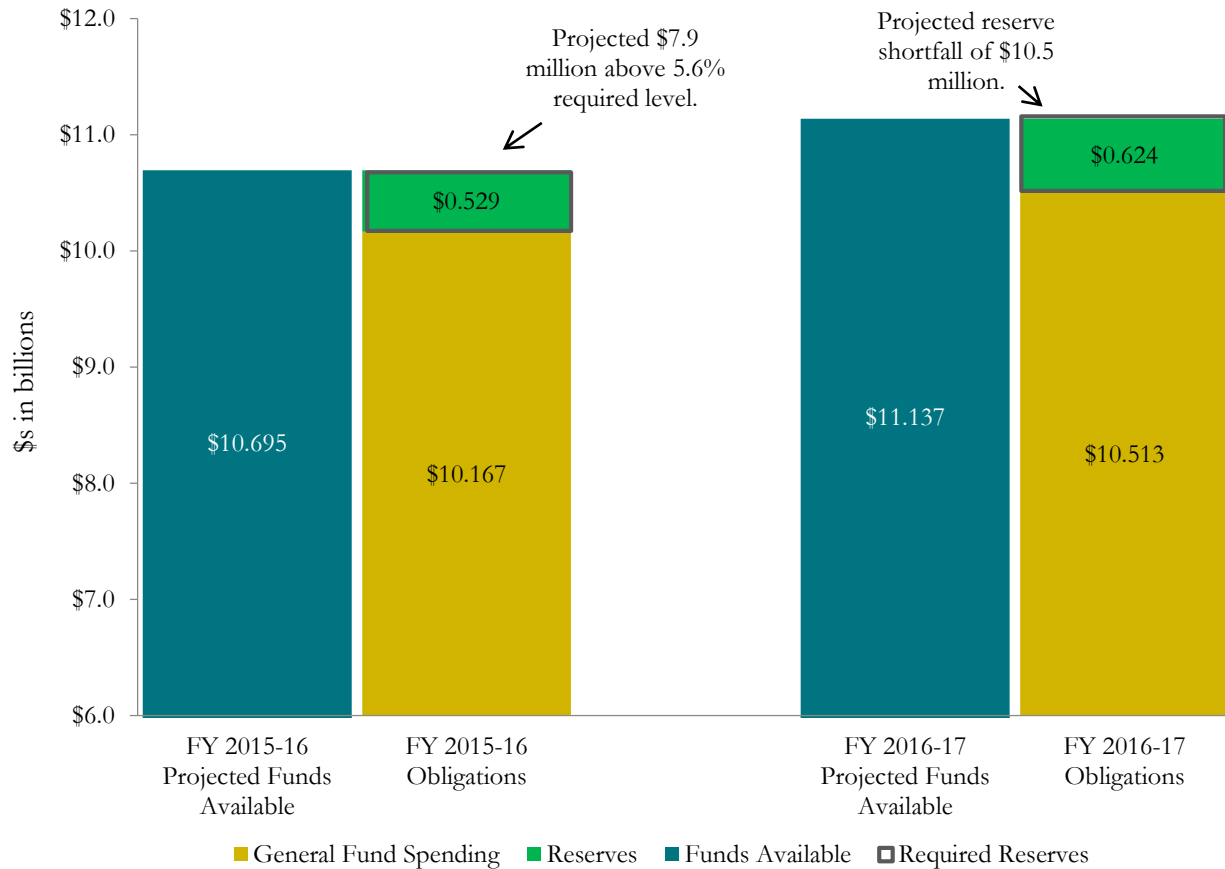
Source: Office of the State Controller and OSPB

## General Fund and State Education Fund Budget

**General Fund**—As discussed in the “General Fund Revenue Forecast” section starting on page 38, projections for General Fund revenue for FY 2015-16 are \$15.1 million, or 0.2 percent, lower than in the March 2016 forecast. The forecast for FY 2016-17 is lower by \$58.0 million, or 0.6 percent. For FY 2015-16, which ends June 30<sup>th</sup>, the State’s General Fund reserve is projected to be \$7.9 million above the required amount of 5.6 percent of appropriations. This required reserve level was temporarily reduced from 6.5 percent pursuant to House Bill 16-1419 for just FY 2015-16.

Figure 33 summarizes total projected General Fund revenue available, total obligations, and reserve levels for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 based on current law. These amounts will change based on future budgeting decisions and updates to the revenue forecast.

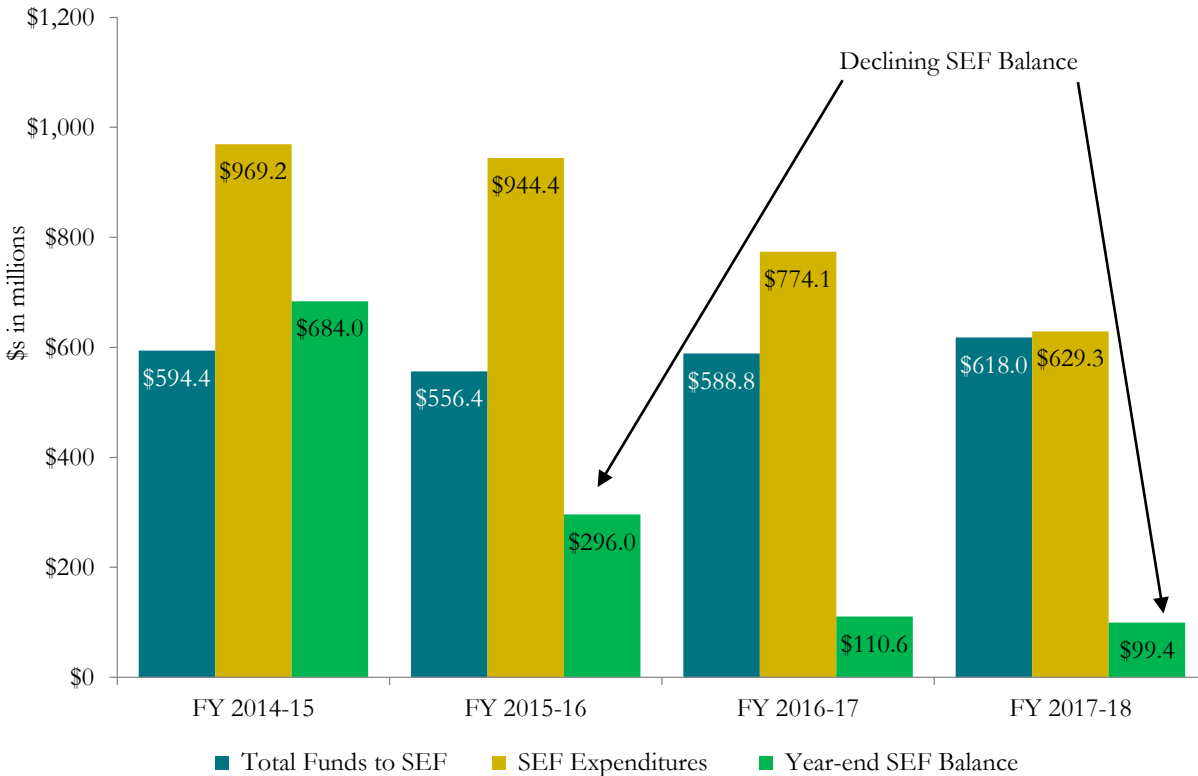
**Figure 33. General Fund Money, Obligations, and Reserves**



**State Education Fund**—The State Education Fund continues to support a larger share of education funding than it has historically, which is drawing down its fund balance. Figure 34 summarizes total State Education Fund revenue available, total spending, and balance levels from FY 2014-15 through FY 2017-18. In FY 2015-16, the year-end balance in the Fund is dropping 57.0 percent from its level in FY 2014-15, and a larger drop of 63.0 percent is expected in FY 2016-17 when the projected ending balance will be just over \$100 million. Under current law, total General Fund and State Education Fund expenditures combined are budgeted to

increase 1.6 percent in FY 2016-17. These expenditures are projected to be able to grow 3.4 percent in FY 2017-18, assuming that the negative factor in the School Finance Act is maintained at its current level.

**Figure 34. State Education Fund Money, Spending, and Reserves**



\*Actual expenditures from the State Education Fund for FY 2017-18 will be adopted in future budget legislation. Therefore, the expenditures and fund balance projections shown are illustrative only.

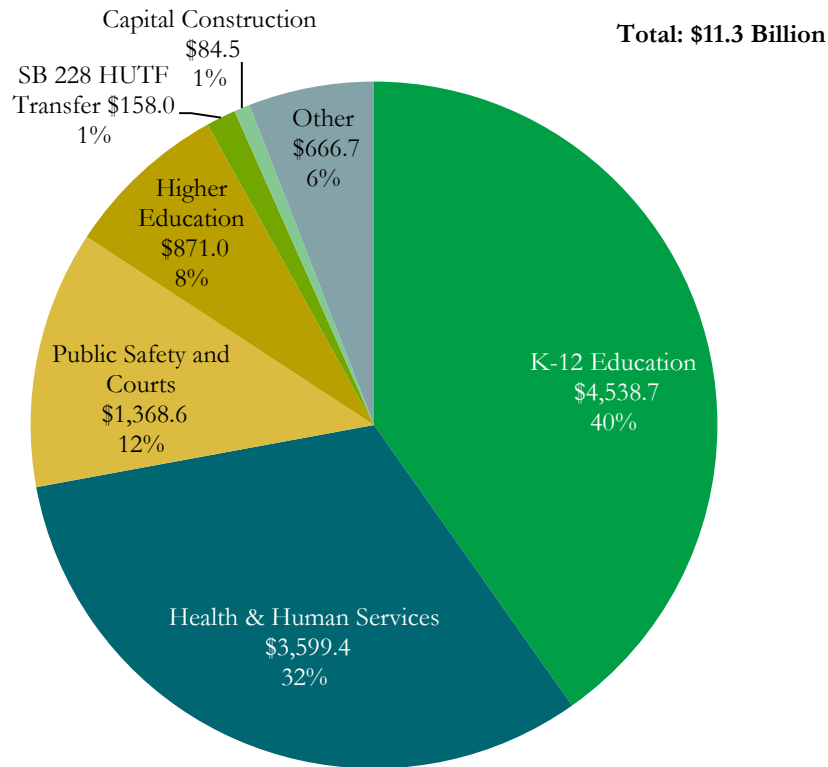
**Detailed Overview Tables** – A detailed overview of the amount of money available in the General Fund and State Education Fund, expenditures, and end-of-year reserves are provided in the overview tables in the Appendix at the end of this document. These overviews are discussed further starting on page 47.

### Spending by Major Department or Program Area

The General Fund provides funding for the State’s core programs and services, such as preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade education, higher education, services for low-income populations, the disabled and elderly, courts, and public safety. It also helps fund capital construction and maintenance needs for State facilities and, in some years, transportation projects. Under the state constitution, the State Education Fund helps fund preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade education and annually receives one-third of one percent of taxable income. In recent years, it has also received supplemental money from the General Fund as authorized by statute.

Figure 35 shows the allocation of General Fund and State Education Fund spending for FY 2016-17 by major department or program area under current law. As shown above in Figure 33, the current forecast projects the reserve amount for FY 2016-17 to be \$10.5 million below the required General Fund reserve amount.

**Figure 35. Composition of FY 2016-17 General Fund and State Education Fund Budget under Current Law**



### ***Risks to the Outlook and Budget Implications***

This budget outlook is based on OSPB’s economic analysis and forecast, discussed in more detail in the section titled “The Economy: Issues, Trends, and Forecast,” beginning on page 4. Changes in the economy determine revenue to the General Fund and State Education Fund. In addition to revenue, changes in economic conditions impact the budget outlook through associated changes in the use of many state services, including higher education, Medicaid, and other human services. In times of weaker economic conditions, the use of government services increases as incomes decline, unemployment grows, and more people seek education and training to better their job prospects.

As noted elsewhere in this document, although still solid with among the lowest unemployment in the country, Colorado’s economic growth has moderated. Nationally, job growth has slowed and business investment, manufacturing, and exports remain sluggish. The global economy continues to show signs of weakness, as growth remains slow and vulnerable to downside risks, which could threaten the current expansion. A large enough adverse shock could result in a downturn in broad economic activity, causing revenue to the State to decline. Even relatively small changes in the projected growth rate of revenue sources can have large implications for the budget.

Because TABOR refunds are paid out of the General Fund, fluctuations in cash fund revenue (outside of the General Fund) subject to TABOR can have a large impact on General Fund obligations. For example, this forecast assumes that no TABOR refund obligation will occur for FY 2016-17, but revenue is projected to be just \$46.0 million, or 0.35 percent, below the Referendum C revenue cap for that fiscal year. This amount is

well within typical forecast error. Severance tax revenue is a particularly difficult source of revenue to forecast, and especially so with the recent Supreme Court ruling affecting severance tax collections (for more information on this issue, see page 55 in the section on the cash fund forecast). Future revisions to the forecast for this and other revenue sources could result in material changes to total revenue subject to TABOR and, therefore, to TABOR refunds and General Fund obligations.

Further, although the Senate Bill 09-228 transfers to transportation and capital construction (for more details on Senate Bill 09-228 transfers, see page 49) were set at fixed amounts for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17, the size of the transfers starting in FY 2017-18 are still subject to fluctuations based on the size of any TABOR refunds. The size of these transfers have major implications for the General Fund budget. As an example, this forecast assumes that the amount of the TABOR refund for FY 2017-18 will result in these transfers being reduced by half. However, an increase of just 0.4 percent, or \$54.5 million, in revenue subject to TABOR would result in these transfers being eliminated.

## General Fund Overview Table

Table 4 in the Appendix presents the General Fund Overview for the June 2016 OSPB revenue forecast, providing details on forecasts for available General Fund money, expenditures, and end-of-year-reserves. The following section discusses the information presented in Table 4, and includes figures showing each section of the detailed overview found in the Appendix.

### Revenue

The top portion of the overview, shown in Figure 36, indicates the amount of General Fund money available for spending. The forecast for General Fund revenue is discussed in further detail in the “General Fund and State Education Fund Revenue Forecast” section starting on page 38. In addition to General Fund revenue, the General Fund receives money transferred from other State funds each fiscal year (shown in line 3 below).

**Figure 36. General Fund Revenue Available, \$ in Millions**

Table 4 Line No.		FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
1	Beginning Balance	\$709.2	\$528.6	\$624.4
2	General Fund Revenue	\$9,961.6	\$10,562.5	\$11,056.1
3	Transfers to the General Fund	\$24.3	\$46.1	\$18.2
4	<b>Total General Funds Available</b>	<b>\$10,695.2</b>	<b>\$11,137.1</b>	<b>\$11,698.7</b>
	<i>Dollar Change from Prior Year</i>	\$391.8	\$442.0	\$561.6
	<i>Percent Change from Prior Year</i>	3.8%	4.1%	5.0%

### Expenditures

**Spending subject to the appropriations limit** – The middle portion of the General Fund overview in Table 4 shows General Fund spending. Each year, by statute, the total of most General Fund spending cannot exceed 5 percent of the aggregate level of personal income received by Coloradans. This limit is projected to be \$12.3 billion in FY 2015-16 and \$13.1 billion in FY 2016-17. Therefore, the General Fund appropriations shown in Figure 37 are about \$2.9 billion and \$3.3 billion under the limit in these two years, respectively.

The amounts subject to the limit shown below and in Table 4 for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 reflect current law, while the FY 2017-18 amount represents the level of spending that can be supported by projected revenue

while maintaining the General Fund's required reserve amount. These amounts will change based on future budgeting decisions and updates to the revenue forecast.

**Figure 37. General Fund Spending Subject to the Appropriations Limit, \$ in Millions**

Table 4 Line No.		FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
5	<b>Appropriations</b>	<b>\$9,335.6</b>	<b>\$9,813.3</b>	<b>\$10,175.0</b>
6	Dollar Change from Prior Year	\$466.6	\$477.7	\$361.7
7	Percent Change from Prior Year	5.3%	5.1%	3.7%

**Spending and outlays not subject to the appropriations limit** – Figure 38 summarizes General Fund spending that does not count under the General Fund appropriations limit. More information about each line item is presented below the table.

**Figure 38. General Fund Spending Not Subject to the Appropriations Limit, \$ in Millions**

Table 4 Line No.		FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
9	TABOR Refund under Art. X, Section 20, (7) (d)	\$153.7	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$277.1
10	Set Aside for Potential TABOR Refund under Art. X, Section 20, (3) (c)	\$58.0	-\$58.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
	<i>Cigarette Rebate to Local Governments</i>	\$12.3	\$9.5	\$9.2	\$9.0
	<i>Marijuana Rebate to Local Governments</i>	\$5.9	\$10.0	\$11.7	\$11.9
	<i>Old-Age Pension Fund/Older Coloradans Fund</i>	\$111.0	\$117.7	\$113.3	\$118.5
	<i>Aged Property Tax &amp; Heating Credit</i>	\$5.7	\$6.2	\$6.0	\$6.5
	<i>Homestead Exemption</i>	\$116.9	\$127.1	\$147.6	\$155.4
	<i>Interest Payments for School Loans</i>	\$0.7	\$1.2	\$1.2	\$1.3
	<i>Fire/Police Pensions</i>	\$4.2	\$4.2	\$4.3	\$4.3
	<i>Amendment 35 General Fund Expenditure</i>	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.8	\$0.8
11	<b>Total Rebates and Expenditures</b>	<b>\$257.4</b>	<b>\$276.8</b>	<b>\$294.1</b>	<b>\$307.7</b>
12	Transfers to Capital Construction	\$248.5	\$271.2	\$84.5	\$68.3
13	Transfers to Highway Users Tax Fund	\$0.0	\$199.2	\$158.0	\$110.6
14	Transfers to State Education Fund per SB 13-234	\$25.3	\$25.3	\$25.3	\$25.3
15	Transfers to Other Funds	\$42.2	\$116.5	\$137.5	\$76.5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$785.7</b>	<b>\$831.0</b>	<b>\$699.5</b>	<b>\$865.5</b>
	<i>Dollar Change from Prior Year</i>	\$240.2	\$45.2	-\$131.5	\$166.1
	<i>Percent Change from Prior Year</i>	44.0%	5.8%	-15.8%	23.7%

**Lines 9 and 10:** Revenue exceeded the Referendum C cap in FY 2014-15 and is not projected to exceed the cap again until FY 2017-18. TABOR revenue is projected to come in \$80.7 million below the cap in FY 2015-16 and \$46.0 million under the cap in FY 2016-17. TABOR revenue is expected to be above the cap in FY 2017-18 by \$257.5 million. Spending not subject to the limit includes any TABOR refunds funded from the General Fund, which occur when State revenue exceeds its cap as defined in Article X, Section 20 (7) of the Colorado Constitution (“TABOR”) and Section 24-77-103.6, C.R.S. (“Referendum C”).

The FY 2017-18 refund amount shown of \$277.1 million includes the projected \$257.5 million exceeding the Referendum C cap plus \$19.6 million that needs to be refunded from FY 2014-15. The \$19.6 million from FY 2014-15 is due to the reclassification of the revenue transferred to the Adult Dental Fund from the Unclaimed Property Fund. The legal analysis and audit review on this occurred after FY 2014-15 refund amounts were established on state income tax forms. Such adjustments and audit findings have occurred in the past and the process calls for the money to be refunded in the next year a refund is due. For more information on the TABOR refund, see the “Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights: Revenue Limit” section later in this report.

The \$58.0 million shown in line 10 for FY 2014-15 reflects money set aside by House Bill 15-1367 in a special account to cover a potential refund relating to the passage of Proposition AA, which created excise and sales taxes on retail marijuana. House Bill 15-1367 submitted Proposition BB to voters in November 2015 to ask if the State can retain and spend the money. Because voters approved Proposition BB, the State was able to use the money for the uses outlined in House Bill 15-1367. Therefore, a reversal of the \$58 million set aside is shown in line 10 under FY 2015-16 which made it available for spending.

**Line 11:** “Rebates and Expenditures” account for a large portion of General Fund spending not subject to the appropriations limit. The primary programs under rebates and expenditures are: (1) the Cigarette Rebate, which distributes money from a portion of State cigarette tax collections to local governments that do not impose their own taxes or fees on cigarettes; (2) the Marijuana Rebate, which distributes 15 percent of the retail marijuana sales tax to local governments based on the percentage of retail marijuana sales in local areas; (3) the Old-Age Pension program, which provides assistance to low-income elderly individuals who meet certain eligibility requirements; (4) the Aged Property Tax, Heat, and Rent Credit, which provides property tax, heating bill, and rent assistance to qualifying low-income, disabled, or elderly individuals; and (5) the Homestead Property Tax Exemption, which reduces property-tax liabilities for qualifying seniors and disabled veterans.

**Lines 12 and 13:** Transfers to the Capital Construction Fund (CCF) and Highway Users Tax Fund (HUTF) are required if growth in statewide personal income exceeds 5 percent. This 5 percent trigger and the associated transfers are commonly referred to as “228” transfers because they were put into law by Senate Bill 09-228. Personal income growth exceeded 5 percent in the 2014 calendar year, which triggered the required transfers starting in FY 2015-16 and through FY 2019-20. For fiscal years 2017-18 through 2019-20, the transfers are reduced by half if there is a TABOR refund in the same fiscal year in an amount between 1 and 3 percent of total General Fund revenue. The transfers are suspended in full if there is a TABOR refund in excess of 3 percent of total General Fund revenue.

Pursuant to House Bill 16-1416, the dollar amount of the transfers to the HUTF and CCF are at fixed amounts in FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 regardless of the level of any TABOR refund. The transfer amounts to the HUTF are equal to \$199.2 million in FY 2015-16 and \$158.0 million in FY 2016-17. The transfer amounts to the CCF are \$49.8 million in FY 2015-16 and \$52.7 million in FY 2016-17.

According to current projections, transfers to the HUTF and CCF will be reduced by half in FY 2017-18 because the TABOR refund is expected to be 2.5 percent of total General Fund revenue. Transfers to HUTF will be reduced from \$221.1 million to \$110.6 million and transfers to CCF will be reduced from \$110.6 million to \$55.3 million. However an increase of just 0.4 percent, or \$54.5 million, in revenue subject to TABOR would push the refund amount above 3 percent, reducing transfers to zero in FY 2017-18.

The capital construction transfer amounts in FY 2015-16 through FY 2017-18 shown in line 12 also include transfers of General Fund money in addition to the Senate Bill 09-228 transfers and therefore the amount shown in Line 12 differ from the the amount of money transferred related to Senate Bill 09-228. The FY 2017-18 capital construction transfer reflects the needed funding level for "Level I" building-maintenance projects, as well as the continuation of projects funded in prior years.

**Line 14:** Senate Bill 13-234 requires annual General Fund transfers to the State Education Fund from FY 2013-14 through FY 2018-19. The transfer in each fiscal year through FY 2017-18 is \$25.3 million.

**Line 15:** State law requires transfers of General Fund money to various other State cash funds. Generally, the largest transfer in this line is money from the 10 percent special sales tax on retail marijuana tax (reduced to 8 percent starting in FY 2017-18) credited to the General Fund, 85 percent of which is transferred to the



Marijuana Tax Cash Fund. For FY 2015-16 only, \$40.0 million of the “Transfer to Other Funds” amount is a transfer to public school capital construction related to the passage of Proposition BB.

For FY 2016-17 only, this line also includes a diversion of income tax revenue out of the General Fund to a separate severance tax fund pursuant to Senate Bill 16-218. This bill accounts for potentially large expected severance tax refunds related to the April 2016 Colorado Supreme Court’s decision in BP America v. Colorado Department of Revenue that allows for taxpayers to claim additional severance tax deductions. Senate Bill 16-218 creates a reserve fund and diverts income tax revenue to the fund to help pay the refunds. This forecast projects that about \$44 million in income tax revenue will be diverted from the General Fund to the reserve fund to pay severance tax refunds in FY 2016-17. More discussion on Senate Bill 16-218 and the impacts of the court decision can be found starting on page 55 in this report’s section discussing the cash fund revenue forecast.

**Line 16:** This line includes any expenditures for certain programs that have exceeded their appropriated amount for a fiscal year, called “overexpenditures.”

## Reserves

The final section of the overview table in the Appendix (“Reserves”) shows the amount of General Fund money remaining at the end of each fiscal year —the “Year-End General Fund Balance.” This amount reflects the difference between total funds available and total expenditures. The section shows the statutorily determined reserve requirement and whether the amount of funds is above or below the requirement (“Money Above/Below Statutory Reserve”).

Under current law, the FY 2015-16 reserve is required to be 5.6 percent of General Fund appropriations subject to the appropriations limit (excluding Certificates of Participation payments), minus any diversions of income tax revenue pursuant to Senate Bill 16-218. However, no diversions are expected under this forecast in FY 2015-16, only in FY 2016-17, as discussed above. The required reserve is 6.5 percent of appropriations (excluding Certificates of Participation payments) for FY 2016-17 and for subsequent fiscal years.

With the budget for FY 2015-16, the State’s General Fund reserve is projected to be \$7.9 million above the required amount. The budget under current law for FY 2016-17 is \$10.5 million below the required reserve. The FY 2017-18 amount in the table represent the required reserve level supported by projected General Fund available.

Starting in FY 2015-16, General Fund appropriations for “lease-purchase” payments, called Certificates of Participation, for certain capital projects were made exempt from the reserve calculation requirement by Senate Bill 15-251. These appropriations amount to \$38.0 million in FY 2015-16 and \$46.0 million in FY 2016-17. Figure 39 provides information on the General Fund ending balance.

**Figure 39. General Fund Reserves, \$ in Millions**

Table 4 Line No.		FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
20	Year-End General Fund Balance	\$528.6	\$624.4	\$658.1
21	Balance as a % of Appropriations	5.7%	6.4%	6.5%
22	<b>General Fund Statutory Reserve</b>	<b>\$520.7</b>	<b>\$634.9</b>	<b>\$658.1</b>
23	Money Above/Below Statutory Reserve	\$7.9	-\$10.5	\$0.0



## State Education Fund Overview

Figure 40 summarizes State Education Fund annual revenue and spending. It also includes projected beginning and ending fund balances. As Figure 40 shows, lower revenue to the Fund and higher expenditures have been placing increasing strain on the Fund. By the end of FY 2015-16, the balance is projected to fall 57.0 percent, to \$296.0 million, from levels a year earlier. The trend is projected to continue into FY 2016-17, as the year-end balance drops another 63.0 percent to \$110.6 million.

State Education Fund expenditures for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 reflect current law. The FY 2017-18 expenditure amount projects spending needed to keep the negative factor in the School Finance Act at the current law dollar amount of \$830.7 million, while maintaining a balance in the Fund of about \$100 million.

**Figure 40. State Education Fund Revenue, Spending, and Reserves\*, \$ in Millions**

State Education Fund (\$ in Millions)			
	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$684.0</b>	<b>\$296.0</b>	<b>\$110.6</b>
<i>One-third of 1% of State Taxable Income</i>	\$525.5	\$557.6	\$586.6
<i>Transfers under SB 13-234</i>	\$25.3	\$25.3	\$25.3
<i>Other</i>	\$5.5	\$5.8	\$6.1
<b>Total Funds to State Education Fund</b>	<b>\$556.4</b>	<b>\$588.8</b>	<b>\$618.0</b>
<b>State Education Fund Expenditures</b>	<b>\$944.4</b>	<b>\$774.1</b>	<b>\$629.3</b>
<b>Year-end Balance</b>	<b>\$296.0</b>	<b>\$110.6</b>	<b>\$99.4</b>

\*Actual FY 2017-18 expenditures from the State Education Fund will be adopted in future budget legislation. Therefore, the expenditures and fund balance projections are illustrative only.

The State Education Fund plays an important role in the State's General Fund budget. Under the state constitution, the State Education Fund helps fund preschool through 12th-grade education, the largest General Fund program. Therefore, higher or lower spending from the State Education Fund generally affects General Fund appropriations in order to support the targeted level of school funding. Decisions in one year affect the range of choices in the next year because they impact the available balance in the State Education Fund for future spending and General Fund availability for other programs.

Table 5 in the Appendix incorporates all of the same information from the General Fund overview in Table 4, but also includes spending, revenue, and fund-balance information for the State Education Fund. Given the budget implications of the balance of funding between the State Education Fund and General Fund, a unified and multi-year view provides important insight into the sustainability of budgeting decisions. As shown in Table 5, under current law, total General Fund and State Education Fund expenditures combined are budgeted to increase 1.6 percent in FY 2016-17. These expenditures are projected to be able to grow 3.4 percent in FY 2017-18, assuming that the negative factor in the School Finance Act is maintained at its current level. These lower growth rates are due to the smaller amount of funding available from the State Education Fund to support school finance.

## Cash Fund Revenue Forecast

A wide array of state programs collect taxes, fees, fines, and interest to fund services. When fees or other revenue are designated for a particular program, they typically are directed to a cash fund used to fund the program. OSPB's forecast of cash fund revenue subject to TABOR is shown in Table 6 in the Appendix.

Cash fund revenue in FY 2015-16 is projected to be \$133.9 million, or 4.8 percent, higher than FY 2014-15, primarily as a result of growth in revenue from the Hospital Provider Fee and miscellaneous cash funds. This growth will offset a sharp decline in revenue from severance taxes. The forecast for FY 2015-16 is \$13.6 million, or 0.5 percent, higher than projections from the March forecast, due in large part to the shifting forward of the revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund from FY 2016-17 into FY 2015-16 pursuant to House Bill 16-1409.

Cash fund revenue will decrease 5.3 percent in FY 2016-17 as a projected decrease in revenue from the Hospital Provider Fee and miscellaneous cash funds will offset growth in revenue from many of the other major categories of cash funds. The forecast for FY 2016-17 is \$137.5 million, or 4.8 percent, lower compared with projections in March. This decrease is due mostly to the reduction in Hospital Provider Fee revenue per House Bill 16-1405 (the Long Bill), as well as the aforementioned shifting forward of the transfer to the Adult Dental Fund.

Table 6 shows only the outlook for revenue that is subject to the TABOR provisions in the Colorado Constitution that place a limit on the amount of revenue that can be retained by the state each year. Cash fund revenue that is not subject to TABOR generally includes revenue exempt by Colorado voters, federal money, and revenue received by entities designated as enterprises, such as public universities and colleges, that receive most of their money from sources other than the state. More information on TABOR revenue and the revenue limit can be found on page 59.

**Transportation-related cash funds** — Transportation-related cash fund revenue is forecast to grow 1.3 percent in FY 2015-16 and 1.5 percent in FY 2016-17. In FY 2014-15, transportation-related cash fund revenue subject to TABOR grew \$28.9 million, or 2.5 percent, to \$1.16 billion.

Transportation-related cash funds include the Highway Users Tax Fund (HUTF), the State Highway Fund (SHF), and several smaller cash funds. HUTF collections, which account for roughly 85 percent of revenue in this category, are distributed by statutory formula to the Colorado Department of Transportation, local counties and municipalities, and the Colorado State Patrol.

Through April of this fiscal year, revenue from HUTF vehicle fuel taxes and vehicle registrations grew 1.2 and 2.3 percent, respectively, from their levels in FY 2014-15. Changes in these revenue streams have a substantial influence on overall transportation-related cash funds because they account for approximately 80 percent of HUTF revenue and three-quarters of all transportation-related revenue.

**The shift in consumer preference towards buying larger, less fuel-efficient vehicles will help support growth in revenue from vehicle registrations and fuel taxes.**

HUTF vehicle registration revenues are driven primarily by auto sales, which have been growing at a robust rate since the end of the Great Recession in 2009. As unemployment and interest rates are expected to remain low, auto sales should continue to grow. Used vehicle sales may supplant some new sales because a large number of previously leased vehicles will become available over the next several quarters. The continuing shift in

consumer preference towards more expensive SUVs and light trucks should offset any registration revenue lost due to the expected lower growth of new vehicle sales, while also contributing to increased revenue from vehicle fuel taxes. As a result of these trends, HUTF revenue growth is expected to average 1.5 percent over the next three fiscal years.

**Limited Gaming** — Limited gaming revenue is forecast to grow by \$8.2 million, or 7.3 percent, in FY 2015-16, after increasing 3.3 percent in FY 2014-15. Revenue from gaming will grow an additional \$4.4 million, or 3.6 percent, to \$123.9 million in FY 2016-17.

The Colorado gaming industry was hit hard by the Great Recession and has been slowly recovering ever since, with limited gaming revenue yet to return to its pre-recession peak of \$122 million in FY 2006-07. As growth in the gaming industry is primarily driven by economic conditions, a growing Colorado economy has resulted in an increase in gaming tax revenue of 5.0 percent in FY 2014-15 and a projected increase of 7.3 percent in FY 2015-16. Continued growth in revenue is expected over the forecast period. In addition, transitions in the gaming industry will contribute to limit gaming tax revenues as smaller gaming venues close and larger operations absorb market demand. Because casinos pay taxes on a progressive scale based on proceeds, this consolidation will support increases in limited gaming revenue for the State.

Of the total expected limited gaming revenue of \$119.6 million in FY 2015-16, \$102.4 million will be subject to TABOR, as reflected in Figure 41. Of this amount, \$101.0 million is classified as “base limited gaming revenue” as designated by State law after the passage of Amendment 50 in 2008. This revenue is distributed by formula in State statute to the State General Fund, the State Historical Society, cities and counties affected by gaming activity, and economic development-related programs.

**Continued growth in the Colorado economy will contribute to increases in limited gaming revenue.**

Gaming revenue attributable to Amendment 50, which is not subject to TABOR, is distributed mostly to community colleges, with a smaller portion going to local governments with communities affected by gaming. These distributions will grow along with overall gaming revenue, totaling \$14.2 million and \$15.4 million in FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17, respectively. Figure 41 shows the distribution of limited gaming revenues in further detail.

**Figure 41. Distribution of Limited Gaming Revenues**

Distribution of Limited Gaming Revenues	Actual FY 14-15	Forecast FY 15-16	Forecast FY 16-17	Forecast FY 17-18
<b>A. Total Limited Gaming Revenues</b>	<b>\$111.4</b>	<b>\$119.6</b>	<b>\$123.9</b>	<b>\$127.8</b>
Annual Percent Change	3.3%	7.3%	3.6%	3.1%
<b>B. Base Limited Gaming Revenues (max 3% growth)</b>	<b>\$98.1</b>	<b>\$101.0</b>	<b>\$104.0</b>	<b>\$107.2</b>
Annual Percent Change	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
<b>C. Gaming Revenue Subject to TABOR</b>	<b>\$99.3</b>	<b>\$102.4</b>	<b>\$105.5</b>	<b>\$108.7</b>
Annual Percent Change	1.1%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%
<b>D. Total Amount to Base Revenue Recipients</b>	<b>\$87.3</b>	<b>\$91.3</b>	<b>\$94.3</b>	<b>\$96.2</b>
Amount to State Historical Society	\$24.5	\$25.6	\$26.4	\$26.9
Amount to Counties	\$10.5	\$11.0	\$11.3	\$11.5
Amount to Cities	\$8.7	\$9.1	\$9.4	\$9.6
Amount to Distribute to Remaining Programs (State Share)	\$43.7	\$45.7	\$47.1	\$48.1
Amount to Local Government Impact Fund	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.0	\$5.0
Colorado Tourism Promotion Fund	\$15.0	\$15.0	\$15.0	\$15.0
Creative Industries Cash Fund	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$2.0
Film, Television, and Media Operational Account	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5
Advanced Industries Acceleration Fund	\$5.5	\$5.5	\$5.5	\$5.5
Innovative Higher Education Research Fund	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$2.0
Transfer to the General Fund	\$13.7	\$15.7	\$17.1	\$18.1
<b>E. Total Amount to Amendment 50 Revenue Recipients</b>	<b>\$9.9</b>	<b>\$14.2</b>	<b>\$15.4</b>	<b>\$16.3</b>
Community Colleges, Mesa and Adams State (78%)	\$7.7	\$11.1	\$12.0	\$12.7
Counties (12%)	\$1.2	\$1.7	\$1.8	\$2.0
Cities (10%)	\$1.0	\$1.4	\$1.5	\$1.6

**Hospital Provider Fee** — Hospital Provider Fee (HPF) revenue is expected to increase 52.2 percent, or \$276.2 million, to \$805.0 million in FY 2015-16. HPF revenue will then decrease 18.5 percent, or by \$148.8 million, to \$656.3 million in FY 2016-17 and grow 22.4 percent, or by \$147.0 million, in FY 2017-18. As a result of House Bill 16-1405 (the Long Bill) restricting HPF revenue collections, the forecast for FY 2016-17 is \$73.2 million, or 10.0 percent, lower compared with projections in March, and the forecast for FY 2017-18 is \$31.4 million, or 4.1 percent, higher compared with projections in March.

The projections for HPF revenue are influenced by federal funding levels associated with the Affordable Care Act as well as changes in the population receiving medical care support under the Medicaid program. The large increase in FY 2015-16 is due to continued caseload growth associated with expansion of the Medicaid program, as well as later-than-expected federal approval of the HPF funding levels associated with higher program costs. This later approval prevented the higher fee collections from taking effect earlier, shifting the higher collections to FY 2015-16. The decrease in FY 2016-17 is a result of House Bill 16-1405, which restricted HPF revenue collections to \$656.3 million. There is no budget restriction in FY 2017-18 thereby HPF revenue collections are projected up to the federal limit as authorized under current law.

The Hospital Provider Fee is paid by Colorado hospitals and is used, together with matching federal funds, to help cover the cost of the Medicaid program. The amount of Hospital Provider Fee collected each year is calculated by a formula that considers the anticipated cost of care for certain Medicaid populations with each hospital's individual fee allocation based on inpatient days and outpatient revenue.

**Severance tax revenue** — Severance tax revenue will decrease 77.6 percent, or \$218.3 million, to \$63.0 million in FY 2015-16 due to the sharp decline in oil and natural gas prices and a recent Colorado Supreme Court ruling related to severance tax deductions allowed to taxpayers, discussed in more detail below. However, severance tax revenue has come in higher than expected throughout the current fiscal year and the outlook for commodity prices has slightly improved, which will offset some of the adverse impact of the Supreme Court ruling on severance tax revenue. Compared to the March forecast, this forecast's projection for severance tax revenue is \$9.3 million lower in FY 2015-16.

**Continued low prices for natural gas and oil, combined with ad valorem tax credits and a recent Supreme Court decision affecting severance tax deductions, will result in a decline of \$218.3 million in severance taxes in FY 2015-16.**

Robust severance tax revenue growth in the last few fiscal years resulted from the higher price environment for natural gas and oil prior to the summer of 2014. The substantial decline in prices for both natural gas and oil since that time has caused a large decrease in severance tax revenue in FY 2015-16. A modest and gradual rebound in prices will lead to an increase of \$26.3 million, or 41.7 percent, in severance tax revenue for FY 2016-17. The ad valorem credit for State severance taxes is contributing to the large swings in revenue collections.

**Revenue collections will increase \$26.3 million in FY 2016-17 with gradually increasing prices and smaller ad valorem tax credits that will reduce tax liabilities to a lesser degree.**

Average oil prices in 2015 were nearly 50 percent lower than they were in 2014 as growing production in the United States boosted oil inventories and a sluggish global economy dampened demand. Oil prices dropped further in the beginning of 2016 but have since recovered back to just below \$50 per barrel and are projected to gradually increase through 2017. However, it is important to note that there is

a high degree of uncertainty in the trajectory of oil prices. Thus, the actual amount of severance tax revenue could materially differ from the present forecast depending on the direction of future energy prices.

The price of natural gas also remains well below the previous few years as supply has outpaced demand. Natural gas prices in 2015 were 40 percent below 2014 levels and prices are expected to remain low through 2016. More discussion of the oil and gas industry is included in "The Economy: Issues, Trends, and Forecast" section of this forecast, which starts on page 4.

In FY 2015-16, the impact of ad valorem tax credits is exacerbating the decline of severance tax revenue from lower oil and natural gas prices. Severance taxpayers claim ad valorem tax credits based on the local property taxes they pay on the value of mineral extraction in the prior year. Although the prices of natural gas and oil were low in 2015, taxpayers will mostly claim ad valorem credits based on the value of oil and gas in 2014, when prices were much higher. This difference in timing greatly increases the impact of lower prices on severance tax liabilities, thus the 77.6 percent forecasted decline in FY 2015-16 severance taxes. Along with gradual increases in prices, the lower ad valorem credit from 2015 production, when prices were low, will contribute to the projected rebound in severance taxes in FY 2016-17.

The amount of oil and natural gas produced in Colorado, known as production volume, also influences severance tax collections. A decline in production is expected to continue through 2016 as prices are projected

to remain suppressed for both oil and gas. The pullback in new production will further contribute to lower severance tax revenue growth over the forecast period.

As a result of the April 2016 Colorado Supreme Court's decision in *BP America v. Colorado Department of Revenue* (DOR), taxpayers can claim additional severance tax deductions related to their transportation, manufacturing, and processing costs incurred in their oil and gas extraction activities. In addition to lowering the severance tax collections in the future, this decision also increased the refunds that will be made to severance taxpayers for the current and past tax years.

Senate Bill 16-218 accounts for potentially large expected severance tax refunds by creating a reserve fund and diverting income tax revenue to the fund to help pay the refunds. Senate Bill 16-218 also places a restriction on \$77.4 million on severance tax money allocated to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Local Affairs, preventing the money from being expended in case the money is needed to help cover the refunds. The restriction may be lifted in whole or in part upon a majority vote of the members of the Joint Budget Committee.

The most recent figure available for the known impact of the Supreme Court ruling for past tax years (2014 and earlier) is a reduction of \$16.3 million based on tax returns already received by the Department of Revenue. These refunds will reduce severance tax revenue in FY 2015-16. The amount includes refunds related to a deduction for the "cost of capital," or return on investment, directly addressed in the court ruling, as well as other deductions related to transportation, manufacturing, and processing costs that the Department of Revenue believes can now be claimed by severance taxpayers. However, the amount of the refunds may increase by approximately \$24 million if other deductions are allowed.

Severance taxpayers may also file additional amended tax returns for past tax years (2014 and earlier) to claim refunds as a result of the court ruling. The amount of these refunds is highly uncertain, and the current estimate from the Department of Revenue ranges from an additional \$22 million to \$67 million. Whether or not all of these additional refunds for deductions fall under the scope of the recent ruling is yet to be determined, and legislation may be needed to address the question. The fiscal year in which these possible additional refunds reduce revenue in, either FY 2015-16 or FY 2016-17 or later, depends on when returns are filed. The lower range of this estimate is included in this forecast as it is based on allowable deductions that the Department of Revenue believes are now required as a result of the court ruling. The majority of these additional reductions are expected to occur in FY 2016-17 as taxpayers will likely not file their amended returns before the current fiscal year ends. As more information becomes available, the estimate of the revenue impact and timing may change substantially.

Under Senate Bill 16-218, severance tax revenue collected in June of FY 2015-16 will be diverted to the reserve to pay \$2.4 million in refunds directly related to the court ruling in the current fiscal year. Any severance tax refund amount in excess of severance revenue received in June will be paid through a diversion of income tax revenue. However, OSPB expects that there will not need to be a diversion of income taxes in FY 2015-16 to cover the refunds.

Senate Bill 16-218 also created a mechanism for income tax revenue to be diverted to the reserve fund to pay a portion of severance tax refunds that occur in FY 2016-17. During any month in which severance tax refunds are larger than 15 percent of gross severance revenue, income tax is diverted to the reserve to pay the portion of the refund amount that exceeds the 15 percent threshold. This forecast assumes that \$44.4 million in income taxes will be diverted from the General Fund to the reserve fund to cover severance tax refunds paid out in FY 2016-17. This amount may change materially in subsequent forecasts as new information becomes available.



The above refund amounts are related to past tax year (2014 and earlier) impacts of the Supreme Court ruling. Taxpayers will also claim more deductions for 2015 and subsequent tax years, which will reduce severance taxes on an ongoing basis. This forecast assumes that the additional deductions will reduce annual severance tax collections by 6 percent each year. However, the estimated amount of the reduction to ongoing severance tax revenue in the future may change materially as more information becomes available regarding which additional specific severance tax deductions will be allowed and the revenue impacts of those deductions.

**Federal Mineral Leasing revenue** — Colorado’s share of Federal Mineral Lease (FML) revenue will fall 35.6 percent to \$93.5 million in FY 2015-16. This follows a decline of 16.4 percent in FY 2014-15. FML revenue continues to decline due to the persistent lower oil and natural gas prices and the refund of FML “bonus” payments to mineral extraction leaseholders on the Roan Plateau. As commodity prices gradually increase, FML revenue is expected to rebound 10.8 percent to \$103.6 million in FY 2016-17 and an additional 20.1 percent in FY 2017-18.

FML royalties are assessed as a percentage of the value of resources produced on leased federal lands. FML activity includes production of natural gas and oil as well as propane, carbon dioxide, coal, and other mineral resources. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) sells leases to extract mineral resources from federal lands. Producers then remit royalties and other payments to the federal government that are shared with the state where production occurred.

**FML revenue will fall 35.6 percent in FY 2015-16 due to lower oil and gas prices and one-time refunds to leaseholders, but will rebound in FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 with gradual increases in commodity prices.**

A portion of the reduced levels in FML revenue in FY 2015-16 through FY 2017-18 are a result of refunds to holders of cancelled leases on land for mineral extraction on the Roan Plateau in Colorado. The BLM carried out auctions for leases to produce natural gas on the Roan Plateau in 2008, collecting significant “bonus” payments. The BLM later revisited these leases and determined a need to re-negotiate or cancel several of them. As a result, the BLM will refund nearly \$50 million of the bonus payments that were originally made. Colorado’s share of this amount, \$23.4 million, will be recouped from the State’s share of FML revenue.

The federal government is withholding \$7.8 million of Colorado’s FML payments in FY 2015-16 and each of the next two fiscal years to complete the required refund. As a result, the distributions of FML revenue to the State Public School Fund, the Colorado Water Conservation Board Construction Fund, and the Local Government Mineral Impact Fund would be proportionately reduced; however, Senate Bill 15-244 transfers money from the General Fund to these funds in each of the three fiscal years in order to backfill the decline in FML distributions.

The impact of lower oil and gas prices on FML revenue was larger than initially estimated in FY 2015-16, thus the forecast for this fiscal year is \$6.8 million lower than in March. Although FML revenue is declining in FY 2015-16, the decline is not nearly as severe as the drop in severance tax revenue. The impact of lower energy prices on FML revenue is much smaller than the impact on severance taxes because the revenue stream is not affected by the ad valorem tax credits that impact severance tax gross liabilities.

A portion of FML revenue is allocated to the Higher Education FML Revenues Fund (Revenues Fund) to pay for lease purchase agreements (COP’s) that fund capital construction projects at institutions of higher education and the Higher Education Maintenance and Reserve Fund (Reserve Fund) to maintain reserve funds. House Bill 16-1229 transfers money in the Reserve Fund into the Revenues Fund and then eliminates the Reserve Fund. All FML revenue previously deposited into the Reserve Fund will be directed to the Revenues Fund.

**Figure 42. Federal Mineral Leasing (FML) Payments, \$ in Millions**

Fiscal Year	Bonus	Non-Bonus	Total FML	% Change
FY 2014-15	\$1.1	\$144.0	\$145.1	-16.4%
FY 2015-16	\$3.4	\$90.0	\$93.5	-35.6%
FY 2016-17	\$1.6	\$102.0	\$103.6	10.8%
FY 2017-18	\$1.9	\$122.6	\$124.4	20.1%

FY 2014-15 figures are actual collections, and FY 2015-16 through FY 2017-18 are projections.

**Other cash funds** — Cash fund revenue to the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) will increase 2.0 percent to \$67.0 million in FY 2015-16 after decreasing 4.1 percent in FY 2014-15. Cash fund revenue related to regulatory agencies will grow another 6.5 percent to \$71.3 million in FY 2016-17. A portion of the growth in FY 2016-17 is related to legislation passed during the 2016 legislative session. DORA oversees businesses and professionals in certain industries through licensing, rulemaking, enforcement, and approval of rates charged to consumers. The Department is responsible for oversight of a wide variety of professions, ranging from landscape architects and psychologists to hunting guides. Revenue from licensing fees and other services fund many of the Department's activities.

Insurance-related cash fund revenue is obtained largely from a surcharge on workers' compensation insurance programs. Revenue from this source will decrease 27.3 percent to \$14.5 million in FY 2015-16 as a result of a reduction in the surcharge used to fund the Division of Workers' Compensation (DOWC), as well as the Major Medical Insurance Fund and Subsequent Injury Fund. These funds were created to absorb costs for workers injured prior to 1981. Each year, the DOWC is required to perform a review to determine the funding needed to operate its programs. The DOWC determined that a 50 percent reduction in premium surcharges would generate sufficient funding to pay and administer claims for FY 2015-16.

The category called Other Miscellaneous Cash Funds in Table 6 includes revenue from over 300 cash funds that generally collect revenue from fines, fees, and interest earnings. However, approximately 75 percent of the revenue comes from the largest 30 funds. These larger funds include such things as the Employment Support Fund, Medicaid Nursing Facility Cash Fund, and the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund. Total revenue to miscellaneous cash funds is expected to be \$674.7 million in FY 2015-16, an increase of 10.2 percent, after growth of 7.4 percent the prior year. Revenue to these funds is expected to decrease 8.5 percent in FY 2016-17.

The FY 2015-16 projection is \$28.7 million higher than the March forecast, due mostly to the shifting forward of the revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund which helps fund dental services for adults under the Medicaid program. The transfer that was slated to occur in FY 2016-17, estimated to be \$34.8 million, will instead be transferred in FY 2015-16, as per House Bill 16-1409, increasing the revenue estimate for FY 2015-16 by this amount and decreasing the revenue estimate in FY 2016-17.

Revenue from the 2.9 percent sales tax on retail and medical marijuana, as well as fees related to regulation of the marijuana industry, is reflected in the Miscellaneous Cash Funds category in Table 6. However, the table does not include the proceeds from marijuana taxes authorized by Proposition AA in November 2013 as they are not subject to TABOR. Proposition AA taxes are transferred to the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund, local governments, and school construction.

Revenue from the retail marijuana sales tax in Proposition AA goes first to the General Fund — and is included under sales tax revenue in Table 3 in the Appendix — before it is transferred to the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund and local governments. Proposition AA also included an excise tax of 15 percent on retail marijuana that is credited to public school cash funds, a majority of which goes to a cash fund for public school capital construction projects.



## Taxpayer's Bill of Rights: Revenue Limit

**Background on TABOR** – Provisions in the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) – Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution – limit the growth of a large portion of State revenue to the sum of inflation and population growth. Revenue collected above the TABOR limit must be returned to taxpayers unless voters decide the State can retain the revenue.

In November 2005, voters approved Referendum C, which allowed the State to retain all revenue through FY 2009-10 during a five-year TABOR “time out.” Referendum C also set a new cap on revenue starting in FY 2010-11. Starting with FY 2010-11, the amount of revenue that the State may retain under Referendum C (line 9 of Table 7 found in the Appendix) is calculated by multiplying the revenue limit between FY 2005-06 and FY 2009-10 associated with the highest TABOR revenue year (FY 2007-08) by the allowable TABOR growth rates (line 6 of Table 7) for each subsequent year.

Most General Fund revenue and a portion of cash fund revenue are included in calculating the revenue cap under Referendum C. Revenue that is not subject to TABOR includes revenue exempt by Colorado voters; federal money; and revenue received by entities designated as enterprises, such as public universities and colleges. Table 7 found in the Appendix summarizes the forecasts of TABOR revenue, the TABOR revenue limit, and the revenue cap under Referendum C.

**TABOR refunds are occurring for FY 2014-15 and are projected again for and FY 2017-18** – TABOR revenue exceeded the Referendum C cap by \$169.7 million in FY 2014-15. Of this amount, \$150.1 is being refunded to taxpayers when taxpayers file their 2015 tax return, along with an additional \$3.6 million owed related to refunds from prior years, for a total of \$153.7 million. The remaining \$19.6 million of the \$169.7 million is from reclassifying the revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund as subject to TABOR. This money helps fund dental services for adults under the Medicaid program. Previously, the money was not counted as TABOR revenue. However, the legal analysis and audit review on this occurred after refund amounts were established for state income tax forms. Such adjustments and audit findings have occurred in the past and the process calls for the money to be refunded in the next year a refund is due, which, according to this forecast, is FY 2017-18, as discussed below.

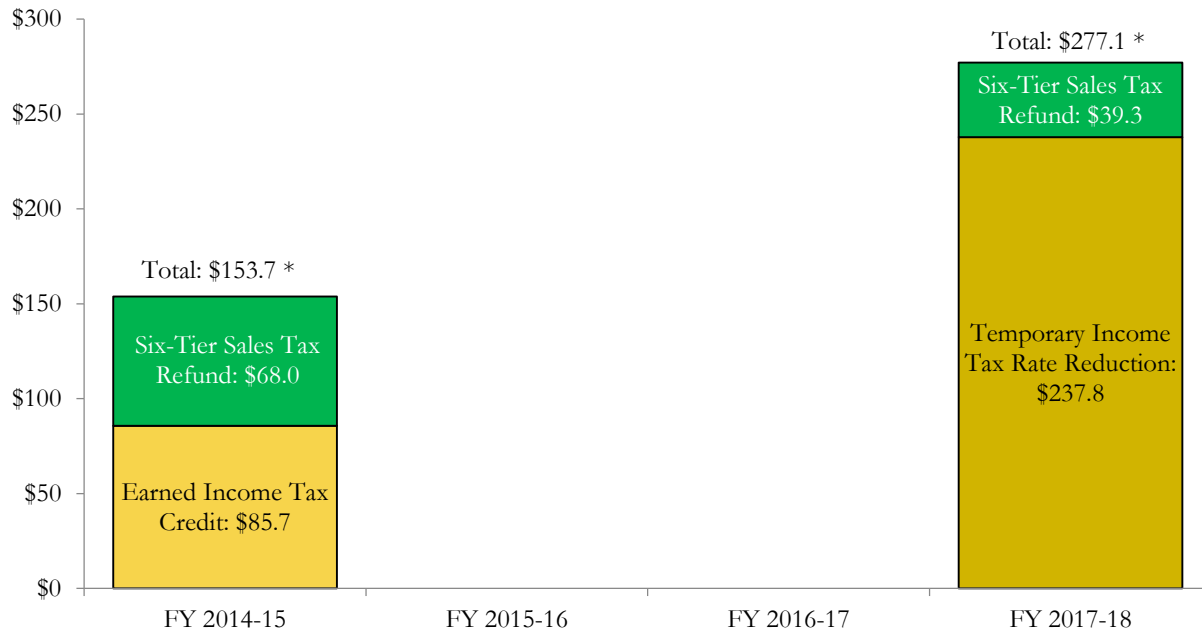
TABOR revenue is projected to come in \$80.7 million below the cap in FY 2015-16 and \$46.0 million under the cap in FY 2016-17. TABOR revenue is expected to be above the cap in FY 2017-18 by \$257.5 million. The amount above the cap in FY 2017-18 includes a projected \$37.3 million for transfers from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund now subject to TABOR. The \$34.8 million transfer slated for FY 2016-17 was shifted forward into FY 2015-16, as per House Bill 16-1409, increasing TABOR revenue for FY 2015-16 and decreasing TABOR revenue in FY 2016-17.

Colorado law currently specifies three mechanisms by which revenue in excess of the cap is refunded to taxpayers: a sales tax refund to all taxpayers (“six-tier sales tax refund”), the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) to qualified taxpayers, and a temporary income tax rate reduction. The refund amount determines which refund mechanisms are used. Figure 43 shows the anticipated refund that will be distributed through each mechanism according to the revenue projections in this forecast and the statutorily defined refund mechanisms.

In FY 2014-15, the amount needed to be refunded exceeded the threshold that activates the state EITC, as specified by Section 39-22-123, C.R.S. Colorado taxpayers who qualify for the federal EITC can claim 10 percent of the amount they claim on their federal tax return on their state tax return for the 2015 tax year. The

amount refunded through this mechanism is estimated to be \$85.7 million and the credit is estimated to average about \$217 per qualifying household. The state EITC is only a TABOR refund mechanism for one year because it becomes permanent after the year it is used as a refund. After the use of the EITC as a refund mechanism for FY 2014-15, it becomes available to qualifying taxpayers on an ongoing basis and will reduce revenue to the General Fund through a reduction in income tax liabilities and higher income tax refunds.

**Figure 43. Projected Distribution of TABOR Refunds, \$ in Millions**



\* The FY 2014-15 amount includes \$150.1 million in revenue above the Referendum C cap in FY 2014-15, as well as \$3.6 million in pending amounts owed related to refunds from prior years. These pending amounts are the result of (a) adjustments that were made to State accounting records for years in which TABOR refunds occurred that resulted in additional required refunds to taxpayers, and (b) the refund in previous years was less actual money than required. Such refunds are held by the State until a future year in which a TABOR refund occurs when they are added to the total refund amount and distributed to taxpayers. The FY 2017-18 amount includes \$257.5 million in revenue above the Referendum C cap for FY 2017-18, as well as \$19.6 million from FY 2014-15 due to the determination that revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund is subject to TABOR. The legal analysis and audit review on this occurred after refund amounts were established for state income tax forms and therefore the additional refund amount for FY 2014-15 is to be refunded during the next year a refund is due which, according to this forecast, is FY 2017-18.

The remaining \$68.0 million of the refund for FY 2014-15 is being distributed through the six-tier sales tax refund, as specified by Section 39-22-2002, C.R.S., when taxpayers file their state tax return for the 2015 tax year. The amount of the refund that can be claimed by each taxpayer is calculated according to a statutory formula that includes six adjusted gross income tiers and the total amount to be refunded. Figure 44 shows per-taxpayer refund estimates by income tier for the six-tier sales tax refund. Based on preliminary data on refunds claimed thus far from the Department of Revenue, the total amount of refunds claimed may end up being slightly lower than was projected. Any amount not refunded to taxpayers will be added to refunds the next year a refund is due which, according to this forecast, is FY 2017-18.

For FY 2017-18, the TABOR refund amount of \$277.1 million includes the projected \$257.5 million exceeding the Referendum C cap plus the \$19.6 million that needs to be refunded from FY 2014-15, as shown in Figure 43. The \$19.6 million from FY 2014-15 is due to the reclassification of the revenue transferred to the Adult Dental Fund from the Unclaimed Property Fund. Revenue in excess of the cap in FY 2017-18 is projected to meet the refund threshold to activate the temporary income tax rate reduction refund mechanism as specified by Section 39-22-627, C.R.S. This refund mechanism will reduce the state income tax rate from 4.63 to 4.5

percent for tax year 2018. This would reduce the income tax liability for individual income taxpayers by about \$51 for tax year 2018 on average per taxpayer, though the amount will vary greatly based on a taxpayer's taxable income level as shown in Figure 44. The total amount refunded through this mechanism is estimated to be \$237.8 million in FY 2017-18 with the remaining portion, \$39.3 million, to be refunded through the six-tier sales tax refund mechanism. When the average six-tier sales tax refund is below \$15 per taxpayer on average, as is projected for FY 2017-18, each taxpayer across income tiers is refunded the same amount equal to the average sales tax refund amount. The average amount per taxpayer is projected to be \$11 for FY 2017-18.

**Figure 44. Projected Distribution of Refunds per Taxpayer by Fiscal Year**

FY 2014-15 TABOR Refund per Taxpayer								
Adjusted Gross Income Tier	Individual Returns				Joint Returns			
	Earned	Six-Tier	Income Tax	Total	Earned	Six-Tier	Income Tax	Total
	Income Tax Credit*				Income Tax Credit*			
Up to \$36,000	\$234	\$13	\$0	\$247	\$234	\$26	\$0	\$260
\$36,001 - \$77,000	\$137	\$18	\$0	\$155	\$137	\$36	\$0	\$173
\$77,001 - \$120,000	\$0	\$21	\$0	\$21	\$0	\$42	\$0	\$42
\$120,001 - \$163,000	\$0	\$23	\$0	\$23	\$0	\$46	\$0	\$46
\$163,001 - \$204,000	\$0	\$24	\$0	\$24	\$0	\$48	\$0	\$48
\$204,001 and Up	\$0	\$41	\$0	\$41	\$0	\$82	\$0	\$82

\*EITC applies per household, while the sales tax and income tax refunds are per return. Only households qualifying for the federal EITC will qualify for the state EITC and thus not all households in these income brackets will necessarily qualify. For tax years after 2015, the EITC will no longer be a TABOR refund mechanism and will become a permanent credit. The number of taxpayers and adjusted gross income tiers for FY 2014-15 are the Colorado Department of Revenue's projections.

**No TABOR surplus is projected for FY 2015-16**

**No TABOR surplus is projected for FY 2016-17**

FY 2017-18 TABOR Refund per Taxpayer						
Adjusted Gross Income Tier	Individual Returns			Joint Returns		
	Six-Tier	Income Tax	Total	Six-Tier	Income Tax	Total
	Sales Tax	Rate Cut		Sales Tax	Rate Cut	
Up to \$39,000	\$11	\$8	\$19	\$22	\$2	\$24
\$39,001 - \$82,000	\$11	\$48	\$59	\$22	\$30	\$52
\$82,001 - \$128,000	\$11	\$106	\$117	\$22	\$77	\$99
\$128,001 - \$173,000	\$11	\$156	\$167	\$22	\$128	\$150
\$173,001 - \$217,000	\$11	\$194	\$205	\$22	\$180	\$202
\$217,001 and Up	\$11	\$594	\$605	\$22	\$550	\$572

**TABOR refund amounts will affect transfers to transportation and capital construction (Senate Bill 09-228 transfers)** – In addition to activating distributions of refunds to taxpayers, projected revenue in excess of the Referendum C cap affects the transfers to transportation and capital construction created by Senate Bill 09-228, as specified by Section 24-75-219, C.R.S. Because total personal income in Colorado grew by more than 5 percent in 2014, this statute requires transfers of General Fund revenue to the Highway Users Tax Fund (HUTF) and the Capital Construction Fund (CCF) for five years starting in FY 2015-16. For fiscal years 2017-



18 through 2019-20, the transfers are reduced by half if there is a TABOR refund in the same fiscal year in an amount between 1 and 3 percent of total General Fund revenue. The transfers are suspended in full if there is a TABOR refund in excess of 3 percent of total General Fund revenue.

Pursuant to House Bill 16-1416, the dollar amount of the transfers to the HUTF and CCF are at fixed amounts in FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 regardless of the level of any TABOR refund. The transfer amounts to the HUTF are equal to \$199.2 million in FY 2015-16 and \$158.0 million in FY 2016-17. The transfer amounts to the CCF are \$49.8 million in FY 2015-16 and \$52.7 million in FY 2016-17.

According to current projections, transfers to the HUTF and CCF will be reduced by half in FY 2017-18 because the TABOR refund is expected to be 2.5 percent of total General Fund revenue. Transfers to HUTF will be reduced from \$221.1 million to \$110.6 million and transfers to CCF will be reduced from \$110.6 million to \$55.3 million. However a small increase in revenue subject to TABOR would push the refund amount above 3 percent, reducing transfers to zero in FY 2017-18.

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## Appendix – Reference Tables

**Table 1. History and Forecast for Key Colorado Economic Variables  
Calendar Year 2010-2018**

Line No.		Actual						June 2016 Forecast		
		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	<b>Income</b>									
1	Personal Income (Billions) /A	\$211.4	\$227.1	\$240.9	\$246.4	\$261.7	\$275.1	\$288.6	\$303.3	\$319.1
2	Change	2.4%	7.4%	6.1%	2.3%	6.2%	5.1%	4.9%	5.1%	5.2%
3	Wage and Salary Income (Billions)	\$113.8	\$118.6	\$125.0	\$129.5	\$138.7	\$146.4	\$154.2	\$162.5	\$171.4
4	Change	1.3%	4.2%	5.4%	3.6%	7.1%	5.6%	5.3%	5.4%	5.5%
5	Per-Capita Income (\$/person) /A	\$41,880	\$44,351	\$46,402	\$46,754	\$48,871	\$50,418	\$51,956	\$53,663	\$55,509
6	Change	0.9%	5.9%	4.6%	0.8%	4.5%	3.2%	3.1%	3.3%	3.4%
	<b>Population &amp; Employment</b>									
7	Population (Thousands)	5,048.3	5,119.5	5,191.7	5,271.1	5,355.6	5,456.6	5,554.5	5,652.0	5,748.2
8	Change	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%	1.5%	1.6%	1.9%	1.8%	1.8%	1.7%
9	Net Migration (Thousands)	37.5	36.0	39.8	47.9	50.8	67.8	66.0	65.0	63.0
10	Unemployment Rate	8.7%	8.4%	7.9%	6.8%	5.0%	3.9%	3.3%	3.6%	3.8%
11	Total Nonagricultural Employment (Thousands)	2,222.3	2,258.6	2,313.0	2,381.9	2,464.9	2,539.9	2,603.4	2,668.4	2,732.5
12	Change	-1.0%	1.6%	2.4%	3.0%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.4%
	<b>Construction Variables</b>									
13	Total Housing Permits Issued (Thousands)	11.6	13.5	23.3	27.5	28.7	31.1	36.9	40.3	43.1
14	Change	23.9%	16.5%	72.6%	18.1%	4.2%	8.3%	18.9%	9.1%	7.1%
15	Nonresidential Construction Value (Millions) /B	\$3,146.7	\$3,516.2	\$3,112.3	\$3,614.0	\$4,312.2	\$4,790.2	\$5,365.0	\$5,252.4	\$5,459.3
16	Change	-6.2%	11.7%	-11.5%	16.1%	19.3%	11.1%	12.0%	-2.1%	3.9%
	<b>Prices &amp; Sales Variables</b>									
17	Retail Trade (Billions) /C	\$70.5	\$75.9	\$80.2	\$84.1	\$90.5	\$95.0	\$99.0	\$104.2	\$109.4
18	Change	6.0%	7.7%	5.7%	4.8%	7.6%	4.9%	4.3%	5.2%	5.0%
19	Denver-Boulder-Greeley Consumer Price Index (1982-84=100)	212.4	220.3	224.6	230.8	237.2	240.0	244.8	250.7	255.7
20	Change	1.9%	3.7%	1.9%	2.8%	2.8%	1.2%	2.0%	2.4%	2.0%

- /A Personal Income as reported by the federal Bureau of Economic Analysis includes: wage and salary disbursements, supplements to wages and salaries, proprietors' income with inventory and capital consumption adjustments, rental income of persons with capital consumption adjustments, personal dividend income, personal interest income, and personal current transfer receipts, less contributions from government social insurance.
- /B Nonresidential Construction Value is reported by Dodge Analytics (McGraw-Hill Construction) and includes new construction, additions, and major remodeling projects predominately at commercial and manufacturing facilities, educational institutions, medical and government buildings. Nonresidential does not include non-building projects (such as streets, highways, bridges and utilities).
- /C Retail Trade includes motor vehicles and automobile parts, furniture and home furnishings, electronics and appliances, building materials, sales at food and beverage stores, health and personal care, sales at convenience stores and service stations, clothing, sporting goods/books/music, and general merchandise found at warehouse stores and internet purchases. In addition, the above dollar amounts include sales from food and drink vendors (bars and restaurants). E-commerce retail trade and other sales by a retailer that does not have a state sales tax account are not included in these figures.

**Table 2. History and Forecast for Key National Economic Variables  
Calendar Year 2010 – 2018**

Line No.		Actual						June 2016 Forecast		
		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	<b>Inflation-Adjusted &amp; Current Dollar Income Accounts</b>									
1	Inflation-Adjusted Gross Domestic Product (Billions) /A	\$14,783.8	\$15,020.6	\$15,354.6	\$15,583.3	\$15,961.7	\$16,348.9	\$16,643.2	\$17,009.3	\$17,349.5
2	Change	2.5%	1.6%	2.2%	1.5%	2.4%	2.4%	1.8%	2.2%	2.0%
3	Personal Income (Billions) /B	\$12,477.1	\$13,254.5	\$13,915.1	\$14,068.4	\$14,694.2	\$15,340.4	\$15,969.4	\$16,703.9	\$17,438.9
4	Change	3.2%	6.2%	5.0%	1.1%	4.4%	4.4%	4.1%	4.6%	4.4%
5	Per-Capita Income (\$/person) /B	\$40,334	\$42,521	\$44,301	\$44,460	\$46,077	\$47,727	\$49,275	\$51,122	\$52,938
6	Change	2.4%	5.4%	4.2%	0.4%	3.6%	3.6%	3.2%	3.7%	3.6%
7	Wage and Salary Income (Billions)	\$6,377.5	\$6,633.2	\$6,930.3	\$7,114.4	\$7,477.8	\$7,824.0	\$8,183.9	\$8,625.8	\$9,074.4
8	Change	2.0%	4.0%	4.5%	2.7%	5.1%	4.6%	4.6%	5.4%	5.2%
	<b>Population &amp; Employment</b>									
9	Population (Millions)	309.3	311.7	314.1	316.4	318.9	321.4	324.1	326.7	329.4
10	Change	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%
11	Unemployment Rate	9.6%	8.9%	8.1%	7.4%	6.2%	5.3%	4.8%	4.6%	4.6%
12	Total Nonagricultural Employment (Millions)	130.4	131.9	134.2	136.4	139.0	141.9	144.4	146.6	148.6
13	Change	-0.7%	1.2%	1.7%	1.6%	1.9%	2.1%	1.8%	1.5%	1.4%
	<b>Price Variables</b>									
14	Consumer Price Index (1982-84=100)	218.1	224.9	229.6	233.0	236.7	237.0	240.3	245.1	250.0
15	Change	1.6%	3.2%	2.1%	1.5%	1.6%	0.1%	1.4%	2.0%	2.0%
16	Producer Price Index - All Commodities (1982=100)	184.7	201.0	202.2	203.4	205.3	190.4	184.7	192.1	198.8
17	Change	6.8%	8.8%	0.6%	0.6%	0.9%	-7.3%	-3.0%	4.0%	3.5%
	<b>Other Key Indicators</b>									
18	Corporate Profits (Billions)	\$1,746.4	\$1,816.6	\$1,998.2	\$2,037.4	\$2,072.9	\$2,008.6	\$1,998.6	\$2,048.6	\$2,132.6
19	Change	25.0%	4.0%	10.0%	2.0%	1.7%	-3.1%	-0.5%	2.5%	4.1%
20	Housing Permits (Millions)	0.605	0.624	0.830	0.991	1.052	1.183	1.274	1.456	1.561
21	Change	3.7%	3.2%	32.9%	19.4%	6.2%	12.4%	7.7%	14.3%	7.2%
22	Retail Trade (Billions)	\$4,285.8	\$4,597.6	\$4,826.4	\$5,001.2	\$5,211.5	\$5,327.4	\$5,492.5	\$5,750.7	\$6,009.5
23	Change	5.4%	7.3%	5.0%	3.6%	4.2%	2.2%	3.1%	4.7%	4.5%

/A U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, National Income and Product Accounts. Inflation-adjusted, in 2009 dollars.

/B Personal Income as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis includes: wage and salary disbursements, supplements to wages and salaries, proprietors' income with inventory and capital consumption adjustments, rental income of persons with capital consumption adjustments, personal dividend income, personal interest income, and personal current transfer receipts, less contributions from government social insurance.



**Table 3. General Fund – Revenue Estimates by Tax Category**  
(Accrual Basis, Dollar Amounts in Millions)

Line No.	Category	Actual		June 2016 Estimate by Fiscal Year					
		FY 2014-15	% Chg	FY 2015-16	% Chg	FY 2016-17	% Chg	FY 2017-18	% Chg
	<b>Excise Taxes:</b>								
1	Sales	\$2,619.2	8.0%	\$2,668.8	1.9%	\$2,836.8	6.3%	\$2,964.5	4.5%
2	Use	\$260.3	7.8%	\$253.8	-2.5%	\$268.4	5.8%	\$280.7	4.6%
3	Cigarette	\$37.9	3.6%	\$37.2	-1.8%	\$36.0	-3.1%	\$35.0	-2.9%
4	Tobacco Products	\$17.8	5.3%	\$21.3	19.5%	\$19.5	-8.2%	\$20.0	2.5%
5	Liquor	\$41.5	2.8%	\$43.7	5.3%	\$43.8	0.2%	\$44.8	2.4%
6	<b>Total Excise</b>	<b>\$2,976.7</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>\$3,024.8</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>\$3,204.5</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>\$3,345.1</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
	<b>Income Taxes:</b>								
7	Net Individual Income	\$6,350.1	11.5%	\$6,492.5	2.2%	\$6,903.8	6.3%	\$7,233.1	4.8%
8	Net Corporate Income	\$692.9	-3.9%	\$647.9	-6.5%	\$672.7	3.8%	\$715.2	6.3%
9	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$7,043.0</b>	<b>9.8%</b>	<b>\$7,140.4</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>\$7,576.5</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>\$7,948.3</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
10	<i>Less: State Education Fund Diversion</i>	<i>\$519.8</i>	<i>8.6%</i>	<i>\$525.5</i>	<i>1.1%</i>	<i>\$557.6</i>	<i>6.1%</i>	<i>586.6</i>	<i>5.2%</i>
11	<b>Total Income to General Fund</b>	<b>\$6,523.1</b>	<b>9.9%</b>	<b>\$6,614.9</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>\$7,018.9</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>\$7,361.7</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
	<b>Other Revenue:</b>								
12	Insurance	\$256.7	7.4%	\$289.5	12.8%	\$299.0	3.3%	\$307.1	2.7%
13	Interest Income	\$8.9	-41.7%	\$9.4	5.5%	\$12.8	37.2%	\$13.6	5.6%
14	Pari-Mutuel	\$0.6	0.2%	\$0.6	-3.0%	\$0.6	-3.0%	\$0.6	-2.0%
15	Court Receipts	\$2.6	0.3%	\$2.5	-4.2%	\$2.4	-1.0%	\$2.3	-4.1%
16	Other Income	\$34.0	59.3%	\$20.1	-41.0%	\$24.3	21.2%	\$25.8	6.1%
17	<b>Total Other</b>	<b>\$302.7</b>	<b>8.4%</b>	<b>\$322.0</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>\$339.1</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>\$349.3</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
18	<b>GROSS GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$9,802.6</b>	<b>9.2%</b>	<b>\$9,961.6</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>\$10,562.5</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>\$11,056.1</b>	<b>4.7%</b>

**Table 4. General Fund Overview under Current Law /A**  
(Dollar Amounts in Millions)

Line No.		Actual	June 2016 Estimate by Fiscal Year		
		FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
Revenue					
1	Beginning Reserve	\$435.9	\$709.2	\$528.6	\$624.4
2	Gross General Fund Revenue	\$9,802.6	\$9,961.6	\$10,562.5	\$11,056.1
3	Transfers to the General Fund	\$64.9	\$24.3	\$46.1	\$18.2
4	TOTAL GENERAL FUND AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE	\$10,303.4	\$10,695.2	\$11,137.1	\$11,698.7
Expenditures					
5	Appropriation Subject to Limit	\$8,869.0	\$9,335.6	\$9,813.3	\$10,175.0
6	Dollar Change (from prior year)	\$650.3	\$466.6	\$477.7	\$361.7
7	Percent Change (from prior year)	7.9%	5.3%	5.1%	3.7%
8	Spending Outside Limit	\$785.7	\$831.0	\$699.5	\$865.5
9	TABOR Refund under Art. X, Section 20, (7) (d)	\$153.7	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$277.1
10	Set Aside for Potential TABOR Refund under Art. X, Section 20, (3) (c)	\$58.0	-\$58.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
11	Rebates and Expenditures	\$257.4	\$276.8	\$294.1	\$307.7
12	Transfers for Capital Construction	\$248.5	\$271.2	\$84.5	\$68.3
13	Transfers to Highway Users Tax Fund	\$0.0	\$199.2	\$158.0	\$110.6
14	Transfers to State Education Fund under SB 13-234	\$25.3	\$25.3	\$25.3	\$25.3
15	Transfers to Other Funds	\$42.2	\$116.5	\$137.5	\$76.5
16	Other Expenditures Exempt from General Fund Appropriations Limit	\$0.5	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
17	TOTAL GENERAL FUND OBLIGATIONS	\$9,654.7	\$10,166.6	\$10,512.8	\$11,040.6
18	Percent Change (from prior year)	10.2%	5.3%	3.4%	5.0%
19	Reversions and Accounting Adjustments	-\$60.6	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Reserves					
20	Year-End General Fund Balance	\$709.2	\$528.6	\$624.4	\$658.1
21	Year-End General Fund as a % of Appropriations	8.0%	5.7%	6.4%	6.5%
22	General Fund Statutory Reserve	\$576.49	\$520.7	\$634.9	\$658.1
23	Above (Below) Statutory Reserve	\$132.7	\$7.9	-\$10.5	\$0.0

/A See the section discussing the General Fund and State Education Fund Budget starting on page 44 for information on the figures in this table.

**Table 5. General Fund and State Education Fund Overview under Current Law /A**  
(Dollar Amounts in Millions)

Line No.		Actual FY 2014-15	June 2016 Estimate by Fiscal Year		
			FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
Revenue					
1	Beginning Reserves	\$1,484.9	\$1,393.2	\$824.5	\$735.0
2	State Education Fund	\$1,048.9	\$684.0	\$296.0	\$110.6
3	General Fund	\$435.9	\$709.2	\$528.6	\$624.4
4	Gross State Education Fund Revenue	\$594.4	\$556.4	\$588.8	\$618.0
5	Gross General Fund Revenue /B	\$9,867.4	\$9,985.9	\$10,608.6	\$11,074.3
6	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE	\$11,946.7	\$11,935.5	\$12,021.9	\$12,427.4
Expenditures					
7	General Fund Expenditures /C	\$9,654.7	\$10,166.6	\$10,512.8	\$11,040.6
8	State Education Fund Expenditures	\$969.2	\$944.4	\$774.1	\$629.3
9	TOTAL OBLIGATIONS	\$10,624.0	\$11,111.0	\$11,286.9	\$11,669.8
10	Percent Change (from prior year)	11.8%	4.6%	1.6%	3.4%
11	Reversions and Accounting Adjustments	(\$70.5)	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Reserves					
12	Year-End Balance	\$1,393.2	\$824.5	\$735.0	\$757.5
13	State Education Fund	\$684.0	\$296.0	\$110.6	\$99.4
14	General Fund	\$709.2	\$528.6	\$624.4	\$658.1
15	General Fund Above (Below) Statutory Reserve	\$132.7	\$7.9	-\$10.5	\$0.0

/A See the section discussing the General Fund and State Education Fund Budget starting on page 44 for information on the figures in this table.

/B This amount includes transfers to the General Fund shown in line 3 in Table 4.

/C General Fund expenditures include appropriations subject to the limit of 5.0% of Colorado personal income shown in line 5 in Table 4 as well as all spending outside the limit shown in line 8 in Table 4.

**Table 6. Cash Fund Revenue Subject to TABOR Forecast by Major Category**  
(Dollar amounts in Millions)

Category	Actual FY 2014-15	June 2016 Estimate by Fiscal Year		
		FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-2018
<b>Transportation-Related /A</b>	<b>\$1,164.6</b>	<b>\$1,180.3</b>	<b>\$1,198.1</b>	<b>\$1,218.0</b>
Change	2.5%	1.3%	1.5%	1.7%
<b>Limited Gaming Fund /B</b>	<b>\$99.3</b>	<b>\$102.4</b>	<b>\$105.5</b>	<b>\$108.7</b>
Change	1.1%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%
<b>Capital Construction - Interest</b>	<b>\$5.6</b>	<b>\$4.7</b>	<b>\$4.7</b>	<b>\$3.6</b>
Change	134.2%	-16.2%	-0.5%	-23.8%
<b>Regulatory Agencies</b>	<b>\$65.6</b>	<b>\$67.0</b>	<b>\$71.3</b>	<b>\$72.9</b>
Change	-4.1%	2.0%	6.5%	2.2%
<b>Insurance-Related</b>	<b>\$19.9</b>	<b>\$14.5</b>	<b>\$13.8</b>	<b>\$13.9</b>
Change	-3.5%	-27.3%	-5.2%	0.7%
<b>Severance Tax /C</b>	<b>\$281.3</b>	<b>\$63.0</b>	<b>\$89.2</b>	<b>\$175.9</b>
Change	4.7%	-77.6%	41.7%	97.1%
<b>Hospital Provider Fee /D</b>	<b>\$528.8</b>	<b>\$805.0</b>	<b>\$656.3</b>	<b>\$803.3</b>
Change	-6.7%	52.2%	-18.5%	22.4%
<b>Other Miscellaneous Cash Funds /E</b>	<b>\$612.4</b>	<b>\$674.7</b>	<b>\$617.2</b>	<b>\$676.1</b>
Change	7.4%	10.2%	-8.5%	9.6%
<b>TOTAL CASH FUND REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,777.6</b>	<b>\$2,911.5</b>	<b>\$2,756.0</b>	<b>\$3,072.2</b>
Change	1.7%	4.8%	-5.3%	11.5%

- /A Includes revenue from Senate Bill 09-108 (FASTER) which began in FY 2009-10. Roughly 40% of FASTER-related revenue is directed to two State Enterprises. Revenue to State Enterprises is exempt from TABOR and is thus not included in the figures reflected by this table.
- /B Excludes tax revenue from extended gaming as allowed by Amendment 50 to the Colorado Constitution as this revenue is exempt from TABOR. The portion of limited gaming revenue that is exempt is projected based on the formula outlined in House Bill 09-1272.
- /C FY 2014-15 figure includes the impact of Senate Bill 15-255 which credits severance tax collections between May 1st and June 30th, 2015, up to \$20 million, into the General Fund. Actual collections were equal to \$16.2 million.
- /D Figures include the impact of Senate Bill 13-200 which put into statute the expansion of Colorado's Medicaid program beginning on January 1, 2014, as allowed by the federal law known as the Affordable Care Act.
- /E Figures include the additional revenue related to the recent determination that the revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to Adult Dental Fund is subject to TABOR.

**Table 7. TABOR Revenue & Referendum C Revenue Limit**  
(Dollar Amounts in Millions)

Line No.		Actual FY 2014-15	June 2016 Estimate by Fiscal Year		
			FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18
	<b>TABOR Revenues:</b>				
1	General Fund /A	\$9,753.1	\$9,895.0	\$10,484.8	\$10,977.0
	Percent Change from Prior Year	8.8%	1.5%	6.0%	4.7%
2	Cash Funds /A	\$2,777.6	\$2,911.5	\$2,756.0	\$3,072.2
	Percent Change from Prior Year	1.7%	4.8%	-5.3%	11.5%
3	<b>Total TABOR Revenues</b>	<b>\$12,530.8</b>	<b>\$12,806.6</b>	<b>\$13,240.8</b>	<b>\$14,049.2</b>
	Percent Change from Prior Year	7.2%	2.2%	3.4%	6.1%
	<b>Revenue Limit Calculation:</b>				
4	Previous calendar year population growth	1.5%	1.6%	1.9%	1.8%
5	Previous calendar year inflation	2.8%	2.8%	1.2%	2.0%
6	<b>Allowable TABOR Growth Rate</b>	<b>4.3%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
7	TABOR Limit /B	\$9,976.9	\$10,398.3	\$10,720.6	\$11,128.0
8	General Fund Exempt Revenue under Ref. C /C	\$2,384.1	\$2,408.3	\$2,520.1	\$2,663.7
9	<b>Revenue Cap Under Ref. C /B, /D</b>	<b>\$12,361.0</b>	<b>\$12,887.3</b>	<b>\$13,286.8</b>	<b>\$13,791.7</b>
10	<b>Amount Above/(Below) Cap</b>	<b>\$169.7</b>	<b>-\$80.7</b>	<b>-\$46.0</b>	<b>\$257.5</b>
11	TABOR Reserve Requirement	\$370.8	\$384.2	\$397.2	\$413.8

- /A Amounts differ from the General Fund and Cash Fund revenues reported in Table 3 and Table 6 due to accounting adjustments and because some General Fund revenue is exempt from TABOR. Cash Funds amounts include the additional revenue related to the determination that the revenue transferred from the Unclaimed Property Fund to the Adult Dental Fund is subject to TABOR.
- /B The TABOR limit and Referendum C cap are adjusted to account for changes in the enterprise status of various state entities.
- /C Under Referendum C, a "General Fund Exempt Account" is created in the General Fund. The account consists of money collected in excess of the TABOR limit in accordance with voter-approval of Referendum C.
- /D The revenue limit is calculated by applying the "Allowable TABOR Growth Rate" to either "Total TABOR Revenues" or the "Revenue Cap under Ref. C," whichever is smaller. Beginning in FY 2010-11, the revenue limit is based on the highest revenue total from FY 2005-06 to 2009-10 plus the "Allowable TABOR Growth Rate." FY 2007-08 was the highest revenue year during the Referendum C timeout period.

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**APPENDIX C**

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# Introductory Section



## Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015*



**COLORADO**  
Office of the State Controller

Department of Personnel  
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April 26, 2016

To the Citizens, Governor, and Legislators of the State of Colorado:

It is our privilege to present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) on the operations of the State of Colorado for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. This report is prepared by the Office of the State Controller and is submitted as required by Section 24-30-204 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Except for certain institutions of higher education, the State Controller is responsible for managing the finances and financial affairs of the State and is committed to sound financial management and governmental accountability.

We believe the financial statements are fairly presented in all material aspects. They are presented in a manner designed to set forth the financial position, results of operations, and changes in net position or fund balances of the major funds and nonmajor funds in the aggregate. All required disclosures have been presented to assist readers in understanding the State's financial affairs.

Except as noted below, the basic financial statements contained in the CAFR are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applicable to governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), and except for the discretely presented component units, they are audited by the State Auditor of Colorado. The basic financial statements comprise the Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A), financial statements, notes to the financial statements, and Required Supplementary Information. The MD&A, which begins on page 21, contains additional financial analysis and supplementary information that is required by GASB and should be read in conjunction with this transmittal letter. The schedules comparing budgeted to actual activity, included in the section titled Required Supplementary Information and Supplementary Information, are not presented in accordance with GAAP; rather, they reflect the budgetary basis of accounting which defers certain payroll, Medicaid, and other statutorily defined expenditures to the following fiscal year. (See additional information on "Cash Basis Accounting" on page 39 of the Management's Discussion and Analysis.) In addition to the basic financial statements, the CAFR includes: combining financial statements that present information by fund category, certain narrative information that describes the individual fund categories, supporting schedules, and statistical tables that present financial, economic, and demographic data about the State.

The funds and entities included in the CAFR are those for which the State is financially accountable based on criteria for defining the financial reporting entity as prescribed by GASB. The primary government is the legal entity that comprises the major and nonmajor funds of the State, its departments, agencies, and State institutions of higher education. It also includes certain university activities that are legally separate but have been blended with the accounts of the institution that is financially accountable for the activity.

The State's elected officials are financially accountable for other legally separate entities that qualify as discretely presented component units. The following entities qualify as discretely presented component units of the State:

- Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority
- University of Colorado Foundation
- Colorado State University Foundation
- Colorado School of Mines Foundation
- University of Northern Colorado Foundation
- Other Component Units (nonmajor):
  - Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium District
  - CoverColorado
  - Colorado Venture Capital Authority
  - HLC @ Metro, Inc.

Additional information about these component units and other related entities is presented in Note 2 of the financial statements (see page 69). Audited financial reports are available from each of these entities.



## PROFILE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

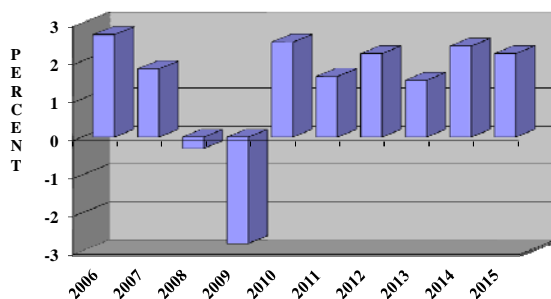
Colorado became the thirty-eighth state of the United States of America when it was admitted to the union in 1876. Its borders encompass 103,718 square miles of the high plains and the Rocky Mountains with elevations ranging from 3,315 to 14,433 feet above sea level. The State's major economic sectors include agriculture, manufacturing, technology, tourism, energy production, and mining. Considerable economic activity is generated in support of these sectors by government, wholesale and retail trade, transportation, communications, public utilities, finance, insurance, real estate, and other services. Given the State's semi-arid climate, water resource development, allocation, and conservation are ongoing challenges for State management.

The State maintains a separation of powers utilizing three branches of government – executive, legislative, and judicial. The executive branch comprises four major elected officials – Governor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and Secretary of State. Most departments of the State report directly to the Governor; however, the Departments of Treasury, Law, and State report to their respective elected officials, the Department of Education reports to the elected State Board of Education. The elected officials serve four-year terms with a limit on the number of terms allowed.

The Legislature is bicameral and comprises thirty-five senators and sixty-five representatives who are also term limited. It is a citizen legislature whose general session lasts 120 days beginning in January of each year. Special sessions may be called by the Governor at his discretion and are limited to the topics identified by the Governor. The Legislature's otherwise plenary power is checked by the requirement for the Governor to sign its legislation and by specific limitations placed in the State Constitution by voters. The most significant fiscal limitation is the restriction related to issuing debt, raising taxes, and changing existing spending limits. From a fiscal perspective, the Joint Budget Committee of the Legislature, because of its preparation of the annual budget and supplemental appropriations bills, holds the most important power vested in the Legislature. The Committee is bipartisan with members drawn from each of the houses of the Legislature. The Governor's Office of State Planning and Budgeting develops and submits an executive branch budget proposal, but there is no requirement for the Joint Budget Committee or the General Assembly to adopt that proposal.

The Judicial Branch is responsible for resolving disputes within the State, including those between the executive and legislative branches of government, and for supervising offenders on probation. The branch includes the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and district and county courts, served by more than 300 justices and judges in 22 judicial districts across the State (excluding 23 Denver county court judges). Municipal courts are not part of the State system. There are also seven water courts, one in each of the State's major river basins. The Judicial Branch budget is appropriated by the Legislature, and it is funded primarily from general-purpose revenues of the General Fund.

**PERCENT CHANGE IN REAL GROSS  
DOMESTIC PRODUCT**



## ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK

The State's General Fund general-purpose revenues reflect the overall condition of the State economy, which showed slower growth in Fiscal Year 2014-15; General Fund revenues increased by \$669.0 million (7.4 percent) from the prior year. In absolute dollars, the Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB) reports personal income in the State increased by approximately 6.2 percent for 2014 and is forecast to increase by 4.8 percent for 2015. State nonagricultural employment levels rose by 81,800 in 2014, and are forecasted to increase by another 69,000 in 2015.

The Bureau of Economic Analysis reports that inflation adjusted national gross domestic product (GDP) grew at an annualized rate of 2.0 percent in the third quarter of calendar year 2014 and 2.4 percent in the third quarter of 2015. Inflation adjusted GDP increased 2.1 percent from the third quarter of 2014 to the third quarter of 2015 (all percentage changes in the balance of this paragraph are measured on the third quarter to third quarter basis). National personal consumption expenditures account for over two-thirds of GDP and increased 3.1 percent. The increase in personal consumption was led by an increase of 5.6 percent in durable goods, the most significant in recreational goods and vehicles. Additionally, private domestic investment increased 3.7 percent, primarily in the construction and acquisition of residential structures and information processing equipment offset by a declining investment in other equipment. Government spending increased quarter-over-quarter by 0.7 percent related to decreases in federal, and increases in state and local government spending. Quarter-over-quarter exports decreased by 3.3 percent and imports grew by 6.3 percent; net imports increased the GDP compared to the third quarter of 2014.

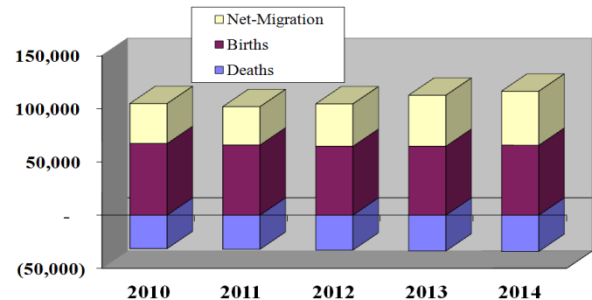


The national economy is continuing through a prolonged, anemic recovery resulting from the credit and housing boom and bust of the past two decades. This has been compounded by uncertainties in global markets and debates in the U.S. Congress over increases to federal debt ceiling, automatic tax increases and spending cuts. The December, 2015 Economic and Revenue Forecast of the Colorado Legislative Council observed that:

*“The state and national economies continue to see moderate, broad-based job growth across most industries. Rising household incomes have supported growth in consumer spending, which has propped up economic activity. Business conditions softened in 2015 for energy, manufacturing and export industries on low commodity prices, a stronger U.S. dollar, and slower global economic activity. These trends are expected to continue to moderate growth prospects for Colorado and the nation in 2016. The aging U.S. population, tighter monetary policy, and rising home prices in Colorado are also expected to moderate growth.”*

Colorado’s economic growth slowed during the course of 2015 from its robust pace in 2014. The contraction in the oil and gas sector, a tighter labor market, and sluggish global growth all have contributed to the slowdown. However, much of the slowdown in economic activity worldwide has been confined to the manufacturing and mining sectors, which make up a relatively small portion of Colorado’s economy. Therefore, the core of the state’s economy, with its diverse industry base and stronger population growth, remains resilient in the face of these headwinds. Because of the state’s favorable economic attributes, Colorado’s economy is expected to continue to post stronger levels of growth than the nation overall, but slower than the high growth experienced in 2014.

COMPONENTS OF COLORADO’S POPULATION CHANGE



Historically, Colorado economic activity and in-migration have been interdependent. Net migration has averaged approximately 42,400 from 2010 to 2014. In 2014, a 10 year high of approximately 50,800 net migrations occurred. International immigration increased from approximately 8,800 (2011) to 13,300 (2015). Similarly, domestic migration from other states increased from 24,900 (2011) to 54,500 (2015). The information in the adjacent chart is based on current Colorado Sate Demographer estimates. The Demographer forecasts net population growth of 90,141 for 2015 and 94,968 for 2016, and OSPB forecasts net migration of 68,800 and 63,400, for those years respectively, which indicates persistent immigration.

The OSPB December 21, 2015 quarterly estimate predicts slower growth in Colorado’s economy in 2015; however, sluggish global economic conditions continue to pose downside risks to the forecast. Further, recent weakness in areas of corporate credit markets is making it harder for some businesses to borrow money and could imply broader deteriorating economic conditions. In addition, oil prices have dropped further recently and another major contraction in the industry presents a downside risk to the forecast.

OSPB has made the following calendar year forecast for Colorado’s major economic variables:

- Unemployment will average 4.1 percent for 2015 compared with 5.0 and 6.8 percent in 2014 and 2013, respectively, and it is expected to slightly decrease in 2016 to 3.8 percent.
- Wages and salary income will increase by 4.8 percent in 2015, by 5.5 percent in 2016, and by 5.6 percent in 2017.
- Total personal income will increase by 4.8 percent in 2015, and reach 5.3 percent by 2016.
- Net migration is expected to be 68,800 in 2015 and 63,400 in 2016 with total population growth of about 1.8 percent, in both years.
- Retail trade sales will increase by 4.3 percent in 2015 followed by an increase of 5.5 percent in 2016.
- Colorado inflation will be 1.5 percent in 2015, and will increase to 2.5 percent in 2016.

## MAJOR GOVERNMENT FISCAL INITIATIVES

The General Assembly enacted, and the Governor signed, many bills during the 2015 Legislative Session. There were several areas of focus including education, social programs and services, disaster recovery, high ground water mitigation, and adjustments to the disbursement of funds received from the taxation of recreational marijuana. In addition, new programs were created or transferred from one department to another, and the structure of the Colorado Department of Transportation was changed to more accurately reflect operations. The following measures had a significant financial impact:

- ◆ To implement the Public School Finance Act of 1994, the General Assembly appropriated an additional \$25.0 million in general fund moneys to the Department of Education (CDE), primarily for the state share of districts' total program funding. In addition, they appropriated for fiscal year 2015-16:
  - \$5.0 million from the State Public School Fund to the department for at-risk per pupil additional funding.
  - \$3.7 million to the department for the accelerating students through concurrent enrollment program (ASCENT). The program was increased by \$3.7 million in order to assist small rural school districts and institute charter schools located in small rural districts.
  - \$10.0 million was appropriated to be distributed on a per pupil basis and are to be used in accordance with the provisions that created the state education fund at Article IX of the Colorado State Constitution.
- ◆ The General Assembly appropriated a total of \$1.3 million to the Department of Human Services for use by their regional centers for individuals with developmental disabilities. The bill contains an appropriation for both Fiscal Year 2014-15 (\$0.6 million) and Fiscal Year 2015-16 (\$0.7 million) both of which are from the newly created depreciation account within the capital construction fund.
- ◆ The General Assembly addressed the capital construction needs of the state for Fiscal Year 2015-16 with an appropriation of \$396.2 million to fund 30 capital construction projects, 26 controlled maintenance projects, 1 lease purchase, and an additional 10 major information technology projects. The capital construction general purpose revenues portion of the appropriation is \$248.5 million, \$166.9 million is from cash funds, \$13.9 million is from reappropriated funds, and the remaining \$15.4 is from federal funds.
- ◆ For Fiscal Year 2015-16, an appropriation of \$1.0 million was made to the Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE) from the marijuana cash tax fund. These monies were further reappropriated to the Office of Information Technology to assist with the implementation of the requirement that CDPHE establish guidelines for primary caregivers, the mandate that primary caregivers register with CDPHE, and the requirement that CDPHE convene a group to explore laboratory testing options for unlicensed medical marijuana.
- ◆ The General Assembly appropriated \$5.2 million in a combination of general funds and cash funds from the autism treatment fund to the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing. The funds are to support administration, medical services premiums, and behavioral health capitation payments. Generally, the Department receives federal funds in addition to state funds for these same purposes.
- ◆ The General Assembly enacted legislation creating the cross-system response for behavioral health crises pilot program fund and making an appropriation thereto of \$1.7 million. The funds are further reappropriated to the Department of Health Care Policy and Finance for use by the Division of Intellectual and Development Disabilities in providing crisis intervention, stabilization, and follow up services to their clients.
- ◆ With respect to collaborative management of multi-agency services program, the General Assembly made a general fund appropriation to the Department of Human Services in the amount of \$1.9 million for use by the Division of Child Welfare for implementation of the program, administration, program incentives, and annual program evaluations.
- ◆ The Department of Human Services received an appropriation of \$6.3 million that consists of over \$5.0 million in general funds and a small amount from local cash funds. The act directs the Child Welfare Allocations Committee to develop a formula to allocate this additional funding to counties in addition to the child welfare block grant for the specific purpose of hiring new child welfare staff at the county level.

- ◆ The General Assembly appropriated \$3.3 million from the general fund to the skilled worker outreach, recruitment, and key training grant program fund. This amount is further reappropriated to the Department of Labor and Employment's Employment and Training Division for a mix of personal services, operating expenditures, and grant awards.
- ◆ The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) was appropriated \$5.6 million by the General Assembly from the CWCB Construction Fund for a total of 10 projects. In addition, the General Assembly enacted legislation that created the Natural Hazard Mapping Fund which consists of gifts, grants and donations and revenues transferred from the general fund – all of which are continuously appropriated to the CWCB. The transfer from the general fund for Fiscal Year 2015-16 will be \$3.8 million with an additional transfer of \$2.4 million in Fiscal Year 2016-17.
- ◆ The General Assembly made two separate appropriations from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund for Fiscal Year 2015-16. The first appropriation was a combination of \$1.9 million to various agencies including funding for government retail marijuana impact grants, legal services, offender treatment services, jail based behavioral health services, and agricultural plant services. Additionally, the General Assembly appropriated an additional \$15.1 million to fund various health and educational programs that became effective with voters approving Proposition AA in the November 2015 elections.

## **BUDGETARY AND OTHER CONTROL SYSTEMS**

The General Assembly appropriates the annual State budget for ongoing programs at a line item level segregated by department, except for custodial funds, certain statutory cash funds, and most federal funds. New programs are funded for the first time through enabling legislation and are continued through the Long Appropriations Act in future periods. For the most part, operating appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year unless the State Controller approves, at a line item level, an appropriation rollforward based on express legislative direction or extenuating circumstances. The State Controller, with the approval of the Governor, may also allow expenditures in excess of the appropriated budget. This approval occurs at a budget line item level. Capital construction appropriations are normally effective for three years and do not require State Controller rollforward approval.

The State records the appropriated budget in its newly implemented accounting system, CORE, along with nonappropriated budgets for most federal awards, statutory cash funds, and custodial funds of the various departments. With the implementation of the new accounting system, revenues and expenditures are tracked by funding source – general, general exempt, cash, reappropriated and federal funds and are designated appropriated or non-appropriated. Appropriated budgets include amounts that require a legislative appropriation authorizing spending, whereas non-appropriated budgets represent amounts that do not require an act of the legislature and are often referred to as informational only appropriations. The accounting system flags monies to be disbursed without sufficient spending authority. Revenues and expenses/expenditures are accounted for on the basis used for the fund in which the budget is recorded except for certain budgetary basis exceptions (see Note RSI-1A).

Encumbrances are recorded throughout the year and result in a reduction of the available spending authority. Encumbrances represent the estimated amount of expenditures that will be incurred when outstanding purchase orders, contracts, or other commitments are fulfilled. At fiscal year end, encumbrances lapse except those that represent appropriations that are approved for rollforward into the subsequent fiscal year, and legal or contractual obligations in the Capital Projects Fund and the Department of Transportation's portion of the Highway Users Tax Fund (see Note 40).

In developing the State's accounting system, consideration has been given to the adequacy of internal accounting controls. Internal accounting controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance regarding the safeguarding of assets against loss from unauthorized use or disposition. Those controls also assure the reliability of financial records for preparing financial statements and maintaining the accountability for assets. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived from that control. The evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management. All internal control evaluations occur within this framework. We believe that the State's internal accounting controls adequately safeguard assets and provide reasonable assurance of proper recording of financial transactions.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDIT**

The State Auditor performs an audit of the Basic Financial Statements. The opinion of the State Auditor is on page 18 of this report. Besides annually auditing the statewide financial statements, the State Auditor has the authority to audit the financial statements and operations of the departments and institutions within State government.

In 1996, the United States Congress amended the Single Audit Act of 1984. The amended act clarifies the State's and the auditor's responsibility for ensuring that federal moneys are used and accounted for properly. Under the requirements of this act, transactions of major federal programs are tested. The State prepares a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards for inclusion in the State Auditor's Statewide Single Audit Report. The State Auditor issues reports on the schedule, the financial statements, internal controls, and compliance with the requirements of federal assistance programs.

### **CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the State of Colorado for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. This was the eighteenth consecutive year that the government has achieved this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements, and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

In conclusion, I thank my staff and the controllers, accountants, auditors, and program managers in the State departments and branches whose time and dedication have made this report possible. I reaffirm our commitment to maintaining the highest standards of accountability in financial reporting.

Sincerely,



Robert Jaros, CPA, MBA, JD  
Colorado State Controller





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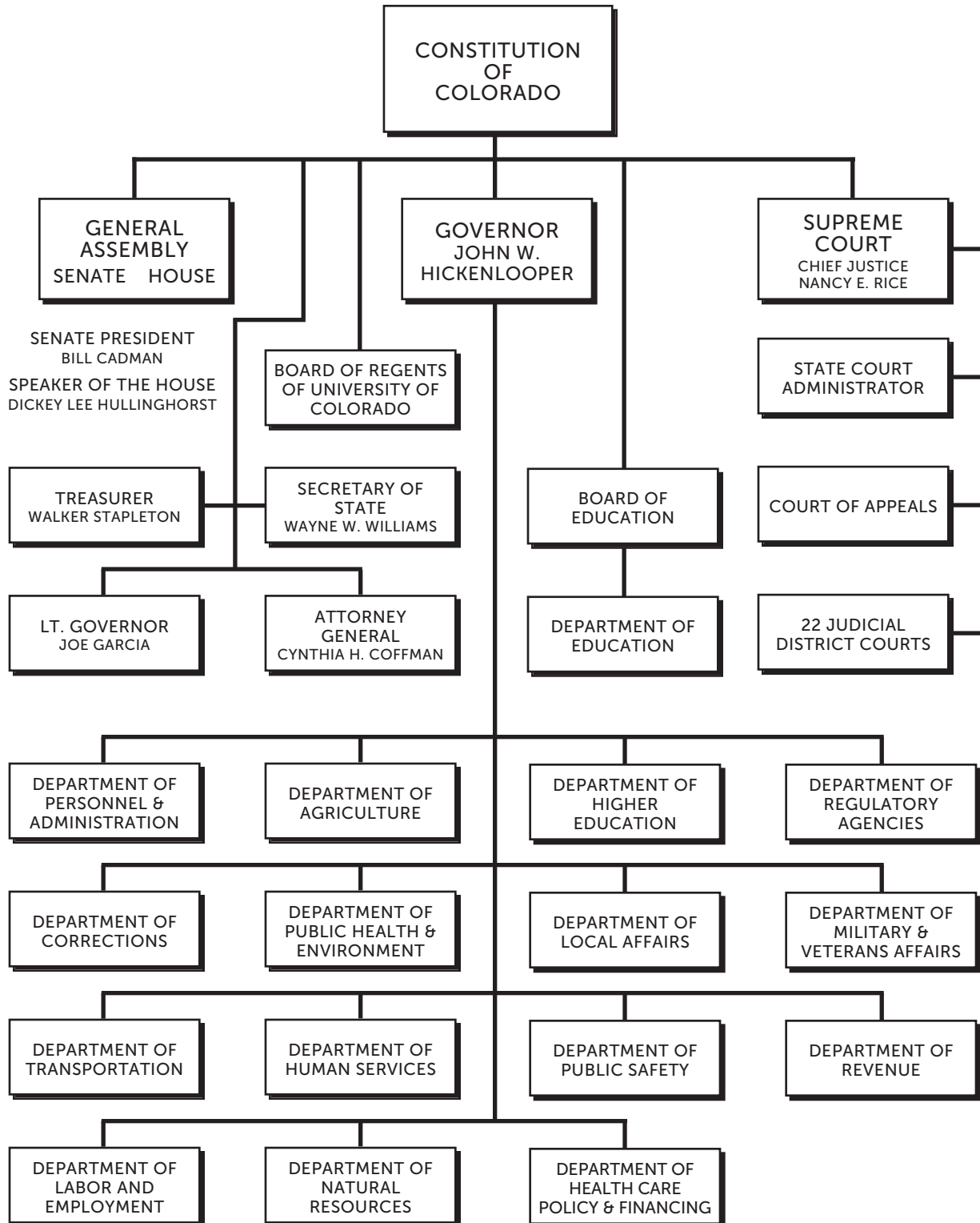
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**June 30, 2014**

Executive Director/CEO

# PRINCIPAL ORGANIZATIONS AND KEY OFFICIALS



# Financial Section



## Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015*



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

### REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the State of Colorado (the State), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the State's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The State's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component units identified in Note 2, which represent 100 percent of total assets, 100 percent of net position, and 100 percent of revenues, of the aggregate discretely presented component units. In addition, we did not audit the financial statements of University Physicians, Inc., a blended component unit, which represents approximately 4 percent of the total assets, 13 percent of the net position, and 12 percent of the total revenues of Higher Education Institutions, a major proprietary fund, and approximately 3 percent of the total assets, 8 percent of the net position, and 9 percent of the total revenues of business-type activities. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports thereon have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts and disclosures included for those discretely presented component units and for University Physicians, Inc., is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. The financial statements of the University of Colorado Foundation, Colorado State University Foundation, Colorado School of Mines Foundation, and the University of Northern Colorado Foundation, discretely presented major component units; and University Physicians, Inc., a blended component unit, were audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the



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United States, but were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## OPINIONS

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the State of Colorado, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE

As discussed in Note A to the financial statements, in Fiscal Year 2015 the State of Colorado adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27; GASB Statement No. 71 – Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date; and GASB Statement No. 69 – Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

## OTHER MATTERS

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the required supplementary information, such as management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, and notes to the required supplementary information that include defined benefit pension plan and other postemployment benefit information listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, which considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We, and other auditors, have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's

responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

*Other Information*

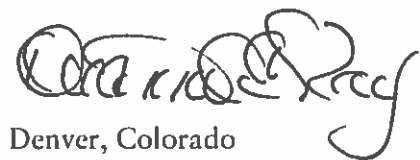
Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the State's basic financial statements. The transmittal letter, introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of capital assets, schedule of other funds, non-appropriated budget and actual schedule, statistical section, and graphical presentations are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The transmittal letter, introductory section, the non-appropriated budget and actual schedule, statistical section, and graphical presentations have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of capital assets, and the schedule of other funds is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by us and the other auditors. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of capital assets, and the schedule of other funds are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

**OTHER REPORTING REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we will issue a separate report on our consideration of the State's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance.

That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the State's internal control over financial reporting and compliance and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of the audit.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris K. Deery", is written over the typed name and date.

Denver, Colorado  
April 26, 2016

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following discussion and analysis is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), and it is intended to provide an easily readable explanation of the information provided in the attached basic financial statements. It is by necessity highly summarized, and in order to gain a thorough understanding of the State's financial condition, the attached financial statements and notes should be reviewed in their entirety.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Government-wide:**

Assets of the State's governmental activities exceeded liabilities by \$10,796.8 million, an increase in net position of \$234.7 million as compared to the restated prior year amount of \$10,562.2 million. The prior year net position was reduced by \$5,087.6 million due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 that required the recording of an inception-to-date net pension liability as of the beginning of Fiscal Year 2014-15. Cash and restricted cash balances decreased by \$19.6 million. Taxes Receivable, net of refunds payable, increased by \$76.5 million while investments and restricted investments decreased by \$53.3 million. Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, increased by \$208.6 million, primarily due to increases in infrastructure construction and public school construction offset by depreciation charges of \$578.2 million. Additionally, a TABOR refund of \$173.3 million was triggered in Fiscal Year 2014-15, the first refund since Fiscal Year 2004-05.

Assets of the State's business-type activities exceeded liabilities by \$4,497.8 million, an increase in net position of \$550.3 million as compared to restated the prior year amount of \$3,947.5 million. The overall increase was primarily the result of increases in current and noncurrent asset balances in Higher Education Institutions, Unemployment Insurance, and Other Enterprises (primarily Transportation) offset by slower growth in current and noncurrent liabilities. In total, net position of the State increased by \$785.0 million to \$15,294.6 million.

#### **Fund Level:**

Governmental fund assets exceeded liabilities resulting in total fund balance of \$6,846.8 million (prior year \$6,734.1 million). In total, governmental fund balances increased by \$112.7 million from the prior year due to increases in the General Fund, Resource Extraction Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Other Governmental Funds, which were partially offset by reductions in the State Education Fund and the Highway Users Tax Fund (HUTF). The General Fund increase of \$240.4 million was due to improved general-purpose tax collections in the General Purpose Revenue Fund. The General Purpose Revenue Fund portion of the General Fund is required to maintain a reserve of six and half percent of General Purpose Revenue Fund appropriations on a legal basis; \$523.8 million was available on a GAAP basis to partially fund the reserve for Fiscal Year 2014-15. The current statutory reserve is 6.5 percent in the Fiscal Year 2015-16, however, House Bill 16-1419 was introduced in the Colorado General Assembly on March 28, 2016 to reduce the reserve to 5.6 percent for fiscal year 2016-17. The bill has passed in the House and is expected to pass in the Senate. The Resource Extraction Fund increased by \$163.9 million due to increased cash related to severance taxes, mineral leasing, and fee revenue. The HUTF decreased by \$141.8 million with increases in expenditures outpacing increases in revenue. The Capital Projects Fund increased by \$62.7 million due to additional funding from the General Purpose Revenue Fund. The State Education Fund decreased by \$405.7 million primarily due to increased expenditures in Fiscal Year 2013-14 from one-time transfer of \$1.1 billion from the Fiscal Year 2012-13 General Fund Surplus to the State Education Fund. The Other Governmental Funds increased by \$193.4 million, largely due to activity in the Labor, Tobacco Impact Litigation, Resource Management, Unclaimed Property and Other Special Revenue funds and the State Lands permanent fund.

Enterprise Fund assets exceeded liabilities resulting in total net position of \$4,497.8 million (restated prior year \$3,947.5 million), of which \$5,914.3 million (restated prior year \$4,901.4 million) was restricted or invested in capital assets, leaving a unrestricted deficit balance of \$1,416.5 million (restated prior year \$953.9 million deficit net position due to the recording of a net pension liability with the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68).



### **Debt Issued and Outstanding:**

The outstanding governmental activities' notes, bonds, and Certificates of Participation at June 30, 2015, were \$1,532.9 million (prior year \$1,729.1 million), which is 17.5 percent (prior year 21.0 percent) of financial assets (cash, receivables, and investments) and 7.2 percent (prior year 8.4 percent) of total assets of governmental activities. The governmental activities debt is primarily related to infrastructure, State buildings, and public school buildings. The infrastructure debt is secured by future federal revenues and State highway revenues, State building debt by gaming distributions and judicial fees, and public school buildings debt by School Trust Land revenues. The State's Enterprise Funds have notes, bonds, and Certificates of Participation outstanding that total \$4,670.3 million (prior year \$4,375.6 million). The majority of the outstanding revenue bonds is related to Higher Education Institutions and is invested in capital assets that generate a future revenue stream to service the related debt. The Division of Unemployment Insurance also has bonds outstanding secured by future employer insurance premiums.

### **Revenue and Spending Limits:**

The State Constitution indirectly limits the rate of spending increases and directly limits the State's ability to retain revenue in excess of the limit. Any excess must be refunded to the taxpayers unless otherwise approved by the voters. In the November 2005 election, voters passed Referendum C, which allowed the State to retain revenues in excess of the TABOR limit for Fiscal Years 2005-06 through 2009-10. The State exceeded the Referendum C Excess State Revenue Cap for Fiscal Year 2014-15 by \$169.7 million. The \$173.3 million TABOR Refund Liability, including unrefunded amounts from prior years, shown on the financial statements is expected to be refunded during Fiscal Year 2015-16. (See page 29 for more information on the TABOR requirements and Referendum C.)

## **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION**

There are three major parts to the basic financial statements – government-wide statements, fund-level statements, and notes to the financial statements. Certain required supplementary information (in addition to this MD&A), including budget-to-actual comparisons and funding progress for other post-employment benefits is presented following the basic financial statements. Supplementary information, including combining fund statements and schedules, follows the required supplementary information in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

### **Government-wide Statements**

The government-wide statements focus on the government as a whole. These statements are similar to those reported by businesses in the private sector, but they are not consolidated financial statements because certain intra-entity transactions have not been eliminated. Using the economic resources perspective and the accrual basis of accounting, these statements include all assets, liabilities, deferred inflows, and deferred outflows on the *Statement of Net Position* and all expenses and revenues on the *Statement of Activities*. These statements can be viewed as an aggregation of the governmental and proprietary fund-level statements along with certain perspective and accounting-basis adjustments discussed below. Fiduciary activities are excluded from the government-wide statements because those resources are not available to support the State's programs.

The *Statement of Net Position* shows the financial position of the State at the end of the fiscal year. Net position measures the difference between assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows. Restrictions reported in net position indicate that certain assets, net of the related liabilities, can only be used for specified purposes. Increases in total net position from year to year indicate the State is better off financially, while decreases in total net position indicate the State is worse off.

The *Statement of Activities* shows how the financial position has changed since the beginning of the fiscal year. The most significant financial measure of the government's current activities is presented in the line item titled "Change in Net Position" at the bottom of the *Statement of Activities*. The statement is presented in a net program cost format, which shows the cost of programs to the government by offsetting revenues earned by the programs

against expenses of the programs. Due to the large number of programs operated by the State, individual programs are aggregated into functional areas of government.

On the *Statement of Net Position*, columns are used to segregate the primary government, including governmental activities and business-type activities, from the discretely presented component units. On the *Statement of Activities*, both columns and rows are used for this segregation. The following bullets describe the segregation.

- ♦ Governmental activities are the normal operations of the primary government that are not presented as business-type activities. Governmental activities include Internal Service Funds and are primarily funded through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange revenues.
- ♦ Business-type activities are primarily funded by charges to external parties for goods and services. These activities are generally reported in Enterprise Funds in the fund-level statements because the activity has revenue-backed debt or because legal requirements or management decisions mandate full cost recovery.
- ♦ Discretely presented component units are legally separate entities for which the State is financially accountable. More information on the discretely presented component units can be found in Note 2 on page 69.

### **Fund-Level Statements**

The fund-level statements present additional detail about the State's financial position and activities. However, some fund-level statements present information that is different from the government-wide statements due to the perspective and the basis of accounting used. Funds are balanced sets of accounts tracking activities that are legally defined or are prescribed by generally accepted accounting principles. Funds are presented on the fund-level statements as major or nonmajor based on criteria set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). There are three types of funds operated by the State – governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. In the fund-level statements, each fund type has a pair of statements that show financial position and activities of the fund; a statement showing cash flows is also presented for the proprietary fund type.

- ♦ **Governmental Funds** – A large number of the State's individual funds and activities fall in this fund type; however, only some are reported as major – the remaining funds are aggregated into the nonmajor column with additional fund detail presented in the Supplementary section of this report. Governmental Funds are presented using the current financial resources perspective, which is essentially a short-term view that excludes capital assets, debt, and other long-term liabilities. The modified accrual basis of accounting is used. Under modified accrual, certain revenues are deferred because they will not be collected within the next year, and certain expenditures are not recognized, even though they apply to the current period, because they will not be paid until later fiscal periods. This presentation focuses on when cash will be received or disbursed, and it is best suited to showing amounts available for appropriation. The governmental fund type includes the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Permanent Funds.
- ♦ **Proprietary Funds** – Proprietary fund type accounting is similar to that used by businesses in the private sector. It is used for the State's Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds. Enterprise Funds generally sell to external customers while Internal Service Funds generally charge other State agencies for goods or services. These funds are presented under the economic resources measurement focus, which reports all assets and liabilities. Accrual accounting is used, which results in revenues recognized when they are earned and expenses reported when the related liability is incurred. Because this is the same perspective and basis of accounting used on the government-wide statements, Enterprise Fund information flows directly to the business-type activities column on the government-wide statements without adjustment. Internal Service Fund assets and liabilities are reported in the governmental activities on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* because Internal Service Funds primarily serve governmental funds. The net revenue or net expense of Internal Service Funds is reported as an increase or reduction to program expenses on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*. On the fund-level statements, nonmajor Enterprise Funds are aggregated in a single column, as are all Internal Service Funds.
- ♦ **Fiduciary Funds** – These funds report resources held under trust agreements for other individuals, organizations, or governments. The assets reported are not available to finance the State's programs, and

therefore, these funds are not included in the government-wide statements. The State's fiduciary funds include Pension and Other Employee Benefits Trust Funds, several Private-Purpose Trust Funds, and several Agency Funds. Agency Funds track only assets and liabilities and do not report revenues and expenses on a statement of operations. All Fiduciary Funds are reported using the accrual basis of accounting.

The State has elected to present combining financial statements for its component units. In the report, the component unit financial statements follow the fund-level financial statements discussed above.

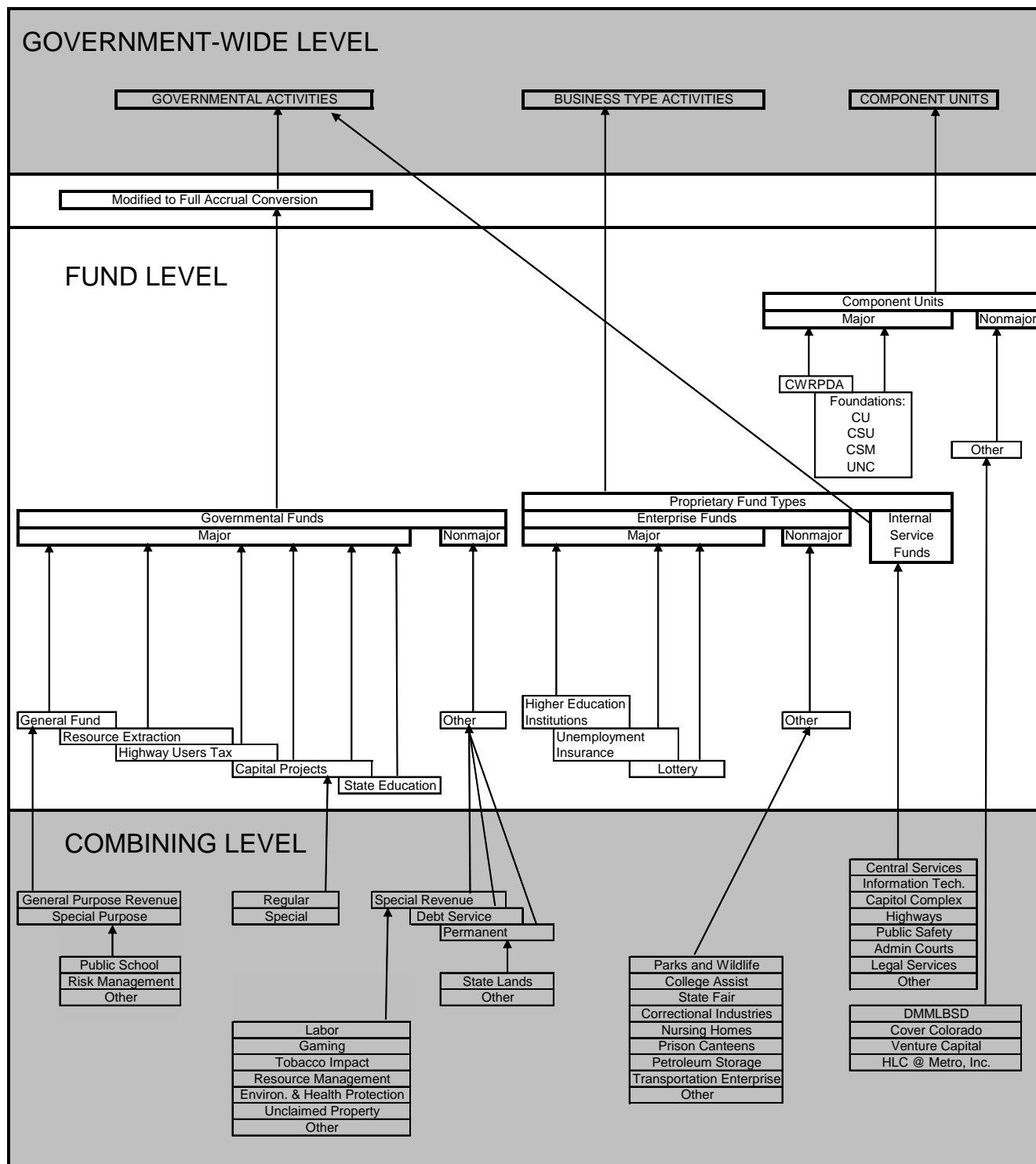
### **Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the basic financial statements. They explain amounts shown in the financial statements and provide additional information that is essential to fair presentation.

### **Required Supplementary Information (RSI)**

Generally accepted accounting principles require certain supplementary information to be presented in this Management's Discussion and Analysis and following the notes to the financial statements. Required supplementary information differs from the basic financial statements in that the auditor applies certain limited procedures in reviewing the information. In this report, RSI includes budgetary comparison schedules, defined benefit pension plan schedules, and a schedule of funding progress for other post-employment benefits.

The chart on the following page is a graphic representation of how the State's funds are organized in this report. Fiduciary Funds are not shown in the chart; they occur only in fund-level statements.



**OVERALL FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table was derived from the current and prior year government-wide *Statement of Net Position*.

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Governmental		Business-Type		Total Primary Government	
	Activities		Activities		Government	
	2014-15	Restated 2013-14	2014-15	Restated 2013-14	2014-15	Restated 2013-14
Noncapital Assets	\$ 9,519,728	\$ 9,047,255	\$ 6,486,424	\$ 6,066,266	\$ 16,006,152	\$ 15,113,521
Capital Assets	11,740,878	11,532,255	7,978,950	7,246,840	19,719,828	18,779,095
Total Assets	21,260,606	20,579,510	14,465,374	13,313,106	35,725,980	33,892,616
Deferred Outflow of Resources	350,796	144,847	348,635	203,633	699,431	348,480
Current Liabilities	2,851,809	2,407,790	1,587,527	1,446,884	4,439,336	3,854,674
Noncurrent Liabilities	7,915,537	7,754,067	8,690,274	8,122,357	16,605,811	15,876,424
Total Liabilities	10,767,346	10,161,857	10,277,801	9,569,241	21,045,147	19,731,098
Deferred Inflow of Resources	47,262	338	38,380	-	85,642	338
Net Investment in Capital Assets	10,654,690	10,125,644	4,417,947	3,653,265	15,072,637	13,778,909
Restricted	3,507,907	3,554,380	1,496,411	1,248,152	5,004,318	4,802,532
Unrestricted	(3,365,803)	(3,117,862)	(1,416,530)	(953,920)	(4,782,333)	(4,071,782)
Total Net Position	\$ 10,796,794	\$ 10,562,162	\$ 4,497,828	\$ 3,947,498	\$ 15,294,622	\$ 14,509,660

The amount of total net position is one measure of the health of the State's finances. However, this measure must be used with care because large portions of the balances related to capital assets or restricted assets may be unavailable to meet the day-to-day payments of the State.

Capital assets, net of related debt and deferred outflows, account for \$15.1 billion or 98.5 percent of the State's total net position, which represents an increase of \$1.3 billion from the prior year; capital assets increased in both business-type activities and governmental activities. The increase of \$529.0 million in the net investment in governmental capital assets was attributable to transportation projects, public school construction, and purchases of vehicles and equipment, offset to a large degree by depreciation charges of \$416.8 million on bridge and roadway infrastructure. The current year capital net investment increase of \$764.7 million in business-type activities was primarily attributable to Higher Education Institutions and the Other Enterprise Funds. It should be noted that the value of the capital assets is not available to meet related debt service requirements, which must be paid from current receipts or available liquid assets.

Assets restricted by the State Constitution or external parties account for another \$5.0 billion or 32.7 percent of net position, which represents an increase of \$201.8 million over the prior year. In general, these restrictions dictate how the related assets must be used by the State, and therefore, the amount may not be available for the general use of the State's programs. The constitutionally mandated State Education Fund fund balance, the Highway Users Tax Fund fund balance, and resources pledged to debt service are examples of restrictions on the State's net position. Governmental activities Restricted Net Position decreased by \$46.5 million, while business-type activities increased by \$248.3 million.

An analysis of the liabilities portion of the Statement of Net Position shows that current liabilities increased by \$584.7 million and noncurrent liabilities increased by \$729.4 million from the prior year's restated totals. Prior year's totals were restated to account for the Fiscal Year 2014-15 beginning balances related to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. This statement requires cost sharing employers participating in defined benefit plans to record their proportionate share of the

unfunded pension liability and related deferred inflows and outflows. The State of Colorado reported a liability of \$9.1 billion for its proportionate share of the net pension liability.

The Unrestricted Net Position of a negative \$4.8 billion represents a decrease of about one third of total net position and is the amount by which total liabilities and deferred inflows exceed total assets, less excluded capital assets and deferred outflows, after all restrictions are considered. This represents a decrease of \$710.6 million from the restated prior fiscal year. The governmental activities unrestricted net position decreased by \$247.9 million and business-type activities decreased by \$462.6 million. The reason for the large decline is the increase of liabilities brought on by the implementation of GASB No. 68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, addressed in the previous paragraph.

Another important measure of the State's financial health is the change in net position from the prior year. The following condensed statement of activities shows, without regard to prior period adjustments, that the governmental activities, expenses and transfers-out were less than revenues and transfers-in resulting in a net position increase of \$241.3 million. Program revenue of the governmental activities increased by \$1,063.4 million (11.3 percent), related to increasing charges for services. General-purpose revenues increased by \$781.0 million (7.3 percent) primarily due to increased tax collections and accruals of taxes receivable. Expenses, without regard to prior period adjustments, increased by \$2,219.4 million (11.5 percent) from the prior year in alignment with increased program and general purpose revenue increases. The following table was derived from the current and prior year government-wide *Statement of Activities*.

(Amounts in Thousands)

Programs/Functions	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	2014-15	2013-14	2014-15	2013-14	2014-15	2013-14
Program Revenues:	Restated		Restated		Restated	
Charges for Services	\$ 1,944,468	\$ 1,913,770	\$ 5,690,437	\$ 5,437,170	\$ 7,634,905	\$ 7,350,940
Operating Grants and Contributions	7,726,668	6,782,914	2,281,931	2,569,038	10,008,599	9,351,952
Capital Grants and Contributions	817,469	728,544	78,304	56,899	895,773	785,443
General Revenues:						
Taxes	10,163,812	9,494,986	7	-	10,163,819	9,494,986
Restricted Taxes	1,186,515	1,052,692	-	-	1,186,515	1,052,692
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	11,992	17,312	-	-	11,992	17,312
Other General Revenues	96,613	112,958	-	-	96,613	112,958
Total Revenues	21,947,537	20,103,176	8,050,679	8,063,107	29,998,216	28,166,283
Expenses:						
General Government	449,261	447,359	-	-	449,261	447,359
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	711,558	641,182	-	-	711,558	641,182
Education	5,687,573	5,472,563	-	-	5,687,573	5,472,563
Health and Rehabilitation	822,556	720,997	-	-	822,556	720,997
Justice	2,075,534	1,840,989	-	-	2,075,534	1,840,989
Natural Resources	120,374	92,383	-	-	120,374	92,383
Social Assistance	9,627,104	8,089,560	-	-	9,627,104	8,089,560
Transportation	1,896,904	1,872,441	-	-	1,896,904	1,872,441
Interest on Debt	59,078	53,094	-	-	59,078	53,094
Higher Education Institutions	-	-	6,004,484	5,618,507	6,004,484	5,618,507
Unemployment Insurance	-	-	530,130	756,484	530,130	756,484
Lottery	-	-	474,578	477,434	474,578	477,434
Parks and Wildlife	-	-	191,426	170,898	191,426	170,898
College Assist	-	-	338,631	341,684	338,631	341,684
Other Business-Type Activities	-	-	217,838	209,871	217,838	209,871
Total Expenses	21,449,942	19,230,568	7,757,087	7,574,878	29,207,029	26,805,446
Excess (Deficiency) Before Contributions, Transfers, and Other Items	497,595	872,608	293,592	488,229	791,187	1,360,837
Contributions, Transfers, and Other Items:						
Transfers (Out) In	(256,738)	(172,442)	256,738	172,442	-	-
Permanent Fund Additions	401	397	-	-	401	397
Special Item	-	-	-	(22,186)	-	(22,186)
Total Contributions, Transfers, and Other Items	(256,337)	(172,045)	256,738	150,256	401	(21,789)
Total Changes in Net Position	241,258	700,563	550,330	638,485	791,588	1,339,048
Net Position - Beginning	10,562,162	9,859,881	3,947,498	3,315,935	14,509,660	13,175,816
Prior Period Adjustment (See Note 29A)	(6,626)	1,718	-	(6,922)	(6,626)	(5,204)
Net Position - Ending	\$10,796,794	\$ 10,562,162	\$ 4,497,828	\$ 3,947,498	\$15,294,622	\$14,509,660

Business-type activities' revenues and net transfers-in, in the preceding table, exceeded expenses by \$550.3 million resulting in an increase in net position. From the prior year to the current year, program revenue of the business-type activities decreased by \$12.4 million and expenses increased by \$182.2 million. The decrease in Operating Grants and Contribution was partially offset by an increase of \$253.3 million in Charges for Service. For Fiscal Year 2014-15 the increase of \$386.0 million in expenses for Higher Education Institution was offset partially by a decrease in expenses of \$226.4 million for unemployment insurance.

When looking at the total change in net position from the prior year, including all prior period adjustments and the restatement of beginning net position for accounting changes for GASB Standard No. 68, the net position from the prior year represents a 5.4 percent increase in the State's financial health.

### **TABOR Revenue, Debt, and Tax-Increase Limits**

#### **Background and Current Condition**

Fiscal Year 2014-15 is the twenty second year of State operations under Article X, Section 20 of the State Constitution revenue limitations, which is also known as TABOR. With certain exceptions, the rate of growth of State revenues is limited to the combination of the percentage change in the State's population and inflation based on the Denver-Boulder CPI-Urban index. The exceptions include revenues from federal funds, gifts, property sales, refunds, damage recoveries, transfers, voter-approved revenue changes, and qualified enterprise fund revenues.

Revenues collected in excess of the limitation must be returned to the citizens unless a vote at the annual election in November allows the State to retain the surplus. In November 2005 voters approved a measure, commonly known as Referendum C, which was referred to the ballot by the Legislature. Referendum C authorized the State to retain all revenues in excess of the TABOR limit for the five-year period from Fiscal Year 2005-06 through Fiscal Year 2009-10. Referendum C had additional provisions and effects that are discussed below.

TABOR also limits the General Assembly's ability to raise taxes, to borrow money, and to increase spending limits. With the exception of a declared emergency, taxes can only be raised by a vote of the people at the annual election. Multiple year borrowings can only be undertaken after approval by a similar vote.

The TABOR limits are calculated and applied at the statewide level without regard to fund type; however, the TABOR refunds have historically been paid from the General Fund. Therefore, the TABOR revenue, expenditure, debt, and tax-increase limitations have historically been significant factors in the changing fiscal status of the State's General Fund. The original decision to pay TABOR refunds out of the General Fund continues to be important under Referendum C because revenues in excess of the TABOR limit that are recorded by cash funds remain in those funds (barring Legislative action) but are required to be budgeted and expended from the General Fund Exempt Account created in the General Fund by Referendum C.

In years when Referendum C was not in effect, the State's ability to retain revenues was also affected by a requirement in TABOR commonly referred to as the ratchet down effect. The ratchet down occurs because each year's revenue retention limit is calculated based on the lesser of the prior year's revenues or the prior year's limit. When revenues are below the limit, it results in a permanent loss of the State's ability to retain current and future revenues collected. Referendum C effectively suspended the ratchet down effect during the five-year refund hiatus by authorizing the State to retain and spend any amount in excess of the TABOR limit.

In the first three years of operations under TABOR, the State did not exceed the revenue limitation. In Fiscal Years 1996-97 through 2000-01, State revenues exceeded the TABOR limitation by \$139.0 million, \$563.2 million, \$679.6 million, \$941.1 million, and \$927.2 million, respectively. The economic downturn in Fiscal Years 2001-02 and 2002-03 and adjustments for inaccurate population estimates applied in Fiscal Year 2003-04 precluded TABOR refunds in those years. The State was required to refund \$41.1 million in Fiscal Year 2004-05.

After the Referendum C five-year excess revenue retention period that encompassed Fiscal Year 2005-06 through Fiscal Year 2009-10, the State is subject to an Excess State Revenue Cap (ESRC) starting in Fiscal Year 2010-11.

Calculation of the TABOR retention limit continues to apply, but the ESRC replaces it as the limit that triggers tax payer refunds.

The basis for the ESRC is the highest adjusted TABOR revenue during the five-year excess revenue retention period; the highest adjusted TABOR revenue occurred in Fiscal Year 2007-08, and the ratchet down provision does not apply to the ESRC.

For Fiscal Year 2014-15, unaudited State revenues subject to TABOR were \$12,530.8 million, which was \$169.7 million over the ESRC, and \$2,553.8 million over the retention limit. Absent Referendum C, the State would have been required to refund the amount exceeding the retention limit. At the end of Fiscal Year 2014-15 total refunds were \$3,461.2 million since TABOR's inception.

At June 30, 2015 the State recorded total TABOR refunds payable of \$173.3 million. The amount comprises \$169.7 million of excess revenue over the ESRC in Fiscal Year 2014-15, \$2.9 million of understated TABOR refunds due to prior year errors and \$0.7 million payable of un-refunded amounts from the last refund year in Fiscal Year 2004-05.

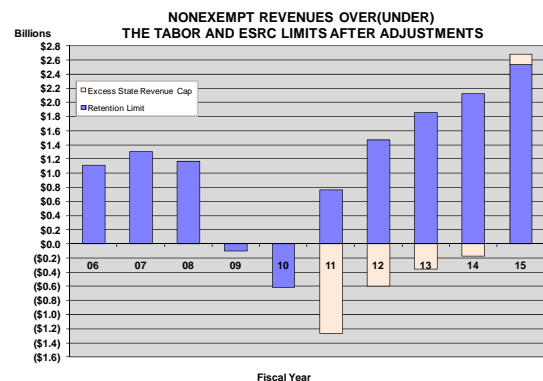
As required by TABOR, the State Controller makes the qualification of new enterprises and disqualification of existing TABOR enterprises neutral in the excess revenue calculation. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, there were no changes to the TABOR enterprise status of any State activity. There were no qualifications or disqualifications of enterprises to account for in the TABOR retention limit or the ESRC.

In Fiscal Year 2014-15, because TABOR revenue exceeded the estimate provided to voters in the Proposition AA Blue Book, the excess was refundable to citizens in Fiscal Year 2015-16 limited to the actual amount of Proposition AA marijuana taxes collected in Fiscal Year 2014-15 of \$66.1 million. House Bill 15-1367 authorized Proposition BB to obtain voter approval to retain this amount in the November 2015 general election. The measure passed allowing the State to retain rather than refund this amount.

## Referendum C

Referendum C, approved by the voters in the November 2005 election, contained the following provisions:

- ♦ The State shall be authorized to retain and spend all revenues in excess of the limit on fiscal year spending after July 1, 2005, and before July 1, 2010 (five fiscal years). The authorization constitutes a voter approved revenue change.
- ♦ After July 1, 2010, the limit on fiscal year spending is effectively raised to the highest population and inflation adjusted nonexempt revenue amount in the period from July 1, 2005, and before July 1, 2010. This provision disables the ratchet down provision during the five-year period.
- ♦ A General Fund Exempt Account is created within the General Fund to consist of the retained revenues for each fiscal year. The Legislature shall appropriate the moneys in the account for health care, education (including related capital projects), firefighter and police pension funding, and strategic transportation projects. Spending from the General Fund Exempt Account is limited to five percent of personal income, with certain adjustments.
- ♦ The Director of Research of the Legislative Council shall report the amount of revenues retained with a description of how the retained revenues were expended.
- ♦ The State retained \$3,593.6 million during the five-year refund time-out authorized by Referendum C, and \$8,609.8 million from Fiscal Year 2010-11 through 2014-15 due to the increasing ESRC as compared to TABOR limit, for a total of \$12,203.4 million of retained Referendum C revenue.



The amount of revenues in excess of the limit cannot be known for certain until the completion of the TABOR audit, which is generally not available until up to six months after fiscal year-end. The Legislative Council and the

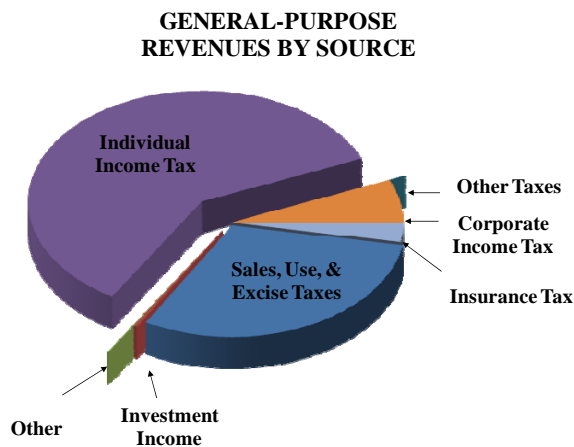


Governor's economic forecasts project nonexempt revenue to be below the ESRC in Fiscal Year 2015-16, but to exceed the ESRC in Fiscal Years 2016-17 and 2017-18.

## INDIVIDUAL FUND ANALYSIS

### General Fund

The General Fund is the focal point in determining the State's ability to maintain or improve its financial position. The General Fund includes all funds that do not have sufficient original source revenue streams to qualify as special revenue funds. As a result, the Public School Fund, Risk Management, and Other Special Purpose Funds reside in the General Fund. These funds are referred to as Special Purpose General Funds, while the General Purpose Revenue Fund comprises general activities of the State. Revenues of the General Purpose Revenue Fund consist of two broad categories - general-purpose revenues and augmenting revenues. General-purpose revenues are taxes, fines, and other similar sources that are collected without regard to how they will be spent. Augmenting revenues include federal funds, transfers-in, fees and charges, or specific user taxes. Augmenting revenues are usually limited as to how they can be spent. Even though significant federal grant revenues are accounted for in the General Purpose Revenue Fund, they have little impact on fund balance because most federal revenues are earned on a reimbursement basis and are closely matched with federal expenditures.



The ending total fund balance of the General Fund, as measured by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), was \$1,175.4 million, \$653.6 million of which was attributable to the General Purpose Revenue Fund, including nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned amounts. The General Purpose Revenue Fund increased by \$346.3 million from the prior year. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State was able to fund the General Fund Statutory Reserve of \$576.5 million on a budget basis, but was only able to reserve \$523.8 million on a GAAP basis. After the partial statutory reserve the General Purpose Revenue Fund Unassigned Fund Balance was eliminated, which was similar to the prior year. The shortfall of \$52.6 million in meeting the

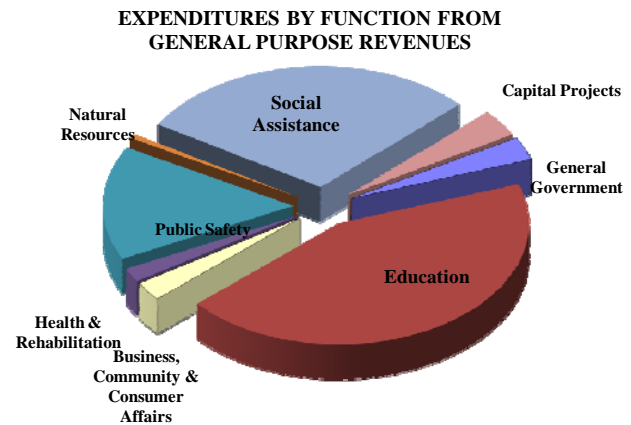
reserve on a GAAP basis was less than the \$111.6 million shortfall in the prior year; despite the reserve requirement increasing by \$165.6 million. The General Purpose Revenue Fund's \$197.8 million year-end unrestricted cash balance decreased by \$66.8 million from the prior year.

General-purpose revenues for Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2013-14 were \$9,641.1 million (see page 165) and \$8,989.5 million, respectively – an increase of \$651.6 million or 7.2 percent. The largest contributor to general-purpose revenue growth was in individual income taxes which increased by \$615.4 million or 11.7 percent over the prior year primarily due to rising wages. Sales, use and excise tax also increased by \$229.6 million or 8.3 percent over the prior year primarily due to improving economic conditions. These were all offset by a decrease in corporate income tax of \$30.3 million and a decrease in investment income of \$6.3 million, signs that the economic growth we have been experiencing is slowing down.

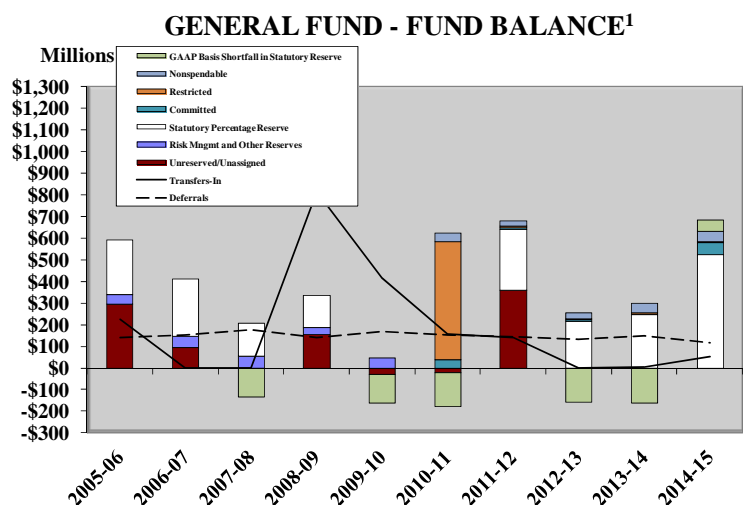
On the budgetary basis, total expenditures and transfers-out (excluding transfers not appropriated by department) funded from general-purpose revenues during Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2013-14 were \$9,053.2 million (see page 165) and \$8,463.7 million, respectively. For Fiscal Year 2014-15, the total annual increase in general-funded appropriations was limited to 6.5 percent of personal income with certain adjustments. The primary adjustments are for changes in federal mandates, lawsuits against the State, and most transfers not appropriated by department. The limit is controlled through the legislative budget process.

The Special Purpose portion of the General Fund fund balance totaled \$521.7 million in Fiscal Year 2014-15. This comprises Risk Management activities, the Public School Fund and Other Special Purpose Funds.

With expenditures measured using generally accepted accounting principles, the Departments of Education, Health Care Policy and Financing, Higher Education, and Human Services accounted for approximately 78.5 percent of all Fiscal Year 2014-15 general-funded expenditures, similar to the prior year. The largest increases were in the Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing, Education, Higher Education, Human Services, and Judicial. The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing's expenditures increased by \$174.1 million, or 8.3 percent, due to eligibility and funding changes that occurred with the national Medicaid modernizations efforts. The Department of Education's expenditures increased by \$203.7 million, or 6.5 percent, due to increased enrollment, required annual increases in funding, and provisions of the School Finance Act. The Department of Higher Education's expenditures increased by \$102.4 million, or 15.5 percent, related to the restoration of state funding to public institutions of higher education as well as student financial aid. The Department of Human Services' expenditures increased by \$64.6 million, or 7.9 percent, primarily due to increases in mental health programs, information technology projects, child welfare and abuse prevention, and children and youth programs. Finally, the Department of Judicial's expenditures increased by \$54.8 million, or 14.2 percent, with the largest increases due to a \$8.8 million increase in personal services and a \$8.5 million increase in Probation Programs.. There were also three significant decreases in departmental expenditures. The State Treasury's expenditures decreased by \$103.2 million, or 94.8 percent, due to a \$101.0 million allocation to the Controlled Maintenance Trust Fund that occurred in Fiscal Year 2013-14 but not again in Fiscal Year 2014-15. The Department of Public Safety's expenditures decreased by \$38.5 million, or 23.3 percent, due to \$70.0 million in flood recovery expenditures in Fiscal Year 2013-14 that did not reoccur in Fiscal Year 2014-15; which was offset in part by \$16.0 million for expenditures related to the Wild land Fire Aviation Program which was new in Fiscal Year 2014-15, an increase of \$3.5 million for Colorado Bureau of Investigations operations, and several other smaller increases. Finally, the Department of Personnel & Administration's expenditures decreased by \$23.8 million, or 75.8 percent, due to payments to claimants for outstanding claims arising from the Lower North Fork Fire, the majority of which were made in Fiscal Year 2013-14.



As required by Senate Bills 03-196 and 03-197, the State converted to cash basis accounting for certain expenditures in Fiscal Year 2002-03 and subsequent years. House Bill 09-1367 also deferred certain Office of Information Technology (OIT) expenditures into the subsequent year. These changes result in an ongoing difference between the GAAP fund balance and budgetary basis fund balance of the General Fund. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State met the statutory required reserve on a budgetary basis but not a GAAP basis. The statutorily required process of deferring expenditures moved \$94.5 million of payroll, \$111.6 million of Medicaid, and \$0.8 million of OIT expenditures into Fiscal Year 2015-16. Revenues related to the deferral of the Medicaid expenditures were also deferred in the amount of \$88.8 million. In total, \$30.3 million less was deferred into Fiscal Year 2014-15 than into Fiscal Year 2013-14. Although Medicaid expenditures and caseloads continue to increase, the



<sup>1</sup> Beginning in Fiscal year 2010-11, the implementation of GASB Statement No. 54 modified the required fund balance classifications. As a result, Risk Management and other Special Purpose Funds became part of General Fund fund balance. The General Purpose Revenue portion of the General Fund primarily comprises the Statutory Reserve and Unassigned balances, and the Special Purpose Revenue portion of the General Fund the remaining balances.

Medicaid related deferral declined due to increased drug rebate credits that offset Medicaid expenditures. Transfers-in increased by \$49.0 million as compared to the prior year.

The chart shows the changes in the major classifications of fund balance in the General Fund on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Statutes in effect for Fiscal Year 2014-15 require a 6.5 percent fund balance reserve of \$576.5 million. Statutory compliance was achieved on budgetary basis, but not on a GAAP basis by \$52.6 million. On a budgetary basis there were deferrals of \$118.1 million of payroll, Medicaid, and other costs into Fiscal Year 2015-16. The deferrals and transfers-in have prevented shortfalls on a GAAP basis in each year except Fiscal Years 2005-06, 2006-07, 2008-09, and 2011-12 when adequate resources were available for a positive statutory reserve.

### **Resource Extraction Fund**

The Resource Extraction Fund fund balance increased by \$163.9 million (13.6 percent) from the prior year. Cash collected from severance taxes, mineral leasing, and fees associated with regulation of mining activities increased by \$162.1 million as compared to the prior year. Expenditures include distributions to local governments, regulatory costs, and construction loans made to local governments and special districts to enhance the use of water resources of the State. A significant portion, \$396.1 million, of the fund's fund balance of \$1,367.2 million comprises long-term loans receivable related to the financing of local government water projects by the Water Projects Fund. The balance of the loans receivable increased by \$11.7 million from the prior year.

### **Highway Users Tax Fund**

The Highway Users Tax Fund (HUTF) fund balance decreased by \$141.8 million (12.5 percent) from the prior year largely due to expenditure increases at a faster pace than revenue increases. Legislation in response to the economic downturn has permanently eliminated General Purpose Revenue Fund Surplus diversions to HUTF and also terminated the diversion of sales and use tax from the General Fund to the Highway Fund, which is expected to resume in Fiscal Year 2015-16.

The HUTF shows a fund balance of \$988.6 million. This amount includes \$1,335.7 million in encumbrances for multi-year construction projects. Encumbrances exceed fund balance as a result of the Department of Transportation's implementation of a Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships program to better coordinate project expenditures with available spending. The majority of the fund balance, \$942.5 million, is constitutionally restricted for highway construction and maintenance.

### **Capital Projects Fund**

The Capital Projects Fund fund balance increased by \$62.7 million (22.9 percent) from the prior fiscal year due to increased funding from the General Purpose Revenue Fund. Transfers in from the General Fund increased from \$187.7 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14 to \$248.5 million in FY 2014-15 (32.4 percent). Expenditures were \$55.5 million in FY 2014-15 primarily related to projects appropriated in previous years.

### **State Education Fund**

The State Education Fund fund balance decreased by \$405.7 million (37.2 percent) during Fiscal Year 2014-15. The majority of the revenues in the fund are generally derived from a fixed percentage of certain taxpayer tax liabilities, which totaled \$519.8 million representing an increase of \$41.0 million as compared to the prior year; an increase in income and fiduciary taxes of \$38.6 million; and an increase in corporate taxes of \$2.5 million. Additionally, \$25.3 million was transferred from the General Fund, a decrease of \$20.0 million as compared to the prior year. Expenditures of the fund are limited by a constitutional amendment to certain educational programs meeting growth requirements in other programs. Expenditures in the fund totaled \$873.3 million and \$714.2 million in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and 2013-14, respectively.

### **Higher Education Institutions**

The net position of the Higher Education Institutions decreased by \$2,709.8 million (48.5 percent). The primary reason for the decrease is related to the recording of net pension liability required by GASB Statement No. 68 of

\$3,166.4 million (beginning net position reduced by \$2,960.0 million). Otherwise, the fund has a wide variety of funding sources to which expenses are not specifically identifiable; therefore, it is not possible to cite the remaining source of the net position change. However, it can be noted that tuition and fees of the institutions increased by \$151.1 million, sales of goods and services increased by \$141.9 million, federal revenues decreased by \$13.4 million, and Other Operating revenues increased by \$11.5 million; while investment income (including an increase in fair value of investments) decreased by \$200.4 million. Overall, revenues increased by 3.1 percent while expenses increased by 7.7 percent. Higher Education Institutions received capital contributions of \$71.0 million and \$90.6 million in Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2013-14, respectively. Transfers to Higher Education Institutions increased to \$343.9 million (\$206.0 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14), primarily from the General Fund for student financial aid and vocational training and from the Capital Projects Fund for capital construction.

### **Unemployment Insurance**

The net position of the Unemployment Insurance Fund (UI) increased by \$219.3 million (54.4 percent). Unemployment benefits paid decreased by \$230.4 million, or 30.8 percent, after decreasing \$298.5 million in the prior year. The reduced benefits paid were caused by a reduction of \$164.7 million in federal grants. Unemployment insurance premiums collected decreased by \$38.4 million over the prior year. Colorado statutes require management to adjust unemployment insurance premium tax rates when the fund's cash balance exceeds or is below established thresholds. Statutes were amended in the 2012 special legislative session allowing UI to issue bonds, through the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, to stabilize insurance premium taxes, which will be funded by special assessments on employers. Bonds were issued as represented by the \$250.7 million of the fund's liabilities. The fund's cash balance was \$734.5 million, as compared to \$627.9 million in the prior year.

### **State Lottery**

The net position of the State Lottery decreased by \$23.0 million (748.8 percent). The primary reason for the decrease is related to the recording of net pension liability required by GASB Statement No. 68 of \$23.6 million (beginning position reduced by \$22.0 million). The Lottery produced operating income of \$127.1 million (\$129.3 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14) on sales of \$538.0 million (\$545.0 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14). The change represents a 1.7 percent decrease in operating income. The Lottery distributed \$62.0 million (\$60.3 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14) to the Great Outdoors Colorado program, a related organization, and transferred \$66.5 million (\$70.3 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14) to other State funds; \$12.8 million primarily to fund operations of the State's Division of Parks and Recreation and \$51.2 million was expended to local governments through the Conservation Trust Fund. Because of the requirement to distribute most of its income, the Lottery's net position, except the portion related to pension liabilities, is minimal and changes nominally from year to year.

## **ANALYSIS OF BUDGET VARIANCES**

The following analysis is based on the General Fund Surplus Schedule included in Required Supplementary Information on page 165. That schedule isolates general-purpose revenues and expenditures funded from those revenues, and it is therefore the best source for identifying general-funded budget variances.

### **Differences Between Original and Final Budgets**

The following list shows departments that had net changes in general-funded budgets greater than \$8.0 million and the significant amounts that impacted the change.

- ♦ Department of Health Care Policy and Financing's net increase was \$43.7 million.
  - \$65.6 million increase for Medical and Long Term Care Services for Medicaid Eligible Individuals, and
  - \$11.7 million decrease for Children's Basic Health Plan Medical and Dental Costs, and
  - \$6.9 million increase for the State's Contribution Payment related to the Medicare Modernization Act.
- ♦ Department of Human Services' net increase was \$8.2 million
  - \$49.7 million increase for personal services including health, life, and dental costs, and

- \$11.7 million increase for Child Welfare Services.
- ♦ Department of Treasury's net increase was \$20.0 million
  - \$20.0 million increase in transfers to various cash funds.

#### Differences Between Final Budget and Actual Expenditures

Overexpenditures for all funds totaled \$59.7 million for Fiscal Year 2014-15 including deficit fund balances that are considered overexpenditures. General-funded overexpenditures are discussed in detail in Note 8A on page 82 at the individual line item appropriation level. In total, State departments reported general-funded appropriations reversions of \$37.0 million. Reversions include a \$18.9 million negative reversion related to the Old Age Pension program at the Department of Revenue. The Department of Revenue negative reversion is not considered an overexpenditure because the Old Age Pension program is continuously appropriated in statute and the negative reversion is shown primarily to inform the General Assembly of the amount of Old Age Pension expenditures in excess of the estimate. In addition, departments reverted \$6.7 million of revenue earned in excess of the amount that was needed to support specific cash-funded appropriations in the General Fund. The final budget is presented without reduction for restrictions in order to show the total reversion of appropriated budget. The following list shows those departments that had reversions of at least \$1.0 million.

- ♦ Department of Human Services – The department reverted \$14.9 million (1.9 percent) primarily comprising:
  - \$4.2 million in the line item for the Crisis Response System for Walk-in, Stabilization, Mobile, Residential, and Respite Services, and
  - \$2.9 million in Community Transition Services, and
  - \$1.6 million in the Home Care Allowance program, and
  - \$1.5 million in Child Welfare Services and various smaller reductions in the Adult Protective Services Program, the operating expenses for the Colorado Benefits Management System, the Home Care Allowance Grant Program, and administration expenses.
- ♦ Department of Public Safety – The department reverted \$8.3 million (6.2 percent) primarily comprising:
  - \$4.5 million in Wild land Fire Management Services line, and
  - \$2.0 million in Community Corrections Placements line.
- ♦ Judicial Department – The department reverted \$5.7 million (1.3 percent) primarily comprising:
  - \$2.5 million related to the District Attorney's Mandated costs line.
- ♦ Department of Corrections – The department reverted \$3.6 million (0.5 percent) primarily comprising:
  - \$0.7 million in the Payments To In-State Prisons line item, and
  - \$0.7 million in the Purchase of Pharmaceuticals line item, and
  - \$0.5 million in the Vehicle Lease Payments line item, and
  - \$0.3 million in contract services for the Parole Subprogram line item.
- ♦ Department of Public Health and Environment – The department reverted \$2.4 million (3.8 percent) primarily comprising:
  - \$1.4 million in Oral Health Programs due to the lack of clients who qualified for reimbursable dental care, and
  - \$0.6 million in the School-Based Health Centers line item.
- ♦ Governor's Office – The office reverted \$1.1 million (3.7 percent) primarily comprising:
  - \$0.6 million in administration costs, and
  - \$0.4 million in the Global Business Development program.
- ♦ Department of Treasury – The department reverted \$1.1 million (0.9 percent) primarily comprising:

- \$1.1 million due to an overestimation of tax reimbursements for property destroyed by natural causes.

### **CAPITAL ASSETS AND LONG-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY**

The State's net investment in capital assets at June 30, 2015, was \$15.1 billion (\$13.8 billion in Fiscal Year 2013-14). Included in this amount were \$19.7 billion of depreciable capital assets after reduction for 9.8 billion of accumulated depreciation. Also included was \$3.8 billion of land, construction in progress, and nondepreciable infrastructure and other assets. The State added \$940.7 million and \$1,719.6 million of capital assets in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and 2013-14, respectively. Of the Fiscal Year 2014-15 additions, \$208.6 million was recorded by governmental funds and \$732.1 million was recorded by business-type activities. General-purpose revenues funded \$248.5 million of capital and controlled maintenance expenditures during Fiscal Year 2014-15 and the balance of capital asset additions was funded by federal funds, cash funds, or borrowing. The table on the next page provides information on the State's capital assets by asset type for both governmental and business-type activities.

The State's capital assets at June 30, 2015 and 2014, were (see Note 17 for additional detail):

	(Amounts in Millions)					
	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total Primary Government	
	2014-15	2013-14	2014-15	2013-14	2014-15	2013-14
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated						
Land and Land Improvements	\$ 112	\$ 97	\$ 542	\$ 524	\$ 654	\$ 621
Collections	11	11	25	23	36	34
Other Capital Assets	1	7	15	-	16	7
Construction in Progress	898	882	1,180	809	2,078	1,691
Infrastructure	946	935	25	14	971	949
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	1,968	1,932	1,787	1,370	3,755	3,302
Capital Assets Being Depreciated						
Buildings and Related Improvements	2,903	2,700	8,331	7,943	11,234	10,643
Software	297	250	201	195	498	445
Vehicles and Equipment	870	791	1,046	977	1,916	1,768
Library Books, Collections, and Other Capital Assets	44	45	539	537	583	582
Infrastructure	11,041	10,676	446	389	11,487	11,065
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	15,155	14,462	10,563	10,041	25,718	24,503
Accumulated Depreciation	(5,381)	(4,862)	(4,374)	(4,164)	(9,755)	(9,026)
Total	\$ 11,742	\$ 11,532	\$ 7,976	\$ 7,247	\$ 19,718	\$ 18,779

The State's major commitments for capital expenditures are reported in the attached financial statements as restricted or committed fund balances. At June 30, 2015, the State had commitments of \$27.6 million in the Capital Projects Fund (\$60.1 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14), \$113.7 million in the institutes of Higher Education funds (this number was not reported in prior fiscal years) and \$1.3 billion in the Highway Users Tax Fund (\$1,218.9 million in Fiscal Year 2013-14). Certain construction projects of the Higher Education Institutions are not reported in the Capital Projects Fund because they are generally not subject to appropriation.

The State is constitutionally prohibited from issuing general obligation debt except to fund buildings for State use, to defend the State or the U.S. in time of war, or to provide for unforeseen revenue shortfalls. Except for exempt enterprises, the TABOR amendment requires a vote of the people for the creation of any debt unless existing cash reserves are irrevocably pledged to service the debt. TABOR does allow debt issuance to refinance a borrowing at a lower interest rate. These requirements limit management's ability to address revenue shortfalls by borrowing for capital expenditures. However, the State has issued Certificates of Participation (COPs) secured by buildings and vehicles and has issued revenue bonds that are secured by pledges of future revenues. In some instances the debt-financed asset generates the pledged revenue stream; in other instances, such as the Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANs), the pledged revenue stream is future federal revenues and State highway users taxes. Through the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, the Division of Unemployment Insurance, a TABOR designated enterprise, issued bonds to spread the impact of the increased premiums resulting

from the recession. The bonds will be repaid through employer insurance premiums collected over the life of the bonds. The State has other forms of borrowing that are small in relation to the revenue bonds and COPs. The schedule on the following page shows the principal and interest that will be paid over the following thirty-five year period to retire the current borrowing for capital leases, bonds and COPS (see Note 24). Revenue bonds in this schedule include net payments on interest rate swap derivatives.

Fiscal Year 2014-15 (Amounts in Millions)								
	Capital Leases		Revenue Bonds		Certificates of Participation		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
Governmental Activities	\$ 172.3	\$ 26.8	\$ 289.8	\$ 12.9	\$ 1,227.8	\$ 730.6	\$ 1,689.9	\$ 770.3
Business-Type Activities	54.3	9.5	4,242.8	2,738.4	399.2	127.2	4,696.3	2,875.1
Total	\$ 226.6	\$ 36.3	\$ 4,532.6	\$ 2,751.3	\$ 1,627.0	\$ 857.8	\$ 6,386.2	\$ 3,645.4

Fiscal Year 2013-14 (Amounts in Millions)								
	Capital Leases		Revenue Bonds		Certificates of Participation		Total	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
Governmental Activities	\$ 175.0	\$ 30.1	\$ 443.9	\$ 33.1	\$ 1,267.9	\$ 780.9	\$ 1,886.8	\$ 844.1
Business-Type Activities	42.2	8.2	3,967.0	2,575.6	403.8	154.4	\$ 4,413.0	\$ 2,738.2
Total	\$ 217.2	\$ 38.3	\$ 4,410.9	\$ 2,608.7	\$ 1,671.7	\$ 935.3	\$ 6,299.8	\$ 3,582.3

In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the total principal amount of capital leases, revenue bonds, and COPs was 39.9 percent of assets other than capital assets, as compared to 41.7 percent as restated in the prior year. This percentage declined because noncapital assets decreased 5.7 percent while the principal amount of capital leases, revenue bonds, and COPs increased 6.3 percent. The decrease in governmental activities of 12.0 percent was related to principal payments on the Department of Transportation's Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes (\$149.2 million) and the fact that there were not any significant new issuances of COPs. Business-type activities increased primarily due to the increased financing of capital projects by Higher Education Institutions. Total per capita borrowing including bonds, Certificates of Participation, mortgages, notes, and capital leases was \$1,221, \$1,200, \$1,159, \$1,180, and \$1,000 per person in Fiscal Years 2014-15, 2013-14, 2012-13, 2011-12, and 2010-11, respectively.

### **CONDITIONS EXPECTED TO AFFECT FUTURE OPERATIONS**

Many of the conditions affecting future operations of the State that were included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Management Discussion and Analysis continue to affect the State at the end of Fiscal Year 2014-15, as follows:

- ♦ **Referendum C Sunsets** – Referendum C was passed by the voters in November 2005 and allowed the State to retain all revenues in excess of the TABOR limit for a five-year period from Fiscal Year 2005-06 through 2009-10. During that period, the State retained \$3,593.6 million that it would otherwise have been required to refund to State taxpayers. No amounts were retained in Fiscal Years 2008-09 or 2009-10. Referendum C created an Excess State Revenue Cap (ESRC) that increases each year for inflation and population growth and allows the State to retain and spend amounts above the TABOR limit and below the ESRC. This provision removes the effect of the TABOR ratchet down provision (discussed earlier in this MDA). However, economic recovery and State revenue growth rates in excess of the population and inflation adjustment will result in future refunds of TABOR revenues in excess of the new ESRC. As discussed earlier in this MD&A, in Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State exceeded the ESRC and will refund approximately \$173.4 million in Fiscal Year 2015-16. Both the Legislative Council economist and the Governor's Office of State Planning and Budgeting economist project that under current law there will not be a TABOR refund in Fiscal Year 2015-16, although refunds are projected to resume in Fiscal Years 2016-17 and 2017-18 under current law.
- ♦ **Pension Plan Contributions**

- Like most institutions that rely heavily on investments, the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) was severely affected by the global economic downturn beginning in 2008. A negative 26.0 percent return on investments in 2008 was partially offset by positive returns in subsequent years, most recently 12.9 percent, 15.6 percent, and 5.7 percent in 2012, 2013, and 2014, respectively. These investment returns caused the funded ratio (actuarial value of assets, using a four-year smoothed-market value, divided by the actuarial accrued liability) of the State Division of PERA to decline from 73.3 percent at December 31, 2007 to 57.8 percent at December 31, 2014. In 2000, when the State Division and the School Division were reported as a single division, the combined division had a funding ratio of 104.7 percent.
- In the 2006 legislative session, the General Assembly authorized a Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) that adds three percentage points to the annual contribution (from amounts otherwise available for employee salary increases) in addition to the three percentage points required by the Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED), which was approved in the 2004 session. In the 2010 legislative session, the General Assembly extended the increases required by the AED and SAED. The AED will continue to increase 0.4 percentage points from calendar years 2013 through 2017. The SAED will continue to increase one-half percentage point from calendar years 2014 through 2017. These legislative changes increase the employer's annual contribution for most employees from 17.45 percent in 2014 to 20.15 percent in 2017 and beyond. If the funding ratio of the plan reaches 103 percent, both the AED and SAED will be reduced by one-half percentage point. Neither the AED nor the SAED may exceed 5 percent of salary.
- For 2014, the actuarially determined contribution (ADC) rate was 20.45 percent. The deficiency of the statutory contribution rate compared to the ADC is expected to continue until all of the benefit and contribution reforms in statute are fully implemented. The amortization period of the unfunded actuarially accrued pension liability at December 31, 2014 is 45 years when future AED and SAED increases are considered.
- Senate Bill 10-001 made significant changes to the plan provisions that will affect the State over the long-term by improving the funded status of the plan. The most significant changes affecting the State Division of the plan include reducing the former 3.5 percent annual increase for retiree benefits to the lesser of the consumer price index or 2.0 percent, changing the timing of the annual increase, and making the annual increase contingent on the plan's funded status; extending the AED and SAED as discussed above; requiring future early retirement adjustments to be actuarially neutral; limiting annual increases in the highest average salary calculation for future retirees to 8.0 percent; removing the indexing of benefits for future retirees who become inactive with more than 25 years of service; changing the vesting period required for employer matching contributions; increasing the combined age and years of service requirement for current nonvested employees to 85, to 88 for new hires on or after January 1, 2011, to 90 for new hires on or after January 1, 2017, and increasing the related minimum retirement age; and requiring retirees returning to work for a PERA employer to pay member contributions that are not refundable and that do not increase service credits. Some of the changes authorized by Senate Bill 10-001 were the subject of a class action lawsuit naming the Governor and certain PERA Board members in claiming the changes are unconstitutional and seeking a mandatory injunction requiring payment of the annual increase in effect before the passage of Senate Bill 10-001. On October 20, 2014, after several proceedings, the Colorado Supreme Court ruled in favor of PERA.
- To provide budgetary relief for the State, Senate Bill 10-146 required that beginning July 1, 2010, members contribute an additional 2.5 percent of salary to their member accounts and the employer contribution rate be reduced to 11.35 percent. In the 2011 legislative session, Senate Bill 11-076 continued the 2.5 percent swap an additional year through June 30, 2012. This legislation sunset as of June 30, 2012.
- As of Fiscal Year 2014-15, with the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, the State of Colorado reported a pension liability for the shortage between the statutorily required contribution and the actuarial unfunded liability. More information on the



implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68 can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

- ♦ Election 2000 Amendment 23 – This constitutional requirement was originally designed to exempt a portion of State revenues from the TABOR refund and dedicate those revenues to education programs. With the passage of Referendum C in 2000 and the deterioration of general-funded revenues during Fiscal Years 2008-09 and 2009-10, and the implementation of the Excess State Revenue Cap in Fiscal Year 2010-11, revenues in excess of the TABOR limit were not refunded in Fiscal Year 2014-15. However, resources that were once general-purpose revenues continue to be diverted to the State Education Fund. For Fiscal Year 2014-15, \$972.3 million was budgeted from the State Education Fund. Revenues included \$25.3 million in direct transfers in from the General Fund in addition to the exempted portion of revenues collected under Amendment 23. The amendment requires the General Assembly to increase funding of education by one percent over inflation through Fiscal Year 2010-11 and by inflation thereafter. This requirement will have increasing impact if the inflation rate increases. The revenue diversion and mandated expenditure growth infringes on general funding for other programs when State revenues decline with the business cycle. Notwithstanding these expenditure increases, the State continues to face legal challenges that assert the current school funding system fails to provide a thorough and uniform system of free public education as required by the Colorado Constitution.
- ♦ Cash Basis Accounting – For Fiscal Year 2002-03 and following years, the Legislature changed the budgetary accounting for June payroll and certain Medicaid expenditures to the cash basis and deferred June paydates until July (after fiscal year-end). During Fiscal Year 2007-08 similar treatment was extended to certain Old Age Pension, Medicare, and Children’s’ Basic Health Plan expenditures. In Fiscal Year 2008-09 this treatment was applied to an additional month of Medicare payments, and legislation was passed to extend the pay date shift beginning in Fiscal Year 2010-11 to all information technology staff formerly paid by the General Purpose Revenue Fund. Each of these items causes the outflow of resources to be deferred into the following year for General Fund budget purposes. As a result, the State does not use full or modified accrual accounting to calculate budgetary compliance. Instead, potentially significant liabilities (\$88.8 million net of related deferred revenue in Fiscal Year 2014-15) are delayed until the following year assuming that subsequent revenues will be adequate to pay those liabilities. In Fiscal Year 2011-12, legislation was passed to eliminate the deferral of June paydates until July for employees paid on a biweekly basis beginning in Fiscal Year 2012-13. Departures from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) such as this could adversely affect the State’s credit rating. It will be difficult for the State to return to the GAAP basis of accounting for budgetary expenditures because of the significant one-time budgetary impact of recording payroll, Medicaid, and other expenditures that were previously deferred.
- ♦ General Fund Liquidity – The General Purpose Revenue Fund shows a cash balance of \$197.8 million at June 30, 2015, providing apparent liquidity. There were increased tax collections in Fiscal Year 2014-15, as the General Purpose Revenue Fund taxes receivable decreased by \$13.4 million to \$1,367.3 million, tax refunds payable decreased by \$53.7 million to \$652.1 million, and deferred inflows related to the tax receivables that not expected to be collected within the next year also decreased by \$35.3 million to \$178.3 million. The tax receivable and related refunds are based on the best economic data available at year-end; however, economic projections rarely identify inflection points in the economy. If the State’s economy turns down again, tax receivables will likely decline (due to declining personal income) and tax refunds will likely increase (due to higher than required estimated tax and withholding payments) putting additional pressure on General Purpose Revenue Fund fund balance. The General Fund legally has access to short-term borrowing from the cash balances of other funds. However, those transfers become increasingly difficult as accessible cash fund balances are depleted from transfers in prior years.
- ♦ Debt Service
  - Principal and interest payments on the remaining \$289.8 million of Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes issued by the Department of Transportation average \$148.1 million per year over the next two years. While a portion of the debt service will be funded by federal funds, a significant amount will be funded by State sources. The Department of Transportation reports significant projected shortfalls in the

funding needed to meet transportation infrastructure demand, and legislation increasing fees to provide other sources of transportation funding was enacted for Fiscal Year 2009-10.

- In Fiscal Year 2010-11, the Bridge Enterprise in the Department of Transportation issued \$300.0 million of enterprise fund revenue bonds to be paid from fees. Debt service over the next five years averages \$18.2 million for interest. Principal payments will start in Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
- In previous years, the State entered into lease purchase agreements for all or a portion of various construction projects including the Ralph L. Carr Justice Center, the Colorado History Center, a prison, a hospital building, a number of school buildings in local school districts, and the office consolidation at the Department of Agriculture. The average debt service over next five years totals \$85.9 million. The majority of the revenue streams to cover the debt service payments comprise cash sources, as there is no general obligation associated with these lease purchases and the investors' sole recourse is the leased asset. However, if the revenue streams intended to fund this debt service do not materialize, the State will need to find other ways to pay for the service-potential represented by these capital assets.
- ♦ Intergovernmental Fiscal Dependency – The State expended \$10,929.1 million (unaudited and including amounts in nonappropriated funds) in federal awards during Fiscal Year 2014-15 which represents 37.4 percent of the \$29,207.0 million shown as expended by the State on the Government-Wide *Statement of Activities*, which is similar to Fiscal Year 2013-14. These amounts included grants for social, educational, and environmental purposes and fund both direct State expenditures and pass-through assistance to local governments. Current federal reports show a one-year budget deficit of approximately \$0.4 trillion for the 2015 federal Fiscal Year, and a \$0.5 trillion deficit for federal Fiscal Year 2016 and increasing annual deficits through 2026 under current law. The increasing expenditures in both the Social Security and health care programs, residual stimulus spending, employee tax cuts, the interest costs to finance U.S. government borrowing, and other mandatory spending will take up an increasingly large amount of the federal revenue streams and outpace projected growth in revenues. Higher individual and corporate tax receipts are expected largely due to increased salaries and corporate profits, but without significant federal revenue increases or potentially unsustainable federal borrowing, there may be large cuts in federal spending. In the absence of all or a significant portion of this funding, the State's operations and ability to provide services to its citizens would be adversely impacted as would local government services.

## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

PRIMARY GOVERNMENT				
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	TOTAL	COMPONENT UNITS
ASSETS:				
Current Assets:				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 2,696,950	\$ 2,454,684	\$ 5,151,634	\$ 193,149
Investments	-	378,115	378,115	-
Taxes Receivable, net	1,252,907	142,241	1,395,148	-
Contributions Receivable, net	-	-	-	50,308
Other Receivables, net	450,806	430,306	881,112	78,800
Due From Other Governments	787,268	134,455	921,723	4,104
Internal Balances	28,022	(28,022)	-	-
Due From Component Units	135	11,370	11,505	-
Inventories	54,194	57,950	112,144	-
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	67,917	28,186	96,103	1,001
Total Current Assets	5,338,199	3,609,285	8,947,484	327,362
Noncurrent Assets:				
Restricted Assets:				
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	2,140,729	499,742	2,640,471	176,327
Restricted Investments	761,140	246,783	1,007,923	171,313
Restricted Receivables	363,300	31,609	394,909	2,726
Investments	280,100	1,969,155	2,249,255	2,395,205
Contributions Receivable, net	-	-	-	101,160
Other Long-Term Assets	636,260	129,850	766,110	972,440
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	9,772,651	6,190,355	15,963,006	171,801
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	1,968,227	1,788,595	3,756,822	24,744
Total Noncurrent Assets	15,922,407	10,856,089	26,778,496	4,015,716
TOTAL ASSETS	21,260,606	14,465,374	35,725,980	4,343,078
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:				
	350,796	348,635	699,431	4,145
LIABILITIES:				
Current Liabilities:				
Tax Refunds Payable	669,992	-	669,992	-
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,367,263	751,169	2,118,432	26,470
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	173,346	-	173,346	-
Due To Other Governments	233,087	22,048	255,135	969
Due To Component Units	-	623	623	-
Unearned Revenue	100,467	407,108	507,575	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	12,185	20,960	33,145	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	47,682	-	47,682	-
Leases Payable	27,760	8,618	36,378	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	200,975	251,947	452,922	45,650
Other Current Liabilities	19,052	125,054	144,106	134,997
Total Current Liabilities	2,851,809	1,587,527	4,439,336	208,086
Noncurrent Liabilities:				
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	139	-	139	395,892
Accrued Compensated Absences	149,817	268,600	418,417	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	299,785	41,460	341,245	-
Capital Lease Payable	144,569	45,663	190,232	-
Derivative Instrument Liability	-	9,515	9,515	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	1,331,892	4,418,327	5,750,219	728,898
Due to Component Units	-	1,661	1,661	-
Net Pension Liability	5,565,526	3,579,748	9,145,274	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	-	241,779	241,779	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	423,809	83,521	507,330	76,966
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	7,915,537	8,690,274	16,605,811	1,201,756
TOTAL LIABILITIES	10,767,346	10,277,801	21,045,147	1,409,842
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:				
	47,262	38,380	85,642	537
NET POSITION:				
Net investment in Capital Assets:	10,654,690	4,417,947	15,072,637	196,545
Restricted for:				
Construction and Highway Maintenance	936,535	-	936,535	-
Education	766,688	439,535	1,206,223	-
Unemployment Insurance	-	620,575	620,575	-
Debt Service	56,534	75,666	132,200	-
Emergencies	217,328	34,000	251,328	-
Permanent Funds and Endowments:				
Expendable	7,301	150,270	157,571	1,072,592
Nonexpendable	896,872	87,679	984,551	867,679
Other Purposes	626,649	88,686	715,335	590,284
Unrestricted	(3,365,803)	(1,416,530)	(4,782,333)	209,744
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 10,796,794	\$ 4,497,828	\$ 15,294,622	\$ 2,936,844

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	Expenses		Program Revenues		
	Expenses	Indirect Cost Allocation	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
<b>Functions/Programs</b>					
<b>Primary Government:</b>					
Governmental Activities:					
General Government	\$ 470,619	\$ (21,358)	\$ 145,172	\$ 173,100	\$ 82
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	709,581	1,977	132,115	273,472	-
Education	5,686,187	1,386	30,955	612,458	75
Health and Rehabilitation	821,162	1,394	78,873	406,875	-
Justice	2,070,022	5,512	240,607	136,522	57
Natural Resources	119,245	1,129	204,487	53,523	1,100
Social Assistance	9,623,884	3,220	663,568	5,933,394	-
Transportation	1,894,709	2,195	448,691	137,324	816,155
Interest on Debt	59,078	-	-	-	-
Total Governmental Activities	21,454,487	(4,545)	1,944,468	7,726,668	817,469
Business-Type Activities:					
Higher Education	6,001,813	2,671	4,030,727	1,810,208	70,568
Unemployment Insurance	530,130	-	702,294	47,653	-
Lottery	473,942	636	539,033	442	-
Parks and Wildlife	190,762	664	143,826	37,615	7,309
College Assist	338,510	121	1,494	342,463	-
Other Business-Type Activities	217,385	453	273,063	43,550	427
Total Business-Type Activities	7,752,542	4,545	5,690,437	2,281,931	78,304
Total Primary Government	29,207,029	-	7,634,905	10,008,599	895,773
<b>Component Units:</b>					
Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority	61,330		38,696	34,510	
University of Colorado Foundation	132,224			149,999	
Colorado State University Foundation	54,998			71,473	
Colorado School of Mines Foundation	38,665		1,900	31,862	
University of Northern Colorado Foundation	12,288			15,087	
Other Component Units	16,747		15,119	219	3,153
Total Component Units	\$ 316,252	\$ -	\$ 55,715	\$ 303,150	\$ 3,153

**General Revenues:**
**Taxes:**

Sales and Use Taxes
Excise Taxes
Individual Income Tax
Corporate Income Tax
Other Taxes
Restricted for Education:
Individual Income Tax
Corporate and Fiduciary Income Tax
Restricted for Transportation:
Fuel Taxes
Other Taxes
Unrestricted Investment Earnings (Losses)
Other General Revenues

**Payment from State of Colorado**
**Special Items (See Note 41)**
**(Transfers-Out) / Transfers-In**
**Permanent Fund Additions**
**Total General Revenues, Special Items, and Transfers**
**Change in Net Position**
**Net Position - Fiscal Year Beginning**
**Prior Period Adjustment (See Note 29A)**
**Accounting Changes (Note 29B)**
**Net Position - Fiscal Year Ending**

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
Primary Government			Component Units
Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total	
\$ (130,907)	\$ -	\$ (130,907)	
(305,971)	-	(305,971)	
(5,044,085)	-	(5,044,085)	
(336,808)	-	(336,808)	
(1,698,348)	-	(1,698,348)	
138,736	-	138,736	
(3,030,142)	-	(3,030,142)	
(494,734)	-	(494,734)	
(59,078)	-	(59,078)	
(10,961,337)	-	(10,961,337)	
-	(92,981)	(92,981)	
-	219,817	219,817	
-	64,897	64,897	
-	(2,676)	(2,676)	
-	5,326	5,326	
-	99,202	99,202	
-	293,585	293,585	
(10,961,337)	293,585	(10,667,752)	
-	-	-	11,876
-	-	-	17,775
-	-	-	16,475
-	-	-	(4,903)
-	-	-	2,799
-	-	-	1,744
-	-	-	45,766
2,762,222	-	2,762,222	-
267,858	-	267,858	-
5,847,141	-	5,847,141	-
613,316	-	613,316	-
673,275	7	673,282	-
460,192	-	460,192	-
59,610	-	59,610	-
599,386	-	599,386	-
67,327	-	67,327	-
11,992	-	11,992	51,260
96,613	-	96,613	-
-	-	-	4,150
-	-	-	(56,142)
(256,738)	256,738	-	-
401	-	401	-
11,202,595	256,745	11,459,340	(732)
241,258	550,330	791,588	45,034
15,649,715	7,289,798	22,939,513	2,891,810
(6,626)	-	(6,626)	-
(5,087,553)	(3,342,300)	(8,429,853)	-
\$ 10,796,794	\$ 4,497,828	\$ 15,294,622	\$ 2,936,844

**BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	GENERAL	RESOURCE EXTRACTION	HIGHWAY USERS TAX
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 313,023	\$ 882,653	\$ 49,427
Taxes Receivable, net	1,367,281	31,639	-
Other Receivables, net	294,504	34,134	2,940
Due From Other Governments	757,061	1,341	-
Due From Other Funds	86,785	10,535	4,074
Due From Component Units	135	-	-
Inventories	8,894	35,868	8,377
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	41,623	19,467	1,908
Restricted Assets:			
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	342,506	66,000	842,169
Restricted Investments	-	-	-
Restricted Receivables	172	-	363,128
Investments	91,652	-	-
Other Long-Term Assets	-	396,087	7,258
Capital Assets Held as Investments	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 3,303,636</b>	<b>\$ 1,477,724</b>	<b>\$ 1,279,281</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ 652,110	14,369	\$ 2,814
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	934,246	14,249	221,298
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	173,346	-	-
Due To Other Governments	97,754	79,154	36,628
Due To Other Funds	51,154	261	565
Unearned Revenue	24,209	715	28,278
Claims and Judgments Payable	398	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	11,062	-	26
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	4	-	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>1,944,283</b>	<b>108,748</b>	<b>289,609</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>			
	<b>183,965</b>	<b>1,770</b>	<b>1,112</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>			
Nonspendable:			
Inventories	8,894	35,869	8,377
Permanent Fund Principal	-	-	-
Prepays	40,971	19,467	1,908
Restricted	398,948	78,971	942,510
Committed	705,844	1,232,899	35,765
Assigned	20,731	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>1,175,388</b>	<b>1,367,206</b>	<b>988,560</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 3,303,636</b>	<b>\$ 1,477,724</b>	<b>\$ 1,279,281</b>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



CAPITAL PROJECTS	STATE EDUCATION	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL
\$ 340,603	\$ -	\$ 1,065,719	\$ 2,651,425
-	-	40,977	1,439,897
18	-	112,608	444,204
189	-	28,349	786,940
6,284	-	13,192	120,870
-	-	-	135
-	-	190	53,329
-	-	4,474	67,472
-	696,588	193,466	2,140,729
-	-	761,140	761,140
-	-	-	363,300
3,808	-	184,640	280,100
60	-	44,964	448,369
-	-	82,922	82,922
\$ 350,962	\$ 696,588	\$ 2,532,641	\$ 9,640,832

\$ -	\$ -	\$ 699	\$ 669,992
11,107	10,330	133,412	1,324,642
-	-	-	173,346
-	-	19,551	233,087
3,175	-	38,205	93,360
-	-	42,401	95,603
-	-	89	487
-	-	3,995	15,083
-	-	135	139
14,282	10,330	238,487	2,605,739
-	-	1,456	188,303

-	-	190	53,330
-	-	971,676	971,676
-	-	4,474	66,820
5	686,258	235,229	2,341,921
336,675	-	1,081,129	3,392,312
-	-	-	20,731
336,680	686,258	2,292,698	6,846,790
\$ 350,962	\$ 696,588	\$ 2,532,641	\$ 9,640,832

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
RECONCILED TO  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)		
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL ASSET BALANCES	DEBT RELATED BALANCES	CENTRALIZED RISK MANAGEMENT LIABILITIES	OTHER MEASUREMENT FOCUS ADJUSTMENTS	INTERNAL BALANCES ELIMINATION	STATEMENT OF NET POSITION TOTALS
ASSETS:								
Current Assets:								
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 2,651,425	\$ 45,525	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,696,950
Taxes Receivable, net	1,439,897	-	-	-	-	(186,990)	-	1,252,907
Other Receivables, net	444,204	6,602	-	-	-	-	-	450,806
Due From Other Governments	786,940	328	-	-	-	-	-	787,268
Due From Other Funds	120,870	1,046	-	-	-	-	(93,894)	28,022
Due From Component Units	135	-	-	-	-	-	-	135
Inventories	53,329	865	-	-	-	-	-	54,194
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	67,472	445	-	-	-	-	-	67,917
Total Current Assets	5,564,272	54,811	-	-	-	(186,990)	(93,894)	5,338,199
Noncurrent Assets:								
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	2,140,729	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,140,729
Restricted Investments	761,140	-	-	-	-	-	-	761,140
Restricted Receivables	363,300	-	-	-	-	-	-	363,300
Investments	280,100	-	-	-	-	-	-	280,100
Other Long-Term Assets	448,369	-	-	-	-	187,891	-	636,260
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	20,778	137,894	9,613,979	-	-	-	-	9,772,651
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	62,144	1,122	1,904,961	-	-	-	-	1,968,227
Total Noncurrent Assets	4,076,560	139,016	11,518,940	-	-	187,891	-	15,922,407
TOTAL ASSETS	9,640,832	193,827	11,518,940	-	-	901	(93,894)	21,260,606
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:	-	35,741	-	315,055	-	-	-	350,796
LIABILITIES:								
Current Liabilities:								
Tax Refunds Payable	669,992	-	-	-	-	-	-	669,992
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,324,642	35,175	-	7,446	-	-	-	1,367,263
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	173,346	-	-	-	-	-	-	173,346
Due To Other Governments	233,087	-	-	-	-	-	-	233,087
Due To Other Funds	93,360	534	-	-	-	-	(93,894)	-
Unearned Revenue	95,603	5,087	-	-	-	(223)	-	100,467
Compensated Absences Payable	-	445	-	-	-	11,740	-	12,185
Claims and Judgments Payable	487	-	-	-	38,193	9,002	-	47,682
Leases Payable	-	19,255	-	8,505	-	-	-	27,760
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	-	-	-	200,975	-	-	-	200,975
Other Current Liabilities	15,083	74	-	-	-	3,895	-	19,052
Total Current Liabilities	2,605,600	60,570	-	216,926	38,193	24,414	(93,894)	2,851,809
Noncurrent Liabilities:								
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	139	-	-	-	-	-	-	139
Accrued Compensated Absences	-	9,630	-	-	-	140,187	-	149,817
Claims and Judgments Payable	-	-	-	-	119,592	180,193	-	299,785
Capital Lease Payable	-	88,684	-	55,885	-	-	-	144,569
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	-	-	-	1,331,892	-	-	-	1,331,892
Net Pension Liability	-	318,488	-	-	-	5,247,038	-	5,565,526
Other Long-Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	423,809	-	423,809
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	139	416,802	-	1,387,777	119,592	5,991,227	-	7,915,537
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,605,739	477,372	-	1,604,703	157,785	6,015,641	(93,894)	10,767,346
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:	188,303	2,311	-	-	-	(143,352)	-	47,262
NET POSITION:								
Net investment in Capital Assets:	82,923	31,077	11,518,940	(978,250)	-	-	-	10,654,690
Restricted for:								
Construction and Highway Maintenance	935,268	-	-	1,267	-	-	-	936,535
Education	685,421	-	-	81,267	-	-	-	766,688
Debt Service	56,534	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,534
Emergencies	217,328	-	-	-	-	-	-	217,328
Permanent Funds and Endowments:								
Expendable	7,301	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,301
Nonexpendable	896,872	-	-	-	-	-	-	896,872
Other Purposes	626,649	-	-	-	-	-	-	626,649
Unrestricted	3,338,494	(281,192)	-	(393,931)	(157,785)	(5,871,389)	-	(3,365,803)
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 6,846,790	\$ (250,115)	\$ 11,518,940	\$ (1,289,647)	\$ (157,785)	\$ (5,871,389)	\$ -	\$ 10,796,794

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**Differences Between the *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds* and  
Governmental Activities on the Government-Wide *Statement of Net Position***

- (A) Management uses Internal Services Funds to report the charges for and the costs of goods and services sold by state agencies solely within the state. Because the sales are primarily to governmental funds, the assets and liabilities of the Internal Service Funds are included in the governmental activities on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*. Internal Service Funds are reported using proprietary fund-type accounting in the fund-level financial statements. In addition to minor training services provided by the Department of Personnel & Administration, and internal sales within the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety, the State's Internal Service Funds provide the following goods and services to nearly all state agencies:
- ♦ Fleet management,
  - ♦ Printing and mail services,
  - ♦ Information technology and telecommunication services,
  - ♦ Building maintenance and management in the capitol complex,
  - ♦ Administrative court services,
  - ♦ Legal services, and
  - ♦ Others including debt collection.
- (B) Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources, and therefore, they are not included in the fund-level financial statements. However, capital assets are economic resources and are reported in the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*.
- (C) Long-term liabilities such as leases, bonds, notes, mortgages, and Certificates of Participation (including accrued interest) are not due and payable in the current period, and therefore, they are not included in the fund-level financial statements. However, from an economic perspective these liabilities reduce net position and are reported in the *Statement of Net Position*. The portion reported as current in the reconciliation is payable within the following fiscal year. Deferred outflows related to debt refunding losses require a similar adjustment. The largest single portion of the long-term balance is related to Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes issued by the Department of Transportation.
- (D) Risk management liabilities are actuarially determined claims and consist of a current and long-term portion. Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) list claims and judgments as an exception to the full accrual basis of accounting that constitutes the modified accrual basis of accounting. The current portion (payable within one year) is excluded from the fund-level statements because it is not payable with expendable available financial resources. In this instance, "payable with expendable available financial resources" means the amounts are not accrued as fund liabilities because they are not budgeted in the current year. The long-term portion of the risk management liability is excluded from the fund-level statements because it is not due and payable in the current period.
- (E) Other measurement focus adjustments include:
- ♦ Interfund balances receivable from or payable to fiduciary funds are reported on the fund-level *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds* as due from/to other funds. On the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*, these amounts are considered external receivables and payables.
  - ♦ Long-term assets and long-term taxes receivable are not available to pay for current period expenditures; therefore, the related revenue is reported as a deferred inflow of resources on the fund-level *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*. From an economic perspective, this revenue is earned and the related deferred inflow of resources is removed from the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* when the revenue is recognized on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.
  - ♦ Compensated absences are a GAAP modification of the full accrual basis of accounting similar to claims and judgments discussed above. Therefore, both the current and long-term portions of the liability are shown on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*, but they are not reported on the fund-level *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*.
  - ♦ Claims and Judgments Payable and other long-term liabilities including pension liabilities are not reported on the fund-level *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds* because the amounts are not due and payable from current financial resources. However, from an economic perspective, these liabilities reduce net position, and they are therefore reported on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*.
- (F) All interfund payable balances shown on the fund-level Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds are reported in the internal balances line on the government-wide Statement of Net Position along with all governmental-activities interfund receivables

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	GENERAL	RESOURCE EXTRACTION	HIGHWAY USERS TAX
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Taxes:			
Individual and Fiduciary Income	\$ 5,888,042	\$ -	\$ -
Corporate Income	635,115	-	-
Sales and Use	2,706,875	-	-
Excise	97,161	-	599,384
Other Taxes	273,670	271,492	388
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	15,904	1,993	363,345
Charges for Goods and Services	77,585	8,815	136,633
Rents	290	3	2,132
Investment Income (Loss)	15,841	20,825	10,540
Federal Grants and Contracts	7,090,845	152,429	837,065
Additions to Permanent Funds	-	-	-
Unclaimed Property Receipts	-	-	-
Other	167,131	4,311	116,744
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>16,968,459</b>	<b>459,868</b>	<b>2,066,231</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Current:			
General Government	222,085	-	54,013
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	184,937	12,953	-
Education	708,553	-	-
Health and Rehabilitation	594,782	-	10,158
Justice	1,313,282	-	117,513
Natural Resources	35,485	52,657	-
Social Assistance	7,809,363	-	-
Transportation	-	-	1,279,622
Capital Outlay	200,385	270	81,431
Intergovernmental:			
Cities	67,540	54,469	232,371
Counties	1,246,303	58,108	229,420
School Districts	4,036,372	3,190	-
Special Districts	66,169	18,286	33,836
Federal	10	1,156	-
Other	25,447	3,828	254
Debt Service	50,863	8	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>16,561,576</b>	<b>204,925</b>	<b>2,038,618</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>406,883</b>	<b>254,943</b>	<b>27,613</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
Transfers-In	3,772,396	3,029	9,796
Transfers-Out	(3,940,873)	(94,058)	(182,761)
Face Amount of Bond/COP Issuance	68	-	-
Sale of Capital Assets	-	-	-
Insurance Recoveries	8,502	-	3,540
Bond/COP Premium Refunding Proceeds	11	-	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(159,896)</b>	<b>(91,029)</b>	<b>(169,425)</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>246,987</b>	<b>163,914</b>	<b>(141,812)</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>935,027</b>	<b>1,203,292</b>	<b>1,130,372</b>
Prior Period Adjustment (See Note 29A)	(6,626)	-	-
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR END</b>	<b>\$ 1,175,388</b>	<b>\$ 1,367,206</b>	<b>\$ 988,560</b>

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CAPITAL PROJECTS	STATE EDUCATION	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	TOTAL
\$ -	\$ 462,046	\$ -	\$ 6,350,088
-	57,756	-	692,871
-	-	50,741	2,757,616
-	-	170,955	867,500
965	-	158,892	705,407
12	-	420,137	801,391
-	-	662,312	885,345
-	-	196,642	199,067
4,540	7,900	39,128	98,774
7,006	-	196,087	8,283,432
-	-	401	401
-	-	60,883	60,883
297	212	40,372	329,067
12,820	527,914	1,996,550	22,031,842
3,530	-	25,554	305,182
938	-	269,795	468,623
2,511	46,298	27,763	785,125
44	-	93,870	698,854
4,918	-	212,604	1,648,317
-	-	15,032	103,174
1,087	-	815,324	8,625,774
-	-	2,808	1,282,430
38,844	-	4,224	325,154
-	-	67,072	421,452
-	-	92,972	1,626,803
-	826,586	42,802	4,908,950
-	-	13,076	131,367
-	-	332	1,498
-	465	43,275	73,269
3,637	-	214,999	269,507
55,509	873,349	1,941,502	21,675,479
(42,689)	(345,435)	55,048	356,363
268,358	25,403	455,960	4,534,942
(163,585)	(85,708)	(321,051)	(4,788,036)
-	-	-	68
-	-	3,341	3,341
610	-	-	12,652
-	-	-	11
105,383	(60,305)	138,250	(237,022)
62,694	(405,740)	193,298	119,341
273,986	1,091,998	2,099,400	6,734,075
-	-	-	(6,626)
\$ 336,680	\$ 686,258	\$ 2,292,698	\$ 6,846,790

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES RECONCILED TO  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)		
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL RELATED ITEMS	LONG-TERM DEBT TRANSACTIONS	OTHER MEASUREMENT FOCUS ADJUSTMENTS	STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES TOTALS
REVENUES:						
Taxes:						
Individual and Fiduciary Income	\$ 6,350,088	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (40,926)	\$ 6,309,162
Corporate Income	692,871	-	-	-	(21,799)	671,072
Sales and Use	2,757,616	-	-	-	4,608	2,762,224
Excise	867,500	-	-	-	(257)	867,243
Other Taxes	705,407	-	-	-	(2,332)	703,075
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	801,391	-	-	-	2	801,393
Charges for Goods and Services	885,345	-	-	-	1	885,346
Rents	199,067	-	-	-	-	199,067
Investment Income (Loss)	98,774	9	-	-	19	98,802
Federal Grants and Contracts	8,283,432	-	-	-	(7,925)	8,275,507
Additions to Permanent Funds	401	-	-	-	-	401
Unclaimed Property Receipts	60,883	-	-	-	-	60,883
Other	329,067	-	-	-	3,632	332,699
TOTAL REVENUES	22,031,842	9	-	-	(64,977)	21,966,874
EXPENDITURES:						
Current:						
General Government	305,182	570	37,926	-	13,695	357,373
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	468,623	2,435	11,792	-	(12,558)	470,292
Education	785,125	104	28,842	-	(41)	814,030
Health and Rehabilitation	698,854	709	26,859	-	515	726,937
Justice	1,648,317	1,366	130,057	-	4,415	1,784,155
Natural Resources	103,174	928	4,386	-	172	108,660
Social Assistance	8,625,774	3,817	21,256	-	82	8,650,929
Transportation	1,282,430	635	451,186	-	130	1,734,381
Capital Outlay	325,154	-	(745,408)	-	-	(420,254)
Intergovernmental:						
Cities	421,452	-	-	-	-	421,452
Counties	1,626,803	-	(60)	-	-	1,626,743
School Districts	4,908,950	-	-	-	-	4,908,950
Special Districts	131,367	-	-	-	-	131,367
Federal	1,498	-	-	-	-	1,498
Other	73,269	-	-	-	-	73,269
Debt Service	269,507	2,610	-	(193,395)	-	78,722
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	21,675,479	13,174	(33,164)	(193,395)	6,410	21,468,504
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	356,363	(13,165)	33,164	193,395	(71,387)	498,370
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Transfers-In	4,534,942	2,456	-	-	-	4,537,398
Transfers-Out	(4,788,036)	(8,398)	-	-	-	(4,796,434)
Face Amount of Bond/COP Issuance	68	-	-	-	-	68
Bond/COP Premium/Discount	-	-	-	1,382	-	1,382
Sale of Capital Assets	3,341	-	(15,499)	-	-	(12,158)
Insurance Recoveries	12,652	-	-	-	-	12,652
Bond/COP Premium Refunding Proceeds	11	-	-	-	-	11
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(237,022)	(5,942)	(15,499)	1,382	-	(257,081)
Internal Service Fund Charges to BTAs	-	(31)	-	-	-	(31)
NET CHANGE FOR THE YEAR	119,341	(19,138)	17,665	194,777	(71,387)	241,258
Prior Period Adjustment (See Note 29A)	(6,626)	-	-	-	-	(6,626)
Accounting Changes (See Note 29B)	-	(265,388)	-	(4,822,166)	-	(5,087,554)
TOTAL CHANGE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR WITH PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	\$ 112,715	\$ (284,526)	\$ 17,665	\$ (4,627,389)	\$ (71,387)	\$ (4,852,922)

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**Differences Between the *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds* and *Governmental Activities on the Government-Wide Statement of Activities***

- (A) Management uses Internal Services Funds to report charges for and the costs of goods and services sold by state agencies solely within the state. Internal Service Funds are intended to operate on the cost reimbursement basis and should break even each period. If an Internal Service Fund makes a profit, the other funds of the State have been overcharged. If an Internal Service Fund has an operating loss, the other funds of the State have been undercharged. In order to show the true cost of services purchased from Internal Service Funds, an adjustment is made that allocates the net revenue/expense of each Internal Service Fund to the programs that purchased the service. Investment income, debt service, and transfers of the Internal Service Fund are not allocated. In addition to minor training services provided by the Department of Personnel & Administration, and internal sales within the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety, the State's Internal Service Funds provide the following goods and services to nearly all state agencies:
- Fleet management,
  - Printing and mail services,
  - Information technology services and telecommunication services,
  - Building maintenance and management in the capitol complex,
  - Administrative court services,
  - Legal services, and
  - Others including debt collection.
- (B) The following adjustments relate to capital assets:
- Capital assets, received as donations, are not reported on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds* because they are not current financial resources. However, such donations increase net position and are reported on both the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* and *Statement of Activities*.
  - Depreciation is not reported on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds*, but it is reported for the economic perspective on which the government-wide *Statement of Activities* is presented.
  - Expenditures reported for capital outlay on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds* are generally reported as a conversion of cash to a capital asset on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*. They are not reported as expenses on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.
  - On the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds* all cash received on disposal of capital assets is reported as a gain on sale of capital assets. On the government-wide *Statement of Activities* the reported gain or loss on sale is based on the carrying value of the asset as well as the cash received.
- (C) The following adjustments relate to debt issuance and debt service including leases:
- Payments on principal and debt refunding payments are reported as expenditures and other financing uses, respectively, on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds*. These payments are reported as reductions of lease, bond, and other debt liability balances on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* and are not reported on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.
  - Amortization of debt premium/discount and gain/loss on refunding are not reported on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds*, but are reported on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.
  - Lease proceeds, issuance of debt, and debt refunding proceeds are all reported as other financing sources on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds*. From an economic perspective lease proceeds, debt issuances, and debt refunding proceeds are reported as liabilities on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* and are not reported on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.
- (D) Other measurement focus adjustments include:
- Long-term taxes receivable and certain other long-term assets are offset by deferred inflows or unearned revenue and are not part of fund balance on the fund-level *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*; however, from a full accrual perspective, changes in the fund-level unearned revenue balances result in adjustments to revenue that are recognized and reported on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.
  - Compensated absences accruals, pension liabilities, and claims and judgments are not normally expected to be liquidated from expendable available financial resources; and therefore, they are not reported on the fund-level *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds*. However, from a full accrual perspective, these are expenses that are reported on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*.

**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 1,148,885	\$ 734,471
Investments	377,487	-
Premiums Receivable, net	-	142,241
Student and Other Receivables, net	365,100	5,046
Due From Other Governments	114,633	4,377
Due From Other Funds	4,380	-
Due From Component Units	11,370	-
Inventories	39,914	-
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	18,167	-
Total Current Assets	2,079,936	886,135
Noncurrent Assets:		
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	452,758	-
Restricted Investments	246,783	-
Restricted Receivables	-	-
Investments	1,917,306	-
Other Long-Term Assets	128,071	-
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	5,595,452	1,521
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	1,028,769	163
Total Noncurrent Assets	9,369,139	1,684
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>11,449,075</b>	<b>887,819</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>		
	320,500	4,283
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	631,398	2,141
Due To Other Governments	-	1
Due To Other Funds	4,549	-
Due To Component Units	623	-
Unearned Revenue	239,877	3
Compensated Absences Payable	19,971	-
Leases Payable	8,197	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	126,013	124,960
Other Current Liabilities	83,778	9,986
Total Current Liabilities	1,114,406	137,091
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Due to Other Funds	1,321	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	256,737	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	41,460	-
Capital Lease Payable	41,401	-
Derivative Instrument Liability	9,515	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	3,961,735	125,763
Due to Component Units	1,661	-
Net Pension Liability	3,166,397	6,989
Other Postemployment Benefits	241,779	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	29,482	-
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	7,751,488	132,752
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>8,865,894</b>	<b>269,843</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>		
	28,867	1
<b>NET POSITION:</b>		
Net investment in Capital Assets:	3,374,653	1,683
Restricted for:		
Education	439,535	-
Unemployment Insurance	-	620,575
Debt Service	54,456	-
Emergencies	-	-
Permanent Funds and Endowments:		
Expendable	150,270	-
Nonexpendable	87,679	-
Other Purposes	-	-
Unrestricted	(1,231,779)	-
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 2,874,814</b>	<b>\$ 622,258</b>

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BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
STATE LOTTERY	OTHER ENTERPRISES	TOTAL	INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
\$ 38,456	\$ 532,872	\$ 2,454,684	\$ 45,525
-	628	378,115	-
-	-	142,241	-
20,409	39,751	430,306	6,602
-	15,445	134,455	328
-	5,531	9,911	1,046
-	-	11,370	-
1,125	16,911	57,950	865
4,657	5,362	28,186	445
64,647	616,500	3,647,218	54,811
-	46,984	499,742	-
-	-	246,783	-
-	31,609	31,609	-
-	51,849	1,969,155	-
-	1,779	129,850	-
550	592,832	6,190,355	137,894
-	759,663	1,788,595	1,122
550	1,484,716	10,856,089	139,016
65,197	2,101,216	14,503,307	193,827
1,072	22,780	348,635	35,741
3,676	99,282	736,497	35,175
21	22,026	22,048	-
31,819	1,855	38,223	534
-	-	623	-
-	167,228	407,108	5,087
36	953	20,960	445
-	421	8,618	19,255
-	974	251,947	-
26,104	5,186	125,054	74
61,656	297,925	1,611,078	60,570
-	13,061	14,382	-
757	11,106	268,600	9,630
-	-	41,460	-
-	4,262	45,663	88,684
-	-	9,515	-
-	330,829	4,418,327	-
-	-	1,661	-
23,627	382,735	3,579,748	318,488
-	-	241,779	-
39	54,000	83,521	-
24,423	795,993	8,704,656	416,802
86,079	1,093,918	10,315,734	477,372
136	9,376	38,380	2,311
550	1,041,061	4,417,947	31,077
-	-	439,535	-
-	-	620,575	-
-	21,210	75,666	-
-	34,000	34,000	-
-	-	150,270	-
-	-	87,679	-
-	88,686	88,686	-
(20,496)	(164,255)	(1,416,530)	(281,192)
\$ (19,946)	\$ 1,020,702	\$ 4,497,828	\$ (250,115)

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>		
Unemployment Insurance Premiums	\$ -	\$ 698,609
License and Permits	-	107
Tuition and Fees	2,649,314	-
Scholarship Allowance for Tuition and Fees	(595,010)	-
Sales of Goods and Services	1,856,873	-
Scholarship Allowance for Sales of Goods & Services	(22,546)	-
Investment Income (Loss)	1,500	-
Rental Income	14,488	-
Gifts and Donations	37,979	-
Federal Grants and Contracts	971,879	30,670
Intergovernmental Revenue	7,944	-
Other	302,103	19
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>5,224,524</b>	<b>729,405</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>		
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	4,017,898	5,900
Operating and Travel	1,259,876	518,841
Cost of Goods Sold	146,479	-
Depreciation and Amortization	388,761	206
Intergovernmental Distributions	32,580	-
Debt Service	-	-
Prizes and Awards	344	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>5,845,938</b>	<b>524,947</b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>(621,414)</b>	<b>204,458</b>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):</b>		
Taxes	-	7
Fines and Settlements	21	3,558
Investment Income (Loss)	59,633	16,982
Rental Income	15,079	1
Gifts and Donations	242,994	-
Intergovernmental Distributions	(23,066)	-
Federal Grants and Contracts	287,255	-
Gain/(Loss) on Sale or Impairment of Capital Assets	19,274	-
Insurance Recoveries from Prior Year Impairments	36	-
Debt Service	(146,932)	(5,183)
Other Expenses	(5,940)	-
Other Revenues	11,630	-
<b>TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	<b>459,984</b>	<b>15,365</b>
<b>INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS</b>	<b>(161,430)</b>	<b>219,823</b>
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:</b>		
Capital Contributions	71,031	-
Additions to Permanent Endowments	656	-
Transfers-In	343,871	-
Transfers-Out	(3,971)	-
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS</b>	<b>411,587</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>250,157</b>	<b>219,823</b>
<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>5,584,645</b>	<b>403,006</b>
Accounting Changes (See Note 29B)	(2,959,988)	(571)
<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 2,874,814</b>	<b>\$ 622,258</b>

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BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
STATE LOTTERY	OTHER ENTERPRISES	TOTAL	INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 698,609	\$ -
66	118,532	118,705	-
-	662	2,649,976	-
-	-	(595,010)	-
538,025	204,920	2,599,818	329,355
-	-	(22,546)	-
-	6,764	8,264	-
-	1,659	16,147	11,085
-	-	37,979	-
-	411,676	1,414,225	-
-	29,071	37,015	-
942	8,108	311,172	880
539,033	781,392	7,274,354	341,320
10,590	231,915	4,266,303	198,654
57,644	419,138	2,255,499	122,576
11,663	40,424	198,566	7,774
557	17,575	407,099	21,046
-	10,108	42,688	1,128
-	13,576	13,576	-
331,499	912	332,755	1
411,953	733,648	7,516,486	351,179
127,080	47,744	(242,132)	(9,859)
-	39,267	39,274	-
-	388	3,967	-
442	6,045	83,102	9
-	10,716	25,796	-
-	4,204	247,198	-
(61,993)	-	(85,059)	-
-	-	287,255	-
-	363	19,637	(1,057)
-	6,470	6,506	-
-	(12,992)	(165,107)	(2,610)
-	(411)	(6,351)	-
-	-	11,630	-
(61,551)	54,050	467,848	(3,658)
65,529	101,794	225,716	(13,517)
-	1,344	72,375	323
-	-	656	-
-	22,241	366,112	2,456
(66,518)	(44,039)	(114,528)	(8,400)
(66,518)	(20,454)	324,615	(5,621)
(989)	81,340	550,331	(19,138)
3,074	1,299,073	7,289,798	34,411
(22,031)	(359,711)	(3,342,301)	(265,388)
\$ (19,946)	\$ 1,020,702	\$ 4,497,828	\$ (250,115)

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**PROPRIETARY FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)		
	HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Cash Received from:		
Tuition, Fees, and Student Loans	\$ 2,072,891	\$ -
Fees for Service	1,766,059	5,511
Sales of Products	73,686	-
Gifts, Grants, and Contracts	1,546,066	20,597
Loan and Note Repayments	415,345	-
Unemployment Insurance Premiums	-	695,250
Income from Property	29,568	-
Other Sources	135,082	-
Cash Payments to or for:		
Employees	(3,854,511)	(4,282)
Suppliers	(1,247,340)	(7,656)
Sales Commissions and Lottery Prizes	-	-
Unemployment Benefits	-	(487,484)
Scholarships	(100,562)	-
Others for Student Loans and Loan Losses	(447,215)	-
Other Governments	(32,580)	-
Other	(78,232)	-
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>278,257</b>	<b>221,936</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Transfers-In	2,764,897	-
Transfers-Out	(2,523,647)	-
Receipt of Deposits Held in Custody	1,015,732	12
Release of Deposits Held in Custody	(1,018,471)	-
Gifts and Grants for Other Than Capital Purposes	187,410	-
Intergovernmental Distributions	(23,065)	-
NonCapital Debt Proceeds	67,360	-
NonCapital Debt Service Payments	-	(130,704)
<b>NET CASH FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>470,216</b>	<b>(130,692)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(816,933)	(1,666)
Capital Contributions	131,701	-
Capital Gifts, Grants, and Contracts	30,011	-
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	63,847	-
Capital Debt Proceeds	737,021	-
Capital Debt Service Payments	(611,774)	-
Capital Lease Payments	(18,566)	-
<b>NET CASH FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(484,693)</b>	<b>(1,666)</b>

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BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
STATE LOTTERY	OTHER ENTERPRISE	TOTALS	INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
\$ -	\$ 662	\$ 2,073,553	\$ -
-	233,258	2,004,828	317,241
538,052	59,169	670,907	1,247
-	430,597	1,997,260	-
-	331	415,676	-
-	-	695,250	-
-	12,357	41,925	11,088
1,008	149,542	285,632	5,979
(9,877)	(232,991)	(4,101,661)	(180,495)
(29,786)	(130,863)	(1,415,645)	(113,513)
(371,686)	(6,729)	(378,415)	(795)
-	-	(487,484)	-
-	-	(100,562)	-
-	(297,713)	(744,928)	-
-	(10,183)	(42,763)	(1,128)
(164)	(40,205)	(118,601)	(482)
127,547	167,232	794,972	39,142
530	47,669	2,813,096	3,411
(67,048)	(70,148)	(2,660,843)	(8,987)
-	468	1,016,212	229
-	(572)	(1,019,043)	(192)
-	1,062	188,472	-
(61,993)	-	(85,058)	-
-	25,000	92,360	-
-	(465)	(131,169)	-
(128,511)	3,014	214,027	(5,539)
(150)	(215,650)	(1,034,399)	(16,093)
-	-	131,701	-
-	-	30,011	-
-	1,926	65,773	4,437
-	-	737,021	-
-	(11,028)	(622,802)	(8,406)
-	(573)	(19,139)	(25,848)
(150)	(225,325)	(711,834)	(45,910)

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
PROPRIETARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(Continued)

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)		
	HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Interest and Dividends on Investments	84,808	16,983
Proceeds from Sale/Maturity of Investments	3,702,708	-
Purchases of Investments	(3,856,078)	-
Increase(Decrease) from Unrealized Gain(Loss) on Investments	(26,192)	-
<b>NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(94,754)</b>	<b>16,983</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND POOLED CASH</b>	<b>169,026</b>	<b>106,561</b>
<b>CASH AND POOLED CASH , FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>1,432,617</b>	<b>627,910</b>
<b>CASH AND POOLED CASH, FISCAL YEAR END</b>	<b>\$ 1,601,643</b>	<b>\$ 734,471</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (621,415)	\$ 204,458
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	388,761	206
Investment/Rental Income and Other Revenue in Operating Income	-	(19)
Rents, Fines, Donations, and Grants and Contracts in NonOperating	315,665	3,567
(Gain)/Loss on Disposal of Capital and Other Assets	(26)	-
Compensated Absences	20,986	-
Interest and Other Expense in Operating Income	(5,472)	12
Net Changes in Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, and Deferred Inflows Related to Operating Activities:		
(Increase) Decrease in Operating Receivables	55,365	(3,698)
(Increase) Decrease in Inventories	(3,376)	-
(Increase) Decrease in Other Operating Assets and Deferred Outflows	(182,853)	8,349
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	48,149	522
Increase (Decrease) in Other Operating Liabilities and Deferred Inflows	262,473	8,539
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>\$ 278,257</b>	<b>\$ 221,936</b>
<b>SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - NONCASH TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
Capital Assets Funded by the Capital Projects Fund	498	-
Capital Assets Acquired by Grants or Donations and Payable Increases	102,749	-
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investments and Interest Receivable Accruals	45,135	-
Loss on Disposal of Capital and Other Assets	3,977	-
Disposal of Capital Assets	9,576	-
Amortization of Debt Valuation Accounts and Interest Payable Accruals	31,333	489
Assumption of Capital Lease Obligation or Mortgage	24,743	-
Financed Debt Issuance Costs	2,745	-
Fair Value Change in Derivative Instrument	948	-

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BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES ENTERPRISE FUNDS			GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES
STATE LOTTERY	OTHER ENTERPRISE	TOTALS	INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS
493	13,457	115,741	73
-	45,960	3,748,668	-
-	(235)	(3,856,313)	-
(51)	(672)	(26,915)	(64)
442	58,510	(18,819)	9
(672)	3,431	278,346	(12,298)
39,128	576,425	2,676,080	57,823
<u>\$ 38,456</u>	<u>\$ 579,856</u>	<u>\$ 2,954,426</u>	<u>\$ 45,525</u>
\$ 127,080	47,742	\$ (242,135)	\$ (9,859)
557	17,575	407,099	21,046
-	(6,764)	(6,783)	-
-	59,962	379,194	-
-	-	(26)	5
58	541	21,585	1,514
-	(22,867)	(28,327)	6,667
(1,330)	(2,389)	47,948	(5,914)
131	(691)	(3,936)	(142)
(592)	(23,034)	(198,130)	(31,054)
12,802	37,584	99,057	1,941
(11,159)	59,573	319,426	54,938
<u>\$ 127,547</u>	<u>\$ 167,232</u>	<u>\$ 794,972</u>	<u>\$ 39,142</u>
-	79	577	254
-	1,265	104,014	-
-	64	45,199	-
-	229	4,206	313
-	-	9,576	-
-	4,279	36,101	-
-	-	24,743	24,543
-	-	2,745	-
-	-	948	-

**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	PENSION AND BENEFIT TRUST	PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST	AGENCY
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 76,975	\$ 185,062	\$ 561,837
Investments	-	643	-
Taxes Receivable, net	-	-	162,494
Other Receivables, net	1,201	16,939	544
Due From Other Funds	760	-	13,912
Inventories	-	-	5
Noncurrent Assets:			
Investments:			
Government Securities	-	11,843	-
Repurchase Agreements	-	499	-
Asset Backed Securities	-	15,313	-
Mutual Funds	-	6,176,335	-
Other Investments	-	101,731	-
Other Long-Term Assets	-	-	12,047
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>78,936</b>	<b>6,508,365</b>	<b>\$ 750,839</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Current Liabilities:			
Tax Refunds Payable	-	-	1,965
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	17,938	15,111	1,894
Due To Other Governments	-	-	284,179
Unearned Revenue	-	7,406	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	14,717	-	125
Other Current Liabilities	-	-	430,299
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	-	3,298	31,706
Accrued Compensated Absences	62	-	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	-	-	671
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>32,717</b>	<b>25,815</b>	<b>\$ 750,839</b>
<b>NET POSITION:</b>			
Held in Trust for:			
Pension/Benefit Plan Participants	46,219	-	-
Individuals, Organizations, and Other Entities	-	6,482,550	-
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 46,219</b>	<b>\$ 6,482,550</b>	-

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	PENSION AND BENEFIT TRUST	PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST
ADDITIONS:		
Additions By Participants	\$ -	\$ 1,092,226
Member Contributions	83,038	-
Employer Contributions	257,444	-
Investment Income/(Loss)	(17)	202,520
Employee Participation Fees	667	-
Unclaimed Property Receipts	-	38,748
Other Additions	2,724	3,551
Transfers-In	1,274	6,500
TOTAL ADDITIONS	345,130	1,343,545
DEDUCTIONS:		
Distributions to Participants	-	291,313
Health Insurance Premiums Paid	156,942	-
Health Insurance Claims Paid	168,424	-
Other Benefits Plan Expense	19,232	-
Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements	-	619,988
Other Deductions	19,221	-
Transfers-Out	247	74
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	364,066	911,375
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(18,936)	432,170
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	65,155	6,050,380
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING	\$ 46,219	\$ 6,482,550

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
COMPONENT UNITS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	COLORADO WATER RESOURCES AND POWER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO FOUNDATION
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 146,715	\$ 18,493
Contributions Receivable, net	-	34,036
Other Receivables, net	76,019	3
Due From Other Governments	3,741	-
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	-	505
Total Current Assets	226,475	53,037
Noncurrent Assets:		
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	160,272	-
Restricted Investments	171,313	-
Restricted Receivables	2,726	-
Investments	-	1,524,867
Contributions Receivable, net	-	51,749
Other Long-Term Assets	970,008	-
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	18	341
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	-	-
Total Noncurrent Assets	1,304,337	1,576,957
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,530,812</b>	<b>1,629,994</b>
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:		
	4,145	-
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	14,446	6,581
Due To Other Governments	969	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	45,650	-
Other Current Liabilities	120,926	13,711
Total Current Liabilities	181,991	20,292
Noncurrent Liabilities:		
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	-	346,507
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	674,735	-
Net Pension Liability	-	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	47,145	18,485
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	721,880	364,992
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>903,871</b>	<b>385,284</b>
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:		
	537	-
<b>NET POSITION:</b>		
Net investment in Capital Assets:	18	341
Restricted for:		
Expendable	-	723,887
Nonexpendable	-	451,210
Other Purposes	582,613	-
Unrestricted	47,918	69,272
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 630,549</b>	<b>\$ 1,244,710</b>

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COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION	COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FOUNDATION	UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO FOUNDATION	OTHER COMPONENT UNITS	TOTAL
\$ 1,047 8,680	\$ 9,303 4,996	\$ 1,362 2,596	\$ 16,229 -	\$ 193,149 50,308
-	1,661	173	944	78,800
-	-	-	363	4,104
246	-	-	250	1,001
9,973	15,960	4,131	17,786	327,362
-	64	-	15,991	176,327
-	-	-	-	171,313
-	-	-	-	2,726
398,727	309,374	111,749	50,488	2,395,205
15,564	29,224	4,623	-	101,160
604	234	91	1,503	972,440
14	4	1,003	170,421	171,801
-	-	-	24,744	24,744
414,909	338,900	117,466	263,147	4,015,716
424,882	354,860	121,597	280,933	4,343,078
-	-	-	-	4,145
1,066	2,159	932	1,286	26,470
-	-	-	-	969
-	-	-	-	45,650
-	-	-	360	134,997
1,066	2,159	932	1,646	208,086
14,241	34,530	614	-	395,892
-	-	-	54,163	728,898
798	10,401	137	-	76,966
15,039	44,931	751	54,163	1,201,756
16,105	47,090	1,683	55,809	1,409,842
-	-	-	-	537
14	4	1,003	195,165	196,545
210,007	116,766	21,932	-	1,072,592
165,763	166,814	83,892	-	867,679
-	-	-	7,671	590,284
32,993	24,186	13,087	22,288	209,744
\$ 408,777	\$ 307,770	\$ 119,914	\$ 225,124	\$ 2,936,844

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
COMPONENT UNITS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	COLORADO WATER RESOURCES AND POWER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO FOUNDATION
OPERATING REVENUES:		
Fees	\$ 37,069	\$ -
Sales of Goods and Services	-	-
Investment Income (Loss)	7,431	-
Rental Income	-	-
Gifts and Donations	-	131,646
Federal Grants and Contracts	7,155	-
Other	1,626	89
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	53,281	131,735
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	1,333	-
Operating and Travel	25,783	22,792
Depreciation and Amortization	15	228
Debt Service	34,199	-
Foundation Program Distributions	-	109,204
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	61,330	132,224
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(8,049)	(489)
NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):		
Investment Income (Loss)	-	41,943
Gifts and Donations	-	-
Federal Grants and Contracts	-	-
Gain/(Loss) on Sale or Impairment of Capital Assets	-	-
Debt Service	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-
Other Revenues	-	-
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	-	41,943
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	(8,049)	41,454
CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:		
Capital Contributions	27,356	-
Special Items (See Note 41)	-	-
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	27,356	-
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	19,307	41,454
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	611,242	1,203,256
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING	\$ 630,549	\$ 1,244,710

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION	COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES FOUNDATION	UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO FOUNDATION	OTHER COMPONENT UNITS	TOTAL
\$ -	\$ 1,900	\$ -	\$ 4,393	\$ 43,362
-	-	-	9,366	9,366
-	-	-	12,689	20,120
-	-	-	1,360	1,360
70,717	33,235	11,783	-	247,381
-	-	-	-	7,155
293	526	530	-	3,064
71,010	35,661	12,313	27,808	331,808
-	-	-	-	1,333
3,178	5,515	941	7,253	65,462
5	3	57	6,105	6,413
-	-	-	-	34,199
51,815	33,146	11,290	-	205,455
54,998	38,664	12,288	13,358	312,862
16,012	(3,003)	25	14,450	18,946
7,084	(1,981)	3,545	150	50,741
-	-	-	4,369	4,369
-	-	-	987	987
-	-	-	(147)	(147)
-	-	-	(3,375)	(3,375)
-	-	-	(13)	(13)
-	-	-	2,312	2,312
7,084	(1,981)	3,545	4,283	54,874
23,096	(4,984)	3,570	18,733	73,820
-	-	-	-	27,356
-	-	-	(56,142)	(56,142)
-	-	-	(56,142)	(28,786)
23,096	(4,984)	3,570	(37,409)	45,034
385,681	312,754	116,344	262,533	2,891,810
\$ 408,777	\$ 307,770	\$ 119,914	\$ 225,124	\$ 2,936,844

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION - COMPONENT UNITS  
RECAST TO THE  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FORMAT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION		ELIMINATIONS & ADJUSTMENTS	STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES	
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Fees	\$ 43,362			
Sales of Goods and Services	9,366			
Investment Income (Loss)	20,120	(20,120)		
Rental Income	1,360			
Gifts and Donations	247,381	(247,381)		
Federal Grants and Contracts	7,155	(7,155)		
Other	3,064	(1,437)		
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>331,808</b>	<b>(276,093)</b>	<b>55,715</b>	<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	1,333			
Operating and Travel	65,462			
Depreciation and Amortization	6,413			
Debt Service	34,199			
Foundation Program Distributions	205,455			
Other Expenses	-	3,390		
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>312,862</b>	<b>3,390</b>	<b>316,252</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>18,946</b>			
NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):				
Investment Income (Loss)	50,741	(50,741)		
Gifts and Donations	4,369	(4,369)		
Federal Grants and Contracts	987	(987)		
Gain/(Loss) on Sale or Impairment of Capital Assets	(147)	147		
Debt Service	(3,375)	3,375		
Other Expenses	(13)	13		
Other Revenues	2,312	(2,312)		
<b>TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	<b>54,874</b>	<b>(54,874)</b>		
		303,150	<b>303,150</b>	<b>OPERATING GRANTS &amp; CONTRIBUTIONS</b>
		3,153	<b>3,153</b>	<b>CAPITAL GRANTS &amp; CONTRIBUTIONS</b>
		51,260	<b>51,260</b>	<b>UNRESTRICTED INVESTMENT EARNINGS</b>
		4,150	<b>4,150</b>	<b>PAYMENTS FROM THE STATE</b>
<b>INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS</b>	<b>73,820</b>			
CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:				
Capital Contributions	27,356	(27,356)		
Special Items (See Note 41)	(56,142)		(56,142)	<b>SPECIAL AND/OR EXTRAORDINARY ITEM</b>
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS</b>	<b>(28,786)</b>	<b>(27,356)</b>		
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>45,034</b>		<b>45,034</b>	<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>
<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>2,891,810</b>		<b>2,891,810</b>	<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>
<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 2,936,844</b>		<b>\$ 2,936,844</b>	<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING</b>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this schedule.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NOTES 1 Through 7 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying basic financial statements of the State of Colorado have been prepared in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which is the primary standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The preparation of financial statements in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, the disclosed amount of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures/expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### A. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State implemented GASB Statement No. 68 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, as amended by Statement No. 71 - Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date, and Statement No. 69 - Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations.

Statement No. 68 revises and establishes new financial reporting requirements for most governments, such as the State of Colorado, that provide their employees with pension benefits. The statement requires cost-sharing employers participating in defined benefit plans to record their proportionate share of the unfunded pension liability and related deferred inflows and outflows. Statement No. 71 addresses amounts associated with contributions made to defined benefit pension plans after the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability. These statements were implemented for the primary government, and since the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's year end was December 31, 2014, and GASB 68 and 71 are not effective until December 31, 2015, their statements do not reflect the reporting requirements for GASB 68 and 71.

Statement No. 69 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations. As used in this Statement, the term government combinations includes a variety of transactions referred to as mergers, acquisitions, and transfers of operations.

#### NOTE 1 – GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide statements report all nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. Fiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units are excluded from the government-wide statements because those resources are not available to fund the programs of the government. The government-wide statements include the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*; these statements show the financial position and changes in financial position from the prior year. (See additional discussion in Note 3.)

#### NOTE 2 – REPORTING ENTITY

For financial reporting purposes, the State of Colorado's primary government includes all funds of the State, its three branches of government, departments, agencies, and state-funded institutions of higher education that make up the State's legal entity. The State's reporting entity also includes those component units that are legally separate entities, for which the State's elected officials are financially accountable.

Financial accountability is defined in GASB Statement No. 14 – The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended by GASB Statement No. 61. The State is financially accountable for those entities for which the State appoints a voting majority of the governing board and either is able to impose its will upon the entity or there exists a financial benefit or burden relationship with the State.

For those entities that the State does not appoint a voting majority of the governing board, GASB Statement No. 14 includes them in the reporting entity if they are fiscally dependent and there exists a financial benefit or burden relationship with the State. Entities that do not meet the specific criteria for inclusion may still be included if it would be misleading to exclude them. Under GASB Statement No. 39, individually significant legally separate tax-exempt organizations are included as component units if their resources are for the direct benefit of the State and the State can access those resources.

The following entities qualify as discretely presented component units:

Colorado Water Resources and Power  
Development Authority  
University of Colorado Foundation  
Colorado State University Foundation  
Colorado School of Mines Foundation

University of Northern Colorado Foundation  
Other Component Units (Nonmajor):

Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball  
Stadium District  
CoverColorado  
Colorado Venture Capital Authority  
HLC @ Metro, Inc.

The following table contains the primary factors for the inclusion of the non-foundation component units in the State's reporting entity:

Component Unit (Non Foundation)	Board Appointment	Ability to Impose Will	Financial Benefit/Burden Relationship
Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority	Appointment by the Governor, with consent of the Senate.	Water projects are subject to General Assembly authorization.	The Authority can enter into agreements in name of the State, while the State is required to develop project use plans for the Authority at no cost. The State may also appropriate funds in order for the Authority to meet its debt service requirements.
Denver Metropolitan Major League Stadium District	Appointment by the Governor, with consent of the Senate.	Board members serve at the pleasure of the Governor.	None.
CoverColorado	Appointment by the Governor, with consent of the Senate.	None.	The State provides annual funding to CoverColorado through the Unclaimed Property program.
Venture Capital Authority	Appointment by the Governor or legislature.	Bond issuance is contingent on legislative approval.	The Authority was capitalized based on general-purpose revenue tax credits.
HLC @ Metro, Inc.	Appointment by the State through the Metropolitan State University of Denver Board of Trustees.	The Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan State University of Denver controls and supervises the board of HLC @ Metro, Inc.	Metro State University of Denver has guaranteed the debt of HLC @ Metro, Inc.

The four foundations meet the GASB Statement No. 39 criteria discussed above and are included because they are deemed by management to be individually significant.

Detailed financial information may be obtained directly from these organizations at the following addresses:

Colorado Water Resources and Power Development  
Authority  
1580 Logan Street, Suite 620  
Denver, Colorado 80203

University of Colorado Foundation  
1800 Grant Street, Suite 725  
Denver, Colorado 80203

Colorado State University Foundation  
410 University Services Center  
Fort Collins, CO 80523-9100

Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Inc.  
P. O. Box 4005  
Golden, Colorado 80402-4005

University of Northern Colorado Foundation  
1620 Reservoir Road  
Greeley, CO 80631

Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium  
District  
2195 Blake Street, Suite 300  
Denver, Colorado 80205

CoverColorado  
425 South Cherry Street, Suite 160  
Glendale, Colorado 80246

Venture Capital Authority  
1625 Broadway, Suite 2700  
Denver, Colorado 80202

HLC @ Metro, Inc.  
1512 Larimer St., Suite 800  
Denver, CO 80202

The following related organizations, for which the State appoints a voting majority of their governing boards, are not part of the reporting entity based on the criteria of GASB Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statements No. 39 and 61:

Pinnacol Assurance  
Colorado Educational and Cultural Facilities  
Authority



Colorado Health Facilities Authority  
 Colorado Agricultural Development Authority  
 Colorado Housing and Finance Authority  
 Colorado Sheep and Wool Authority  
 Colorado Beef Council Authority  
 Fire and Police Pension Association  
 The State Board of the Great Outdoors  
 Colorado Trust Fund  
 Colorado Health Benefit Exchange

Even though the appointment of governing boards of these authorities is similar to those included in the reporting entity, the State cannot impose its will upon these entities or it does not have a financial benefit or burden relationship with them. Detailed financial information may be obtained directly from these organizations.

Various college and university foundations exist for the benefit of the related State institutions of higher education, but they do not meet all of the GASB Statement No. 39 requirements for inclusion as component units. These entities are included in the various note disclosures if they qualify as related parties or if omitting them would be misleading.

The State has entered a joint operating agreement with the Huerfano County Hospital District to provide patient care at the Colorado State Veterans Nursing Home at Walsenburg. The facility is owned by the State, but it is operated by the hospital district under a twenty-year contract that is renewable at the district's option for successive ten-year terms up to 99 years from the original commencement date in November 1993.

The State's contract with the Huerfano County Hospital District states that the district is responsible for funding the operating deficits of the nursing home; however, since the State owns the nursing home, it retains ultimate financial responsibility for the home. Only the State's share of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses associated with the joint operation are shown in these financial statements. These include the land, building, and some of the equipment for the nursing home as well as revenues and expenses associated with the State's on-site contract administrator. The State's pass-through of U.S. Veterans Administration's funds to the district is also shown as revenue and expense of the State.

### **NOTE 3 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION – GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The government-wide financial statements focus on the government as a whole. The *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities* are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Under this presentation, all revenues, expenses, and all current and long-term assets,

deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows of the government are reported including capital assets, depreciation, and long-term debt.

The government-wide statements show the segregation between the primary government and its component units. The primary government is further subdivided between governmental activities and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Business-type activities include proprietary funds financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents the financial position of the government. The net position section of the statement focuses on whether assets and deferred outflows, net of related liabilities and deferred inflows, have been restricted as to the purpose for which they may be used. When an external party or the State Constitution places a restriction on the use of certain assets, those assets, net of related liabilities, are reported in the Net Position line items shown as Restricted. The nature of an asset may also result in a restriction on asset use. The line item Net Investment in Capital Assets, comprises capital assets (net of depreciation) reduced by the outstanding balance of leases, bonds, mortgages, notes, Certificates of Participation, or other borrowings that were used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of the capital asset. The State does not report restrictions of net position related to enabling legislation because a settled court case determined that crediting money to a special fund does not mean that the General Assembly is prohibited from appropriating the money for another purpose. Internal Service Fund assets and liabilities are reported in the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* as part of the governmental activities.

The *Statement of Activities* shows the change in financial position for the year. It focuses on the net program cost of individual functions and business-type activities in State government. It does this by presenting direct and allocated indirect costs reduced by program revenues of the function or business-type activities. Direct costs are those that can be specifically identified with a program. The State allocates indirect costs based on the Statewide Appropriations/Cash Fees Plan. Program revenues comprise fines and forfeitures, charges for goods and services, and capital and operating grants.

Taxes, with the exception of unemployment insurance premiums supporting a business-type activity, are presented as general-purpose revenues. General-purpose revenues are presented at the bottom of the statement and do not affect the calculation of net program cost.

Interfund transactions, such as federal and State grants moving between State agencies, have been eliminated from the government-wide statements to the extent that they occur within either the governmental or business-type activities, except as follows. In order not to misstate

the sales revenue and purchasing expenses of individual functions or business-type activities, the effects of interfund services provided and used have not been eliminated. Balances between governmental and business-type activities are presented as internal balances and are eliminated in the total column. Internal Service Fund activity has been eliminated by allocating the net revenue/expense of the Internal Service Fund to the function originally charged for the internal sale.

Some of the State's component units have fiscal year-ends that differ from the State's fiscal year-end, and as a result amounts receivable and payable between the primary government and component units may not be equal. Amounts shown as receivable and payable between the primary government and the component units are primarily with the four foundations, which are reported as component units and have matching fiscal year ends, but also include amounts related to component units not deemed material for discrete reporting.

Interfund balances between the primary government's fiduciary activities and the primary government are presented on the government-wide statements as external receivables and payables.

#### **NOTE 4 – BASIS OF PRESENTATION – FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

##### **Primary Government**

The fund-level statements provide additional detail about the primary government and its component units. The information is presented in four types – governmental funds, proprietary funds, fiduciary funds, and component units. With the exception of the fiduciary fund type, each type is presented with a major fund focus.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has defined major funds based on percentage thresholds; however, it allows presentation of any fund as a major fund when that fund is particularly important to financial statement users. The Capital Projects Fund, the State Education Fund, and the Lottery Fund do not meet the percentage threshold requirements, but they are presented as major funds under the discretion provided by the standard. The State's component units are reported as major except for the Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium District, CoverColorado, the Venture Capital Authority, and HLC @ Metro, Inc. which are presented as nonmajor component units.

The State's major funds report the following activities:

##### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE:**

###### General Fund

Transactions that are not related to specific revenue streams for dedicated purposes for services traditionally provided by State government are accounted for in the General Fund. The General Fund contains Special Purpose Funds that include the State Public School, Risk

Management, and Other Special Purpose Funds. Resources obtained from federal grants that support general governmental activities are accounted for in the General Fund consistent with applicable legal requirements. As a result of comingled current and cumulative general-purpose and special-purpose revenue in the General Fund, combining schedules detailing the components of the General Fund are included as supplementary information. The schedules segregate activities funded with general-purpose revenue in order to demonstrate compliance with the legal definition of the General Fund, which is referred to as the General Purpose Revenue Fund.

###### Resource Extraction

This fund accounts for receipts from severance taxes, mineral leasing, and fees associated with regulation of mining activities. Expenditures include distributions to local governments, regulatory costs, and loans to special districts and local governments for water projects.

###### Highway Users Tax Fund

Expenditures of this fund are for the construction and maintenance of public highways, the operations of the State Patrol, and the motor vehicle related operations of the Department of Revenue. Revenues are from excise taxes on motor fuels, driver, and vehicle registration fees, and other related taxes. In prior years this fund has issued revenue bonds to finance construction and maintenance of highway infrastructure. Most of the State's infrastructure is owned by this fund.

###### Capital Projects Fund

Transactions related to resources obtained and used for acquisition, construction, or improvement of State owned facilities and certain equipment are accounted for in the Capital Projects Fund unless the activity occurs in a proprietary fund or in certain instances when the activity is incidental to a cash fund. A combining schedule of the components of the Capital Projects Fund is presented as supplementary information to segregate regular (primarily general-funded) and special (primarily cash-funded) capital construction.

###### State Education Fund

The State Education Fund was created in the State Constitution by a vote of the people in November 2000. The fund's primary revenue source is a tax of one third of one percent on federal taxable income. The revenues are restricted for the purpose of improving Colorado students' primary education by funding specific programs and by guaranteeing appropriation growth of at least one percent greater than annual inflation through Fiscal Year 2010-11 and by inflation thereafter.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE:

Higher Education Institutions

This fund reports the activities of all state institutions of higher education. Fees for educational services, tuition payments, and research grants are the primary sources of funding for this activity. Higher Education Institutions have significant capital debt secured solely by pledged revenues.

Unemployment Insurance

This fund accounts for the collection of unemployment insurance premiums from employers, related federal support, the payment of unemployment benefits to eligible claimants, and revenue bonds issued through a related party, Colorado Housing and Finance Authority.

Lottery

The State Lottery encompasses the various lottery and lotto games run under Colorado Revised Statutes. The primary revenue source is lottery ticket sales, and the net proceeds are primarily distributed to the Great Outdoors Colorado Program (a related organization), the Conservation Trust Fund, and when receipts are adequate, the General Purpose Revenue Fund. The funds are used primarily for open space purchases and recreational facilities throughout the State.

Nonmajor funds of each fund type are aggregated into a single column for presentation in the basic financial statements. In addition to the major funds discussed above, the State reports the following fund categories in supplementary information in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE (NONMAJOR):

General Fund

The General Fund and its components are classified as a major fund in the basic financial statements. Because of the requirement to separately identify activity related to general-purpose revenues for legal compliance purposes, the general-purpose revenue activity and the special-purpose revenue activities are shown in a combining schedule detailing the components of the General Fund. As a result, the General Fund activity is presented similar to major and nonmajor funds. The general-purpose activity is presented in the General Purpose Revenue Fund, while the special-purpose revenue activities include the Public School Fund, the Risk Management Fund, and the Other Special Purpose Fund.

Capital Projects

The Capital Projects Fund and its components are classified as a major fund in the basic financial statements. The components are necessary to support the calculation of resources available for future appropriation. In order to demonstrate legal compliance, the Regular Capital Projects, which is primarily funded from general-

purpose revenue, and Special Capital Projects Fund, which is primarily funded with dedicated revenues, are presented similar to nonmajor funds.

Special Revenue Funds

Transactions related to resources obtained from specific sources and dedicated to specific purposes are accounted for in special revenue funds. The individual nonmajor funds include Labor, Gaming, Tobacco Impact Mitigation, Resource Management, Environment and Health Protection, Unclaimed Property, and Other Special Revenue Funds.

Debt Service Fund

This fund accounts for the accumulation of resources, primarily transfers from other funds, for the payment of long-term debt principal and interest. It also accounts for the issuance of debt solely to refund debt of other funds. The primary debt serviced by this fund consists of Certificates of Participation issued by various departments and Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes issued by the Department of Transportation to fund infrastructure.

Permanent Funds

This collection of funds reports resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not principal, may be used to support the State's programs. The individual nonmajor funds included in this category are the State Lands Fund and an aggregation of several smaller funds. On the government-wide financial statements, the net position of these funds are presented as restricted with separate identification of the nonexpendable (principal) and expendable (earnings) amounts. On the fund-level financial statements, the principal portion is reported as Nonspendable.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE (NONMAJOR):

Enterprise Funds

The State uses enterprise funds to account for activities that charge fees, primarily to external users, to recover the costs of the activity. In some instances, the requirement to recover costs is a legal mandate, and in others it is due to management's pricing policy. The individual nonmajor funds reported as supplementary information include Parks and Wildlife, College Assist, State Fair Authority, Correctional Industries, State Nursing Homes, Prison Canteens, Petroleum Storage Tank, Transportation Enterprise, and several smaller funds aggregated as Other Enterprise Funds.

Internal Service Funds

The State uses Internal Service Funds to account for sales of goods and services, primarily to internal customers, on a cost reimbursement basis. The major fund concept does not apply to Internal Service Funds. The State's Internal Service Funds reported in supplementary information include Central Services, Information Technology, Capitol Complex, Highways, Public Safety,

Administrative Courts, Legal Services, and Other Enterprise Services. In the fund financial statements, these activities are aggregated into a single column. In the government-wide statements, the Internal Service Funds are included in the governmental activities on the *Statement of Net Position*, and they are included in the *Statement of Activities* through an allocation of their net revenue/expense back to the programs originally charged for the goods or services.

#### FIDUCIARY FUND TYPE:

The resources reported in fiduciary fund types are not available for use in the State's programs; therefore, none of the fiduciary funds are included in the government-wide financial statements.

#### Pension and Benefit Trust Funds

In the basic financial statements, the State reports in a single column the activities related to resources being held in trust for members and beneficiaries of the Group Benefits Plan, which provides Health, Life, Dental, and Short-Term Disability Benefits to State employees.

#### Private Purpose Trust Funds

Private Purpose Trust Funds are used to report the resources held in trust for the benefit of other governments, private organizations, or individuals. A single column in the basic financial statements aggregates the Treasurer's Private Purpose Trusts, Unclaimed Property, the College Savings Plan operated by CollegeInvest, the College Opportunity Fund (liquidated annually), the Multistate Lottery Winners Trust Fund and several smaller funds shown in the aggregate as Other.

#### Agency Funds

Agency funds are used to report resources held in a purely custodial capacity for other individuals, private organizations, or other governments. Agency funds primarily include local sales tax collections, trustee investments related to State capital projects, and investments of the Colorado Water Resource and Power Development Authority. Typically the time between receipt and disbursement of these resources is short and investment earnings are inconsequential.

#### PRESENTATION OF INTERNAL BALANCES

Intrafund transactions are those transactions that occur completely within a column in the financial statements, while interfund transactions involve more than one column. This definition applies at the level of combining financial statements in the supplementary information section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Substantially all intrafund transactions and balances of the primary government have been eliminated from the fund-level financial statements. Interfund sales and federal grant pass-throughs are not eliminated, but are shown as revenues and expenditures/expenses of the various funds. Substantially all other interfund transactions are classified

as transfers-in or transfers-out after the revenues and expenses are reported on each of the statements of changes in net position, or the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

#### FUNCTIONAL PRESENTATION OF EXPENDITURES

In the governmental fund types, expenditures are presented on a functional basis rather than an individual program basis because of the large number of programs operated by the State. The State's eight functional classifications and the State agencies or departments comprising each are:

##### General Government

Legislative Branch, Department of Personnel & Administration, most of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, part of the Governor's Office, part of the Department of Revenue, and Department of Treasury

##### Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs

Department of Agriculture, part of the Governor's Office, Department of Labor and Employment, Department of Local Affairs, most of the Department of Regulatory Agencies, Gaming Division of the Department of Revenue, and Department of State

##### Education

Department of Education and the portion of the Department of Higher Education not reported as a business-type activity

##### Health and Rehabilitation

Department of Public Health and Environment and part of the Department of Human Services

##### Justice

Department of Corrections, Division of Youth Corrections in the Department of Human Services, Judicial Branch, Department of Law, Department of Public Safety, and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Regulatory Agencies

##### Natural Resources

Department of Natural Resources

##### Social Assistance

Department of Human Services, Veterans' Affairs, and the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

##### Transportation

Department of Transportation

#### **Component Units**

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority is engaged only in business-type activities, and uses proprietary fund accounting for its operations. The authority's financial information is presented as of December 31, 2014.

The Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium District, a nonmajor component unit, uses proprietary fund accounting in preparation of its financial statements, while CoverColorado and the Venture Capital Authority, both nonmajor component units, apply applicable GASB pronouncements. The financial information for the Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium District and the Venture Capital Authority is presented as of December 31, 2014 and March 31, 2015 for CoverColorado (see Note 41).

The four foundations presented as component units and HLC @ Metro, Inc. follow Financial Accounting Standards Board statements applicable to not-for-profit entities. The foundations' audited not-for-profit financial statements have been recast into the governmental format as allowed by GASB Statement No. 39. Financial information for the four foundation component units and HLC @ Metro, Inc. is presented as of June 30, 2015.

## NOTE 5 – BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

### Primary Government

The basis of accounting applied to a fund depends on both the type of fund and the financial statement on which the fund is presented.

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

All transactions and balances on the government-wide financial statements are reported on the full accrual basis of accounting. Under full accrual, revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows resulting from exchange transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place and the earnings process is complete. Similar recognition occurs for nonexchange transactions depending on the type of transaction as follows:

- ♦ Derived tax revenues are recognized when the underlying exchange transaction occurs.
- ♦ Imposed nonexchange revenues are recognized when the State has an enforceable legal claim.
- ♦ Government mandated and voluntary nonexchange revenues are recognized when all eligibility requirements are met – assets are recognized if received before eligibility requirements are met.

#### FUND-LEVEL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

##### Governmental Funds

All transactions and balances of governmental funds are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting consistent with the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 6. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they are measurable and available. The State defines revenues as available if they

are expected to be collected within one year. Historical data, adjusted for economic trends, are used to estimate the following revenue accruals:

- ♦ Sales, use, liquor, and cigarette taxes are accrued based on filings received and an estimate of filings due at June 30.
- ♦ Income taxes, net of refunds, to be collected from individuals, corporations, and trusts are accrued based on current income earned by taxpayers before June 30. Quarterly filings, withholding statements, and other historical and economic data are used to estimate taxpayers' current income. The related revenue is accrued net of an allowance for uncollectible taxes.

Revenues earned under the terms of reimbursement agreements with other governments or private sources are recorded at the time the related expenditures are made if other eligibility requirements have been met.

Expenditures are recognized in governmental funds when:

- ♦ The related liability is incurred and is due and payable in full (examples include professional services, supplies, utilities, and travel),
- ♦ The matured portion of general long-term indebtedness is due and payable (or resources have been designated in the Debt Service Fund and the debt service is payable within thirty days of fiscal year-end),
- ♦ The liability has matured and is normally expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

Under these recognition criteria, compensated absences, claims and judgments, and termination benefits are reported as fund liabilities only in the period that they become due and payable. Expenditures/liabilities not recognized in the fund-level statements are reported as expenses/liabilities on the government-wide statements.

##### Proprietary and Fiduciary Funds

All transactions and balances of the proprietary and fiduciary fund types are reported on the full accrual basis of accounting as described above for the government-wide statements.

##### **Component Units**

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority uses the accrual basis of accounting under which revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the related liability is incurred.

**NOTE 6 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES AFFECTING  
SPECIFIC ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND  
NET POSITION****A. CASH AND POOLED CASH**

For purposes of reporting cash flows, cash and pooled cash is defined as cash-on-hand, demand deposits, certificates of deposit with financial institutions, pooled cash with the State Treasurer, and warrants payable.

**B. RECEIVABLES****Component Units**

The University of Colorado Foundation, the Colorado State University Foundation, the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, and the University of Northern Colorado Foundation all record unconditional promises to give as revenue and receivable in the period that the pledge is made. The University of Colorado Foundation, the Colorado State University Foundation, the Colorado School of Mines Foundation and the University of Northern Colorado Foundation use the allowance method to determine the uncollectible portion of unconditional contributions receivable. The Colorado School of Mines Foundation recognizes conditional promises to give as revenue and receivable when the conditions on which the pledges are dependent are substantially met.

**C. INVENTORY**

Inventories of the various State agencies primarily comprise finished goods inventories held for resale and consumable items such as office and institutional supplies, fuel, and maintenance items.

Inventories of the governmental funds are stated at cost, while inventories of the proprietary funds are stated at the lower of cost or fair value. The State uses various valuation methods (FIFO, average cost, etc.) as selected by individual State agencies. The method used in each agency is consistent from year to year.

Consumable inventories that are deemed material are expended at the time they are consumed. Immaterial consumable inventories are expended at the time of purchase, while inventories held for resale are expensed at the time of sale.

**D. INVESTMENTS****Primary Government**

Investments, including those held by the State Treasurer and reported as pooled cash; include both short and long-term investments. They are stated at fair value except for certain money market investments (see Note 14). Investments that do not have an established market are reported at their estimated fair value. The State Treasurer records investment interest in individual funds based on book yield as adjusted for amortization of investment premiums and discounts.

**Component Units**

Marketable equity and debt investments of the University of Colorado Foundation are presented at fair value based on quoted market prices; alternative investment fair values are based on national security exchange closing prices, if marketable, and on prorata share of the net assets of the investment, if not marketable. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the change in net position.

The University of Colorado Foundation has concentrations of financial instruments in cash and investments that potentially subject it to credit risk. The foundation selects credit-worthy high-quality financial institutions, but frequently portions of its deposits are not insured by the FDIC. The foundation's concentrations in stocks, bonds, and alternative investments also subject it to credit risk. These investments are selected by professional managers and are monitored by the Investment Committee of the foundation's Board of Directors. Certain investment managers employ techniques such as leverage, futures and forwards contracts, option agreements, and other derivative instruments that create special risks that could adversely affect the foundation's investment portfolio valuation. Foundation management believes the investment policy is prudent for the long-term welfare of the foundation.

The mission of the Venture Capital Authority, a nonmajor component unit, is to make seed and early-stage investments in companies that are not fully established. Because of the inherent uncertainty of investment valuation where a ready market does not exist, as is the case with Venture Capital Authority investments, estimated values may differ from the values that would have been reported had a ready market existed, and the differences could be material.

## E. CAPITAL ASSETS

Depreciable capital assets are reported at historical cost net of accumulated depreciation on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*. Donated capital assets are carried at their fair market value at the date of donation (net of accumulated depreciation). Land, certain land improvements, construction in progress, and certain works of art or historical treasures are reported as nondepreciable assets.

The following table lists the range of capitalization thresholds established by the State as well as lower thresholds adopted by some State agencies. State agencies are allowed to capitalize assets below established thresholds. The University of Colorado has adopted a \$75,000 threshold for land and leasehold improvements as well as buildings and software.

(Amounts in Dollars)		
Asset Class	Lower Capitalization Thresholds	Established State Thresholds
Land Improvements	\$ 5,000	\$ 50,000
Buildings	\$ 5,000	\$ 50,000
Leasehold Improvements	\$ 5,000	\$ 50,000
Intangible Assets	NA	\$ 50,000
Vehicles and Equipment	NA	\$ 5,000
Software (purchased)	NA	\$ 5,000
Software (internally developed)	NA	\$ 50,000
Collections	NA	\$ 5,000
Infrastructure	NA	\$ 500,000

All depreciable capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. State agencies are required to use actual experience in setting useful lives for depreciating capital assets. The following table lists the range of lives that State agencies normally use in depreciating capital assets. Certain historical and Department of Transportation buildings and are depreciated over longer lives, but they are excluded from the following table.

(Amounts in Years)		
Asset Class	Shortest Period Used	Longest Period Used
Land Improvements	3	50
Buildings	3	70
Leasehold Improvements	3	50
Vehicles and Equipment	1	50
Software	2	23
Library Books	3	20
Other Capital Assets	3	25
Infrastructure	20	75

Roads and bridges, except for right-of-way and fiber optic infrastructure, owned by the Department of Transportation and other infrastructure primarily owned by the Department of Natural Resources, are capitalized and depreciated. The Department of Transportation depreciates roadways over 40 years, and bridges over 75 years.

The State capitalizes interest incurred during the construction of capital assets that are reported in enterprise funds.

## F. UNEARNED REVENUE AND DEFERRED INFLOWS

Under reimbursement agreements, receipts from the federal government and other program sponsors are not earned until the related expenditures occur. These receipts are recorded as unearned revenue, except for amounts recorded as deferred inflows when the only eligibility requirement not met is the time requirement.

On the fund-level governmental financial statements, revenues related to taxes receivable that the State does not expect to collect until after the following fiscal year are not earned and are reported as deferred inflows. However, taxes receivable are recognized as revenue on the government-wide financial statements.

## G. ACCRUED COMPENSATED ABSENCES LIABILITY

### Primary Government

State law concerning the accrual of sick leave was changed effective July 1, 1988. After that date all employees in classified permanent positions within the State Personnel System accrue sick leave at the rate of 6.66 hours per month. Total sick leave per employee is limited to the individual's accrued balance on July 1, 1988, plus 360 additional hours. Employees that exceed the limit at June 30 are required to convert five hours of unused sick leave to one hour of annual leave. Employees or their survivors are paid for one-fourth of their unused sick leave upon retirement or death.

Annual leave is earned at increasing rates based on employment longevity. No classified employee is allowed to accumulate more than 42 days of annual leave at the end of a fiscal year. Employees are paid 100 percent of their annual leave balance upon leaving State service.

In accordance with GASB Interpretation No. 6, compensated absence liabilities related to the governmental funds are recognized as liabilities of the fund only to the extent that they are due and payable at June 30. For all other fund types, both current and long-term portions are recorded as individual fund liabilities. On the

government-wide *Statement of Net Position*, all compensated absence liabilities are reported.

### Component Units

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority recognizes unused vacation and sick leave benefits as they are earned.

## H. INSURANCE

The State has an agreement with Broadspire to act as the third party administrator for the State's self-insured workers' compensation claims. The State reimburses Broadspire for the current cost of claims paid and related administrative expenses. Actuarially determined liabilities are accrued for claims to be paid in future years.

The State insures its property through a combination of self-insurance and commercial insurance carriers and is self-insured against liability risks for both its officials and employees (see Note 21). It is self-funded for employee healthcare plans, however, in the healthcare instance, the risk resides with the employees because the State contribution to the plan is subject to appropriation each year, and employees are required to cover the balance of any premiums due. The State pays the actual costs of unemployment benefits paid to separated employees rather than unemployment insurance premiums.

## I. NET POSITION AND FUND BALANCES

In the financial statements, assets and deferred outflows in excess of liabilities and deferred inflows are presented in one of two ways depending on the measurement focus used in reporting the fund.

On the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*, the proprietary funds' *Statement of Net Position*, and the fiduciary funds' *Statement of Fiduciary Net Position*, net position is segregated into restricted and unrestricted balances. Restrictions are limitations on how the net position may be used. Restrictions may be placed on net position by the external party that provided the resources, by the State Constitution, or by the nature of the asset (such as, in the case of capital assets).

The following paragraphs describe the restrictions reported in the three financial statement types cited above:

Net Investment in Capital Assets – This item comprises capital assets net of accumulated depreciation if applicable. The carrying value of capital assets are further reduced by the outstanding balances of leases, bonds, or other borrowings that were used to acquire, construct, or improve the related capital asset. Deferred outflows related to refunding losses also adjust this line item.

Restricted for Construction and Highway Maintenance – Article X Section 18 of the State Constitution restricts the motor fuels tax and fee portion of the Highway Users Tax Fund. The restricted portion of the fund is appropriated for highway construction and maintenance activities.

Restricted for Education – The net position of the State Education Fund, a major special revenue fund, is restricted for education purposes based on Article IX, Section 17, of the State Constitution. Section 17 is commonly referred to as Amendment 23, which references the ballot number assigned to the issue in the general election of 2000. In addition, the net position of the Public School Fund, a Special Purpose fund is restricted for exclusive use pursuant to Article IX, Section 3 of the State Constitution.

The net position of Higher Education Institutions, a major proprietary fund, is restricted for educational purposes that primarily include student loans and scholarships restricted by the federal government and other sponsoring entities and revenue balances pledged for auxiliary facility debt as a result of bond covenants. Balances related to various instructional, research and academic support programs and capital projects may also be restricted based on requirements of donors and sponsors. Finally, Article XVIII, Section 9 of the State Constitution, also known as Amendment 50, requires that specified gaming receipts only be used for instructional purposes and scholarship programs.

Restricted for Unemployment Insurance – The entire net position balance of the Unemployment Insurance Fund is reported as restricted because federal regulations limit nearly all the balance to paying unemployment insurance claims.

Restricted for Debt Service – The net position of the Debt Service Fund, a nonmajor governmental fund, are restricted to be used only for upcoming principal and interest payments. The net position in governmental activities is found in the Department of Personnel & Administration and in the Department of Treasury on behalf of the Build Excellent Schools Today (BEST) program. The Higher Education Institutions Fund also reports certain balances restricted for principal and interest payments on revenue-bonded debt.

Restricted for Emergencies – The General Assembly designates the fund balance of certain funds as an emergency reserve as required by Article X, Section 20 (TABOR) of the State Constitution. The requirement is to reserve for emergencies three percent or more of fiscal year spending. Fiscal year spending is defined in TABOR as all spending and reserve increases except for spending from certain excluded revenues and enterprises. State properties and the Unclaimed Property Trust Fund included as part of the required reserve are not represented in this amount. (See Note 8B for more



information on the current year amount of the emergency reserve.)

**Restricted Permanent Funds and Endowments** – This item is segregated into two components. The restricted balances reported as nonexpendable are related to the principal portion of governmental Permanent Funds, such as the State Lands Fund, amounts dedicated to fund capital construction activity, and the endowment portion of the Higher Education Institutions Fund that must be maintained in perpetuity. The restricted balances reported as expendable are primarily the earnings on the related principal balances. In general these earnings can only be used for education program purposes.

**Restricted for Other Purposes** – The State operates certain funds that were established at the direction of federal government, the courts, the State Constitution, or other external parties. The most significant purposes include:

- Settlements in various funds that have been directed by the courts for specific uses in environmental remediation and consumer protection cases.
- Gaming activities pursuant to Article XVIII, Section 9 of the State Constitution restricted to provide an operating reserve, for historic preservation purposes, and for distribution to support local and State community colleges.
- Federal moneys held for mining reclamation, housing programs, and scholarship trusts.
- Aviation Fund moneys collected pursuant to Article X, Section 18 of the State Constitution.
- Lottery proceeds for parks and outdoor projects as directed by Article XXVII of the State Constitution.
- Tobacco taxes for health related programs pursuant to Article X, Section 21 of the State Constitution.

On the *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*, assets in excess of liabilities are reported as fund balances and are segregated between spendable and nonspendable amounts, as follows:

**Nonspendable** – This fund balance category consists of inventories, prepaid expenditures, and the corpus of permanent funds. The fund balance consists primarily of prepaid advances to counties for social assistance programs, to local entities for species conservation, permanent funds related to state lands, and to Colorado cities and special districts from emergency management funds.

Spendable amounts are further segregated into categories based on the degree to which the uses of resources are constrained. The categorization, in part, is a result of the State's spending prioritization policy. When an expenditure is incurred that could be funded from either restricted or unrestricted sources it is the State's general policy that unrestricted dollars are spent first, and within unrestricted sources funding is allocated first from

unassigned, then assigned, and then committed resources. However, in certain circumstances restricted and/or committed resources are spent without regard to other available funding sources including transfers:

- to pay indirect costs,
- to fund programs operating in the General Purpose Revenue Fund,
- to support health-related programs funded by tobacco tax,
- to support programs partially funded by Highway Users' Tax funds, and
- other situations that are not individually significant.

Spendable fund balance classifications include:

**Restricted** – This classification is the portion of fund balance that is restricted by the State Constitution or external parties, and therefore, the related fund balance can only be expended as directed by the State Constitution or the external party.

Restrictions are in place on the *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds* to reflect the restrictions discussed for the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*, except for Permanent Funds that are presented as Nonspendable. The emergency reserve is restricted in the Labor Fund, a nonmajor Other Special Revenue Fund, the Colorado Water Conservation Board Construction Fund and the Severance Tax Perpetual Base Fund in Resource Extraction, and the Controlled Maintenance Trust Fund within special-purpose General Funds. The gaming proceeds are restricted in the Gaming Fund, a nonmajor Other Special Revenue Fund, and funds legally required to be held for debt service in the Debt Service Fund, an Other Governmental Fund, while the remaining restrictions are represented in various funds.

In addition to restrictions on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*, the *Balance Sheet–Governmental Funds* includes restrictions for other financing arrangements under which the proceeds are restricted to the purpose of the issuance. The unspent proceeds are primarily related to public school construction under the Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) program, in the Special Purpose General Fund.

**Committed** – This fund balance classification consists of amounts constrained by the General Assembly, the State's highest level of decision-making authority. Changes to constraints require legislative action by the General Assembly. The classification applies to the majority of governmental funds, excluding the General Purpose Revenue Fund.

In the General Purpose Revenue Fund the Committed category represents the requirement in Colorado Revised Statutes 24-75-201.1(1) (d) to reserve six and one-half percent of General Purpose Revenue Fund appropriations. C.R.S. 24-75-201.5(1)(a) further requires the Governor to

take action within the fiscal year to preserve one half of the reserve when economic forecasts indicate revenues will not be adequate to maintain the required reserve. Historically, the legislature has acted to reduce the reserve when revenues were projected to be inadequate to fund appropriations and the reserve. The reserve is applicable for both GAAP and budget basis purposes. The GAAP based fund balance was not sufficient to report the entire reserve as Committed fund balance. As a result only the remaining GAAP fund balance of \$523.8 million was committed for this purpose.

Committed balances also includes earned augmenting revenue, such as insurance proceeds, that state agencies are not required to revert into the General Purpose Revenue Fund fund balance.

In the Capital Projects Fund, the Committed classification represents the fund balance of the Corrections Expansion Reserve and the balance of certain other projects that are allowed to maintain a fund balance. These projects are not required to revert excess cash revenue to the Capital Projects Fund.

Assigned – This classification represents the portion of the General Purpose Revenue Fund fund balance related to certain Fiscal Year 2014-15 appropriations that the Colorado State Controller approved in accordance with Fiscal Rule 7-3 for use in the subsequent fiscal year.

Unassigned – This classification is the residual classification in the General Fund, and is not shown in other governmental funds unless the fund balance is a deficit. For Fiscal Year 2014-15, there was no unassigned fund balance because of the shortfall in the statutory reserve discussed in the Committed section of this note.

## **NOTE 7 – ACCOUNTING POLICIES AFFECTING REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES**

### **A. PROGRAM REVENUES**

The government-wide *Statement of Activities* presents two broad types of revenues – program revenues and general revenues. All taxes, with the exception of unemployment insurance premiums used to support a business-type activity, are reported as general revenues. Unrestricted investment earnings and the court ordered awards of the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund, a nonmajor Other Special Revenue Fund, are also reported as general revenues. Except for transfers, permanent fund additions, and special items, all other revenues are reported as program revenues. In general, program revenues include:

- ♦ Fees for services, tuition, licenses, certifications, and inspections,
- ♦ Fines and forfeitures,
- ♦ Sales of products,
- ♦ Rents and royalties,
- ♦ Donations and contributions, and
- ♦ Intergovernmental revenues (including capital and operating grants).

### **B. INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION**

The State allocates indirect costs on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*. In general, the allocation reduces costs shown in the general government functions and increases costs in the other functions and business-type activities. The allocation is based on the Statewide Appropriations/Cash Fees Plan that is derived from the Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan that was approved by the federal government during Fiscal Year 2014-15. The Statewide Appropriations/Cash Fees Plan includes indirect costs not chargeable to federal sources, including the majority of the Governor's Office.

The Plan uses costs from Fiscal Year 2011-12 that were incorporated in State agency budgets in Fiscal Year 14-15. The allocation of costs between the governmental activities and business-type activities would normally result in an adjustment of internal balances on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*. However, since the amount allocated from the governmental activities to the business-type activities is small, an offsetting adjustment is made to the Transfers line item at the bottom of the *Statement of Activities*.

### C. OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES

The State reports three major enterprise funds, multiple nonmajor enterprise funds, and multiple internal service funds. Because these funds engage in a wide variety of activities, the State's definition of operating revenues and expenses is highly generalized. For these funds, operating revenues and expenses are defined as transactions that result from the core business activity of the proprietary fund.

In general this definition provides consistency between operating income on the *Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position* and cash from operations on the *Statement of Cash Flows*. However, certain exceptions occur including:

- ♦ Interest earnings and expenses of proprietary funds, for which the core business activity is lending, are

reported as operating revenues and expenses on the *Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position* but are reported as investing activities on the *Statement of Cash Flows*.

- ♦ Some rents, fines, donations, and certain grants and contracts are reported as nonoperating revenues on the *Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position* but are reported as cash from operations on the *Statement of Cash Flows*.

The State's institutions of higher education have defined operating revenues and expenses as generally resulting from providing goods and services for instruction, research, public service, or related support services to an individual or entity separate from the institution.

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**NOTE 8 – STEWARDSHIP, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND LEGAL COMPLIANCE****A. OVEREXPENDITURES**

Depending on the accounting fund type involved, expenditures/expenses are determined using the modified accrual or accrual basis of accounting even if the accrual will result in an overexpenditure. In the General Purpose Revenue Fund and Regular Capital Projects Fund, if earned cash revenues plus available reserved fund balance and earned federal revenues are less than cash and federal expenditures, then those excess expenditures are considered general-funded expenditures. If general-funded expenditures exceed the general-funded appropriation then an overexpenditure occurs even if the expenditures did not exceed the total legislative line item appropriation. Absent general-funded appropriations, agencies are not allowed to use general-purpose revenue to support an expenditure/expense that was appropriated from cash or federal funds. Budget-to-actual comparisons are presented in the Required Supplementary Information Section beginning on page 159. Differences noted between departmental reversions or overexpended amounts on the budgetary schedules and the overexpended amounts discussed below are due to offsetting underexpended line item appropriations.

Within the limitations discussed below, the State Controller with the approval of the Governor may allow certain overexpenditures of the legal appropriation, as provided by Colorado Revised Statutes 24-75-109. Unlimited overexpenditures are allowed in the Medicaid program. The statute also provides for \$250,000 of general-funded overexpenditure authority in the Children's Basic Health Plan. The Department of Human Services is allowed \$1.0 million of overexpenditures not related to Medicaid and unlimited overexpenditures for self-insurance of its workers' compensation plan. Statute also allows overexpenditures up to \$3.0 million in total for the remainder of the Executive Branch. An additional \$1.0 million of combined transfers and overexpenditures are allowed for the Judicial Branch.

The State Controller is generally required by statute to restrict the subsequent year appropriation whether or not an overexpenditure is approved. Such a restriction requires the agency to seek a supplemental appropriation from the General Assembly, earn adequate cash or federal revenue to cover the expenditure in the following year, and/or reduce their subsequent year's expenditures.

Per Colorado Revised Statutes 24-75-109(2)(b), neither the Governor nor the State Controller is allowed to approve any overexpenditure in excess of the unencumbered balance of the fund from which the overexpenditure is made.

Total overexpenditures at June 30, 2015, were \$59,732,077 as described in the following paragraphs.

Approved Medicaid Overexpenditures:

- ♦ Medical Services Premiums – The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing overexpended this line item by \$21,509,588 of general funds. This appropriation pays for the majority of Medicaid services rendered for clients. Restrictions related to the prior year's overexpenditure in the amount of \$27,130,236 were not lifted for the current fiscal year spending authority. This was the sole contributing factor to the General Fund overexpenditure this fiscal year.
- ♦ Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) State Contribution Payment – This line item overexpended general funds in the amount of \$1,126,778. The reason for the overexpenditure is the same as the Medical Services Premium above. Restrictions were placed on this line due to the prior year's overexpenditure in the amount of \$1,285,961. The restrictions were not lifted for the current year spending authority.
- ♦ Behavioral Health Capitation – The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing overexpended this line item by a total of \$30,669,714, of which \$454,308 was an overexpenditure of general funds, \$2,298,290 was overexpended in cash funds and \$27,917,116 from federal funds. The overexpenditure in this line is related to under estimating caseload for populations funded by general funds and significantly under estimating the caseload for the Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) adults population, the population group under the Affordable Care Act that receive Medicaid depending on what the percentage of their MAGI is. This population is funded by cash and federal funds. Because Medicaid and is an entitlement program, there is always the risk an overexpenditure will occur.
- ♦ Behavioral Health Fee-for-service – This appropriation line pays for Medicaid covered Behavioral Health services that are paid on a fee-for-service basis to providers. An unexpected increase in utilization is the cause of the general fund overexpenditure of this line in the amount of \$489,536.

Approved State department Subject to the \$3.0 Million Limit:

- ♦ Worker's Compensation, TPA Fees and Loss Control – The Department of Personnel and Administration overexpended this line item by \$21,367 reappropriated cash funds. The overexpenditure in this line is due to a prior year accounting error that was corrected in the current fiscal year.

- ♦ Worker's Compensation, Legal Services – The Department of Personnel and Administration overexpended this reappropriated cash line in the amount of \$250,368. The cause of the overexpenditure was that legal costs related to Worker's Compensation claims were higher than the amount appropriated for this line.
- ♦ IDS Operating Expenses – Reprographics – The Department of Personnel and Administration's overexpenditure of this line is \$134,643. The factors causing this overexpenditure were one-time expenses incurred on Xerox contract extensions required until a new contract was executed, additional expenditures on the Department of Revenue pipeline project, and a high demand of outsourced printing job requests.
- ♦ COFRS Modernization – The Department of Education overexpended their reappropriated cash line by \$47,897. The overexpenditure occurred because the department paid for the Federal portion of costs related to the implementation of a new Statewide accounting system from their reappropriated line item. The Department does not have a basis for assigning the costs to their Federal programs in proportion to the benefit provided as required by Federal regulations.
- ♦ Colorado Office of Film, Television and Media – The Office of Economic Development and International Trade has an overexpenditure of general funds in the amount of \$515,982. Projects completed in prior years were not properly encumbered in the financial system at the time the projects started or carried forward into the current fiscal year. When payment was made in the current fiscal year for prior year projects and current year projects, it caused the overexpenditure.
- ♦ COFRS Modernization – The Department of Natural Resources overexpended their cash line related to this appropriation by \$26,961 to pay their Federal portion of costs related to the implementation of a new Statewide accounting system. The amount overexpended was The Department does not have any Federal partners to provide funding for this cost.

Overexpenditures Not Allowed to Be Approved (Deficit Fund Balances):

- ♦ Home and Community Survey Cash Fund – This cash fund resides at the Department of Public Health and Environment, the Department stated that actual revenue received was about \$50,000 less than expected and expenses were slightly higher than anticipated causing a deficit fund balance in the amount of \$69,055 at year end.
- ♦ High Performance Transportation Enterprise – The Department of Transportation had a deficit fund balance related to this line item of \$3,294,462. Pursuant to C.R.S. 43-4-806 (4), the Transportation

Commission loaned monies to the High Performance Transportation Enterprise. Although there was a positive cash balance in the fund as of fiscal year end, the remaining unpaid loan liability was greater. The deficit this year has increased from last year's amount of \$2,283,235.

- ♦ Aviation Fund – The Department of Transportation had a deficit fund balance in this fund in the amount of \$158,719 related to lower than anticipated tax revenues resulting from low fuel prices.
- ♦ State Share of Districts' Total Program – The Department of Education had a deficit fund balance related to this fund of \$836,508. When setting the appropriation amount for fiscal year 2015, it was estimated that mineral leasing revenue would be about \$6.5 million higher than the amount actually collected. The fund balance from previous years was not sufficient to absorb the decrease in revenue from mineral leasing.
- ♦ Personal Services Line of the Fixed Utilities Fund – The Department of Regulatory Agencies reported a deficit fund balance in this fund in the amount of \$390,337. After managing to a structural revenue issue first identified in January, an unexpected further drop in fixed utility revenue (collected by the Department of Revenue) created a revenue shortfall for Fiscal Year 2014-15. June revenue historically hits in the final days of the fiscal year, which is past potential consideration of a supplemental appropriation.
- ♦ Real Estate Cash Fund – The Department of Regulatory Agencies had a deficit fund balance in this fund of \$81,141 due to an administrative oversight within the division when an invoice was not recorded timely.
- ♦ Registration Number Fund – The Governor's Office had a deficit fund balance related to this fund of \$105,098. Pursuant to CRS 42-1-407, the Department of Personnel and Administration loaned \$300,000 to cover start-up costs until proceeds from the auction of special license plates were generated. Although there was a positive cash balance in the fund as of fiscal year end, the remaining unpaid loan liability was greater.
- ♦ Various – With the implementation of the new statewide financial system, CORE, there were 11 small dollar over expenditures of less than two thousand dollars individually totaling \$3,923 due to timing mismatches.

The deferral of Medicaid expenditures and revenues for budget purposes only is authorized in CRS 25.5-8-108(5). However, those expenditures are recognized in the current fiscal year for financial statement presentation under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The recognition of those expenditures on the GAAP basis

resulted in fund balance deficits. Because the budget deferral that caused the GAAP deficit fund balance is in compliance with statute, no restriction of Fiscal Year 2015-16 spending authority is recommended. The following cash funds were in deficit fund balance position as a result of this Medicaid activity as of June 30, 2015:

- Department of Health Care Policy and Financing
  - Health Care Expansion Fund - \$2,477,857
  - Medicaid Buy-In Cash Fund - \$96,134
  - Local Government Fund - \$1,497

The General Fund Surplus Schedule (page 165) includes an appropriation reversion from the Department of Revenue in the amount of \$2.978 million, included in that reversion is an overexpenditure of \$18.9 million in the Old Age Pension program, which is continuously appropriated in the appropriations act. The Department does not record additional continuously appropriated spending authority for the excess expenditure so that the General Fund Surplus Schedule and the General Fund Reversions Report will show that the appropriations act estimate was less than the actual expenditures.

A separately issued report comparing line item expenditures to authorized budget is available upon request from the Office of the State Controller.

## B. TAX, SPENDING, AND DEBT LIMITATIONS

Certain State revenues, primarily taxes and fees, are limited under Article X, Section 20 (TABOR) of the State Constitution. The growth in these revenues from year to year is limited to the rate of population growth plus the rate of inflation. The TABOR section of the State Constitution also requires voter approval for any new tax, tax rate increase, or new debt. These limitations apply to the State as a whole, not to individual funds, departments, or agencies of the State. Government run businesses accounted for as enterprise funds that have the authority to issue bonded debt and that receive less than ten percent of annual revenues from the State and its local governments are exempted from the TABOR revenue limits.

Since its passage in 1992, TABOR has required that annual revenues in excess of the constitutional limit be refunded to the taxpayers unless voters approve otherwise. The State first exceeded the TABOR revenue growth limit in Fiscal Year 1996-97, and it continued to exceed the limit each year until Fiscal Year 2001-02, resulting in a cumulative required refund of \$3,250.2 million for that period. State revenues did not exceed the TABOR limit in Fiscal Years 2001-02, 2002-03, or 2003-04, but again exceeded the limit resulting in a \$41.1 million required refund for Fiscal Year 2004-05.

In the 2005 general election, voters approved Referendum C, a statutory measure referred to the ballot by the Legislature that authorized the State to retain revenues in excess of the limit for the five Fiscal Years 2005-06 through 2009-10. With the end of the Referendum C five-year excess revenue retention period, the State is subject to an Excess State Revenue Cap (ESRC) starting in Fiscal Year 2010-11. Calculation of the original TABOR limit continues to apply, but the ESRC replaces the previous TABOR limit for triggering taxpayer refunds. The basis for the ESRC is the highest adjusted TABOR revenue during the five-year period, which occurred in Fiscal Year 2007-08 and resulted in a Fiscal Year 2014-15 ESRC of \$12,361.0 million.

Revenue in Fiscal Year 2014-15 subject to the ESRC was \$12,530.8 million, which is \$169.7 million over the \$12,361.0 million ESRC, and \$2,553.8 million over the original TABOR limit. As a result of the ESRC, \$169.7 million of Fiscal Year 2014-15 revenue is due back to taxpayers. Combined with un-refunded revenue over the original TABOR limit in Fiscal Year 2004-05 of \$0.7 million, and the understatement of prior years' refunds through Fiscal Year 2005-06 of \$2.9 million, total taxpayer refunds payable in Fiscal Year 2015-16 are \$173.3 million.

Since the inception of Referendum C in Fiscal Year 2005-06 the State has retained \$12,376.6 million of excess amounts over the original TABOR limit. \$3,593.6 million during the initial five year revenue retention period, and an additional \$8,783.0 million as a result of the higher ESRC limit in Fiscal Years 2010-11 through 2014-15.

In the November 2015 general election, voters in Colorado approved Proposition BB, allowing the State to retain \$66.1 million of retail marijuana sales and excise taxes that would otherwise have been refunded due to a 2013 Blue Book underestimate of the revenue impact from these taxes.

TABOR requires the State to reserve three percent of fiscal year nonexempt revenues for emergencies. In Fiscal Year 2014-15 that amount was \$375.9 million.

At June 30, 2015, the financial net positions, or fund balance of the following funds, were applied to the reserve, up to the limits set in the Long Appropriations Act:

- Major Medical Fund, a portion of the nonmajor Labor Fund – \$83,000,000.
- Wildlife Cash Fund, a portion of the nonmajor Parks and Wildlife Enterprise Fund – \$34,000,000.
- Perpetual base account of the Severance Tax Fund, a portion of the major Resource Extraction Fund, – \$33,000,000.

- ♦ Colorado Water Conservation Board Construction Fund, a portion of the major Resource Extraction Fund – \$33,000,000.
- ♦ Controlled Maintenance Trust Fund, a portion of the major General Fund - \$68,328,000.
- ♦ Unclaimed Property Tourism Promotion Trust Fund, a portion of the nonmajor Private Purpose Trust Fund – \$5,000,000.
- ♦ The 2014 legislative session Long Appropriations Act designated up to \$105,172,000 of State properties as the remainder of the emergency reserve.

The estimate of the needed reserve was based on the December 2014 revenue estimate prepared by the Legislative Council. Because the revenues subject to the TABOR reserve requirement were more than estimated, the amount designated for the reserve was \$14,423,166 less than required by the State Constitution. In the event of an emergency that exceeded the financial assets in the reserve, the designated Wildlife Cash Fund capital assets and general capital assets would have to be liquidated to meet the constitutional requirement.

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**NOTE 9 Through 17 – DETAILS OF ASSET ITEMS****NOTE 9 – CASH AND POOLED CASH****Primary Government**

The State Treasury acts as a bank for all State agencies, with the exception of the University of Colorado. Moneys deposited in the Treasury are invested until the cash is needed. Interest earnings on these investments are credited to the General Purpose Revenue Fund unless a specific statute directs otherwise. Most funds are required to invest in noninterest bearing warrants of the General Purpose Revenue Fund if the General Purpose Revenue Fund overdraws its rights in the pool. This means that under certain conditions participating funds would not receive the interest earnings to which they would otherwise be entitled. The detailed composition of the Treasury pooled cash and investment is shown in the annual Treasurer's Report. Where a major fund or fund category has a cash deficit, that deficit has been reclassified to an interfund payable to the General Purpose Revenue Fund – the payer of last resort for the pool.

State agencies are authorized by various statutes to deposit funds in accounts outside the custody of the State Treasury. Legally authorized deposits include demand deposits and certificates of deposit. The State's cash management policy is to invest all significant financial resources as soon as the moneys are available within the banking system. To enhance availability of funds for investment purposes, the State Treasurer uses electronic funds transfers to move depository account balances into the Treasurer's pooled cash.

Colorado statutes require protection of public moneys in banks beyond that provided by the federal insurance corporations. The Public Deposit Protection Act in Colorado Revised Statutes 11-10.5-107(5) requires all eligible depositories holding public deposits, including those of the State's component units, to pledge designated eligible collateral having market value equal to at least 102 percent of the deposits exceeding the amounts insured by federal insurance. Upon liquidation of a defaulting eligible depository, the statute requires the banking board to seize the eligible collateral, liquidate the collateral, and repay the public deposits to the depositing government.

Including restricted amounts and fiduciary funds, the Cash and Pooled Cash line on the financial statements includes \$7,482.5 million (\$7,489.8 million at amortized cost) of claims of the State's funds on moneys in the Treasurer's pooled cash.

At June 30, 2015, the treasurer had invested \$7,661.8 million (fair value) of the pool and held \$5.5 million of certificates of deposit.

The State had an accounting system cash deposit balance of \$1,169.7 million in the Treasurer's pool. Under the

GASB Statement No. 40 definitions \$41.6 million of the State's total bank balance of \$1,173.2 million was exposed to custodial credit risk because the deposits were uninsured and the related collateral was held by the pledging institution or was held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the State's name.

**Component Units**

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority had cash deposits of \$91,802 with a bank balance of \$98,352 at December 31, 2014. Of the booked amount, \$250,000 was federally insured. The authority also reported as cash and cash equivalents \$21.0 million held by the State Treasurer, \$239.1 million held in COLOTRUST and CSAFE, and \$46.8 million held in a third party, short-term, prime investment fund. COLOTRUST (Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust) and CSAFE (Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust) are local government investment vehicles that qualifies as 2a7-like investment pools, where the value of each share is maintained at \$1.00. COLOTRUST, CSAFE and the third party investment fund have credit quality ratings of AAA, while cash held by the State Treasurer is not rated for credit quality.



**NOTE 10 – NONCASH TRANSACTIONS IN THE PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES**

In the proprietary fund types, noncash transactions occur that do not affect the fund-level *Statement of Cash Flows – All Proprietary Funds*. These transactions are summarized at the bottom of the fund-level statement and the related combining statements. In order for a transaction to be reported as noncash, it must affect real accounts (that is, accounts shown on the *Statement of Net Position*) and be reported outside of the Cash Flows From Operating Activities section of the *Statement of Cash Flows*. The following general types of transaction are reported as noncash:

- ♦ Capital Assets Funded by the Capital Projects Fund - Most capital construction projects funded by general-purpose revenues are accounted for in the Capital Projects Fund. Several of the State's enterprise and internal service funds receive capital assets funded and accounted for in this manner. These funds record Capital Contributions when the asset is received, and no cash transaction is reported on the *Statement of Cash Flows*. Higher Education Institutions and certain State agencies are authorized to move general revenue cash of the Capital Projects Fund to the enterprise or internal service fund for capital projects; when this occurs, a cash transaction is reported on the *Statement of Cash Flows*.
- ♦ Donations or Grants of Capital Assets – Capital assets received as donations or directly as grants are reported as capital contributions, and no cash transaction is reported on the *Statement of Cash Flows*. Although no cash is received, these transactions change the capital asset balances reported on the *Statement of Net Position*; therefore, they are reported as noncash transactions.
- ♦ Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments – Nearly all proprietary funds record unrealized gains or losses on the investments underlying the Treasurer's pooled cash in which they participate. The unrealized gains or losses on the Treasurer's pool are shown as increases or decreases, respectively, in cash balances. The unrealized gains or losses on investments not held in the Treasurer's pooled cash result in increases or decreases in investment balances, and therefore, are reported as noncash transactions. The unrealized gain/loss schedule in Note 14 shows the combined effect of these two sources of unrealized gains or losses.
- ♦ Loss on Disposal of Capital and Other Assets – When the cash received at disposal of a capital or other asset is less than the carrying value of the asset, a loss is recorded. The loss results in a reduction of the amount reported for capital or other assets on the Statement of Net Position, but since no cash is exchanged for the loss amount, this portion of the transaction is reported as noncash.
- ♦ Amortization of Debt Related Amounts – Amortization of bond premiums, discounts, and gain/(loss) on refunding adjusts future debt service amounts shown for both capital and noncapital financing activities. These transactions change the amount of capital or noncapital debt reported on the *Statement of Net Position*. Since no cash is received or disbursed in these transactions, they are reported as noncash.
- ♦ Assumption of Capital Lease Obligation or Mortgage – Although no cash is exchanged, entering a capital lease or mortgage changes both the capital asset and related liability balances reported on the *Statement of Net Position*. Therefore, these transactions are reported as noncash.
- ♦ Financed Debt Issuance Costs – When costs of debt issuance are financed by and removed from the debt proceeds, the State reports a noncash transaction.
- ♦ Fair Value Change in Derivative Instrument – When the State enters into a derivative instrument that qualifies as a hedge and has reported a deferred inflow or deferred outflow, the *Statement of Net Position* also includes a real account, either asset or liability, that is measured at fair value but does not represent a current cash transaction.

**NOTE 11 – RECEIVABLES****Primary Government**

The Taxes Receivable of \$1,395.1 million shown on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* primarily comprises the following:

- \$1,367.3 million, mainly of self-assessed income and sales tax recorded in the General Purpose Revenue Fund. This amount includes \$187.0 million of taxes receivable expected to be collected after one year and reported as an Other Long-Term Asset (rather than Taxes Receivable) on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*. These long-term receivables are offset by deferred inflows on the *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*.
- \$142.2 million of unemployment insurance premiums receivable recorded in the Unemployment Insurance Fund.
- \$31.6 million recorded in the Resource Extraction Fund as severance taxes receivable.
- \$41.0 million recorded in nonmajor special revenue funds, of which, approximately \$11.6 million is from gaming tax, \$14.8 million is insurance premium tax, and \$11.7 million is tobacco tax.

In addition, \$61.0 million of Taxes Receivable, \$79.1 million of Other Receivables, and \$223.0 million of intergovernmental receivables were recorded in the Highway Users Tax Fund. All three items were reported as restricted receivables because the State Constitution and federal requirements restrict that portion of the Highway Users Tax Fund. The tax receivable was primarily fuel taxes while the intergovernmental receivable was primarily due from the federal government.

The Other Receivables of \$881.1 million shown on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* are net of \$169.9 million in allowance for doubtful accounts and primarily comprise the following:

- \$365.1 million of student and other receivables of Higher Education Institutions.
- \$294.5 million of receivables recorded in the General Fund, of which \$15.7 million is from interest receivable on investments. The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing also recorded receivables of \$239.7 million related primarily to rebates from drug companies and overpayments to healthcare providers, and the Colorado Mental Health Institutes recorded \$4.2 million of patient receivables.

- \$112.6 million recorded by Other Governmental Funds including \$45.4 million of tobacco settlement revenues expected within the following year, \$11.8 million of rent and royalty receivables recorded by the State Lands Funds and \$8.6 million from the Great Outdoors Colorado program recorded by Parks and Wildlife.
- \$34.1 million recorded by the Resource Extraction Fund.

**Component Units**

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority had loans receivable of \$1.0 billion at December 31, 2014. During 2014, the authority made new loans of \$120.7 million and canceled or received repayments for existing loans of \$109.5 million.

University of Colorado Foundation contributions receivable of \$34.0 million and \$51.7 million are reported as Contributions Receivable current and noncurrent, respectively, in the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units*. At June 30, 2015, the amount reported as contributions receivable includes \$97.2 million of unconditional promises to give which were offset by a \$9.1 million allowance for uncollectible contributions and a \$2.4 million unamortized pledge discount using discount rates ranging from 0.03 percent to 5.81 percent.

At June 30, 2015, Contributions Receivable for the Colorado State University Foundation included contributions of \$25.8 million, which were offset by \$0.9 million of unamortized pledge discounts calculated using the five-year U.S. Treasury note rate and \$0.6 million of allowance for uncollectible pledges. At June 30, 2015, contributions from two donors represented approximately 41 percent of net contributions receivable for the foundation.

At June 30, 2015, the combined current and noncurrent Contributions Receivable amount shown for the Colorado School of Mines Foundation of \$34.2 million was offset by \$3.9 million of allowance for uncollectible pledges and unamortized pledge discounts. Approximately 48 percent of the foundation's contributions receivable at June 30, 2015, consists of a pledge from one donor and approximately \$5.0 million is due from trusts held by others.

At June 30, 2015, combined current and noncurrent Contributions Receivable for the University of Northern Colorado Foundation was \$7.5 million. It was offset by \$0.3 million of allowance for uncollectible pledges and unamortized pledge discounts. Approximately 82 percent of the foundation's contributions receivable at June 30, 2015 consists of a pledge from two donors.

## NOTE 12 – INVENTORY

Inventories of \$112.1 million shown on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* at June 30, 2015, primarily comprise:

- ♦ \$69.2 million of resale inventories, of which, Resource Extraction recorded \$35.9 million, and Higher Education Institutions recorded \$29.6 million, and
- ♦ \$22.3 million of consumable supplies inventories, of which, \$10.3 million was recorded by the Higher Education Institutions, \$8.1 million was recorded by the Highway Users Tax Fund, \$2.5 million by the General Purpose Revenue Fund, and \$1.0 million by Parks and Wildlife, a nonmajor enterprise fund, and
- ♦ \$14.7 million of manufacturing inventories recorded by Correctional Industries, a nonmajor enterprise fund.

## NOTE 13 – PREPAIDS AND ADVANCES

Prepays and Advances of \$96.1 million shown on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position* are primarily general prepaid expenses. The significant items include:

- ♦ \$17.3 million advanced to Colorado counties by the General Purpose Revenue Fund primarily related to social assistance programs.
- ♦ \$16.2 million in advances to Colorado cities and special districts by the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.
- ♦ \$15.7 million advanced to conservation organizations by the Department of Natural Resources from the Species Conservation Fund, a portion of the Resource Extraction Fund.
- ♦ \$10.7 million in Higher Educational Institutions, of which \$6.9 million was at Colorado State University that primarily related to library subscriptions.
- ♦ \$4.7 million of prize expense paid by the Colorado Lottery to a multistate organization related to participation in the Powerball lottery game.

**NOTE 14 – INVESTMENTS****Primary Government**

The State holds investments both for its own benefit and as an agent for certain entities as provided by statute. The State does not invest its funds with any external investment pool. Funds not required for immediate payment of expenditures are administered by the authorized custodian of the funds or pooled and invested by the State Treasurer. The fair value of most of the State's investments are determined from quoted market prices except for money market investments that are reported at amortized cost, which approximates market.

Colorado Revised Statutes 24-75-601.1 authorizes the types of securities in which public funds of governmental entities, including State agencies, may be invested. Investments of the Public Employees Retirement Association discussed in Note 18 and other pension funds are not considered public funds. In general, the statute allows investment in Certificates of Participation related to a lease or lease purchase commitment, local government investment pools, repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements (with certain limitations), securities lending agreements, corporate or bank debt securities denominated in US dollars, guaranteed investment or interest contracts including annuities and funding agreements, securities issued by or fully guaranteed by the United States Treasury or certain federal entities and the World Bank, inflation indexed securities issued by the United States Treasury, general obligation and revenue debt of other states in the United States and their political subdivisions (including authorities), or registered money market funds with policies that meet specific criteria.

The statute establishes minimum credit quality ratings at the highest rating by at least two national rating agencies for most investment types. That statute also sets maximum time to maturity limits, but allows the governing body of the public entity to extend those limits. Public entities may also enter securities lending agreements that meet certain collateralization and other requirements. The statute prohibits investment in subordinated securities and securities that do not have fixed coupon rates unless the variable reference rate is a United States Treasury security with maturity less than one year, the London Interbank Offer Rate, or the Federal Reserve cost of funds rate. The above statutory provisions do not apply to the University of Colorado.

Colorado Revised Statutes 24-36-113 authorizes securities in which the State Treasurer may invest and requires prudence and care in maintaining investment principal and maximizing interest earnings. In addition to the investments authorized for all public funds, the State Treasurer may invest in securities of the federal government and its agencies and corporations without limitation, asset-backed securities, certain bankers'

acceptances or bank notes, certain commercial paper certain international banks, certain loans and collateralized mortgage obligations and certain debt obligations backed by the full faith and credit of the state of Israel. The Treasurer's statute also establishes credit quality rating minimums specific to the Treasurer's investments. The Treasurer's statute is the basis for a formal investment policy published on the State Treasurer's website. In addition to the risk restrictions discussed throughout this Note 14, the Treasurer's investment policy precludes the purchase of derivative securities.

The calculation of realized gains and losses is independent of the calculation of the net change in the fair value of investments. Realized gains and losses on investments held in more than one fiscal year and sold in the current year were included as a change in the fair value of investments in those prior periods. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State Treasurer realized gains from the sale of investments held for the Public School Permanent Fund of \$143,767, for the Unclaimed Property Tourism Trust Fund of \$9,393, for the Major Medical Fund of \$149,728, and for the Treasurer's pooled cash of \$243,773.

The State Treasurer maintains an agency fund for the Great Outdoors Colorado Program (GOCO), a related organization. At June 30, 2015 and 2014, the treasurer had \$59.2 million and \$41.5 million at fair value, respectively, of GOCO's funds on deposit and invested.

The investment earnings of the Unclaimed Property Tourism Trust Fund, a nonmajor special revenue fund, are assigned by law to the Colorado Travel and Tourism Promotion Fund, a nonmajor special revenue fund, to the State Fair, a nonmajor enterprise fund, and to the Agriculture Management Fund, a nonmajor special revenue fund.

As provided by State statute, the State Treasurer held \$7.7 million of investment in residential mortgages by paying the property taxes of certain elderly State citizen homeowners that qualify for the program. The investment is valued based on the outstanding principal and interest currently owed to the State as there is no quoted market price for these investments.

The State Treasurer held Colorado Housing and Finance Authority bonds, a related party, totaling \$5.8 million as of June 30, 2015. See Note 38 for additional details.

Colorado State University and the Colorado School of Mines, both reported in the Higher Education Institutions Fund, held \$891,791 and \$7,229,617 respectively, of hedge funds that were valued based on the net asset value reported by their respective hedge fund managers. Net

asset value is computed based on dealer quotations on the fair market value of the underlying securities – the majority of which are traded on national exchanges.

Excluding fiduciary funds, the State recognized \$978,107 of net realized gains from the sale of investments held by State agencies other than the State Treasurer during Fiscal Year 2014-15.

The following schedule reconciles deposits and investments to the financial statements for the primary government including fiduciary funds:

(Amounts in Thousands)

Footnote Amounts	Carrying Amount
Deposits (Note 9)	\$ 1,169,668
Investments:	
Governmental Activities	8,703,027
Business-Type Activities	2,594,053
Fiduciary Activities	6,306,364
Total	<u>\$ 18,773,112</u>
Financial Statement Amounts	
Net Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 5,975,508
Add: Warrants Payable Included in Cash	215,476
Total Cash and Pooled Cash	6,190,984
Add: Restricted Cash	2,640,471
Add: Restricted Investments	1,007,923
Add: Investments	8,933,734
Total	<u>\$ 18,773,112</u>

### Custodial Credit Risk

The State Treasurer's investment policy requires all securities to be held by the State Treasurer or a third party custodian designated by the Treasurer with each security evidenced by a safekeeping receipt. Investments are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the State's name, and are held by either the counterparty to the investment purchase or are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent but not held in the State's name.

Open-end mutual funds and certain other investments are not subject to custodial risk because ownership of the investment is not evidenced by a security. The following table lists the investments of the State Treasurer's pooled cash, major governmental funds, and nonmajor governmental funds in the aggregate, by investment type at fair value.

The *Other* category of the General Fund comprises the issuance trustee's deposit of proceeds from Certificates of Participation issued for local school district capital construction under the Build Excellent Schools Today (BEST) program. The \$83.9 million is reported in the Public School Buildings Fund, a Special Purpose General Fund.

Certain trustees have selected the State Treasurer's pool as their primary investment vehicle. The Treasurer accounts for the trustees' deposits in agency funds, and the investment types and related risks are disclosed through the Treasurer's pool investments. The *Other* category of the Other Governmental funds comprises the issuance trustees' deposit of unexpended proceeds from Certificates of Participation issued for BEST issuances (\$56.0 million reported in the Debt Service Fund, an Other Governmental Fund), \$0.1 million related to the Ralph L. Carr Justice Center (reported in a Special Capital Projects Fund), \$3.2 million related to investments in the Public School Fund and \$0.5 million related to investments in a State Lands Trust (Nonexpendable Public School Fund). None of the securities listed in the table below are subject to custodial credit risk:

(Amounts in Thousands)				
Governmental Activities				
INVESTMENT TYPE	Treasurer's Pool	General Fund	Other Governmental	Total
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 3,636,259	\$ -	\$ 263,052	\$ 3,899,311
Commercial Paper	484,971	-	-	484,971
Corporate Bonds	1,754,592	-	231,714	1,986,306
Asset Backed Securities	1,406,349	-	227,346	1,633,695
Mortgages Securities	9,616	7,722	163,951	181,289
Mutual Funds	370,000	-	3,696	373,696
Other	-	83,930	59,829	143,759
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 7,661,787	\$ 91,652	\$ 949,588	\$ 8,703,027

The following table lists the investments of the major enterprise funds, nonmajor enterprise funds in the aggregate, and fiduciary funds by investment type at fair value. Investment types included in the *Other* category for Higher Education Institutions primarily consist of: Private Equities (\$60.0 million), Absolute Return Funds (\$39.5 million), Real Estate (\$32.9 million), Venture Capital (\$15.5 million), Miscellaneous investments (\$17.2 million), International Equities (\$11.2 million), Hedge Funds (8.1 million), Taxable Municipal Bonds (\$8.5 million), Certificates of Deposit (\$2.9 million) and the issuance trustee's deposit of proceeds from Certificates of Participation (COPs) issued for Higher Education capital construction (\$2.2 million). The trustee has selected the State Treasurer's pool as its primary investment vehicle. The Treasurer accounts for the trustee's deposit in an agency fund, and the investment types and related risks are disclosed through the Treasurer's pool investments.

The *Other* category of the Other Enterprise funds primarily comprises the Bridge Enterprise trustee's holdings that include unexpended proceeds from the prior years of \$34.8 million of bond issuances. The Other Category of the other Fiduciary funds primarily comprises \$101.7 million.

The table below also shows the fair value of securities held by these funds that are subject to custodial credit risk.

	(Amounts in Thousands)			
	Business-Type Activities			Fiduciary
	Higher Education Institutions	Other Enterprises	Total	Fiduciary
INVESTMENT TYPE				
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 326,655	\$ -	\$ 326,655	\$ 12,486
Commercial Paper	2,002	-	2,002	-
Corporate Bonds	234,544	-	234,544	-
Corporate Securities	20,382	-	20,382	-
Repurchase Agreements	218,871	-	218,871	499
Asset Backed Securities	84,791	-	84,791	15,313
Mortgages Securities	87,089	-	87,089	-
Mutual Funds	1,369,404	15,401	1,384,805	6,176,335
Other	197,838	37,076	234,914	101,731
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	<u>\$ 2,541,576</u>	<u>\$ 52,477</u>	<u>\$ 2,594,053</u>	<u>\$ 6,306,364</u>
INVESTMENTS SUBJECT TO CUSTODIAL RISK				
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 257	\$ -	\$ 257	\$ -
Corporate Bonds	3,737	-	3,737	-
Corporate Securities	10,810	-	10,810	-
Repurchase Agreements	-	-	-	499
Asset Backed Securities	-	-	-	15,313
Mortgages Securities	71	-	71	-
TOTAL SUBJECT TO CUSTODIAL RISK	<u>\$ 14,875</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 14,875</u>	<u>\$ 15,812</u>

## Credit Quality Risk

Credit quality risk is the risk that the issuer or other counterparty to a debt security will not fulfill its obligations to the State. This risk is assessed by nationally recognized rating agencies, which assign a credit quality rating for many investments. Credit quality ratings for obligations of the U.S. Government or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government are not reported. However, credit quality ratings are reported for obligations of U.S. Government agencies that are not explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government.

The State Treasurer's formal investment policy requires that eligible securities have a minimum of two acceptable credit quality ratings – one of which must be from either Moody's or Standard & Poor's rating agency and the other which may be from the Fitch rating agency or another nationally recognized rating agency. The policy

sets acceptable credit quality ratings by investment portfolio and investment type.

The fair value amount of rated and unrated debt securities is detailed in the following table, which shows the Treasurer's Pooled Cash Investments, Higher Education Institutions, Fiduciary Funds, and All Other Funds in the aggregate.

In addition, to the amounts shown in the following table:

- ♦ Certain trustees, as discussed under Custodial Credit Risk, have selected the State Treasurer's pool as their primary investment vehicle. The Treasurer accounts for the trustees' deposits in agency funds, and the investment types and related risks are disclosed through the Treasurer's pool investments.

(Amounts In Thousands)

	U.S. Govt. Agencies	Commercial Paper	Corporate Bonds	Repurchase Agreements	Asset Backed Securities	Money Market Mutual Funds	Bond Mutual Funds	Guaranteed Investment Contract	Municipal Bonds & Other	Total
<b>Treasurer's Pool:</b>										
Long-term Ratings										
Gilt Edge	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 107,642	\$ -	\$ 1,406,349	\$ 370,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,883,991
High Grade	973,652	-	647,509	-	9,616	-	-	-	-	1,630,777
Upper Medium	33,484	-	887,026	-	-	-	-	-	-	920,510
Lower Medium	-	-	87,396	-	-	-	-	-	-	87,396
Speculative	-	-	25,019	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,019
Short-term Ratings										
Highest	1,709,933	484,971	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,194,904
<b>Higher Education Institutions:</b>										
Long-term Ratings										
Gilt Edge	\$ 6,248	\$ -	\$ 26,240	\$ -	\$ 46,522	\$ 325,326	\$ 185	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 404,521
High Grade	148,289	-	37,806	-	27,872	-	111	-	3,284	217,362
Upper Medium	121	-	99,786	-	2,557	-	154	-	567	103,185
Lower Medium	-	-	55,272	-	3,293	-	123	-	-	58,688
Speculative	-	-	1,707	-	285	-	31	-	-	2,023
Very Speculative	-	-	105	-	593	-	6	-	-	704
High Default Risk	-	-	-	-	3,340	-	6	-	-	3,346
Default	-	-	319	-	1,568	-	-	-	-	1,887
Short-term Ratings										
High	-	2,002	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,002
Unrated	-	-	13,309	218,871	85,049	106	174,621	-	7,518	499,474
<b>Fiduciary Funds:</b>										
Long-term Ratings										
Gilt Edge	\$ 2,839	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 499	\$ 15,313	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,651
High Grade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Upper Medium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lower Medium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Speculative	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Very Speculative	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
High Default Risk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Default	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Short-term Ratings										
Highest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
High	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Good	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Speculative	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Default Risk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Default	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrated	9,004	-	-	-	-	6,176,335	101,731	-	-	6,287,070
<b>All Other Funds:</b>										
Long-term Ratings										
Gilt Edge	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,853	\$ -	\$ 227,346	\$ 3,269	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 254,468
High Grade	202,166	-	139,913	-	158,105	991	-	-	3,252	504,427
Upper Medium	25,640	-	56,071	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,711
Lower Medium	-	-	11,776	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,776
Short-term Ratings										
Unrated	-	-	-	-	13,568	8,165	6,673	-	-	28,406



## Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market rate of interest will adversely affect the value of an investment. The State manages interest rate risk using either weighted average maturity or duration. Weighted average maturity is a measure of the time to maturity, measured in years, that has been weighted to reflect the dollar size of individual investments within an investment type. Various methods are used to measure duration; in its simplest form duration is a measure, in years, of the time-weighted present value of individual cash flows from an investment divided by the price of the investment.

The University of Colorado operates a treasury function separate from the State Treasurer and uses duration to measure and manage interest rate risk for most of its investments. However, University Physicians Incorporated, a blended component unit of the University of Colorado, manages interest rate risk using weighted average maturity and limits the time to maturity of individual investments to no more than ten years, based on the credit quality rating.

State statute requires the State Treasurer to formulate investment policies regarding liquidity, maturity, and diversification for each fund or pool of funds in the State Treasurer's custody. The State Treasurer's formal investment policy requires a portion of the investment pool to have a maximum maturity of one year and the balance of the pool to have maximum maturity of five years with the average maturity of the pool not to exceed two and one-

half years. The policy also sets maximum maturity limits for certain individual funds for which the Treasurer manages investments including the Public School Permanent Fund (4 - 6 years), the Major Medical Insurance Fund (5 - 8 years), and the Unclaimed Property Tourism Promotion Trust Fund (5 - 10 years).

The CollegeInvest program has investments reported in the College Savings Plan, a Private Purpose Trust Fund. CollegeInvest uses duration to manage the interest rate risk of selected mutual funds in the College Savings Plan. CollegeInvest's Private Purpose Trust Fund holds an inflation protected bond mutual funds in the amount of \$235.9 million with a duration of 7.9 years and a short-term inflation protected securities index fund in the amount of \$50.0 million with a duration of 2.4 years. These securities are excluded from the duration table on the following page because interest rate risk is effectively mitigated by the inflation protection attribute of the funds.

The following table shows the weighted average maturity and fair value amount for those investments managed using the weighted average maturity measure. The 12.092 year weighted average maturity reported in the Fiduciary Funds represents the Lottery's laddering of U.S. Government bonds to match a prize annuity. The Lottery plans to hold these investments to maturity.

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands, Weighted Average Maturity in Years)

Investment Type	Treasurer's Pool		Higher Education Institutions		Fiduciary Funds		All Other Funds	
	Fair Value Amount	Weighted Average Maturity	Fair Value Amount	Weighted Average Maturity	Fair Value Amount	Weighted Average Maturity	Fair Value Amount	Weighted Average Maturity
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 3,636,259	1.339	\$ 72,845	4.104	\$ 11,843	12.092	\$ 263,052	4.774
Commercial Paper	484,971	0.063	2,002	0.500	-	-	-	-
Corporate Bonds	1,754,592	2.196	97,516	3.150	-	-	231,714	5.853
Asset Backed Securities	1,415,965	2.528	52,768	3.572	-	-	406,611	6.191
Money Market Mutual Funds	370,000	0.010	-	-	-	-	-	-
Municipal Bonds	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,252	9.460
Total Investments	<u>\$ 7,661,787</u>		<u>\$ 225,131</u>		<u>\$ 11,843</u>		<u>\$ 904,629</u>	

The University of Colorado manages interest rate risk in its Treasurer's pool using a measure of duration. The University's Investment Advisory Committee recommends limits on the duration of fixed income securities using Callan Associates Incorporated data.

The University of Colorado holds repurchase agreements of \$218.9 million to provide temporary investment of funds restricted for capital construction projects. The repurchase agreements are over-collateralized and the

counterparty to the agreements is required to provide additional collateral when the fair value of U.S. Government securities and U.S. Government agencies securities provided as collateral declines below 104 percent or 105 percent, respectively. As a result, the University does not have interest rate risk associated with these agreements. The \$218.9 million is not shown in the following duration table; however, the duration associated with the repurchase agreements is 1.39 years.

Certain trustees, as discussed under Custodial Credit Risk, have selected the State Treasurer's pool as their primary investment vehicle. The Treasurer accounts for the trustees' deposits in agency funds, and the investment types and related risks are disclosed through the Treasurer's pool investments. The trustees' investment in the pool is not segregated, but is a share in the overall pool.

The table below presents the fair value amount and duration measure for State agencies that manage some or all of their investments using the duration measure.

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands, Duration in Years)

	Fair Value Amount	Duration
Enterprise Funds:		
Higher Education Institutions:		
University of Colorado:		
U.S. Treasury Bonds and Notes	\$ 156,822,373	4.270
U.S. Government Agency Notes	92,246,046	6.440
Municipal Bonds	8,043,765	7.260
Corporate Bonds	132,480,426	7.840
Certificates of Deposit	2,911,788	3.100
Asset Backed Securities	118,311,057	14.570
Bond Mutual Funds	174,366,532	2.680
Colorado State University:		
Bond Mutual Funds	\$ 617,248	1.100
Colorado School of Mines:		
Bond Mutual Funds-1	\$ 1,031,259	6.400
Bond Mutual Funds-2	953,628	3.100
Bond Mutual Funds-3	725,866	0.800
Bond Mutual Funds-4	747,107	6.500
Colorado Mesa University:		
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 814,884	2.730
Corporate Bonds	1,054,408	4.373
Bond Mutual Funds	254,185	3.700
Taxable Municipal Bonds	\$ 413,655	2.454
Private Purpose Trust:		
CollegeInvest:		
Bond Mutual Fund-1	\$ 671,850,334	6.500
Bond Mutual Fund-2	644,189,471	5.700
Bond Mutual Fund-3	394,554,568	0.121
Bond Mutual Fund-4	379,175,344	1.400
Bond Mutual Fund-5	235,938,672	7.900
Bond Mutual Fund-6	173,667,374	7.300
Bond Mutual Fund-7	100,760,990	4.100
Bond Mutual Fund-8	38,292,293	5.700
Bond Mutual Fund -9	2,363,931	6.600

**Foreign Currency Risk**

Approximately 9% or \$2.2 million of Colorado State University's investments are exposed to foreign currency risk in five international equity funds. By policy, fund managers are to be invested in diversified portfolios consisting primarily of equities from countries with developed markets.

State statute requires the State Treasurer to invest in domestic fixed income securities and does not allow foreign currency investments.

**Concentration of Credit Risk**

The State Treasurer's formal investment policy sets minimum and maximum holding percentages for each investment type for the investment pool and for certain of the individual funds for which the State Treasurer manages investments. The pool and each of the individual funds may be 100 percent invested in U.S. Treasury securities with more restrictive limits (ranging from 5 percent to 90 percent) set for the other allowed investment types. For the pool and the other funds for which the Treasurer manages investments, the policy sets maximum concentrations in an individual issuer for certain investment types.

**Unrealized Gains and Losses**

Unrealized gains and losses are a measure of the change in fair value of investments (including investments underlying pooled cash) from the end of the prior fiscal year to the end of the current fiscal year. With the implementation of GASB Statement No. 54, unrealized

gains are not identified as a separate component of fund balance. The following schedule shows the State's net unrealized gains and (losses) for all funds by fund category.

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2013-14
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>		
Major Funds		
General-General Purpose	\$ (1,911)	\$ 1,184
General-Special Purpose	(116)	1,174
Resource Extraction	(252)	2,468
Highway Users Tax	(1,852)	2,787
Capital Projects-Regular	571	471
Capital Projects-Special	(4)	11
State Education	(2,156)	4,116
NonMajor Funds:		
State Lands	328	(655)
Other Permanent Trusts	(9)	34
Labor	(1,654)	(1,432)
Gaming	(111)	335
Tobacco Impact Mitigation	(24)	259
Resource Management	(34)	64
Environment Health Protection	(125)	279
Other Special Revenue	76	597
Unclaimed Property	502	966
Information Technology	(72)	131
Highways (Internal Service)	-	-
Administrative Courts	(2)	3
Legal Services	9	13
Other Internal Service	1	-
<b>Business-Type Activities:</b>		
Major Funds		
Higher Education Institutions	(26,192)	138,831
Lottery	(51)	103
NonMajor Funds:		
CollegeInvest	(243)	217
Wildlife	(77)	331
College Assist	(88)	259
State Fair Authority	-	-
Correctional Industries	(10)	15
State Nursing Homes	(5)	48
Prison Canteens	1	11
Petroleum Storage Tank	(16)	20
Transportation Enterprise	(219)	972
Other Enterprise Activities	(15)	16
<b>Fiduciary:</b>		
Pension/Benefits Trust	(20)	159
Private Purpose Trust	(184,464)	525,314
	<u>\$ (218,234)</u>	<u>\$ 679,102</u>

## Component Units

Component units that are identified as foundations apply neither GASB Statement No. 3 nor GASB Statement No. 40 because they prepare financial statements under standards set by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. Therefore, the foundation investment disclosures are presented separately from the other component units.

### Component Units – Non-Foundations

Except for guaranteed investment contracts (which are excluded), the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's investment policy allows investments consistent with those authorized for governmental entities by State statute as described at the beginning of this Note 14. The authority's repurchase agreements, which are not held in the authority's name, were all subject to custodial credit risk because its trustee is considered both the purchaser and custodian of the investments. The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's investments at December 31, 2014, were:

(Amounts in Thousands)

INVESTMENT TYPE	Total
U.S. Government Securities	\$ 93,447
Repurchase Agreements	77,866
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 171,313</b>

The Venture Capital Authority, a nonmajor component unit, through its limited partnership with High Country Venture LLC (General Partner), makes equity investments solely in seed and early stage Colorado companies. Because the Authority does not invest in foreign or fixed income securities, credit quality, interest rate, and foreign currency risks are not applicable to the Authority's investments.

### Credit Quality Risk

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's repurchase agreements are collateralized with U.S. Treasuries, Government Agencies and obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. Government. All existing repurchase agreements specify a collateralization rate between 103 percent and 105 percent. Government agency securities collateralizing the repurchase agreements are all rated AAA. U.S. Treasuries and obligations guaranteed by the U.S. Government that collateralize the repurchase agreements are exempt from credit risk disclosure under GASB 40, therefore a rating agency assessment is not required.

## Interest Rate Risk

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority manages interest rate risk by matching investment maturities to the cash flow needs of its future bond debt service and holding those investments to maturity. The authority had \$171.3 million of investments subject to interest rate risk with the following maturities; one year or less – 7 percent, two to five years – 27 percent, six to ten years – 31 percent, eleven to fifteen years – 25 percent, and sixteen years or more – 10 percent. The authority has entered into agreements that allow it to sell U.S. Treasury bonds at fixed amounts that will provide the authority with funds to make debt service payments in the event that a borrower fails to make loan payments to the authority.

### Concentration of Credit Risk

#### Component Units – Foundations

The four Higher Education Institution foundations reported as component units on the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units* do not classify investments according to risk because they prepare their financial statements under standards set by the Financial Accounting Standards Board.

At June 30, 2015, the University of Colorado Foundation held \$336.2 million of domestic equity securities, \$415.0 million of international equity securities, \$162.7 million of fixed income securities and \$546.9 million of alternative investments including real estate, private equities, hedge funds, absolute return funds, venture capital, oil and gas assets, commodities and other investments. The foundation has adopted FASB guidance in valuing its investments. All but \$38.8 million of the \$546.9 million alternative investments value falls under FASB's level three fair value hierarchy, meaning that there is little if any market activity for the investments and without pricing information, determination of fair value requires significant judgment or estimation. Estimated values may vary significantly from actual liquidation values.

The foundation's spending policy allows for the distribution of the greater of 4.0 percent of the current market value of the endowment or 4.5 percent of the endowment's trailing thirty-six month average fair market value. The foundation's investment return of \$38.7 million is net of \$9.8 million of investment fees and comprises \$18.2 million of interest, dividends and other income, \$50.6 million of realized gains, and \$20.3 million of unrealized losses.

At June 30, 2015, the Colorado State University Foundation held \$197.2 million of equity securities, \$161.8 million of alternative investments (comprising hedged equities, absolute return, private equity and alternative fixed income investments), \$17.2 million of

standard fixed income securities, and \$22.5 million in cash and other investments.

The Colorado School of Mines Foundation's (CSMF) current spending policy allows 4.5 percent (net of investment and administrative fees and expenses) of the three-year average of investment fair value to be distributed. The foundation holds alternative investments that are not readily marketable but are carried at the fair value reported by the investment managers. At June 30, 2015 the CSMF held \$308.7 million of investments, which consisted of \$280.7 million held as a long-term investment pool, \$9.7 million in beneficial interests in endowments, \$12.1 million in split-interest agreements, \$4.7 million in gift annuity agreements and \$1.5 million in long-term trusts. Of the \$280.7 million held as a long-term investment pool, \$29.3 million was held in fixed income securities and mutual funds, \$130.7 million in domestic and international equities, \$106.5 million in hedge funds and venture capital, and \$14.2 million in cash equivalents.

Thirty-eight percent of the Foundation's investment portfolio is invested in limited partnerships and venture capital organizations, some of which are offshore entities and some of which include derivative investments. Since there is no ready market available for these investments, they are carried at values reported by investment managers. These values may vary significantly from a valuation at a subsequent date.

At June 30, 2015, the University of Northern Colorado Foundation held \$44.2 million of equity securities, \$25.5 million of fixed income securities, \$29.6 million of alternative investments, \$3.9 million of cash and other investments and \$7.6 million in beneficial interest in trusts held by others. The foundation's investment income of \$3.5 million is net of \$0.3 million of management fees and comprises \$1.9 million of interest and dividends and \$1.9 million of realized and unrealized gains.

#### **NOTE 15 – TREASURER'S INVESTMENT POOL**

Participation in the State Treasurer's cash/investment pool is mandatory for all State agencies with the exception of Colorado Mesa University, Colorado State University System, Colorado School of Mines, Fort Lewis State College, and the University of Colorado and its blended component units; however, all participate in the Treasurer's Pool with the exception of the University of Colorado. The Treasurer determines the fair value of the pool's investments at each month-end for performance tracking purposes. Short-term realized gains, losses, and interest earnings, adjusted for amortization of investment premiums and discounts, are distributed monthly. If the statutes authorize the participant to receive interest and investment earnings, these gains or losses are prorated according to the average of the participant's daily balance during the month.

#### **NOTE 16 – OTHER LONG-TERM ASSETS**

The \$766.1 million shown as Other Long-Term Assets on the government-wide Statement of Net Position is primarily long-term taxes receivable, and long-term loans. Long-term taxes receivable of \$187.0 million and \$61.0 million recorded in the General Purpose Revenue Fund and the Highway Users Tax Fund, respectively, are not segregated on the Balance Sheet – Governmental Fund, but are shown in Taxes Receivable and Restricted Receivables, respectively, and the taxes receivables are offset by unearned revenue.

The \$448.4 million of Other Long-Term Assets shown on the fund-level *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds* is primarily related to loans issued by the Highway Users Tax Fund (\$7.3 million), a major special revenue fund, and the Resource Extraction Fund (\$396.1 million), a major special revenue fund. This balance primarily comprises water loan activity. The Water Conservation Board makes water loans from the Water Projects Fund, part of the Resource Extraction Fund, to local entities for the purpose of constructing water projects in the State.

The water loans are made for periods ranging from 10 to 30 years. Interest rates range from 2 to 6 percent for most projects, and they require the local entities or districts to make a yearly payment of principal and interest.

The \$129.9 million shown as Other Long-term Assets on the Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Funds is primarily student loans issued by Higher Education Institutions, but also includes livestock.

**NOTE 17 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

**Primary Government**

During Fiscal Year 2014-2015 the State capitalized \$39.2 million of interest incurred during the construction of capital assets. The majority of this interest was capitalized by Higher Education Institutions in the amount of \$30.8 million, while the remainder was attributable to the Bridge Enterprise Program in the Department of Transportation.

In Fiscal Year 2013-14 the Colorado General Assembly authorized the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to prepare and operate the decommissioned Fort Lyons

Correctional Facility as a supportive residential community for the homeless, for the purpose of providing substance abuse support services, medical care, job training, and skill development for residents. The Department of Corrections and the Department of Personnel and Administration, on behalf of DOLA, executed a quit claim deed in January 2015 to transfer the land, structures and associated water rights. The facility has remained idle, and on June 30, 2015 it had a carrying value of \$16.9 million.

The schedule on the following page shows the capital asset activity for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Beginning Balance	Increases	CIP Transfers	Decreases/ Adjustments	Ending Balance
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:</b>					
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:					
Land	\$ 89,608	\$ 15,588	\$ -	\$ (591)	\$ 104,605
Land Improvements	7,276	-	-	-	7,276
Collections	10,996	-	-	-	10,996
Other Capital Assets	6,948	7,615	-	(13,500)	1,063
Construction in Progress (CIP)	881,596	651,642	(622,600)	(12,665)	897,973
Infrastructure	935,408	6	10,900	-	946,314
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	1,931,832	674,851	(611,700)	(26,756)	1,968,227
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:					
Leasehold and Land Improvements	46,556	3,865	1,173	(3,678)	47,916
Buildings	2,653,639	52,239	197,001	(48,268)	2,854,611
Software	250,022	19,091	36,313	(8,490)	296,936
Vehicles and Equipment	791,025	120,195	2,591	(44,235)	869,576
Library Materials and Collections	6,033	241	-	(71)	6,203
Other Capital Assets	38,839	167	-	(1,002)	38,004
Infrastructure	10,676,158	1,808	374,622	(11,726)	11,040,862
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	14,462,272	197,606	611,700	(117,470)	15,154,108
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Leasehold and Land Improvements	(28,526)	(2,734)	-	953	(30,307)
Buildings	(811,459)	(81,378)	-	15,660	(877,177)
Software	(170,662)	(22,843)	-	7,800	(185,705)
Vehicles and Equipment	(493,443)	(51,817)	-	28,675	(516,585)
Library Materials and Collections	(3,967)	(417)	-	71	(4,313)
Other Capital Assets	(31,273)	(2,301)	-	258	(33,316)
Infrastructure	(3,322,519)	(416,708)	-	5,173	(3,734,054)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(4,861,849)	(578,198)	-	58,590	(5,381,457)
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, net	9,600,423	(380,592)	611,700	(58,880)	9,772,651
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	11,532,255	294,259	-	(85,636)	11,740,878
<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:</b>					
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:					
Land	507,159	13,034	5,524	(592)	525,125
Land Improvements	16,882	-	-	-	16,882
Collections	23,449	1,772	90	(32)	25,279
Construction in Progress (CIP)	808,507	959,180	(576,430)	(10,823)	1,180,434
Other Capital Assets	-	-	-	15,461	15,461
Infrastructure	14,144	-	11,270	-	25,414
Total Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	1,370,141	973,986	(559,546)	4,014	1,788,595
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:					
Leasehold and Land Improvements	585,039	4,532	52,175	(5,045)	636,701
Buildings	7,357,475	73,178	436,955	(172,860)	7,694,748
Software	194,920	7,511	2,088	(3,129)	201,390
Vehicles and Equipment	976,878	86,047	13,912	(30,559)	1,046,278
Library Materials and Collections	517,707	22,012	-	(4,830)	534,889
Other Capital Assets	19,595	25	-	(15,474)	4,146
Infrastructure	389,145	2,886	54,416	-	446,447
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	10,040,759	196,191	559,546	(231,897)	10,564,599
Less Accumulated Depreciation:					
Leasehold and Land Improvements	(315,025)	(26,557)	-	4,668	(336,914)
Buildings	(2,606,262)	(245,098)	-	159,032	(2,692,328)
Software	(119,172)	(28,922)	-	2,311	(145,783)
Vehicles and Equipment	(700,674)	(79,793)	-	27,106	(753,361)
Library Materials and Collections	(387,213)	(20,598)	-	3,798	(404,013)
Other Capital Assets	(1,277)	(152)	-	-	(1,429)
Infrastructure	(34,436)	(5,980)	-	-	(40,416)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(4,164,059)	(407,100)	-	196,915	(4,374,244)
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, net	5,876,700	(210,909)	559,546	(34,982)	6,190,355
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES	7,246,841	763,077	-	(30,968)	7,978,950
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS, NET	\$ 18,779,096	\$ 1,057,336	\$ -	\$ (116,604)	\$ 19,719,828



On the government-wide *Statement of Activities*, depreciation was charged to the functional programs and business-type activities as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)		Depreciation
		Amount
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		
General Government	\$	28,641
Business, Community and Consumer Affairs		2,017
Education		21,885
Health and Rehabilitation		9,767
Justice		43,896
Natural Resources		653
Social Assistance		12,582
Transportation		437,710
Internal Service Funds (Charged to programs and BTAs based on usage)		21,047
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities		578,198
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES		
Higher Education Institutions		388,761
State Lottery		557
Unemployment Insurance		206
Other Enterprise Funds		17,575
Total Depreciation Expense - Business-Type Activities		407,100
Total Depreciation Expense Primary Government	\$	985,298

### Component Units

The Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium District, a nonmajor component unit, reported land, land improvements, buildings, and other property and equipment of \$149.5 million, net of accumulated depreciation of \$82.7 million, at December 31, 2014. The district depreciates land improvements, buildings, and other property and equipment using the straight-line

method over estimated useful lives that range from 3 to 50 years.

HLC @ Metro, Inc., a nonmajor component unit, reported \$40.7 million of depreciable capital assets net of depreciation. A nondepreciable capital asset for the use of land at below market rent, under an agreement with Metropolitan State University of Denver, carries a value of \$5.0 million.

**NOTE 18 Through 27 – DETAILS OF LIABILITY ITEMS****NOTE 18 – PENSION SYSTEM AND OBLIGATIONS****Primary Government****A. PLAN DESCRIPTION**

Most State of Colorado employees, excluding four-year college and university employees, participate in a defined benefit (DB) pension plan; however, all employees, with the exception of certain higher education employees, have the option of participating in a defined contribution (DC) plan instead (see Note 20). The DB plan's purpose is to provide benefits to members and their dependents at retirement or in the event of death or disability. The plan, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan, is administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA). The State plan and the other divisions' plans described below are included in PERA's financial statements, which may be obtained by writing PERA at P.O. Box 5800, Denver, CO 80217-5800 or by calling the PERA Info line at 1-800-759-7372, or by visiting <http://www.copera.org>.

Administration of the Plan

In 1931, State statute established PERA and the State Division Trust Fund; subsequent statutes created the School Division Trust Fund, the Local Government Division Trust Fund, the Judicial Division Trust Fund, the Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund, and the Health Care Trust Funds. The state participates in the State Division Trust Fund and judges are part of the Judicial Division Trust Fund. Changes to the plan require an actuarial assessment and legislation by the General Assembly as specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

Most members automatically receive the higher of the defined retirement benefit or money purchase benefit at retirement.

New employees, excluding four-year college and university employees, are allowed 60 days to elect to participate in PERA's defined contribution plan. If that election is not made, the employee is automatically enrolled in the plan to which they last contributed or, if there was no prior participation, to the defined benefit plan. PERA members electing the PERA defined contribution plan are allowed an irrevocable election between the second and fifth year of membership to use their defined contribution account to purchase service credit and be covered under the defined benefit retirement plan. However, making this election subjects the member to rules in effect for those hired on or after January 1, 2007, as discussed below. Employer contribution to the

defined contribution plan is the same amount as the contribution to the PERA defined benefit plan.

Prior to legislation passed during the 2006 session, higher education employees may have participated in social security, PERA's defined benefit plan, or the institution's optional retirement plan. Currently, higher education employees, except for community college employees, are required to participate in their institution's optional plan, if available (see Note 20C), unless they are active or inactive members of PERA with at least one year of service credit. In that case they may elect either PERA or their institution's optional retirement plan.

Defined Retirement Benefits

Plan members (except State troopers) are eligible to receive a monthly retirement benefit when they meet age and service requirements based on their original hire date as follows:

- Hired before July 1, 2005 – age 50 with 30 years of service, age 60 with 20 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service.
- Hired between July 1, 2005 and December 31, 2006 – any age with 35 years of service, age 60 with 20 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service.
- Hired between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2010 – any age with 35 years of service, age 55 with 30 years of service, age 60 with 25 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service. For members with less than five years of service credit as of January 1, 2011 age and service requirements increase to those required for members hired between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2010.
- Hired between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2016 – any age with 35 years of service, age 58 with 30 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service.
- Hired on or after January 1, 2017 – any age with 35 years of service, age 60 with 30 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service.

State troopers and Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) officers are eligible for retirement benefits at the following age and years of service; any age – 30, 50 – 25, 55 – 20 and 65 – 5. For members eligible to retire as of January 1, 2011, reduced service benefits are calculated in the same manner as a service retirement benefit; however, the benefit is reduced by percentages that vary from 0.25 to 0.5, depending on age and years of service, for each month before the eligible date for the full service retirement. For members eligible to retire after January 1, 2011, an additional actuarial reduction applies.

Members with five years of service credit as of January 1, 2011, are also eligible for retirement benefits without a

reduction for early retirement based on the original hire date, as follows:

- Hired before January 1, 2007 – age 55 and age plus years of service equals 80 or more.
- Hired between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2010 – age 55 and age plus years of service equals 85 or more. Age plus years of service requirements increase to 85 for members with less than five years of service credit as of January 1, 2011.
- Hired between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2016 – age 58 and age plus years of service equals 88 or more.
- Hired on or after January 1, 2017 – age 60 and age plus years of service equals 90.

Monthly benefits, except as discussed below, are calculated as 2.5 percent times the number of years of services times the highest average salary (HAS). Monthly benefits in the Judicial Division for retirements on or after July 1, 1999 for members hired on or before July 1, 1973 are calculated as 4 percent for the years 0-10, 1.66 percent for years 11-16, 1.5 percent for years 17-20, and 2.5 percent for years 21 and greater.

For retirements in the State and Judicial Divisions before January 1, 2009, HAS was calculated as one-twelfth of the average of the highest annual salaries on which contributions were paid that are associated with three periods (one period for judges) of 12 consecutive months of service credit and limited to a 15 percent increase between periods.

For retirements after January 1, 2009, the HAS is calculated based on original hire date as follows:

- Hired before January 1, 2007 – HAS is calculated based on four periods of service credit and is limited to a 15 percent increase between periods; the lowest salary of four periods is used as a base for determining the maximum allowable 15 percent increase.
- Hired on or after January 1, 2007 – HAS is calculated based on four periods of service credit and is limited to an 8 percent increase between periods; the lowest salary of four periods is used as a base for determining the maximum allowable 8 percent increase.

Notwithstanding any other provisions, members first eligible for retirement after January 2, 2011 have a maximum increase between periods of 8 percent.

The benefit is limited to 100 percent (40 years) and cannot exceed the maximum amount allowed by federal law.

Prior to January 1, 2010, retiree benefits were increased annually based on their original hire date as follows:

- Hired before July 1, 2005 – 3.5 percent, compounded annually.
- Hired between July 1, 2005 and December 31, 2006 – the lesser of 3 percent or the actual increase in the national Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI).
- Hired on or after January 1, 2007 – the lesser of 3 percent or the actual increase in the national Consumer Price Index, limited to a 10 percent reduction in a reserve established for cost of living increases related strictly to those hired on or after January 1, 2007. (The reserve is funded by 1 percentage point of salaries contributed by employers for employees hired on or after January 1, 2007.)

In the 2010 legislative session, the general assembly set the current benefit increase as the lesser of 2 percent or the average of the monthly CPI amounts for the calendar year preceding the year in which the benefits are paid, and moved the payment date for all increases to July.

If PERA's overall funded status is at or above 103 percent, the annual increase cap of 2 percent will increase by 0.25 percentage points per year. If PERA's overall funded status reaches 103 percent then subsequently drops below 90 percent, the adjusted annual increase cap will decrease by 0.25 percentage points per year, but will never drop below 2 percent. The funded ratio increase does not apply for three years when a negative return on investment occurs.

#### Money Purchase Retirement Benefit

A money purchase benefit is determined by the member's life expectancy and the value of the member's contribution account plus a matching amount as of the date of retirement. The matching amount is 100 percent of the member's contributions and accrued interest at the time of retirement. Retiring members who are age 65 and have less than five years of service credit and less than 60 payroll postings will receive a service retirement benefit under the money purchase formula only.

#### Service Requirement and Termination

Plan members who terminate PERA-covered employment may request a member contribution account refund or leave the account with PERA; a refund cancels a former PERA member's rights to future PERA benefits. Members who have 5 years of service and withdraw their accounts before reaching retirement eligibility and before reaching age 65 receive a refund of their contributions, interest on their contributions, plus an additional 50 percent of their contribution and interest. If the withdrawing member has reached age 65 or is retirement eligible, the matching payment increases to 100 percent. Members not having 5 years of service and not eligible for full or reduced retirement receive an employer matching contribution of one-half of their account balance measured at January 1, 2011. Contributions after January

1, 2011, are not eligible for the additional 50 percent match until the member earns five years of service credit. Statutes authorize the PERA Board to set the interest paid to member contribution accounts but limits the rate to a maximum of 5 percent. Effective January 1, 2009, the rate was set at 3 percent and remained at the rate through June 30, 2015.

#### Disability and Survivor Benefits

PERA provides a two-tiered disability program for most members. Disabled members who have five or more years of service credit, six months of which has been earned since the most recent period of membership, may apply for disability benefits through a third party insurance carrier. If the member is not totally and permanently disabled, they are provided reasonable income replacement (maximum 60 percent of PERA includable salary for 22 months). If the member is totally and permanently disabled they receive disability retirement benefits based on HAS and earned, purchased, and in some circumstances, projected service credit. There is no earned service requirement for judges, and the earned service requirement may be waived for State troopers who become disabled as the result of injuries in the line of duty.

If a member has at least one year of earned service and dies before retirement, their qualified survivors are entitled to a single payment or monthly benefits depending on their status as defined in statute. The member's spouse may be eligible to receive the higher of the money purchase benefit or the defined benefit, but not less than 25 percent of HAS. The order of payment to survivors is dependent on the years of service and retirement eligibility of the deceased member. Under various conditions, survivors include qualified children under 18 (23 if a full-time student), the member's spouse, qualified children over 23, financially dependent parents, named beneficiaries, and the member's estate. The earned service requirement is waived if a member's death is job-incurred.

### **B. FUNDING POLICY**

Members and employers are required to contribute to PERA at a rate set by statute. The contribution requirements of plan members and affiliated employers are established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 4 of the

Colorado Revised Statutes as amended. Members are required to contribute 8.0 percent of their gross covered wages, except for State troopers and Colorado Bureau of Investigation officers, who contribute 10.0 percent. From July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012, member and State Trooper (including Colorado Bureau of Investigation agents) rates were 10.5 and 12.5 percent, respectively. Annual gross covered wages subject to PERA are gross earnings less any reduction in pay to offset employer contributions to the State sponsored IRC 125 plan established under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code.

In the 2004 and 2010 legislative sessions, the General Assembly authorized an Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) to address a pension-funding shortfall. The AED requires PERA employers to pay an additional 0.5 percent of salary for calendar years 2006 and 2007, with subsequent year increases of 0.4 percent of salary through 2017, to a maximum of 5 percent (except for the Judicial Division whose AED contribution was frozen at the 2010 level).

In the 2006 and 2010 legislative sessions, the General Assembly authorized a Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) that requires PERA employers to pay an additional one half percentage point of total salaries, for calendar years 2008 through 2017, to a maximum of 5 percent (except for the Judicial Division whose SAED contribution was frozen at the 2010 level). The SAED will be deducted from the amount otherwise available to increase State employees' salaries.

At a 103 percent funding ratio, both the AED and the SAED will be reduced by one-half percentage point, and for subsequent declines to below 90 percent funded both the AED and SAED will be increased by one-half percentage point. For the Judicial Division, if the funding ratio reaches 90 percent and subsequently declines, the AED and SAED will be increased by one-half percentage point.

The following table summarizes employer contribution requirements, including AED and SAED for all employees except Judges and State Troopers for the last three fiscal years. The rates in the table are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in Title 24, Article 51, Section 101 (42) of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

Fiscal Year 2013		Fiscal Year 2014		Fiscal Year 2015	
CY12	CY13		CY14		CY15
7-1-12 to 12-31-12	1-1-13 to 6-30-13	7-1-13 to 12-31-13	1-1-14 to 6-30-14	7-1-14 to 12-31-14	1-1-15 to 6-30-15

Employer Contribution Rate	10.15%	10.15%	10.15%	10.15%	10.15%	10.15%
Amount of Employer Contribution Apportioned to the Heath Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-208(1)(f)	-1.02%	-1.02%	-1.02%	-1.02%	-1.02%	-1.02%
Amount Apportioned to the SDTF	9.13%	9.13%	9.13%	9.13%	9.13%	9.13%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-411	3.00%	3.40%	3.40%	3.80%	3.80%	4.20%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S., Section 24-51-411	2.50%	3.00%	3.00%	3.50%	3.50%	4.00%
Total Employer Contribution Rate to the SDTF	14.63%	15.53%	15.53%	16.43%	16.43%	17.33%

For State Troopers the State was required to contribute 12.85 percent and AED and SAED based on the rates shown in the previous table. For Judges the State was required to contribute 13.66 percent and AED of 2.20 percent and SAED of 1.50 percent (frozen at that level since 2010).

Per Colorado Revised Statutes, an amortization period of 30 years is deemed actuarially sound. At December 31, 2014, the State Division of PERA had a funded ratio of 57.8 percent and a 60-year amortization period based on current contribution rates. The funded ratio on the market value of assets is slightly higher at 59.6 percent. The Judicial Division had a funded ratio of 73.0 percent based on current contribution rates and 75.1 percent based on market rates.

Employer contributions are recognized by the State Division in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the State of Colorado is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the State Division. In Fiscal Year 2014-15 the State made retirement contributions of \$447.2 million excluding the Heath Care Trust Fund contribution.

Historically members have been allowed to purchase service credit at reduced rates. However, legislation passed in the 2006 session required that future agreements to purchase service credit be sufficient to fund the related actuarial liability.

### C. PENSION RELATED BALANCES

At fiscal year ended 2015, the State of Colorado reported a liability of \$9.1 billion for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31,

2013. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2014. The proportion of the net pension liability was based on contributions to the State and Judicial Divisions for the calendar year 2014 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the State and Judicial Divisions.

At December 31, 2014, the State of Colorado's proportion of the State Division was 95.85 percent, which was a decrease of 0.01 percent from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2013 (93.60 percent for the Judicial Division, which is an increase of 0.17 percent).

For the Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State of Colorado recognized pension expense for the State and Judicial Divisions of \$753.7 million. For the State Division the State reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

(Amounts In Thousands)

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	-	668
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	183,833	-
differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	81,603	82,413
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	234,451	-
Total	\$ 499,887	\$ 83,081

For the Judicial Division the state reported deferred outflows of resources for \$0.1 million for changes in proportionate share, \$3.6 million in the net difference

between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments, and \$15.4 million in changes of assumptions or other inputs. Additionally, the Judicial Division had deferred inflows of four thousand from the difference between expected and actual experience.

Deferred outflows of resources totaling \$234.5 million for the State Division and Judicial Division) related to pensions resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the Fiscal Year ended 2016. For the State Division other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

(Amounts In Thousands)

Fiscal Year Ended	
2016	45,167
2017	45,270
2018	45,958
2019	45,958
2020	-
Thereafter	-

For the Judicial Division other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will result in pension expense of \$5.5 million in Fiscal Years 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18; \$2.5 million in Fiscal Year 2018-19; and \$0 in Fiscal Year 2019-20 and thereafter.

#### Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the December 31, 2013 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

	State Division	Judicial Division
Price inflation	2.80%	2.80%
Real wage growth	1.10%	1.10%
Wage inflation	3.90%	3.90%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.90 to 9.57%	4.40 to 5.40%
Long-term investment Rate of Return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.50%	7.50%
Municipal bond index rate 12/31/14	None	3.70%
Beginning period of application	None	2041
Discount rate	7.50%	6.14%
Future post-retirement benefit increases:		
PERA Benefit Structure hired prior to 1/1/07; and DPS Benefit Structure (automatic)	2.00%	2.00%
PERA Benefit Structure hired after 12/31/06 (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on a projection of Scale AA to 2020 with Males set back 1 year, and Females set back 2 years.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2013 valuations were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2011, adopted by PERA's Board on November 13, 2012, and an economic assumption study, adopted by PERA's Board on November 15, 2013 and January 17, 2014.

The State Division's long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation; ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.50 percent.

As of the most recent analysis of the long-term expected rate of return, presented to the PERA Board on November 15, 2013, the target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	10 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return
U.S. Equity – Large Cap	26.76%	5.00%
U.S. Equity – Small Cap	4.40%	5.19%
Non U.S. Equity – Developed	22.06%	5.29%
Non U.S. Equity – Emerging	6.24%	6.76%
Core Fixed Income	24.05%	0.98%
High Yield	1.53%	2.64%
Long Duration Gov't/Credit	0.53%	1.57%
Emerging Market Bonds	0.43%	3.04%
Real Estate	7.00%	5.09%
Private Equity	7.00%	7.15%
Total	100.00%	

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50 percent for the State Division and 6.14 percent for the Judicial Division. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law, including current and future AED and SAED, until the Actuarial Value Funding Ratio reaches 103 percent, at which point, the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50 percent every year until they are zero. Based on those assumptions, for the State Division's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination does not use the

Municipal Bond Index Rate. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date. For the Judicial Division the fiduciary net position was projected to be depleted in 2041 and, as a result, the municipal bond index rate was used in the determination of the discount rate. The long-term expected rate of return of 7.50 percent on plan investments was applied to all periods before 2041 and the Bond Buyer Obligation 10-year Municipal Bond Index published monthly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, was applied on and after 2041 to develop the discount rate.

The following table shows the sensitivity of Colorado's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate for the State Division and Judicial Division from 7.50 percent and 6.14 percent respectively to what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.50 percent and 5.14 percent respectively) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.50 percent and 7.14 percent respectively):

**State Division**  
(Amount in Thousands)

	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Current Discount Rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 11,560,402	\$ 9,015,773	\$ 6,875,400

**Judicial Division**  
(Amount in Thousands)

	1% Decrease (5.14%)	Current Discount Rate (6.14%)	1% Increase (7.14%)
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 172,910	\$ 129,500	\$ 92,422

## OTHER PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

The Fire and Police Pension Association (FPPA), a related organization, was established to ensure the financial viability of local government pension plans for police and firefighters. In Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2013-14, the Department of Local Affairs transferred \$4.2 million and \$4.1 million, respectively, to the association for pension contributions and premiums of the accidental death and disability insurance policy the association provides to volunteer firefighters.

### Component Units

Employees of the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority are covered under the State Division of PERA discussed above. Since the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's year end was December 31, 2014, GASB 68 and 71 are not effective until December 31, 2015.

## NOTE 19 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS AND LIFE INSURANCE

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing OPEB plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information (see Note RSI-3) following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information, when available, about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point.

### Primary Government

#### PERA Health Care Trust Fund

The PERA Health Care Program is a cost-sharing multiple employer plan. It began covering benefit recipients and qualified dependents on July 1, 1986. This benefit was developed after legislation in 1985 established the Program and the Health Care Fund. Legislation enacted during the 1999 session established the Health Care Trust Fund effective July 1, 1999. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes establishes the Fund and authorizes PERA to administer and subsidize a portion of the monthly premium for health care coverage. The benefit recipient pays any remaining amount of that premium through an automatic deduction from the monthly retirement benefit.

Effective July 1, 2000, the maximum monthly subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare, and \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum subsidy is based on the recipient having 20 years of service credit, and is subject to reduction by 5 percent for each year of service less than 20 years.

An additional implicit subsidy exists for participating retirees not eligible for Medicare Part A. This occurs because State statute prohibits PERA from charging different rates to retirees based on their Medicare Part A coverage, notwithstanding that the premium is calculated

assuming that the participants have Medicare Part A coverage. At December 31, 2014, the Health Care Trust Fund had an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of \$1.24 billion, a funded ratio of 19.4 percent, and a 30-year amortization period.

The apportionment of the contribution to the Health Care Trust Fund is established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1)(f) of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Beginning July 1, 2004, the State contribution to the Health Care Trust Fund was 1.02 percent of gross covered wages. The State paid contributions of \$27.0 million, \$25.9 million, \$24.9 million, \$24.1 million, and \$24.3 million, in Fiscal Years 2014-15, 2013-14, 2012-13, 2011-12, 2010-11 respectively. Monthly premium costs for participants depend on the health care plan selected, the PERA subsidy amount, Medicare eligibility, and the number of persons covered. The Health Care Trust Fund offers two general types of plans – fully insured plans offered through healthcare organizations and self-insured plans administered for PERA by third party vendors. In addition, two of PERA's insurance carriers offered health care plans in 2014. As of December 31, 2014, there were 54,076 participants, including spouses and dependents, from all contributors to the plan.

The Health Care Trust Fund began providing dental and vision plans to its participants in 2001. The participants pay the premiums for the coverage, and there is no subsidy provided for the dental and vision plans.

In the December 31, 2014, actuarial valuation, the entry age level dollar actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 7.50 percent investment rate of return and discount rate, and an aggregate 3.90 percent projection of salary increases, both assuming a 2.80 percent inflation rate and real wage growth of 1.10 percent. Medical claims are projected to increase annually at various rates up to 5.45 percent based on different subsidy and premium options. The UAAL is being amortized as a level dollar amount on a level percent open basis over 30 years. Except for the discount rate these assumptions primarily affect plan assets available rather than the actuarial accrued liability because the benefit is a fixed subsidy amount.

The financial statements for the PERA Health Care Trust Fund can be found within PERA's financial statements as referenced at the beginning of Note 18.

#### University of Colorado – Other Postemployment Benefits Plan

The University Post-Retirement Health Care & Life Insurance Benefits Plan is a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan administered by the University of Colorado. The University's plan provides medical, prescription drug, dental and life insurance benefits for employees who retire from the University, as well as their spouses, dependents, and survivors. The University's



Board of Regents has the authority to establish and amend benefits provisions.

The contribution requirements of plan members and the University are established by the University's Board of Regents. The University's contribution is based on pay-as-you-go financing requirements. For Fiscal Year 2014-15, the University contributed \$16.3 million to the plan. Plan members contributed 0.33 percent of covered payroll (defined as the annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) and the University contributed 1.24 percent of covered payroll.

The University's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years.

The following table shows the components of the University's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the University's net OPEB obligation for the University Post-retirement Health Care & Life Insurance Benefits Plan:

(Amounts In Thousands)

Annual required contribution	\$ 65,667
Interest on net OPEB obligation	8,801
Adjustment to annual required contribution	(12,007)
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	<u>62,461</u>
Contributions made	(16,269)
Increase/(Decrease) in net OPEB obligation	<u>46,192</u>
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>195,587</u>
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>241,779</u>

The University's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for the last three fiscal years were as follows:

(Amounts In Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
2014-15	\$ 62,461	26.1%	\$ 241,779
2013-14	\$ 46,842	35.5%	\$ 195,587
2012-13	\$ 47,398	28.50%	\$ 165,393

As of July 1, 2014, the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was 0.0 percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$523.4 million and the actuarial value of assets was \$0.0 million, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$523.4 million. The UAAL of the plan exceeds the Net OPEB Obligation (NOPEBO) due to the portion of the UAAL not required to be recognized as NOPEBO at the

implementation of GASB Statement No. 45. The covered payroll was \$1.3 billion, and the ratio of UAAL to covered payroll was 39.2 percent. The current valuation was calculated on the basis of the unit credit actuarial cost method. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.5 percent investment rate of return, and health care trend rates ranging from 5.5 to 10.0 percent in 2015, down to 5.0 percent in 2030. The UAAL is being amortized as a level dollar amount on an open basis over 30 years.

#### Colorado State University – Other Postemployment Benefits Plans

Colorado State University administers four single employer defined benefit healthcare qualifying trust plans. The Retiree Medical Premium Refund Plan (RMPR) is open to new members and provides a monthly subsidy for medical premiums of up to \$200 per month for employees who retire from the University and are participants in its defined contribution plan. The Retiree Medical Premium Subsidy for PERA Participants Plan (RMPS) is closed to new members and provides a monthly subsidy for medical premiums of up to \$394 (reduced by the amount of premium subsidy provided by PERA) for employees who are PERA participants and retire from the University. The Umbrella RX Plan (URX) closed to new members and supplements prescription benefits provided through PERA for employees with ten or more years of PERA service. The Long-Term Disability Insurance Plan (LTD) is open to new members and provides a monthly income replacement benefit for employees still on disability after the 91<sup>st</sup> consecutive calendar day of total disability. LTD covers a percentage of the monthly salary up to established caps and continues until recovery, death, or until attained age between 65 and 70 years depending on when the employee became disabled. The University's Board of Governors has the authority to establish and amend benefits provisions for all plans.

Colorado State University issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for all of the plans. That report may be obtained by writing to 555 S. Howes St., Fort Collins, CO 80523, or by going to: <http://busfin.colostate.edu/finstmt.aspx>.

The contribution requirements of all plan members and the University are established by the University's Board of Governors. The required contribution for the RMPR, URX and LTD plans is set by the University in consultation with outside benefit consultants, underwriters, and actuaries. The subsidy amount under the RMPS increases annually in alignment with the increase in the cost of individual coverage under the lowest cost medical option. For Fiscal Year 2014-15, the University contributed \$1.4 million to the RMPR at a contribution rate of 0.45 percent of covered earnings, \$3.0 million to the RMPS at a 10.87 percent contribution rate, and \$0.2

million to the URX at a 0.63 percent contribution rate. Employees contributed \$1.3 million at a 0.40 percent contribution rate to the LTD plan and there was a one-time adjustment of \$1.8 million to the employer contribution of the LTD plan. Members of the RMPS, RMPR, or URX plans are not required to make contributions, however members of the LTD plan are required to contribute. As of June 30, 2015, RMPR had 4,614 active members and 365 retired members or beneficiaries receiving benefits; the RMPS had 664 active members, 182 terminated but eligible members, and 505 retired members or beneficiaries receiving benefits; the URX had 664 active members, 515 terminated but eligible members, and 357 retired members or beneficiaries receiving benefits; and LTD had 4,908 active members and 28 retired members or beneficiaries receiving benefits.

All four plans are on a full accrual basis of accounting. Plan assets are recorded at quoted market prices and contributions benefits and refunds are recorded in the month incurred. Administrative costs are financed as direct expenditures of the trust.

As of the most recent actuarial valuation date of January 1, 2015, The RMPR was 102.0 percent funded, the RMPS was 41.9 percent funded, the URX 21.1 percent funded, and the LTD 62.5 percent funded with net assets of \$37.0 million, \$21.6 million, \$0.6 million, and \$7.5 million, respectively. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits for the RMPR, RMPS, URX and LTD was \$36.3 million, \$51.5 million, \$2.7 million, and \$12.0 million respectively, resulting in unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities of -\$0.7 million, \$29.9 million, \$2.2 million and \$4.5 million, respectively. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) of the RMPR was \$305.3 million, and the ratio of unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) to covered payroll was -0.2 percent. Neither the RMPS, the URX, nor the LTD plan contribution is based on salaries or covered payroll.

The RMPR and LTD plans used the entry age normal actuarial cost method, while the RMPS and URX plans use the unit credit method. All four plans used a 4 percent investment rate of return, and used a 3 percent inflation adjustment. The LTD plan also assumed a 4 percent salary increase, while the RMPR, RMPS and URX plans did not incorporate that assumption into their analysis because benefits are not based on salary.

The RMPR and URX assumed no health care cost trend adjustment, and RMPS assumed an annual healthcare cost trend initial rate of 7 percent declining to an ultimate rate of 5 percent. The LTD does not use a healthcare trend rate because it provides income replacement not healthcare. The RMPR and LTD plans used a level percentage of projected payroll to amortize the UAAL and the RMPS and URX plans used a level dollar amount. All four plans originally amortized the UAAL over 30 years. The amortization period for the RMPR was

reduced to a one-year open period with the transfer to a qualified trust, while 23 years remain on the closed period for the RMPS and URX and 30 years remains for the LTD open period

### **Other Programs**

The State provides employees with a limited amount of Basic Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage underwritten by Minnesota Life at no cost to the employee. Through the same company, the State also provides access to group Optional Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage with premiums paid by the employee.

### **Component Units**

Employees of the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority are covered under the PERA Health Care Trust Fund discussed above.

## **NOTE 20 – OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

### **Primary Government**

#### **A. MEDICAL AND DISABILITY BENEFITS**

The Group Benefit Plans Fund is a Pension and Other Employee Benefits Trust Fund established for the purpose of risk financing employee and state-official medical claims. The fund includes several medical plan options ranging from provider of choice to managed care. The State uses a self-funded approach for certain employee and state-official medical claims. The State's contribution to the premium is subject to appropriation by the legislature each year, and State employees pay the difference between the State's contribution and the premium required to meet actuarial estimates. Since the amount of the State contribution is at the discretion of the legislature, employees ultimately bear the risk of funding the benefit plans.

The premiums, which are based on actuarial analysis, are intended to cover claims, reserves, third party administrator fees, stop-loss premiums and other external administration costs (such as COBRA and case management). Premiums also include a fee to offset the internal costs of administering the plan. Internal costs include developing plan offerings, maintaining the online benefits system, and communicating benefit provisions to employees. Employee healthcare premiums are allowed on a pretax basis under the State's flexible spending account benefits plan. Effective July 1, 2013, premiums also included a fee to implement a statewide wellness program. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, covered employees who elected to participate in the wellness plan received a monthly health insurance premium credit of \$10 or \$20 depending on the level of participation.

The State offers two statewide, self-funded PPO options administered by United Healthcare and two regional, fully-insured HMO options administered by Kaiser Permanente. Two of these medical options were HSA-qualified high-deductible health plans (HDHPs). Two statewide, dental PPO options administered by Delta Dental were also offered.

The Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) covers short-term disability claims for State employees eligible under its retirement plan (see Note 18A). The Group Benefit Plans Fund provides short-term disability coverage for employees not yet qualified for the retirement plan and secondary benefits for employees also covered under the PERA short-term disability plan.

The Group Benefit Plans short-term disability program provides an employee with 60 percent of their pay beginning after 30 days of disability or exhausting their sick leave balance, whichever is later. This benefit expires six months after the beginning of the disability. Although fully insured, the Group Benefit Plans disability program includes a risk-sharing feature that provides experience rating refunds calculated as earned premiums less the aggregate of incurred claims, claim reserve, retention charge, and refunds paid previously over the term of the contract. Refunds, when applicable, are paid annually.

## **B. EMPLOYEE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN**

The PERA Deferred Compensation Plan (457) was established July 1, 2009, as a continuation of the State Deferred Compensation Plan which was established for State and local government employees in 1981. At July 1, 2009, the State's administrative functions were transferred to PERA in a fiduciary to fiduciary transfer; all costs of administration and funding are borne by the plan participants. The 457 plan allows for voluntary participation to provide additional benefits at retirement, and all employees may contribute to the 457 plan. At conversion, State employees were the primary participants in the 457 plan. In calendar year 2014, participants were allowed to make contributions of up to 100 percent of their annual gross salary (reduced by their 8 percent PERA contribution, which was restored from the temporary increase to 10.5 percent for Fiscal Years 2010-11 and 2011-12) to a maximum of \$17,500. Participants who are age 50 and older, and contributing the maximum amount allowable, could make an additional \$5,500 in 2014, for total contributions of \$23,000. Contributions and earnings are tax deferred. At December 31, 2014, the plan had net position of \$689.5 million and 17,738 participants.

## **C. Other Retirement Plans**

### PERA 401k Plan

The Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) offers a voluntary 401(k) plan entirely separate from the 457 plan, the defined contribution plan, and the defined benefit plan. Title 24, Article 51, Part 14 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, assigns the authority to establish the Plan provisions to the PERA Board of Trustees. In calendar year 2014, PERA members were allowed to make contributions of up to 100 percent of their annual gross salary (reduced by their 8 percent PERA contribution, which was restored from the temporary increase to 10.5 percent for Fiscal Years 2010-11 and 2011-12) to a maximum of \$17,500. Participants who are age 50 and older, and contributing the maximum amount allowable, could make an additional \$5,500 in 2014, for total contributions of \$23,000. Contributions and earnings are tax deferred. On December 31, 2014, the plan had net position of \$2,682 million and 68,270 accounts.

PERA Defined Contribution Retirement Plan

The PERA Defined Contribution Retirement Plan was established January 1, 2006, as an alternative to the defined benefit plan. All employees, with the exception of certain higher education employees, have the option of participating in the plan. On July 1, 2009, administration of the State's defined contribution plan was transferred to PERA and participants of the State's plan became participants of the PERA defined contribution plan. Existing State plan members at the time of the transfer became participants in the PERA defined contribution plan and retained their vesting schedule for employer contributions, while employer contributions for new members will vest from 50 percent to 100 percent evenly over 5 years. Title 24, Article 51, Part 15 of the Colorado

Revised Statutes, assigns the authority to establish Plan provisions to the PERA Board of Trustees.

Contribution requirements are established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 1505 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Participants in the plan are required to contribute 8 percent (10 percent for State troopers) of their salary. The contribution rate was restored from the temporary increase in Fiscal Years 2010-11 and 2011-12 to 10.5 percent (12.5 percent for State Troopers). Additionally, the State of Colorado is required to contribute AED and SAED to the State Division as shown in the following table. The rates in the table are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in Title 24, Article 51, Section 101 (42) of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

Fiscal Year 2013		Fiscal Year 2014		Fiscal Year 2015	
CY12	CY13	CY14		CY15	
7-1-12 to 12-31-12	1-1-13 to 6-30-13	7-1-13 to 12-31-13	1-1-14 to 6-30-14	7-1-14 to 12-31-14	1-1-15 to 6-30-15

Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED)	3.00%	3.40%	3.40%	3.80%	3.80%	4.20%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED)	2.50%	3.00%	3.00%	3.50%	3.50%	4.00%
Total Employer Contribution Rate to the State Division	5.50%	6.40%	6.40%	7.30%	7.30%	8.20%

Participating employees of the PERA defined contribution plan are immediately vested in their own contributions and investment earnings and are immediately 50 percent vested in the amount of employer contributions made on their behalf. For each full year of participation, vesting of employer contributions increases by 10 percent. Forfeitures are used to pay expenses of the PERA defined contribution plan in accordance with PERA Rule 16.80 as adopted by the PERA Board of Trustees in accordance with Title 24, Article 51, Section 204 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. As a result, forfeitures do not reduce pension expense. At December 31, 2014, the plan had a net position of \$131.5 million and 5,046 participants. The financial statements for the PERA Deferred Compensation Plan, the PERA 401k Plan, and the PERA Defined Contribution Plan can be found within PERA's financial statements as referenced at the beginning of Note 18.

Higher Education Optional Retirement Plans

Legislation in 1992 authorized State institutions of higher education the option of offering other retirement plans to their employees. At that time, certain employees had the choice of retaining their membership in PERA. As a result of the legislation, some employees of various institutions may be covered under defined contribution plans such as the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association-College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA-

CREF), the Variable Annuity Life Insurance Corporation (VALIC), or other similar plans. Generally these plans are available to faculty or other staff members who are not part of the State's classified employee system. Faculty members at the University of Colorado are also covered under Social Security.

Other State Retirement Plans

The State's pension expense to other retirement plans were primarily made to the PERA Defined Contributions Retirement Plan in the amount of \$142.0 million and \$125.4 million during Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2013-14, respectively. In addition, the State paid \$101.4 million and \$89.0 million in FICA and Medicare taxes on employee wages during Fiscal Years 2014-15 and 2013-14, respectively.

**D. Termination Benefits**

The University of Colorado provides an early retirement incentive program to tenured professors who are at least 55 years of age, whose age and years of service combined equal at least 70, and who participate in the University's optional retirement plan. The time period for the arrangement is from calendar year 2010 to 2016. The incentive is equal to twice the base salary and supplemental pay and requires the immediate

relinquishment of tenure status. In Fiscal Year 2014-15 77 faculty members participated in the program at a present value accrued cost of \$9.1 million, with an assumed discount rate of 5 percent.

### Component Units

Employees of the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority may voluntarily contribute to the PERA 401k Defined Contribution Pension Plan discussed above.

## NOTE 21 – RISK MANAGEMENT

### Primary Government

The State currently self-insures its agencies, officials, and employees for certain risks of loss to which they are exposed. These include general liability, motor vehicle liability, and workers' compensation. Per statute, individual Department property claims have a \$5,000 deductible per occurrence. Claims brought under state law are limited to \$350,000 per person and \$990,000 per accident pursuant to the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, CRS 24-10-101. The Risk Management Fund is reported as a Special Purpose General Fund, and it is used to account for claims adjustment, investigation, defense, and authorization for the settlement and payment of claims or judgments against the State. Workers compensation losses are self-insured per the Risk Management Act (CRS 24-30-1501); the State has purchased \$50.0 million of excess insurance per occurrence (\$10.0 million deductible). Property claims are self insured as well; \$450.0 million of property loss insurance (\$500,000 deductible). Flood insurance is also purchased for properties in flood zones designated by FEMA that may carry a higher deductible. The State has also purchased excess liability coverage for automotive liability outside Colorado for \$5.0 million per occurrence (\$2.0 million deductible), and \$10.0 million of employee dishonesty loss coverage (\$250,000 deductible). Settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the three prior years.

All funds and agencies of the State, except for the University of Colorado, Colorado State University (not including CSU-Pueblo), the University of Northern Colorado, Fort Lewis College, Colorado Mesa University, Western State Colorado University, Adams State University, and component units participate in the State Risk Management Fund. State agency premiums are based on an assessment of risk exposure and historical claims experience.

Claims are reported in the General Fund in accordance with GASB Interpretation No. 6, and therefore, related liabilities are only reported to the extent that they are due and payable at June 30. On the government-wide statements, risk management liabilities are reported when

it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated. Those liabilities include an amount for claims that have been incurred but not reported and an adjustment for nonincremental claims expense that is based on current administrative costs as a percentage of current claims and projected to the total actuarial claims estimate.

Because actual claims liabilities depend on complex factors such as inflation, changes in legal doctrines, and damage awards, the process used in computing claims liability does not necessarily result in an exact amount. Claims liabilities are evaluated periodically to take into consideration recently settled claims, the frequency of claims, and other economic and social factors. A contractor completes an actuarial study each year determining both the current and long-term liabilities of the Risk Management Fund.

Colorado employers, including the State, are liable for occupational injuries and diseases of their employees through the workers' compensation insurance or self-insurance. Benefits are prescribed by the Workers' Compensation Act of Colorado for medical expenses and loss of wages resulting from job-related injuries. The State is self-insured and uses the services of a third party administrator, Broadspire Services, to administer its plan. The State reimburses Broadspire the current cost of claims paid and related administrative expenses.

From January 1, 2000 through June 30, 2005, the State and its employees purchased insurance for medical claims. Beginning July 1, 2005, the State returned to the self-funding approach (used prior to January 1, 2000) for medical claims except for stop-loss insurance purchased for claims over \$375,000 per individual. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State recovered approximately \$1.9 million related to the stop-loss insurance claims. The State's contribution to medical premiums is subject to appropriation by the legislature each year, and State employees pay the difference between the State's contribution and the premium required to meet actuarial estimates. Since the amount of the State contribution is at the discretion of the legislature, employees ultimately bear the risk of funding the benefit plans. The claims and related liabilities are reported in the Group Benefit Plans, a Pension and Other Employee Benefits Trust Fund.

The State recorded \$22.6 million of insurance recoveries during Fiscal Year 2014-15. Of that amount approximately \$9.9 was related to asset impairments that occurred in prior years. The remaining \$12.7 million relates to the current year and was primarily recorded by Group Benefits Plans (including the \$1.9 million, as noted above), a Pension and Other Employee Benefits Fund, and \$1.6 million by Higher Education in the Higher Education Institutions Fund.

For claims related to events occurring before October 1, 1996, the Regents of the University of Colorado participate in the University of Colorado

Insurance Pool (UCIP) – a public-entity self-insurance pool. After that date, the University became self-insured for workers' compensation, auto, and general and property liability. As of March 31, 2009, the Colorado Division of Insurance approved the dissolution of UCIP, and all remaining claim liabilities were transferred to the University's self-insurance program. An actuary projects the self-insured plan's undiscounted liabilities. The University purchases excess insurance for losses over its self-insured retention of \$500,000 per property claim, \$1.25 million per worker's compensation claim, and \$1.25 million per general liability claim. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

University of Colorado tort claims are subject to the governmental immunity act, and damages are capped for specified waived areas at \$350,000 per person and \$990,000 per occurrence. There were no reductions of insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15, and settlements did not exceed insurance coverage in any of the three prior fiscal years.

The University of Colorado Graduate Medical Education Health Benefits Program is a comprehensive self-insurance health and dental benefits program for physicians in training at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus. The University manages excess risk exposure for staff medical claims by purchasing stop-loss insurance of \$285,000 per person and \$10.8 million in aggregate annually. There were no reductions of insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 for this program. There have been no claims against the aggregate stop-loss insurance in the previous three years; however, the University collected \$193,745 from the stop-loss insurance carrier for individual claims in excess of the threshold from Fiscal Years 2012-13 through 2014-15. An insurance brokerage firm estimates liabilities of the plan using actuarial methods.

The University of Colorado Denver also self-insures its faculty and staff for medical malpractice through the University of Colorado Self-Insurance Trust, consistent with the limits of governmental immunity and over \$500,000 per claimant. For claims outside of governmental immunity, the Trust has purchased stop-loss insurance to cover claims greater than \$1.5 million per occurrence and \$8.0 million in aggregate annually. The discounted liability for malpractice is determined annually by an actuarial study. There was no significant reduction in insurance coverage in Fiscal Years 2014-15, however, the University collected \$512,375 from the stop-loss insurance carrier for individual claims in excess of the threshold from Fiscal Years 2012-13 through 2014-15.

Colorado State University is self-insured for employee medical and dental plans, but purchases re-insurance for healthcare claims over \$275,000. The related liability is

based on underwriting review of claims history and current data. The University is self-insured for worker's compensation up to \$500,000 and has purchased reinsurance for individual claims up to statutory limits. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

The Colorado State University general liability claims arising out of employment practices are self-insured up to \$500,000 with excess insurance purchased for claims up to \$10.0 million and additional insurance purchased for claims up to \$15.0 million, for a total of \$25.0 million per occurrence. The University is self-insured for property damage up to \$100,000, but has purchased excess insurance providing coverage up to \$1.0 billion per occurrence. The University also carries cyber risk liability insurance up to \$5.0 million (\$100,000 deductible for cyber extortion; \$20,000 deductible for foreign notification; and \$10,000 deductible for crisis management and public relations). The University also purchased \$1.0 million of international liability insurance, \$25.0 million of aviation liability insurance (\$1,000 deductible), and \$1.0 million of unmanned aerial vehicles liability insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15, and the amount of settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the three prior fiscal years.

The University of Northern Colorado manages general liability, professional liability, property, auto, and worker's compensation risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University retains a small amount of self insurance risk from taking over claims previously covered by State risk management from Fiscal Year 2005-06. The University has purchased \$3.0 million of general liability insurance (\$0 deductible), \$3.0 million of professional liability insurance (\$25,000 deductible), \$1.0 million of automobile liability (\$0 deductible), \$3.0 million of errors and omissions insurance (\$25,000 deductible), \$3.0 million of employment practices liability (\$25,000 deductible), \$500,000 of worker's compensation insurance (\$1,000 deductible), \$1.0 million of employee fraud insurance (\$5,000 deductible), \$500.0 million of property insurance (\$25,000 deductible), and \$2.0 million umbrella liability (\$10,000 self-insured retention). There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15, and the amount of settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the three prior fiscal years.

Fort Lewis College manages worker's compensation risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The College has purchased \$500,000 of worker's compensation insurance (\$5,000 deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2010-11, the College was covered under the State's risk management program. The College retains a small amount of self insurance risk from taking over claims previously covered by State risk management from Fiscal

Year 2009-10. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15, and the amount of settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the three prior fiscal years.

Fort Lewis College manages general liability risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The College has purchased blanket building and personal property insurance of \$408.3 million (\$10,000 deductible), \$2.0 million of general liability (\$0 deductible), \$5.0 million of fine arts insurance (\$2,500 deductible). The College has also purchased \$1.0 million of employee dishonesty insurance (\$10,000 deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2011-12, the College was covered under the State's risk management program. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Colorado Mesa University manages worker's compensation risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University has purchased worker's compensation insurance (\$5,000 deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2010-11, the University was covered under the State's risk management program. The University retains a small amount of self insurance risk from taking over claims previously covered by State risk management from Fiscal Year 2009-10. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15, and the amount of settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in the past three fiscal years.

Colorado Mesa University manages general liability risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University has purchased general liability insurance (\$0 deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2011-12, the University was covered under the State's risk management program. The University retains a small amount of self insurance risk from taking over claims previously covered by State risk management from Fiscal Year 2010-11. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Western State Colorado University manages worker's compensation risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University has purchased \$500,000 of worker's compensation insurance (\$500 deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2011-12, the University was covered under the State's risk management program. The University retains a small amount of self insurance risk from taking over claims previously covered by State risk management from Fiscal Year 2011-12. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Western State Colorado University manages general liability risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University has purchased general liability insurance of \$2,000,000 (\$1,000 deductible). Before Fiscal Year

2012-13, the University was covered under the State's risk management program. The University retains a small amount of self insurance risk from taking over claims previously covered by State risk management from Fiscal Year 2012-13. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15, and the amount of settlements has not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Adams State University manages worker's compensation risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University has purchased worker's compensation insurance of \$500,000 per occurrence (\$500 deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2011-12, the University was covered under the State's risk management program. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Adams State University manages general liability risks primarily through the purchase of insurance. The University has purchased general liability for auto,

fidelity, liability and fire insurance of \$1.0 million per occurrence (no deductible). Before Fiscal Year 2011-12, the University was covered under the State's risk management program. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Changes in claims liabilities were as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)				
Fiscal Year	Liability at July 1	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claim Payments	Liability at June 30
State Risk Management:				
Liability Fund				
2014-15	23,395	10,599	6,565	27,429
2013-14	29,194	(2,094)	3,705	23,395
2012-13	29,883	4,715	5,404	29,194
Workers' Compensation				
2014-15	120,600	43,642	33,885	130,357
2013-14	119,689	32,911	32,000	120,600
2012-13	109,609	50,525	40,445	119,689
Group Benefit Plans:				
2014-15	14,248	183,548	183,079	14,717
2013-14	12,647	162,025	160,424	14,248
2012-13	13,695	138,851	139,899	12,647



(Amounts in Thousands)

(Continued)	Fiscal Year	Liability at July 1	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claim Payments	Liability at June 30
University of Colorado:					
General Liability, Property, and Workers' Compensation					
2014-15		14,445	8,684	9,271	13,858
2013-14		10,962	11,715	8,232	14,445
2012-13		10,015	7,694	6,747	10,962
University of Colorado Denver:					
Medical Malpractice					
2014-15		7,139	4,060	1,701	9,498
2013-14		5,448	3,798	2,107	7,139
2012-13		5,655	1,196	1,403	5,448
Graduate Medical Education Health Benefits Program					
2014-15		1,711	7,644	7,556	1,799
2013-14		1,386	8,595	8,270	1,711
2012-13		1,408	6,806	6,828	1,386
Colorado State University:					
Medical, Dental, and Disability Benefits and General Liability					
2014-15		33,555	40,237	45,132	28,660
2013-14		32,540	40,337	39,322	33,555
2012-13		28,948	36,300	32,708	32,540
University of Northern Colorado:					
General Liability, Property, and Workers' Compensation					
2014-15		81	32	57	56
2013-14		101	69	89	81
2012-13		57	133	89	101
Fort Lewis College:					
Worker's Compensation					
2014-15		21	24	32	13
2013-14		3	18	-	21
2012-13		301	(298)	-	3
General Liability					
2014-15		-	-	-	-
2013-14		-	-	-	-
2012-13		167	(167)	-	-
Adams State University					
General Liability					
2014-15		-	-	-	-
2013-14		-	-	-	-
2012-13		11	(11)	-	-
Colorado Mesa University:					
Workers' Compensation					
2014-15		17	50	39	28
2013-14		67	26	76	17
2012-13		67	56	56	67
General Liability					
2014-15		-	548	548	-
2013-14		118	(30)	88	-
2012-13		118	259	259	118
Western State Colorado University:					
Workers' Compensation					
2014-15		14	(11)	3	-
2013-14		110	-	96	14
2012-13		208	(70)	28	110
General Liability					
2014-15		-	-	-	-
2013-14		20	(20)	-	-
2012-13		-	20	-	20

## Component Units

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority maintains commercial insurance for most risks of loss, and is self-insured for any director or officer legal liability. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage and settlements have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

## NOTE 22 – LEASE COMMITMENTS

### Primary Government

State management is authorized to enter lease or rental agreements for buildings and/or equipment. All leases contain clauses stipulating that continuation of the lease is subject to funding by the Legislature. Historically, these leases have been renewed in the normal course of business. They are therefore treated as noncancellable for financial reporting purposes.

At June 30, 2015, the State had the following gross amounts of assets under capital lease:

(Amounts in Thousands)

Gross Assets Under Lease (Before Depreciation)			
	Land	Buildings	Equipment and Other
Governmental Activities	\$ 735	\$ 69,514	\$ 247,762
Business-Type Activities	-	42,738	43,940
Total	\$ 735	\$ 112,252	\$ 291,702

At June 30, 2015, the State expected the following sublease rentals related to its capital and operating leases:

(Amounts in Thousands)

Sublease Rentals			
	Capital	Operating	Total
Governmental Activities	\$ 103	\$ 373	\$ 476
Business-Type Activities	-	735	735
Total	\$ 103	\$ 1,108	\$ 1,211

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the State incurred the following contingent rentals related to capital and operating leases:

(Amounts in Thousands)

Contingent Rentals			
	Capital	Operating	Total
Business-Type Activities	\$ -	\$ 28	\$ 28
Total	\$ -	\$ 28	\$ 28

Colorado State University Research Foundation (CSURF), a related party, is a not-for-profit Colorado corporation, established to aid and assist the institutions governed by the Colorado State University System Board of Governors in their research and educational efforts. Support provided by the Foundation to the institutions (Colorado State University and Colorado State University – Pueblo) includes patent and licensing management, finance and acquisition of research and educational facilities, and acquisition and management of equipment and land. Colorado State University paid CSURF \$959,474 in Fiscal Year 2014-15 for leased space, and at June 30, 2015 had total future lease obligations for leased space of \$6.9 million. It also paid CSURF \$2.7 million during the fiscal year for equipment and vehicles and had total future lease obligations for leased equipment and vehicles of \$24.1 million.

In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the Community College of Aurora made operating lease payments of approximately \$2.1 million to the Community College of Aurora Foundation, which is the landlord for the Community College's main campus.

For Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State recorded building and land rent of \$53.7 million for governmental-type activities and \$27.8 million for business-type activities. The State also recorded equipment and vehicle rental expenditures of \$10.8 million and \$40.5 million for governmental and business-type activities, respectively. The above amounts were payable to entities external to State government and do not include transactions with the State's fleet management program.

The State recorded \$4.4 million of capital lease interest costs for governmental activities and \$1.5 million for business-type activities.

The State entered into approximately \$23.2 million of capital leases related to the State's fleet management program, which is reported in an internal service fund that does not report capital lease proceeds.

Future minimum payments at June 30, 2015, for existing leases were as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)

Fiscal Year(s)	Operating Leases		Capital Leases			
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Governmental		Business-Type	
			Activities		Activities	
			Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2016	\$ 46,395	\$ 21,544	\$ 27,759	\$ 4,609	\$ 8,618	\$ 1,537
2017	36,798	18,072	25,701	3,987	8,361	1,371
2018	32,990	16,329	20,573	3,353	6,003	1,178
2019	28,001	12,916	17,998	2,882	4,169	1,033
2020	21,246	11,079	15,456	2,467	3,801	941
2021 to 2025	75,557	20,293	47,831	7,161	18,575	2,996
2026 to 2030	9,732	4,147	14,091	2,050	4,422	398
2031 to 2035	1,793	656	2,920	272	332	11
2036 to 2040	873	613	-	-	-	-
2041 to 2045	733	443	-	-	-	-
2046 to 2050	677	266	-	-	-	-
2051 to 2055	661	-	-	-	-	-
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments And Imputed Interest	\$ 255,456	\$ 106,358	\$ 172,329	\$ 26,781	\$ 54,281	\$ 9,465

### Component Units

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority leases office facilities under an operating lease that expires December 31, 2018. Total rental expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$128,862. The total minimum rental commitment as of December 31, 2014 is \$474,956.

Effective October 1, 1999, the University of Colorado Foundation entered into an agreement to lease the building in which it operates. According to the lease terms, payments were to be paid through September 2014. In May 2014 the lessor pledged to give \$3.5 million to the

Foundation instead of making a nonreciprocal transfer of the building, with a promise to pay no later than October 31, 2014. The pledge was fulfilled and the Foundation accounted for the gift as a \$3,323,000 permanently restricted endowment and a \$177,000 temporarily restricted asset.

The University of Colorado Foundation leases office space and equipment under operating leases expiring on various dates through 2018. The total rental expense for the year ended June 30, 2015 was \$166,253. The total minimum rental commitment under the leases was \$195,566 at June 30, 2015.

**NOTE 23 – SHORT-TERM DEBT**

On July 22, 2014 the State Treasurer issued \$500.0 million of General Fund Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes (GTRAN), Series 2014A. The notes were due and payable on June 26, 2015, at a coupon rate of 1.8 percent. The total interest related to this issuance was \$8.4 million; however, the notes were issued at a premium of \$7.8 million resulting in net interest costs (including the cost of issuance) of \$645,905 and a yield of 0.112 percent. The notes were issued for cash management purposes and were repaid by June 26, 2015, as required by the State Constitution.

Statutes authorize the State Treasurer to issue notes and lend the proceeds to local school districts in anticipation of local school district revenues to be collected at a later time. On July 15, 2014, the State Treasurer issued \$165.0 million of Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2014A. The notes were due and payable on June 29, 2015, at a coupon rate of 1.0

percent. The total interest related to this issuance was \$1.6 million; however, the notes were issued at a premium of \$1.4 million, resulting in net interest costs (including cost of issuance) of \$411,190 or 0.105 percent. The notes matured on June 29, 2015 and were repaid.

On January 5, 2015, the State Treasurer issued \$245.0 million of Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2014B. The notes were due and payable on June 29, 2015, at a coupon rate of 1.75 percent. The total interest related to this issuance was \$2.1 million; however, the notes were issued at a premium of \$2.0 million, resulting in net interest costs (including cost of issuance) of \$265,085 or 0.097 percent. The notes matured on June 29, 2015, and were repaid.

The following schedule shows the changes in short-term financing for the period ended June 30, 2015:

	(Amount in Thousands)			
	Beginning Balance July 1	Changes		Ending Balance June 30
		Additions	Reductions	
Governmental Activities:				
Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ (500,000)	\$ -
Education Loan Anticipation Notes	-	410,000	(410,000)	-
Total Governmental Activities Short-Term Financing	-	910,000	(910,000)	-
Total Short-Term Financing	\$ -	\$ 910,000	\$ (910,000)	\$ -

**NOTE 24 – NOTES, BONDS, AND CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION PAYABLE**

**Primary Government**

Various institutions of higher education, the State Nursing Homes, History Colorado, the Judicial Branch, and the Departments of Corrections, Transportation, Agriculture, Treasury, Labor and Employment, and Personnel & Administration have outstanding notes, bonds, and/or Certificates of Participation (COPs) for the purchase of equipment or to construct facilities or infrastructure. Except for the Department of Corrections which receives Capital Projects Fund appropriations for lease payments related to COPs, specific user revenues are pledged for the payments of interest and future retirement of the obligations. The State is not allowed by its Constitution to issue general obligation debt except to fund buildings for State use, to defend the State or the U.S. (in time of war), or to provide for unforeseen revenue deficiencies; additional restrictive limitations related to the valuation of taxable property also apply.

During Fiscal Year 2014-15 the State's governmental activities had \$167.3 million of federal and State revenue available in the Highway Users Tax Fund to meet an equivalent amount of debt service. Collectively, the State's business-type activities had \$1035.1 million in available net revenue after operating expenses to meet the \$535.6 million of debt service requirement related to revenue bonds.

The revenue of an individual business-type activity is generally not available to meet the debt service requirements of another business-type activity. (See additional disclosures regarding pledged revenue in Note 35.)

During Fiscal Year 2014-15 the State recorded \$251.3 million of interest costs, of which \$75.8 million was recorded by governmental activities and \$175.4 million was recorded by business-type activities. The governmental activities interest cost primarily comprises \$20.5 million of Highway Users Tax Fund interest on Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes issued by the Department of Transportation, \$17.6 million of interest on Certificates of Participation issued by the Judicial Branch, and \$29.0 million of interest on Certificates of Participation issued by the State Treasurer for the Building Excellent Schools Today program. The business-type activities interest cost primarily comprises \$146.4 million of interest on revenue bonds issued by institutions of higher education, \$13.6 million of interest paid to lending institutions that made loans to students under the College Assist loan guarantee program, \$9.9 million of interest on bonds issued by the Bridge Enterprise in the Transportation Enterprise, and \$5.2 million of interest on Unemployment Insurance Fund's federal loan and revenue bonds. College Assist and the Transportation Enterprise are nonmajor enterprise funds.

Annual maturities of notes, bonds, and COPs payable at June 30, 2015, are as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)									
Governmental Activities									
Fiscal Year	Revenue Bonds		Notes Payable		Certificates of Participation		Totals		
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
2016	\$ 157,220	\$ 10,268	\$ 2,045	\$ 317	\$ 41,710	\$ 48,223	\$ 200,975	\$ 58,808	
2017	126,099	2,680	2,090	275	42,805	47,143	170,994	50,098	
2018	-	-	2,135	231	43,990	45,956	46,125	46,187	
2019	-	-	2,175	187	45,280	44,627	47,455	44,814	
2020	-	-	2,220	142	26,465	43,284	28,685	43,426	
2021 to 2025	-	-	4,585	144	238,440	198,004	243,025	198,148	
2026 to 2030	-	-	-	-	320,985	153,792	320,985	153,792	
2031 to 2035	-	-	-	-	250,765	90,771	250,765	90,771	
2036 to 2040	-	-	-	-	104,665	42,652	104,665	42,652	
2041 to 2045	-	-	-	-	83,980	16,022	83,980	16,022	
2046 to 2050	-	-	-	-	4,745	158	4,745	158	
Subtotals	283,319	12,948	15,250	1,296	1,203,830	730,632	1,502,399	744,876	
Unamortized Prem/Discount	6,470	-	-	-	23,998	-	30,468	-	
Totals	\$ 289,789	\$ 12,948	\$ 15,250	\$ 1,296	\$ 1,227,828	\$ 730,632	\$ 1,532,867	\$ 744,876	

(Amounts in Thousands)

## Business-Type Activities

Fiscal Year	Revenue Bonds		Notes Payable		Certificates of Participation		Totals	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2016	\$ 229,276	\$ 177,633	\$ 1,192	\$ 795	\$ 20,854	\$ 16,626	\$ 251,322	\$ 195,054
2017	236,759	173,772	1,170	784	21,774	15,671	259,703	190,227
2018	114,423	167,355	664	728	22,829	14,623	137,916	182,706
2019	120,404	162,899	126	711	23,779	13,474	144,309	177,084
2020	125,889	160,819	109	704	24,684	12,315	150,682	173,838
2021 to 2025	665,490	708,698	25,065	5,169	139,855	42,366	830,410	756,233
2026 to 2030	735,087	547,171	7	-	91,140	11,888	826,234	559,059
2031 to 2035	748,033	362,833	-	-	12,675	254	760,708	363,087
2036 to 2040	632,805	180,954	-	-	-	-	632,805	180,954
2041 to 2045	256,595	51,017	-	-	-	-	256,595	51,017
2046 to 2050	50,340	16,866	-	-	-	-	50,340	16,866
2051 to 2055	54,020	6,865	-	-	-	-	54,020	6,865
Subtotals	3,969,121	2,716,882	28,333	8,891	357,590	127,217	4,355,044	2,852,990
Unamortized Prem/Discount	242,776	-	(16)	-	41,641	-	284,401	-
Unaccreted Interest	(9,331)	-	-	-	-	-	(9,331)	-
Totals	\$ 4,202,566	\$ 2,716,882	\$ 28,317	\$ 8,891	\$ 399,231	\$ 127,217	\$ 4,630,114	\$ 2,852,990

In March 2008, the Colorado School of Mines entered a derivative instrument agreement (interest rate swap) as an effective hedge against expected increasing interest costs on its variable rate debt. See Note 28 for additional information.

Assuming current interest rates are applied over the term of the debt, at June 30, 2015, the Colorado School of Mines' aggregate debt service payments and net swap cash payments are reflected in the table below:

(Amounts in Thousands)

## Net Debt Service for Colorado School of Mines' Interest Rate Swap Agreement

Fiscal Year	Interest Rate			Total
	Principal	Interest	Swap, Net	
2016	\$ 625	\$ 50	\$ 1,379	\$ 2,054
2017	675	49	1,356	2,080
2018	975	48	1,327	2,350
2019	550	47	1,302	1,899
2020	575	46	1,282	1,903
2021 to 2025	4,325	217	6,015	10,557
2026 to 2030	9,675	177	4,909	14,761
2031 to 2035	14,125	98	2,715	16,938
2036 to 2040	8,635	16	440	9,091
Totals	\$ 40,160	\$ 748	\$ 20,725	\$ 61,633

The original principal amount of the State's debt disclosed in the above tables is as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Revenue Bonds	Notes Payable	Certificates of Participation	Total
Governmental Activities	\$ 1,488,500	\$ 21,075	\$ 1,351,736	\$ 2,861,311
Business Type Activities	5,371,698	34,011	466,203	5,871,912
Total	\$ 6,860,198	\$ 55,086	\$ 1,817,939	\$ 8,733,223

## Component Units

In April 2014 the University of Colorado Foundation set up a one-year, committed, unsecured line of credit for \$10 million with a bank. The credit line contains annual loan covenants and carries an interest rate tied to the Daily One Month LIBOR plus 150 basis points. No amounts were outstanding at June 30, 2015.

Debt service requirements to maturity for the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority at December 31, 2014, excluding unamortized original issue discount and premium and deferred refunding costs are:

(Amounts in Thousands)			
Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2015	\$ 45,650	\$ 32,368	\$ 78,018
2016	46,870	30,458	77,328
2017	46,445	28,303	74,748
2018	44,470	26,134	70,604
2019	42,970	24,083	67,053
2020 to 2024	185,575	93,306	278,881
2025 to 2029	135,170	57,358	192,528
2030 to 2034	127,970	29,883	157,853
2035 to 2039	38,825	4,350	43,175
2040 to 2044	6,440	779	7,219
Total Future Payments	\$ 720,385	\$ 327,022	\$ 1,047,407

The original principal amount for the outstanding bonds was \$1,368.8 million. Total interest paid during 2014 was \$34.2 million.

All of the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's Small Water Resources Program bonds are insured as to payment of principal and interest by National Public Finance Guaranty, a wholly owned subsidiary of MBIA, Inc. The Water Resources Revenue Bonds, Series 2004B, 2004C, 2004E, Series 2005A, 2005E and 2005F are insured as to payment of principal and interest by MBIA Insurance Corporation. The Water Resources Revenue Bonds Series 2005B, 2005C, 2005D, Series 2008A, Series 2009A, Series

2010A, 2011A and 2013A are insured as to payment of principal and interest by Assured Guaranty Municipal Corp. The Water Resources Revenue Bonds Series 2014A are insured as to payment of principal and interest by Build America Mutual Assurance Company. The authority can issue up to \$150.0 million (excluding refunding bonds) of outstanding Small Water Resources Revenue Bonds, and as of December 31, 2014, it had \$10.9 million of these bonds outstanding.

Metropolitan State University of Denver has unconditionally guaranteed the debt service on bonds issued by the Metropolitan State College of Denver Roadrunner Recovery and Reinvestment Act Finance Authority and transferred to HLC @ Metro, Inc. in October 2010. Bonds of \$54.9 million were issued to finance the University's Hotel and Hospitality Learning Center. The debt service requirements to maturity for HLC @ Metro, Inc. at June 30, 2015, are as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)			
Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$ 710	\$ 3,202	\$ 3,912
2017	825	3,178	4,003
2018	1,075	3,138	4,213
2019	1,250	3,090	4,340
2020	1,300	3,038	4,338
2021 to 2025	7,165	14,198	21,363
2026 to 2030	8,535	11,965	20,500
2031 to 2035	10,390	8,980	19,370
2036 to 2040	12,750	5,227	17,977
2041 to 2043	10,475	899	11,374
Total Future Payments	\$ 54,475	\$ 56,915	\$ 111,390

**NOTE 25 – CHANGES IN LONG-TERM LIABILITIES****Primary Government**

The following table summarizes the changes in long-term liabilities for Fiscal Year 2014-15:

	(Amount in Thousands)				
	Restated Beginning Balance July 1	Changes		Ending Balance June 30	Due Within One Year
		Additions	Reductions		
<b>Governmental Activities</b>					
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	\$ 3,117	\$ 2,922	\$ (2,985)	\$ 3,054	\$ 2,915
Accrued Compensated Absences	156,462	17,881	(12,341)	162,002	12,185
Claims and Judgments Payable	363,214	9,150	(24,897)	347,467	47,682
Capital Lease Obligations	174,996	24,605	(27,272)	172,329	27,760
Bonds Payable	443,880	-	(154,091)	289,789	157,220
Certificates of Participation	1,267,870	68	(40,110)	1,227,828	41,710
Notes, Anticipation Warrants, Mortgages	17,385	-	(2,135)	15,250	2,045
Net Pension Liability	5,214,111	351,415	-	5,565,526	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	402,954	264,417	(243,562)	423,809	-
<b>Total Governmental Activities Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>8,043,989</b>	<b>670,458</b>	<b>(507,393)</b>	<b>8,207,054</b>	<b>291,517</b>
<b>Business-Type Activities</b>					
Accrued Compensated Absences	268,265	46,213	(24,918)	289,560	20,960
Claims and Judgments Payable	40,982	5,800	(5,322)	41,460	-
Capital Lease Obligations	42,192	24,743	(12,654)	54,281	8,618
Derivative Instrument Liabilities	8,566	1,617	(668)	9,515	-
Bonds Payable	3,967,022	1,116,723	(841,019)	4,242,726	229,902
Certificates of Participation	403,761	146,451	(150,981)	399,231	20,853
Notes, Anticipation Warrants, Mortgages	4,810	25,253	(1,746)	28,317	1,192
Net Pension Liability	3,427,830	151,918	-	3,579,748	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	181,511	60,268	-	241,779	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	46,511	45,447	(6,776)	85,182	-
<b>Total Business-Type Activities Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>8,391,450</b>	<b>1,624,433</b>	<b>(1,044,084)</b>	<b>8,971,799</b>	<b>281,525</b>
<b>Fiduciary Activities</b>					
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	604,678	459,063	(599,326)	464,415	429,412
Accrued Compensated Absences	55	7	-	62	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	4,708	671	(4,708)	671	-
<b>Total Fiduciary Activities Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>609,441</b>	<b>459,741</b>	<b>(604,034)</b>	<b>465,148</b>	<b>429,412</b>
<b>Total Primary Government Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 17,044,880</b>	<b>\$ 2,754,632</b>	<b>\$ (2,155,511)</b>	<b>\$ 17,644,001</b>	<b>\$ 1,002,454</b>

The beginning balance was restated to include \$5,214.1 million in governmental activities and \$3,427.8 million in business type activities in net pension liabilities with the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The changes in the net pension liability are netted as increases for the governmental and business type activities since that information is not readily available. See Note 18 for additional pension information.

Accrued compensated absences and net pension liabilities of both governmental activities and the business-type activities are normally liquidated using resources of the fund that are responsible for paying the employee's salary. As a result, the resources of nearly all of the

State's funds are used to liquidate the compensated absence and net pension liabilities.

The amounts shown in the schedule above for Notes, Bonds, and Certificates of Participation do not include short-term borrowing disclosed in Note 23. A current portion is not normally identifiable for Claims and Judgments Payable, Derivative Instrument Liabilities, Other Post Employment Benefits in business-type activities and Other Long-Term Liabilities in both governmental activities and business type activities.

Long-term liabilities that are actuarially determined include amounts for claims that are incurred but not yet reported. Since these liabilities are not based on individually identifiable claims, it is not practicable to report gross additions and reductions. (See notes 19 and



21 for the amount of claims reported and paid and other adjustments to these actuarially determined liabilities.)

Governmental activities include internal service funds which apply full accrual accounting, and as a result, additions to Capital Lease Obligations shown above include amounts that are not shown as capital lease proceeds on the *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Governmental Funds*

At June 30, 2015, the following obligations were classified as Other Long-Term Liabilities on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*:

The \$423.8 million shown for governmental activities primarily comprises:

- \$264.2 million of tax refunds payable at the Department of Revenue, which were at various levels of administrative and legal appeal. These refunds relate to tax revenues of the General Purpose Revenue Fund and Highway Users Tax Fund. Payment is not expected within one year.

- \$156.8 million of pollution remediation obligations at the Department of Public Health and Environment (see Note 27 for additional information on pollution remediation obligations).
- \$2.8 million of unclaimed property liabilities estimated to be due to claimants.

The \$85.2 million (including \$1.7 million Due to Component Units) shown for business-type activities primarily comprises \$29.5 million of unearned revenue in Higher Education Institutions, the most significant balances of which relate to an early retirement incentive program and an alternate Medicare program at the University of Colorado (\$8.5 million and \$18.6, respectively). The High Performance Transportation Enterprise in the Department of Transportation includes \$54.0 million payable under a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation loan.

## Component Units

Changes in long-term liabilities are summarized as follows:

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority					
Bonds Payable	\$ 768,410	\$ 37,115	\$ (85,140)	\$ 720,385	\$ 45,650
Other Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 152,655	\$ 121,753	\$ (83,731)	\$ 190,677	\$ 121,063

Other Long-Term Liabilities of the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority were primarily contained in its Drinking Water and Water Pollution Control Funds, accounting for \$35.0 million of the \$47.1 million total. Other long-term liabilities of the Water Operations Fund were \$12.1 million. Fifty-nine percent of total, other long-term liabilities (\$28.0 million) were related to project costs payable – amounts not yet requisitioned – on loans made to local government borrowers.

The University of Colorado Foundation has beneficial interest in various split-interest agreements including charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts (annuity and unitrust), two charitable lead trusts, a pooled life income fund, charitable remainder trusts held by others, and perpetual trusts. Charitable gift annuity assets are immediately available to the foundation. After termination of charitable remainder trust agreements, the related assets revert to the foundation to create an endowment to support university activities. The

estimated net present value of obligations to named beneficiaries is reported as an Other Long-Term Liability on the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units*. Actuarially determined life expectancies and applicable rates of return are used to estimate the obligation to named beneficiaries. The fair value of assets in excess of the estimated liability is recorded as Gifts and Donations revenue at the date of the gift.

Changes in the value of investments are combined with changes in the actuarial estimate of liabilities and are reported as Gifts and Donations revenue on the *Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Net Position – Component Units*. At June 30, 2015, the foundation held \$44.1 million of split interest agreement investments with \$20.6 million of related liabilities and reported \$6.3 million of net beneficial interest in charitable trusts held by others.

At June 30, 2015, the University of Colorado Foundation held \$354.8 million of endowments and other funds in trust for the University of Colorado and another entity.

On the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units*, this liability is reported primarily as Deposits Held in Custody and partially as Other Current Liabilities.

At June 30, 2015, the Colorado State University Foundation held \$14.2 million of endowments and related expendable accounts for Colorado State University. On the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units*, this liability is reported as Deposits Held in Custody.

At June 30, 2015, the Colorado School of Mines Foundation (CSMF), acting as trustee, held charitable trust and pooled income assets of \$16.8 million; related liabilities of \$10.1 million are calculated using the Internal Revenue Service discount rate for computing charitable contribution deductions. The estimated net present value of obligations to named beneficiaries is reported as part of Other Long-Term Liabilities on the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units*.

CSMF has entered several gift annuity contracts that require future payments to the donor or their named beneficiaries; these requirements are reported as part of the \$10.1 million mentioned above and total \$4.9 million. At June 30, 2015, CSMF reported \$34.5 million of assets held in trust, primarily for the Colorado School of Mines, which are shown on the *Statement of Net Position – Component Units* as Deposits Held in Custody.

#### NOTE 26 – DEFEASED DEBT

Debt is defeased by depositing in escrow accounts an amount sufficient, together with known minimum investment yields, to pay principal, interest, and any redemption premium on the debt to be defeased. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, debt was defeased in both governmental and business-type activities.

At June 30, 2015, the remaining balances of amounts previously placed in escrow accounts with paying agents are as follows:

(Amount in Thousands)

Agency	Amount
Governmental Activities:	
Department of Treasury	\$ 133,435
Department of Corrections	89,510
Business-Type Activities:	
University of Colorado	451,410
Colorado State University	280,265
Colorado School of Mines	8,040
Western State College	10,130
University of Northern Colorado	33
Colorado Mesa University	61,830
Community College System	2,130
Adams State College	16,415
Auraria Higher Education Center	19,185
Total	<u>\$ 1,072,383</u>

The Board of Trustees of the University of Colorado issued \$100,440,000 of its Tax-Exempt University Enterprise Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2014B-1 to partially defease its 2005B Enterprise Revenue Bonds, 2006A Enterprise Revenue Bonds, 2006B Enterprise Revenue Bonds, 2007A Enterprise Revenue Bonds, and 2009 Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 5.1 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 3.0 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 19.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$9,578,659. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$7,690,178 and a book loss of \$10,999,673 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 19.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Colorado issued \$102,450,000 of its University Enterprise Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015A to partially defease its 2006A Enterprise Revenue Bonds, 2007 Enterprise Revenue Bonds, and 2009 Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 5.09 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 3.18 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 24.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$13,517,795. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$9,854,772 and a book loss of \$13,554,685 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 24.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Colorado issued \$3,925,000 of its University Enterprise Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015B to partially defease its 2005A Enterprise Revenue Bonds, and 2005B Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 4.61 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 3.05 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 20.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$744,936. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$586,797 and a book loss of \$25,629 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 20.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Colorado issued \$71,325,000 of its Taxable University Enterprise Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015C to partially defease its 2007 Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 4.94 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 2.63 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 12.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$5,375,800. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$3,795,178 and a book loss of \$4,728,644 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 12.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the Colorado State University issued \$67,675,000 of its Colorado State University System Enterprise Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015C to defease its 2007B Colorado State University

System Enterprise Revenue Bonds, 2008A Colorado State University System Enterprise Revenue Bonds, and 2009A Colorado State University System Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 4.925 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 4.265 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 23.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$8,314,719. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$5,094,336 and a book loss of \$7,487,618 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 23.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Northern Colorado issued \$21,510,000 of its Institutional Enterprise Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A to defease its 2005 Auxiliary Revenue Refunding and Improvement Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest of 5 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 4.129 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 25.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$3,453,708. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$2,248,062 and a book gain of \$938,023 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 25.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the Auraria Higher Education Center issued \$13,060,000 of its Auraria Higher Education Center Certificates of Participation (Administrative Office Facility Refunding Project), Series 2015 to defease its 2005 Auraria Higher Education Center Certificates of Participation (Administrative Office Facility Project). The defeased debt had an interest rate of 4.32 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 2.2 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 7.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$1,767,125. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$1,531,999 and a book loss of \$732,655 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 7.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the Auraria Higher Education Center issued \$6,030,000 of its Auraria Parking Enterprise Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 to defease its 2004A Auraria Parking Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 4.4 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 4.306 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 14.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by

\$1,092,180. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$819,439 and a book loss of \$52,722 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 14.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the Adams State University issued \$19,330,000 of its Institutional Enterprise Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 to defease its 2009A Auxiliary Facilities Revenue Improvement Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 5.379 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 2.85 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 24.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$3,499,990. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$2,513,202 and a book loss of \$2,312,583 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 24.0 years of the new debt.

The Board of Trustees of the Colorado Mesa University issued \$19,005,000 of its Board of Trustees for Colorado Mesa University Enterprise Revenue Refunding Note, Series 2014B to defease its 2007 Board of Trustees for Mesa State College Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 4.96 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 2.96 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 22.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$3,766,764. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$2,891,395 and a book loss of \$1,839,805 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 22.0 years of the new debt.

The State of Colorado issued \$110,485,000 of its State of Colorado Higher Education Capital Construction Lease Purchase Financing Program Certificates of Participation, Series 2014A to defease its 2008 State of Colorado Higher Education Capital Construction Lease Purchase Financing Program Certificates of Participation. The defeased debt had an interest rate of 5.38 percent, and the new debt had an interest rate of 2.35 percent. The remaining term of the debt was 12.0 years and the estimated debt service cash flows decreased by \$11,771,740. The defeasance resulted in an economic gain of \$10,786,985 and a book loss of \$18,370,173 that will be amortized as an adjustment of interest expense over the remaining 12.0 years of the new debt.

**NOTE 27 – POLLUTION REMEDIATION OBLIGATIONS**

Various State agencies and institutions of higher education have pollution remediation obligations as defined by GASB Statement No. 49. Liability amounts are included in Other Current Liabilities or Other Long-Term Liabilities on the government-wide and proprietary fund-level *Statement of Net Positions*.

The State has numerous instances of hazardous waste contamination that qualify as Superfund sites. Superfund is the federal government's program to clean up these hazardous waste sites. A hazardous waste site becomes a Superfund site when it is placed on an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) list that ranks sites according to a process that assesses current or potential health impacts. The following individually significant items are all Superfund sites under the control of the Department of Public Health and Environment (DPHE).

The State's total amount of pollution remediation obligations as of June 30, 2015 was \$161.6 million (\$4.8 million of which was a current liability). Superfund sites account for approximately \$160.4 million (\$3.6 million of which was a current liability) of the State's total pollution remediation obligation. Other pollution obligations of the State generally include remediation activities related to asbestos abatement and removal, land contamination, and leaking underground storage tanks. Individually significant pollution remediation obligations are disclosed below:

- DPHE recorded a liability for remediation activities at the Summitville Mine of approximately \$70.5 million related to the operation of a water treatment plant. The new water treatment plant was completed in Fiscal Year 2011-12, and the operating and maintenance costs of the new plant are to be shared with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in a cost-sharing ratio of 10 percent State, 90 percent EPA. Beginning in calendar year 2023, the State will assume 100 percent of the operating costs of the new plant, estimated at \$2.8 million annually. Operating and maintenance estimates are based on experience in operating existing plants adjusted for the newer design and technological advancements. Potential changes affecting these estimates include regulatory changes in the EPA cost-sharing ratio, as well as technology and pricing changes that could impact operating costs. As of June 30, 2015, the State has received \$6.0 million in recoveries from other responsible parties.
- DPHE recorded a liability for remediation activities in the Clear Creek Basin of approximately \$57.0 million related to a number of inactive precious metal mines that caused contamination in surface water and soil in the basin. The liability includes remediation and site clean-up activities, projected post-remediation operating and monitoring costs, the State operation of an existing water treatment plant, and operation of a new water treatment plant whose construction commenced in 2013. Current operating and maintenance costs are borne 100 percent by the State. The State's share of the costs to complete the remaining remediation projects is estimated to total \$2.7 million through 2017. Beginning in 2016, the department will share these costs with the EPA in a cost-sharing ratio of 10 percent State, 90 percent EPA for 10 years, after which time the State assumes 100 percent of the costs. Operating and maintenance estimates are based on experience in operating existing plants adjusted for the newer design and technological advancements. Potential changes affecting these estimates include regulatory changes in the EPA cost-sharing ratio, as well as technology and pricing changes that could impact construction and operating costs.
- DPHE recorded a liability for remediation activities at the Captain Jack Mill of approximately \$5.8 million related to the clean-up of contamination from mine waste piles and drainage. The EPA and the State have agreed upon a remediation plan from a recently completed engineering study. Two remedial design projects on surface and subsurface water have been completed. The cost-sharing ratio of 10 percent State, 90 percent EPA, is expected to end in 2018 at which time the State assumes 100 percent of the cost. Construction cost estimates were based upon an engineering study and construction bids received by the State. Operating and maintenance estimates are based on experience in operating existing plants adjusted for the newer design and technological advancements. Potential changes affecting these estimates include regulatory changes in the EPA's cost-sharing ratio, as well as technology and pricing changes that could impact construction and operating costs.
- DPHE recorded a liability for remediation activities at the Nelson Tunnel of approximately \$18.1 million related to the clean-up of contamination from mine waste piles and drainage. The liability includes the construction of a water treatment plant from 2014 to 2016. The State will be liable for a share of construction costs for a water treatment plant as well as future operating and maintenance costs in a cost-

sharing ratio of 10 percent State, 90 percent EPA until 2027, after which time the State assumes 100 percent of the costs. Plant construction cost estimates were based upon engineering designs and construction bids received by the State. Operating and maintenance estimates are based on experience in operating existing plants adjusted for the newer

design and technological advancements. Potential changes affecting these estimates include regulatory changes in the EPA's cost-sharing ratio, as well as technology and pricing changes that could impact construction and operating costs.

## NOTE 28 – DEFERRED INFLOWS AND OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of assets by the entity that is applicable to a future reporting period, and deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of assets by the entity that is applicable to a future reporting period. The table below provides information about amounts reported as deferred outflows/inflows on the *Statement of Net Position* as of June 30, 2015.

	(Amounts in Thousands)	
	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities
<b>Deferred Outflow of Resources:</b>		
Derivative Instruments	-	2,167
Refunding Losses	8,963	169,310
Pensions:		
Investment Earnings	114,460	72,992
Decreases in Proportionate Share	69,502	12,236
Changes in Assumptions	15,350	-
Contributions After the Measurement Date	142,521	91,930
	<b>350,796</b>	<b>348,635</b>
<b>Deferred Inflow of Resources</b>		
Nonexchange Transactions	338	309
Refunding Gains	-	935
Unavailable Governmental Revenue	973	-
Pensions:		
Experience Losses	407	265
Increases in Proportionate Share	45,544	36,871
	<b>47,262</b>	<b>38,380</b>

### A. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

On March 5, 2008, the Colorado School of Mines entered into an interest rate swap agreement in connection with its Variable Rate Demand Enterprise Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 2008A debt issuance. The swap agreement was not terminated with the refunding of the Series 2008A bonds by the Series 2010A Refunding Bonds issued in 2010. This agreement continues to qualify as a hedging derivative instrument per GASB Statement No. 53 – Accounting and Financial

Reporting for Derivative Instruments. Changes in the fair value of hedging derivative instruments are reported as either deferred inflows or deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position, and accordingly, the State recognized a deferred outflows \$2.2 million as of June 30, 2015.

The Swap Agreement is a cash flow hedge and was entered into with the objective of protecting against the potential of rising interest rates on existing variable rate revenue bonds. The Agreement, with an original notional

amount of \$43.2 million and current notional amount of \$40.2 million, provides for net settlement payments to or from Morgan Stanley equal to the difference between the Agreement's fixed rate of 3.59 percent (payable by the School) and 67 percent of the one-month British Bankers' Association London Interbank Offering Rate (payable by Morgan Stanley), which was 0.13 percent at June 30, 2015. Cash flows between the parties are settled on the net difference. The market value to Colorado School of Mines as of June 30, 2015 was \$9.5 million liability as determined by Morgan Stanley, counterparty to the Swap Agreement. The Agreement has an effective date of March 5, 2008, and a termination date of December 1, 2037. The derivative is reported under Noncurrent Liabilities on the *Statement of Net Position*.

There are inherent risks associated with interest rate swaps that the Colorado School of Mines monitors and addresses including:

- ♦ Termination Risk – Terminating the transaction while the market value is negative would likely require a termination payment by the School.
- ♦ Credit Risk – This is the risk that the counterparty will not fulfill its obligations. The School considers the swap agreement counterparty's (Morgan Stanley) credit quality rating and the ability of the counterparty to withstand credit market turmoil. As of June 30, 2015, Morgan Stanley's credit rating is A3 by Moody's and A- by Standards & Poor's.
- ♦ Basis Index Risk – Basis risk arises as a result of movement in the underlying variable rate indices that may not be in tandem, creating a cost differential that could result in a net cash outflow by the School. Basis risk can also result from the use of floating, but different, indices. To mitigate basis risk, the School's policy requires indices used in an interest rate swap agreement to be recognized market indices.

## B. REFUNDING GAINS AND LOSSES

Refunding gains and losses on debt refunding transactions are recorded as deferred inflows or deferred outflows, respectively, and generally amortized over the life of the new debt. On June 30, 2015, deferred outflows in governmental activities related to unamortized refunding losses included \$5.0 million in the Department of Transportation and \$4.0 million in the Department of Corrections. All of the unamortized refunding gains and losses in business-type activities were in Higher Education Institutions.

## UNAVAILABLE GOVERNMENTAL REVENUE

Deferred Inflows are recorded for unavailable revenue in governmental funds that result from long-term receivables. The majority of the deferred inflow balance is recognized as revenue over time in the government-wide Statement of Activities. The deferred inflow balance represents residual timing differences in recognizing the related revenue, primarily related to long-term taxes receivable.

## C. NONEXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS

Deferred inflows are recorded for grant receipts when all of the eligibility requirements for the grant have been met except the time requirement. As of June 30, 2015, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, a governmental activity, held \$0.3 million and Colorado State University, a business-type activity, held \$0.3 million in receipts awaiting the passage of time.

## D. PENSIONS

### Primary Government

Changes in Assumptions include differences between assumed and actual economic and demographic conditions. Related deferred inflow or outflow balances are amortized over the remaining service life of active and inactive employees.

Investment Earnings include the difference between expected and actual earnings and include differences between assumed and actual rates of return. Balances are amortized over a five year period.

Experience Losses includes the differences between items such as assumed and actual salaries, benefits, and mortality, disability, and retirement rates. The related balances are amortized over the remaining service life of active and inactive employees.

Increases/Decreases in Proportionate Share represent the difference between the employer share of a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plan in the current versus prior year. This is assessed at the pension plan employer level, which generally represents State Agencies or divisions thereof. The related balances are amortized over the remaining service life of active and inactive employees.

Contributions After the Measurement Date represent contributions after the pension plan's fiscal year end and the State's fiscal year end. The expenses related to these deferred outflows are recognized in full in the subsequent fiscal year.

Additional information about the State's pension plans can be found in Note 18.

## Component Unit

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority recorded \$4.1 million as a deferred outflow of resources for costs and losses of issuing current and

advance refunding bonds. The Authority also recorded \$0.5 million in deferred inflows of resources for bond refunding gains.

## NOTES 29 Through 32 – DETAILS OF NET POSITION AND FUND BALANCE

### NOTE 29 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS AND ACCOUNTING CHANGES

#### A. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

The beginning net position/fund balance was restated as a result of the following prior period adjustments.

Governmental activities increased by \$6,625,696 in the General Fund due to the Department of Health Care Policy and Finance incorrectly calculating the Home Clinical Pastoral Education receivable due from the federal government. The Colorado Gaming Fund decreased and the Other Special Revenue Fund increased by \$1,125,016 due to revenue received for Agritourism which was recorded in the Travel and Tourism Additional Sources Fund when it should have been recorded in the Travel and Tourism Promotion Fund.

	Adjustment Related to Prior Year Errors
Government-Wide Statements	
Governmental Activities	\$ 6,625,696
Total	\$ 6,625,696
Fund-Level Statements	
Governmental Funds	
General Fund	\$ 6,625,696
Colorado Gaming Fund	(1,125,016)
Other Special Revenue Funds	1,125,016
Total	\$ 6,625,696

#### B. ACCOUNTING CHANGES

During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the State implemented GASB Statement No. 68 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27. As a result of this implementation, the state, as a cost-sharing employer participating in a defined

benefit plan, is required to record their proportionate share of the unfunded pension liability, related deferred inflows and outflows and expenses/expenditures in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Fiscal Year 2014-15 beginning fund balance or beginning net position was adjusted by PERA's calendar year 2014 net pension liability and contributions to PERA from January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014. The table below shows the effect of these changes to the beginning fund balance or beginning net position on the government-wide Statement of Activities and the fund-level statements as listed.

(Amounts in Thousands)

	Adjustment Related to Accounting Change
Government-Wide Statements	
Governmental Activities	\$ 5,087,553
Business-Type Activities	3,342,300
Total	\$ 8,429,853
Fund-Level Statements	
Major Proprietary Funds	
Higher Education Institutions	\$ 2,959,988
Unemployment Insurance	571
State Lottery	22,031
Other Enterprises	359,710
Internal Service Funds	265,388
Total	\$ 3,607,688

Amounts shown in this note are actual balances and may not agree to the amounts shown on financial statements due to rounding on the statements.

**NOTE 30 – FUND BALANCE**

On the *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*, the fund balance comprises the following (See Note 6I for additional details.):

	<u>Restricted Purposes</u>	<u>Committed Purposes</u>	<u>Assigned Purposes</u>
<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>			
General Government	\$152,257	\$ 672,673	\$ 20,731
Business, Community and Consumer Affairs	-	25,323	-
Education	245,424	7,568	-
Justice	1,267	-	-
Natural Resources	-	280	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$398,948</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 705,844</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 20,731</u></u>
<b>RESOURCE EXTRACTION:</b>			
General Government	\$ 66,000	\$ -	\$ -
Business, Community and Consumer Affairs	-	304,601	-
Education	-	16,000	-
Natural Resources	12,971	912,298	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$ 78,971</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,232,899</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
<b>HIGHWAY USERS TAX:</b>			
General Government	\$ 63,820	\$ 15,216	\$ -
Health and Rehabilitation	3,132	-	-
Justice	947	4,210	-
Transportation	874,611	16,339	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$942,510</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 35,765</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS:</b>			
General Government	\$ -	\$ 326,230	\$ -
Education	-	6,082	-
Justice	5	3,776	-
Natural Resources	-	142	-
Social Assistance	-	445	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$ 5</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 336,675</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
<b>STATE EDUCATION:</b>			
Education	\$686,258	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$686,258</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
<b>OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:</b>			
General Government	\$149,277	\$ 319,601	\$ -
Business, Community and Consumer Affairs	65,663	284,975	-
Education	-	84,706	-
Health and Rehabilitation	17,186	141,903	-
Justice	-	181,373	-
Natural Resources	3,103	18,666	-
Social Assistance	-	49,126	-
Transportation	-	779	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>\$235,229</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,081,129</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>



The significant fund balances held for restricted purposes as of June 30, 2015, include:

- ♦ \$246.3 million in the General Fund in the Education function includes \$244.9 million related to the BEST program; a portion in cash from bond proceeds issued by the Treasurer and a portion in local school district matching funds restricted for public school fund construction under a settlement agreement.
- ♦ \$874.6 million in the Highway Users Tax Fund in the Transportation function from motor fuels tax and fees that pursuant to Article X, Section of the State Constitution is restricted for highway construction and maintenance.
- ♦ \$686.3 million in the State Education Fund in the Education function from 0.33 percent of income taxes is restricted for educational purposes pursuant to Article IX, Section 17 of the State Constitution.

The significant fund balances held for committed purposes as of June 30, 2015, include:

- ♦ \$672.7 million in the General Fund in the General Government function includes \$523.8 million that represents the portion of the \$576.5 million representing the six and one-half percent statutory reserve available on a GAAP basis (see Note 6I). Additionally, the legislature set aside \$58.0 million in the Proposition AA Refund Restricted Account pending the results of the November 2015 for a potential TABOR refund (see Note 8B).
- ♦ \$304.6 million in the Resource Extraction Fund in the Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs function includes \$299.0 million - \$72.6 million from severance tax and federal mineral leasing moneys held for the Department of Local Affairs for distribution to local governments and \$226.5 from severance tax receipts by the Department of Local Affairs.
- ♦ \$912.3 million in the Resource Extraction Fund in the Natural Resources function includes \$493.5 million that represents cash balances and loans receivable for

loans issued to local governments by the Colorado Water Conservation Board and \$389.1 million represents long term severance tax loans receivables.

- ♦ \$323.0 million primarily in the Capital Projects funds in the General Government function represents cash and receivables related to appropriated multi-year capital projects.
- ♦ \$319.6 million in the Other Governmental Funds in the General Government function primarily represents \$224.3 million in the Unclaimed Property Funds and \$73.0 million in Tobacco Litigation Settlement Funds.
- ♦ \$285.0 million in Other Governmental Funds in the Business, Community and Consumer Affairs function primarily represents \$88.7 million in the Major Medical Fund, \$49.9 million in the Limited Gaming Fund, \$28.3 million in the Workmen's Compensation Fund, \$25.2 million in the Clean and Renewable Energy Fund, and \$19.8 million in the Employment Support Fund.
- ♦ \$142.0 million in the Other Governmental Funds in the Health and Rehabilitation function primarily represents \$31.3 million in the Natural Resources Damage Recovery Fund, \$19.3 million in the Small Communities Water and Wastewater Grant Fund, \$15.4 million from the Hazardous Substances Response Fund, and \$15.1 million the Natural Disaster Cash Fund.
- ♦ The \$181.4 million in Other Governmental Funds in the Justice function primarily represents \$23.6 million in the Disaster Emergency Fund in the Department of Public Safety, \$13.3 million in the Supreme Court Committee Fund, \$10.6 million in the Victims Assistance Fund, and \$10.2 million in the Victims Compensation Fund.

**NOTE 31 – STABILIZATION ARRANGEMENTS**

In accordance with C.R.S. 24-75-201.1 1(d) the State maintains a General Purpose Revenue Fund statutory reserve for purposes of budget stabilization. The reserve is calculated as six and one-half percent of General Purpose Revenue Fund appropriations. C.R.S. 24-75-201.5(1)(a) further requires the Governor to take action within the fiscal year to preserve one half of the reserve when economic forecasts indicate revenues will not be adequate to maintain the required reserve. In conjunction with the Governor's actions to reduce expenditures, the legislature has traditionally taken action to use the reserve. Historically, the statutory reserve has only been expended during recessionary periods when other budget measures have been exhausted. In Fiscal Year 2014-15 there was no use of the reserve. As of June 30, 2015, on a legal budgetary basis the reserve was \$576.5 million. On a GAAP basis only \$523.8 million was available for the reserve (see Note 6I).

Article XXIV Section 7 of the State Constitution created the Old Age Pension Stabilization Fund, which is reported as a component of the General Fund – Special Purpose Funds. The fund is maintained at \$5.0 million and is only accessible through appropriation for old age pension basic minimum awards. Historically, the reserves in the fund have not been accessed.

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**NOTE 32 – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES**

Individual interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2015, were:

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	General Fund	Resource Extraction	Highway Users Tax	Capital Projects
<b>SELLER'S/LENDER'S RECEIVABLE</b>				
<b>MAJOR FUNDS:</b>				
General Fund				
General Purpose	\$ 13,231	\$ -	\$ 187	\$ -
Special Purpose	27,584	-	-	-
Resource Extraction	-	-	-	-
Highway Users	66	-	-	-
Capital Projects				
Regular Capital Projects	4,677	-	-	1,607
Higher Education Institutions	1,092	261	140	643
<b>NONMAJOR FUNDS:</b>				
<b>SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS:</b>				
Gaming	-	-	-	-
Environment and Health Protection	4,150	-	-	-
Other Special Revenue	-	-	238	-
<b>ENTERPRISE FUNDS:</b>				
Wildlife	-	-	-	-
State Fair Authority	238	-	-	-
Correctional Industries	-	-	-	-
<b>INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS:</b>				
Information Technology	116	-	-	925
Highways	-	-	-	-
<b>FIDUCIARY FUNDS:</b>				
Group Benefit Plans	-	-	-	-
Other Fiduciary	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 51,154</b>	<b>\$ 261</b>	<b>\$ 565</b>	<b>\$ 3,175</b>

(Amounts in Thousands)

**BUYER'S/BORROWER'S PAYABLE**

Higher Education Institutions	State Lottery	All Other Funds	Total
\$ 2,999	\$ -	\$ 28,059	\$ 44,476
-	14,725	-	42,309
-	-	10,535	10,535
-	-	4,008	4,074
-	-	-	6,284
-	-	2,242	4,378
-	-	1,583	1,583
-	-	-	4,150
-	-	7,221	7,459
-	3,182	-	3,182
-	-	-	238
2,111	-	-	2,111
-	-	-	1,041
-	-	5	5
760	-	-	760
-	13,912	-	13,912
\$ 5,870	\$ 31,819	\$ 53,653	\$ 146,497

All of the material receivables and related payables shown in the schedule on the previous two pages are the result of normal operating activities where the receivables and payables were not liquidated before the year-end close of the State's accounting system. This represents timing differences between when generally accepted accounting principles require transactions to be recognized and when cash is actually distributed.

The General Purpose Revenue Fund receivable of \$28.1 million from All Other Funds primarily includes \$13.6 million of receivables from the Limited Gaming Fund, \$6.2 million from various cash funds to support incurred Medicaid expenditures.

The Special Purpose General Fund receivable of \$27.6 million from the General Purpose Revenue Fund primarily includes \$26.1 million in personal services and

operating line item reversions, payable to the State Employee Reserves Fund.

The Special Purpose General Fund receivable of \$14.7 million from the State Lottery primarily consists of a payable recorded by the Conservation Trust Fund for \$12.7 million, and to the Building Excellent Schools Today Grant Program in the amount of \$2.0 million.

The Resource Extraction Fund receivable of \$10.5 million from All Other Funds primarily includes \$9.1 million of loans from the Division of Parks and Wildlife Fund.

The Other Fiduciary Fund receivable of \$13.9 million was recorded by the State Treasurer for the Great Outdoors Colorado Fund. This is a statutory distribution of the Lottery net proceeds.



**NOTE 33 – TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS**

Transfers between funds for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, were as follows:

	General Fund	Resource Extraction	Highway Users Tax
<b>TRANSFER-OUT FUND</b>			
MAJOR FUNDS:			
General Fund:			
General Purpose	\$ 3,253,258	\$ -	\$ 5,570
Special Purpose	108,168	-	6
Resource Extraction	72,935	-	-
Highway Users Tax	9,732	-	-
Capital Projects:			
Regular Capital Projects	-	-	500
Special Capital Projects	765	-	-
State Education	37,887	-	-
Higher Education Institutions	3,971	-	-
Lottery	53,190	-	530
NONMAJOR FUNDS:			
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS:			
Labor	355	3,029	-
Gaming	13,797	-	683
Tobacco Impact Mitigation	4,210	-	334
Resource Management	116	-	-
Environment and Health Protection	5,056	-	3
Unclaimed Property	197	-	-
Other Special Revenue	83,518	-	2,170
PERMANENT FUNDS:			
State Lands Trust	108,725	-	-
Other Permanent Trust	-	-	-
ENTERPRISE FUNDS:			
Wildlife	5,026	-	-
College Assist	66	-	-
State Fair	113	-	-
Correctional Industries	691	-	-
State Nursing Homes	1,857	-	-
Prison Canteens	77	-	-
Other Enterprise	182	-	-
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS:			
Central Services	1,367	-	-
Information Technology	317	-	-
Capitol Complex	1,806	-	-
Administrative Courts	230	-	-
Legal Services	3,211	-	-
Other Internal Service	1,272	-	-
FIDUCIARY FUNDS:			
Group Benefit Plans	247	-	-
Other Fiduciary	54	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,772,396</b>	<b>\$ 3,029</b>	<b>\$ 9,796</b>



(Amounts in Thousands)

**TRANSFER-IN FUND**

Capital Projects	State Education	Higher Education Institutions	All Other Funds	TOTAL
\$ 253,348	\$ 25,321	\$ 181,088	\$ 101,611	\$ 3,820,196
1,000	82	-	11,421	120,677
-	-	3,697	17,426	94,058
640	-	-	172,389	182,761
1,607	-	131,812	21,450	155,369
-	-	-	7,451	8,216
-	-	7,296	40,525	85,708
-	-	-	-	3,971
-	-	-	12,798	66,518
-	-	-	30	3,414
4,517	-	5,874	25,512	50,383
7,124	-	13,008	1,524	26,200
-	-	-	-	116
-	-	-	167	5,226
-	-	-	21,771	21,968
118	-	-	16,524	102,330
-	-	1,096	1,311	111,132
-	-	-	282	282
-	-	-	1,830	6,856
-	-	-	-	66
-	-	-	-	113
-	-	-	-	691
-	-	-	-	1,857
-	-	-	-	77
4	-	-	34,192	34,378
-	-	-	-	1,367
-	-	-	-	317
-	-	-	134	1,940
-	-	-	-	230
-	-	-	63	3,274
-	-	-	-	1,272
-	-	-	-	247
-	-	-	20	74
\$ 268,358	\$ 25,403	\$ 343,871	\$ 488,431	\$ 4,911,284

In the normal course of events, the Legislature appropriates a large number of transfers between funds exercising its responsibility to allocate the State's resources to programs shown in the above schedule. The most significant of these are the transfers-out of the General Purpose Revenue Fund and into the State Public School Fund (a Special Purpose General Fund) of \$3,184.0 million, to the Capital Projects Fund of \$248.5 million for controlled maintenance and capital projects, and into the Higher Education Institutions of \$181.1 million (primarily for student financial aid, occupational education, and job training).

In addition to these General Purpose Revenue Fund transfers, other individually significant routine transfers include the following:

Additional transfers-out of the General Purpose Revenue Fund includes \$25.3 million to the State Education Fund. Transfers-out of the General Purpose Revenue Fund to All Other Funds includes \$35.5 million to the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund from additional sales tax on retail marijuana collected in the General Purpose Revenue Fund and \$20.9 million to the Department of Public Health primarily for recycling resources (\$1.5 million), the nutrients grant program (\$2.0 million), and for natural disasters (\$17.0 million). The Judicial Department also transferred \$15.2 million to the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund, the Department of Revenue \$6.7 million to the Advanced Industries Acceleration Fund, and the Department of Regulatory Agencies \$4.1 million to the Department of Public Safety.

Transfers-out from the special-purpose funds within the General Fund primarily comprises \$84.5 million in transfers from the Public School Fund to the Charter School Institute Fund. Other transfers include \$10.0 million from the Older Coloradoans Cash Fund and \$6.4 million from the State Employee Reserve Fund in the Department of Public Safety's account to the General Purpose Revenue Fund.

Transfers-out from the special-purpose funds within the General Fund primarily comprise \$11.3 million from the School Capital Construction Assistance Fund to the Debt Service Fund for payment on outstanding certificates of participation issued by the Building Excellent Schools Today program.

The Resource Extraction transfer-out to the Special Purpose General Fund includes a \$69.5 million transfer from the Mineral Leasing Fund to the State Public School Fund. Transfers to All Other Funds includes \$10.0 million from the Severance Tax Perpetual Base Fund for the Small Communities Water and Wastewater Grant Fund and \$4.0 million from the Severance Tax Operating Fund for various parks and wildlife programs in the Department of Natural Resources.

The Highway Users Tax Fund transfer-out to All Other Funds includes \$169.7 million to the Debt Service Fund

to pay debt service on Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes issued by the Department of Transportation.

The Capital Construction Fund transfers-out include \$131.8 million to Institutions of Higher Education representing spending on state-funded capital projects managed by the institutions and \$18.4 million to the Department of Correction's Debt Service Fund for payment towards outstanding certificates of participation related to some of its prisons.

The State Education Fund transfers-out includes \$27.0 million to the special-purpose Professional Development and Student Support Fund in the General Fund and \$34 million to the Early Literacy Fund in All Other Funds.

The Lottery transfer-out to the Special Purpose General Fund primarily comprises \$51.2 million to the Conservation Trust Fund in the Department of Local Affairs as a statutory distribution of Lottery net proceeds. Additionally, \$12.8 million was transferred to the Division of Parks and Wildlife in All Other Funds.

The Gaming transfers-out includes a distribution of limited gaming revenues to the General Purpose Revenue Fund of \$13.6 million and \$23.0 million to the Creative Industries Cash Fund in the Governor's Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

The Tobacco Impact Mitigation Fund transfers-out to Higher Education Institutions of \$13.0 million represents funding from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Moneys Health Education Fund for the University of Colorado.

The Unclaimed Property transfers out include a transfer of \$21.0 million to the Adult Dental Fund in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing in All Other Funds.

The Other Special Revenue Fund transfers-out primarily includes transfers of \$32.8 million from the Marijuana Tax Cash Fund to the General Fund, \$23.9 million from the Retail Marijuana Excise Tax Fund to the School Capital Construction Assistance Fund, \$9.5 million from the Correctional Treatment Cash Fund to the General Purpose Revenue Fund to support programs in the Departments of Human Services and Public Safety, and various indirect cost transfers with the largest occurring in the Department of Regulatory Agencies (\$4.1 million) and in the Judicial Department (\$1.9 million). Additionally, the transfers-out to All Other Funds includes transfers of \$15.8 million from the Justice Center Cash Fund to the Debt Service Fund for payment on the outstanding certificates of participation related to the Ralph L. Carr Justice Center.

The State Lands Trust transfer-out to the special-purpose General Funds includes \$92.5 million to the School Capital Construction Assistance fund and \$16.0 million for the State Public School Fund related to distributions to school districts and charter schools.

The Other Enterprise Fund transfers-out to All Other Funds represents a transfer of \$34.1 million from CollegeInvest to the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative Fund.

#### **NOTE 34 – DONOR RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS**

The State's donor restricted endowments exist solely in Higher Education Institutions. The policies of individual boards govern the spending of net appreciation on investments; there is no State law that governs endowment spending. Net donor restricted endowment appreciation totaled \$12.8 million, which includes depreciation of investment value for some institutions of higher education.

The University of Colorado reported net appreciation on endowment investments of \$13.3 million that was available for spending. The university reported the related net position in Restricted for Permanent Funds and Endowments – Expendable on the *Statement of Net Position – Proprietary Funds*. The amount of earnings and net appreciation that is available for spending is based on a spending rate set annually by the Regents of the University of Colorado. In general, only realized gains can be expended; however, unrealized gains on certain endowment funds may also be expended.

#### **NOTE 35 – PLEDGED REVENUE**

Various institutions of higher education, the Department of Labor and Employment, and the Highway Users Tax Fund have issued bonds, notes, and/or Certificates of Participation (COPs) for the purchase of equipment, and the construction of facilities and infrastructure. Specific user revenues are pledged for the payments of interest and future retirement of the obligations. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the following pledges were in place:

The Department of Transportation pledged \$167.5 million of federal grants under agreement with the Federal Highway Administration and certain motor vehicle fees and taxes of the Highway Users Tax Fund to meet the debt service commitment on the agency's Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes. The debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 1999-00 to finance the reconstruction of a portion of a major interstate highway through Denver and other infrastructure projects across the State, and it has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2016-17. The pledged revenue represents approximately 12.0 percent of the total revenue stream, and \$296.3 million of the pledge commitment remains outstanding.

The Department of Transportation Statewide Bridge Enterprise pledged \$113.7 million of federal highway funds, Build America Bonds, and surcharges to meet the current year interest payments on debt issued for construction activities related to the Funding Advancement for Surface Transportation and Economic Recovery (FASTER) Bridge Program. The debt was

originally issued in Fiscal Year 2010-11, and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2040-41. The pledged revenue represents 100 percent of the revenue stream, and \$643.4 million of the pledge commitment remains outstanding.

The Department of Labor and Employment pledged \$249.9 million of Unemployment Insurance (UI) Premium collections to secure \$256.5 million of principal and interest on debt issued to stabilize unemployment insurance rates. The debt was issued in Fiscal Year 2013-14, and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2016-17. The pledged revenue represents 100 percent of the revenue stream, and \$256.5 million of the pledge commitment (principal and interest) remains outstanding.

Higher Education Institutions have pledged auxiliary fees primarily related to student housing rent, and in some cases tuition, to meet the debt service commitment of their various bond issues. The debt issues involved had an earliest origination date in Fiscal Year 2002-03 and furthest maturity date of Fiscal Year 2054-55. In some instances the gross revenue of the activity is pledged and in other instances the net available revenue is pledged. Total pledged revenue of the Higher Education Institutions is approximately \$766.9 million. Individually significant Higher Education Institution pledges include:

- \$338.0 million pledged by the University of Colorado to secure \$129.2 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance the construction of enterprise facilities and to refund prior enterprise debt. The related debt will be issued in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2045-46. The pledged revenue represents approximately 50.5 percent of the revenue stream, and \$2.5 billion of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$223.4 million pledged by Colorado State University to secure \$49.0 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance the construction, expansion, or renovation of certain recreation, research, athletic, and academic facilities. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2007-08 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2054-55. The pledged revenue represents 100 percent of the total revenue stream, and \$1.6 billion of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$45.9 million pledged by the Colorado School of Mines to secure \$20.6 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance refunding of previous debt and for capital improvements. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2014-15 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2042-43. The pledged revenue represents approximately 55.2 percent of the total student fee and auxiliary revenue streams and 100% of the tuition

and facilities fee revenues. \$198.1 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.

- \$26.8 million pledged by Metropolitan State University of Denver to secure \$5.1 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance the construction, expansion, or renovation of certain academic facilities. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2009-10 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2040-41. The pledged revenue represents 100 percent of the total revenue stream, and \$115.1 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$23.5 million pledged by Colorado Mesa University to secure \$13.4 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to construct auxiliary facilities. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2009-10 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2041-42. The pledged revenue represents approximately 56.8 percent of the revenue stream and \$321.5 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$26.7 million pledged by the University of Northern Colorado to secure \$10.0 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance refunding of previous debt and for improvements of auxiliary facilities. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2007-08 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2039-40. The pledged revenue represents 30.3 percent of the total auxiliary and student fee revenue streams and also represents 100.0 percent of gross tuition revenues. \$209.9 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$17.6 million pledged by Colorado State University – Pueblo to secure \$5.3 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance construction, remodeling, and acquisition of the Student Center, recreation facilities and student housing facilities. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2007-08 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2043-44. The pledged revenue represents 100 percent of the revenue stream, and \$171.1 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$8.7 million pledged by the Fort Lewis College to secure \$4.3 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance construction new residence hall, expansion and renovation of the student center, and various energy conservation improvements. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2007-08 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2037-38. The pledged revenue represents 39.3 percent of the revenue stream, and \$81.5 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.
- \$8.1 million pledged by the Western State Colorado University to secure \$6.0 million of current principal and interest on debt issued to finance a new student apartment complex and a new sports complex. The related debt was originally issued in Fiscal Year 2008-09 and has a final maturity date of Fiscal Year 2044-45. The pledged revenue represents 42.5 percent of the revenue stream, and \$188.3 million of the pledge (principal and interest) remains outstanding.

Revenue available to meet debt service requirements is shown in the following table:

Agency Name	(Amounts In Thousands)					
	Gross Revenue	Direct Operating Expense	Available Net Revenue	Debt Service Requirements		
				Principal	Interest	Total
Department of Transportation	\$ 1,358,950	\$ (1,191,461)	\$ 167,488	\$ 157,220	\$ 10,268	\$ 167,488
Higher Education Institutions	1,250,735	(579,200)	671,536	107,878	152,923	260,801
Labor - Unemployment Insurance	249,925	-	249,925	249,925	6,623	256,548
Statewide Bridge Enterprise	113,687	-	113,687	-	18,234	18,234
	<u>\$ 2,973,297</u>	<u>\$ (1,770,661)</u>	<u>\$ 1,202,636</u>	<u>\$ 515,023</u>	<u>\$ 188,048</u>	<u>\$ 703,071</u>

**NOTE 36 – SEGMENT INFORMATION**

Segments are identifiable activities reported as or within an Enterprise Fund for which bonds or other debt is outstanding and a revenue stream has been pledged in support of that debt. In addition, to qualify as a segment, an activity must be subject to an external requirement to separately account for the revenues, expenses, gains and losses, assets, and liabilities of the activity. All of the activities reported in the following condensed financial information meet these requirements. The purpose of each of the State's segments aligns with the primary mission of the enterprise in which it is reported; therefore, none of the State's segments are separately reported on the government-wide *Statement of Activities*. The following paragraphs describe the State's segments.

University Physicians Incorporated (UPI) is a not-for-profit entity that performs the billing, collection, and disbursement functions for professional services provided by the University of Colorado Denver teaching hospital. UPI is also a component unit of the State that is blended into the Higher Education Institutions Fund. In addition, UPI provides its services under contracts with the University of Colorado Hospital Authority (UCHA), a related party unit of the State.

The Auraria Higher Education Center's parking segment charges students, faculty and staff fees for the use of parking lots and structures. The Center's student facilities segment charges fees to students for the use of its facilities. This segment is part of the Higher Education Institutions Enterprise.

The following page presents condensed financial information for the State's segments.

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2015**

	UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO	AURARIA HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER	
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	UNIVERSITY PHYSICIANS INCORPORATED	PARKING FACILITIES	STUDENT FACILITIES
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Current Assets	\$ 219,146	\$ 6,021	\$ 9,240
Other Assets	182,406	5,065	348
Capital Assets	44,112	48,593	22,990
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>445,664</b>	<b>59,679</b>	<b>32,578</b>
DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES	-	110	322
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Current Liabilities	57,589	3,169	4,229
Noncurrent Liabilities	10,194	42,146	31,317
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>67,783</b>	<b>45,315</b>	<b>35,546</b>
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES	-	8	22
<b>NET POSITION:</b>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	32,549	4,654	(2,662)
Restricted for Permanent Endowments:			
Restricted Net Position	-	4,505	2,231
Unrestricted	345,332	5,307	(2,237)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 377,881</b>	<b>\$ 14,466</b>	<b>\$ (2,668)</b>

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

<b>OPERATING REVENUES:</b>			
Tuition and Fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,220
Sales of Goods and Services	680,035	9,611	17,890
Other	-	-	50
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>680,035</b>	<b>9,611</b>	<b>23,160</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>			
Depreciation	4,125	2,396	1,941
Other	625,251	5,579	20,319
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>629,376</b>	<b>7,975</b>	<b>22,260</b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>50,659</b>	<b>1,636</b>	<b>900</b>
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):</b>			
Investment Income	4,612	164	15
Gifts and Donations	(15,029)	-	-
Other Nonoperating Revenues	(6)	-	-
Debt Service	(203)	(1,233)	(897)
Other Nonoperating Expenses	-	(2,375)	(6,963)
<b>Total Nonoperating Revenues(Expenses)</b>	<b>(10,626)</b>	<b>(3,444)</b>	<b>(7,845)</b>
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:</b>			
Transfers-Out	-	(1,195)	(1,448)
<b>Total Contributions, Transfers, and Other</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,195)</b>	<b>(1,448)</b>
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>40,033</b>	<b>(3,003)</b>	<b>(8,393)</b>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING RESTATED</b>	<b>337,848</b>	<b>17,469</b>	<b>5,725</b>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 377,881</b>	<b>\$ 14,466</b>	<b>\$ (2,668)</b>

**CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

<b>NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY:</b>			
Operating Activities	\$ 67,273	\$ (1,159)	\$ 2,889
Noncapital Financing Activities	(15,029)	(1,195)	(103)
Capital and Related Financing Activities	(7,664)	(2,378)	(2,114)
Investing Activities	(12,814)	(35)	27
<b>NET INCREASE (DECR.) IN CASH AND POOLED CASH</b>	<b>31,766</b>	<b>(4,767)</b>	<b>699</b>
<b>CASH AND POOLED CASH, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>67,125</b>	<b>10,482</b>	<b>4,536</b>
<b>CASH AND POOLED CASH, FISCAL YEAR ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 98,891</b>	<b>\$ 5,715</b>	<b>\$ 5,235</b>

**NOTE 37 – COMPONENT UNITS**

The State reports nine component units under the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 14 – The Financial Reporting Entity, Statement No. 39 – Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units, and Statement No. 61 – The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus-An Amendment to GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34. The State's component units are separated into major, and nonmajor below. Financial statements for the major component units are presented in the Basic Financial Statements and for the nonmajor component units in the Supplementary Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

**A. MAJOR COMPONENT UNITS**

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority's purpose is to initiate, acquire, construct, maintain, repair, and operate, or cause to be operated, projects for the protection, preservation, conservation, upgrading, development, and utilization of the water resources of the State. It is authorized to issue bonds, notes, or other obligations which constitute its debt and not the debt of the State of Colorado. Its primary revenue sources are income from invested bond proceeds, interest on loans made to local governments from bond proceeds, administrative charges on the loans, and EPA grants. The Authority incurred \$2.1 million in expenses for the State during 2014 for two State departments.

The University of Colorado Foundation was incorporated in 1967 and is authorized by the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado to receive, hold, invest, and transfer funds for the benefit of the University of Colorado. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code and is exempt from income tax on related income. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the foundation distributed \$109.2 million of gifts and income to or for the benefit of the University of Colorado and other beneficiaries.

The Colorado State University Foundation is a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization, as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code, and was incorporated in 1970 to assist in the promotion, development, and enhancement of the facilities and educational programs and opportunities of the faculty, students, and alumni of Colorado State University. This is accomplished through receiving, managing, and investing gifts. Principal or income from these gifts and contributions is used for charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, which will directly or indirectly aid and benefit Colorado State University. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the foundation transferred \$51.6 million to the University.

The Colorado School of Mines Foundation is a not-for-profit tax-exempt corporation providing financial resource development and support to the Colorado School of Mines. The majority of the foundation's revenue is derived from contributions and investment income. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the foundation transferred, \$33.1 million to the University, \$14.0 million for capital projects.

The University of Northern Colorado Foundation is a tax-exempt organization incorporated in 1996 to provide program, scholarship and other support to the University of Northern Colorado. The foundation's primary revenue is derived from contributions and investment income. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the foundation granted \$9.4 million to the University and paid \$1.7 million to the University for contract expenses. At June 30, 2015 the Foundation owed the University \$0.9 million.

**B. NONMAJOR COMPONENT UNITS**

The Denver Metropolitan Major League Baseball Stadium District currently includes all or part of the seven counties in the Denver metro area. The district was created for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and operating a major league baseball stadium. To accomplish this purpose, the General Assembly authorized the district to levy a sales tax of one-tenth of one percent throughout the district for a period not to exceed 20 years. However, the district discontinued the sales tax levy on January 1, 2001, after it defeased all outstanding debt.

CoverColorado was a not-for-profit public entity created to provide access to health insurance for those Colorado residents who were unable to obtain health insurance, or who were unable to obtain health insurance except at prohibitive rates or with restrictive exclusions. In March 2010 with the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, the need for high risk insurance pools such as CoverColorado was eliminated. CoverColorado paid remaining health claim liabilities through December 2014 and ceased operations on March 31, 2015 (see Note 41).

The Venture Capital Authority (VCA) was established in the 2004 legislative session as a means to create new business opportunities in the State and stimulate economic growth by making seed and early-stage venture capital funds available to small businesses throughout Colorado. The legislation allocated the authority \$50.0 million of insurance-premium tax credits, which it subsequently sold to insurance companies. The VCA deferred the revenue related to the sale, and recognizes it as insurance companies apply the credits over a ten-year period. The related revenue is reported as Gifts and Donations on the *Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position - Component Units* to reflect the contribution of capital by the State.

In 2005, the authority created Colorado Fund I, LP with a portion of the proceeds from the sale of premium tax credits. The VCA has committed to providing up to \$21.8 million to Colorado Fund I LP, originally thru June 2015 and extended to June 2016 (unless otherwise terminated), for investment in businesses meeting criteria established by the authority, specifically including businesses in the life sciences, information technology, agri-technology and medical device industries, and retail. As of December 31, 2014, the VCA has contributed approximately \$21.8 million or 100 percent of its total funding commitment to Colorado Fund I, LP.

In 2010 the authority created Colorado Fund II, LP and has committed to providing up to \$25.4 million over the term of the fund (through December 2019 unless otherwise terminated). As of December 31, 2014, the VCA has contributed approximately \$19.5 million or 77 percent of its total funding commitment to Colorado Fund II, LP.

In August 2010, the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan State College of Denver (now Metropolitan State University of Denver) established the HLC @ Metro, Inc. as a non-profit entity to provide for the financing, construction, operation, and management of the Hotel and Hospitality Learning Center at MSU Denver. The facility, which opened in August 2012, includes a fully functioning hotel and learning laboratory for the University's Hospitality, Tourism, and Events department.

## **NOTE 38 – RELATED PARTIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Primary Government**

University of Colorado Denver Anschutz Medical Campus enters into related-party transactions with University of Colorado Health (UCHealth) under contracts that support the University's medical education mission. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, under these contracts, UCHealth paid the University \$46.6 million and the University paid UCHealth \$12.5 million. Not included in these amounts are \$0.7 million in reimbursements during the fiscal year made by UCHealth to the University for salaries and benefits of state classified employees who work at UCHealth, and for whom the University is responsible. At June 30, 2015 the University had accounts receivable from UCHealth for \$5.9 million, and had accounts payable to UCHealth for \$20,000.

The University of Colorado Health and Welfare Trust exists to provide healthcare benefits to employees of the Trust members, who are the University of Colorado, UCHealth and University Physicians, Inc. The Trust provides healthcare benefits on a self-insured basis where

risks are transferred to the pool. The University is not financially accountable for the Trust. During Fiscal Year 2014-15 the Trust paid medical claims on behalf of the University of \$137.5 million. The University contributed \$153.4 million to the Trust and its employees contributed \$17.5 million. At June 30, 2015 the University had accounts receivable from the Trust for \$567,000 and accounts payable to the Trust for \$1.3 million.

The Colorado State University – Pueblo Foundation was established to benefit Colorado State University Pueblo. The Foundation transferred \$3.1 million in cash and \$18,892 in in-kind assets to the University in Fiscal Year 2014-15. At June 30, 2015 the University had an account receivable from the Foundation for \$2.1 million.

The Adams State University Foundation provides scholarships and work-study grants to students, and program development grants to Adams State University. The Foundation provided \$1.3 million in scholarships, grants and operating expense reimbursements during Fiscal Year 2014-15.

The Colorado Mesa University Foundation provides financial assistance to Colorado Mesa University students and assists the University in serving educational needs. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the Foundation awarded \$976,423 in scholarship funds directly to students. Also in Fiscal Year 2014-15, the Colorado Mesa University Real Estate Foundation donated \$1.6 million in property to the University. The University made operating transfers to the Foundation for \$571,437 and transferred \$1.6 million to the Colorado Mesa University Real Estate Foundation.

The Fort Lewis College Foundation exists to support Fort Lewis College. During Fiscal Year 2014-15 the Foundation funded \$0.7 million for scholarships and passed through \$1.3 million in grants for program support.

Metropolitan State University of Denver Foundation, Inc. was organized and is operated to promote the general welfare and development of Metropolitan State University of Denver. The foundation provided \$2.4 million of funding to the University in Fiscal Year 2014-15. The foundation also reimbursed the University \$236,505 for services provided by University employees. At June 30, 2015 the Foundation owed the University \$747,900.

Western State Colorado University Foundation was established to aid Western State Colorado University in fulfilling its educational mission. The Foundation transferred \$4.0 million to the University in Fiscal Year 2014-15.

The Auraria Foundation provided \$3.8 million to the Auraria Higher Education Center in Fiscal Year 2014-15. Of this amount, a grant for \$100,000 was given for the



Campus Signage Project and grant for \$3.6 million was given for the Tivoli Project. At June 30, 2015 the Auraria Higher Education Center had an account receivable from the Foundation of \$1.7 million.

Most of the State's community colleges have established foundations to assist in their educational missions. With the exception of Front Range Community College, Northeastern Junior College, Pikes Peak Community College, Pueblo Community College and Red Rocks Community College, none of these foundations made annual transfers to their related community colleges in excess of \$500,000.

In Fiscal Year 2014-15 the Northeastern Junior College Foundation funded \$482,340 in student scholarships and instructional grants to Northeastern Junior College. It also passed through \$4,587 in other funding and reimbursed the Junior College \$13,775 for administration expenses.

The Front Range Community College provided scholarship funds totaling \$514,418 to Front Range Community College. The College provided personnel and operating expense support to the Foundation totaling \$314,151.

Pikes Peak Community College Foundation provided \$573,726 to Pikes Peak Community College in the form of reimbursements for direct expenditures, financial aid support and grant funds. The College in turn reimbursed the Foundation \$210,136 for operating expenditures. At June, 30, 2015, Pikes Peak Community College has an account receivable from the Foundation for \$304,804.

The Pueblo Community College Foundation provided Pueblo Community College \$1.4 million in the form of scholarships, grants, construction funds, program funding and discretionary funds.

The Red Rocks Community College Foundation provided \$1.7 million to Red Rocks Community College. Of this amount, the Foundation provided \$408,841 for scholarships and a \$1.0 million pass through grant for construction of the Arvada Health Professions and Science building. The remainder was given for various special programs, endowed teaching chairs and operating expenses. The College provided \$277,483 to the Foundation for operating expenses.

The Great Outdoors Colorado Board (GOCO) is a constitutionally created entity whose purpose is to administer the GOCO Program and Trust Fund. The purpose of the program is to promote the wildlife and outdoor recreation resources of the State using funds it receives from the Colorado Lottery. During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the board funded \$23.9 million of wildlife and parks programs at the Department of Natural Resources. At

June 30, 2015, GOCO owed the Department of Natural Resources \$15.3 million.

The Colorado Historical Foundation accepts gifts, grants, donations and endowments on behalf of History Colorado. Upon request, the Foundation transfers these funds to History Colorado where they are utilized for their intended purposes. At the end of Fiscal Year 2014-15, History Colorado had billed the Colorado Historical Foundation \$0.4 million and has an account receivable from the Foundation for that amount.

The Colorado Health Benefit Exchange, operating as Connect for Health Colorado, is a related party to the State through the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing. During Fiscal Year 2014-15 the Colorado Health Benefit Exchange reimbursed the State \$338,389 for personnel expenses and \$3.9 million for software programming and other information technology expenses.

Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA) is a related party to the State in three different activities as follows:

- ♦ The Colorado Housing and Finance Authority Bond Program supports existing programs administered by CHFA that provide loans to small businesses, farms and ranches within the State of Colorado. CHFA operates these programs in coordination with the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Farm Service Agency, and the U.S. Rural Business Cooperative Service. The Department of Treasury holds three CHFA bonds with a face value of \$7.1 million as of June 30, 2015. The Department receives monthly payments from CHFA for all principal payments and interest collected by the Authority. On bond maturity dates ranging from 2025 through 2031, the Department of Treasury will receive any unpaid principal balance of the bonds, plus all accrued and unpaid interest.
- ♦ CHFA acts as the fiscal agent for the Colorado Energy Office State Energy Plan grant that provides loans for energy efficiency or renewable energy projects. The outstanding loan balance at CHFA on June 30, 2015 was \$9,439,547. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the Energy Office paid CHFA \$48,543 in administrative fees for this service.

Under CRS 8-77-103.5 CHFA is authorized "...to issue bonds and notes as are necessary to maintain adequate balances in the unemployment compensation fund or to repay moneys advanced to the State from the Federal Unemployment trust fund, or both." On June 28, 2012, as a conduit issuer in an exchange transaction, CHFA issued Colorado Unemployment Compensation Fund Special Revenue Bonds with a par value of \$624,805,000. Bond payments are funded by employers' unemployment insurance premiums. The bonds are special, limited obligations of the Authority, payable and secured by

assets held in a trust estate which consists of pledged revenue and principal funded by the State's unemployment compensation fund. Pledged revenues in the trust consist, at least in part, of employers' unemployment insurance premiums. The bonds do not create a financial obligation of the Authority beyond payment of principal and interest. As of June 30, 2015, \$249,925,000 of bonds was outstanding. The Department of Labor and Employment paid CHFA \$60,000 in administration fees in Fiscal Year 2014-15 for this arrangement.

### **Component Units**

The Venture Capital Authority (VCA) has Limited Partnership Agreements with Colorado Fund I, LP and Colorado Fund II, LP, and has selected High Country Venture, LLC, to serve as manager and general partner of both funds. The partnership agreements allocate income or loss 20 percent to the general partner and 80 percent to the limited partners in accordance with their respective partnership percentages. As of December 31, 2014, VCA's investments in Colorado Fund I and Colorado Fund II totaled \$23.8 million and \$26.7 million respectively.

### **NOTE 39 - SERVICE CONCESSION ARRANGEMENTS**

The High Performance Transportation Enterprise (HPTE), a portion of the nonmajor Transportation Enterprise, entered into a 50 year concession agreement with Plenary Roads Denver (Plenary). Plenary will finance, design and construct US-36 Phase I and Phase II tolled and managed lanes. Plenary will assume the liability of the HPTE's existing loan when Phase I is placed into service. Phase II is expected to be completed in January 2016. As of June 30, 2015, construction in progress totaled \$183.8 million.

In March 2014, HPTE transferred the operations of the I-25 high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes to Plenary. Plenary has the right to collect I-25 HOT lane tolls and the US-36 lanes tolls when those lanes are placed in service. For both the I-25 HOT and US-36 managed lanes, Plenary has the right to raise the toll rate, with approval of the HPTE Board. If the HPTE Board does not approve the requested rate, HPTE must compensate Plenary for the loss of revenue.

Upon completion of Phase I, Plenary will assume the obligation for HPTE's existing \$54.0 million loan secured through the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act as well loan interest totaling \$2.0 million. In addition, Plenary will be responsible for maintaining the managed lanes.

### **NOTE 40 – ENCUMBRANCES**

Most encumbrances are supported by annual appropriations and lapse at year-end. However, the Capital Projects Fund, Institutions of Higher Education, and the Highway Users Tax Fund include multi-year encumbrances of \$27.6 million, \$113.7 million and \$1.3 billion, respectively, which are related to purchase orders and long-term contracts for the construction of major capital projects and infrastructure.

### **NOTE 41 – SPECIAL ITEMS**

#### **Component Unit**

On May 28, 2013 House Bill 13-1115 was enacted, and repealed CoverColorado effective April 1, 2014. The program was required to settle all health claim liabilities by December 31, 2014 and make a final accounting by March 31, 2015. For the three months ended March 31, 2015, Cover Colorado recognized \$231,731 of general and administrative operating expenses, and transferred its remaining assets to The Denver Foundation (\$2.3 million) and to the Colorado Health Benefit Exchange (\$0.8 million). The Statement of Revenues and Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, Other Component Units(Nonmajor) presents operating results for Fiscal Year 2013-14 and the first three months of Fiscal Year 2014-15.

## NOTE 42 – FINANCIAL GUARANTEES

In Fiscal Year 2010-11, Metropolitan State University of Denver's Board of Trustees (formerly the Metropolitan State College of Denver Board of Trustees) approved the incorporation of a special purpose nonprofit corporation to be known as HLC @ Metro, Inc. The HLC @ Metro Inc., a discretely presented nonmajor component unit of the State, created the Hotel/Hospitality Learning Center (HLC) to enhance the University's Hospitality, Tourism, and Events department. The Metropolitan State College of Denver Roadrunner Recovery and Reinvestment Act Finance Authority issued approximately \$55.0 million in revenue bonds in October 2010, loaning the proceeds to HLC @ Metro, Inc. to construct the HLC. The HLC generates revenue as a facility open to the general public. Should HLC @ Metro Inc. not fulfill its obligation to pay any and all principal and interest, the University is obligated to make the payment due. The guarantee remains in effect until there is no remaining outstanding balance on the 2010 bond issuance. As of June 30, 2015, no liability was recorded by the University as HLC @ Metro Inc. was deemed fully capable of making its debt payments.

## NOTE 43 – CONTINGENCIES

The Colorado Governmental Immunity Act (CGIA) sets upper limits on State liability at \$350,000 per individual and \$990,000 for two or more persons in a single occurrence. Judgments in excess of these amounts may be rendered, but the claimant must petition the General Assembly for an appropriation to pay any amount greater than the immunity limits. Judgments awarded against the State for which there is no insurance coverage or that are not payable from the Risk Management Fund ordinarily require a legislative appropriation before they may be paid. Effective January 1, 2012, the Act was amended to waive the State's sovereign immunity for legal proceedings in which the State has been determined to be negligent in conducting prescribed fires.

Numerous court cases are pending in which the plaintiffs allege that the State has deprived persons of their constitutional rights, civil rights, inadequately compensated them for their property, engaged in regulatory misfeasance, or breached contracts. In the aggregate, the monetary damages (actual, punitive, and attorney's fees) claimed in the constitutional and civil rights cases would exceed the insurance coverage available by a material amount. The property compensation and breach of contract suits are generally limited to the appraised value of the property or the contract amount. In the breach of contract suits, the State often files counterclaims. While it is reasonably possible that awards of judgment could occur, it is unlikely that those awards would have a material adverse effect on the State's financial condition.

The State is the defendant in numerous lawsuits involving claims of inadequate, negligent, or unconstitutional treatment of prisoners, mental health patients, nursing home patients, or the developmentally disabled. In some of these suits, plaintiffs are seeking or have obtained certification as a class for a class action suit. Most of these cases seek actual damages that are not material but include requests for punitive damages that may be material. There is also the potential that the courts may rule that the current conditions of confinement, Medicaid coverage, or residential services are unconstitutional, which could result in significant future construction, medical, or residential services costs that are not subject to reasonable estimation.

The State is the defendant in lawsuits by employees accusing the State of various infractions of law or contract. These may include claims related to age and sex discrimination, sexual harassment, wrongful termination, contractual agreements for paying salaries based on parity and equity, and overtime compensation under the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act. The State does not believe that any of these cases are material to its financial operations.

In the event of adverse loss experience, which is defined as a default rate in excess of 9 percent, College Assist could be liable for up to 25 percent, or \$2.1 billion, of the \$8.5 billion outstanding balance of loans in repayment status. However, the probability of a material loss is remote, and the State's liability is capped at the net position of the College Assist program of \$79.7 million.

At June 30, 2015, the Lottery Division of the Department of Revenue had outstanding annuity contracts of approximately \$232.8 million in the names of lottery or lotto prizewinners. The probability is remote that any of the sellers of these contracts will default, and thereby require the State to pay the annuity.

The Colorado Department of Revenue routinely has claims for refunds in various stages of administrative and legal review that could result in refunds. Individual claims exceeding \$5.0 million include three claims for refunds ranging from \$13.3 million to \$40.6 million for income taxes. The Department of Revenue will vigorously defend these claims. The likelihood of an unfavorable outcome is uncertain.

Various notes and bonds have been issued by state school districts that may impact the State. Colorado statutes provide that if a district indicates it will not make a required payment to bondholders by the date on which it is due, the State Treasurer shall forward to the paying agent the amount necessary to make the payment. The State shall then withhold state property-tax-equalization payments to the defaulting school district for a period up to 12 months to cover the State's loss. Currently, notes or bonds valued at approximately \$7.5 billion are outstanding. Of this amount, \$1.4 billion is covered by private insurance.

Many state agencies have grant and contract agreements with the federal government and other parties. These agreements generally provide for audits of the transactions pertaining to the agreements, with the State being liable to those parties for any disallowed expenditure. Individually significant disallowances are disclosed in the following paragraph.

The TABOR Foundation, a not-for-profit entity that is not part of State government, has filed suit against the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing alleging that the hospital provider fee is a tax, not a fee; therefore, requiring a vote of the people. The plaintiff challenge the fee imposed in Fiscal Years 2011, 2012 and 2013, and seek a refund of all revenue collected, kept, or spent unconstitutionally, plus interest. Approximately \$2.65 billion has been collected in fees. The Complaint was filed on June 26, 2015. The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing filed a motion to dismiss arguing that the hospital provider fee is a fee and not a tax. The Motion is fully briefed and is pending before the district court. The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing will vigorously defend claims. The State is unable to estimate the likelihood of an adverse outcome.

The National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB), has filed suit against the Colorado Secretary of State alleging that §§ 24-21-104 and 24-21-104.5, C.R.S. violate TABOR. These provisions allocate fees collected by the Secretary's Business and Licensing Division to a cash fund, and authorize appropriations from that cash fund to the Secretary's Elections Division and to counties to support election functions. NFIB seeks a refund of allegedly unconstitutionally collected registration fees, and the imposition of penalties, interest, fees, and costs in accordance with Colorado Constitution Article X, § 1. The complaint does not seek a precise monetary award; The State's estimate of exposure is approximately \$20 million. The parties filed cross-motions for summary judgment in Denver District Court. After full briefing and oral argument, on November 3, 2015, the District Court granted summary judgment in the Secretary's favor. The Court did not decide whether the fees are taxes. NFIB has filed a timely appeal to the Colorado Court of Appeals, and the Court has not set a briefing schedule. The Secretary will vigorously defend claims. The State is unable to estimate the likelihood of an adverse outcome.

The State believes it has a reasonable possibility of favorable outcomes for the actions discussed in this Note 43, but the ultimate outcome cannot presently be determined. Except as otherwise noted, no provision for a liability has been made in the financial statements related to the contingencies discussed in this note.

## NOTE 44 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

### Primary Government

#### A. DEBT ISSUANCES AND REFUNDINGS

On July 21, 2015, the State issued Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (ETRAN), Series 2015A. The notes were issued with a premium of \$1,933,500, an average coupon rate of 1.55 percent, and a true interest cost of 0.30 percent. The notes mature on June 29, 2016. The total due at maturity includes \$165.0 million in principal and \$2,394,167 in interest. By statute, interest on the notes is payable from the General Fund.

On July 23, 2015, the State issued General Fund Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (GTRAN), Series 2015A. The notes were issued with a premium of \$7,731,000, an average coupon rate of 1.67 percent, and a true interest cost of 0.28 percent. The notes mature on June 28, 2016. The total due on that date includes \$600 million in principal and \$9,305,556 in interest.

On August 6, 2015, the Colorado State University System sold \$96,490,000 Series 2015 E-1, \$42,125,000 Series 2015 E-2 (Green Bonds) and \$17,670,000 Series 2015 F in System Enterprise Revenue Bonds. The proceeds of the sale of the Series 2015 E-1, E-2, and F Bonds will be used for the construction, acquisition, improvement and equipping of a biology building for research and teaching; a medical center building; a plant environmental research center to be used for teaching, research and outreach; and academic space; and various parking and pedestrian structures and pathways. All projects are in Fort Collins. The proceeds will also be used for other capital projects as designated by the Board of Governors, to pay capitalized interest and cost of issuance on bonds.

On August 12, 2015, the Auraria Higher Education Center issued \$5,050,000 in Student Fee Revenue Bond, Series 2015A and \$250,000 in Student Fee Taxable Revenue Bond, Series 2015B for the purpose of financing construction of the Tivoli Park/Quad, the Tivoli Patio and Coffee Lounge, and other future student gathering spaces throughout campus. The repayment of the bonds is funded by a \$5 per student, per semester fee.

On September 28, 2015, the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, part of the Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS), issued Refunding Certificates of Participation, Series 2015 for \$9,915,000. The net proceeds will be used to refinance the existing lease of the site and improvements by CDPS, constituting the Colorado Bureau of Investigation's Grand Junction, Colorado, regional office and forensic laboratory, and to pay the executory costs.

In November, 2015, the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado approved a resolution in which the University of Colorado Real Estate Foundation (CUREF) would transfer ownership of two parcels of land and improvements from Campus Village Apartments (CVA) to the University of Colorado – Denver (CU-Denver). The properties include 4.75 acres of land located at 4th and Walnut, which is the site of a 250,773 square foot student housing facility, and 3.16 acres of adjacent land. CU-Denver will apply a Supplemental Credit Facility (SCF) extended by the University's Treasury to defease the existing debt carried by CUREF. The total amount needed to transfer the property is estimated at \$61.7 million.

On January 12, 2016, the State issued Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (ETRAN), Series 2015B. The notes were issued with a premium of \$2,394,167, an average coupon rate of 2.10 percent, and a true interest cost of 0.24 percent. The notes mature on June 29, 2016. The total due at maturity includes \$339.0 million in principal and \$3,307,528 in interest. By statute, interest on the notes is payable from the General Fund.

On January 21, 2016, the Colorado Mesa University issued \$26,575,000 of Series 2016 Bonds. The bonds were issued with a premium of \$1,791,955. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to construct and equip a new residence hall on campus, expand and renovate the Maverick Center, with remaining proceeds used for additional capital improvements on the campus.

On January 29, 2016, the University of Northern Colorado entered into an energy performance contract with McKinstry Essention LLC. The contract includes \$8.85 million in financing from Banc of America Public Capital Corp for up to 20 capital projects and will result in long-term energy savings and reductions in utility costs. The financing agreement spans 15 years at a rate of 2.69% and funds are currently being held in escrow with BOKF, NA. The agreement provides that any obligations payable after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for that purpose being available. In addition to the principal amount, the total due at maturity includes \$1,915,020 of interest.

On February 24, 2016, the Colorado Community College System issued \$18,340,000 of System-wide Revenue Bonds (Series 2016). The bonds were issued with a premium of \$617,180. The proceeds will be used to refund the 2003 debt of Pikes Peak Community College of \$3,060,000, with the remaining proceeds to be used to finance the construction and equipping of the new student recreation center on the Red Rocks Community College, Lakewood campus.

On February 25, 2016, the Colorado School of Mines issued \$34,690,000 of Series 2016 Institutional Enterprise Revenue and Refunding Bonds. The bonds were issued with a premium of \$5,239,719. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to provide bridge funding for the construction, improvement, and equipping the CoorsTek Center for Applied Science and Engineering on the School of Mines campus. In addition, proceeds of the Series 2016 Bonds will be used to advance refund a portion of the Board's Institutional Enterprise Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2009A, and the Board's Institutional Enterprise Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2009C.

On February 26, 2016, the Metropolitan State University of Denver issued \$27,450,000 of Series 2016 Revenue Bonds. The bonds were issued with a premium of \$2,824,423. The proceeds of the bonds will be used in the construction of the Aerospace and Engineering Sciences Building.

On March 9, 2016, the Auraria Higher Education Center refinanced the 2006 Parking Bond in the amount of \$5,845,000. This has an interest rate of 1.80% and a maturity date of April 1, 2026.

On April 7, 2016, the Auraria Higher Education Center refinanced the 2006 Student Fee Bond in the amount of \$7,415,000. This has an interest rate of 1.40% and a maturity date of May 1, 2021.

## **B. OTHER**

On July 22, 2015, under the service concession agreement with the High Performance Transportation Enterprise (HPTE) and Plenary Roads Denver (Plenary), the completion of Phase I of the U.S. 36 project occurred and tolling commenced. The completion initiated the transfer of HPTE's \$54 million loan secured through the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act to Plenary. The required debt service reserve of \$1.6 million was also transferred to Plenary and the operations and maintenance reserve of \$0.6 million was returned to HPTE. Additionally, HPTE recognized revenue of \$120 million previously recorded at June 30, 2015 as unearned revenue from the Regional Transportation District related to an Intergovernmental Agreement.

On September 24, 2015, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing agreed to repay the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) \$12.1 million

for disallowed outstanding costs relating to prior period services provided by Denver Health. Denver Health is reimbursing the State for \$6.1 million of this amount.

On September 30, 2015, College Assist transferred \$6.3 million from the Operating Fund to the Federal Fund, based on a change in methodology. The change was the result of the Department of Education's Office of the Inspector General audit report, issued on September 29, 2014, covering the Federal Student Aid's (FSA) oversight of guaranty agencies during the wind-down of the Federal Family Education Loan Program. The report states that the methodology that FSA uses to calculate agency compliance with the statutory 25 basis point minimum reserve ratio is flawed. In response to the audit report, the FSA said it will cease adding in allowances and other non-cash charges beginning with the Federal Fiscal Year 2015 calculation.

On April 1, 2016, the Department of Personnel and Administration entered into an agreement with Banc of America Public Capital Corp ("BAPCC") to provide the lease purchase financing of State motor vehicles for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000.

On April 25, 2016, the Department of Revenue received notification that they lost a court case in the Colorado Supreme Court. This case involved the taxpayer's claim for refund (amended returns) based on their position that their cost of capital, or Return on Investment, is a deductible cost in calculating gross income subject to severance tax. This case, and the other subsequent refund claims from this taxpayer, as well as protective claims from other taxpayers, are estimated at an additional \$12.5 million in severance tax refunds (\$5.9 million in tax and \$6.6 million in interest through June 30, 2015).

## **Component Units**

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority has formalized a plan to issue \$8.4 million in debt on April 14, 2015.

## **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - APPROPRIATED GENERAL FUNDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	FINAL SPENDING AUTHORITY	ACTUAL	(OVER)/UNDER SPENDING AUTHORITY
<b>REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN:</b>				
Sales and Other Excise Taxes			\$ 2,640,623	
Income Taxes			6,142,955	
Other Taxes			257,646	
Sales and Services			366	
Interest Earnings			12,040	
Other Revenues			16,467	
Transfers-In			304,997	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN</b>			<b>9,375,094</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS-OUT:</b>				
Operating Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Agriculture	\$ 9,311	\$ 9,318	8,790	\$ 528
Corrections	720,430	720,902	717,333	3,569
Education	3,357,896	3,357,973	3,357,445	528
Governor	34,367	31,297	30,150	1,147
Health Care Policy and Financing	2,264,444	2,307,557	2,313,291	(5,734)
Higher Education	761,983	767,971	767,971	-
Human Services	782,002	788,527	774,525	14,002
Judicial Branch	444,078	446,268	440,580	5,688
Labor and Employment	637	662	660	2
Law	13,534	13,575	13,477	98
Legislative Branch	40,946	40,963	40,963	-
Local Affairs	17,361	17,649	17,526	123
Military and Veterans Affairs	8,186	8,245	7,775	470
Natural Resources	26,226	26,309	26,272	37
Personnel & Administration	6,709	7,130	7,070	60
Public Health and Environment	63,894	60,974	58,587	2,387
Public Safety	133,598	134,566	126,286	8,280
Regulatory Agencies	1,883	1,885	1,885	-
Revenue	74,419	74,864	74,316	548
Transportation	700	906	206	700
Treasury	3,226	3,178	2,031	1,147
<b>SUB-TOTAL OPERATING BUDGETS</b>	<b>8,765,830</b>	<b>8,820,719</b>	<b>8,787,139</b>	<b>33,580</b>
Capital and Multi-Year Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Agriculture	992	2,064	90	1,974
Corrections	20,093	59,890	25,644	34,246
Education	8,645	11,959	1,019	10,940
Governor	13,934	53,304	7,358	45,946
Higher Education	202,458	400,311	100,298	300,013
Human Services	43,293	34,721	6,096	28,625
Military and Veterans Affairs	5,360	11,005	2,837	8,168
Personnel & Administration	14,606	26,093	8,370	17,723
Public Health and Environment	323	323	-	323
Public Safety	3,833	15,827	4,543	11,284
Revenue	53,088	94,852	1,014	93,838
Transportation	500	1,000	500	500
Treasury	18,588	18,588	18,575	13
<b>SUB-TOTAL CAPITAL AND MULTI-YEAR BUDGETS</b>	<b>385,713</b>	<b>729,937</b>	<b>176,344</b>	<b>553,593</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS-OUT</b>	<b>\$ 9,151,543</b>	<b>\$ 9,550,656</b>	<b>8,963,483</b>	<b>\$ 587,173</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS-OUT</b>			<b>\$ 411,611</b>	

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - APPROPRIATED CASH FUNDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	FINAL SPENDING AUTHORITY	ACTUAL	(OVER)/UNDER SPENDING AUTHORITY
REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN:				
Sales and Other Excise Taxes			\$ 22,226	
Income Taxes			519,802	
Other Taxes			88,528	
Tuition and Fees			778,158	
Sales and Services			994,004	
Interest Earnings			24,575	
Other Revenues			611,796	
Transfers-In			1,029,507	
Capital Contributions			302	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN</b>			<b>4,068,898</b>	
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT:				
Operating Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Agriculture	\$ 30,145	\$ 30,640	29,585	1,055
Corrections	71,517	73,442	54,228	19,214
Education	1,242,142	1,240,985	1,161,254	79,731
Governor	229,865	240,738	212,951	27,787
Health Care Policy and Financing	915,893	862,388	836,819	25,569
Higher Education	692,318	709,633	690,046	19,587
Human Services	215,607	183,560	148,472	35,088
Judicial Branch	126,614	125,195	110,833	14,362
Labor and Employment	58,477	58,619	57,046	1,573
Law	57,690	58,262	51,205	7,057
Legislative Branch	1,083	1,111	1,041	70
Local Affairs	13,306	13,458	12,584	874
Military and Veterans Affairs	2,383	2,383	1,997	386
Natural Resources	170,371	169,671	149,079	20,592
Personnel & Administration	110,836	111,782	100,112	11,670
Public Health and Environment	197,515	198,116	164,597	33,519
Public Safety	199,053	198,580	172,991	25,589
Regulatory Agencies	81,597	81,756	74,753	7,003
Revenue	188,353	187,260	113,176	74,084
State	21,788	22,159	20,306	1,853
Transportation	34,358	34,477	33,744	733
Treasury	2,511	2,567	2,471	96
<b>SUB-TOTAL OPERATING BUDGETS</b>	<b>4,663,422</b>	<b>4,606,782</b>	<b>4,199,290</b>	<b>407,492</b>
Capital and Multi-Year Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Agriculture	700	2,845	759	2,086
Corrections	660	19,747	18,427	1,320
Governor	13,911	26,314	5,795	20,519
Higher Education	88,963	186,884	11,834	175,050
Human Services	-	469	327	142
Judicial Branch	-	24,896	16,345	8,551
Labor and Employment	-	5,933	965	4,968
Natural Resources	13,105	35,502	5,639	29,863
Personnel & Administration	14,411	15,411	933	14,478
Public Health and Environment	-	49,474	3,292	46,182
Public Safety	4,322	6,883	823	6,060
Transportation	-	500	500	-
Treasury	18,588	18,588	18,351	237
<b>SUB-TOTAL CAPITAL AND MULTI-YEAR BUDGETS</b>	<b>154,660</b>	<b>393,446</b>	<b>83,990</b>	<b>309,456</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT</b>	<b>\$ 4,818,082</b>	<b>\$ 5,000,228</b>	<b>4,283,280</b>	<b>716,948</b>
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT			<b>\$ (214,382)</b>	

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - APPROPRIATED FEDERALLY FUNDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	FINAL SPENDING AUTHORITY	ACTUAL	(OVER)/UNDER SPENDING AUTHORITY
REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN:				
Federal Grants and Contracts			\$ 4,646,889	
TOTAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN			4,646,889	
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT:				
Capital and Multi-Year Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Corrections	-	2,359	-	2,359
Health Care Policy and Financing	4,425,735	4,419,393	4,315,535	103,858
Higher Education	-	22	22	-
Human Services	327,538	330,243	298,050	32,193
Military and Veterans Affairs	360	1,021	51	970
Public Health and Environment	24,220	24,401	20,395	4,006
Public Safety	-	303	225	78
SUB-TOTAL CAPITAL AND MULTI-YEAR BUDGETS	4,777,853	4,777,742	4,634,278	143,464
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT	\$ 4,777,853	\$ 4,777,742	4,634,278	\$ 143,464
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT			\$ 12,611	

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**RECONCILING SCHEDULE**  
**ALL BUDGET FUND TYPES**  
**TO ALL GAAP FUND TYPES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			
	GENERAL	RESOURCE EXTRACTION	HIGHWAY USERS TAX	CAPITAL PROJECTS
<b>BUDGETARY BASIS:</b>				
Revenues and Transfers-In Appropriated (Required Supplementary Information):				
General	\$ 9,375,094	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Cash	616,658	42,732	228,863	18,411
Federal	4,565,332	-	-	685
Sub-Total Revenues and Transfers-In Appropriated	14,557,084	42,732	228,863	19,096
Revenues and Transfers-In Non-Appropriated (Supplementary Information):				
General	319,683	-	-	260,551
Cash	3,982,077	609,491	1,700,582	3,966
Federal	2,556,217	152,429	837,065	6,322
Sub-Total Revenues and Transfers-In Non-Appropriated	6,857,977	761,920	2,537,647	270,839
Total Revenues and Transfers-In Appropriated and Non-Appropriated	21,415,061	804,652	2,766,510	289,935
Expenditures/Expenses and Transfers-Out Appropriated (Required Supplementary Information):				
General Funded	8,780,147	-	-	183,336
Cash Funded	548,339	38,969	223,131	18,810
Federally Funded	4,554,374	-	-	707
Expenditures/Expenses and Transfers-Out Appropriated	13,882,860	38,969	223,131	202,853
Expenditures/Expenses and Transfers-Out Non-Appropriated(Supplementary Information):				
General Funded	589,138	-	-	-
Cash Funded	3,966,343	284,881	1,819,655	11,922
Federally Funded	2,557,399	152,479	862,795	5,517
Expenditures/Expenses and Transfers-Out Non-Appropriated	7,112,880	437,360	2,682,450	17,439
Expenditures/Expenses and Transfers-Out Appropriated and Non-Appropriated	20,995,740	476,329	2,905,581	220,292
Excess of Revenues and Transfers-In Over (Under)				
Expenditures and Transfers-Out - Budget Basis - Appropriated	674,224	3,763	5,732	(183,757)
Excess of Revenues and Transfers-In Over (Under)				
Expenditures and Transfers-Out - Budget Basis - Non-Appropriated	(254,903)	324,560	(144,803)	253,400
<b>BUDGETARY BASIS ADJUSTMENTS:</b>				
Increase/(Decrease) for Unrealized Gains/Losses	(2,027)	(252)	(1,852)	567
Increase for Budgeted Non-GAAP Expenditures	-	-	-	-
Increase/(Decrease) for GAAP Expenditures Not Budgeted	501,950	178,497	698,389	1,198
Increase/(Decrease) for GAAP Revenue Adjustments	(672,257)	(342,654)	(699,278)	(8,714)
Increase/(Decrease) for Non-Budgeted Funds	-	-	-	-
Excess of Revenues and Transfers-In Over (Under) Expenditures and Transfers-Out - GAAP Basis	246,987	163,914	(141,812)	62,694
<b>GAAP BASIS FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION:</b>				
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	935,027	1,203,292	1,130,372	273,986
Prior Period Adjustments (See Note 29A)	(6,626)	-	-	-
Accounting Changes (See Note 29B)	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCE/NET POSITION, FISCAL YEAR END	\$ 1,175,388	\$ 1,367,206	\$ 988,560	\$ 336,680

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES								
STATE EDUCATION	OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS	HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	STATE LOTTERY	OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS	INTERNAL SERVICE	FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES	TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,375,094
555,655	1,308,304	804,214	10,961	530	169,445	310,365	2,760	4,068,898
-	79,919	-	-	-	953	-	-	4,646,889
555,655	1,388,223	804,214	10,961	530	170,398	310,365	2,760	18,090,881
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	580,234
82	1,754,707	2,081,354	708,323	539,527	321,168	36,269	1,703,209	13,440,755
-	119,261	-	30,670	-	410,723	-	-	4,112,687
82	1,873,968	2,081,354	738,993	539,527	731,891	36,269	1,703,209	18,133,676
555,737	3,262,191	2,885,568	749,954	540,057	902,289	346,634	1,705,969	36,224,557
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,963,483
912,146	1,332,072	673,376	5,780	41,658	180,489	305,844	2,666	4,283,280
-	78,244	-	-	-	953	-	-	4,634,278
912,146	1,410,316	673,376	5,780	41,658	181,442	305,844	2,666	17,881,041
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	589,138
47,175	1,402,159	2,161,186	492,502	127,981	214,000	40,700	1,273,527	11,842,031
-	112,043	(8,089)	30,671	-	414,253	-	-	4,127,068
47,175	1,514,202	2,153,097	523,173	127,981	628,253	40,700	1,273,527	16,558,237
959,321	2,924,518	2,826,473	528,953	169,639	809,695	346,544	1,276,193	34,439,278
(356,491)	(22,093)	130,838	5,181	(41,128)	(11,044)	4,521	94	209,840
(47,093)	359,766	(71,743)	215,820	411,546	103,638	(4,431)	429,682	1,575,439
(2,156)	(1,052)	-	-	(51)	(607)	(65)	612	(6,883)
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
264	661,968	21,148	(1,178)	(370,825)	18,602	(15,647)	754	1,695,120
(264)	(805,291)	4,086	-	(531)	(29,250)	(3,516)	(17,908)	(2,575,577)
-	-	165,828	-	-	-	-	-	165,828
(405,740)	193,298	250,157	219,823	(989)	81,339	(19,138)	413,234	1,063,767
1,091,998	2,099,400	5,584,645	403,006	3,074	1,299,073	34,411	6,115,535	20,173,819
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6,626)
-	-	(2,959,988)	(571)	(22,031)	(359,710)	(265,388)	-	(3,607,688)
\$ 686,258	\$ 2,292,698	\$ 2,874,814	\$ 622,258	\$ (19,946)	\$ 1,020,702	\$ (250,115)	\$ 6,528,769	\$ 17,623,272

## GENERAL FUND SURPLUS SCHEDULE

The General Fund for GAAP purposes is not equivalent to the General Fund for budgetary purposes. The General Fund for GAAP purposes contains activities that are considered cash funds for budget purposes, and includes, State Public School, Risk Management Fund, and Other Special Purpose Funds that do not have a sufficient original-source revenue stream to qualify as special revenue funds. The General Purpose Revenue Fund balance represents \$653.6 million of the GAAP General Fund balance of \$1,175.4 million on the *Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds*.

The General Purpose Revenue Fund is the principal operating fund of the State. It is used to account for all governmental financial resources and transactions not legally required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund surplus is a statutorily defined amount that varies from the fund balance reported in the General Purpose Revenue Fund by revenues and expenditures that have been deferred into the following year for the budgetary basis (see Note RSI-1A).

The schedule on the following page is presented to document compliance with the constitutional requirement for a positive general fund surplus on the budgetary basis. This schedule includes both appropriated and nonappropriated activity. The schedule differs from the General Fund presentation in the *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances* and the *Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance – Budgetary Basis – Budget-to-Actual – General Funded* by the specific purpose revenue funds discussed above and in several other ways as discussed in the following paragraphs.

The total fund balance in the General Purpose Revenue Fund column on the *Combining Balance Sheet – General*

*Funds* represents cumulative general-purpose and augmenting revenues in excess of expenditures. The ending general fund surplus is reconciled to the General Purpose Revenue Fund fund balance on the *Combining Balance Sheet – General Fund Components* presented in the Supplementary Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

General-purpose revenues are revenues that are not designated for specific purposes. The following schedule shows the current fiscal year general-purpose revenues and the expenditures, by department, funded from those general-purpose revenues. The excess augmenting revenues shown represent earned revenues that were greater than the related appropriation for specific cash-funded expenditures in the General Purpose Revenue Fund. These revenues in excess of the related expenditures become part of total fund balance. (*See Note 8A beginning on page 82 for information regarding the Old Age Pension expenditure at the Department of Revenue.*)

In order to measure the general fund surplus, encumbrances of the prior year related to approved rollforwards are subtracted from the revised budget and reduce the ending general fund surplus balance in the line item titled “State Controller Approved Rollforwards” because the related balances are not available for subsequent appropriation.

In order to properly state the amounts reverted, most restrictions on the revised budget are not reflected in the amounts shown. Unspent unrestricted appropriations are reported as reversions on the schedule, with the exception of unspent appropriations related to unreleased prior year Medicaid overexpenditure restrictions.

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN  
GENERAL FUND SURPLUS**

**BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	ORIGINAL ESTIMATE/ BUDGET	REVISED ESTIMATE/ BUDGET	ACTUAL	REVERSIONS OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION	EXCESS AUGMENTING REVENUE EARNED
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 2,769,000	\$ 2,880,900	\$ 2,876,615		
Other Excise Taxes	94,100	96,500	113,387		
Individual Income Tax, net	5,706,600	5,887,400	5,888,036		
Corporate Income Tax, net	724,900	654,600	635,115		
Estate Tax	-	-	32		
Insurance Tax	241,200	250,600	256,663		
Parimutuel, Courts, and Other	27,400	35,100	18,532		
Investment Income	25,600	11,200	8,869		
Gaming	12,200	-	13,571		
TABOR Refund (See Note 8B)	-	(194,000)	(169,740)		
<b>TOTAL GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUES</b>	<b>9,601,000</b>	<b>9,622,300</b>	<b>9,641,080</b>		
<b>ACTUAL BUDGET RECORDED AND EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Agriculture	9,311	9,318	8,790	\$ 528	\$ 8
Corrections	720,430	720,902	717,333	3,569	307
Education	3,357,896	3,357,723	3,357,195	528	130
Governor	34,367	31,397	30,250	1,147	1,117
Health Care Policy and Financing	2,264,444	2,308,175	2,313,898	(5,723)	709
Higher Education	761,983	761,306	761,306	-	41
Human Services	782,002	790,238	775,353	14,885	606
Judicial Branch	444,078	446,286	440,598	5,688	54
Labor and Employment	637	662	660	2	5
Law	13,534	13,575	13,477	98	123
Legislative Branch	40,946	40,963	40,963	-	172
Local Affairs	21,655	22,478	22,252	226	5
Military and Veterans Affairs	8,186	8,245	7,775	470	-
Natural Resources	26,226	26,309	26,272	37	8
Personnel & Administration	6,709	8,293	7,586	707	1,450
Public Health and Environment	63,894	62,405	60,018	2,387	447
Public Safety	133,598	134,566	126,279	8,287	1,191
Regulatory Agencies	6,033	6,035	6,035	-	6
Revenue	213,934	215,871	212,893	2,978	191
State	-	-	-	-	37
Transportation	700	206	206	-	-
Treasury	105,182	125,227	124,080	1,147	84
<b>TOTAL ACTUAL BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>9,015,745</b>	<b>9,090,180</b>	<b>9,053,219</b>	<b>\$ 36,961</b>	<b>\$ 6,691</b>
Variance Between Actual and Estimated Budgets	(68,150)	72,357	-		
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED BUDGET</b>	<b>8,947,595</b>	<b>9,162,537</b>	<b>9,053,219</b>		
<b>EXCESS GENERAL REVENUES OVER (UNDER) GENERAL FUNDED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>653,405</b>	<b>459,763</b>	<b>587,861</b>		
<b>EXCESS AUGMENTING REVENUES</b>			<b>6,691</b>		
<b>TRANSFERS (Not Appropriated By Department):</b>					
Transfers-In From Various Cash Funds	16,500	65,600	51,290		
Transfers-Out To Various Cash Funds	(58,400)	(40,600)	(42,234)		
Transfer-Out to Capital Projects - General Fund	(225,000)	(248,000)	(248,002)		
Transfer-Out to Capital Projects - General Fund-Exempt Account	(500)	(500)	(500)		
Transfers-Out to the State Education Fund	(25,300)	(25,300)	(25,321)		
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>	<b>(292,700)</b>	<b>(248,800)</b>	<b>(264,767)</b>		
<b>EXCESS REVENUES AND TRANSFERS OVER(UNDER) BUDGET BASIS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>360,705</b>	<b>210,963</b>	<b>329,785</b>		
<b>BEGINNING GENERAL FUND SURPLUS</b>					
Release of Prior Year Statutory Reserve (5.0%)	-	25,000	25,000		
Establish Current Year Statutory Reserve (6.5%)	410,900	410,900	410,935		
	(569,900)	(576,500)	(576,485)		
Release of Contractually Restricted Energy Performance Leases			8,096		
Contractually Restricted Energy Performance Leases			(1,267)		
GAAP Revenues/(Expenditures) Not Budgeted			(5,227)		
Release of Assigned Prior Year State Controller Approved Rollforwards			7,651		
State Controller Approved Rollforwards			(20,731)		
Proposition AA Refund Restricted Account		(58,000)	(58,000)		
Prior Period Adjustment (see Note 29)			(6,626)		
<b>ENDING GENERAL FUND SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$ 201,705</b>	<b>\$ 12,363</b>	<b>113,131</b>		
<b>ADJUSTMENTS TO BUDGETED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR GAAP FUND BALANCE:</b>					
GAAP Medicaid Expenditures Deferred to Fiscal Year 2015-16 for Budget			(111,636)		
GAAP Payroll Expenditures Deferred to Fiscal Year 2015-16 for Budget			(94,477)		
GAAP Information Technology Expenditures Deferred to Fiscal Year 2015-16 for Budget			(750)		
GAAP Revenues Related to Deferred Medicaid Payroll and Medicaid Program Expenditures			88,796		
<b>GAAP FUND BALANCE NOT AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL FUND SURPLUS:</b>					
Fair Value of Investments in Excess of Cost			2,101		
Restricted			1,267		
Committed			581,844		
Assigned			20,731		
Shortfall in GAAP Basis Statutory Reserve			52,641		
<b>ENDING GAAP GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE FUND BALANCE</b>			<b>\$ 653,648</b>		

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

## NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

### NOTE RSI-1 – BUDGETARY INFORMATION

#### A. BUDGETARY BASIS

With the implementation of a new financial system, Colorado Operations Resource Engine (CORE), in Fiscal Year 2014-15, the budget schedules are now presented as appropriated and nonappropriated for each category. The appropriated schedules are part of the Required Supplementary Information (RSI) section while the nonappropriated schedules are part of the Supplementary Information (SI) section.

The three budget-to-actual schedules in the RSI show revenues and expenditures that are legislatively appropriated, excluding informational only appropriations that do not require action of the legislature but are included in the appropriations bills for informational purposes only (see pages 159 to 161). These schedules are presented in the budgetary fund structure discussed below.

The budgetary fund types used by the State differ from the generally accepted accounting fund types. The budgetary fund types are general, cash, and federal funds. For budgetary purposes, cash funds are all financial resources received by the State that have been designated to support specific expenditures. Federal funds are primarily made up of revenues received from the federal government. All other financial resources received are general-purpose revenues, and are not designated for specific expenditures until appropriated by the General Assembly.

Eliminations of transfers and intrafund transactions are not made in the budgetary funds if those transactions are under budgetary control. Thus, revenues and expenditures in these funds are shown at their gross amounts. This results in significant duplicate recording of revenues and expenditures. An expenditure of one budgetary fund may be shown as a transfer-in or revenue in another budgetary fund and then be shown again as an expenditure in the second fund.

For budget purposes, depending on the accounting fund type involved, expenditures/expenses are determined using the modified accrual or accrual basis of accounting with the following exceptions:

- ♦ Payments to employees paid on a monthly basis for time worked in June of each fiscal year are made on the first working day of the following month; for general-funded appropriations those payments are reported as expenditures in the following fiscal year.

- ♦ Certain payments by state agencies to the Office of Information Technology for information technology services purchased in June using general-funded appropriations are reported as expenditures in the following fiscal year.
- ♦ Medicaid services claims are reported as expenditures only when the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing requests payment by the State Controller for medical services premiums under the Colorado Medical Services Act or for medical service provided by the Department of Human Services under the Colorado Medical Services Act. Similar treatment is afforded to nonadministrative expenditures that qualify for federal participation under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act except for medically indigent program expenditures. In most years, this results in the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing excluding expenditures accrued for services provided but not yet billed.
- ♦ Expenditures of the fiscal year in the following three categories that have not been paid at June 30 are reported in the following year: Old Age Pension Health and Medical Care program costs; state contributions required by the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003; and financial administration costs of any non-administrative expenditure under the Children's Basic Health Plan.
- ♦ Unrealized gains and losses on investments are not recognized as changes in revenue on the budgetary basis.
- ♦ Pension expense related to unfunded pension liabilities are not recognized on a budgetary basis.

#### B. BUDGETARY PROCESS

The financial operations of the legislative, judicial, and executive branches of the State government, with the exception of custodial funds and federal moneys not requiring matching state funds, are controlled by annual appropriations made by the General Assembly. The Department of Transportation's portion of the Highway Fund is appropriated to the State Transportation Commission. Within the legislative appropriation, the Commission may appropriate the specific projects and other operations of the department. In addition, the Commission may appropriate available fund balance from its portion of the Highway Fund.



The total legislative appropriation is constitutionally limited to the unrestricted funds held at the beginning of the year plus revenues estimated to be received during the year as determined by the budgetary basis of accounting. The original appropriation by the General Assembly in the Long Appropriations Act segregates the budget of the State into its operating and capital components. The majority of the capital budgets are accounted for in the Capital Projects Fund, with the primary exception being budgeted capital funds used for infrastructure and institution of higher education capital projects.

The Governor has line item veto authority over the Long Appropriations Act, but the General Assembly may override each individual line item veto by a two-thirds majority vote in each house.

Most general and cash funded appropriations, with the exception of capital projects, lapse at year-end unless specifically required by the General Assembly or executive action is taken to rollforward all or part of the remaining unspent budget authority. Appropriations that meet the strict criteria for rollforward are reported in Note 40. Since capital projects appropriations are generally available for three years after appropriation, significant amounts of the capital budgets remain unexpended at fiscal year-end. Cash funded highway construction, maintenance and operations in the Department of Transportation are appropriated as operating budgets, but remain available in future years through action of the Transportation Commission. In Fiscal Year 2014-15, the Department of Transportation capitalized project expenditures of \$410.2 million from all funding sources.

The appropriation controls the combined expenditures and encumbrances of the State, in the majority of the cases, to the level of line item within the State agency. Line items are individual lines in the official budget document and vary from specific payments for specific programs to single appropriations at the agency level. Statutes allow the Judicial and Executive Branches, at year-end, to transfer legislative appropriations within departments for expenditures. The appropriation may be retroactively adjusted in the following session of the General Assembly by a supplemental appropriation.

On the three budget-to-actual schedules, the column titled Original Appropriation consists of the Long Appropriations Act and special bills, excluding informational only appropriations. The column titled Final Spending Authority includes the original appropriation and supplemental appropriations of the Legislature.

Spending occurs outside of the legislative appropriations process primarily for custodial purposes, federally-funded activity for which there is no general-purpose revenue matching requirement, statutory transfers, and other miscellaneous budgetary items. Additional budget-to-actual schedules related to nonappropriated activity are

included in the Supplementary Section of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

### C. OVEREXPENDITURES

Depending on the accounting fund type involved, expenditures/expenses are determined using the modified accrual or accrual basis of accounting even if the accrual will result in an overexpenditure. The modified and full accrual basis of accounting is converted to the budgetary basis of accounting as explained in Note RSI-1A. In the General Purpose Revenue Fund and Capital Projects Fund, if earned cash revenues plus available fund balance and earned federal revenues are less than cash and federal expenditures, then those excess expenditures are considered general-funded expenditures. If general-funded expenditures exceed the general-funded appropriation then an overexpenditure occurs even if the expenditures did not exceed the total legislative line item appropriation. Individual overexpenditures are listed in Note 8A.

### D. BUDGET TO GAAP RECONCILIATION

The *Reconciling Schedule – All Budget Fund Types to All GAAP Fund Types* (see page 162) shows how revenues, expenditures/expenses, and transfers under the budgetary basis in the budgetary fund structure (see pages 159 to 161) and how nonappropriated revenues, expenditures/expenses, and transfers under the budgetary basis in the budgetary fund structure (pages 238 to 240) relate to the change in fund balances/net position for the funds presented in the fund-level statements (see pages 46 to 63).

Certain expenditures on a generally accepted accounting principle (GAAP) basis, such as bad debt expense related to loan activity and depreciation, are not budgeted by the General Assembly. In addition, certain General Purpose Revenue Fund payroll disbursements for employee time worked in June by employees paid on a monthly basis, June general-funded purchases of service from the Office of Information Technology, and Medicaid and certain other assistance program payments (see Section A above) accrued but not paid by June 30 are excluded from the budget and from budget basis expenditures. These expenditures are not shown on the budget-to-actual schedules but are included in the budget-to-actual reconciliation schedule as “GAAP Expenditures Not Budgeted”. Additionally, this line item includes some transactions considered expenditures for budgetary purposes, such as loan disbursements and capital purchases in proprietary fund types, are not expenditures on a GAAP basis.

Some transactions considered revenues for budgetary purposes, such as intrafund sales, are not considered GAAP revenues. Some events, such as the recognition of unrealized gains/losses on investments, affect revenues on a GAAP basis but not on the budgetary basis. Federal Medicaid revenues related to deferred Medicaid expenditures result in revenues on the GAAP statements but not on the budgetary statements. These events and transactions are shown in the reconciliation as “Unrealized Gains/Losses” and/or “GAAP Revenue Adjustments”.

The inclusion of these revenues and expenditures and the change in nonbudgeted funds along with the balances from the budget-to-actual statements is necessary to reconcile to the GAAP fund balance.

#### **E. OUTSTANDING ENCUMBRANCES**

The State uses encumbrance accounting as an extension of formal budget implementation in most funds except certain fiduciary funds, and certain Higher Education Institutions Funds. Under this procedure, purchase orders and contracts for expenditures of money are recorded to reserve an equivalent amount of the related appropriation. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures or liabilities. They lapse at year-end unless specifically brought forward to the subsequent year.

**NOTE RSI-2 – THE STATE’S DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

**A. PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF PENSION LIABILITY AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

**Proportionate Share:**

The State’s defined benefit pension plan is administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association (PERA). The plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. The schedule below presents the State’s (primary government’s) proportionate share of the net pension liability for its retirement plan. The amounts presented for each Division for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Additionally, information is not available for fiscal years prior to 2014.

	(Amounts In Thousands)			
	2015		2014	
	State Division	Judicial Division	State Division	Judicial Division
State's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	95.85%	93.60%	95.86%	93.44%
State's proportionate Share of Net Pension liability (asset)	\$ 9,015,773	\$ 129,500	\$ 8,539,181	\$ 102,756
State's covered-employee payroll	\$ 2,530,865	\$ 50,596	\$ 2,476,598	\$ 46,957
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	356.23%	255.95%	344.79%	218.83%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	148.98%	201.98%	156.94%	252.48%

**Contributions:**

The following schedule presents a ten year history of the State’s (primary government’s) contribution to PERA for the State and Judicial Divisions:

State Division (Amounts In Thousands)										
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Contractually required contributions	\$ 466,883	\$ 399,955	\$ 362,791	\$ 272,068	\$ 252,727	\$ 287,394	\$ 272,957	\$ 236,155	\$ 233,151	\$ 186,285
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	(466,883)	(399,955)	(362,791)	(272,068)	(252,727)	(287,394)	(272,957)	(236,155)	(233,151)	(186,285)
Contribution deficiency(excess)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State's covered-employee payroll	2,607,999	2,503,941	2,405,633	2,526,097	2,345,730	2,712,631	2,582,169	2,233,019	N/A	N/A
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	17.90%	15.97%	15.08%	10.77%	10.77%	10.59%	10.57%	10.58%	N/A	N/A

Judicial Division (Amounts In Thousands)										
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Contractually required contributions	\$ 7,306	\$ 6,259	\$ 5,677	\$ 4,258	\$ 3,955	\$ 4,498	\$ 4,272	\$ 3,696	\$ 3,649	\$ 2,915
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	(7,306)	(6,259)	(5,677)	(4,258)	(3,955)	(4,498)	(4,272)	(3,696)	(3,649)	(2,915)
Contribution deficiency(excess)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State's covered-employee payroll	53,488	39,185	37,647	39,532	36,709	42,451	40,410	34,946	N/A	N/A
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	13.66%	15.97%	15.08%	10.77%	10.77%	10.59%	10.57%	10.58%	N/A	N/A

**B. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN ASSUMPTIONS OR OTHER INPUTS AFFECTING TRENDS IN ACTUARIAL INFORMATION**

The discount rate for the Judicial Division was lowered from 6.66 percent in Calendar Year 2013 to 6.14 percent in Calendar Year 2014 to reflect the change in the Municipal Bond Index from 4.73 percent on the prior measurement date to 3.70 percent on the measurement date.

**NOTE RSI-3 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT INFORMATION**

As required by GASB Statements No 43, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans, and No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, the following is the State's Schedule of Funding Progress for its other post-employment benefit plans.

Under the standards, the State must disclose the funding progress of the other postemployment benefit plans for the most recent and two preceding actuarial valuations. See Note 19 on page 110 for additional information regarding the plans listed in the schedule.

**SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

Fiscal Year	Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll <sup>1</sup> (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll <sup>1</sup> ((b-a)/c)
University of Colorado:							
2014-15	7/1/2014	\$ -	\$ 523,409,000	\$ 523,409,000	0.0%	\$ 1,336,248,000	39.2%
Restated 2013-14	7/1/2012	\$ -	\$ 406,782,000	\$ 406,782,000	0.0%	\$ 1,253,260,000	32.5%
2012-13	7/1/2012	\$ -	\$ 406,782,000	\$ 406,782,000	0.0%	\$ 1,141,100,000	35.6%
2011-12	7/1/2010	\$ -	\$ 343,144,000	\$ 343,144,000	0.0%	\$ 1,089,502,474	31.5%
2010-11	7/1/2010	\$ -	\$ 343,144,000	\$ 343,144,000	0.0%	\$ 1,023,525,000	33.5%
Colorado State University:							
RMPPR							
2014-15	1/1/2015	\$ 36,988,354	\$ 36,252,781	\$ (735,573)	102.0%	\$ 305,287,641	-0.2%
2013-14 <sup>2</sup>	1/1/2014	\$ 36,329,003	\$ 34,013,693	\$ (2,315,310)	106.8%	\$ 285,017,218	-0.8%
2012-13	7/1/2012	\$ -	\$ 31,062,884	\$ 31,062,884	0.0%	\$ 259,316,500	12.0%
RMPS							
2014-15	1/1/2015	\$ 21,554,455	\$ 51,483,575	\$ 29,929,120	41.9%	N/A	N/A
2013-14 <sup>2</sup>	1/1/2014	\$ 19,696,918	\$ 50,077,254	\$ 30,380,336	39.3%	N/A	N/A
2012-13	7/1/2012	\$ -	\$ 45,849,293	\$ 45,849,293	0.0%	N/A	N/A
URX							
2014-15	1/1/2015	\$ 581,396	\$ 2,749,825	\$ 2,168,429	21.1%	N/A	N/A
2013-14 <sup>2</sup>	1/1/2014	\$ 497,968	\$ 2,840,945	\$ 2,342,977	17.5%	N/A	N/A
2012-13	7/1/2012	\$ -	\$ 2,556,178	\$ 2,556,178	0.0%	N/A	N/A
LTD							
2014-15	1/1/2015	\$ 7,506,099	\$ 12,016,221	\$ 4,510,122	62.5%	N/A	N/A
2013-14 <sup>2</sup>	1/1/2014	\$ 5,350,150	\$ 11,569,893	\$ 6,219,743	46.2%	N/A	N/A
2012-13	7/1/2012	\$ -	\$ 15,465,978	\$ 15,465,978	0.0%	N/A	N/A

<sup>1</sup> The CSU-RMPS, CSU-URX, and CSU-LTD plans' benefits are not based on salaries or covered payroll.

<sup>2</sup> In Fiscal Year 2013-14, Colorado State University transferred assets into a qualified trust for its RMPPR, RMPS, URX and LTD plans.

Colorado State University's Statements of Net Positions and Statements of Changes in Plan Net Position, and Schedule of Employer Contributions are presented below.

**Colorado State University**  
**Post Employment Benefit Plan Statements**  
**As of and for the Period Ended June 30, 2015**

	RMPR	RMPS	URX	LTD
<b>STATEMENT OF PLAN NET POSITION</b>				
Assets:				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 36,984,662	\$ 21,552,304	\$ 581,338	\$ 7,391,426
Employee Receivables	-	-	-	113,924
Interest and Dividend Receivables	3,691	2,151	58	749
Liabilities:				
Accrued Payables	308	178	5	62
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 36,988,045</u>	<u>\$ 21,554,277</u>	<u>\$ 581,391</u>	<u>\$ 7,506,037</u>

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN PLAN NET POSITION**

Additions:				
Contributions from Employers	\$ 1,367,706	\$ 3,041,052	\$ 176,549	\$ 1,813,213
Contributions from Members	-	-	27,588	1,346,183
Net Investment Income from Interest and Dividends	40,813	22,756	602	7,194
Net Investment Income from Investment Expense	(3,805)	(2,120)	(56)	(667)
Deductions:				
Benefits & Refunds Paid to Members & Beneficiaries	708,480	1,193,505	\$ 71,842	\$ 948,892
Administrative Expense	37,192	10,824	49,418	61,144
Change in Net Position	<u>\$ 659,042</u>	<u>\$ 1,857,359</u>	<u>\$ 83,423</u>	<u>\$ 2,155,887</u>
Net Position - Fiscal Year Beginning	36,329,003	19,696,918	\$ 497,968	\$ 5,350,150
Net Position - Fiscal Year Ending	<u>\$ 36,988,045</u>	<u>\$ 21,554,277</u>	<u>\$ 581,391</u>	<u>\$ 7,506,037</u>

**SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Annual Required Contribution	\$ 1,368,284	\$ 3,040,231	\$ 176,890	\$ 1,209,439
Percent Contributed	100.0%	100.0%	99.8%	261.2%



## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

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**GENERAL FUND COMPONENTS**

**GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE**

This fund is the general operating fund for state operations and is used unless another fund has been established for a particular activity. The fund consists of general purpose revenues from various tax collections the largest being income and sales taxes.

**SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE**

The State Public School fund is a statutory fund that distributes substantially all of its resources to school districts each year, most of the funds' resources are transfers into the fund from the General Purpose Revenue Fund.

The Risk Management fund accounts for the State's liability, property, and worker's compensation insurance activities; its revenues are primarily from charges to State agencies.

The Other Special Purpose Fund comprises all other funds without sufficient original source revenues to qualify as Special Revenue Funds. Included in this category is the Building Excellent Schools Tomorrow (BEST) program that provides grants and funds for public school construction, Lottery proceeds held by the Division of Parks and Wildlife for parks and outdoor recreation projects, the Charter School Institute, as well as over thirty smaller funds.



**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
GENERAL FUND COMPONENTS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS			TOTAL
		STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL	RISK MANAGEMENT	OTHER SPECIAL PURPOSE	
ASSETS:					
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 197,811	\$ 4,178	\$ 19,326	\$ 91,708	\$ 313,023
Taxes Receivable, net	1,367,281	-	-	-	1,367,281
Other Receivables, net	293,517	-	77	910	294,504
Due From Other Governments	749,761	7,254	-	46	757,061
Due From Other Funds	44,475	-	-	42,310	86,785
Due From Component Units	135	-	-	-	135
Inventories	8,894	-	-	-	8,894
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	41,564	-	57	2	41,623
Restricted Assets:					
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	4	(2,449)	-	344,951	342,506
Restricted Receivables	-	-	-	172	172
Investments	7,722	-	-	83,930	91,652
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,711,164	\$ 8,983	\$ 19,460	\$ 564,029	\$ 3,303,636
LIABILITIES:					
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ 652,110	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 652,110
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	906,075	14	326	27,831	934,246
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	173,346	-	-	-	173,346
Due To Other Governments	74,171	-	-	23,583	97,754
Due To Other Funds	37,853	-	-	13,301	51,154
Unearned Revenue	24,173	-	5	31	24,209
Claims and Judgments Payable	398	-	-	-	398
Other Current Liabilities	11,062	-	-	-	11,062
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	4	-	-	-	4
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,879,192	14	331	64,746	1,944,283
DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:	178,324	5,641	-	-	183,965
FUND BALANCES:					
Nonspendable:					
Inventories	8,894	-	-	-	8,894
Prepays	40,912	-	57	2	40,971
Restricted	1,267	(837)	-	398,518	398,948
Committed	581,844	4,165	19,072	100,763	705,844
Assigned	20,731	-	-	-	20,731
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	653,648	3,328	19,129	499,283	1,175,388
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS					
OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 2,711,164	\$ 8,983	\$ 19,460	\$ 564,029	\$ 3,303,636

**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GENERAL FUND COMPONENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	SPECIAL PURPOSE FUNDS			TOTAL
		STATE PUBLIC SCHOOLS	RISK MANAGEMENT	OTHER SPECIAL PURPOSE	
REVENUES:					
Taxes:					
Individual and Fiduciary Income	\$ 5,888,042	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,888,042
Corporate Income	635,115	-	-	-	635,115
Sales and Use	2,706,875	-	-	-	2,706,875
Excise	97,161	-	-	-	97,161
Other Taxes	273,670	-	-	-	273,670
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	13,906	-	-	1,998	15,904
Charges for Goods and Services	15,354	-	62,003	228	77,585
Rents	283	-	-	7	290
Investment Income (Loss)	10,225	44	178	5,394	15,841
Federal Grants and Contracts	7,082,973	-	-	7,872	7,090,845
Other	146,335	2,068	941	17,787	167,131
TOTAL REVENUES	16,869,939	2,112	63,122	33,286	16,968,459
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
General Government	154,291	-	64,618	3,176	222,085
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	173,417	-	-	11,520	184,937
Education	703,671	952	-	3,930	708,553
Health and Rehabilitation	593,594	-	-	1,188	594,782
Justice	1,313,231	-	-	51	1,313,282
Natural Resources	35,485	-	-	-	35,485
Social Assistance	7,797,790	-	-	11,573	7,809,363
Capital Outlay	38,290	-	-	162,095	200,385
Intergovernmental:					
Cities	32,442	-	-	35,098	67,540
Counties	1,233,650	-	-	12,653	1,246,303
School Districts	678,129	3,204,903	-	153,340	4,036,372
Special Districts	50,034	-	-	16,135	66,169
Federal	10	-	-	-	10
Other	25,366	-	-	81	25,447
Debt Service	7,676	-	-	43,187	50,863
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	12,837,076	3,205,855	64,618	454,027	16,561,576
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	4,032,863	(3,203,743)	(1,496)	(420,741)	406,883
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Transfers-In	140,111	3,274,286	-	357,999	3,772,396
Transfers-Out	(3,820,196)	(86,550)	(1,300)	(32,827)	(3,940,873)
Face Amount of Bond/COP Issuance	68	-	-	-	68
Insurance Recoveries	91	-	8,411	-	8,502
Bond/COP Refunding Proceeds	11	-	-	-	11
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(3,679,915)	3,187,736	7,111	325,172	(159,896)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	352,948	(16,007)	5,615	(95,569)	246,987
FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	307,326	19,335	13,514	594,852	935,027
Prior Period Adjustment (See Note 29A)	(6,626)	-	-	-	(6,626)
FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR END	\$ 653,648	\$ 3,328	\$ 19,129	\$ 499,283	\$ 1,175,388



**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND COMPONENTS**

**REGULAR CAPITAL PROJECTS**

This fund accounts for projects that are either fully or partially funded with general-purpose revenue that is transferred from the General Purpose Revenue Fund. It also includes cash-funded or mixed funded projects.

**SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS**

This fund accounts for certain projects that are not funded with any general-purpose revenue. This includes projects funded with the proceeds of certificates of participation such as the Colorado History Center and the Ralph L. Carr Justice Center, federal projects in the Department of Military Affairs, Lottery-funded projects in the Department of Natural Resources, and several smaller projects.

**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND COMPONENTS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	REGULAR CAPITAL PROJECTS	SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 335,507	\$ 5,096	\$ 340,603
Other Receivables, net	18	-	18
Due From Other Governments	189	-	189
Due From Other Funds	-	6,284	6,284
Investments	-	3,808	3,808
Other Long-Term Assets	60	-	60
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 335,774</b>	<b>\$ 15,188</b>	<b>\$ 350,962</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 7,572	\$ 3,535	\$ 11,107
Due To Other Funds	2,869	306	3,175
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>10,441</b>	<b>3,841</b>	<b>14,282</b>
Restricted	-	5	5
Committed	325,333	11,342	336,675
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>325,333</b>	<b>11,347</b>	<b>336,680</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 335,774</b>	<b>\$ 15,188</b>	<b>\$ 350,962</b>

**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND COMPONENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	REGULAR CAPITAL PROJECTS	SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS	TOTAL
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Taxes:			
Other Taxes	\$ 965	\$ -	\$ 965
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	12	-	12
Investment Income (Loss)	4,488	52	4,540
Federal Grants and Contracts	747	6,259	7,006
Other	297	-	297
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>6,509</b>	<b>6,311</b>	<b>12,820</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Current:			
General Government	3,224	306	3,530
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	938	-	938
Education	2,339	172	2,511
Health and Rehabilitation	44	-	44
Justice	4,792	126	4,918
Social Assistance	1,020	67	1,087
Capital Outlay	34,696	4,148	38,844
Debt Service	3,637	-	3,637
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>50,690</b>	<b>4,819</b>	<b>55,509</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>(44,181)</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>(42,689)</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
Transfers-In	261,905	6,453	268,358
Transfers-Out	(155,369)	(8,216)	(163,585)
Insurance Recoveries	427	183	610
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>106,963</b>	<b>(1,580)</b>	<b>105,383</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>62,782</b>	<b>(88)</b>	<b>62,694</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>262,551</b>	<b>11,435</b>	<b>273,986</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR END</b>	<b>\$ 325,333</b>	<b>\$ 11,347</b>	<b>\$ 336,680</b>



## **OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

The following statements present the combining balance sheet for Other Governmental Funds comprising Special Revenue, Debt Service, and Permanent funds.



**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	PERMANENT	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 1,065,719	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,065,719
Taxes Receivable, net	40,977	-	-	40,977
Other Receivables, net	100,848	-	11,760	112,608
Due From Other Governments	27,986	340	23	28,349
Due From Other Funds	13,192	-	-	13,192
Inventories	190	-	-	190
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	4,468	-	6	4,474
Restricted Assets:				
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	68,351	218	124,897	193,466
Restricted Investments	25,136	-	736,004	761,140
Investments	128,664	55,976	-	184,640
Other Long-Term Assets	17,002	-	27,962	44,964
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	81	-	62,063	62,144
Depreciable Capital Assets for Investment	-	-	20,778	20,778
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,492,614</b>	<b>\$ 56,534</b>	<b>\$ 983,493</b>	<b>\$ 2,532,641</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ 699	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 699
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	130,294	-	3,118	133,412
Due To Other Governments	19,530	-	21	19,551
Due To Other Funds	38,119	-	86	38,205
Unearned Revenue	42,390	-	11	42,401
Claims and Judgments Payable	89	-	-	89
Other Current Liabilities	3,995	-	-	3,995
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	135	-	-	135
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>235,251</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>238,487</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>				
	913	-	543	1,456
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>				
Inventories	190	-	-	190
Permanent Fund Principal	-	-	971,676	971,676
Prepays	4,468	-	6	4,474
Restricted	178,695	56,534	-	235,229
Committed	1,073,097	-	8,032	1,081,129
Unassigned	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>1,256,450</b>	<b>56,534</b>	<b>979,714</b>	<b>2,292,698</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 1,492,614</b>	<b>\$ 56,534</b>	<b>\$ 983,493</b>	<b>\$ 2,532,641</b>

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	PERMANENT	TOTALS
<b>REVENUES:</b>				
Taxes:				
Sales and Use	\$ 50,741	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,741
Excise	170,955	-	-	170,955
Other Taxes	158,892	-	-	158,892
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	420,137	-	-	420,137
Charges for Goods and Services	662,228	-	84	662,312
Rents	5,062	-	191,580	196,642
Investment Income (Loss)	14,571	485	24,072	39,128
Federal Grants and Contracts	195,876	-	211	196,087
Additions to Permanent Funds	-	-	401	401
Unclaimed Property Receipts	60,883	-	-	60,883
Other	39,065	-	1,307	40,372
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>1,778,410</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>217,655</b>	<b>1,996,550</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>				
Current:				
General Government	25,554	-	-	25,554
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	269,795	-	-	269,795
Education	27,763	-	-	27,763
Health and Rehabilitation	93,870	-	-	93,870
Justice	212,604	-	-	212,604
Natural Resources	2,852	-	12,180	15,032
Social Assistance	815,324	-	-	815,324
Transportation	2,808	-	-	2,808
Capital Outlay	4,011	-	213	4,224
Intergovernmental:				
Cities	67,072	-	-	67,072
Counties	92,945	-	27	92,972
School Districts	42,802	-	-	42,802
Special Districts	13,076	-	-	13,076
Federal	332	-	-	332
Other	43,275	-	-	43,275
Debt Service	1,425	213,574	-	214,999
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,715,508</b>	<b>213,574</b>	<b>12,420</b>	<b>1,941,502</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>62,902</b>	<b>(213,089)</b>	<b>205,235</b>	<b>55,048</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>				
Transfers-In	230,280	224,871	809	455,960
Transfers-Out	(209,637)	-	(111,414)	(321,051)
Sale of Capital Assets	-	-	3,341	3,341
Insurance Recoveries	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>20,643</b>	<b>224,871</b>	<b>(107,264)</b>	<b>138,250</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>83,545</b>	<b>11,782</b>	<b>97,971</b>	<b>193,298</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>1,172,905</b>	<b>44,752</b>	<b>881,743</b>	<b>2,099,400</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR END</b>	<b>\$ 1,256,450</b>	<b>\$ 56,534</b>	<b>\$ 979,714</b>	<b>\$ 2,292,698</b>

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

LABOR	This fund accounts for injured workers' medical benefits provided by statutes when the injury is not covered by workers' compensation benefits.
GAMING	This fund accounts for operations of the Colorado Gaming Commission and its oversight of gaming operations in the State. It also accounts for the preservation activities of the Colorado Historical Society related to the revenues it receives from gaming.
TOBACCO IMPACT MITIGATION	This fund accounts for receipts directly from the tobacco litigation settlement, earnings on those funds, and the expenditures of programs funded by the tobacco master settlement agreement. In addition, it accounts for tax revenues received from an additional State tax on cigarettes and tobacco products approved by State voters in the 2004 general election and the expenditure of those tax revenues.
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	This fund accounts for receipts from licenses, rents, and fees related to managing the water, oil and gas resources of the State. Most of the related programs are managed by the Colorado Department of Natural Resources.
ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH PROTECTION	This fund accounts for a large number of individual programs managed primarily by the Department of Public Health and Environment. The programs are primarily designed to regulate air, water, and other forms of pollution, control the spread of diseases, and regulate activities that impact the health of the citizens of Colorado.
UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	This fund reports the escheats funds managed by the State Treasurer that are not held in trust for claimants. The receipts of the fund are from bank accounts, investment accounts, and insurance proceeds that are placed with the State when the owners of the assets cannot be located. Per statute, the owner's legal rights to the asset are protected in perpetuity; however, historically not all of the assets are claimed. The assets ultimately expected to be claimed and paid are reported as Net Position Held In Trust in the Unclaimed Property Trust Fund, a nonmajor Fiduciary Fund.
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	This fund category represents a collection of 231 individual active funds created in statute that have a wide variety of purposes. Funds in this category also have a broad diversity of revenue types. (See page 232 for a detail listing of these funds that have net position/fund balance in excess of \$200,000.)

**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	LABOR	GAMING	TOBACCO IMPACT MITIGATION
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 126,091	\$ 132,400	\$ 99,275
Taxes Receivable, net	14,782	11,617	11,715
Other Receivables, net	16,609	146	45,376
Due From Other Governments	2,657	4	11,275
Due From Other Funds	-	1,583	-
Inventories	-	1	-
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	24	39	48
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	57,864	10,487	-
Restricted Investments	25,136	-	-
Investments	6,252	-	-
Other Long-Term Assets	-	9,426	-
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 249,415</b>	<b>\$ 165,703</b>	<b>\$ 167,689</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	20,722	6,722	37,197
Due To Other Governments	-	19,215	183
Due To Other Funds	6,997	21,561	4,719
Unearned Revenue	-	811	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	77	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	1,302	-	-
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	-	6	-
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>29,098</b>	<b>48,315</b>	<b>42,100</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>			
Inventories	-	1	-
Prepays	24	39	48
Restricted	83,000	37,166	20,130
Committed	137,293	80,182	105,301
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>220,317</b>	<b>117,388</b>	<b>125,479</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 249,415</b>	<b>\$ 165,703</b>	<b>\$ 167,689</b>

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH PROTECTION	UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	TOTALS
\$ 15,326	\$ 169,167	\$ 102,856	\$ 420,604	\$ 1,065,719
-	-	-	2,863	40,977
11	24,531	1,147	13,028	100,848
-	1,958	-	12,092	27,986
-	4,150	-	7,459	13,192
-	188	-	1	190
-	75	23	4,259	4,468
-	-	-	-	68,351
-	-	-	-	25,136
-	-	122,412	-	128,664
-	-	-	7,576	17,002
-	-	-	81	81
\$ 15,337	\$ 200,069	\$ 226,438	\$ 467,963	\$ 1,492,614
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 698	\$ 699
727	19,335	1,694	43,897	130,294
-	-	-	132	19,530
37	3,587	2	1,216	38,119
-	3,706	-	37,873	42,390
-	-	-	12	89
-	15	-	2,678	3,995
-	-	-	129	135
764	26,643	1,696	86,635	235,251
-	-	-	803	913
-	188	-	1	190
-	75	23	4,259	4,468
3,103	6,798	-	28,498	178,695
11,470	166,365	224,719	347,767	1,073,097
14,573	173,426	224,742	380,525	1,256,450
\$ 15,337	\$ 200,069	\$ 226,438	\$ 467,963	\$ 1,492,614

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	LABOR	GAMING	TOBACCO IMPACT MITIGATION
REVENUES:			
Taxes:			
Sales and Use	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Excise	-	-	144,178
Other Taxes	45,399	110,106	-
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	1,448	592	86,918
Charges for Goods and Services	226	1,466	931
Rents	-	544	-
Investment Income (Loss)	1,292	1,915	707
Federal Grants and Contracts	16,689	-	79,014
Unclaimed Property Receipts	-	-	-
Other	94	1,054	3,142
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>65,148</b>	<b>115,677</b>	<b>314,890</b>
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
General Government	655	27	27
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	64,279	37,304	-
Education	-	16,862	1,141
Health and Rehabilitation	-	82	28,737
Justice	55,147	-	-
Natural Resources	-	-	-
Social Assistance	-	-	204,370
Transportation	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	100	142	16
Intergovernmental:			
Cities	2,007	16,086	1,322
Counties	4,558	15,382	27,105
School Districts	571	228	36,990
Special Districts	5,347	188	-
Federal	43	-	-
Other	5,201	708	5,995
Debt Service	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>137,908</b>	<b>87,009</b>	<b>305,703</b>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(72,760)	28,668	9,187
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Transfers-In	-	23,169	32,194
Transfers-Out	(3,414)	(50,383)	(26,200)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(3,414)</b>	<b>(27,214)</b>	<b>5,994</b>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(76,174)	1,454	15,181
FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	296,491	114,809	110,298
Prior Period Adjustment (See Note 29A)	-	1,125	-
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR END</b>	<b>\$ 220,317</b>	<b>\$ 117,388</b>	<b>\$ 125,479</b>

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH PROTECTION	UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	TOTALS
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,741	\$ 50,741
-	-	-	26,777	170,955
-	-	-	3,387	158,892
214	43,149	-	287,816	420,137
1,415	608,293	1	49,896	662,228
-	2	-	4,516	5,062
123	1,651	5,458	3,425	14,571
-	1,921	-	98,252	195,876
-	-	60,883	-	60,883
587	3,300	127	30,761	39,065
2,339	658,316	66,469	555,571	1,778,410
-	402	2,499	21,944	25,554
115	1,264	1,850	164,983	269,795
-	-	-	9,760	27,763
-	53,416	-	11,635	93,870
-	18,209	-	139,248	212,604
2,852	-	-	-	2,852
-	579,929	-	31,025	815,324
-	121	-	2,687	2,808
109	1,060	638	1,946	4,011
774	5,752	9	41,122	67,072
1,733	4,849	-	39,318	92,945
-	352	-	4,661	42,802
307	3,368	149	3,717	13,076
-	109	30	150	332
6	1,726	17	29,622	43,275
-	-	-	1,425	1,425
5,896	670,557	5,192	503,243	1,715,508
(3,557)	(12,241)	61,277	52,328	62,902
-	35,622	-	139,295	230,280
(116)	(5,226)	(21,968)	(102,330)	(209,637)
(116)	30,396	(21,968)	36,965	20,643
(3,673)	18,155	39,309	89,293	83,545
18,246	155,271	185,433	292,357	1,172,905
-	-	-	(1,125)	-
\$ 14,573	\$ 173,426	\$ 224,742	\$ 380,525	\$ 1,256,450





## PERMANENT FUNDS

### STATE LANDS

This fund consists of the assets, liabilities, and operations related to lands granted to the State by the federal government for educational purposes. This fund also includes unclaimed assets from estates or trusts with unknown beneficiaries. Per statute, these assets become property of the State after 21 years.

### OTHER PERMANENT TRUST

This fund category represents several minor permanent funds including Wildlife for Future Generations Fund and the Veterans Monument Preservation Fund.

**COMBINING BALANCE SHEET**  
**PERMANENT FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	STATE LANDS	OTHER	TOTALS
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Other Receivables, net	\$ 11,760	\$ -	\$ 11,760
Due From Other Governments	-	23	23
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	6	-	6
Restricted Assets:			
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	116,888	8,009	124,897
Restricted Investments	736,004	-	736,004
Other Long-Term Assets	27,962	-	27,962
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	62,063	-	62,063
Capital Assets Held as Investments	20,778	-	20,778
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 975,461</b>	<b>\$ 8,032</b>	<b>\$ 983,493</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 3,118	\$ -	\$ 3,118
Due To Other Governments	21	-	21
Due To Other Funds	86	-	86
Unearned Revenue	11	-	11
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,236</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>			
	543	-	543
<b>FUND BALANCES:</b>			
Reserved for:			
Nonspendable:			
Permanent Fund Principal	971,676	-	971,676
Prepays	6	-	6
Committed	-	8,032	8,032
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>971,682</b>	<b>8,032</b>	<b>979,714</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 975,461</b>	<b>\$ 8,032</b>	<b>\$ 983,493</b>

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
PERMANENT FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	STATE LANDS	OTHER	TOTALS
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Charges for Goods and Services	\$ 84	\$ -	\$ 84
Rents	191,580	-	191,580
Investment Income (Loss)	24,007	65	24,072
Federal Grants and Contracts	-	211	211
Additions to Permanent Funds	401	-	401
Other	1,304	3	1,307
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>217,376</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>217,655</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Current:			
General Government	-	-	-
Natural Resources	12,180	-	12,180
Capital Outlay	213	-	213
Intergovernmental:			
Counties	27	-	27
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>12,420</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,420</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>204,956</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>205,235</b>
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):</b>			
Transfers-In	809	-	809
Transfers-Out	(111,132)	(282)	(111,414)
Sale of Capital Assets	3,341	-	3,341
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(106,982)</b>	<b>(282)</b>	<b>(107,264)</b>
<b>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>97,974</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>97,971</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING</b>	<b>873,708</b>	<b>8,035</b>	<b>881,743</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, FISCAL YEAR END</b>	<b>\$ 971,682</b>	<b>\$ 8,032</b>	<b>\$ 979,714</b>



## OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS

These funds account for operations of State agencies that provide a majority of their services to the public on a user charge basis; most of them have been designated by statute as enterprises. The major activities in these funds are:

PARKS AND WILDLIFE	Expenses of this fund are to preserve the State's parks, wildlife and promote outdoor recreational activities, while revenues are from hunting and fishing license fees as well as various fines.
COLLEGE ASSIST	This fund records the activities of College Assist, which guarantees Colorado and certain nationwide loans made by private lending institutions in compliance with operating agreements with the U.S. Department of Education to students attending postsecondary schools. It also includes loan programs for Colorado residents that are not reinsured by the federal government.
STATE FAIR AUTHORITY	The State Fair Authority operates the Colorado State Fair, and other events, at the State fairgrounds in Pueblo.
CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES	This activity reports the production and sale of manufactured goods and farm products that are produced by convicted criminals who are incarcerated in the State prison system.
STATE NURSING HOMES	This activity is for nursing home and retirement care provided to the elderly at the State facilities at Fitzsimons, Homelake, Walsenburg, Florence, and Rifle.
PRISON CANTEENS	This activity accounts for the various canteen operations in the State's prison system.
PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK	This activity accounts for grants, registration fees, environmental response surcharges, and penalties associated with the regulation and abatement of fire and safety issues related to above and underground petroleum storage tanks.
TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE	This fund consists of the Bridge Enterprise and the High Performance Transportation Enterprise in the Department of Transportation. The bridge and highway construction activity is financed through bond issuances and user fees. Before Fiscal Year 2010-11 these enterprises were reported as Other Enterprises.
OTHER ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES	The other enterprise activities includes the State and Collegeinvest. The State includes the Business Enterprise Program, which is staffed by the visually impaired and manages food vending operations in State buildings; the Enterprise Services Fund of the Colorado Historical Society, which sells goods at State museums; and various smaller enterprise operations.

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	PARKS AND WILDLIFE	COLLEGE ASSIST	STATE FAIR AUTHORITY	CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
<b>Current Assets:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 65,072	\$ 67,589	\$ -	\$ 4,366
Investments	-	-	-	-
Student and Other Receivables, net	21,594	213	45	1,632
Due From Other Governments	5,648	1,341	-	427
Due From Other Funds	3,182	-	238	2,111
Inventories	1,062	-	-	14,838
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	4,926	29	147	-
Total Current Assets	101,484	69,172	430	23,374
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>				
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	34,000	10,787	-	-
Restricted Receivables	-	31,609	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-
Other Long-Term Assets	-	-	-	1,779
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	162,977	324	12,118	3,932
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	364,235	-	859	920
Total Noncurrent Assets	561,212	42,720	12,977	6,631
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>662,696</b>	<b>111,892</b>	<b>13,407</b>	<b>30,005</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>				
	10,321	249	357	2,114
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	17,420	336	193	5,124
Due To Other Governments	-	21,069	-	-
Due To Other Funds	549	-	1,256	-
Unearned Revenue	36,402	168	488	220
Compensated Absences Payable	278	-	-	56
Leases Payable	-	-	78	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	-	-	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	20	5,145	3	-
Total Current Liabilities	54,669	26,718	2,018	5,400
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities:</b>				
Due to Other Funds	9,061	-	-	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	6,185	151	131	1,250
Capital Lease Payable	-	-	1,148	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	-	-	-	-
Net Pension Liability	213,229	5,012	6,835	29,999
Other Long-Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	228,475	5,163	8,114	31,249
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>283,144</b>	<b>31,881</b>	<b>10,132</b>	<b>36,649</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>				
	2,425	535	1	2
<b>NET POSITION:</b>				
Net investment in Capital Assets:	527,212	324	11,751	4,853
<b>Restricted for:</b>				
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Emergencies	34,000	-	-	-
Other Purposes	65,961	22,725	-	-
Unrestricted	(239,725)	56,676	(8,121)	(9,385)
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 387,448</b>	<b>\$ 79,725</b>	<b>\$ 3,630</b>	<b>\$ (4,532)</b>

STATE NURSING HOMES	PRISON CANTEENS	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK	TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE	OTHER ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
\$ 19,255	\$ 4,492	\$ 2,670	\$ 327,915	\$ 41,513	\$ 532,872
563	-	-	-	65	628
2,296	215	4,254	8,632	870	39,751
3,362	-	-	4,392	275	15,445
-	-	-	-	-	5,531
210	613	-	-	188	16,911
-	-	-	10	250	5,362
25,686	5,320	6,924	340,949	43,161	616,500
-	-	-	2,085	112	46,984
-	-	-	-	-	31,609
-	-	-	37,076	14,773	51,849
-	-	-	-	-	1,779
31,822	1,647	186	367,765	12,061	592,832
8,839	-	-	380,667	4,143	759,663
40,661	1,647	186	787,593	31,089	1,484,716
66,347	6,967	7,110	1,128,542	74,250	2,101,216
6,455	310	352	1,079	1,543	22,780
4,458	791	1,369	61,508	8,083	99,282
950	-	7	-	-	22,026
-	-	-	-	50	1,855
9	-	-	129,907	34	167,228
236	-	6	-	377	953
343	-	-	-	-	421
490	-	-	-	484	974
-	-	-	-	18	5,186
6,486	791	1,382	191,415	9,046	297,925
-	-	-	4,000	-	13,061
1,718	253	787	32	599	11,106
3,114	-	-	-	-	4,262
1,029	-	-	325,000	4,800	330,829
82,364	6,919	7,348	12,079	18,950	382,735
-	-	-	54,000	-	54,000
88,225	7,172	8,135	395,111	24,349	795,993
94,711	7,963	9,517	586,526	33,395	1,093,918
3,271	1	1,036	1,991	114	9,376
35,669	1,647	186	448,498	10,921	1,041,061
-	-	-	21,210	-	21,210
-	-	-	-	-	34,000
-	-	-	-	-	88,686
(60,849)	(2,334)	(3,277)	71,396	31,364	(164,255)
\$ (25,180)	\$ (687)	\$ (3,091)	\$ 541,104	\$ 42,285	\$ 1,020,702

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	PARKS AND WILDLIFE	COLLEGE ASSIST	STATE FAIR AUTHORITY	CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES
OPERATING REVENUES:				
License and Permits	\$ 105,278	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Tuition and Fees	-	-	-	-
Sales of Goods and Services	3,859	-	6,517	46,227
Investment Income (Loss)	-	6,341	-	-
Rental Income	-	-	645	-
Federal Grants and Contracts	31,344	334,629	-	2,085
Intergovernmental Revenue	24,060	-	11	1
Other	4,267	2,987	-	239
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>168,808</b>	<b>343,957</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>48,552</b>
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	98,036	38,144	5,087	14,585
Operating and Travel	79,134	286,708	3,924	7,770
Cost of Goods Sold	268	-	-	26,873
Depreciation and Amortization	8,543	84	825	418
Intergovernmental Distributions	5,269	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	13,576	-	-
Prizes and Awards	16	-	895	-
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>191,266</b>	<b>338,512</b>	<b>10,731</b>	<b>49,646</b>
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(22,458)	5,445	(3,558)	(1,094)
NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):				
Taxes	-	-	-	-
Fines and Settlements	351	-	-	-
Investment Income (Loss)	1,034	-	1,122	101
Rental Income	10,494	-	-	220
Gifts and Donations	754	-	256	4
Gain/(Loss) on Sale or Impairment of Capital Assets	586	-	-	-
Insurance Recoveries from Prior Year Impairments	6,342	-	-	-
Debt Service	(79)	-	(47)	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>	<b>19,482</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,331</b>	<b>325</b>
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	(2,976)	5,445	(2,227)	(769)
CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:				
Capital Contributions	966	-	378	-
Transfers-In	19,682	-	1,318	-
Transfers-Out	(6,856)	(66)	(113)	(691)
<b>TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS</b>	<b>13,792</b>	<b>(66)</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>(691)</b>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	10,816	5,379	(644)	(1,460)
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	576,409	79,774	10,481	23,497
Accounting Changes (See Note 29B)	(199,777)	(5,428)	(6,207)	(26,569)
<b>NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 387,448</b>	<b>\$ 79,725</b>	<b>\$ 3,630</b>	<b>\$ (4,532)</b>



STATE NURSING HOMES	PRISON CANTEENS	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK	TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE	OTHER ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 742	\$ -	\$ 12,512	118,532
-	-	-	-	662	662
27,441	19,181	10	98,745	2,940	204,920
-	-	-	-	423	6,764
-	-	-	-	1,014	1,659
26,557	-	-	16,108	953	411,676
240	-	-	4,759	-	29,071
193	29	12	19	362	8,108
54,431	19,210	764	119,631	18,866	781,392
37,997	3,952	13,849	12,757	7,508	231,915
10,258	1,223	26,042	(6,226)	10,305	419,138
-	13,140	-	-	143	40,424
2,250	164	-	4,576	715	17,575
4,839	-	-	-	-	10,108
-	-	-	-	-	13,576
-	1	-	-	-	912
55,344	18,480	39,891	11,107	18,671	733,648
(913)	730	(39,127)	108,524	195	47,744
-	-	39,267	-	-	39,267
-	-	-	-	37	388
161	62	38	3,477	50	6,045
2	-	-	-	-	10,716
-	-	-	2,886	304	4,204
(8)	-	-	(168)	(47)	363
128	-	-	-	-	6,470
(189)	-	-	(12,276)	(401)	(12,992)
(3)	-	-	(408)	-	(411)
91	62	39,305	(6,489)	(57)	54,050
(822)	792	178	102,035	138	101,794
-	-	-	-	-	1,344
1,241	-	-	-	-	22,241
(1,857)	(77)	-	-	(34,379)	(44,039)
(616)	(77)	-	-	(34,379)	(20,454)
(1,438)	715	178	102,035	(34,241)	81,340
53,220	4,993	5,133	452,427	93,139	1,299,073
(76,962)	(6,395)	(8,402)	(13,358)	(16,613)	(359,711)
\$ (25,180)	\$ (687)	\$ (3,091)	\$ 541,104	\$ 42,285	\$ 1,020,702

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	PARKS AND WILDLIFE	COLLEGE ASSIST	STATE FAIR AUTHORITY
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Cash Received from:			
Tuition, Fees, and Student Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fees for Service	94,081	-	4,728
Sales of Products	2,765	-	146
Gifts, Grants, and Contracts	35,817	341,280	-
Loan and Note Repayments	-	-	-
Income from Property	10,494	-	645
Other Sources	31,671	1,662	1,881
Cash Payments to or for:			
Employees	(99,584)	(38,446)	(4,950)
Suppliers	(36,720)	(6,249)	(3,248)
Sales Commissions and Lottery Prizes	(6,728)	-	-
Others for Student Loans and Loan Losses	-	(297,713)	-
Other Governments	(5,269)	-	-
Other	(13,287)	-	(969)
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>13,240</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>(1,767)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Transfers-In	41,567	2,443	1,169
Transfers-Out	(29,216)	(2,510)	(136)
Receipt of Deposits Held in Custody	468	-	-
Release of Deposits Held in Custody	(475)	-	-
Gifts and Grants for Other Than Capital Purposes	754	-	-
NonCapital Debt Proceeds	-	-	-
NonCapital Debt Service Payments	-	-	-
<b>NET CASH FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>13,098</b>	<b>(67)</b>	<b>1,033</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(31,884)	(12)	(263)
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	1,192	-	-
Capital Debt Service Payments	(79)	-	-
Capital Lease Payments	-	-	(125)
<b>NET CASH FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(30,771)</b>	<b>(12)</b>	<b>(388)</b>

CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES	STATE NURSING HOMES	PRISON CANTEENS	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK	TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE	OTHER ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 662	\$ 662
10,997	25,770	-	-	96,315	1,367	233,258
34,542	1,105	19,205	-	-	1,406	59,169
2,076	28,991	-	12	20,990	1,431	430,597
-	-	-	-	-	331	331
220	2	-	-	-	996	12,357
240	263	29	39,454	66,079	8,263	149,542
(14,230)	(37,199)	(3,915)	(14,269)	(13,480)	(6,918)	(232,991)
(34,701)	(5,665)	(14,218)	(3,564)	(18,809)	(7,689)	(130,863)
-	-	-	-	-	(1)	(6,729)
-	-	-	-	-	-	(297,713)
-	(4,914)	-	-	-	-	(10,183)
(45)	(38)	(8)	(24,995)	-	(863)	(40,205)
(901)	8,315	1,093	(3,362)	151,095	(1,015)	167,232
-	2,490	-	-	-	-	47,669
(691)	(3,106)	(77)	-	-	(34,412)	(70,148)
-	-	-	-	-	-	468
-	-	-	-	-	(97)	(572)
4	-	-	-	-	304	1,062
-	-	-	-	25,000	-	25,000
-	(465)	-	-	-	-	(465)
(687)	(1,081)	(77)	-	25,000	(34,205)	3,014
(843)	(792)	-	(4)	(181,172)	(680)	(215,650)
549	93	-	-	-	92	1,926
-	(84)	-	-	(10,089)	(776)	(11,028)
-	(448)	-	-	-	-	(573)
(294)	(1,231)	-	(4)	(191,261)	(1,364)	(225,325)

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**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

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(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	PARKS AND WILDLIFE	COLLEGE ASSIST	STATE FAIR AUTHORITY
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Interest and Dividends on Investments	1,111	6,429	1,122
Proceeds from Sale/Maturity of Investments	-	-	-
Purchases of Investments	-	-	-
Increase(Decrease) from Unrealized Gain(Loss) on Investments	(77)	(88)	-
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	1,034	6,341	1,122
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND POOLED CASH	(3,399)	6,796	-
CASH AND POOLED CASH , FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	102,471	71,580	-
CASH AND POOLED CASH, FISCAL YEAR END	\$ 99,072	\$ 78,376	\$ -
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Operating Income (Loss)	(22,459)	5,446	(3,558)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:			
Depreciation	8,543	84	825
Investment/Rental Income and Other Revenue in Operating Income	-	(6,341)	-
Net Periodic Pension Cost	-	-	-
Rents, Fines, Donations, and Grants and Contracts in NonOperating	17,357	-	256
Compensated Absences	177	(8)	(6)
Interest and Other Expense in Operating Income	10,553	-	(17)
Net Changes in Assets, Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, and Deferred Inflows Related to Operating Activities:			
(Increase) Decrease in Operating Receivables	(14,009)	13,478	(243)
(Increase) Decrease in Inventories	76	-	18
(Increase) Decrease in Other Operating Assets and Deferred Outflows	(10,961)	(261)	(170)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	805	(519)	(130)
Increase (Decrease) in Other Operating Liabilities and Deferred Inflows	23,158	(11,345)	1,258
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 13,240	\$ 534	\$ (1,767)
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - NONCASH TRANSACTIONS:			
Capital Assets Funded by the Capital Projects Fund	-	-	79
Capital Assets Acquired by Grants or Donations and Payable Increases	966	-	299
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investments and Interest Receivable Accruals	-	-	-
Loss on Disposal of Capital and Other Assets	6	-	-
Amortization of Debt Valuation Accounts and Interest Payable Accruals	-	-	-

CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES	STATE NURSING HOMES	PRISON CDNTEENS	PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK	TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE	OTHER ENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
111	166	61	54	3,677	726	13,457
-	-	-	-	45,004	956	45,960
-	-	-	-	-	(235)	(235)
(10)	(5)	1	(16)	(219)	(258)	(672)
101	161	62	38	48,462	1,189	58,510
(1,781)	6,164	1,078	(3,328)	33,296	(35,395)	3,431
6,147	13,091	3,414	5,998	296,704	77,020	576,425
\$ 4,366	\$ 19,255	\$ 4,492	\$ 2,670	\$ 330,000	\$ 41,625	\$ 579,856

(1,094)	(913)	730	(39,127)	108,523	194	\$ 47,742
418	2,250	164	-	4,576	715	17,575
-	-	-	-	-	(423)	(6,764)
-	-	-	-	-	-	0
220	127	-	39,267	2,698	37	59,962
27	147	23	149	9	23	541
-	644	-	4	(34,345)	294	(22,867)
(777)	1,732	26	(564)	(2,326)	294	(2,389)
(823)	(3)	11	-	-	30	(691)
(1,977)	(6,391)	(310)	(352)	(1,074)	(1,538)	(23,034)
(355)	2,142	(75)	(2,722)	31,576	6,862	37,584
3,460	8,580	524	(17)	41,458	(7,503)	59,573
\$ (901)	\$ 8,315	\$ 1,093	\$ (3,362)	\$ 151,095	\$ (1,015)	\$ 167,232

-	-	-	-	-	-	79
-	-	-	-	-	-	1,265
-	-	-	-	-	64	64
-	8	-	-	168	47	229
	34			4,108	137	4,279



## INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

These funds account for operations of State agencies that provide a majority of their services to other State agencies on a user charge basis. The major activities in these funds are:

CENTRAL SERVICES	This fund accounts for the sales of goods and services to other State agencies. The sales items include mail services, printing, quick copy, graphic design, microfilming, fleet, and motor pool.
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	This fund accounts for computer and telecommunications services sold to other State agencies.
CAPITOL COMPLEX	This fund accounts for the cost and income related to maintaining State office space in the complex surrounding the State Capitol. Only certain capitol complex capital assets are reported in this fund, and other capitol complex capital assets are reported on the government-wide financial statements.
HIGHWAYS	This fund is used to account for the operations of the Department of Transportation print shop.
PUBLIC SAFETY	This fund accounts for aircraft rental to State agencies by the Department of Public Safety.
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COURTS	This fund accounts for the operations of the Office of Administrative Courts in the Department of Personnel & Administration.
LEGAL SERVICES	This fund accounts for the Attorney General's services to State agencies in the Department of Law.
OTHER INTERNAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES	This fund primarily accounts for the activities of the Central Collections Unit within the Department of Personnel & Administration. The unit collects receivables due to State agencies on a straight commission basis.

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	CENTRAL SERVICES	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	CAPITOL COMPLEX	HIGHWAYS
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Current Assets:				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 7,202	\$ 28,876	\$ -	\$ -
Other Receivables, net	1,046	5,441	47	5
Due From Other Governments	12	316	-	-
Due From Other Funds	-	1,041	-	5
Inventories	511	-	176	178
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	18	420	-	-
Total Current Assets	8,789	36,094	223	188
Noncurrent Assets:				
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	65,989	50,883	19,432	208
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	-	992	130	-
Total Noncurrent Assets	65,989	51,875	19,562	208
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>74,778</b>	<b>87,969</b>	<b>19,785</b>	<b>396</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>				
	932	10,824	401	120
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	3,326	27,628	846	2
Due To Other Funds	12	-	138	384
Unearned Revenue	-	5,015	40	-
Compensated Absences Payable	27	244	19	-
Leases Payable	14,595	3,618	1,042	-
Other Current Liabilities	74	-	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	18,034	36,505	2,085	386
Noncurrent Liabilities:				
Accrued Compensated Absences	549	6,850	259	-
Capital Lease Payable	51,552	22,277	14,855	-
Net Pension Liability	18,378	212,306	8,956	2,637
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	70,479	241,433	24,070	2,637
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>88,513</b>	<b>277,938</b>	<b>26,155</b>	<b>3,023</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>				
	838	519	350	49
<b>NET POSITION:</b>				
Net investment in Capital Assets:	(157)	25,980	3,664	208
Unrestricted	(13,484)	(205,644)	(9,983)	(2,764)
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ (13,641)</b>	<b>\$ (179,664)</b>	<b>\$ (6,319)</b>	<b>\$ (2,556)</b>



PUBLIC SAFETY	ADMINISTRATIVE COURTS	LEGAL SERVICES	OTHER INTERNAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
\$ 679	\$ 775	\$ 6,744	\$ 1,249	\$ 45,525
16	15	11	21	6,602
-	-	-	-	328
-	-	-	-	1,046
-	-	-	-	865
1	-	6	-	445
696	790	6,761	1,270	54,811
588	-	794	-	137,894
-	-	-	-	1,122
588	-	794	-	139,016
1,284	790	7,555	1,270	193,827
160	462	22,667	175	35,741
78	325	2,702	268	35,175
-	-	-	-	534
-	-	-	32	5,087
-	-	155	-	445
-	-	-	-	19,255
-	-	-	-	74
78	325	2,857	300	60,570
-	307	1,630	35	9,630
-	-	-	-	88,684
497	10,555	61,744	3,415	318,488
497	10,862	63,374	3,450	416,802
575	11,187	66,231	3,750	477,372
-	372	5	178	2,311
588	-	794	-	31,077
281	(10,307)	(36,808)	(2,483)	(281,192)
\$ 869	\$ (10,307)	\$ (36,014)	\$ (2,483)	\$ (250,115)

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	CENTRAL SERVICES	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	CAPITOL COMPLEX	HIGHWAYS
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Sales of Goods and Services	\$ 62,144	\$ 217,869	\$ 20	\$ 2,018
Rental Income	-	-	11,085	-
Other	798	-	16	-
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	62,942	217,869	11,121	2,018
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	8,478	138,573	3,766	1,097
Operating and Travel	27,993	82,426	6,262	966
Cost of Goods Sold	7,726	-	48	-
Depreciation and Amortization	15,926	3,672	1,164	48
Intergovernmental Distributions	-	1,128	-	-
Prizes and Awards	-	1	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	60,123	225,800	11,240	2,111
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	2,819	(7,932)	(119)	(93)
NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):				
Investment Income (Loss)	1	(72)	-	-
Gain/(Loss) on Sale or Impairment of Capital Assets	(1,034)	(28)	5	-
Debt Service	(1,447)	(379)	(776)	(4)
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	(2,480)	(479)	(771)	(4)
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	339	(8,411)	(890)	(97)
CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:				
Capital Contributions	323	-	-	-
Transfers-In	139	1,851	115	-
Transfers-Out	(1,367)	(317)	(1,940)	-
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	(905)	1,534	(1,825)	-
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(566)	(6,877)	(2,715)	(97)
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	5,050	22,416	5,216	53
Accounting Changes (See Note 29B)	(18,125)	(195,204)	(8,820)	(2,512)
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING	\$ (13,641)	\$ (179,664)	\$ (6,319)	\$ (2,556)

PUBLIC SAFETY	ADMINISTRATIVE COURTS	LEGAL SERVICES	OTHER INTERNAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
\$ 154	\$ 4,253	\$ 38,015	\$ 4,882	\$ 329,355
-	-	-	-	11,085
-	-	-	66	880
154	4,253	38,015	4,948	341,320
339	4,037	40,509	1,855	198,654
185	512	2,772	1,460	122,576
-	-	-	-	7,774
112	1	123	-	21,046
-	-	-	-	1,128
-	-	-	-	1
636	4,550	43,404	3,315	351,179
(482)	(297)	(5,389)	1,633	(9,859)
-	6	72	2	9
-	-	-	-	(1,057)
-	-	(4)	-	(2,610)
-	6	68	2	(3,658)
(482)	(291)	(5,321)	1,635	(13,517)
-	-	-	-	323
351	-	-	-	2,456
-	(230)	(3,274)	(1,272)	(8,400)
351	(230)	(3,274)	(1,272)	(5,621)
(131)	(521)	(8,595)	363	(19,138)
1,247	545	(702)	586	34,411
(247)	(10,331)	(26,717)	(3,432)	(265,388)
\$ 869	\$ (10,307)	\$ (36,014)	\$ (2,483)	\$ (250,115)

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	CENTRAL SERVICES	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	CAPITOL COMPLEX	HIGHWAYS
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>				
Cash Received from:				
Tuition, Fees, and Student Loans	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fees for Service	61,633	207,341	20	966
Sales of Products	-	173	-	1,049
Income from Property	-	-	11,088	-
Other Sources	851	5,015	61	-
Cash Payments to or for:				
Employees	(8,817)	(130,002)	(3,913)	(1,119)
Suppliers	(34,729)	(70,740)	(6,112)	(860)
Sales Commissions and Lottery Prizes	-	-	-	-
Other Governments	-	(1,128)	-	-
Other	(32)	(430)	-	-
<b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>18,906</b>	<b>10,229</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>				
Transfers-In	1,094	1,851	115	-
Transfers-Out	(1,954)	(317)	(1,940)	-
Receipt of Deposits Held in Custody	229	-	-	-
Release of Deposits Held in Custody	(192)	-	-	-
<b>NET CASH FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(823)</b>	<b>1,534</b>	<b>(1,825)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>				
Acquisition of Capital Assets	(895)	(14,502)	(107)	(32)
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	1,269	3,161	-	-
Capital Debt Service Payments	(933)	(7,465)	-	(4)
Capital Lease Payments	(16,196)	(7,834)	(1,818)	-
<b>NET CASH FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(16,755)</b>	<b>(26,640)</b>	<b>(1,925)</b>	<b>(36)</b>

PUBLIC SAFETY	ADMINISTRATIVE COURTS	LEGAL SERVICES	OTHER INTERNAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
144	4,241	38,031	4,865	317,241
-	-	2	23	1,247
-	-	-	-	11,088
-	-	-	52	5,979
(272)	(4,185)	(30,212)	(1,975)	(180,495)
(144)	(182)	(272)	(474)	(113,513)
-	-	-	(795)	(795)
-	-	-	-	(1,128)
-	-	-	(20)	(482)
(272)	(126)	7,549	1,676	39,142
351	-	-	-	3,411
-	(230)	(3,274)	(1,272)	(8,987)
-	-	-	-	229
-	-	-	-	(192)
351	(230)	(3,274)	(1,272)	(5,539)
(29)	(8)	(513)	(7)	(16,093)
-	-	-	7	4,437
-	-	(4)	-	(8,406)
-	-	-	-	(25,848)
(29)	(8)	(517)	-	(45,910)

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**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

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(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	CENTRAL SERVICES	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	CAPITOL COMPLEX	HIGHWAYS
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Interest and Dividends on Investments	1	-	-	-
Increase(Decrease) from Unrealized Gain(Loss) on Investments	-	(72)	-	-
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	1	(72)	-	-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND POOLED CASH	1,329	(14,949)	(2,606)	-
CASH AND POOLED CASH , FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	5,873	43,825	2,606	-
CASH AND POOLED CASH, FISCAL YEAR END	\$ 7,202	\$ 28,876	\$ -	\$ -

## RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH

## PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 2,819	\$ (7,931)	\$ (119)	\$ (93)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:				
Depreciation	15,926	3,672	1,164	48
(Gain)/Loss on Disposal of Capital and Other Assets	-	-	5	-
Compensated Absences	66	1,416	32	-
Interest and Other Expense in Operating Income	(57)	6,673	43	-
(Increase) Decrease in Operating Receivables	(455)	(5,462)	2	(5)
(Increase) Decrease in Inventories	(154)	-	74	(62)
(Increase) Decrease in Other Operating Assets and Deferred Outflows	(925)	(6,156)	(401)	(120)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	589	1,203	(319)	(74)
Increase (Decrease) in Other Operating Liabilities and Deferred Inflows	1,097	16,814	663	342
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 18,906	\$ 10,229	\$ 1,144	\$ 36

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - NONCASH TRANSACTIONS:

Capital Assets Funded by the Capital Projects Fund	254	-	-	-
Loss on Disposal of Capital and Other Assets	281	28	-	-
Amortization of Debt Valuation Accounts and Interest Payable Accruals	1	73	-	-
Assumption of Capital Lease Obligation or Mortgage	24,543	-	-	-

PUBLIC SAFETY	ADMINISTRATIVE COURTS	LEGAL SERVICES	OTHER INTERNAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES	TOTALS
-	9	62	1	73
-	(2)	9	1	(64)
-	7	71	2	9
50	(357)	3,829	406	(12,298)
629	1,132	2,915	843	57,823
\$ 679	\$ 775	\$ 6,744	\$ 1,249	\$ 45,525

\$ (482)    \$ (297)    \$ (5,389)    \$ 1,633    \$ (9,859)

112	1	123	-	21,046
-	-	-	-	5
-	21	(14)	(7)	1,514
-	8	-	-	6,667
(9)	(11)	19	7	(5,914)
-	-	-	-	(142)
(161)	(462)	(22,654)	(175)	(31,054)
19	19	433	71	1,941
249	595	35,031	147	54,938
\$ (272)	\$ (126)	\$ 7,549	\$ 1,676	\$ 39,142

-                      -                      -                      -                      254  
-                      -                      -                      4                      313  
-                      -                      -                      -                      74  
-                      -                      -                      -                      24,543

## FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the State in its governmental capacity on behalf of local governments, citizens, and other external parties. Pension and Other Employee Benefits Trust Funds are included in this category, but are shown in the Basic Financial Statements. The major components of the remaining fiduciary funds are:

### PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS

#### TREASURER'S

This fund primarily includes moneys managed by the State Treasurer on behalf of qualified charter schools (those charter schools meeting specific statutory requirements) to finance capital construction with bonds guaranteed by the moneys in this fund. Qualified charter schools choosing to participate in this program make annual payments to the fund that may be used by the Treasurer to make debt service payments if any of the qualified schools is unable to do so.

#### UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

This fund comprises a portion of the escheats funds managed by the State Treasurer. The receipts of the fund are from bank accounts, investment accounts, and insurance proceeds that are placed with the State when the owners of the assets cannot be located. The owner's legal rights to the asset are protected in perpetuity. The fund reports Net Position Held in Trust for the amount ultimately expected to be claimed and paid based on analysis of the history of claims paid versus collections. The remaining unclaimed assets are reported in the Unclaimed Property nonmajor Special Revenue Fund.

#### COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN

The College Savings Plan (commonly referred to as the Scholars Choice Fund) authorized in statute is used to record the deposits, withdrawals, and investment returns of participants in the college savings program. The moneys in the fund are neither insured nor guaranteed by the State.

#### COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND

The College Opportunity Fund (COF) began operations in Fiscal Year 2005-06. It receives stipends appropriated by the Legislature and distributes them to qualified institutions on behalf of students attending public and certain private institutions of higher education in the State. The appropriated amounts are held in trust in the COF until the institutions apply for the stipend on behalf of the students. Any unused stipends remain in the COF and do not revert to the State.



MULTI-STATE LOTTERY WINNERS

The Multistate Lottery Winners Fund was created in Fiscal Year 2007-08 to account for the Colorado Lottery's investments held by the Multi-State Lottery Association (MUSL) for the benefit of Colorado's Powerball annuity prize winners. The winnings are invested by MUSL in bond funds with staggered maturities that correspond with the annual payments required under the terms of the annuity. Under an agreement with MUSL, the Colorado Lottery is responsible for making payments to the Colorado winners.

OTHER

This fund primarily accounts for receipts collected from racetracks and simulcast facilities for distribution to horse breeders and associations who participate in state-regulated parimutuel horse racing.

AGENCY FUNDS

These funds are held in custody for others. Major items include litigation settlement escrow accounts; contractor's performance escrow accounts; sales taxes collected for cities and counties; deposits held to ensure land restoration by mining and oil exploration companies; amounts held for the trustee related to Certificates of Participation or revenue Bonds for Higher Education Institutions, Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST), the Bridge Enterprise program; and assets invested for the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority (a discretely presented component unit).

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**  
**PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	TREASURER'S	UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Current Assets:			
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 11,839	\$ 123,630	\$ 40,453
Investments	-	-	-
Other Receivables, net	24	-	15,974
Noncurrent Assets:			
Investments:			
Government Securities	-	-	-
Repurchase Agreements	-	-	499
Asset Backed Securities	-	15,313	-
Mutual Funds	-	-	6,176,335
Other Investments	-	-	101,731
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>11,863</b>	<b>138,943</b>	<b>6,334,992</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>			
Current Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,121
Unearned Revenue	-	-	3,338
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	-	-	3,298
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,757</b>
<b>NET POSITION:</b>			
Held in Trust for:			
Individuals, Organizations, and Other Entities	11,863	138,943	6,318,235
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 11,863</b>	<b>\$ 138,943</b>	<b>\$ 6,318,235</b>

COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND	MULTISTATE LOTTERY WINNERS	OTHER	TOTALS
\$ 37	\$ -	\$ 9,103	\$ 185,062
-	-	643	643
-	-	941	16,939
-	11,843	-	11,843
-	-	-	499
-	-	-	15,313
-	-	-	6,176,335
-	-	-	101,731
37	11,843	10,687	6,508,365
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,990	\$ 15,111
-	-	4,068	7,406
-	-	-	3,298
-	-	9,058	25,815
37	11,843	1,629	6,482,550
\$ 37	\$ 11,843	\$ 1,629	\$ 6,482,550

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	TREASURER'S	UNCLAIMED PROPERTY	COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN
ADDITIONS:			
Additions By Participants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 791,120
Investment Income/(Loss)	130	(570)	201,202
Unclaimed Property Receipts	-	38,748	-
Other Additions	821	-	1,143
Transfers-In	6,500	-	-
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>	<b>7,451</b>	<b>38,178</b>	<b>993,465</b>
DEDUCTIONS:			
Distributions to Participants	-	-	-
Payments in Accordance with Trust Agreements	443	30,416	577,378
Transfers-Out	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>30,416</b>	<b>577,378</b>
 CHANGE IN NET POSITION	 7,008	 7,762	 416,087
 NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	 4,855	 131,181	 5,902,148
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING	\$ 11,863	\$ 138,943	\$ 6,318,235

COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY FUND	MULTISTATE LOTTERY WINNERS	OTHER	TOTALS
\$ 290,869	\$ -	\$ 10,237	\$ 1,092,226
-	1,682	76	202,520
-	-	-	38,748
-	-	1,587	3,551
-	-	-	6,500
290,869	1,682	11,900	1,343,545
290,844	469	-	291,313
-	-	11,751	619,988
-	-	74	74
290,844	469	11,825	911,375
25	1,213	75	432,170
12	10,630	1,554	6,050,380
\$ 37	\$ 11,843	\$ 1,629	\$ 6,482,550

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES  
IN FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AGENCY FUNDS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AGENCY FUNDS**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	BALANCE JULY 1	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE JUNE 30
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 114,630	\$ 1,496,338	\$ 1,491,445	\$ 119,523
Taxes Receivable, net	145,249	280,477	269,925	155,801
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 259,879</b>	<b>\$ 1,776,815</b>	<b>\$ 1,761,370</b>	<b>\$ 275,324</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ -	\$ 8,853	\$ 6,916	\$ 1,937
Due To Other Governments	255,413	1,657,102	1,639,846	272,669
Claims and Judgments Payable	56	828	827	57
Other Long-Term Liabilities	4,410	676	4,425	661
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 259,879</b>	<b>\$ 1,667,459</b>	<b>\$ 1,652,014</b>	<b>\$ 275,324</b>

**OTHER AGENCY FUNDS**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	BALANCE JULY 1	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE JUNE 30
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 157,535	\$ 265,107	\$ 251,649	\$ 170,993
Taxes Receivable, net	6,120	11,637	11,064	6,693
Other Receivables, net	351	4,457	4,264	544
Inventories	6	-	1	5
Other Long-Term Assets	13,689	1,134	2,776	12,047
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 177,701</b>	<b>\$ 282,335</b>	<b>\$ 269,754</b>	<b>\$ 190,282</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ -	\$ 449	\$ 421	\$ 28
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,274	33,369	32,749	1,894
Due To Other Governments	10,623	124,256	123,369	11,510
Due To Other Funds	1,086	14,389	15,475	-
Unearned Revenue	-	290	290	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	90	149	171	68
Other Current Liabilities	163,816	192,265	179,386	176,695
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	514	177	614	77
Other Long-Term Liabilities	298	13	301	10
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 177,701</b>	<b>\$ 365,357</b>	<b>\$ 352,776</b>	<b>\$ 190,282</b>

**DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY AGENCY FUNDS**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	BALANCE JULY 1	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE JUNE 30
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 427,637	\$ 239,762	\$ 396,078	\$ 271,321
Due From Other Funds	10,520	13,912	10,520	13,912
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 438,157</b>	<b>\$ 253,674</b>	<b>\$ 406,598</b>	<b>\$ 285,233</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 2	\$ 129	\$ 131	\$ -
Other Current Liabilities	435,664	251,237	433,297	253,604
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	2,491	29,158	20	31,629
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 438,157</b>	<b>\$ 280,524</b>	<b>\$ 433,448</b>	<b>\$ 285,233</b>

**TOTALS - ALL AGENCY FUNDS**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	BALANCE JULY 1	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE JUNE 30
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 699,802	\$ 2,001,207	\$ 2,139,172	\$ 561,837
Taxes Receivable, net	151,369	292,114	280,989	162,494
Contributions Receivable, net				
Other Receivables, net	351	4,457	4,264	544
Due From Other Funds	10,520	13,912	10,520	13,912
Inventories	6	-	1	5
Other Long-Term Assets	13,689	1,134	2,776	12,047
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 875,737</b>	<b>\$ 2,312,824</b>	<b>\$ 2,437,722</b>	<b>\$ 750,839</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Tax Refunds Payable	\$ -	\$ 9,302	\$ 7,337	\$ 1,965
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,276	33,498	32,880	1,894
Due To Other Governments	266,036	1,781,358	1,763,215	284,179
Due To Other Funds	1,086	14,389	15,475	-
Unearned Revenue	-	290	290	-
Claims and Judgments Payable	146	977	998	125
Other Current Liabilities	599,480	443,502	612,683	430,299
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	3,005	29,335	634	31,706
Other Long-Term Liabilities	4,708	689	4,726	671
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 875,737</b>	<b>\$ 2,313,340</b>	<b>\$ 2,438,238</b>	<b>\$ 750,839</b>





## COMPONENT UNITS

The following statements present the Other Component Units (Nonmajor) aggregated in the combined component unit statements beginning on page 64. Descriptions of each of the component units presented can be found in Note 37 on page 149.

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
OTHER COMPONENT UNITS (NONMAJOR)  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	DENVER METROPOLITAN MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM DISTRICT	COVER COLORADO	VENTURE CAPITAL AUTHORITY	HLC @ METRO	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS:</b>					
<b>Current Assets:</b>					
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 1,008	\$ -	\$ 14,679	\$ 542	\$ 16,229
Other Receivables, net	761	-	18	165	944
Due From Other Governments	-	-	-	363	363
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	250	-	-	-	250
Total Current Assets	2,019	-	14,697	1,070	17,786
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>					
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	7,630	-	-	8,361	15,991
Investments	-	-	50,488	-	50,488
Other Long-Term Assets	271	-	-	1,232	1,503
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	129,764	-	-	40,657	170,421
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	19,743	-	-	5,001	24,744
Total Noncurrent Assets	157,408	-	50,488	55,251	263,147
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>159,427</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,185</b>	<b>56,321</b>	<b>280,933</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>					
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	-	-	-	1,286	1,286
Other Current Liabilities	12	-	-	348	360
Total Current Liabilities	12	-	-	1,634	1,646
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities:</b>					
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	-	-	-	54,163	54,163
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	-	-	-	54,163	54,163
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,797</b>	<b>55,809</b>
<b>NET POSITION:</b>					
Net investment in Capital Assets:	149,507	-	-	45,658	195,165
Restricted for:					
Other Purposes	7,671	-	-	-	7,671
Unrestricted	2,237	-	65,185	(45,134)	22,288
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 159,415</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 65,185</b>	<b>\$ 524</b>	<b>\$ 225,124</b>

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION  
OTHER COMPONENT UNITS (NONMAJOR)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	DENVER METROPOLITAN MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM DISTRICT	COVER COLORADO	VENTURE CAPITAL AUTHORITY	HLC @ METRO	TOTAL
OPERATING REVENUES:					
Fees	\$ -	\$ 4,393	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,393
Sales of Goods and Services	-	-	-	9,366	9,366
Investment Income (Loss)	-	-	12,689	-	12,689
Rental Income	1,360	-	-	-	1,360
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,360	4,393	12,689	9,366	27,808
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Operating and Travel	335	1,457	32	5,429	7,253
Depreciation and Amortization	4,593	-	-	1,512	6,105
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	4,928	1,457	32	6,941	13,358
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(3,568)	2,936	12,657	2,425	14,450
NONOPERATING REVENUES AND (EXPENSES):					
Investment Income (Loss)	17	57	67	9	150
Gifts and Donations	-	-	4,150	219	4,369
Federal Grants and Contracts	-	-	-	987	987
Gain/(Loss) on Sale or Impairment of Capital Assets	(147)	-	-	-	(147)
Debt Service	-	-	-	(3,375)	(3,375)
Other Expenses	-	-	-	(13)	(13)
Other Revenues	2,312	-	-	-	2,312
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	2,182	57	4,217	(2,173)	4,283
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	(1,386)	2,993	16,874	252	18,733
CONTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ITEMS:					-
Special Items (See Note 41)	-	(56,142)	-	-	(56,142)
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS	-	(56,142)	-	-	(56,142)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	(1,386)	(53,149)	16,874	252	(37,409)
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING	160,801	53,149	48,311	272	262,533
NET POSITION - FISCAL YEAR ENDING	\$ 159,415	\$ -	\$ 65,185	\$ 524	\$ 225,124



## CAPITAL ASSETS

The following schedule presents the capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, used in governmental activities by function and by department. The schedule includes the capital assets of the Internal Service Funds because those funds primarily sell to governmental activities. This treatment matches the presentation of the capital assets on the government-wide *Statement of Net Position*. Except for the Internal Service Fund capital assets, the assets on this schedule are generally not reported on the fund-level financial statements.

**SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS  
USED IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS  
BY FUNCTION AND DEPARTMENT  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	LAND	LAND AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	BUILDINGS	LIBRARY BOOKS AND COLLECTIONS
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
Governor's Office	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Legislature	-	-	-	-
Military Affairs	3,556	10,073	67,901	-
Personnel & Administration	6,736	2,826	83,496	-
Revenue	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	10,292	12,899	151,397	-
<b>BUSINESS, COMMUNITY &amp; CONSUMER AFFAIRS</b>				
Agriculture	103	-	8,066	-
<sup>1</sup> GOV, CEO, OEDIT	-	-	-	51
Labor and Employment	543	255	5,682	-
Local Affairs	-	341	-	-
Regulatory Agencies	-	29	-	-
Revenue	536	-	902	-
State	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	1,182	625	14,650	51
<b>EDUCATION</b>				
Education	152	34	559,330	1,384
Higher Education	1,842	834	104,003	9,059
Subtotal	1,994	868	663,333	10,443
<b>HEALTH AND REHABILITATION</b>				
Public Health and Environment	188	52	4,425	-
Human Services	3,068	2,403	93,979	-
Subtotal	3,256	2,455	98,404	-
<b>JUSTICE</b>				
Corrections	2,964	2,507	562,784	-
DHS, Division of Youth Services	1,675	440	74,469	-
Judicial	1,605	7	230,614	2,383
Law	-	41	-	9
Public Safety	1,399	1,540	21,353	-
Regulatory Agencies	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	7,643	4,535	889,220	2,392
<b>NATURAL RESOURCES</b>				
Natural Resources	63,879	249	16,648	-
<b>SOCIAL ASSISTANCE</b>				
Human Services	-	1,789	2,158	-
Military Affairs	36	1,339	1,958	-
Health Care Policy and Financing	-	-	-	-
Subtotal	36	3,128	4,116	-
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>				
Transportation	16,141	127	139,666	-
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 104,423</b>	<b>\$ 24,886</b>	<b>\$ 1,977,434</b>	<b>\$ 12,886</b>

<sup>1</sup>Governor's Office, Colorado Energy Office, and the Office of Economic Development and International Trade

VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	SOFTWARE	OTHER CAPITAL ASSETS	CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS	INFRASTRUCTURE	TOTALS
\$ 36,826	\$ 41,998	\$ -	\$ 3,903	\$ -	\$ 82,727
675	9	-	-	-	684
329	1	19	1,664	-	83,543
82,675	2,338	15	4,890	-	182,976
3,098	10,232	-	1,313	-	14,643
123,603	54,578	34	11,770	-	364,573
1,925	62	-	109	-	10,265
30	-	-	-	-	81
520	448	14	13,042	-	20,504
116	3	643	-	-	1,103
202	159	-	-	-	390
99	122	-	-	-	1,659
844	5	-	-	-	849
3,736	799	657	13,151	-	34,851
2,385	1,115	-	216,986	-	781,386
1,169	78	-	2,028	55	119,068
3,554	1,193	-	219,014	55	900,454
5,146	2,213	3,433	-	-	15,457
1,366	(10)	61	317	-	101,184
6,512	2,203	3,494	317	-	116,641
8,452	126	264	13,239	-	590,336
247	-	-	185	-	77,016
14,919	3,988	-	12,519	-	266,035
1,720	155	-	-	-	1,925
27,161	4,748	151	8,727	-	65,079
23	-	-	-	-	23
52,522	9,017	415	34,670	-	1,000,414
1,131	98	1,151	1,632	-	84,788
1,717	36,238	-	21,342	-	63,244
85	-	-	2,635	-	6,053
90	270	-	-	-	360
1,892	36,508	-	23,977	-	69,657
160,041	6,835	-	593,442	8,253,248	9,169,500
\$ 352,991	\$ 111,231	\$ 5,751	\$ 897,973	\$ 8,253,303	\$ 11,740,878





## **OTHER FUNDS DETAIL**

In the combined and combining statements several fund categories show a column titled “Other”. The schedule on the following pages provide a summary of assets, liabilities, and net position/fund balance of the individually significant funds that comprise the columns titled “Other”. Most of the funds shown in the schedule are Special Revenue Funds that are statutorily authorized.

**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF INDIVIDUAL FUND  
ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE  
FOR OTHER PERMANENT, PRIVATE PURPOSE,  
ENTERPRISE, INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS, AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(Dollars in Thousands)

FUND NAME	Statutory Cite	Assets/ Deferred Outflows	Liabilities/ Deferred Inflows	Net Position/ Fund Balance
<b>OTHER PERMANENT FUNDS</b>				
Wildlife for Future Generations - Nonexpendable	TRUST 33-1-112	6,036	-	6,036
Wildlife for Future Generations - Expendable	TRUST 33-1-112	1,161	-	1,161
Other Permanent - Nonexpendable	TRUST	747	-	747
Veterans Monument Preservation - Nonexpendable	TRUST 2480-1401	78	-	78
Hall Historical Marker - Nonexpendable	TRUST 24-80-209	8	-	8
Veterans Monument Preservation - Expendable	TRUST 2480-1401	\$ 2	\$ -	\$ 2
Total Other Permanent Funds		\$ 8,032	\$ -	\$ 8,032
<b>OTHER PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST FUNDS</b>				
Early Intervention Services Trust	27-10.5-706	9,753	9,043	710
Supplemental Purse & Breeders Awards	12-60-704	643	-	643
Brand Stray Fund	35-41-102	291	15	276
Total Other Private Purpose Funds		\$ 10,687	\$ 9,058	\$ 1,629
<b>OTHER ENTERPRISE FUNDS</b>				
CollegeInvest	23-3.1-205.4	34,403	11,284	23,119
Early Achievers Scholarship Trust	23-3.1-206.9	14,854	57	14,797
Capitol Parking Fund	NONE	14,321	5,434	8,887
Grounds Cash Fund	26-1-133.5(2)	4,656	414	4,242
Clean Screen Authority	42-4-307.5	523	400	123
Nursing Teacher Loan Forgiveness Fund	23-3.6-102(1)	69	-	69
Other Enterprise Funds	VARIOUS	56	1	55
Work Therapy Cash Fund	26-8-107	378	450	(72)
Business Enterprise Program	26-8.5-107	1,089	1,477	(388)
Enterprise Services Fund	24-80-209	866	2,300	(1,434)
Brand Inspection Fund	35-41-102	4,578	11,692	(7,114)
Total Other Enterprise Funds		\$ 75,793	\$ 33,509	\$ 42,284
<b>OTHER INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS</b>				
Professional Development Cash Fund	24-50-122(2)	321	821	(500)
Debt Collection Fund	24-30-202.4	1,124	3,107	(1,983)
Total Other Internal Service Funds		\$ 1,445	\$ 3,928	\$ (2,483)
<b>OTHER SPECIAL PURPOSE GENERAL FUNDS</b>				
School Capital Construction Assistance Fund	22-43.7-104	358,325	29,455	328,870
Controlled Maintenance Trust Fund	24-75-302.5	70,012	-	70,012
State Employee Reserve Fund	24-50-104	32,429	6,363	26,066
Economic Development Fund	24-46-105	31,944	7,085	24,859
Intellectual And Developmental Disabilities Services	25.5-10-207	11,479	1,703	9,776
Legislative Department Cash	2-2-1601(1)	8,949	79	8,870
Indirect Cost Excess Recovery Fund	24-75-1401	7,019	9	7,010
Old Age Pension Stabilization Fund	26-2-116	5,000	-	5,000
Housing Development Grant Fund	24-32-721	6,582	2,021	4,561
Ballot Information Publication & Distribution Revolving	1-40-124.5	2,601	-	2,601
Older Coloradans Cash Fund	26-11-205.5	3,050	1,442	1,608
Persistent Drunk Driver Fund	42-3-130.5	1,995	467	1,528
State Social Security Income Stabilization Fund	26-2-210(1)	1,230	-	1,230
Tax Amnesty Cash Fund	39-21-202	962	-	962
Colorado Health Care Services Fund	25.5-3-112	821	-	821
Charter School Assistance Fund	22-30.5-515	1,723	967	756
Underfunded Courthouse Facility Cash Fund	13-1-304	649	-	649
Child Welfare Transition Cash Fund	25.5-6-409.5(9)	580	-	580
Charter School Institute Fund	22-30.5-506	2,675	2,110	565
Diseased Livestock Fund	35-50-140.5	431	-	431
Colorado Family Support Loan Fund	27-10.5-502	533	117	416
Energy Research Cash Fund	24-48.5-120	331	2	329
Colorado National Guard Tuition Fund	23-5-111.4	458	134	324
Conservation Trust Fund	24-35-210(10)	12,751	12,505	246

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**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF INDIVIDUAL FUND  
ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE  
FOR OTHER PERMANENT, PRIVATE PURPOSE,  
ENTERPRISE, INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS, AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(Dollars in Thousands)

FUND NAME	Statutory Cite	Assets/ Deferred Outflows	Liabilities/ Deferred Inflows	Net Position/ Fund Balance
Real Estate Proceeds Fund	28-3-106	220	-	220
Legislative Expenses Fund	2-3-1002(1)	214	-	214
Start Smart Nutrition Program Fund	22-82.7-105	249	48	201
Advance Technology Fund	25-16.5-105(2)	145	-	145
Colorado Heritage Communities Fund	24-32-3207	127	-	127
Advanced Industries Export Acceleration Cash Fund	24-47-103(8)	192	69	123
Firefighter Benefits Cash Fund	29-5-302(11)(a)	125	21	104
Hospitality Career Secondary Education Fund	24-46.3-204	49	2	47
Comprehensive Report On The Value Of US Military Activities	28-4.5-101(6)(a)	18	-	18
Child Protection Ombudsman Program	13-3.3-107(1)	105	97	8
Youth Advisory Council Cash Fund	2-2-1306	4	-	4
Prepaid Wireless Trust Cash Fund	29-11-102.5	1	-	1
Recovery Audit Cash Fund	24-30-203.5	1	-	1
OAP Health And Medical Care Fund	25.5-2-101(2)	35	35	-
School Turnaround Leaders Development Fund	22-13-106.(1)	15	15	-
Total Other Special Purpose General Funds		\$ 564,029	\$ 64,746	\$ 499,283
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				
Mortgage Fraud Custodial Funds	Settlement	40,932	512	40,420
Consumer Protection Custodial Funds	6-1-103	35,421	306	35,115
Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative Fund	23-303-1005	33,274	25	33,249
Marijuana Tax Cash Fund	39-28.8-501	32,083	3,872	28,211
Gear Up Scholarship Trust Fund	SETTLEMENT	25,737	-	25,737
Advance Industries Acceleration Fund	24-48.5-117	14,495	1,002	13,493
Marijuana Cash Fund	12-43.3-501	13,724	335	13,389
Supreme Court Committee Fund	COURT RULE 227	14,028	681	13,347
Victims Assistance Fund	24-4.2-104	10,684	42	10,642
Victims Compensation Fund	24-4.1-117	10,176	16	10,160
Judicial Information Technology Cash Fund	13-32-114	11,494	1,646	9,848
Offender Services Fund	16-11-214	8,477	578	7,899
HUD Section 8 Family Self-Sufficiency Program	29-4-708(K)	6,887	437	6,450
Judicial Stabilization Cash Fund	13-32-101	6,715	654	6,061
Colorado Bureau Of Investigation Identification Unit	24-33.5-426	5,033	302	4,731
Creative Industries Cash Fund	24-48.5-301(2)	4,691	43	4,648
Judicial Collection Enhancement Fund	16-11-101.6	5,144	527	4,617
Title IV-E Waiver Demonstration Project Cash Fund	26-5-105.4(4)(b)	6,000	1,418	4,582
Conveyance Safety Fund	None	3,975	52	3,923
Uniform Commercial Credit Code Custodial Funds	4-1-102	4,071	151	3,920
Supplier Database Cash Fund	24-102-202.5	3,937	81	3,856
Correctional Treatment Cash Fund	18-19-103(4)	6,090	2,417	3,673
Justice Center Cash Fund	13-32-101(7)	4,147	655	3,492
Energy Efficiency Project Fund	24-38.5-106(4)	3,469	-	3,469
Department Of State Cash Fund	24-21-104	5,438	2,111	3,327
Process And End Users Fund	25-17-202.5	3,477	253	3,224
Local Firefighter Safety And Disease Prevention Fund	24-33.5-1231	3,206	24	3,182
Auto Theft Prevention Cash Fund	42-5-112(4A)	5,685	2,565	3,120
Public School Construction And Inspection Fund	24-33.5-1207	3,214	261	2,953
Performance-Based Collaborative Management Incentive	24-1.9-104	3,255	246	3,009
Other Education Special Revenue Funds	VARIOUS	2,746	3	2,743
Disabled Telephone Users Fund	40-17-104	2,923	196	2,727
Division Of Professions And Occupations Cash Fund	24-34-105	19,060	16,357	2,703
Criminal Alien Assistance Cash Fund	17-1-107.5	2,697	-	2,697
Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loans	29-4-728	2,371	-	2,371
Donations - Governor's Office	CUSTODIAL	2,708	371	2,337
Help America Vote Act Fund	FED HAVA 2002	2,270	6	2,264

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**COMBINING SCHEDULE OF INDIVIDUAL FUND  
ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE  
FOR OTHER PERMANENT, PRIVATE PURPOSE,  
ENTERPRISE, INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS, AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2015**

(Dollars in Thousands)

FUND NAME	Statutory Cite	Assets/ Deferred Outflows	Liabilities/ Deferred Inflows	Net Position/ Fund Balance
Instant Criminal Background Check Fund	24-33.5-424	2,567	615	1,952
Inspection And Consumer Services Cash Fund	35-1-106.5	2,091	210	1,881
Patient Benefit Fund	CUSTODIAL	1,814	5	1,809
Attorney's Fees And Costs Fund	24-31-108(2)	1,795	4	1,791
Victims Assistance And Law Enforcement Fund	24-33.5-506	1,882	169	1,713
HUD Community Development Block Grant Fund	24-76-101	8,408	6,735	1,673
Collection Agency Board Custodial Fund	24-31-108	1,535	7	1,528
P.O.S.T. Board Cash Fund	24-31-303(2)	2,161	635	1,526
Commercial Vehicle Enterprise Fund	42-1-225(1)	1,526	5	1,521
History Colorado Restricted Donations	24-80-209	1,617	113	1,504
Public School Transportation Fund	22-51-103(1)	2,146	649	1,497
Federal Tax Relief Act Of 2003	FEDERAL	1,469	23	1,446
Traumatic Brain Injury Fund	26-1-210(1)	1,761	495	1,266
Child Care Assistance Cliff Effect Pilot Program Fund	26-2-808(2.5)	1,177	-	1,177
State Patrol Contraband Fund	24-33.5-225	1,143	-	1,143
Plant Health, Pest Control And Environmental Protection	35-1-106.3	3,275	2,192	1,083
Travel And Tourism Additional Sources Fund	24-49.7-106	1,999	954	1,045
Colorado Bureau Of Investigation Contraband Fund	24-33.5-415	961	36	925
Liquor Enforcement Division & State Licensing Authority	24-35-401	1,054	205	849
Court Security Cash Fund	13-1-204(1)	1,377	535	842
Auto Dealers License Fund	12-6-123	1,156	345	811
MFP Rebalancing Fund	Federal	727	-	727
Public Deposit Administration Fund	11-10.5-112	1,030	304	726
Restorative Justice Surcharge Fund	Restricted	768	65	703
Library Trust Fund	Restricted	666	6	660
Howard Fund	26-8-104(1)C	657	6	651
Innovative Energy Fund	24-38.5-102.5	696	128	568
HUD Home Grant Revolving Loan Fund	NONE	1,138	576	562
Law Enforcement Grant Fund	25-17-207(4)	552	-	552
Texaco Oil Overcharge Fund	SETTLEMENT	549	-	549
Agricultural Products Inspection Fund	35-23-114(3)	680	148	532
Other Human Services Special Revenue Funds	VARIOUS	1,333	863	470
Division Of Securities Cash Fund	11-51-707	1,986	1,518	468
Building Regulation Fund	24-32-3309	507	72	435
Exxon Oil Overcharge Funds	SETTLEMENT	433	-	433
Identity Theft Financial Fraud Fund	24-33.5-1707	460	53	407
Insurance Fraud Cash Fund	10-3-207.5(2)	1,958	1,561	397
Waste Tire Market Development Fund	25-17-202.9	421	79	342
Judicial Performance Cash Fund	13-5.5-107	358	30	328
Waste Tire Fire Prevention Fund	25-17-202.8	314	-	314
State Public Financing Fund	24-36-121(7)	310	-	310
Violent Offender Id Fund	24-33.5-415.6	330	28	302
Interstate Compact Probation Transfer Cash Fund	18-1.3-204(4)	285	7	278
Wine Development Fund	35-29.5-105	450	173	277
Diamond Shamrock Settlement Funds	SETTLEMENT	253	-	253
Prescription Drug Monitoring Fund	12-22-706(1)	259	8	251
Food Distribution Program Service Fund	26-1-121(4B)	344	106	238
Family-Friendly Court Program Fund	13-3-113(6)	250	14	236
State And Veterans Nursing Homes Patient Benefit Fund	26-12-108(2)	230	-	230
Vickers Oil Overcharge Funds	E.O. 56-87	230	-	230
Public Safety Inspection Fund	8-1-151	248	19	229
Uniform Consumer Credit Code Cash Fund	5-6-204	1,271	1,043	228
Property Tax Exemption Fund	39-2-117(3)	313	97	216
Broadband Fund	40-15-509.5(4)	201	-	201
Cervidae Disease Fund	35-50-115	201	-	201
167 Funds with Net Assets Below \$200,000		34,907	28,457	6,450
Total Other Special Revenue Funds		\$ 467,963	\$ 87,438	\$ 380,525



## **NON-APPROPRIATED BUDGET SCHEDULES**

The schedules on the following pages provide, by department, nonappropriated budget-to-actual activity. The budgets are based on a variety of sources that are not subject to appropriation by the General Assembly that generally include most federal awards, custodial agreements, and Colorado statutes. In Higher Education Institutions informational only appropriations for tuition and certain fees contained in the State's legislative appropriations act are not controlling. Therefore, expenditures may exceed recorded budgets in these appropriations.

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - NON-APPROPRIATED GENERAL FUNDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	FINAL SPENDING AUTHORITY	ACTUAL	(OVER)/UNDER SPENDING AUTHORITY
<b>REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN:</b>				
Sales and Other Excise Taxes			\$ 163,413	
Income Taxes			380,195	
Other Taxes			15,944	
Sales and Services			23	
Interest Earnings			745	
Other Revenues			1,019	
Transfers-In			18,896	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN</b>			<b>580,234</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS-OUT:</b>				
Operating Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Governor	-	100	100	-
Health Care Policy and Financing	-	617	607	10
Higher Education	-	329	329	-
Human Services	-	1,028	828	200
Judicial Branch	-	17	17	-
Local Affairs	4,295	4,829	4,726	103
Personnel & Administration	-	1,162	516	646
Public Health and Environment	-	1,431	1,431	-
Regulatory Agencies	4,150	4,150	4,150	-
Revenue	175,059	175,059	174,121	938
Treasury	133,718	153,811	153,811	-
Transfers Not Appropriated by Department	248,502	248,502	248,502	-
<b>SUB-TOTAL OPERATING BUDGETS</b>	<b>565,724</b>	<b>591,035</b>	<b>589,138</b>	<b>1,897</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS-OUT</b>	<b>\$ 565,724</b>	<b>\$ 591,035</b>	<b>589,138</b>	<b>\$ 1,897</b>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS-OUT</b>			<b>\$ (8,904)</b>	

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - NON-APPROPRIATED CASH FUNDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	FINAL SPENDING AUTHORITY	ACTUAL	(OVER)/UNDER SPENDING AUTHORITY
REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN:				
Sales and Other Excise Taxes			\$ 798,855	
Other Taxes			1,152,211	
Tuition and Fees			1,886,623	
Sales and Services			1,328,627	
Interest Earnings			305,562	
Other Revenues			2,738,253	
Transfers-In			5,230,624	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN</b>			<b>13,440,755</b>	
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT:				
Operating Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Agriculture	\$ 3,759	\$ 4,244	1,974	\$ 2,270
Corrections	16,870	17,284	16,948	336
Education	3,541,241	3,538,914	3,514,406	24,508
Governor	201,401	222,345	80,475	141,870
Health Care Policy and Financing	14,932	47,973	11,569	36,404
Higher Education	3,068,763	3,014,603	3,085,578	(70,975)
Human Services	212,329	167,287	160,370	6,917
Judicial Branch	45,662	68,596	55,500	13,096
Labor and Employment	686,541	688,801	549,051	139,750
Law	34,340	43,610	38,311	5,299
Legislative Branch	8,655	8,680	4,353	4,327
Local Affairs	323,588	341,109	198,879	142,230
Military and Veterans Affairs	303	303	294	9
Natural Resources	909,731	906,692	415,650	491,042
Personnel & Administration	432,340	435,498	428,260	7,238
Public Health and Environment	66,798	85,906	26,136	59,770
Public Safety	184,748	187,435	97,493	89,942
Regulatory Agencies	2,001	2,625	1,606	1,019
Revenue	772,917	794,942	346,777	448,165
State	769	420	420	-
Transportation	2,805,430	2,994,236	1,013,782	1,980,454
Treasury	1,770,802	1,773,183	1,773,183	-
Budgets/Transfers Not Recorded by Department	3	8,733	8,733	-
<b>SUB-TOTAL OPERATING BUDGETS</b>	<b>15,103,923</b>	<b>15,353,419</b>	<b>11,829,748</b>	<b>3,523,671</b>
Capital and Multi-Year Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Natural Resources	39,298	42,881	12,283	30,598
<b>SUB-TOTAL CAPITAL AND MULTI-YEAR BUDGETS</b>	<b>39,298</b>	<b>42,881</b>	<b>12,283</b>	<b>30,598</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT</b>	<b>\$ 15,143,221</b>	<b>\$ 15,396,300</b>	<b>11,842,031</b>	<b>\$ 3,554,269</b>
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT			<b>\$ 1,598,724</b>	



**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES/NET POSITION - BUDGETARY BASIS  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - NON-APPROPRIATED FEDERALLY FUNDED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)	ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION	FINAL SPENDING AUTHORITY	ACTUAL	(OVER)/UNDER SPENDING AUTHORITY
REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN:				
Federal Grants and Contracts			\$ 4,112,687	
TOTAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN			4,112,687	
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT:				
Capital and Multi-Year Budgets:				
Departmental:				
Agriculture	\$ 4,102	\$ 14,884	5,977	\$ 8,907
Corrections	1,239	5,431	3,179	2,252
Education	638,567	841,157	591,095	250,062
Governor	6,428	44,407	21,815	22,592
Health Care Policy and Financing	229,959	314,756	267,885	46,871
Higher Education	22,434	393,978	343,439	50,539
Human Services	340,166	1,351,927	1,169,167	182,760
Judicial Branch	10,305	27,280	20,588	6,692
Labor and Employment	100,122	223,819	136,087	87,732
Law	1,748	1,748	1,667	81
Local Affairs	70,296	228,636	88,397	140,239
Military and Veterans Affairs	214,736	18,034	11,962	6,072
Natural Resources	29,084	83,546	42,239	41,307
Personnel & Administration	-	28	25	3
Public Health and Environment	267,097	386,412	259,673	126,739
Public Safety	58,436	406,356	121,291	285,065
Regulatory Agencies	1,387	7,217	3,894	3,323
Revenue	824	4,698	2,224	2,474
State	-	2,801	462	2,339
Transportation	514,360	1,203,783	879,148	324,635
Treasury	-	156,854	156,854	-
SUB-TOTAL CAPITAL AND MULTI-YEAR BUDGETS	2,511,290	5,717,752	4,127,068	1,590,684
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT	\$ 2,511,290	\$ 5,717,752	4,127,068	\$ 1,590,684
EXCESS OF REVENUES AND TRANSFERS-IN OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND TRANSFERS-OUT			\$ (14,381)	



# Statistical Section



## Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

*For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015*



**COLORADO**

Office of the State Controller

Department of Personnel  
& Administration



## STATISTICAL SECTION

This section of the State of Colorado's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report presents detailed current and historical information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures, and required supplementary information says about the State's overall financial health.

### FINANCIAL TRENDS

These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the State's financial performance and fiscal health have changed over time at both the entity wide and fund-level perspectives.

### REVENUE CAPACITY

These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the factors affecting the State's ability to generate and retain major revenue streams including income and sales taxes.

### DEBT CAPACITY

These schedules present information to help the reader assess the sustainability of the State's current levels of outstanding debt and the State's ability to issue additional debt in the future.

### DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC INFORMATION

These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to help the reader understand the environment within which the State's financial activities take place.

### OPERATING INFORMATION

These schedules contain information about the State's operations and resources to help the reader understand how the information in the State's financial report relates to the services the State provides and the activities it performs.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE  
SCHEDULE OF NET POSITION  
PRIMARY GOVERNMENT  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
<b>Current Assets:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 2,696,950	\$ 2,302,356	\$ 2,549,620	\$ 1,969,331
Investments	-	8,460	3,497	1,726
Taxes Receivable, net	1,252,907	1,224,629	1,118,329	1,012,147
Other Receivables, net	450,805	210,062	189,937	156,126
Due From Other Governments	787,269	570,721	369,249	318,460
Internal Balances	28,022	19,336	23,801	15,964
Due From Component Units	135	54	119	137
Inventories	54,194	53,125	55,319	17,057
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	67,917	73,025	57,465	53,961
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>5,338,199</b>	<b>4,461,768</b>	<b>4,367,336</b>	<b>3,544,909</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>				
<b>Restricted Assets:</b>				
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	2,140,729	2,554,938	1,798,432	1,779,413
Restricted Investments	761,140	657,772	598,209	591,083
Restricted Receivables	363,300	258,107	176,055	181,932
Investments	280,100	428,321	464,535	416,674
Other Long-Term Assets	636,260	686,349	740,735	712,736
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	9,772,651	9,600,423	9,312,959	9,602,516
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	1,968,227	1,931,832	2,170,769	1,903,604
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>15,922,407</b>	<b>16,117,742</b>	<b>15,261,694</b>	<b>15,187,958</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>21,260,606</b>	<b>20,579,510</b>	<b>19,629,030</b>	<b>18,732,867</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>350,796</b>	<b>18,289</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
Tax Refunds Payable	669,992	718,211	718,077	661,829
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,367,263	1,043,961	742,225	677,471
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	173,346	706	706	706
Due To Other Governments	233,087	245,300	198,953	228,229
Due To Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Due To Component Units	-	15	81	-
Unearned Revenue	100,467	92,674	95,026	125,174
Obligations Under Securities Lending	-	-	-	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	12,185	10,470	10,955	9,859
Claims and Judgments Payable	47,682	61,623	46,873	44,858
Leases Payable	27,760	26,941	20,004	14,387
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	200,975	187,910	174,340	162,670
Other Postemployment Benefits	-	-	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	19,052	19,979	14,834	16,531
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>2,851,809</b>	<b>2,407,790</b>	<b>2,022,074</b>	<b>1,941,714</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities:</b>				
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	139	139	17	16
Accrued Compensated Absences	149,817	145,992	138,413	132,394
Claims and Judgments Payable	299,785	301,591	323,451	330,516
Capital Lease Payable	144,569	148,055	131,006	107,042
Capital Lease Payable To Component Units	-	-	-	-
Derivative Instrument Liability	-	-	-	-
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	1,331,892	1,541,225	1,611,220	1,614,293
Due to Component Units	-	-	-	-
Net Pension Liability	5,565,526	-	-	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	-	-	-	-
Other Long-Term Liabilities	423,809	402,954	444,118	427,828
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>7,915,537</b>	<b>2,539,956</b>	<b>2,648,225</b>	<b>2,612,089</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>10,767,346</b>	<b>4,947,746</b>	<b>4,670,299</b>	<b>4,553,803</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>47,262</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net investment in Capital Assets:</b>	<b>10,654,690</b>	<b>10,125,644</b>	<b>10,107,082</b>	<b>10,107,432</b>
<b>Restricted for:</b>				
Construction and Highway Maintenance	936,535	1,080,201	1,145,997	1,176,269
Education	766,688	1,110,180	1,265,476	280,269
Unemployment Insurance	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	56,534	44,752	33,113	21,453
Emergencies	217,328	153,150	161,350	72,850
<b>Permanent Funds and Endowments:</b>				
Expendable	7,301	7,271	6,328	6,024
Nonexpendable	896,872	800,132	694,564	684,953
Other Purposes	626,649	358,694	349,811	340,818
Unrestricted	(3,365,803)	1,969,691	1,195,010	1,488,996
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 10,796,794</b>	<b>\$ 15,649,715</b>	<b>\$ 14,958,731</b>	<b>\$ 14,179,064</b>

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES					
2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 1,548,435	\$ 1,962,934	\$ 2,217,711	\$ 2,632,601	\$ 2,455,425	\$ 2,334,948
45,548	15,224	1,498	565	998	12,637
830,730	857,246	920,086	946,077	956,149	845,241
147,768	158,060	182,540	188,347	153,218	153,916
486,655	516,248	475,997	355,519	280,637	264,688
18,620	14,153	14,617	14,545	13,756	26,313
62	84	66	63	65	56
19,837	16,468	16,183	16,703	14,053	14,906
56,543	38,591	33,244	23,790	28,527	28,735
3,154,198	3,579,008	3,861,942	4,178,210	3,902,828	3,681,440
1,635,476	1,572,925	1,813,365	2,061,543	1,689,703	1,349,184
1,097,797	687,314	694,311	620,325	552,211	491,780
173,347	195,753	184,120	187,018	279,140	335,774
52,343	529,059	98,815	96,743	80,695	48,173
761,498	644,867	600,020	442,911	425,886	395,612
9,331,295	9,689,916	2,360,036	2,282,645	1,288,308	1,322,945
1,780,945	1,637,224	10,480,438	10,291,250	11,799,975	11,649,792
14,832,701	14,957,058	16,231,105	15,982,435	16,115,918	15,593,260
17,986,899	18,536,066	20,093,047	20,160,645	20,018,746	19,274,700
-	-	-	-	-	-
625,145	664,781	633,722	561,117	486,576	457,124
785,496	847,550	779,008	837,311	694,602	633,685
706	706	706	706	727	2,917
216,956	181,684	223,415	183,696	176,864	247,548
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
111,506	128,404	150,632	97,174	65,389	66,290
-	-	-	-	-	-
9,741	10,287	8,930	9,776	9,533	9,437
44,641	44,181	36,936	37,775	40,948	49,415
12,872	11,384	8,227	6,002	2,807	1,461
145,165	642,445	637,066	574,150	457,250	526,235
-	-	-	-	-	-
13,748	20,432	9,818	11,794	9,615	10,318
1,965,976	2,551,854	2,488,460	2,319,501	1,944,311	2,004,430
-	-	-	-	-	-
14	13	16	16	17	17
137,139	138,224	140,675	128,760	116,262	112,860
340,003	347,394	358,371	335,636	295,874	343,452
94,716	85,746	83,586	54,029	27,649	16,021
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
1,621,749	1,554,964	1,146,960	1,274,720	1,390,671	1,503,686
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
434,194	402,599	397,774	217,793	206,972	210,369
2,627,815	2,528,940	2,127,382	2,010,954	2,037,445	2,186,405
4,593,791	5,080,794	4,615,842	4,330,455	3,981,756	4,190,835
-	-	-	-	-	-
9,836,378	10,118,621	11,631,061	11,348,995	11,804,908	11,662,529
1,160,789	1,198,849	1,220,524	1,350,485	1,196,903	824,698
485,171	194,586	338,365	353,149	225,818	153,043
-	-	-	-	-	-
10,127	4,093	558	558	558	580
85,400	94,000	93,550	93,000	85,760	79,800
8,017	11,130	8,588	2,333	1,782	1,642
641,802	643,148	623,619	587,733	515,997	460,473
315,082	138,826	197,918	231,532	299,777	198,996
850,342	1,052,019	1,363,022	1,862,405	1,905,487	1,702,104
\$ 13,393,108	\$ 13,455,272	\$ 15,477,205	\$ 15,830,190	\$ 16,036,990	\$ 15,083,865

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE  
SCHEDULE OF NET POSITION  
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Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
<b>Current Assets:</b>				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 2,454,684	\$ 2,246,115	\$ 2,169,314	\$ 2,011,437
Investments	378,115	254,744	281,822	160,099
Taxes Receivable, net	142,241	135,207	137,970	159,303
Other Receivables, net	430,306	408,364	381,351	330,216
Due From Other Governments	134,455	150,697	155,190	218,667
Internal Balances	(28,022)	(19,336)	(23,801)	(15,964)
Due From Component Units	11,370	23,716	18,969	18,715
Inventories	57,950	54,015	52,826	53,318
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	28,186	37,433	24,806	24,160
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>3,609,285</b>	<b>3,290,955</b>	<b>3,198,447</b>	<b>2,959,951</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets:</b>				
<b>Restricted Assets:</b>				
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	499,742	429,965	352,234	372,457
Restricted Investments	246,783	303,678	292,283	293,711
Restricted Receivables	31,609	45,477	45,264	80,975
Investments	1,969,155	1,896,811	1,746,078	1,769,909
Other Long-Term Assets	129,850	99,380	128,105	114,118
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	6,190,355	5,876,698	5,463,065	5,250,256
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	1,788,595	1,370,142	1,229,761	1,019,556
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>10,856,089</b>	<b>10,022,151</b>	<b>9,256,790</b>	<b>8,900,982</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>14,465,374</b>	<b>13,313,106</b>	<b>12,455,237</b>	<b>11,860,933</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>348,635</b>	<b>118,103</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>5,005</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>				
Tax Refunds Payable	-	-	-	-
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	751,171	659,085	602,571	623,458
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	-	-	-	-
Due To Other Governments	22,048	30,805	34,169	53,622
Due To Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Due To Component Units	623	528	343	123
Unearned Revenue	407,108	346,264	305,108	237,530
Obligations Under Securities Lending	-	-	-	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	20,960	18,117	16,609	14,942
Claims and Judgments Payable	-	-	-	-
Leases Payable	8,618	6,610	6,575	5,853
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	251,947	244,366	233,811	243,601
Other Postemployment Benefits	-	14,076	17,052	15,721
Other Current Liabilities	125,054	127,033	142,868	110,667
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>1,587,529</b>	<b>1,446,884</b>	<b>1,359,106</b>	<b>1,305,517</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities:</b>				
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	-	-	-	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	268,600	250,148	236,329	219,026
Claims and Judgments Payable	41,460	40,982	38,993	36,472
Capital Lease Payable	45,663	35,582	35,153	33,185
Capital Lease Payable To Component Units	-	-	-	-
Derivative Instrument Liability	9,515	8,566	8,333	12,994
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	4,418,327	4,131,227	3,898,265	3,938,320
Due to Component Units	1,661	1,743	1,755	1,758
Net Pension Liability	3,579,748	-	-	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	241,779	181,511	177,176	139,653
Other Long-Term Liabilities	83,521	44,768	11,972	39,015
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>8,690,274</b>	<b>4,694,527</b>	<b>4,407,976</b>	<b>4,420,423</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>10,277,803</b>	<b>6,141,411</b>	<b>5,767,082</b>	<b>5,725,940</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>38,380</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net investment in Capital Assets:</b>	<b>4,417,947</b>	<b>3,653,265</b>	<b>3,571,408</b>	<b>3,386,411</b>
<b>Restricted for:</b>				
Construction and Highway Maintenance	-	-	-	-
Education	439,535	642,611	-	-
Unemployment Insurance	620,575	402,770	218,076	64,433
Debt Service	75,666	39,862	8,439	7,464
Emergencies	34,000	34,000	34,000	10,005
<b>Permanent Funds and Endowments:</b>				
Expendable	150,270	7,901	11,716	6,975
Nonexpendable	87,679	64,712	61,159	38,798
Other Purposes	88,686	56,296	631,921	629,655
Unrestricted	(1,416,530)	2,388,381	2,151,987	1,996,257
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 4,497,828</b>	<b>\$ 7,289,798</b>	<b>\$ 6,688,706</b>	<b>\$ 6,139,998</b>



**BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES**

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 1,306,800	\$ 1,176,181	\$ 1,220,190	\$ 1,555,782	\$ 1,430,836	\$ 1,188,953
273,605	253,270	386,948	272,804	326,087	328,466
186,161	90,005	73,326	82,431	81,745	105,973
302,042	282,053	245,768	239,790	219,488	209,497
177,822	158,787	142,961	125,894	126,391	99,040
(18,620)	(14,153)	(14,617)	(14,545)	(13,756)	(26,313)
19,736	14,474	12,630	16,348	15,334	11,141
43,600	42,779	42,467	42,271	38,000	35,747
18,018	19,244	20,091	17,055	15,751	13,148
2,309,164	2,022,640	2,129,764	2,337,830	2,239,876	1,965,652
409,652	353,164	368,308	446,681	149,811	187,895
98,146	239,719	201,025	259,115	555,310	424,826
24,980	239,041	1,916,974	1,716,722	1,408,588	1,173,312
1,623,569	1,206,671	1,154,901	1,008,382	972,922	887,302
122,939	119,387	123,599	119,650	112,693	108,606
4,662,346	3,912,771	3,594,383	3,464,979	2,851,692	2,718,135
938,544	1,207,048	928,243	576,755	835,182	561,525
7,880,176	7,277,801	8,287,433	7,592,284	6,886,198	6,061,601
10,189,340	9,300,441	10,417,197	9,930,114	9,126,074	8,027,253
-	7,778	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
556,294	596,926	506,318	467,741	413,788	380,194
331,246	406,275	182,922	26,885	38,501	30,749
524	466	930	1,112	273	1,067
234,662	232,371	207,551	190,528	183,805	171,411
14,579	13,035	12,753	12,745	12,578	14,284
4,950	6,672	6,282	7,398	11,717	7,430
79,106	100,329	85,456	5,976	4,950	4,851
141,484	126,232	241,129	75,567	62,998	83,271
1,362,845	1,482,306	1,243,341	208,542	126,574	94,214
1,362,845	1,482,306	1,243,341	996,494	855,184	787,471
-	-	-	-	-	-
205,621	196,295	185,420	166,402	153,320	136,837
35,373	29,461	27,541	28,482	28,220	48,396
43,466	76,702	83,206	83,113	63,671	55,873
6,182	7,778	4,285	4,285	-	-
3,117,100	2,682,987	3,917,559	3,466,484	3,100,764	2,488,738
2,374	2,501	723	1,233	-	-
105,876	47,259	31,689	15,775	-	-
43,814	36,450	43,321	40,756	54,097	53,138
3,559,806	3,079,433	4,293,744	3,806,530	3,400,072	2,782,982
4,922,651	4,561,739	5,537,085	4,803,024	4,255,256	3,570,453
2,006	-	-	-	-	-
2,990,094	2,854,803	2,665,270	2,411,662	2,256,929	2,256,602
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	392,984	765,533	675,574	548,780
6,753	6,100	111,778	180,409	125,656	105,348
12,368	16,257	21,282	33,716	37,472	29,883
5,936	6,825	6,935	9,592	5,313	4,757
73,956	71,738	70,420	74,479	97,821	82,698
657,292	630,890	582,006	491,492	411,112	364,310
1,518,284	1,159,867	1,029,437	1,160,207	1,260,941	1,064,422
\$ 5,264,683	\$ 4,746,480	\$ 4,880,112	\$ 5,127,090	\$ 4,870,818	\$ 4,456,800

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	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
<b>ASSETS:</b>				
Current Assets:				
Cash and Pooled Cash	\$ 5,151,634	\$ 4,548,471	\$ 4,718,934	\$ 3,980,768
Investments	378,115	263,204	285,319	161,825
Taxes Receivable, net	1,395,148	1,359,836	1,256,299	1,171,450
Other Receivables, net	881,111	618,426	571,288	486,342
Due From Other Governments	921,724	721,418	524,439	537,127
Internal Balances	-	-	-	-
Due From Component Units	11,505	23,770	19,088	18,852
Inventories	112,144	107,140	108,145	70,375
Prepays, Advances and Deposits	96,103	110,458	82,271	78,121
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>8,947,484</b>	<b>7,752,723</b>	<b>7,565,783</b>	<b>6,504,860</b>
Noncurrent Assets:				
Restricted Assets:				
Restricted Cash and Pooled Cash	2,640,471	2,984,903	2,150,666	2,151,870
Restricted Investments	1,007,923	961,450	890,492	884,794
Restricted Receivables	394,909	303,584	221,319	262,907
Investments	2,249,255	2,325,132	2,210,613	2,186,583
Other Long-Term Assets	766,110	785,729	868,840	826,854
Depreciable Capital Assets and Infrastructure, net	15,963,006	15,477,121	14,776,024	14,852,772
Land and Nondepreciable Capital Assets	3,756,822	3,301,974	3,400,530	2,923,160
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>26,778,496</b>	<b>26,139,893</b>	<b>24,518,484</b>	<b>24,088,940</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>35,725,980</b>	<b>33,892,616</b>	<b>32,084,267</b>	<b>30,593,800</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>699,431</b>	<b>136,392</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>5,005</b>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>				
Current Liabilities:				
Tax Refunds Payable	669,992	718,211	718,077	661,829
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	2,118,434	1,703,046	1,344,796	1,300,929
TABOR Refund Liability (Note 8B)	173,346	706	706	706
Due To Other Governments	255,135	276,105	233,122	281,851
Due To Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Due To Component Units	623	543	424	123
Unearned Revenue	507,575	438,938	400,134	362,704
Obligations Under Securities Lending	-	-	-	-
Accrued Compensated Absences	33,145	28,587	27,564	24,801
Claims and Judgments Payable	47,682	61,623	46,873	44,858
Leases Payable	36,378	33,551	26,579	20,240
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	452,922	432,276	408,151	406,271
Other Postemployment Benefits	-	14,076	17,052	15,721
Other Current Liabilities	144,106	147,012	157,702	127,198
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>4,439,338</b>	<b>3,854,674</b>	<b>3,381,180</b>	<b>3,247,231</b>
Noncurrent Liabilities:				
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Deposits Held In Custody For Others	139	139	17	16
Accrued Compensated Absences	418,417	396,140	374,742	351,420
Claims and Judgments Payable	341,245	342,573	362,444	366,988
Capital Lease Payable	190,232	183,637	166,159	140,227
Capital Lease Payable To Component Units	-	-	-	-
Derivative Instrument Liability	9,515	8,566	8,333	12,994
Notes, Bonds, and COPs Payable	5,750,219	5,672,452	5,509,485	5,552,613
Due to Component Units	1,661	1,743	1,755	1,758
Net Pension Liability	9,145,274	-	-	-
Other Postemployment Benefits	241,779	181,511	177,176	139,653
Other Long-Term Liabilities	507,330	447,722	456,090	466,843
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>16,605,811</b>	<b>7,234,483</b>	<b>7,056,201</b>	<b>7,032,512</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>21,045,149</b>	<b>11,089,157</b>	<b>10,437,381</b>	<b>10,279,743</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOW OF RESOURCES:</b>	<b>85,642</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net investment in Capital Assets:</b>	<b>15,072,637</b>	<b>13,778,909</b>	<b>13,678,490</b>	<b>13,493,843</b>
Restricted for:				
Construction and Highway Maintenance	936,535	1,080,201	1,145,997	1,176,269
Education	1,206,223	1,752,791	1,265,476	280,269
Unemployment Insurance	620,575	402,770	218,076	64,433
Debt Service	132,200	84,614	41,552	28,917
Emergencies	251,328	187,150	195,350	82,855
Permanent Funds and Endowments:				
Expendable	157,571	15,172	18,044	12,999
Nonexpendable	984,551	864,844	755,723	723,751
Other Purposes	715,335	414,990	981,732	970,473
Unrestricted	(4,782,333)	4,358,072	3,346,997	3,485,253
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 15,294,622</b>	<b>\$ 22,939,513</b>	<b>\$ 21,647,437</b>	<b>\$ 20,319,062</b>

TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 2,855,235	\$ 3,139,115	\$ 3,437,901	\$ 4,188,383	\$ 3,886,261	\$ 3,523,901
319,153	268,494	388,446	273,369	327,085	341,103
1,016,891	947,251	993,412	1,028,508	1,037,894	951,214
449,810	440,113	428,308	428,137	372,706	363,413
664,477	675,035	618,958	481,413	407,028	363,728
-	-	-	-	-	-
19,798	14,558	12,696	16,411	15,399	11,197
63,437	59,247	58,650	58,974	52,053	50,653
74,561	57,835	53,335	40,845	44,278	41,883
5,463,362	5,601,648	5,991,706	6,516,040	6,142,704	5,647,092
2,045,128	1,926,089	2,181,673	2,508,224	1,839,514	1,537,079
1,195,943	927,033	895,336	879,440	1,107,521	916,606
198,327	434,794	2,101,094	1,903,740	1,687,728	1,509,086
1,675,912	1,735,730	1,253,716	1,105,125	1,053,617	935,475
884,437	764,254	723,619	562,561	538,579	504,218
13,993,641	13,602,687	5,954,419	5,747,624	4,140,000	4,041,080
2,719,489	2,844,272	11,408,681	10,868,005	12,635,157	12,211,317
22,712,877	22,234,859	24,518,538	23,574,719	23,002,116	21,654,861
28,176,239	27,836,507	30,510,244	30,090,759	29,144,820	27,301,953
-	7,778	-	-	-	-
625,145	664,781	633,722	561,117	486,576	457,124
1,341,790	1,444,476	1,285,326	1,305,052	1,108,390	1,013,879
706	706	706	706	727	2,917
548,202	587,959	406,337	210,581	215,365	278,297
-	-	-	-	-	-
524	466	930	1,112	273	1,067
346,168	360,775	358,183	287,702	249,194	237,701
-	-	-	-	-	-
24,320	23,322	21,683	22,521	22,111	23,721
44,641	44,181	36,936	45,173	52,665	56,845
17,822	18,056	14,509	11,978	7,757	6,312
224,271	742,774	722,522	649,717	520,248	609,506
-	-	-	-	-	-
155,232	146,664	250,947	220,336	136,189	104,532
3,328,821	4,034,160	3,731,801	3,315,995	2,799,495	2,791,901
14	13	16	16	17	17
342,760	334,519	326,095	295,162	269,582	249,697
375,376	376,855	385,912	364,118	324,094	391,848
138,182	162,448	166,792	137,142	91,320	71,894
-	-	4,285	4,285	-	-
6,182	7,778	-	-	-	-
4,738,849	4,237,951	5,064,519	4,741,204	4,491,435	3,992,424
2,374	2,501	723	1,233	-	-
105,876	47,259	31,689	15,775	-	-
478,008	439,049	441,095	258,549	261,069	263,507
6,187,621	5,608,373	6,421,126	5,817,484	5,437,517	4,969,387
9,516,442	9,642,533	10,152,927	9,133,479	8,237,012	7,761,288
2,006	-	-	-	-	-
12,826,472	12,973,424	14,296,331	13,760,657	14,061,837	13,919,131
1,160,789	1,198,849	1,220,524	1,350,485	1,196,903	824,698
485,171	194,586	338,365	353,149	225,818	153,043
-	-	392,984	765,533	675,574	548,780
16,880	10,193	112,336	180,967	126,214	105,928
97,768	110,257	114,832	126,716	123,232	109,683
13,953	17,955	15,523	11,925	7,095	6,399
715,758	714,886	694,039	662,212	613,818	543,171
972,374	769,716	779,924	723,024	710,889	563,306
2,368,626	2,211,886	2,392,459	3,022,612	3,166,428	2,766,526
\$ 18,657,791	\$ 18,201,752	\$ 20,357,317	\$ 20,957,280	\$ 20,907,808	\$ 19,540,665

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Functions/Programs	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
<b>PROGRAM REVENUES:</b>				
Charges for Services:				
Licenses and Permits	\$ 501,319	\$ 472,215	\$ 447,232	\$ 442,793
Service Fees	879,139	901,839	965,614	901,950
Education - Tuition, Fees, and Sales	-	-	-	-
Fines and Forfeits	201,021	181,098	248,520	187,344
Rents and Royalties	199,067	182,893	133,901	147,946
Sales of Products	3,390	2,141	2,851	1,626
Unemployment Surcharge	29,381	28,635	25,724	19,307
Other	131,151	144,949	127,083	84,828
Operating Grants and Contributions	7,726,668	6,782,914	5,860,052	5,884,031
Capital Grants and Contributions	817,469	728,544	700,548	600,300
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM REVENUES</b>	<b>10,488,605</b>	<b>9,425,228</b>	<b>8,511,525</b>	<b>8,270,125</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
General Government	449,261	447,359	555,507	224,382
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	711,558	641,182	584,300	600,068
Education	5,687,573	5,472,563	5,187,481	5,205,123
Health and Rehabilitation	822,556	720,997	697,795	703,684
Justice	2,075,534	1,840,989	1,655,057	1,555,294
Natural Resources	120,374	92,383	77,934	93,900
Social Assistance	9,627,104	8,089,560	7,174,711	6,746,574
Transportation	1,896,904	1,872,441	1,769,013	1,777,488
Payments to School Districts	-	-	-	-
Payments to Other Governments	-	-	-	-
Interest on Debt	59,078	53,094	16,284	40,935
Higher Education	-	-	-	-
Unemployment Insurance	-	-	-	-
CollegeInvest <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-	-
Lottery	-	-	-	-
Wildlife	-	-	-	-
College Assist	-	-	-	-
Other Business-Type Activities	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>21,449,942</b>	<b>19,230,568</b>	<b>17,718,082</b>	<b>16,947,448</b>
<b>NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE</b>	<b>(10,961,337)</b>	<b>(9,805,340)</b>	<b>(9,206,557)</b>	<b>(8,677,323)</b>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>				
Sales and Use Taxes	2,762,222	2,754,977	2,498,006	2,333,644
Excise Taxes	267,858	236,761	240,895	244,624
Individual Income Tax	5,847,141	5,285,634	5,154,624	4,653,105
Corporate Income Tax	613,316	600,002	606,883	434,885
Other Taxes	673,275	617,612	453,305	519,870
Restricted Taxes	1,186,515	1,052,692	1,039,105	965,784
Unrestricted Investment Earnings (Losses)	11,992	17,312	16,842	15,015
Other General Revenues	96,613	112,958	97,402	96,213
Special and/or Extraordinary Items (See Note 35)	-	-	-	-
(Transfers-Out) / Transfers-In	(256,738)	(172,442)	(128,535)	(135,407)
Internal Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-
Permanent Fund Additions	401	397	741	595
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>	<b>11,202,595</b>	<b>10,505,903</b>	<b>9,979,268</b>	<b>9,128,328</b>
<b>TOTAL CHANGES IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>241,258</b>	<b>700,563</b>	<b>772,711</b>	<b>451,005</b>
<b>NET POSITION - BEGINNING</b>	<b>15,649,715</b>	<b>14,958,731</b>	<b>14,179,064</b>	<b>13,393,108</b>
Prior Period Adjustment	(6,626)	1,718	6,956	334,951
Accounting Changes	(5,087,553)	(11,297)	-	-
<b>NET POSITION - ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 10,796,794</b>	<b>\$ 15,649,715</b>	<b>\$ 14,958,731</b>	<b>\$ 14,179,064</b>

<sup>1</sup> – In Fiscal Year 2005-06, the State began to report Payments to School Districts and Other Governments in the functional area that made the payment.

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	RESTATED 2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 454,633	\$ 419,866	\$ 386,311	\$ 374,521	\$ 352,819	\$ 339,779
735,820	589,795	184,327	132,822	129,980	123,392
-	-	53	-	-	-
200,432	218,892	203,259	155,692	126,612	121,859
128,588	79,518	85,811	78,889	68,270	68,920
4,974	3,854	5,040	4,592	3,703	3,100
18,611	19,329	19,369	21,512	22,346	22,399
89,509	67,460	61,168	57,622	64,964	79,810
6,218,836	5,885,657	5,065,429	4,222,670	4,122,360	3,909,382
659,288	607,383	485,711	439,693	414,602	447,283
8,510,691	7,891,754	6,496,478	5,488,013	5,305,656	5,115,924
192,579	189,865	308,410	217,939	163,412	164,276
667,929	662,854	705,037	667,381	565,769	449,411
5,432,143	5,096,032	5,208,705	5,017,551	4,771,218	4,394,236
696,539	659,187	644,699	603,296	560,153	524,736
1,538,363	1,527,857	1,543,310	1,436,009	1,313,767	1,197,334
149,878	144,445	137,159	131,658	138,457	112,753
6,397,426	6,091,958	5,220,295	4,660,287	4,496,696	4,348,466
1,974,009	2,105,688	1,376,215	1,459,295	1,213,138	1,205,556
-	-	-	-	-	-
32,487	33,203	20,393	37,567	42,269	31,969
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
17,081,353	16,511,089	15,164,223	14,230,983	13,264,879	12,428,737
(8,570,662)	(8,619,335)	(8,667,745)	(8,742,970)	(7,959,223)	(7,312,813)
2,280,693	1,987,576	2,093,113	2,357,807	2,244,000	2,148,981
236,945	244,344	251,209	257,908	261,711	266,747
4,151,119	3,770,597	4,024,105	4,591,481	4,508,845	4,044,581
441,778	360,852	322,683	461,390	470,853	422,656
466,408	376,388	655,478	510,442	484,408	568,184
928,260	873,287	880,625	986,274	946,757	922,872
6,523	10,215	22,591	42,478	43,638	35,372
91,608	112,138	119,748	113,603	84,328	84,335
-	-	(5,616)	(6,843)	(25,915)	(13,534)
(110,266)	(94,993)	(114,685)	(77,732)	(98,926)	(80,894)
-	-	-	-	-	-
460	357	-	-	-	-
8,493,528	7,640,761	8,249,251	9,236,808	8,919,699	8,399,300
(77,134)	(978,574)	(418,494)	493,838	960,476	1,086,487
13,455,272	15,477,205	15,830,190	16,036,990	15,083,865	14,126,295
14,970	(594,624)	(118,647)	(393,912)	(7,351)	(128,917)
-	(448,735)	184,156	(306,726)	-	-
\$ 13,393,108	\$ 13,455,272	\$ 15,477,205	\$ 15,830,190	\$ 16,036,990	\$ 15,083,865

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Functions/Programs	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
<b>PROGRAM REVENUES:</b>				
Charges for Services:				
Licenses and Permits	\$ 157,971	\$ 141,770	\$ 133,315	\$ 131,496
Service Fees	1,145,897	1,068,966	958,451	865,326
Education - Tuition, Fees, and Sales	2,881,240	2,672,136	2,512,026	2,406,696
Fines and Forfeits	3,968	15,470	12,860	9,561
Rents and Royalties	41,944	39,675	47,881	65,236
Sales of Products	605,101	607,744	636,115	624,407
Unemployment Surcharge	698,609	736,985	725,854	828,530
Other	155,707	154,424	159,162	152,448
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,281,931	2,569,038	2,730,519	3,165,718
Capital Grants and Contributions	78,304	56,899	96,655	132,067
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM REVENUES</b>	<b>8,050,672</b>	<b>8,063,107</b>	<b>8,012,838</b>	<b>8,381,485</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
General Government	-	-	-	-
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	-	-	-	-
Education	-	-	-	-
Health and Rehabilitation	-	-	-	-
Justice	-	-	-	-
Natural Resources	-	-	-	-
Social Assistance	-	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-
Payments to School Districts	-	-	-	-
Payments to Other Governments	-	-	-	-
Interest on Debt	-	-	-	-
Higher Education	6,004,484	5,618,507	5,258,665	5,068,481
Unemployment Insurance	530,130	756,484	1,055,148	1,571,321
CollegeInvest <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-	-
Lottery	474,578	477,434	501,010	495,847
Wildlife <sup>4</sup>	191,426	170,898	177,497	160,933
College Assist	338,631	341,684	407,229	403,023
Other Business-Type Activities	217,838	209,871	187,265	196,542
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>7,757,087</b>	<b>7,574,878</b>	<b>7,586,814</b>	<b>7,896,147</b>
<b>NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE</b>	<b>293,585</b>	<b>488,229</b>	<b>426,024</b>	<b>485,338</b>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>				
Sales and Use Taxes	-	-	-	-
Excise Taxes	-	-	-	-
Individual Income Tax	-	-	-	-
Corporate Income Tax	-	-	-	-
Other Taxes	7	-	-	-
Restricted Taxes	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted Investment Earnings (Losses)	-	-	-	-
Other General Revenues	-	-	-	-
Special and/or Extraordinary Items (See Note 35)	-	(22,186)	-	-
(Transfers-Out) / Transfers-In	256,738	172,442	128,535	135,407
Internal Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-
Permanent Fund Additions	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>	<b>256,745</b>	<b>150,256</b>	<b>128,535</b>	<b>135,407</b>
<b>TOTAL CHANGES IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>550,330</b>	<b>638,485</b>	<b>554,559</b>	<b>620,745</b>
<b>NET POSITION - BEGINNING</b>	<b>7,289,798</b>	<b>6,688,706</b>	<b>6,139,998</b>	<b>5,264,683</b>
Prior Period Adjustment	-	(6,922)	(5,851)	254,570
Accounting Changes	(3,342,300)	(30,471)	-	-
<b>NET POSITION - ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 4,497,828</b>	<b>\$ 7,289,798</b>	<b>\$ 6,688,706</b>	<b>\$ 6,139,998</b>

<sup>1</sup> – In Fiscal Year 2005-06, the State changed the funding method for Higher Education Institutions and amounts previously reported as transfers are now reported as service fees and tuition.

<sup>2</sup> – In Fiscal Year 2005-06, the State segregated the Wildlife and College Assist enterprise funds out of the Other Business-Type Activities line.

**BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES**

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 120,910	\$ 106,946	\$ 119,611	\$ 84,395	\$ 84,302	\$ 75,388
874,990	607,485	681,807	667,504	575,555	536,261
2,243,375	1,999,358	1,957,505	1,867,806	1,734,996	1,622,045
1,945	2,836	1,118	999	1,174	729
29,507	24,648	29,908	32,399	26,271	28,765
592,794	590,758	560,364	579,935	520,838	522,715
791,317	491,716	363,241	398,046	403,641	504,039
153,321	167,930	173,354	165,804	140,376	162,045
3,689,492	3,957,310	2,214,186	1,728,669	1,685,417	1,466,045
25,432	24,619	20,220	9,426	22,263	16,856
8,523,083	7,973,606	6,121,314	5,534,983	5,194,833	4,934,888
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
4,755,385	4,451,541	4,153,282	3,865,244	3,661,270	3,446,716
2,141,728	2,496,188	1,138,621	354,967	316,577	305,447
-	68,650	78,647	116,286	96,720	73,745
470,480	456,352	435,156	447,101	401,969	402,391
108,425	105,037	112,369	109,800	96,515	91,221
402,648	410,027	399,576	326,080	199,677	115,200
191,123	170,410	171,635	173,928	163,727	138,773
8,069,789	8,158,205	6,489,286	5,393,406	4,936,455	4,573,493
453,294	(184,599)	(367,972)	141,577	258,378	361,395
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	36,963	39,446	34,728
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
1,493	(79,575)	-	-	-	(707)
110,266	94,993	114,685	77,732	98,926	80,894
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
111,759	15,418	114,685	114,695	138,372	114,915
565,053	(169,181)	(253,287)	256,272	396,750	476,310
4,746,480	4,880,112	5,127,090	4,870,818	4,456,800	3,977,171
(46,850)	35,549	6,309	-	17,267	3,319
-	-	-	-	-	-
\$ 5,264,683	\$ 4,746,480	\$ 4,880,112	\$ 5,127,090	\$ 4,870,817	\$ 4,456,800

<sup>3</sup> – Due to the disposition of the CollegeInvest loan portfolio and related variable debt, CollegeInvest was removed as a major fund in Fiscal Year 2010-11 and is subsequently reported as part of the Other Business-Type Activities.

<sup>4</sup> – Parks and Wildlife after Fiscal Year 2010-11.

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Functions/Programs	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
<b>PROGRAM REVENUES:</b>				
Charges for Services:				
Licenses and Permits	\$ 659,290	\$ 613,985	\$ 580,547	\$ 574,289
Service Fees	2,025,036	1,970,805	1,924,065	1,767,276
Education - Tuition, Fees, and Sales	2,881,240	2,672,136	2,512,026	2,406,696
Fines and Forfeits	204,989	196,568	261,380	196,905
Rents and Royalties	241,011	222,568	181,782	213,182
Sales of Products	608,491	609,885	638,966	626,033
Unemployment Surcharge	727,990	765,620	751,578	847,837
Other	286,858	299,373	286,245	237,276
Operating Grants and Contributions	10,008,599	9,351,952	8,590,571	9,049,749
Capital Grants and Contributions	895,773	785,443	797,203	732,367
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM REVENUES</b>	<b>18,539,277</b>	<b>17,488,335</b>	<b>16,524,363</b>	<b>16,651,610</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>				
General Government	449,261	447,359	555,507	224,382
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	711,558	641,182	584,300	600,068
Education	5,687,573	5,472,563	5,187,481	5,205,123
Health and Rehabilitation	822,556	720,997	697,795	703,684
Justice	2,075,534	1,840,989	1,655,057	1,555,294
Natural Resources	120,374	92,383	77,934	93,900
Social Assistance	9,627,104	8,089,560	7,174,711	6,746,574
Transportation	1,896,904	1,872,441	1,769,013	1,777,488
Payments to School Districts				
Payments to Other Governments				
Interest on Debt	59,078	53,094	16,284	40,935
Higher Education	6,004,484	5,618,507	5,258,665	5,068,481
Unemployment Insurance	530,130	756,484	1,055,148	1,571,321
CollegeInvest <sup>3</sup>	-	-	-	-
Lottery	474,578	477,434	501,010	495,847
Wildlife	191,426	170,898	177,497	160,933
College Assist	338,631	341,684	407,229	403,023
Other Business-Type Activities	217,838	209,871	187,265	196,542
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>29,207,029</b>	<b>26,805,446</b>	<b>25,304,896</b>	<b>24,843,595</b>
<b>NET (EXPENSE) REVENUE</b>	<b>(10,667,752)</b>	<b>(9,317,111)</b>	<b>(8,780,533)</b>	<b>(8,191,985)</b>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>				
Sales and Use Taxes	2,762,222	2,754,977	2,498,006	2,333,644
Excise Taxes	267,858	236,761	240,895	244,624
Individual Income Tax	5,847,141	5,285,634	5,154,624	4,653,105
Corporate Income Tax	613,316	600,002	606,883	434,885
Other Taxes	673,282	617,612	453,305	519,870
Restricted Taxes	1,186,515	1,052,692	1,039,105	965,784
Unrestricted Investment Earnings (Losses)	11,992	17,312	16,842	15,015
Other General Revenues	96,613	112,958	97,402	96,213
Special and/or Extraordinary Items (See Note 35)	-	(22,186)	-	-
(Transfers-Out) / Transfers-In	-	-	-	-
Internal Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-
Permanent Fund Additions	401	397	741	595
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET POSITION:</b>	<b>11,459,340</b>	<b>10,656,159</b>	<b>10,107,803</b>	<b>9,263,735</b>
<b>TOTAL CHANGES IN NET POSITION</b>	<b>791,588</b>	<b>1,339,048</b>	<b>1,327,270</b>	<b>1,071,750</b>
<b>NET POSITION - BEGINNING</b>	<b>22,939,513</b>	<b>21,647,437</b>	<b>20,319,062</b>	<b>18,657,791</b>
Prior Period Adjustment	(6,626)	(5,204)	1,105	589,521
Accounting Changes	(8,429,853)	(41,768)	-	-
<b>NET POSITION - ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 15,294,622</b>	<b>\$ 22,939,513</b>	<b>\$ 21,647,437</b>	<b>\$ 20,319,062</b>



TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	RESTATED 2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 575,543	\$ 526,812	\$ 505,922	\$ 458,916	\$ 437,121	\$ 415,167
1,610,810	1,197,280	866,134	800,326	705,535	659,653
2,243,375	1,999,358	1,957,558	1,867,806	1,734,997	1,622,045
202,377	221,728	204,377	156,691	127,786	122,588
158,095	104,166	115,719	111,288	94,541	97,685
597,768	594,612	565,404	584,527	524,541	525,815
809,928	511,045	382,610	419,558	425,987	526,438
242,830	235,390	234,522	223,426	205,340	241,855
9,908,328	9,842,967	7,279,615	5,951,339	5,807,777	5,375,427
684,720	632,002	505,931	449,119	436,865	464,139
17,033,774	15,865,360	12,617,792	11,022,996	10,500,490	10,050,812
192,579	189,865	308,410	217,939	163,412	164,276
667,929	662,854	705,037	667,381	565,769	449,411
5,432,143	5,096,032	5,208,705	5,017,551	4,771,218	4,394,236
696,539	659,187	644,699	603,296	560,153	524,736
1,538,363	1,527,857	1,543,310	1,436,009	1,313,767	1,197,334
149,878	144,445	137,159	131,658	138,457	112,753
6,397,426	6,091,958	5,220,295	4,660,287	4,496,696	4,348,466
1,974,009	2,105,688	1,376,215	1,459,295	1,213,138	1,205,556
32,487	33,203	20,393	37,567	42,269	31,969
4,755,385	4,451,541	4,153,282	3,865,244	3,661,270	3,446,716
2,141,728	2,496,188	1,138,621	354,967	316,577	305,447
-	68,650	78,647	116,286	96,720	73,745
470,480	456,352	435,156	447,101	401,969	402,391
108,425	105,037	112,369	109,800	96,515	91,221
402,648	410,027	399,576	326,080	199,677	115,200
191,123	170,410	171,635	173,928	163,727	138,773
25,151,142	24,669,294	21,653,509	19,624,389	18,201,334	17,002,230
(8,117,368)	(8,803,934)	(9,035,717)	(8,601,393)	(7,700,844)	(6,951,418)
2,280,693	1,987,576	2,093,113	2,357,807	2,244,000	2,148,981
236,945	244,344	251,209	257,908	261,711	266,747
4,151,119	3,770,597	4,024,105	4,591,481	4,508,845	4,044,581
441,778	360,852	322,683	461,390	470,853	422,656
466,408	376,388	655,478	547,405	523,854	602,912
928,260	873,287	880,625	986,274	946,757	922,872
6,523	10,215	22,591	42,478	43,638	35,372
91,608	112,138	119,748	113,603	84,328	84,335
1,493	(79,575)	(5,616)	(6,843)	(25,915)	(14,241)
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
460	357	-	-	-	-
8,605,287	7,656,179	8,363,936	9,351,503	9,058,071	8,514,215
487,919	(1,147,755)	(671,781)	750,110	1,357,227	1,562,797
18,201,752	20,357,317	20,957,280	20,907,808	19,540,665	18,103,466
(31,880)	(559,075)	(112,338)	(393,912)	9,916	(125,598)
-	(448,735)	184,156	(306,726)	-	-
\$ 18,657,791	\$ 18,201,752	\$ 20,357,317	\$ 20,957,280	\$ 20,907,808	\$ 19,540,665

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	RESTATED 2011-12
REVENUES:				
Taxes	\$ 11,205	\$ 10,596	\$ 10,018	\$ 9,182
Less: Excess TABOR Revenues	170	-	-	-
Licenses, Permits, and Fines	801	758	789	724
Charges for Goods and Services	885	905	970	892
Rents (reported in 'Other' prior to FY05)	199	183	134	148
Investment Income	99	115	19	120
Federal Grants and Contracts	8,283	7,183	6,428	6,223
Unclaimed Property Receipts	61	53	37	43
Other	329	365	263	254
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>22,032</b>	<b>20,158</b>	<b>18,658</b>	<b>17,586</b>
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
General Government	305	331	325	359
Business, Community and Consumer Affairs	469	395	375	363
Education	785	730	674	661
Health and Rehabilitation	699	658	641	626
Justice	1,648	1,605	1,422	1,322
Natural Resources	103	107	99	90
Social Assistance	8,627	7,416	6,488	6,065
Transportation	1,282	1,203	1,065	982
Capital Outlay	325	298	299	459
Intergovernmental:				
Cities	421	412	297	287
Counties	1,627	1,573	1,504	1,371
School Districts	4,909	4,475	4,235	4,199
Other	205	202	323	177
Deferred Compensation Distributions	-	-	-	-
Debt Service <sup>1</sup>	270	261	247	236
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>21,675</b>	<b>19,666</b>	<b>17,994</b>	<b>17,197</b>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	357	492	664	389
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers-In	4,535	5,405	5,750	4,622
Transfers-Out:				
Higher Education	(181)	(143)	(135)	(133)
Other	(4,607)	(5,390)	(5,728)	(4,612)
Face Amount of Debt Issued	-	97	196	156
Bond Premium/Discount	-	6	9	13
Capital Lease Debt Issuance	-	25	1	17
Sale of Capital Assets	3	27	31	14
Insurance Recoveries	13	2	1	6
Debt Refunding Issuance	-	112	31	126
Debt Refunding Premium Proceeds	-	-	-	19
Debt Refunding Payments	-	-	(31)	(144)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(237)</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>84</b>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	120	633	789	473
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	6,734	6,100	5,293	4,842
Prior Period Adjustments	(7)	-	18	(22)
Accounting Changes	-	1	-	-
<b>FUND BALANCE - ENDING</b>	<b>\$ 6,847</b>	<b>\$ 6,734</b>	<b>\$ 6,100</b>	<b>\$ 5,293</b>

<sup>1</sup> – See additional debt service information including principal and interest components and a ratio of total debt service expenditures to total noncapital expenditures on page 268.

<sup>2</sup> – In Fiscal Years 2008-09 and 2009-10, Unclaimed Property activity was partially converted from a Private Purpose Trust Fund to a Special Revenue Fund and therefore is not included in this schedule prior to the conversion.

<sup>3</sup> – Beginning in Fiscal Year 2010-11 the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) expenditures are reported in the Social Assistance line. In previous years it was reported as Intergovernmental payments in the Counties line.

	RESTATED 2010-11 <sup>3</sup>	RESTATED 2009-10	2008-09 <sup>2</sup>	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$	8,430	\$ 7,640	\$ 8,231	\$ 9,203	\$ 8,936	\$ 8,396
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	745	734	701	643	575	541
	730	552	150	104	99	99
	129	80	86	79	68	69
	97	199	258	316	272	117
	6,917	7,023	5,480	4,308	4,073	4,054
	40	42	58	-	-	-
	221	192	195	179	320	341
	17,309	16,462	15,159	14,832	14,343	13,617
	560	775	511	123	251	256
	388	369	332	311	303	274
	778	855	879	802	713	673
	592	583	608	561	530	486
	1,314	1,315	1,285	1,195	1,088	998
	132	126	121	112	107	97
	5,655	4,454	3,836	3,669	3,400	3,263
	1,064	1,017	1,074	1,055	950	962
	329	240	308	243	124	82
	300	281	294	289	239	251
	1,478	2,253	2,043	1,799	1,721	1,616
	4,303	4,364	4,143	3,814	3,719	3,455
	185	219	185	258	242	197
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	208	194	189	208	213	204
	17,286	17,045	15,808	14,439	13,600	12,814
	23	(583)	(649)	393	743	803
	4,776	5,333	5,179	4,298	4,202	3,645
	(135)	(125)	(135)	(131)	(120)	(128)
	(4,731)	(5,264)	(5,148)	(4,237)	(4,137)	(3,580)
	218	559	-	-	-	-
	-	8	-	-	-	-
	17	-	11	18	4	132
	-	-	-	1	-	4
	2	4	2	2	1	1
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
	147	515	(91)	(49)	(50)	74
	170	(68)	(740)	344	693	877
	4,085	4,785	5,312	5,012	4,319	3,441
	(4)	(41)	(1)	(44)	-	1
	591	-	214	-	-	-
\$	4,842	\$ 4,676	\$ 4,785	\$ 5,312	\$ 5,012	\$ 4,319

**GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE (AFTER TABOR REFUNDS)**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**IN DOLLARS AND AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
Income Tax:				
Individual	\$ 5,888	\$ 5,273	\$ 5,149	\$ 4,633
Corporate	635	665	597	457
Net Income Tax	6,523	5,938	5,746	5,090
Sales, Use, and Excise Taxes	2,990	2,763	2,549	2,387
Less: Excess TABOR Revenues	(170)	-	-	-
Net Sales, Use, and Excise Taxes	2,820	2,763	2,549	2,387
Estate Taxes	-	-	-	-
Insurance Tax	257	239	210	197
Gaming and Other Taxes	14	12	12	20
Investment Income	9	15	17	14
Medicaid Provider Revenues	-	-	-	-
Other	19	25	21	26
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 9,642</b>	<b>\$ 8,992</b>	<b>\$ 8,555</b>	<b>\$ 7,734</b>
Percent Change From Previous Year	7.2%	5.1%	10.6%	9.1%

(AS PERCENT OF TOTAL EXCLUDING TABOR REFUND)

Net Income Tax	66.5%	66.0%	67.2%	65.8%
Sales, Use, and Excise Taxes	30.5	30.7	29.8	30.9
Estate Taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Insurance Tax	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.5
Other Taxes	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Interest	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Medicaid Provider Revenues	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 4,154	\$ 3,777	\$ 4,021	\$ 4,600	\$ 4,510	\$ 4,044
366	350	265	474	464	422
4,520	4,127	4,286	5,074	4,974	4,466
2,323	2,072	1,982	2,173	2,076	1,995
-	-	-	-	-	-
2,323	2,072	1,982	2,173	2,076	1,995
-	-	-	-	1	7
190	187	192	188	179	175
20	16	-	-	7	18
8	10	9	18	28	33
-	-	-	-	-	-
25	44	56	52	48	52
\$ 7,086	\$ 6,456	\$ 6,525	\$ 7,505	\$ 7,313	\$ 6,746
9.8%	-1.1%	-13.1%	2.6%	8.4%	9.5%
63.8%	63.9%	65.7%	67.6%	68.0%	66.2%
32.7	32.1	30.4	29.0	28.4	29.5
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
2.7	2.9	2.9	2.5	2.4	2.6
0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5
0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
0.4	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.8
100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENT<sup>1</sup> AND TRANSFERS  
FUNDED BY GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUES  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
Department: <sup>1</sup>				
Agriculture	\$ 8,633	\$ 7,697	\$ 6,975	\$ 5,152
Corrections	717,579	675,706	652,394	647,313
Education	3,357,324	3,153,609	3,014,681	2,833,433
Governor	30,267	22,819	18,555	9,699
Health Care Policy and Financing	2,274,875	2,100,771	1,829,776	1,685,679
Higher Education	761,306	658,901	628,565	623,963
Human Services	877,162	812,603	753,225	703,676
Judicial Branch	441,700	386,870	354,119	337,039
Labor and Employment	660	50	-	-
Law	13,457	12,127	10,355	9,341
Legislative Branch	41,132	38,712	35,957	34,672
Local Affairs	22,244	17,540	10,976	10,448
Military and Veterans Affairs	7,792	7,094	6,576	5,355
Natural Resources	26,216	25,141	23,620	23,400
Personnel & Administration	7,601	31,407	6,588	3,935
Public Health and Environment	59,383	53,588	31,199	27,742
Public Safety	126,747	165,240	85,595	81,993
Regulatory Agencies	6,007	1,730	1,674	1,597
Revenue	97,249	73,626	55,078	55,596
State	-	-	-	-
Treasury	5,684	108,870	27,650	4,914
Transfer to Capital Construction Fund	248,502	186,715	61,411	49,298
Transfer to Various Cash Funds	67,555	260,272	1,086,051	72,000
Transfer to the Highway Users Tax Fund	-	-	-	-
Other Transfers and Nonoperating Disbursements	127,795	126,263	262,406	25,479
	<u>\$ 9,326,870</u>	<u>\$8,927,351</u>	<u>\$ 8,963,426</u>	<u>\$ 7,251,724</u>
TOTALS				
Percent Change	4.5%	-0.4%	23.6%	0.3%
(AS PERCENT OF TOTAL)				
Education	36.0%	35.3%	33.6%	39.1%
Health Care Policy and Financing	24.4	23.5	20.4	23.2
Higher Education	8.2	7.4	7.0	8.6
Human Services	9.4	9.1	8.4	9.7
Corrections	7.7	7.6	7.3	8.9
Transfer to Capital Construction Fund	2.7	2.1	0.7	0.7
Transfer to Various Cash Funds	0.7	2.9	12.1	1.0
Transfers to the Highway Users Tax Fund	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Judicial	4.7	4.3	4.0	4.6
Revenue	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.8
All Others	5.2	7.0	5.9	3.4
TOTALS	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

<sup>1</sup> – Expenditures in this schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis (GAAP basis) rather than the budgetary basis, which defers certain payroll, Medicaid costs and related revenues, and other statutorily defined expenditures to the following fiscal year. Certain expenditures are shown in the department that makes the external payment rather than being shown in the department that receives the original general-funded appropriation.

RESTATED 2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 4,658	\$ 5,915	\$ 6,809	\$ 7,124	\$ 5,197	\$ 4,038
657,559	563,570	637,292	626,246	577,482	534,233
2,962,954	3,238,879	3,214,951	3,023,255	2,882,876	2,718,667
11,600	13,781	13,342	17,346	11,991	15,862
1,267,889	1,152,245	1,311,702	1,482,803	1,369,321	1,362,893
705,085	428,784	661,974	747,717	693,999	636,341
710,966	751,149	776,394	749,974	718,366	590,071
325,173	323,146	328,056	300,674	265,161	237,673
-	-	-	-	108	-
9,313	9,133	8,705	8,474	8,975	7,143
31,736	32,504	34,944	31,139	29,880	27,633
10,579	10,854	12,276	10,895	9,973	8,500
4,969	5,263	5,637	5,407	5,050	4,324
26,233	25,515	30,558	30,086	28,550	22,806
4,823	5,139	5,337	10,934	9,385	8,181
27,165	26,548	26,634	23,596	23,081	20,586
80,239	79,459	78,874	72,806	67,169	58,785
1,529	1,429	1,451	1,400	1,273	1,390
52,540	54,187	67,092	73,593	65,398	57,928
-	-	-	-	-	-
4,140	7,784	10,643	13,902	12,403	18,443
11,985	169	39,396	183,443	291,467	104,841
296,872	8,000	10,281	327	3,748	67,100
-	-	28,965	166,182	291,179	65,345
19,422	20,555	102,966	137,747	130,598	49,190
\$ 7,227,429	\$ 6,764,008	\$ 7,414,279	\$ 7,725,070	\$ 7,502,630	\$ 6,621,973
6.9%	-8.8%	-4.0%	3.0%	13.3%	6.8%
41.0%	47.9%	43.4%	39.1%	38.4%	41.1%
17.5	17.0	17.7	19.2	18.3	20.6
9.8	6.3	8.9	9.7	9.3	9.6
9.8	11.1	10.5	9.7	9.6	8.9
9.1	8.3	8.6	8.1	7.7	8.1
0.2	0.0	0.5	2.4	3.9	1.6
4.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.0
0.0	0.0	0.4	2.2	3.9	1.0
4.5	4.8	4.4	3.9	3.5	3.6
0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9
3.3	3.7	4.6	4.7	4.5	3.6
100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**FUND BALANCE**  
**GENERAL FUND AND ALL OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
GENERAL PURPOSE:				
Reserved for:				
Encumbrances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Noncurrent Assets	-	-	-	-
Statutory Purposes	-	-	-	-
Risk Management	-	-	-	-
Unreserved Undesignated:				
General Fund	-	-	-	-
Unreserved:				
General Fund	-	-	-	-
Nonspendable:				
Inventories	8,894	8,721	9,931	6,942
Permanent Fund Principal	-	-	-	-
Prepays	40,971	38,535	22,654	24,175
Restricted	398,948	468,758	487,161	503,449
Committed	705,844	411,362	279,352	331,419
Assigned	20,731	7,651	7	20
Unassigned	-	-	-	359,421
TOTAL RESERVED	-	-	-	-
TOTAL UNRESERVED	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	1,175,388	935,027	799,105	1,225,426

ALL OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS:

Reserved for:				
Encumbrances	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Noncurrent Assets	-	-	-	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Statutory Purposes	-	-	-	-
Emergencies	-	-	-	-
Funds Reported as Restricted	-	-	-	-
Unreserved, Reported in:				
Special Revenue Funds	-	-	-	-
Capital Projects Funds	-	-	-	-
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	-	-	-	-
Nonmajor Permanent Funds	-	-	-	-
Unreserved:				
Designated for Unrealized Investment Gains:				
Reported in Major Funds	-	-	-	-
Reported in Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds	-	-	-	-
Reported in Nonmajor Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-
Reported in Nonmajor Permanent Funds	-	-	-	-
Nonspendable:				
Long-term Portion of Interfund Loans Receivable	-	-	-	-
Inventories	44,436	43,681	44,262	8,690
Permanent Fund Principal	971,676	868,383	760,160	737,239
Prepays	25,849	29,365	32,697	28,665
Restricted	1,942,973	2,546,717	2,783,009	1,673,490
Committed	2,686,468	2,310,902	1,680,986	1,619,397
Assigned	-	-	-	-
TOTAL RESERVED	-	-	-	-
TOTAL UNRESERVED	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	5,671,402	5,799,048	5,301,114	4,067,481
TOTAL RESERVED	-	-	-	-
TOTAL UNRESERVED	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 6,846,790	\$ 6,734,075	\$ 6,100,219	\$ 5,292,907

<sup>1</sup> – This amount results from a \$458.1 million year-end transfer into the General Fund from various cash funds to prevent a deficit fund balance.

<sup>2</sup> – The implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 in Fiscal Year 2010-11 resulted in a significant change in the State's fund balance classifications.



2010-11 <sup>2</sup>	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ -	\$ 5,721	\$ 2,195	\$ 16,487	\$ 11,912	\$ 12,233
-	-	1	7	13	91
-	-	148,212	151,721	267,020	251,704
-	23,031	18,650	35,559	38,593	32,851
-	(30,822)	155,436	-	95,779	295,882
-	17,854	10,939	3,639	-	-
8,742					
-					
33,009					
542,997					
39,458					
109					
(21,468)					
-	28,752	169,058	203,774	317,538	296,879
-	(12,968)	166,375	3,639	95,779	295,882
602,847	15,784	335,433	207,413	413,317	592,761
\$ -	\$ 1,052,572	\$ 1,043,396	\$ 966,477	\$ 821,112	\$ 814,811
-	584,828	515,062	425,830	385,248	342,341
-	4,093	558	558	558	580
-	325,463	40,921	109,322	130,000	137,530
-	94,000	93,550	93,000	85,760	79,800
-	1,151,448	1,445,739	1,902,755	1,669,326	1,233,272
-	57,148	53,498	54,676	72,870	872,212
-	(35,611)	54,687	134,470	199,126	(47,740)
-	1,302,178	1,117,248	1,391,483	1,233,276	291,488
-	10,586	8,500	2,326	1,782	1,642
-	34,487	30,327	13,385	-	-
-	40,778	23,719	8,751	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	38,541	22,875	1,571	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-
9,839					
658,883					
21,540					
1,988,088					
1,560,775					
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	3,212,404	3,179,226	3,497,942	3,092,004	2,608,334
-	1,448,107	1,310,454	1,606,662	1,507,014	1,117,602
4,239,125	4,660,511	4,449,680	5,104,604	4,599,018	3,725,936
-	3,241,156	3,308,284	3,701,716	3,409,542	2,905,213
-	1,435,139	1,476,829	1,610,301	1,602,873	1,413,484
\$ 4,841,972	\$ 4,676,295	\$ 4,785,113	\$ 5,312,017	\$ 5,012,335	\$ 4,318,697

**TABOR REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
FISCAL YEAR SPENDING LIMITATIONS,  
AND REFUNDS  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	Unaudited 2014-15	Restated 2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
DISTRICT REVENUES:				
Exempt District Revenues	\$ 16,925,877	\$ 16,833,308	\$ 16,446,833	\$ 15,017,772
Nonexempt District Revenues	12,530,772	11,683,130	11,107,341	10,273,184
TOTAL DISTRICT REVENUES	29,456,649	28,516,438	27,554,174	25,290,956
Percent Change In Nonexempt District Revenues	7.3%	5.3%	8.1%	9.0%
DISTRICT EXPENDITURES:				
Exempt District Expenditures	16,925,877	16,833,308	16,162,555	15,017,772
Nonexempt District Expenditures	12,245,876	11,008,327	10,548,250	9,791,616
TOTAL DISTRICT EXPENDITURES	29,171,753	27,841,635	26,710,805	24,809,388
Percent Change In Nonexempt District Expenditures	11.2%	1.4%	7.7%	4.9%
TOTAL DISTRICT RESERVE/FUND BALANCE INCREASE (DECREASE)	\$ 284,896	\$ 674,803	\$ 843,369	\$ 481,568
FISCAL YEAR SPENDING LIMIT				
Prior Fiscal Year Spending Limitation	\$ 9,566,586	\$ 9,247,466	\$ 8,799,754	\$ 8,654,192
Adjustments To Prior Year Limit <sup>2</sup>	(962)	(152)	(27,953)	(26,982)
ADJUSTED PRIOR YEAR FISCAL SPENDING LIMITATION	9,565,624	9,247,314	8,771,802	8,627,210
Allowable Growth Rate (Population Plus Inflation)	4.3%	3.3%	5.4%	2.0%
Current Fiscal Year Spending Limitation	9,976,946	9,552,475	9,245,479	8,799,754
Adjustments To Current Year Limit	-	14,111	1,987	-
ADJUSTED CURRENT YEAR FISCAL SPENDING LIMITATION	9,976,946	9,566,586	9,247,466	8,799,754
EXCESS STATE REVENUE CAP (ESRC) <sup>3</sup>	12,361,032	11,852,383	11,460,242	10,871,425
NONEXEMPT DISTRICT REVENUES	12,530,772	11,683,130	11,107,341	10,273,184
Amount Over(Under) Adjusted Fiscal Year Spending Limitation	2,553,826	2,116,544	1,859,875	1,473,430
Amount Over(Under) Excess State Revenue Cap	169,740	(169,253)	(352,901)	(598,242)
Correction Of Prior Years' Refunds	3,606	-	-	-
Voter Approved or Statutory Retention of Excess Revenue	-	-	-	-
FISCAL YEAR REFUND	\$ 173,346	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

<sup>1</sup> – The implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 in Fiscal Year 2001-02 resulted in a significant change in the State's fund structure that increased the amount of intra and interfund transfers. Because most of the transfers result in exempt revenues and expenditures, most of the change shows in the exempt categories.

<sup>2</sup> – Large adjustments to the prior year limit are primarily related to activities qualifying as TABOR enterprises, after which the activity's revenues and expenditures are no longer shown in the district amounts.

<sup>3</sup> – Beginning in Fiscal Year 2010-11, with the expiration of the Referendum C retention period, Fiscal Year Refunds are based on the Excess State Revenue Cap rather than the Fiscal Year Spending Limit.

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 15,532,632	\$ 16,056,039	\$ 14,496,192	\$ 12,126,729	\$ 11,759,914	\$ 10,899,936
9,424,764	8,567,941	9,102,354	9,998,559	9,641,867	9,161,391
24,957,396	24,623,980	23,598,546	22,125,288	21,401,781	20,061,327
10.0%	-5.9%	-9.0%	3.7%	5.2%	8.0%
15,532,632	16,056,039	14,496,192	12,126,729	11,759,914	10,899,936
9,330,892	8,638,571	10,168,409	9,533,890	8,847,334	8,029,686
24,863,524	24,694,610	24,664,601	21,660,619	20,607,248	18,929,622
8.0%	-15.0%	6.7%	7.8%	10.2%	-15.2%
\$ 93,872	\$ (70,630)	\$ (1,066,055)	\$ 464,670	\$ 794,533	\$ 1,131,705
\$ 8,567,941	\$ 9,102,354	\$ 8,829,131	\$ 8,333,827	\$ 8,045,256	\$ 8,314,374
(16,368)	(422,016)	(10,365)	(1,054)	(173)	(372,471)
8,551,573	8,680,338	8,818,766	8,332,773	8,045,083	7,941,903
1.2%	5.8%	4.1%	5.5%	3.5%	1.3%
8,654,192	9,183,797	9,180,336	8,791,075	8,326,662	8,045,148
-	-	23,505	38,056	7,165	109
8,654,192	9,183,797	9,203,841	8,829,131	8,333,827	8,045,257
10,684,856					
9,424,764	8,567,941	9,102,354	9,998,559	9,641,867	9,161,391
770,572	(615,856)	(101,488)	1,169,428	1,308,040	1,116,134
(1,260,092)					
-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1,169,428	1,308,040	1,116,134
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURNS<sup>1</sup>**  
**BY ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME CLASS**  
**2003 to 2012**

(NUMBER OF RETURNS, PERCENT OF NET INCOME TAX REVENUE)

	2012 <sup>2</sup>		2011		2010		2009	
	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax
ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME CLASS								
Negative Income	27,782	0.0%	29,544	0.0%	30,444	0.0%	33,536	0.0%
\$0 to \$5,000	71,367	0.0%	75,051	0.0%	75,736	0.0%	82,340	0.0%
\$5,001 to \$10,000	107,200	0.0%	110,088	0.0%	115,075	0.0%	119,531	0.0%
\$10,001 to \$15,000	134,062	0.2%	136,559	0.2%	140,054	0.2%	139,504	0.3%
\$15,001 to \$20,000	142,158	0.6%	144,355	0.6%	144,469	0.6%	143,006	0.7%
\$20,001 to \$25,000	135,486	0.8%	138,462	1.0%	141,184	1.1%	139,626	1.2%
\$25,001 to \$35,000	246,822	2.7%	247,916	3.0%	248,319	3.3%	245,832	3.7%
\$35,001 to \$50,000	282,264	5.5%	281,297	6.1%	278,127	6.5%	278,767	7.2%
\$50,001 to \$75,000	316,737	10.2%	314,902	11.3%	311,671	12.0%	311,321	13.3%
\$75,001 to \$100,000	213,250	10.6%	209,322	11.6%	204,879	12.2%	199,941	13.3%
\$100,000 and Over	410,924	69.1%	382,180	65.9%	354,393	63.7%	319,821	60.0%
TOTAL	2,088,052	100%	2,069,676	100%	2,044,351	100%	2,013,225	100%

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue

<sup>1</sup> – Returns and taxes generated by taxpayers claimed as dependents are excluded from this data.

<sup>2</sup> – Distribution analysis is done after the end of the late filing period and this is the most current data available from the Department of Revenue.

**SALES TAX RETURNS**  
**BY INDUSTRY CLASS**  
**2005 to 2014**

(NUMBER OF RETURNS, PERCENT OF NET SALES TAX REVENUE)

	2014		2013		2012		2011	
	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax
INDUSTRY CLASS								
Agriculture, Forestry, & Fisheries	6,300	0.1%	6,290	0.1%	6,112	0.1%	4,995	0.1%
Mining	13,770	2.9%	13,580	2.2%	13,670	2.0%	9,775	1.7%
Public Utilities	16,375	3.0%	17,096	3.1%	17,899	3.9%	14,073	3.9%
Construction Trades	55,275	1.5%	56,156	1.4%	56,937	1.2%	45,046	1.2%
Manufacturing	191,868	5.2%	196,833	5.1%	192,407	4.9%	152,038	4.7%
Wholesale Trade	150,726	5.9%	150,624	5.8%	148,072	5.6%	112,066	5.8%
Retail Trade	660,504	51.3%	682,237	51.7%	684,797	51.5%	542,876	51.4%
Transportation & Warehousing	6,355	0.3%	5,986	0.3%	5,876	0.2%	4,616	0.2%
Information Producers/Distributors	327,070	4.9%	326,062	5.2%	320,218	5.4%	264,926	5.6%
Finance & Insurance	71,241	0.7%	78,833	0.7%	76,887	0.8%	59,750	0.8%
Real Estate, Rental, & Leasing Services	157,759	3.5%	152,922	3.3%	151,893	3.2%	123,870	3.3%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	125,414	1.4%	134,195	1.5%	135,037	1.7%	106,421	1.8%
Bus. Admin., Support, Waste/Remediation Services	47,551	0.5%	47,193	0.5%	45,392	0.6%	35,700	0.6%
Educational Services	9,103	0.1%	10,344	0.2%	10,880	0.2%	8,674	0.2%
Health Care & Social Assistance Services	21,087	0.2%	21,545	0.2%	23,416	0.2%	19,084	0.2%
Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation Services	20,945	0.6%	23,024	0.6%	24,063	0.6%	21,477	0.6%
Hotel & Other Accommodation Services	28,390	3.8%	29,733	3.7%	30,484	3.7%	24,183	3.6%
Food & Drinking Services	150,446	11.8%	163,045	12.0%	168,673	11.9%	143,273	11.8%
Other Personal Services	110,531	2.1%	117,712	2.2%	118,080	2.2%	101,431	2.2%
Government Services	2,052	0.1%	2,169	0.1%	2,150	0.1%	2,731	0.2%
TOTAL	2,172,762	100%	2,235,579	100%	2,232,943	100%	1,797,005	100%

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue

2008		2007		2006		2005		2004		2003	
# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Income Tax
23,480	0.0%	24,376	0.0%	23,376	0.0%	23,916	0.0%	24,570	0.0%	24,632	0.0%
76,617	0.0%	81,028	0.0%	72,400	0.0%	76,547	0.0%	73,929	0.0%	74,854	0.0%
112,812	0.0%	109,819	0.0%	108,412	0.0%	112,703	0.0%	112,776	0.0%	114,615	0.1%
130,686	0.3%	125,816	0.2%	127,061	0.3%	128,661	0.3%	129,339	0.4%	132,540	0.5%
139,486	0.8%	134,806	0.6%	134,933	0.8%	134,643	0.8%	134,988	1.0%	137,195	1.1%
135,930	1.3%	131,969	0.6%	130,926	1.3%	130,647	1.4%	131,424	1.6%	133,960	1.8%
248,979	4.1%	243,919	3.3%	240,034	3.8%	236,285	4.1%	236,162	4.7%	239,657	5.3%
285,209	7.8%	278,843	6.3%	272,040	7.2%	267,939	7.6%	266,625	8.6%	268,253	9.6%
318,161	14.0%	313,367	11.4%	302,778	12.9%	295,028	13.6%	289,548	15.1%	286,609	16.5%
202,834	13.9%	200,847	11.4%	189,359	12.5%	179,635	13.0%	171,170	14.0%	163,572	14.7%
317,476	57.8%	330,337	65.7%	290,548	61.2%	256,424	59.2%	227,936	54.6%	202,886	50.4%
1,991,670	100.0%	1,975,127	100.0%	1,891,867	100.0%	1,842,428	100.0%	1,798,467	100.0%	1,778,773	100.0%

### COLORADO TAX RATES<sup>1</sup> 2006 to 2015

Income Tax Rate	Sales Tax Rate
4.63%	2.90%

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue

<sup>1</sup> – Tax rates can be lowered by the General Assembly, but cannot be raised without a vote of the people.  
Tax rates have remained unchanged since 2001, when Sales Tax was reduced from 3.0 percent to 2.9 percent.

2010		2009		2008		2007		2006	
# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax	# of Tax Returns	% of Sales Tax
3,787	0.1%	3,595	0.1%	3,653	0.1%	3,632	0.1%	3,808	0.1%
5,543	1.4%	5,324	1.9%	4,491	1.9%	4,104	1.7%	3,775	1.4%
10,177	3.6%	9,721	3.5%	9,517	3.9%	8,725	3.0%	7,904	3.1%
33,065	1.1%	31,811	1.3%	31,949	1.5%	30,929	1.5%	32,291	1.6%
96,062	4.2%	88,504	4.7%	84,393	4.8%	87,475	4.9%	85,822	4.8%
72,331	5.7%	72,914	6.6%	72,432	6.7%	74,498	6.7%	78,156	6.8%
385,914	51.8%	385,320	49.5%	395,100	49.9%	399,395	51.5%	409,029	52.2%
3,831	0.2%	3,916	0.3%	4,014	0.3%	4,733	0.3%	5,346	0.4%
167,660	6.3%	171,984	6.3%	174,348	5.9%	170,488	5.8%	163,953	5.8%
35,443	1.4%	35,103	1.4%	33,499	1.5%	34,308	1.2%	37,478	1.0%
84,376	3.4%	82,509	3.7%	79,541	3.8%	71,969	3.8%	72,110	3.7%
64,231	1.5%	64,002	1.6%	65,592	1.6%	66,352	1.8%	71,590	1.8%
24,102	0.6%	24,615	0.7%	23,401	0.7%	23,014	0.7%	23,497	0.6%
5,914	0.2%	6,068	0.2%	6,526	0.2%	5,566	0.2%	5,136	0.2%
16,018	0.2%	15,572	0.2%	13,013	0.2%	12,233	0.2%	12,290	0.2%
17,230	0.6%	17,301	0.6%	17,391	0.6%	17,196	0.6%	16,957	0.6%
21,282	3.5%	21,153	3.6%	21,221	3.6%	20,995	3.5%	20,717	3.3%
130,911	11.8%	129,780	11.4%	129,123	10.5%	125,682	10.2%	121,234	10.0%
86,316	2.2%	86,861	2.3%	86,647	2.2%	85,361	2.1%	85,499	2.1%
6,290	0.2%	5,655	0.1%	6,044	0.1%	7,445	0.2%	10,479	0.3%
1,270,483	100%	1,261,708	100%	1,261,895	100%	1,254,100	100%	1,267,071	100%

**DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES**  
**ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES:				
Principal	\$ 194,818	\$ 184,106	\$ 163,939	\$ 150,689
Interest	74,689	77,005	82,660	85,586
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 269,507</u>	<u>\$ 261,111</u>	<u>\$ 246,599</u>	<u>\$ 236,276</u>
Percent Change Over Previous Year	3.2%	5.9%	4.4%	13.7%
TOTAL NONCAPITAL EXPENDITURES	20,480,883	19,001,514	17,329,054	16,470,142
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	1,194,596	664,762	653,157	726,501
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES	21,675,479	19,666,276	17,982,211	17,196,643
DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES AS PERCENT OF TOTAL NONCAPITAL EXPENDITURES:				
Principal	1.0%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%
Interest	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
Total Debt Service Expenditures	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%

**TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT<sup>1,2,4</sup>**  
**PRIMARY GOVERNMENT**  
**Last Ten Fiscal Years**

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
Governmental Activities:				
Revenue Backed Debt	\$ 289,789	\$ 443,881	\$ 574,147	\$ 739,138
Certificates of Participation	1,227,828	1,267,869	1,192,193	1,018,456
Capital Leases	172,329	174,996	151,010	121,429
Notes and Mortgages	15,250	17,385	19,220	19,369
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT	<u>1,705,196</u>	<u>1,904,131</u>	<u>1,936,570</u>	<u>1,898,392</u>
Business-Type Activities:				
Revenue Backed Debt	4,242,726	3,967,023	3,724,951	3,753,617
Certificates of Participation	399,231	403,761	403,603	420,951
Capital Leases	54,281	42,192	41,728	39,038
Notes and Mortgages	28,317	4,810	3,522	7,353
TOTAL BUSINESS-TYPE OUTSTANDING DEBT	<u>4,724,555</u>	<u>4,417,786</u>	<u>4,173,804</u>	<u>4,220,959</u>
Total Primary Government:				
Revenue Backed Debt	4,532,515	4,410,904	4,299,098	4,492,755
Certificates of Participation	1,627,059	1,671,630	1,595,796	1,439,407
Capital Leases	226,610	217,188	192,738	160,467
Notes and Mortgages	43,567	22,195	22,742	26,722
TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT <sup>1</sup>	<u>\$ 6,429,751</u>	<u>\$ 6,321,917</u>	<u>\$ 6,110,374</u>	<u>\$ 6,119,351</u>
Percent Change Over Previous Year	1.7%	3.3%	-0.1%	19.5%
Colorado Population (In Thousands) Restated for Census	5,268	5,268	5,273	5,188
Per Capita Debt (Dollars Per Person) Restated for Census	\$1,221	\$1,200	\$1,159	\$1,180
Per Capita Income (Thousands Per Person)	\$50.3	\$46.9	\$46.1	\$46.3
Per Capita Debt as a Percent of Per Capita Income	2.4%	2.6%	2.5%	2.6%

<sup>1</sup> – General Obligation Debt is prohibited by the State Constitution except to fund buildings for State use, to defend the State or the U.S. (in time of war), or to provide for unforeseen revenue deficiencies.

<sup>2</sup> – Colorado State Constitution requires multiple year obligations to be approved by voters; therefore, there is no specific legal debt limitation.

2010-11	2009-10	RESTATED 2008-09	2007-08	RESTATED 2006-07	RESTATED 2005-06
\$ 124,993	\$ 116,083	\$ 109,801	\$ 104,924	\$ 100,681	\$ 97,583
82,829	77,919	78,719	102,652	112,145	106,322
\$ 207,822	\$ 194,002	\$ 188,520	\$ 207,576	\$ 212,826	\$ 203,905
7.1%	2.9%	-9.2%	-2.5%	4.4%	78.2%
16,654,138	16,566,769	15,448,232	14,196,496	13,365,782	12,586,379
631,546	478,179	359,518	242,572	233,914	228,077
17,285,684	17,044,948	15,807,750	14,439,068	13,599,696	12,814,456
0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%
0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%
1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.4%	1.6%	1.6%

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
\$ 869,282	\$ 992,436	\$ 1,106,973	\$ 1,216,006	\$ 1,319,718	\$ 1,418,446
897,632	689,973	162,053	172,864	183,203	196,475
107,588	97,130	91,813	60,031	30,456	17,482
-	515,000	515,000	460,000	345,000	415,000
1,874,502	2,294,539	1,875,839	1,908,901	1,878,377	2,047,403
2,762,166	2,306,693	3,551,588	3,325,690	2,935,383	2,304,485
430,537	432,698	446,656	210,150	218,916	260,578
48,416	83,374	93,773	93,374	68,621	60,724
3,503	43,925	4,771	6,211	9,463	6,946
3,244,622	2,866,690	4,096,788	3,635,425	3,232,383	2,632,733
3,631,448	3,299,129	4,658,561	4,541,696	4,255,101	3,722,931
1,328,169	1,122,671	608,709	383,014	402,119	457,053
156,004	180,504	185,586	153,405	99,077	78,206
3,503	558,925	519,771	466,211	354,463	421,946
\$ 5,119,124	\$ 5,161,229	\$ 5,972,627	\$ 5,544,326	\$ 5,110,760	\$ 4,680,136
-0.8%	-13.6% <sup>3</sup>	7.7%	8.5%	9.2%	7.4%
5,118	5,048	4,972	4,890	4,804	4,720
\$1,000	\$1,022	\$1,201	\$1,134	\$1,064	\$992
\$44.2	\$41.7	\$41.5	\$43.4	\$42.2	\$40.6
2.3%	2.5%	2.9%	2.6%	2.5%	2.4%

3 – Decline was related to the CollegeInvest sale and retirement of bonds previously issued to support purchase and origination of student loans.

4 – Beginning in Fiscal Year 2013-14 debt liabilities are not offset by unamortized refunding gains or losses. With GASB Statement No. 65, these balances became deferred inflows and or outflows.

REVENUE BOND COVERAGE<sup>1</sup>

## Last Ten Fiscal Years

(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)

Fiscal Year	Gross Revenue	Direct Operating Expense	Net Revenue Available	Debt Service Requirements			Coverage
			For Debt Service	Principal	Interest	Total	
Governmental Funds: Transportation Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANS)							
2014-15	\$ 1,358,950	\$ 1,191,461	\$ 167,488	\$ 157,220	\$ 10,268	\$ 167,488	1.00
2013-14	1,240,588	1,073,259	167,329	147,225	20,104	167,329	1.00
2012-13	1,204,153	1,037,025	167,128	132,105	35,023	167,128	1.00
2011-12	1,105,452	938,787	166,665	125,265	41,400	166,665	1.00
2010-11	1,162,586	994,596	167,990	119,385	48,605	167,990	1.00
2009-10	1,104,185	936,194	167,991	113,300	54,691	167,991	1.00
2008-09	980,992	813,000	167,992	107,795	60,197	167,992	1.00
2007-08	167,989	-	167,989	102,475	65,514	167,989	1.00
2006-07	167,982	-	167,982	97,490	70,492	167,982	1.00
2005-06	167,991	-	167,991	92,835	75,156	167,991	1.00
Enterprise Funds (Excluding Higher Education): State Fair, CollegeInvest, Statewide Bridge Enterprise, and Unemployment Insurance <sup>2</sup>							
2014-15	\$ 363,612	\$ -	\$ 363,612	\$ 249,925	\$ 24,857	\$ 274,782	1.32
2013-14	486,250	-	486,250	374,885	30,620	405,505	1.20
2012-13	608,493	-	608,493	499,845	40,965	540,810	1.13
2011-12	240,822	-	240,822	-	18,234	18,234	13.21
2010-11	74,280	-	74,280	-	8,408	8,408	8.83
2008-09	200,753	34,107	166,646	24,000	17,126	41,126	4.05
2007-08	351,308	126,788	224,520	155	41,492	41,647	5.39
2006-07	402,013	101,632	300,381	16,155	76,077	92,232	3.26
2005-06	106,230	79,489	26,741	39,747	53,783	93,530	0.29
Higher Education Institutions							
2014-15	\$ 1,250,735	\$ 579,200	\$ 671,536	\$ 107,878	\$ 152,923	\$ 260,801	2.57
2013-14	1,170,939	557,627	613,312	94,581	138,121	232,702	2.64
2012-13	1,122,003	537,630	584,373	80,330	131,356	211,686	2.76
2011-12	1,093,528	507,761	585,767	69,992	114,914	184,906	3.17
2010-11	1,025,079	487,781	537,298	64,345	110,488	174,833	3.07
2009-10	947,626	477,126	470,499	46,650	85,723	132,373	3.55
2008-09	846,389	450,057	396,332	40,965	69,195	110,160	3.60
2007-08	793,013	420,908	372,105	36,940	58,466	95,406	3.90
2006-07	687,200	391,433	295,767	34,145	48,073	82,218	3.60
2005-06	649,238	376,431	272,807	29,365	45,699	75,064	3.63

<sup>1</sup> – Pledged revenues supporting the Governmental Funds TRANs include primarily federal grants under agreement with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Before Fiscal Year 2009-10, pledged revenue also included a portion of sales and use tax revenues of the General Fund diverted to the Highway Users Tax Fund and the Highway Users Tax Fund revenues. Pledged revenues supporting the Enterprise Funds' borrowings, excluding Higher Education, were primarily student loan repayment amounts at CollegeInvest, which were used to make the required debt service payments. CollegeInvest's loan portfolio was sold in Fiscal Year 2009-10 and related bonds were sold or redeemed. Pledged revenues supporting Higher Education Institutions' borrowings are primarily auxiliary fees related to student housing and tuition. Pledged revenues supporting Unemployment Insurance bonds are from assessments on employers.

<sup>2</sup> – At the close of Fiscal Year 2009-10, neither CollegeInvest nor State Fair had any outstanding revenue bonds requiring pledged revenues amount to be reported. In Fiscal Year 2011-12, Unemployment Insurance issued revenue bonds requiring pledged revenues.



**COLORADO DEMOGRAPHIC DATA  
2006 to 2015**

Year	Population (000)	Percentage Share of U.S. Population	Total Personal Income (Billions)	Per Capita Personal Income (Dollars)	% of U.S. Per Capita Income	Employ- ment (000)	Unemploy- ment %
2015est	5,439	1.69%	273.8	50,343	105.6%	2,719	3.9%
2014	5,345	1.67	261.0	\$ 48,831	106.3	2,675	5.0
2013	5,268	1.67	247.1	46,900	104.8	2,591	6.8
2012	5,189	1.65	240.3	46,310	104.8	2,542	7.9
2011	5,118	1.64	226.1	44,177	104.4	2,507	8.3
2010	5,048	1.63	210.5	41,700	103.9	2,486	8.7
2009	4,972	1.62	206.4	41,512	105.4	2,524	7.3
2008	4,890	1.61	212.1	43,374	106.1	2,585	4.8
2007	4,804	1.59	202.6	42,173	106.0	2,565	3.7
2006	4,720	1.58	191.7	40,614	106.5	2,510	4.3
2005	4,632	1.57	177.8	38,385	107.0	2,435	5.0

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Census Bureau, and Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, State Demographer for the 2012 population estimate

**COLORADO EMPLOYMENT<sup>1,2</sup>  
BY INDUSTRY  
2006 to 2015  
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)**

Industry	2015 est	2014 est	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Natural Resources and										
Mining	36.0	33.7	30.5	30.3	27.9	24.4	24.2	28.5	25.2	21.1
Construction	146.0	140.0	126.5	115.8	112.2	115.1	131.3	161.8	167.8	167.8
Manufacturing	138.2	136.0	132.8	132.0	129.1	125.2	129.6	144.1	147.0	149.1
Transportation, Trade, and Utilities	439.2	430.2	419.4	408.8	402.3	397.8	403.8	429.3	429.2	419.3
Information	69.5	69.5	69.8	69.7	71.8	71.7	74.7	76.8	76.4	75.4
Financial Activities	155.3	152.6	150.7	146.2	143.8	144.0	148.0	155.6	159.5	160.4
Professional and Business Services	397.3	384.5	372.9	355.5	339.3	329.8	330.2	351.9	347.9	331.8
Educational and Health Services	306.6	297.3	286.8	281.9	273.4	264.6	257.2	250.5	240.4	231.2
Leisure and Hospitality	311.5	300.3	289.8	279.6	271.3	263.1	262.4	272.9	270.4	264.9
Other Services	100.6	99.3	97.7	95.5	93.0	92.5	93.7	94.8	92.9	90.8
Government	415.1	410.6	404.2	395.1	393.5	393.9	390.5	384.1	374.7	367.2
Total	2,515.3	2,454.0	2,381.1	2,310.4	2,257.6	2,222.1	2,245.6	2,350.3	2,331.4	2,279.0

Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment and the Colorado Business Economic Outlook Committee.

<sup>1</sup> – Provided in lieu of information regarding Colorado's principal employers because employer data could not be obtained.

<sup>2</sup> – Excludes nonagricultural self-employed, unpaid family, and domestic workers.

**VALUE OF TOTAL CONSTRUCTION  
IN COLORADO BY TYPE  
Last Ten Years**  
(AMOUNTS IN MILLIONS)

Year	Residential	Non-Residential	Non-Building	Total
2015 estimate	\$ 7,378	\$ 3,990	\$ 2,000	\$ 13,368
2014	6,493	3,500	2,000	11,993
2013	5,948	3,484	3,639	13,071
2012	5,253	3,599	3,312	12,163
2011	3,363	3,932	2,289	9,584
2010	2,903	2,967	2,215	8,085
2009	2,501	3,126	1,648	7,275
2008	4,042	4,117	2,542	10,701
2007	7,417	5,260	2,004	14,681
2006	8,708	4,641	3,446	16,795

Source: F.W. Dodge Company, the Colorado Contractors Association, and the Colorado Business Economic Outlook Committee.

**COLORADO SALES AND  
GROSS FARMING REVENUES  
Last Ten Years**  
(AMOUNTS IN BILLIONS)

Year	Retail Sales	Gross Farm Revenues
2015 est	85.50	9.23
2014	79.90	9.12
2013	74.00	8.12
2012	70.70	8.64
2011	66.70	8.48
2010	62.30	7.19
2009	58.30	6.80
2008	66.50	7.27
2007	67.30	7.48
2006	63.00	6.76

Retail sales based on SIC Codes 52-59.

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue, Colorado Agricultural Statistics Services, and the Colorado Business Economic Outlook Committee.



**DEMAND DRIVERS OF THE PRIMARY GOVERNMENT<sup>1</sup>**  
**BY FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS**  
**Last Ten Years<sup>2</sup>**

	2015	2014	Restated 2013	Restated 2012
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:</b>				
General Government:				
Funds	719	638	634	626
Employees (calculated Average Employment)	72,369	70,823	68,898	67,871
Balance in Treasury Pool (in millions)	\$7,683.2	\$7,047.8	\$7,106.9	\$6,546.6
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs:				
Professional Licenses at Regulatory Agencies	789,643	750,306	729,328	705,205
Unemployment Rate (percent) <sup>4</sup>	4.3	5.5	6.8	7.8
Employment Level <sup>4</sup>	2,716,981	2,691,680	2,595,837	2,523,535
Education:				
Public Schools	1,836	1,824	1,823	1,806
Primary School Students	889,006	876,999	863,561	854,265
Health and Rehabilitation:				
Average Daily Population of Mental Health Institutes <sup>3</sup>	545	486	489	501
Average Daily Population of Regional Centers <sup>3,5</sup>	272	288	305	302
Justice:				
District Court Cases Filed <sup>3</sup>	231,188	289,965	247,696	238,766
County Court Cases Filed <sup>3</sup>	446,255	493,341	505,234	541,439
Inmate Admissions	9,912	9,620	9,597	9,116
Inmate Releases	10,269	10,506	10,506	10,657
Average Daily Inmate Population	20,478	20,551	20,812	22,009
Citations Issued by the State Patrol	135,037	140,640	127,939 <sup>6</sup>	130,651
Crashes Covered by the State Patrol	26,971	29,163	27,751 <sup>6</sup>	25,554
Natural Resources:				
Active Oil and Gas Wells <sup>3</sup>	52,300	50,350	47,916	45,300
Oil and Gas Drilling Permits <sup>3</sup>	4,333	4,300	5,100	4,800
Annual State Park Visitors <sup>3</sup>	11,699,543	11,556,388	12,461,261	12,651,919
Water Loans	294	289	277	281
Social Assistance:				
Medicaid Recipients <sup>3</sup>	1,003,612	809,452	687,473	613,148
Average Cash Assistance Payments per Month <sup>3</sup>	63,646	65,208	65,208	66,472
Transportation:				
Lane Miles	23,018,184	23,021,500	23,023,800	23,023,720
Bridges	3,439	3,443	3,438	3,447
<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:</b>				
Higher-Education:				
Resident Students <sup>3</sup>	150,073	155,748	159,206	160,944
Nonresident Students <sup>3</sup>	29,305	28,580	27,536	26,934
Unemployment Insurance:				
Individuals Served - Employment and Training <sup>3</sup>	553,258	552,303	636,977	585,724
Initial Unemployment Claims <sup>3</sup>	157,161	199,007	228,634	302,418
CollegeInvest: <sup>7</sup>				
Loans Issued or Purchased	-	-	-	-
Average Balance per Loan	-	-	-	-
Lottery:				
Scratch Tickets Sold	89,637,387	89,961,317	94,109,256	99,988,581
Lotto Tickets Sold	29,837,628	33,809,181	32,561,865	33,276,914
Powerball Tickets Sold	29,581,783	35,134,907	67,690,312	64,285,665
Other Lottery Tickets Sold	50,521,072	56,956,625	47,690,502	65,916,303
Wildlife:				
Hunting & Fishing Licenses Sold <sup>3</sup>	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,315,000	2,333,000
College Assist:				
Guaranteed Loans - In State	-	-	-	-
Guaranteed Loans - Out of State	-	-	-	-

Source: JBC Budget in Brief and various State departments.

\* – Data is not available.

<sup>1</sup> – All amounts are counts, except where dollars or percentages are indicated.

<sup>2</sup> – Data is presented by either fiscal year or calendar year based on availability of information.

<sup>3</sup> – Data represents estimates from budgetary documents and is not adjusted to actual.

Restated 2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
616	601	593	556	515	492
66,691	65,325	64,535	61,915	59,873	58,468
\$6,076.2	\$5,902.0	\$5,663.2	\$6,159.4	\$5,250.7	\$4,615.3
703,695	702,498	679,836	640,332	575,124	576,982
8.5	9.0	8.1	4.8	3.8	4.3
2,490,004	2,475,831	2,511,189	2,599,724	2,583,404	2,541,828
1,786	1,817	1,769	1,771	1,771	1,731
843,316	832,368	818,443	802,639	794,026	780,708
511	554	569	548	528	539
307	329	378	403	403	403
190,531	188,822	191,749	199,681	189,884	187,498
562,185	562,570	554,165	579,069	552,592	547,143
9,935	10,704	10,992	11,038	10,625	10,168
10,161	11,033	10,803	10,565	10,110	8,954
22,814	22,980	23,210	22,887	22,424	21,438
149,015	170,988	170,570	221,544	226,324	234,052
24,878	24,123	26,159	27,260	28,277	28,648
45,500	45,000	36,000	35,000	34,000	30,000
5,250	5,000	7,400	6,780	4,200	3,800
12,463,495	11,666,912	13,680,012	11,272,418	11,475,000	11,869,897
288	278	269	258	255	244
553,407	476,632	381,390	383,784	429,233	446,341
63,742	58,119	57,200	62,647	66,728	68,822
23,023,070	22,982,320	23,060,630	23,036,480	22,999,470	23,105,769
3,447	3,447	3,429	3,406	3,775	3,757
160,160	146,531	136,900	135,275	136,108	140,601
26,225	24,869	23,166	22,069	20,670	21,380
615,548	652,570	350,000	300,000	270,000	270,000
389,769	408,644	120,074	119,561	120,290	132,337
-	-	268,745 <sup>7</sup>	239,060	218,518	200,332
-	-	\$6,326 <sup>7</sup>	\$6,328	\$6,057	\$5,546
98,545,733	99,657,606	104,217,790	101,604,127	99,199,686	111,883,645
39,257,585	41,620,408	43,552,521	41,071,837	39,835,761	38,332,996
70,047,258	101,568,085	100,733,520	109,565,516	101,570,695	119,757,642
50,464,834	26,833,674	20,831,732	19,148,564	17,407,163	16,858,542
1,380,000	1,630,000	2,300,000	1,545,659	1,399,978	1,409,064
61,076 <sup>8</sup>	107,402	115,486	140,232	146,616	*
4,961 <sup>8</sup>	41,616	47,892	18,859	5,080	*

<sup>4</sup> – Data represents annual averages of monthly estimates from Department of Labor and Employment and is not adjusted to actual.

<sup>5</sup> – This represented Regional Center Residential Beds.

<sup>6</sup> – Calendar data through October 31, 2014.

<sup>7</sup> – CollegeInvest sold its loan portfolio during Fiscal Year 2009-10 due to a statutory change resulting from a change in the federal program

<sup>8</sup> – In Fiscal Year 2010-11, College Assist's Guaranteed Loans for In-State student decreased due to increased participation by State institutions in the federal direct lending program.

**AVERAGE COUNT OF STATE EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION  
AND AVERAGE MONTHLY EMPLOYEE SALARY  
Last Ten Fiscal Years**

	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12
General Government	3,005	3,092	2,958	3,042
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	2,441	2,482	2,420	2,404
Education	42,767	41,501	40,218	39,097
Health and Rehabilitation	4,007	3,990	3,931	3,953
Justice	13,760	13,416	13,123	13,149
Natural Resources	1,599	1,579	1,586	1,597
Social Assistance	1,766	1,731	1,633	1,605
Transportation	3,024	3,032	3,029	3,024
<b>TOTAL AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>72,369</b>	<b>70,823</b>	<b>68,898</b>	<b>67,871</b>
TOTAL CLASSIFIED	31,247	31,284	31,502	32,449
AVERAGE MONTHLY SALARY	\$ 4,502	\$ 4,391	\$ 4,284	\$ 4,314
TOTAL NON-CLASSIFIED	41,123	39,539	37,394	35,422
AVERAGE MONTHLY SALARY	\$ 6,306	\$ 6,140	\$ 5,953	\$ 5,840

Classified employees are those holding positions within the State Personnel System. Non-classified employees are excluded from the State Personnel System and are not subject to the rule-making authority of the State Personnel Director. Non-classified positions are found primarily in the Judicial Branch, the Legislative Branch, the Governor's cabinet and office staff, the Department of Law, the Department of Education, and as administrators and faculty in the Department of Higher Education.

2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
2,991	2,399	2,454	2,392	2,322	2,255
2,458	2,564	2,437	2,372	2,335	2,342
38,038	37,093	36,042	34,469	33,464	32,680
3,965	4,019	3,944	3,865	3,774	3,729
13,093	12,848	13,000	12,467	11,791	11,372
1,579	1,607	1,587	1,583	1,522	1,485
1,579	1,704	1,671	1,656	1,593	1,520
2,988	3,091	3,400	3,111	3,072	3,085
66,691	65,325	64,535	61,915	59,873	58,468
32,927	32,799	32,820	31,995	31,075	30,677
\$ 4,324	\$ 4,367	\$ 4,390	\$ 4,278	\$ 4,108	\$ 4,036
33,764	32,526	31,715	29,920	28,798	27,791
\$ 5,786	\$ 5,735	\$ 5,723	\$ 5,467	\$ 5,214	\$ 5,066

For each State agency, the average salary for full-time employees was divided into the part-time employee payroll amount to determine the average employee count. Average salary was computed as total classified or nonclassified salary divided by related average employee count.

**COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM  
CENTERLINE AND LANE MILES  
2005 TO 2014**

Mileage Type	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
CenterLine Miles <sup>1</sup> :										
Urban	1,523	1,385	1,385	1,385	1,389	1,398	1,400	1,398	1,419	1,411
Rural	7,580	7,718	7,720	7,720	7,720	7,748	7,744	7,736	7,742	7,737
<b>TOTAL CENTERLINE MILES</b>	<b>9,103</b>	<b>9,103</b>	<b>9,105</b>	<b>9,105</b>	<b>9,109</b>	<b>9,146</b>	<b>9,144</b>	<b>9,134</b>	<b>9,161</b>	<b>9,148</b>
Percent Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.4%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.3%	0.1%	-0.1%
Lane Miles <sup>2</sup> :										
Urban	5,771	5,326	5,330	5,330	5,327	5,352	5,238	5,232	5,322	5,247
Rural	17,247	17,688	17,694	17,693	17,654	17,709	17,798	17,767	17,784	17,784
<b>TOTAL LANE MILES</b>	<b>23,018</b>	<b>23,014</b>	<b>23,024</b>	<b>23,023</b>	<b>22,981</b>	<b>23,061</b>	<b>23,036</b>	<b>22,999</b>	<b>23,106</b>	<b>23,031</b>
Percent Change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	-0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	-0.5%	0.3%	-0.5%
Roadways <sup>3</sup> :										
Percent Rated Good/Fair	79	79	47	48	48	50	53	59	63	65
Percent Rated Poor	21	21	53	52	52	50	47	41	37	35
<b>TOTAL PERCENTAGE</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: Colorado Department of Transportation

<sup>1</sup> – Centerline miles measure roadway miles without accounting for the number of lanes.

<sup>2</sup> – Lane miles measure the total distance of all roadway lanes, and are therefore a better indicator of actual maintenance requirements.

<sup>3</sup> – In 2013, CDOT changed the overall metric by which pavement condition is measured. The new measure is based on Drivability Life, which identifies how long a pavement will last until the user experience becomes unacceptable. In 2015, the Statewide pavement condition was rated as 82 percent High/Moderate.

**COLORADO STATE-OWNED BRIDGES  
BY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION  
2006 to 2015**

Functional Classification	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Principal Arterial <sup>1</sup>	1,377	1,114	1,294	1,303	1,299	1,376	1,368	1,341	1,686	1,678
Other Principal Arterial	930	1,199	793	791	785	801	794	795	911	884
Minor Arterial	667	667	747	749	752	759	761	773	802	798
Collector	390	391	443	442	446	431	426	404	350	368
Local	75	72	161	162	165	80	80	93	26	29
<b>TOTAL BRIDGES</b>	<b>3,439</b>	<b>3,443</b>	<b>3,438</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>3,429</b>	<b>3,406</b>	<b>3,775</b>	<b>3,757</b>
Percent Change	-0.1%	0.1%	-0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.7%	-9.8%	0.5%	0.1%
Percent Rated Poor <sup>2</sup>	5.60	5.70	5.90	3.60	5.53	5.48	5.62	6.21	5.81	5.61

Source: Colorado Department of Transportation

<sup>1</sup> – Includes interstate, expressways, and freeways.

<sup>2</sup> – In 2013, CDOT changed the overall metric for assessing bridges due to Public Law 112-141. The focus is now on Structurally Deficient bridges. In 2015, CDOT reported 5.4 percent of State owned bridges as Structurally Deficient.



**BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE  
OWNED BY THE PRIMARY GOVERNMENT  
BY FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS  
Last Eight Years<sup>2</sup>**

	2015	2014	2013	Restated 2012	Restated 2011	2010	2009	2008
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:								
General Government	3,630,949	3,898,443	3,449,893	3,197,325	3,069,547	3,043,068	2,549,944	2,982,413
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs	1,827,732	1,462,694	1,091,423	980,198	980,198	980,198	981,809	937,389
Education	322,484	327,394	327,394	327,394	326,602	317,894	317,884	317,884
Health and Rehabilitation	1,439,483	1,371,986	1,407,882	1,522,278	1,476,587	1,489,338	1,365,606	1,561,507
Justice	8,867,461	8,797,346	8,170,861	8,428,687	8,404,174	8,398,319	8,103,126	8,047,872
Natural Resources	105,952	105,952	105,952	105,952	1,729,810	1,729,810	1,210,477	1,672,897
Social Assistance	1,832,119	1,794,333	1,791,521	1,787,266	1,836,385	1,824,175	1,700,847	1,351,964
Transportation	3,589,835	3,373,967	3,362,781	3,278,758	3,207,047	3,206,451	2,575,421	2,575,421
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:								
Higher Education	52,070,593	50,215,173	49,016,072	48,013,242	47,701,898	46,277,915	44,026,204	41,437,896
Parks and Wildlife	2,811,609	2,811,609	2,811,609	2,811,609	1,131,841	1,109,004	1,065,240	901,526
TOTAL	76,498,217	74,158,896	71,535,388	70,452,709	69,864,089	68,376,172	63,896,558	61,786,769

Source: Colorado Office of the State Architect

<sup>1</sup> – Building information for Unemployment Insurance (a business-type activity) cannot be segregated from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment which is included in Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs.

<sup>2</sup> – Data not available prior to 2008.

**BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE  
LEASED BY THE PRIMARY GOVERNMENT  
BY FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS  
Last Eight Years<sup>2</sup>**

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	Restated 2008
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:								
General Government	161,533	169,970	200,900	226,201	210,576	276,602	288,210	199,967
Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs <sup>1</sup>	597,583	604,185	597,182	575,591	585,944	517,447	515,708	508,439
Education	51,749	47,926	47,645	39,804	31,999	28,531	19,440	9,396
Health and Rehabilitation	498,721	475,010	473,230	465,649	458,959	455,218	420,272	434,469
Justice	343,665	412,286	310,551	321,920	463,506	857,026	868,060	850,185
Natural Resources	75,134	91,162	78,937	73,375	81,926	65,735	73,546	49,495
Social Assistance	110,867	74,451	61,001	51,404	56,881	55,801	34,459	28,963
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES:								
Higher Education	1,303,315	1,613,516	1,530,285	1,536,160	1,358,597	1,199,672	1,243,524	1,294,663
CollegeInvest	9,642	11,397	11,397	7,517	8,544	18,983	15,318	15,318
Lottery	71,104	71,104	71,104	74,104	66,684	59,915	61,682	61,682
Parks and Wildlife	76,448	76,448	76,448	79,112	73,064	73,064	15,267	75,944
College Assist	10,246	8,825	8,825	8,825	10,139	12,807	12,807	12,807
TOTAL	3,310,007	3,656,280	3,467,505	3,459,662	3,406,819	3,620,801	3,568,293	3,541,328

Source: Colorado Office of the State Architect

<sup>1</sup> – Building information for Unemployment Insurance (a business-type activity) cannot be segregated from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment which is included in Business, Community, and Consumer Affairs.

<sup>2</sup> – Data not available prior to 2008.

## OTHER COLORADO FACTS

### Important Dates

- 1803 The United States purchases land, including what is now most of eastern Colorado, from France in the Louisiana Purchase.
- 1806 Lt. Zebulon M. Pike and a small party of U.S. soldiers sent to explore the southwestern boundary of the Louisiana Purchase discover the peak that bears his name but fail in their effort to climb it. However, they do reach the headwaters of the Arkansas River near Leadville.
- 1848 By the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, Mexico cedes to the United States most of that part of Colorado not acquired by the Louisiana Purchase.
- 1858 Gold is discovered along Cherry Creek near present day Denver.
- 1861 Congress establishes the Colorado Territory with the boundaries of the present State and chooses its name from the Spanish word for “colored red.” President Lincoln appoints William Gilpin as the first territorial governor. The State Supreme Court is organized. The first assembly meets and creates 17 counties, authorizes the University of Colorado, and selects Colorado City as the territorial capital.
- 1867 Denver is established as the permanent seat of the territorial government by the legislature meeting in Golden.
- 1870 The Denver Pacific Railroad is completed to Denver.
- 1876 Colorado is admitted to the Union as the 38<sup>th</sup> state. John L. Routt is elected the first governor.
- 1877 The University of Colorado opens classes at Boulder with two teachers and forty-four students.
- 1894 The State Capitol Building, designed by Elijah E. Meyers, is completed at a cost of \$2.5 million. Colorado becomes the second state, after Wyoming, to extend suffrage to women.
- 1906 The U.S. Mint at Denver issues its first coins.
- 1958 The U.S. Air Force Academy’s permanent campus opens near Colorado Springs.
- 1992 TABOR amendment is added to the State Constitution.

### Geography

Area: 103,718 square miles.

Highest Elevation: Mt Elbert – 14,433 feet above sea level.

Lowest Elevation: Along the Arikaree River in Yuma County – 3,315 feet above sea level.

Colorado has the highest average elevation of all fifty states – 6,800 feet above sea level.

### State Symbols and Emblems

**State Motto** – Nil Sine Numine –  
Nothing Without the Deity

**State Nickname** – Centennial State

**State Animal** – Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep

**State Bird** – Lark Bunting

**State Fish** – Greenback Cutthroat Trout

**State Flower** – White and Lavender Columbine

**State Folk Dance** – Square Dance

**State Fossil** – Stegosaurus

**State Pet** – Shelter and Rescue Dog and Cat

**State Songs** – “Where the Columbines Grow” and  
“Rocky Mountain High”

**State Gemstone** – Aquamarine

**State Grass** – Blue Grama Grass

**State Insect** – Colorado Hairstreak Butterfly

**State Mineral** – Rhodochrosite

**State Reptile** – Western Painted Turtle

**State Amphibian** – Western Tiger Salamander

**State Rock** – Yule Marble

**State Tree** – Colorado Blue Spruce

**State Cactus** – Claret Cup

## APPENDIX D

### CERTAIN STATE ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

The following information was prepared and provided by Development Research Partners, Inc. to give prospective investors general information concerning selected economic and demographic conditions existing in Colorado as of the dates indicated. See also “INTRODUCTION – State Economic and Demographic Information.” The statistics have been obtained from the referenced sources and represent the most current information available as of June 2016 from the sources indicated; however, since certain information is released with a significant time lag, the information in some cases will not be indicative of existing or future economic and demographic conditions. Further, the reported data has not been adjusted to reflect economic trends, notably inflation. Finally, other economic and demographic information concerning the State not presented herein may be available, and prospective investors may want to review such information prior to making their investment decision. *The following information is not to be relied upon as a representation or guarantee of the State or any officer or employee of or advisor to the State.* See also “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – Revenue Estimation; OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

#### Overview

Colorado, the most populous state in the Rocky Mountain region, has three distinct geographic and economic areas. The eastern half of the State consists of the eastern plains, which are flat, open and largely devoted to agriculture. The Front Range lies along the eastern base of the Rocky Mountains and contains most of the State’s metropolitan areas. The western half of the State – which includes the Rocky Mountains and the Western Slope – includes many acres of national park and forest land and significant reserves of minerals, natural gas and other resources.

The State’s population and wealth are concentrated in the Front Range, principally in four major metropolitan areas: Denver/Boulder, Colorado Springs, Fort Collins/Greeley and Pueblo. Denver, the State’s capital, is the economic center of the State and the Rocky Mountain region. About 56% of the State’s population and 62% of its jobs are located in the Denver/Boulder metropolitan area, which is a hub for transportation, communication, financial activities and professional and business services. The aerospace, bioscience and energy industries are also key contributors to economic growth in the Denver/Boulder metropolitan area and the State as a whole.

The State’s economic performance depends heavily on economic performance at the national level. See also “APPENDIX A – THE STATE GENERAL FUND – OSPB Revenue and Economic Forecasts” and “APPENDIX B – OSPB JUNE 2016 REVENUE FORECAST.”

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## Population and Age Distribution

The following table provides population figures for Colorado and the United States for the past 10 years.

	Population Estimates (as of July 1)			
	Colorado		United States	
	Population (millions)	% Change	Population (millions)	% Change
2005	4.7	1.2%	295.5	0.9%
2006	4.7	1.8%	298.4	1.0%
2007	4.8	1.6%	301.2	1.0%
2008	4.9	1.7%	304.1	1.0%
2009	5.0	1.5%	306.8	0.9%
2010	5.1	1.5%	309.3	0.8%
2011	5.1	1.4%	311.7	0.8%
2012	5.2	1.4%	314.1	0.8%
2013	5.3	1.5%	316.5	0.8%
2014	5.4	1.6%	318.9	0.7%
2015	5.4	1.7%	321.5	0.8%

Note: Figures for 2005 through 2014 are estimates. The U.S. 2015 count is an estimate, and the 2015 count for Colorado is a forecast.  
Sources: Colorado Division of Local Government, State Demography Office; U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program.

The following table provides the age distribution for the most recent year available for the State's population and the population nationwide.

	Age Distribution, July 1			
	Colorado, 2015		United States, 2014	
	Population (millions)	% of total	Population (millions)	% of total
Under 18	1.28	23.5%	73.58	23.1%
18 to 24	0.53	9.8%	31.46	9.9%
25 to 44	1.50	27.6%	84.03	26.4%
45 to 64	1.42	26.0%	83.54	26.2%
65+	0.71	13.1%	46.24	14.5%
Total	5.44	100.0%	318.86	100.0%
Median Age	36.9		37.7	

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding. The U.S. 2014 count is an estimate, and the Colorado 2015 count is a forecast.  
Sources: Colorado Division of Local Government, State Demography Office; U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program.

## Income

The following table provides annual per capita personal income figures for Colorado, the Rocky Mountain Region, and the United States.

	Per Capita Personal Income in Current Dollars <sup>1</sup>					
	Colorado		Rocky Mountain Region <sup>2</sup>		United States	
	Income	% Change	Income	% Change	Income	% Change
2011	\$44,349		\$39,862		\$42,453	
2012	\$46,402	4.6%	\$41,754	4.7%	\$44,266	4.3%
2013	\$46,746	0.7%	\$42,129	0.9%	\$44,438	0.4%
2014	\$48,869	4.5%	\$43,787	3.9%	\$46,049	3.6%
2015	\$50,410	3.2%	\$45,126	3.1%	\$47,669	3.5%

<sup>1</sup>Per capita personal income is total personal income divided by the July 1 population estimate.

<sup>2</sup>The Rocky Mountain Region includes Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

## Employment

The following table provides labor force, total employment, and unemployment statistics for the State.

### Civilian Labor Force, Total Employment, and Unemployment Rates, Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Colorado Civilian Labor Force (thousands)	% Change	Colorado Total Employment (thousands) <sup>1</sup>	% Change	Annual Average Unemployment Rate	
					Colorado	United States
2011	2,736.1		2,507.3		8.4%	8.9%
2012	2,759.4	0.9%	2,542.3	1.4%	7.9%	8.1%
2013	2,780.5	0.8%	2,590.7	1.9%	6.8%	7.4%
2014	2,815.2	1.2%	2,674.6	3.2%	5.0%	6.2%
2015	2,828.5	0.5%	2,718.7	1.6%	3.9%	5.3%
Year-to-date averages through March:						
2015	2,815.9		2,683.6		4.7%	5.8%
2016	2,859.0	1.5%	2,763.2	3.0%	3.4%	5.2%

<sup>1</sup>Includes the self-employed, unpaid family workers, and other groups not included in statistics that show employment by industry.

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics; Labor Force Statistics from the Current Population Survey.

The following table shows Colorado employment by industry for the past five years. Industry designations are based on the North American Industrial Classification System. Employment includes only those workers covered by unemployment insurance; most workers in the state are covered.

Industry	Average Annual Number of Employees by Industry					Most Recent Quarter		
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2014Q4	2015Q4	% Change
Private Sector								
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	14,015	14,513	14,348	14,935	15,624	14,600	15,217	4.2%
Mining	27,789	30,225	30,433	33,847	30,565	35,793	27,461	-23.3%
Utilities	8,138	8,037	7,832	8,140	8,202	8,177	8,272	1.2%
Construction	112,232	115,753	127,597	142,140	148,638	147,387	152,118	3.2%
Manufacturing	129,165	131,978	132,691	136,216	140,831	138,528	141,837	2.4%
Wholesale Trade	92,192	94,262	96,636	99,825	103,253	101,920	104,535	2.6%
Retail Trade	239,985	243,699	249,235	254,942	263,104	262,906	271,962	3.4%
Transportation and Warehousing	57,863	59,850	62,398	65,180	67,287	67,077	68,495	2.1%
Information	71,950	69,733	69,817	70,001	70,599	69,976	70,815	1.2%
Finance and Insurance	98,056	99,754	103,136	103,623	106,344	104,616	107,772	3.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	41,194	41,895	42,849	44,497	46,944	45,573	47,935	5.2%
Professional and Technical Services	172,096	178,313	188,984	196,684	204,586	201,097	207,453	3.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	29,914	31,761	34,591	35,406	36,488	35,752	36,747	2.8%
Administrative and Waste Services	137,331	145,383	148,745	154,121	157,385	158,222	159,617	0.9%
Educational Services	30,145	31,494	31,997	32,965	33,847	33,352	34,922	4.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	239,967	246,951	250,654	261,428	275,183	267,586	280,808	4.9%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	45,564	46,704	47,166	48,978	50,707	46,008	48,335	5.1%
Accommodation and Food Services	225,702	232,875	242,100	251,052	261,704	250,578	261,047	4.2%
Other Services	66,134	67,988	69,554	72,443	75,157	73,627	75,796	2.9%
Unclassified	492	745	1,388	2,783	1,478	1,884	1,031	-45.3%
Government	373,154	374,628	383,637	388,566	396,853	394,195	402,134	2.0%
<b>Total*</b>	<b>2,213,075</b>	<b>2,266,539</b>	<b>2,335,786</b>	<b>2,417,769</b>	<b>2,494,778</b>	<b>2,458,854</b>	<b>2,524,308</b>	<b>2.7%</b>

\*Industry employment levels may not add to total due to rounding.

Source: Colorado Department of Labor and Employment, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages.

The following table shows the largest private sector employers in Colorado based on the most current information available as of May 2016. No independent investigation has been made, and no representation is made herein as to the financial condition of the employers listed below or the likelihood that these employers will maintain their status as major employers in the state. Employment counts for these businesses may have changed since this table was compiled, and other large employers may exist in the State that are not included in the table.

**Estimated Largest Private Sector Employers in Colorado**

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Type of Business</b>	<b>Estimated Employees<sup>1</sup></b>
Wal-Mart	General Merchandise	26,500
The Kroger Co. (King Soopers/City Market)	Supermarkets	21,000
UCHealth <sup>2</sup>	Healthcare	16,000
Centura Health	Healthcare	13,200
HealthONE Corporation	Healthcare	12,000
SCL Health System	Healthcare	9,100
Lockheed Martin Corporation	Aerospace & Defense Related Systems	8,800
Comcast Corporation	Telecommunications	8,000
Home Depot	Building Materials Retailer	7,700
Kaiser Permanente	Health Maintenance Organization	7,000
Target Corporation	General Merchandise	6,900
Vail Resorts	Leisure & Hospitality	6,400
Children's Hospital Colorado	Healthcare	6,100
Wells Fargo	Banking/Financial Services	6,000
CenturyLink	Telecommunications	5,800
United Airlines	Airline	5,700
Safeway Inc.	Supermarkets	5,000
United Parcel Service	Delivery Services	4,800
Banner Health	Healthcare	4,800
JBS Swift & Company	Beef Processing/Corporate Office	4,600
FedEx Corp.	Transportation, E-commerce	4,300
Oracle	Software & Network Computer Systems	4,200
DISH Network	Satellite TV & Equipment	4,100
Xcel Energy	Utility	4,000
University of Denver	Private University	3,800

<sup>1</sup>Includes both full- and part-time employees.

<sup>2</sup>Some workers are also included in the employment count for the University of Colorado System (next table).

Source: Compiled by Development Research Partners from various sources, May 2016.

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The following table shows the largest public sector employers in Colorado based on the most current information available as of May 2016.

<b>Estimated Largest Public Sector Employers in Colorado</b>	
<b>Employer</b>	<b>Estimated Employees<sup>1</sup></b>
State of Colorado	49,000
Federal Government (except USPS)	44,300
University of Colorado System <sup>2</sup>	19,600
Denver Public Schools	14,700
City & County of Denver	11,700
Jefferson County Public Schools	11,500
U.S. Postal Service	9,900
Douglas County School District RE-1	7,800
Cherry Creek School District No 5	7,200
Colorado State University	7,100
Denver Health	6,700
Aurora Public Schools	6,300
Adams 12 Five Star Schools	4,700
Boulder Valley School District RE-2	4,200
Poudre School District R-1	4,000
Colorado Springs School District 11	3,900
St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J	3,800
City of Aurora	3,600
Academy Schools District No 20	3,300
Jefferson County	2,800
Mesa County Valley School District 51	2,800
Regional Transportation District (RTD)	2,700
El Paso County	2,400
Greeley 6 School District	2,400
Metropolitan State University of Denver	2,300

<sup>1</sup>Includes both full- and part-time employees.

<sup>2</sup>Some workers are also included in the employment count for UCHealth (previous table).

Source: Compiled by Development Research Partners from various sources, May 2016.

## Retail Sales

The following table provides recent annual sales figures as reported for state sales tax purposes.

<b>Colorado Gross and Retail Sales</b>				
	<b>Gross Sales</b>		<b>Retail Sales</b>	
	<b>Amount (billions)</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>Amount (billions)</b>	<b>% Change</b>
2010	\$199.62		\$144.85	
2011	\$216.16	8.3%	\$155.05	7.0%
2012	\$225.15	4.2%	\$164.57	6.1%
2013	\$240.36	6.8%	\$172.78	5.0%
2014	\$257.14	7.0%	\$182.48	5.6%
Year-to-date totals through November:				
2014	\$210.54		\$158.99	
2015	\$210.27	-0.1%	\$160.38	0.9%

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue.

The following table provides retail sales totals by industry for the past five years and year-to-date.

**Colorado Retail Sales by Industry (millions) and Percentage Change from Prior Year**

Industry	2010		2011		2012		2013		2014		Year-to-date totals through November		
											2014	2015	%
	2010	% Change	2011	% Change	2012	% Change	2013	% Change	2014	% Change			
Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing	336.3	18.6%	411.7	22.4%	406.2	-1.3%	387.0	-4.7%	440.0	13.7%	313.0	370.9	18.5%
Mining	2,531.7	13.7%	3,111.7	22.9%	3,815.6	22.6%	4,611.8	20.9%	5,571.7	20.8%	5,011.8	3,456.1	-31.0%
Utilities	10,370.1	54.6%	7,353.2	-29.1%	7,332.9	-0.3%	7,635.7	4.1%	7,927.4	3.8%	7,062.9	6,839.5	-3.2%
Construction	2,756.3	-1.8%	2,829.3	2.6%	3,396.0	20.0%	3,531.5	4.0%	4,178.9	18.3%	3,624.1	4,022.2	11.0%
Manufacturing	10,423.9	13.1%	15,909.3	52.6%	18,192.1	14.3%	18,747.5	3.1%	19,655.0	4.8%	16,131.3	13,789.4	-14.5%
Wholesale Trade	12,422.0	4.5%	13,084.9	5.3%	14,012.4	7.1%	15,041.3	7.3%	15,153.6	0.7%	12,361.0	11,937.3	-3.4%
<b>Retail Trade</b>													
Motor Vehicle and Auto Parts	11,293.5	10.1%	12,986.8	15.0%	14,435.4	11.2%	15,667.7	8.5%	17,448.0	11.4%	15,926.2	17,372.5	9.1%
Furniture and Furnishings	1,900.9	0.4%	2,049.0	7.8%	2,265.5	10.6%	2,461.8	8.7%	2,656.9	7.9%	2,384.4	2,600.3	9.1%
Electronics and Appliances	2,118.6	6.8%	2,224.2	5.0%	2,077.8	-6.6%	1,998.6	-3.8%	2,260.2	13.1%	1,935.2	2,051.7	6.0%
Building Materials/Nurseries	4,388.6	4.5%	4,515.0	2.9%	4,824.6	6.9%	5,298.3	9.8%	5,923.6	11.8%	5,462.3	5,896.0	7.9%
Food/Beverage Stores	13,363.7	6.4%	14,433.2	8.0%	15,298.5	6.0%	15,729.9	2.8%	15,963.1	1.5%	14,549.5	14,577.3	0.2%
Health and Personal Care	2,529.7	7.6%	2,712.1	7.2%	2,886.9	6.4%	3,166.1	9.7%	3,724.3	17.6%	3,198.3	3,777.8	18.1%
Gas Stations	4,693.2	17.3%	5,778.1	23.1%	6,011.1	4.0%	5,869.2	-2.4%	5,701.8	-2.9%	5,325.2	4,563.4	-14.3%
Clothing and Accessories	3,118.0	7.8%	3,337.4	7.0%	3,510.2	5.2%	3,559.2	1.4%	3,734.6	4.9%	3,212.2	3,277.7	2.0%
Sporting/Hobby/Books/Music	2,487.1	5.0%	2,680.6	7.8%	2,674.0	-0.2%	2,767.7	3.5%	2,919.4	5.5%	2,470.3	2,544.6	3.0%
General Merchandise/Warehouses	11,091.0	1.1%	11,722.3	5.7%	12,185.7	4.0%	12,408.3	1.8%	12,850.1	3.6%	11,397.9	11,595.5	1.7%
Misc Store Retailers	2,448.6	11.1%	2,938.6	20.0%	3,147.8	7.1%	3,752.3	19.2%	4,629.9	23.4%	3,894.3	4,378.8	12.4%
Non-Store Retailers	2,337.7	-16.3%	1,550.2	-33.7%	1,456.0	-6.1%	1,584.7	8.8%	1,692.0	6.8%	1,407.5	1,359.6	-3.4%
<b>Total Retail Trade</b>	<b>61,770.7</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>66,927.5</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>70,773.7</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>74,263.5</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>79,503.9</b>	<b>7.1%</b>	<b>71,163.2</b>	<b>73,995.4</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Transportation/Warehouse</b>													
Information	6,889.0	-2.2%	6,321.8	-8.2%	6,242.2	-1.3%	5,789.3	-7.3%	5,447.6	-5.9%	4,836.4	4,802.1	-0.7%
Finance/Insurance	3,207.3	12.7%	3,085.9	-3.8%	3,130.7	1.5%	2,493.2	-20.4%	1,689.9	-32.2%	1,393.0	2,388.2	71.4%
Real Estate/Rental/Lease	2,916.5	0.5%	3,154.3	8.2%	3,240.7	2.7%	3,561.7	9.9%	4,168.7	17.0%	3,750.5	3,951.9	5.4%
Professional/Scientific/Technical	6,553.9	8.2%	6,768.8	3.3%	6,818.2	0.7%	7,474.7	9.6%	7,049.0	-5.7%	5,192.5	5,304.8	2.2%
Admin/Support/Waste/Remediation	1,823.3	1.6%	1,882.7	3.3%	1,866.1	-0.9%	2,044.5	9.6%	2,070.2	1.3%	1,766.9	1,884.7	6.7%
Education	480.0	13.8%	487.1	1.5%	490.8	0.8%	478.1	-2.6%	481.2	0.7%	407.2	401.5	-1.4%
Health Care/Social Assistance	6,000.4	4.5%	6,222.6	3.7%	6,318.5	1.5%	6,827.2	8.1%	7,226.5	5.8%	6,388.7	6,105.9	-4.4%
Arts/Entertainment/Recreation	955.8	5.8%	987.2	3.3%	1,036.6	5.0%	1,104.4	6.5%	1,169.3	5.9%	1,015.8	1,162.8	14.5%
Accommodation	2,719.2	5.9%	3,014.9	10.9%	3,199.2	6.1%	3,375.6	5.5%	3,748.1	11.0%	3,430.6	3,711.6	8.2%
Food/Drinking Services	8,333.8	4.5%	8,876.4	6.5%	9,474.1	6.7%	9,976.8	5.3%	10,855.0	8.8%	9,871.1	10,559.5	7.0%
Other Services	3,565.9	2.7%	3,763.6	5.5%	3,867.8	2.8%	4,359.0	12.7%	4,907.6	12.6%	4,220.8	4,691.7	11.2%
Government	262.4	8.2%	268.2	2.2%	244.5	-8.8%	252.6	3.3%	254.8	0.9%	228.6	237.3	3.8%
<b>Total All Industries</b>	<b>144,847.3</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>155,054.2</b>	<b>7.0%</b>	<b>164,568.4</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>172,784.0</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>182,479.4</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>158,985.8</b>	<b>160,381.3</b>	<b>0.9%</b>

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue.

## Tourism

The following table provides visitor counts for the State's national parks and major recreation areas, Denver area convention attendance figures, and visitor counts for Colorado ski areas.

Colorado Tourism Statistics									
National Parks Visits <sup>1</sup>			Conventions <sup>2</sup>				Skier Visits <sup>3</sup>		
			Conventions		Delegates		Spending		
Number	%								
(millions)	Change		Number	%	Number	%	Amount	%	Number
					(thousands)		(millions)		(millions)
									Change
2011	5.82		82		283.2		\$564.2		12.28
2012	5.81	-0.1%	98	19.5%	266.1	-6.0%	\$530.1	-6.0%	11.02
2013	5.39	-7.2%	84	-14.3%	265.7	-0.2%	\$529.3	-0.2%	11.45
2014	6.03	11.8%	76	-9.5%	289.3	8.9%	\$576.3	8.9%	12.60
2015	7.08	17.3%	73	-3.9%	236.8	-18.1%	\$546.6	-5.2%	12.55

<sup>1</sup>Count of recreational visitors for all of the State's National Parks Service territories, which include national parks, monuments, historic sites, and recreation areas.

<sup>2</sup>Includes only those conventions booked by VISIT DENVER and held at the Colorado Convention Center.

<sup>3</sup>Count of skier visits for the season ending in the referenced year.

Sources: National Parks Service; VISIT DENVER, The Convention and Visitor's Bureau; Colorado Ski Country USA; Vail Resorts, Inc.



## Residential Housing Starts

The following table provides a five-year history of the State's residential building permit issuance.

**New Privately Owned Housing Units Authorized in Colorado**

	1 Unit	2 Units	3 & 4 Units	5+ Units	Total Building Permits	% Change
2011	8,723	266	127	4,386	13,502	
2012	12,617	304	97	10,283	23,301	72.6%
2013	15,772	408	148	11,189	27,517	18.1%
2014	17,104	532	146	10,916	28,698	4.3%
2015	20,025	334	287	11,225	31,871	11.1%
Year-to-date totals through March:						
2015	4,010	144	55	1,894	6,103	
2016	4,798	38	65	2,286	7,187	
% change	19.7%	-73.6%	18.2%	20.7%	17.8%	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

## Residential Foreclosures

The following table provides a five-year history of foreclosure filings and sales in Colorado. The foreclosure filing is the event that begins the foreclosure process. In general, a borrower who is at least three months delinquent will receive a filing notice from the Public Trustee for the county in which the property is located. At this point, the property is in foreclosure.

Because a foreclosure filing can be cured or withdrawn before the home is sold at auction, not all filings result in foreclosure sales. Foreclosure sales at auction generally proceed between 110 and 125 days after the initial filing. Once a foreclosure sale is completed, the eviction process begins.

**Foreclosure Filings and Sales in Colorado**

	Foreclosure Filings <sup>1</sup>	% Change	Foreclosure Sales at Auction	% Change
2011	31,975		19,617	
2012	28,579	-10.6%	15,903	-18.9%
2013	15,333	-46.3%	9,318	-41.4%
2014	11,243	-26.7%	5,989	-35.7%
2015	8,241	-26.7%	4,209	-29.7%

<sup>1</sup>Some filings may have been subsequently cured or withdrawn and may not have resulted in sales at auction.  
Source: Colorado Division of Housing.

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## APPENDIX E

### STATE PENSION SYSTEM

*The information included in this Appendix is based on information compiled and presented in the Public Employees' Retirement Association ("PERA") Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Plan Year ended December 31, 2015 (the "PERA 2015 CAFR"). The PERA 2015 CAFR was prepared by PERA staff employees and the firm of Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC, PERA's independent actuary, and audited by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, PERA's independent public accounting firm. The valuations and other assessments of PERA constitute forward looking information as described in the preliminary notices in this Official Statement because they are based on assumptions about future events. The assumptions underlying the valuations and assessments may prove to be inaccurate and may be changed by PERA and its representatives and consultants to reflect actual results and future projections as additional information becomes available. The State takes no responsibility for the accuracy, validity or completeness of such information, valuations and assessments. The PERA 2015 CAFR is not incorporated in this Official Statement by reference or otherwise, and the State makes no representations regarding the accuracy of the information in the PERA 2015 CAFR.*

The information in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR regarding PERA is derived from PERA's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for calendar year 2014 (the "PERA 2014 CAFR") and reflects the implementation by PERA in 2014 of GASB Statement No. 67, "Financial Reporting for Pension Plans – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 25" ("GASB 67") as discussed in "Implementation by PERA of GASB 67" below. See also "Implementation of Changes in Pension Accounting Standards Applicable to the State – GASB 68" in this appendix.

#### General Description

**Overview.** The State of Colorado, like most other state and local governments, provides post-employment benefits to its employees based on their work tenure and earnings history. By statute, the State created PERA, which administers cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plans to provide retirement, death and disability benefits through the State Division Trust Fund (generally for State employees) (the "State Division"), the School Division Trust Fund (for employees of school districts), the Local Government Division Trust Fund (for employees of numerous municipalities and other local governmental entities), the Judicial Division Trust Fund (for judges in the State) and the Denver Public Schools Division (for employees of DPS). The defined benefit plan for the State Division is referred to herein as the "State Division Plan."

As described in more detail under the caption "Funding of the State Division Plan" below, the State Division Plan is funded with payments made by the State and by each employee, the amounts of which are determined and established by statute. Benefits provided through the State Division Plan are paid from the State Division Trust Fund. State employees hired after 2005 may, in lieu of participating in the State Division Plan, elect to participate in a defined contribution plan (the "State Division DC Plan") which is also administered by PERA. However, the majority of State employees participate in the State Division Plan. The State has no obligation to make contributions or fund benefits in Divisions other than the State Division and Judicial Division of PERA. See Notes 1 and 8 to the financial statements in the PERA 2015 CAFR for a discussion of the membership in the State Division Plan and the State Division DC Plan, respectively. See also Management's Discussion and Analysis and Notes 18, 19 and 20 to the financial statements in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a description of the State Division Plan and the State Division DC Plan.

Because the majority of State employees participate in the State Division Plan and not in the State Division DC Plan, and the number of judges employed by the State that participate in the Judicial Division is relatively small in comparison to the number of other State employees, the disclosure in "DEBT AND

CERTAIN OTHER FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS – Pension and Post-Employment Benefits” in the body of this Official Statement and in this Appendix relates only to the State Division Plan.

The State does not participate in the federal Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance (Social Security) program.

**PERA.** PERA is a legal entity created by statute in 1931 that is separate from the State as further described in Article 51 of Title 24, C.R.S. (the “PERA Act”). Management of PERA is vested in a 16-member Board of Trustees (the “PERA Board”). PERA has fiduciary responsibility for several separate divisions, including the State Division, the School Division, the Local Government Division, the Judicial Division and the Denver Public Schools Division. The State represents the majority, but not all, of the State Division employers and employees. Each Division operates as a separate legal trust. PERA also operates two cost-sharing, multiple-employer post-employment benefit plans through the Health Care Trust Fund and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund that provide health care premium subsidies to participating PERA benefit recipients who choose to enroll in one of PERA’s health care plans. PERA’s financial statements, which include all of its Divisions and trusts, may be obtained by writing to PERA at P.O. Box 5800, Denver, Colorado 80217-5800, by calling the PERA Infoline at 1-800-759-7372 or by visiting <http://www.copera.org>. *The reference to PERA’s website is included herein for informational purposes only, and information available on such website or in PERA’s financial statements, or any other information provided by PERA, is not incorporated in this Official Statement by reference or otherwise, nor does the State make any representations regarding the accuracy of any such information.*

### **Basic Provisions of the State Division Plan**

Members of the State Division Plan who meet minimum age and service requirements are eligible to receive a monthly retirement benefit based on their employment and earnings history with the State. Calculation of retirement benefits, and eligibility requirements, differ depending on the employee’s original hire date. In response to funding challenges, the General Assembly has enacted changes to State Division Plan benefits at various times. Some of such changes have been applied prospectively to newly hired employees. As a result, there are several tiers of employee benefits and related provisions that are based on employee hire dates and other factors. See Notes 18, 19 and 20 to the financial statements in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement, the PERA 2015 CAFR and the PERA Act for a discussion of eligibility requirements and the various tiers of benefits under the State Division Plan. See also the Statistical Section of the PERA 2015 CAFR for various statistics regarding members, retirees, survivors and benefit payments for the State Division Plan.

### **Implementation by PERA of GASB 67**

In 2012, GASB issued Statement No. 67, “Financial Reporting for Pension Plans – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 25” (“GASB 67”), which establishes new standards for financial reporting and note disclosure by defined benefit pension plans administered through qualified trusts, and note disclosure requirements for defined contribution pension plans administered through qualified trusts. GASB 67 is effective for accounting periods beginning after June 15, 2013, and, accordingly, PERA implemented GASB 67 beginning with the PERA 2014 CAFR.

The objective of GASB 67 as stated therein is to improve financial reporting by state and local governmental pension plans. The requirements of GASB 67 are intended to improve financial reporting primarily through enhanced note disclosures and schedules of required supplementary information. A related statement, GASB Statement No. 68, “Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions,” applies to governmental employers and was implemented by the State in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement. See “Implementation of Changes in Pension Accounting Standards Applicable to the State – GASB 68” below.

GASB 67 establishes a shift in financial disclosure requirements from a funding-based approach to an accounting-based approach. Implementation of GASB 67 requires the preparation of two actuarial

valuations, one for funding purposes and one for accounting and financial disclosure purposes. The purpose of the funding valuation is to guide the PERA Board's actions necessary to ensure the long-term sustainability of PERA's trust funds. The funding valuation aids this action by allowing PERA to assess the sufficiency of the current statutory contribution rates and analyze the sufficiency of future contributions to meet current and future benefit obligations. The actuarial valuation for accounting purposes emphasizes the obligation an employer incurs to employees through the employment-exchange process. The primary purpose of the valuation for accounting purposes is to provide a consistent, standardized methodology that allows comparability of amounts and increased transparency of the pension liability across U.S. pension plans complying with this new reporting standard. To accomplish this, GASB 67 requires a different approach for determining net pension liability as compared to the previously disclosed unfunded actuarial accrued liability<sup>1</sup>, or "UAAL." Net pension liability is to be measured as the total pension liability<sup>2</sup> of the plan less the amount of the plan's fiduciary net position<sup>3</sup>.

Another major change in the new standard is the rate used to discount projected benefit payments. The new standard states the long-term expected rate of return on the investments of the plan should be applied only to available plan assets that are expected to be invested using a strategy to achieve that return. If there comes a point in the projections when plan fiduciary net position and contributions related to active and inactive employees are no longer projected to be greater than or equal to projected benefit payments related to those employees and administrative expenses (crossover point), then from that point forward the plan will be required to discount the projected benefit payments after the crossover point using a yield or index rate for 20-year, tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher (or equivalent quality on another rating scale).

GASB 67 also enhances the standards for footnote disclosure and required supplementary information for pension plans, including, among other things, disclosing the plan's net pension liability, ratio of fiduciary net position to total pension liability and actuarial methods and assumptions.

### **Actuarial Valuations**

Many of the measures used to determine and evaluate the financial condition and funding status of the State Division Plan are based on actuarial valuations. An actuarial valuation is the determination, as of the actuarial valuation date, of the service cost, total pension liability and related actuarial present value of projected benefit payments for pensions performed in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice unless otherwise specified by GASB. Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future, and actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

The actuarial valuations for each of PERA's defined benefit plans, including the State Division Plan, were prepared by PERA's actuaries as of December 31, 2015, based on a set of actuarial methods and assumptions that by State law are the responsibility of the PERA Board. The valuations for the State Division Plan examine the assets of the Plan compared to actuarial liabilities, compare past and future trends and determine the net pension liability of the Plan. The actuarial valuation for funding purposes applies an asset valuation method that recognizes a four-year smoothed market value of assets for purposes of determining the UAAL, while the actuarial valuation for accounting and financial reporting

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<sup>1</sup> Actuarial accrued liability ("AAL") is the excess of the present value of a pension fund's total of future benefits (payable to the plan participants) and fund administration expenses over the present value of the future normal cost of those benefits. Unfunded actuarial accrued liability is the difference between the AAL and the valuation assets of the fund.

<sup>2</sup> Total pension liability is the portion of the actuarial present value of projected benefit payments that is attributed to past periods of plan member service in conformity with the requirements of GASB 67. For purposes of application to the requirements of GASB 67, AAL is the equivalent of total pension liability.

<sup>3</sup> Fiduciary net position equals assets plus deferred outflows of resources and less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the end of the plan's reporting period.

purposes applies the fair value of assets (determined in conformity with GASB standards) to determine the net pension liability. See the Actuarial Section of the PERA 2015 CAFR for a discussion of other actuarial methods and assumptions used in the actuarial valuations of the State Division Plan.

The PERA 2015 CAFR states that the PERA Board studies all economic and demographic actuarial assumptions at least every five years and approves changes to those assumptions. The PERA Board last completed an experience study in 2012, and the next planned experience study is in 2016. In addition, the PERA Board reviews the economic assumptions on a more frequent basis. The PERA Board determined that changes to the economic and demographic assumptions were not necessary for the December 31, 2014, accounting actuarial assumptions.

No assurance can be given that any of the assumptions underlying the actuarial valuations of the State Division Plan will reflect the actual results experienced by the Plan. Variances between the assumptions and actual results may cause an increase or decrease in the actuarial value of Plan assets, the net pension liability of the Plan and other valuation and performance measures determined on the basis of such actuarial valuations.

### **Funding of the State Division Plan**

***Statutorily Required Contributions.*** The State Division Plan is funded with payments made by the State and by each eligible employee as provided in the PERA Act. The State's contributions to the Plan are based on percentages of employee wages and are set by statute. These contribution percentages are referred to herein as the statutorily required contribution, or "SRC," of the State. The baseline SRC that is made by the State for most State employees is 10.15% of the employee's salary. The State has consistently contributed the full amount of the SRC to the State Division Plan. See Note 18 and the Required Supplementary Information to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement for a summary of the SRC percentages payable, and percentage amount of the SRC paid, by the State for the last three Fiscal Years, as well as total PERA plan contributions made by the State for each of the past ten Fiscal Years.

As required by statute, State employees contribute 8.0% (except for State Troopers and Colorado Bureau of Investigation officers, who contribute 10%) of their wages to the State Division Plan, although per SB 10-001, for Fiscal Years 2010-11 and 2011-12 the employee contribution percentage was increased to 10.5% of the employee's wages. The 2.5% increase in contribution percentage by employees offset a 2.5% reduction in the State contribution for those Fiscal Years. The employee contribution rates reverted to pre-Fiscal Year 2010-11 levels effective July 1, 2012, and the State returned to paying the 10.15% SRC.

The General Assembly enacted legislation in 2004, 2006 and 2010 to gradually increase employer contributions to the State Division Plan by authorizing the Amortization Equalization Disbursement, or "AED," and the Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement, or "SAED," in order to shorten the amount of time over which the unfunded liability of the Plan is amortized. Both the AED and the SAED are paid by the State as contributions to the State Division Plan as a percentage of employee wages, but the SAED payment comes from moneys that would otherwise have been used to provide market-based salary increases to employees. The AED applicable to the State Division Plan was effective as of January 1, 2006, and was initially payable at the rate of 0.5% of total covered payroll, with annual increases in the contribution rate through 2017. The AED rate applicable to the State Division Plan was 4.2% in 2015, is 4.6% in 2016 and will increase to 5.0% in 2017. The SAED applicable to the State Division Plan was effective as of January 1, 2008, and was also initially payable at the rate of 0.5% of total covered payroll, with annual increases in the contribution rate through 2017. The SAED rate applicable to the State Division Plan was 4.0% in 2015, is 4.5% in 2016 and will increase to 5.0% in 2017. When and if the scheduled increases in AED and SAED for the State Division Plan are fully implemented as of January 1, 2017, the total SRC applicable to the State Division Plan will be equal to 20.15% of employee wages. See Note 18 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15

CAFR appended to this Official Statement and Note 4 to the financial statements in the PERA 2015 CAFR for a further discussion of the AED and SAED.

Changes to the statutorily required contributions to the State Division Plan by the State and its employees, or to other provisions of the Plan, could be made by the General Assembly through future legislative action, which changes could impact the SRC, the funding status and/or the financial condition of the Plan as described herein. The State cannot predict if or when any such legislative changes might be enacted or the impact that any such changes, if enacted, might have on the State Division Plan or the State's funding obligations with respect to the Plan.

*Because the State's annual contributions with respect to the State Division Plan are set by statute and funded in the State's annual budget, such contributions are not affected in the short term by changes in the actuarial valuation of Plan assets or the funded ratio of the Plan. Any changes in the SRC would require legislative action by the General Assembly. See also "Funding Status of the State Division Plan" below.*

While PERA has a pension funding policy as discussed in "Change in PERA Funding Policy" hereafter, the State does not have a formal or established policy or procedure for managing its pension liability. PERA annually provides a briefing to State officials and members of the General Assembly as to the status of the State Division Plan and occasionally may pursue legislation pertaining to changes in contribution and/or benefit provisions in furtherance of PERA's funding policy. Legislative proposals to modify the contributions, benefits, eligibility and other provisions of the State Division Plan also are introduced in the General Assembly from time to time independent of a request therefor from PERA.

The SRC is paid from the State General Fund as well as from certain federal and cash funds and is typically paid from the same funding source as the employee's salary and other benefits. Although the rate of the SRC is set by statute, payment of the SRC nevertheless is subject to annual appropriation through the State budgeting process as described in "STATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION – Budget Process and Other Considerations" in the body of this Official Statement.

**Actuarially Determined Contribution.** As a result of the shift in financial disclosure requirements under GASB 67 from a funding-based approach to an accounting-based approach, the historical disclosure and use of the annual required contribution<sup>1</sup>, or "ARC," as a funding benchmark by PERA is no longer required. Rather, this philosophical shift necessitates the development and use of a plan-specific actuarially determined contribution ("ADC") benchmark against which to gauge the adequacy of the SRC for the State Division Plan. The ADC represents the amount needed to fund benefits over time, and constitutes a target or recommended employer contribution for the reporting period determined in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice based on the most recent measurement available when the contribution for the reporting period was adopted. An ADC deficiency arises when actual employer contributions are less than the ADC, and interest accrues on the ADC deficiency at the plan's expected long-term rate of return. See "Historical ADC and State Contributions" below.

**Change in PERA Funding Policy.** In response to the new GASB 67 standards, the PERA Board adopted a revised pension funding policy in March 2015 with regard to its trust funds to update and replace the prior funding policy dated November 2007. The purpose of the revised funding policy, as stated in the PERA 2015 CAFR, is to: (i) define the overall funding benchmarks of PERA's defined benefit pension trust funds; (ii) assess the adequacy of the contribution rates which are set by the General Assembly by comparing these rates to an ADC rate; and (iii) define the annual actuarial metrics that will assist the PERA Board in assessing the sustainability of the plan. The results of these three items are

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<sup>1</sup> Prior to 2014, PERA used the annual required contribution, or ARC, as a funding benchmark against which to gauge the adequacy of the SRC for the State Division Plan. The ARC is the actuarially determined amount that would be required if the State were to fund each year's normal cost (i.e., the present value of the benefits that the State Division Plan projects to become payable in the future that are attributable to a valuation year's payroll) in the State Division Plan plus an annual amortization of the UAAL assuming that the UAAL will be fully funded over a maximum 30-year period. The difference between the ARC and the SRC constitutes either a contribution deficiency or excess contributions. For historical information regarding the ARC, see PERA's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for calendar year 2013.

intended to guide the PERA Board when considering whether to pursue or support proposed legislation pertaining to changes in plan contribution and/or benefit provisions. See “*Statutorily Required Contributions*” above.

***Historical ADC and State Contributions.*** The following table sets forth for each of the years 2006-2015 (i) the ADC for the State Division Plan, (ii) the annual contribution deficiency and (iii) the actual contribution as a percentage of covered employee payroll. The State annually contributes the full amount of the SRC to the State Division Plan; however, these amounts have been less than the applicable ARC or ADC. During this period the State has not made any contributions to the State Division Plan in excess of the SRC.

The ADC rates, as a percentage of pensionable payroll, used to determine the ADC amounts in Table 1 below are calculated as of December 31 two years prior to the end of the year in which the ADC amounts are reported. The following actuarial methods and assumptions (from the December 31, 2013, actuarial valuation) were used to determine contribution rates reported in the table for the year ended December 31, 2015: (i) the actuarial cost method is based on the entry age of participants; (ii) the Plan’s UAAL is amortized as a level percent of payroll, on an open basis, over a 30-year period; (iii) for valuation purposes the actuarial value of assets is based on gains and losses smoothed in over a four-year period as permitted by GASB standards; (iv) price inflation is assumed to be 2.80%; (v) real wage growth is assumed to be 1.10%; (vi) salary increases (including assumed wage inflation of 3.90%) are projected to range from 3.90% to 9.57%; (vii) the long-term investment rate of return (net of pension plan investment expense, including price inflation) is assumed to be 7.50%; and (viii) cost of living adjustments for pre-2007 hires are assumed to be 2.00% per year and cost of living adjustments for post-2006 hires are assumed to be financed by the Annual Increase Reserve described in footnote 2 to the table. Other assumptions include, without limitation, future retiree participation and contribution rates and mortality rates. For further information, see Note 3 to the required supplementary information for the Division trust funds and the Actuarial Section in the PERA 2015 CAFR.

**Table 1**  
**Employer Contributions**  
**State Division**

(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

<b>Calendar Year</b>	<b>ADC Rate<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Covered Employee Payroll</b>	<b>Annual Increase Reserve Contribution<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>ADC Contribution<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Contributions in Relation to the ADC</b>	<b>Annual Contribution Deficiency</b>	<b>Actual Contribution as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll</b>
2015	22.35%	\$2,641,867	\$11,400	\$601,857	\$484,005	\$117,852	18.32%
2014	20.45	2,564,670	9,984	534,459	444,372	90,087	17.33
2013	20.01	2,474,965	--	495,241	393,218	102,023	15.89
2012	16.52	2,384,934	--	393,991	328,055	65,936	13.76
2011	13.63	2,393,791	--	326,274	277,122	49,152	11.58
2010	18.93	2,392,080	--	452,821	282,640	170,181	11.82
2009	17.91	2,384,137	--	426,999	293,234	133,765	12.30
2008	18.45	2,371,639	--	437,567	267,533	170,034	11.28
2007	17.23	2,236,518	--	385,352	231,909	153,443	10.37
2006	19.33	2,099,325	--	405,800	208,795	197,005	9.95

<sup>1</sup> See the discussion preceding this table regarding the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the ADC rates.

<sup>2</sup> The Annual Increase Reserve, or “AIR,” was established in 2007 and is used to provide post-retirement benefit increases for members hired on or after January 1, 2007. The AIR is financed by an allocation from employer statutory contributions made on behalf of such members equal to 100% of pensionable payroll and through an allocation of purchase of service dollars. For further information see the PERA 2015 CAFR.

<sup>3</sup> The ADC contribution equals the sum of (i) the ADC rate times the covered employee payroll, plus (ii) the AIR.

Source: PERA 2015 CAFR

The Management’s Discussion and Analysis in the PERA 2015 CAFR states that, using the GASB standards as a guide and the 2014 actuarial valuation based on a 7.5% investment rate of return



and discount rate, the 2016 ADC for the State Division Fund needed to meet the initial, layered, 30-year closed amortization period will be 22.31%, and using the funding policy approved by the PERA Board in March 2015 and the 2015 actuarial valuation based on a 7.5% investment rate of return and discount rate, the 2016 ADC for the State Division Fund needed to meet the layered, 30-year closed amortization period will be 22.71%.

For historical information regarding employer contributions based on the ARC, see PERA's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for calendar year 2013 and Note 18B to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement.

### **Funding Status of the State Division Plan**

The State Division Plan currently is significantly underfunded. As discussed in "Funding of the State Division Plan – *Statutorily Required Contributions*" above, the AED and SAED were implemented in 2006 and 2008, respectively, and other changes were made to the Plan design by SB 10-001, all in an effort to improve the funding status of the State Division Plan. In addition, investment returns on Plan assets have recently decreased following the negative effects of the global economic downturn that began in 2008, with a net investment return for the Plan of 1.5% in 2015. The actuarial assumptions as to the investment rate of return on Plan assets and the discount rate on actuarially accrued liabilities were lowered by the PERA Board from 8.5% to 8.0% in 2009, and again from 8.0% to 7.5% at the end of 2013, and other economic assumptions, including the amortization period, have been changed over this period as well, to reflect actual results and new estimates about the future. For further information, see Management's Discussion and Analysis in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement, as well as Management's Discussion and Analysis, Note 10 to the financial statements, Note 2 to the required supplementary information for the Division trust funds and the Actuarial Section in the PERA 2015 CAFR.

The PERA 2015 CAFR reports that at December 31, 2015, the actuarial value of assets of the State Division Plan was approximately \$13.9 billion and the AAL of the Plan was approximately \$24.1 billion, resulting in a UAAL of approximately \$10.2 billion and a funded ratio (*i.e.*, the actuarial value of Plan assets divided by the AAL) of only 57.6%. This UAAL would amortize over a 44-year period based on contribution rates as of the date of calculation (*i.e.*, contributions equal to the SRC) and future increases in the AED and SAED, as well as an investment rate of return and discount rate for actuarially accrued liabilities of 7.5%.

The actuarial value of assets of the State Division Plan is determined by using an asset valuation method of smoothing the difference between the market value of assets and the actuarial value of assets over a four-year period to prevent extreme fluctuations that may result from short-term or cyclical economic and market conditions. Accordingly, the full effect of recent fluctuations in assets of the State Division Plan as a result of economic and market conditions is not reflected in the funded ratio. Based on the market value of assets of the State Division Plan, the PERA 2015 CAFR reports that at December 31, 2015, the UAAL of the Plan was approximately \$10.7 billion and the funded ratio was 55.6%.

Table 2 below sets forth for each of the years 2006-2015 the UAAL, the funded ratio and related information for the State Division Plan based on the actuarial value of Plan assets, and Table 3 below sets forth such information based on the market value of Plan assets.

The total pension liability for the State Division Plan was determined by actuarial valuations as of December 31, 2014, and accepted actuarial procedures were applied to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2015. When calculating the AAL of the State Division Plan in Tables 2 and 3 below, the following actuarial methods, assumptions and inputs, among others, were used: (i) price inflation is assumed to be 3.90%; (ii) real wage growth is assumed to be 1.10%; (iii) salary increases (including assumed wage inflation of 3.90%) are projected to range from 3.90% to 9.57%; (iv) the

long-term investment rate of return (net of pension plan investment expense, including price inflation) and discount rate are assumed to be 7.50%; and (v) cost of living adjustments for pre-2007 hires are assumed to be 2.00% per year compounded annually, and cost of living adjustments for post-2006 hires are assumed to be financed by the AIR. Other assumptions include, without limitation, future retiree participation and contribution rates and mortality rates. For further information, see Note 10 to the financial statements and the Actuarial Section in the PERA 2015 CAFR.

**Table 2**  
**Historical Funding Progress of State Division Plan**  
**Actuarial Value of Plan Assets**  
(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

<b>Valuation Date (December 31)</b>	<b>Actuarial Value of Plan Assets<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)</b>	<b>Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)</b>	<b>Funded Ratio</b>	<b>Employer Payroll</b>	<b>UAAL as Percentage of Employer Payroll</b>
2015	\$13,882,820	\$24,085,671	\$10,202,851	57.6%	\$2,641,867	386.2%
2014	13,523,488	23,408,321	9,884,833	57.8	2,564,670	385.4
2013	13,129,460	22,843,725	9,714,265	57.5	2,474,965	392.5
2012	12,538,675	21,191,495	8,652,820	59.2	2,384,934	362.8
2011	12,010,045	20,826,543	8,816,498	57.7	2,393,791	368.3
2010	12,791,946	20,356,176	7,564,230	62.8	2,392,080	316.2
2009	13,382,736	19,977,217	6,594,481	67.0	2,384,137	276.6
2008	13,914,371	20,498,668	6,584,297	67.9	2,371,369	277.7
2007	14,220,681	19,390,296	5,169,615	73.3	2,236,518	231.1
2006	13,327,290	18,246,010	4,918,720	73.0	2,099,325	234.3

<sup>1</sup> The actuarial value of Plan assets is based on gains and losses smoothed in over a four-year period as permitted by GASB standards.

Source: PERA 2015 CAFR

**Table 3**  
**Historical Funding Progress of State Division Plan**  
**Market Value of Plan Assets**  
(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

<b>Valuation Date (December 31)</b>	<b>Market Value of Plan Assets<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)</b>	<b>Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)</b>	<b>Funded Ratio</b>	<b>Employer Payroll</b>	<b>UAAL as Percentage of Employer Payroll</b>
2015	\$13,391,398	\$24,085,671	\$10,694,273	55.6%	\$2,641,867	404.8%
2014	13,956,630	23,408,321	9,451,691	59.6	2,564,670	368.5
2013	13,935,754	22,843,725	8,907,971	61.0	2,474,965	359.9
2012	12,766,459	21,191,495	8,425,036	60.2	2,384,934	353.3
2011	12,001,770	20,826,543	8,824,773	57.6	2,393,791	368.7
2010	12,487,105	20,356,176	7,869,071	61.3	2,392,080	329.0
2009	11,611,758	19,977,217	8,365,459	58.1	2,384,137	350.9
2008	10,508,301	20,498,668	9,990,367	51.3	2,371,369	421.3
2007	14,852,029	19,390,296	4,538,267	76.6	2,236,518	202.9
2006	14,041,260	18,264,010	4,222,750	76.9	2,099,325	201.1

<sup>1</sup> The market value of Plan assets is the fair value of the assets determined in conformity with GASB standards. See the Investment Section of the PERA 2015 CAFR.

Source: PERA Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports for calendar years 2006 through 2015

Since contribution rates to the State Division Plan are fixed by statute, unless changes are made to such rates or changes are made to Plan provisions to reduce benefit payments, improvements in the funding status of the State Division Plan are expected to come primarily from increases in investment returns on

Plan assets or changes in the actuarial assumptions used to determine the value of Plan assets and the AAL. Changes to contribution rates or other Plan provisions, or the use of alternative Plan funding strategies, would require legislative action by the General Assembly, of which there can be no assurance.

### Fiduciary Net Position of the State Division Plan

The Statement of Fiduciary Net Position of the State Division Plan as of December 31, 2015, is included in PERA's basic financial statements set forth in the Financial Section of the PERA 2015 CAFR. The following table sets forth for each of the years 2006-2015 the changes in fiduciary net position of the State Division Plan.

**Table 4**  
**Changes in Fiduciary Net Position**  
**State Division**  
(Cash Basis; Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

	For the Year Ended December 31,									
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
<b>ADDITIONS</b>										
Employer contributions	\$ 484,005	\$ 444,372	\$ 401,658	\$ 335,073	\$ 283,222	\$ 287,624	\$ 297,240	\$ 270,353	\$ 232,997	\$ 208,795
Member contributions	217,980	211,610	202,799	227,058	258,678	223,240	194,168	191,481	179,971	169,965
Purchased service	26,946	22,446	22,241	16,358	11,277	12,496	8,830	13,315	8,259	39,480
Net investment income (loss)	210,337	780,762	1,931,658	1,511,244	232,669	1,553,142	1,742,571	(3,745,843)	1,388,265	1,921,863
Other	5,023	3,289	4,869	150	331	1	3	7	4	1
Total additions	944,291	1,462,479	2,563,225	2,089,883	786,177	2,076,503	2,242,812	(3,270,687)	1,809,496	2,340,104
<b>DEDUCTIONS</b>										
Benefit payments	1,417,862	1,352,293	1,295,780	1,231,922	1,174,707	1,122,435	1,071,725	999,279	925,761	849,229
Refunds	63,567	61,152	68,735	69,221	70,090	68,844	58,416	56,716	56,578	65,911
Disability insurance premiums	2,088	2,309	2,229	1,570	1,685	1,661	2,004	1,794	1,833	1,772
Administrative expenses	10,779	10,067	9,780	8,568	8,685	8,942	8,729	8,639	6,963	7,889
Other	3,406	3,171	3,593	3,911	(4,546)	(726)	(1,519)	6,613	7,592	3,103
Total deductions	1,497,702	1,428,992	1,380,117	1,315,192	1,250,621	1,201,156	1,139,355	1,073,041	998,727	927,904
Change in fiduciary net position	(553,411)	33,487	1,183,108	774,691	(464,444)	875,347	1,103,457	(4,343,728)	810,769	1,412,200
Fiduciary net position held at beginning of year	14,013,947	13,980,460	12,797,352	12,022,661	12,487,105	11,611,758	10,508,301	14,852,029	14,041,260	12,629,060
Fiduciary net position held at end of year	\$13,460,536	\$14,013,947	\$13,980,460	\$12,797,352	\$12,022,661	\$12,487,105	\$11,611,758	\$10,508,301	\$14,852,029	\$14,041,260

Source: PERA 2015 CAFR

### Net Pension Liability of the State Division Plan

As noted above, GASB 67 requires a different approach for determining net pension liability as compared to the previously disclosed UAAL, and also requires disclosing the plan's net pension liability and ratio of fiduciary net position to total pension liability. The schedule of net pension liability presents multi-year trend information about whether the fiduciary net position is increasing or decreasing over time relative to total pension liability.

The following table sets forth for the years 2013-2015 (the only years for which information is available) the net pension liability and related information regarding the State Division Plan. The required supplemental information in the PERA 2015 CAFR includes a schedule showing the sources of the changes in net pension liability for 2014 and 2015 (information for 2013 is not available). See also "Implementation of Changes in Pension Accounting Standards Applicable to the State – GASB 68" hereafter.

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**Table 5**  
**Net Pension Liability**  
**State Division<sup>1</sup>**  
(Dollar Amounts in Thousands)

	<b>For the Year Ended December 31,</b>		
	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>	<b><u>2013</u></b>
Total pension liability <sup>2</sup>	\$23,991,569	\$23,420,461	\$22,888,431
Plan fiduciary net position	<u>13,460,536</u>	<u>14,013,947</u>	<u>13,980,460</u>
Net pension liability	<u>\$10,531,033</u>	<u>\$ 9,406,514</u>	<u>\$ 8,907,971</u>
Net pension liability as a percentage of total pension liability	56.11%	59.84%	61.08%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 2,641,867	\$ 2,564,670	\$ 2,474,965
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	398.62%	366.77%	359.92%

<sup>1</sup> Information for years prior to 2013 is not available.

<sup>2</sup> The total pension liability for the State Division was determined by actuarial valuations as of December 31, 2014, and accepted actuarial procedures were applied to roll-forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2015. The actuarial valuations as of December 31, 2014, used the key actuarial methods, assumptions or other inputs discussed in “Funding Status of the State Division Plan” above, except that the fair value of assets, rather than a four-year smoothed market value of assets, was used to determine the net pension liability.

Source: PERA 2015 CAFR

### **Investment of State Division Plan Assets**

State law authorizes the investment of PERA’s funds by the PERA Board, subject to the following limitations:

- The aggregate amount of investment trust shares, corporate stocks, corporate bonds and convertible debentures cannot exceed 65% of the book value of the fund.
- Neither common nor preferred stock of a single corporation can exceed 5% of the book value of the fund.
- The fund cannot acquire more than 12% of the outstanding stocks or bonds of a single corporation.

See Note 5 to the financial statements and the Investment Section of the PERA 2015 CAFR for additional discussion of PERA’s investment responsibilities and investment policies.

### **Implementation of Changes in Pension Accounting Standards Applicable to the State – GASB 68**

GASB Statement No. 68, “Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions” (“GASB 68”) is a GASB pronouncement that is related to GASB 67 and applicable to governmental entities, such as the State, that provide their employees with pension benefits. GASB 68 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014, and accordingly has been implemented in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement. GASB 68 revises and establishes new financial reporting requirements for governmental entities, and, among other things, requires cost-sharing employers participating in defined benefit plans to record their proportionate share of the unfunded pension liability. PERA reports that the State Division had a UAAL of approximately \$9.7 billion as of December 31, 2013, \$9.9 billion as of December 31, 2014, and \$10.2 billion as of December 31, 2015.

The State reported a liability in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR of approximately \$9.1 billion (\$9.0 billion for the State Division and \$0.1 billion for the Judicial Division) at June 30, 2015, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The State’s proportionate share of the net pension liability at the end of Fiscal Years 2013-14 and 2014-15 is set forth in the following table. PERA includes employers in the State Division and the Judicial Division that are not included in the State’s Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR, which results in a difference between the net pension liability for the State reported by PERA and the State in their respective CAFRs. The State included 95.85% of the State

Division and 93.60% of the Judicial Division in its Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR to determine its proportionate share in accordance with requirements of GASB 68. These percentages are applied to the net pension liability reported in the PERA 2014 CAFR to determine the net pension liability reporting the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR because the PERA Board has statutory authority to assign employers to the State Division and Judicial Division that are not part of the State's CAFR reporting entity as defined by GASB Statement No. 14, as amended by GASB Statements No. 39 and 61. Examples of these employers in the State Division include Pinnacol Insurance, Fire and Police Pension Association and District Attorneys. Denver County Courts is the only Judicial Division employer that not part of the State's CAFR reporting entity. More information about the State's reporting entity can found in Note 3 to the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement and additional information on the proportionate share calculation can be found in Note 18 of the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR. Due to changes in the State's proportional share and the net pension liability amount at June 30, 2016, the State is unable to estimate the effect of the net pension liability reported in the PERA 2015 CAFR on the State's Fiscal Year 2015-16 CAFR.

**Table 6**  
**State's (Primary Government's) Proportionate**  
**Share of the Net Pension Liability<sup>1</sup>**  
(Amounts in Thousands)

	<b>Fiscal Year 2014-15</b>		<b>Fiscal Year 2013-14</b>	
	<b><u>State</u></b> <b><u>Division</u></b>	<b><u>Judicial</u></b> <b><u>Division</u></b>	<b><u>State</u></b> <b><u>Division</u></b>	<b><u>Judicial</u></b> <b><u>Division</u></b>
State's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	95.85%	93.60%	95.86%	93.44%
State's proportionate Share of Net Pension liability (asset)	\$9,015,773	\$129,500	\$8,539,181	\$102,756
State's covered-employee payroll	\$2,530,865	\$50,596	\$2,476,598	\$46,957
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (assets) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	356.23%	255.95%	344.79%	218.83%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	148.98%	201.98%	156.94%	252.48%

<sup>1</sup> The amounts presented for each Fiscal Year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the Fiscal Year and were calculated as described in Note 18C to the Financial Statements and Note RSI-2 to the Required Supplementary Information in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement.

Source: State Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR

A ten year history of the State's contribution to PERA for the State and Judicial Divisions is also included in Note RSI-2 to the Required Supplementary Information in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement. See also "Overall Financial Position and Results of Operations" in the Management's Discussion and Analysis, and the introduction to Notes 1-7 and Notes 18-20 to the Financial Statements, in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR.

### **Effect of Pension Liability on the Series 2016A Notes**

The Series 2016A Notes are short-term obligations maturing on June 29, 2017, and are payable from Pledged Revenues which are expected to consist primarily of amounts received by the State Treasurer from the Participating Districts on or before June 25, 2017, as repayment of their Program Loans and a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2016A Notes deposited to the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account as discussed in "THE SERIES 2016A NOTES – Security and Sources of Payment." Therefore, the State's current pension liability and the State's current plans to address such liability are not expected to adversely affect the State's ability to pay the Series 2016A Notes. See also Management's Discussion and Analysis in the State's Fiscal Year 2014-15 CAFR appended to this Official Statement, and particularly the section thereof captioned "CONDITIONS EXPECTED TO AFFECT FUTURE OPERATIONS – Pension Plan Contributions."

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## APPENDIX F

### DTC BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM

The information in this Appendix concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from DTC and contains statements that are believed to describe accurately DTC, the method of effecting book-entry transfers of securities distributed through DTC and certain related matters, but the State takes no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of such statements. Beneficial Owners should confirm the following information with DTC or the DTC Participants.

*None of the State, the State Treasurer, the Deputy State Treasurer, the Chief Financial Officer of the Department of the Treasury, the State Controller or the Financial Advisor has any responsibility or obligation to any Beneficial Owner with respect to (i) the accuracy of any records maintained by DTC or any DTC Participant, (ii) the distribution by DTC or any DTC Participant of any notice that is permitted or required to be given to the registered owners of the Series 2016A Notes under the Authorizing Resolution, (iii) the payment by DTC or any DTC Participant of any amounts received under the Authorizing Resolution with respect to the Series 2016A Notes, (iv) any consent given or other action taken by DTC or its nominee as the owner of Series 2016A Notes or (v) any other related matter.*

DTC will act as securities depository for the Series 2016A Notes. The Series 2016A Notes will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC's partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully-registered Series 2016A Note certificate, in the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2016A Notes, will be issued and deposited with DTC.

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants ("Direct Participants") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("DTCC"). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"). DTC has an S&P rating of "AA+." The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at <http://www.dtcc.com> and <http://www.dtc.org>. The State undertakes no responsibility for and makes no representations as to the accuracy or the completeness of the content of such material contained on such websites as described in the preceding sentence, including, but not limited to, updates of such information or links to other internet sites accessed through the aforementioned websites.

Purchases of Series 2016A Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2016A Notes on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each Beneficial Owner is in turn recorded on the records of Direct and Indirect Participants. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as

periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Series 2016A Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Series 2016A Notes except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2016A Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2016A Notes deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of Series 2016A Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2016A Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2016A Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Series 2016A Notes may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Series 2016A Notes, such as redemptions, defaults and proposed amendments to the Authorizing Resolution. For example, Beneficial Owners of Series 2016A Notes may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Series 2016A Notes for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of the notices be provided directly to them.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor such other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Series 2016A Notes unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the issuer as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Series 2016A Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Payments with respect to the Series 2016A Notes will be made to Cede & Co. or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the State or the State Treasurer on the payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participants and not of DTC, the paying agent or the State, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payments with respect to the Series 2016A Notes to Cede & Co., or to such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC, is the responsibility of the State or the paying agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants is the responsibility of DTC and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners is the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as securities depository with respect to the Series 2016A Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the State. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor securities depository is not obtained, Series 2016A Note certificates are required to be printed and delivered to the appropriate registered owners of the Series 2016A Notes.

The State may at any time decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository) with respect to the Series 2016A Notes. In that event, Series 2016A Note certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.



**APPENDIX G**  
**FORM OF OPINION OF BOND COUNSEL**

KUTAK ROCK LLP  
DENVER, COLORADO

[Closing Date]

The Honorable Walker Stapleton  
Treasurer of the State of Colorado

BofA Merrill Lynch  
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC  
Morgan Stanley & Co., LLC

\$275,000,000  
State of Colorado  
Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes  
Series 2016A

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have examined the laws of the State of Colorado (the “State”), the laws of the United States of America relevant to the opinions herein, and a certified transcript of the record of the proceedings taken preliminary to and simultaneously with the issuance by the State Treasurer (the “Treasurer”) of the “State of Colorado, Education Loan Program Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, Series 2016A,” in the aggregate principal amount of \$275,000,000 dated as of the date of their issuance (the “Notes”).

The Notes mature, bear interest, are transferable and payable, as to principal and interest at the times, in the manner, and subject to the conditions and limitations, provided in the resolution of the State Treasurer, adopted and approved on July 14, 2016, authorizing the issuance of the Notes (the “Resolution”). Proceeds of the Notes will be used to, among other things, fund loans to participating State school districts (the “Participating Districts”) pursuant to a loan program administered by the State Treasurer.

As to questions of fact material to our opinion, we have relied upon representations of the State and Participating Districts contained in the certified proceedings and other certifications furnished to us, without undertaking to verify the same by independent investigation.

Based upon such examination and, for purposes of paragraph 3 below, assuming continuous compliance with the covenants and representations contained in such proceedings and other documents, it is our opinion as Bond Counsel that under existing laws, regulations, rulings and judicial decisions:

1. The State is duly created and validly existing as a body corporate and politic with the corporate power to issue the Notes and perform the agreements on its part contained therein.

2. The Notes have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the State and are valid and binding obligations of the State, enforceable against the State in accordance with the terms of the Resolution. The “Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account”, to be established pursuant to the terms of the Resolution, and the Pledged Revenues, as defined in the Resolution, are irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes when due. The owners of the Notes are equally and

ratably secured by a first lien, but not an exclusive first lien, on the Series 2016-17 Notes Repayment Account and the moneys credited thereto.

3. Interest on the Notes is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes and is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax. Notwithstanding Bond Counsel's opinion that interest on the Notes is not a specific preference item for purposes of the federal alternative minimum tax, such interest will be included in adjusted current earnings of certain corporations, and such corporations are required to include in the calculation of alternative minimum taxable income 75% of the excess of such corporations' adjusted current earnings over their alternative minimum taxable income (determined without regard to such adjustment and prior to reduction for certain net operating losses). The opinions expressed in the preceding sentences assume the accuracy of certain representations and compliance by the State and Participating Districts with covenants designed to satisfy the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that must be met subsequent to the issuance of the Notes. Failure to comply with such requirements could cause interest on the Notes to be included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to the date of issuance of the Notes.

4. Interest on the Notes is not included in Colorado taxable income or Colorado alternative minimum taxable income under present Colorado income tax laws.

It is to be understood that the rights of the owners of the Notes and the enforceability of the Note may be subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights heretofore or hereafter enacted to the extent constitutionally applicable and that their enforcement may also be subject to the reasonable exercise by the State and its governmental bodies of the police power inherent in the sovereignty of the State and to the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases in accordance with general principles of equity.

We express no opinion herein as to any matter not specifically set forth above. In particular, but without limitation, we express no opinion herein as to the accuracy, adequacy or completeness of the Official Statement relating to the Notes.

The scope of our engagement has not extended beyond the examinations and the rendering of the opinions expressed herein. Our engagement as Bond Counsel with respect to the transaction referred to herein terminates upon the date of this letter. We assume no obligation to review or supplement this letter subsequent to its date, whether by reason of a change in the current laws, by legislative or regulatory action, by judicial decision or for any other reason. No one other than the addressees hereof shall be entitled to rely upon this opinion without our prior written consent.

Very truly yours,

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