

Institute for Emerging Issues Overview of State and Local Division of Responsibilities and Funding

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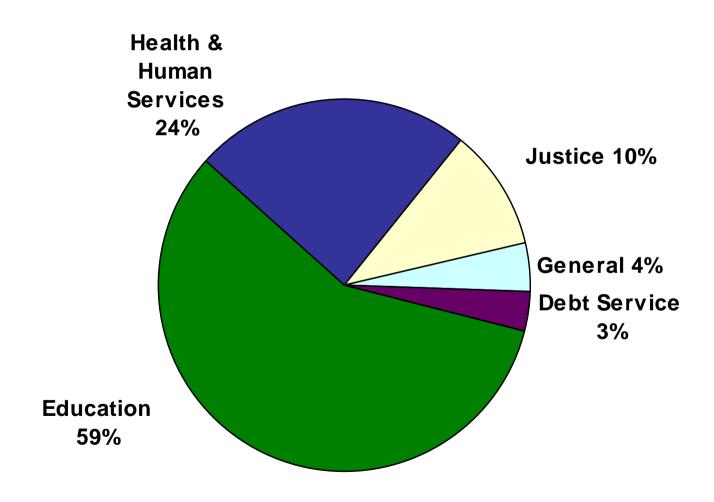
Presentation Outline

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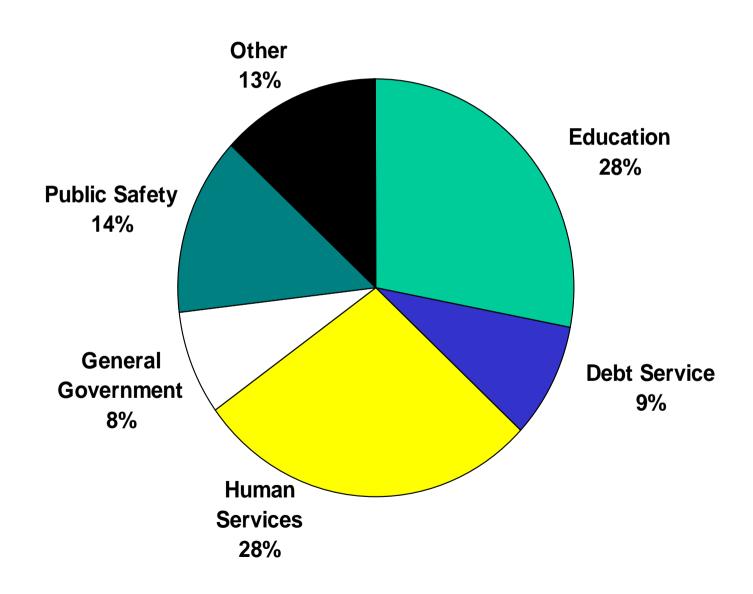
- (1) Map of state, county and municipal spending
 - Generally
 - Urban and rural distinction
 - By spending category
- (2) Understanding of where there is a mismatch between responsibilities and funding;
 - General examples
 - No reference to funding formulas
- (3) Map of state, county and municipal revenues
 - Heavy dependence on income and property tax

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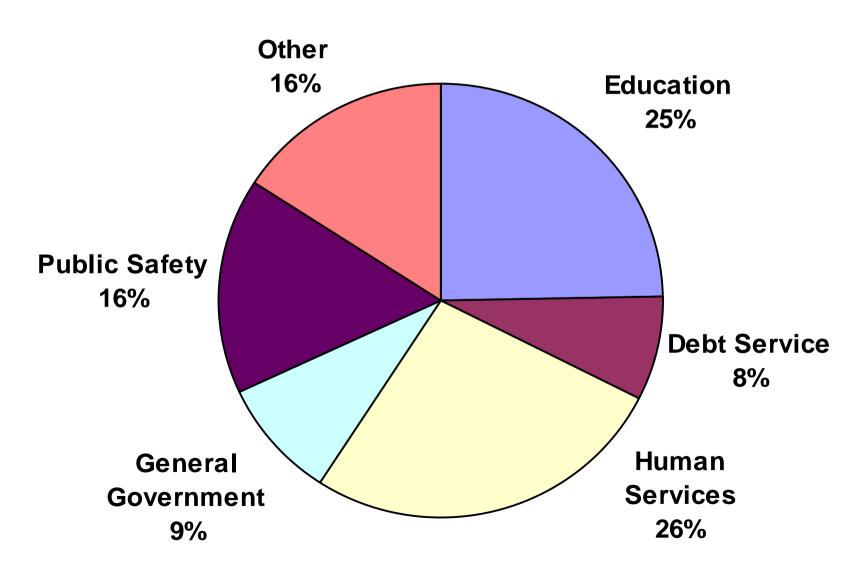
2005–06 State Government General Fund Expenditures Total of \$16 Billion



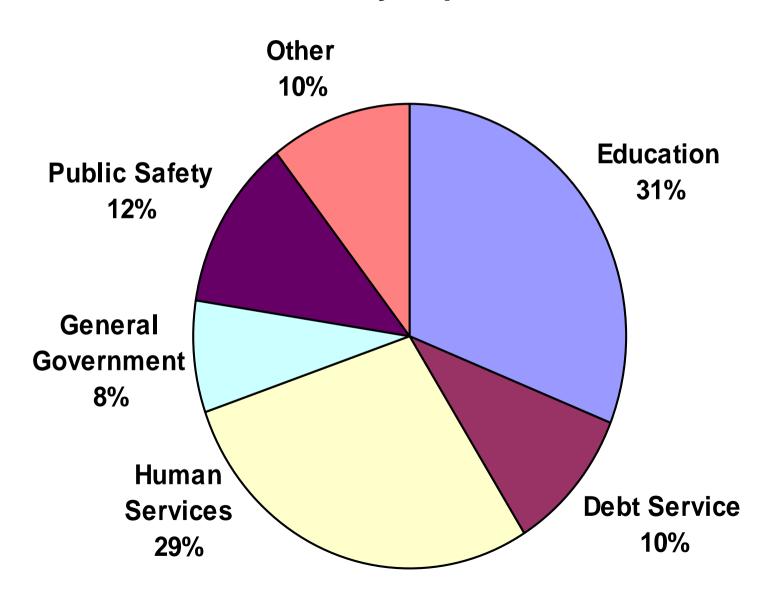
2004-05 Statewide Averages of County Expenditures Total of \$10.8 Billion



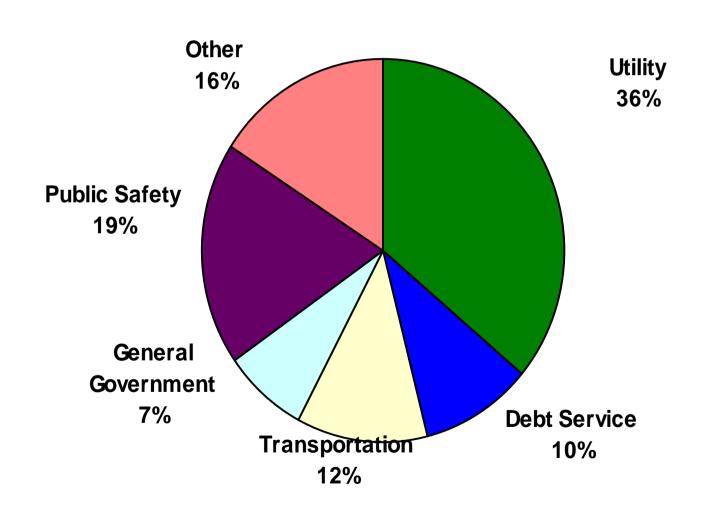
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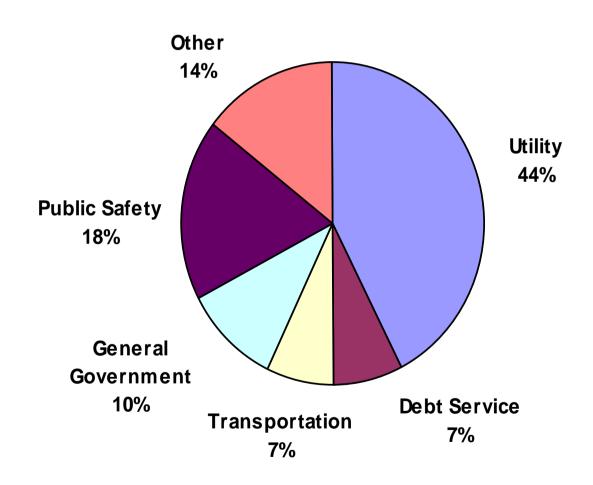
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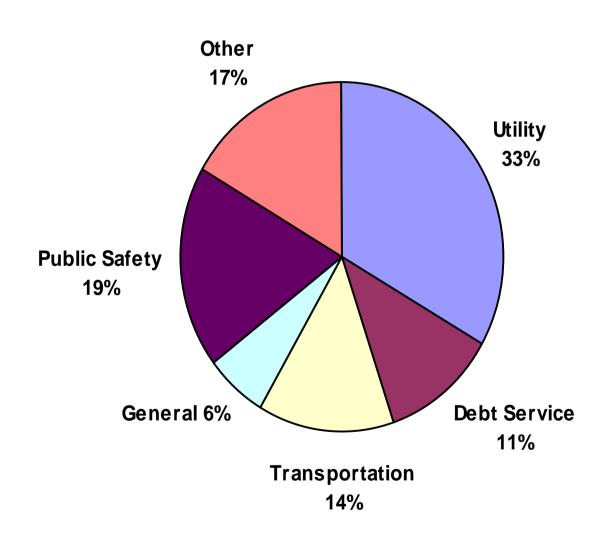
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City Expenditures With Populations Under 25,000

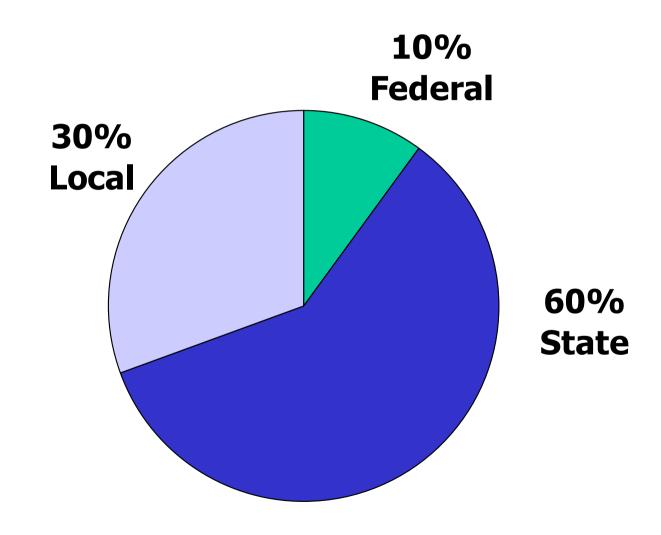


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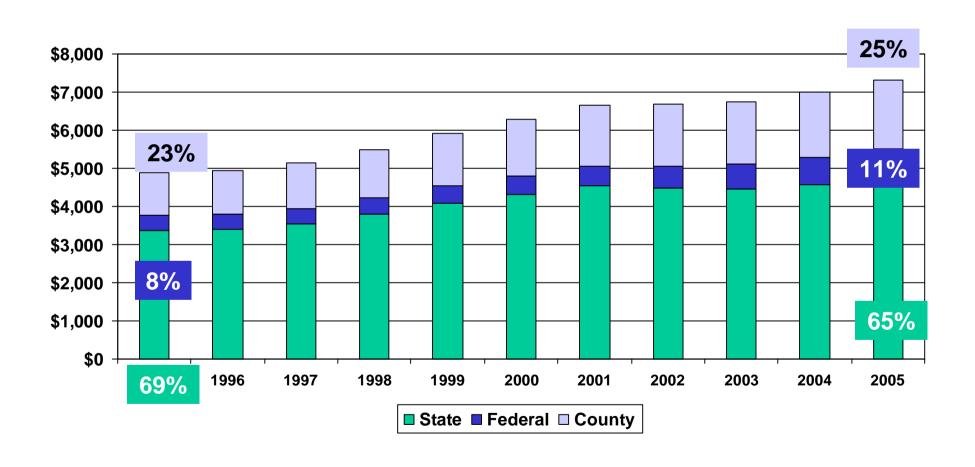


Who Pays for Public Schools?

\$10.6 Billion Total Budget



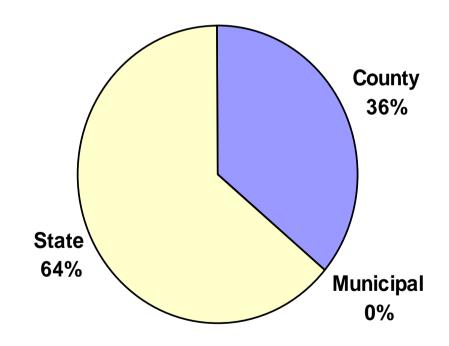
Per Pupil Funding Current Expense



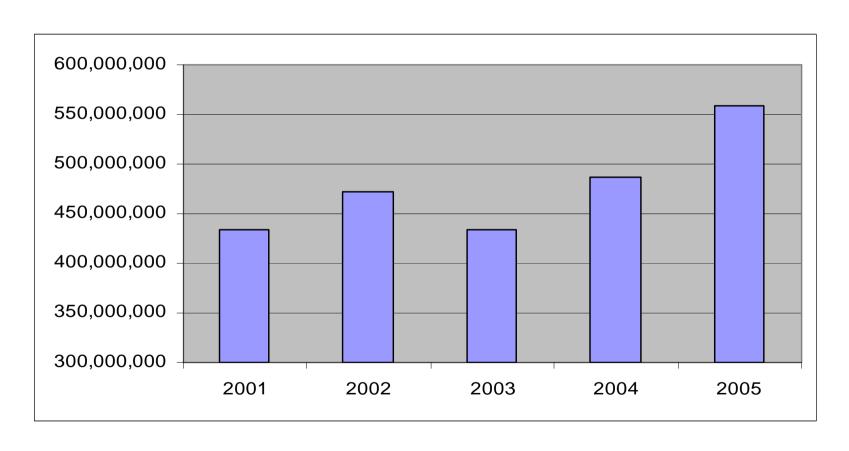
Who Pays for Health and Human Services?

Total budget \$7.9 billion

2004 - 2005 Share of Health and Human Services Expenditures

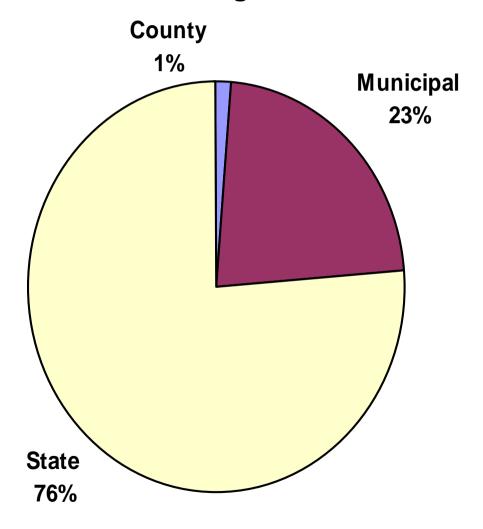


County Medicaid Cost Increases Since 2001



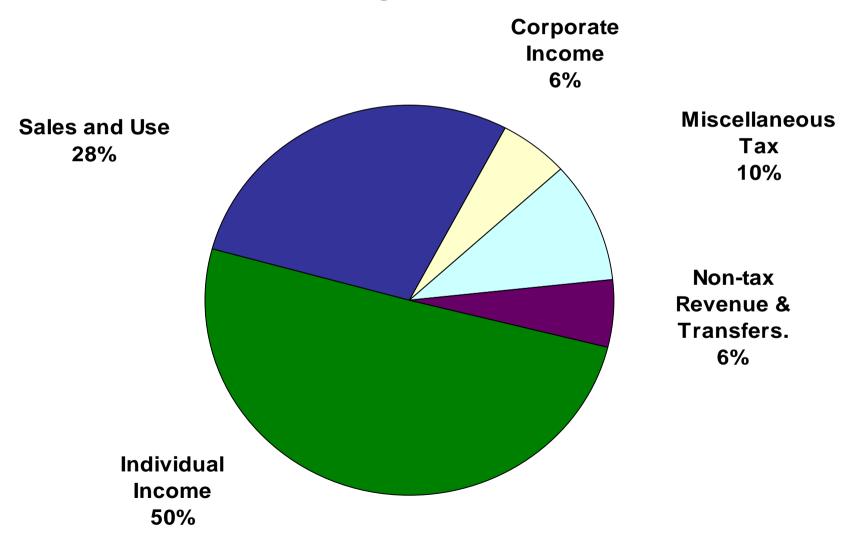
Who Pays for Transportation?

Total Budget \$4.4 billion



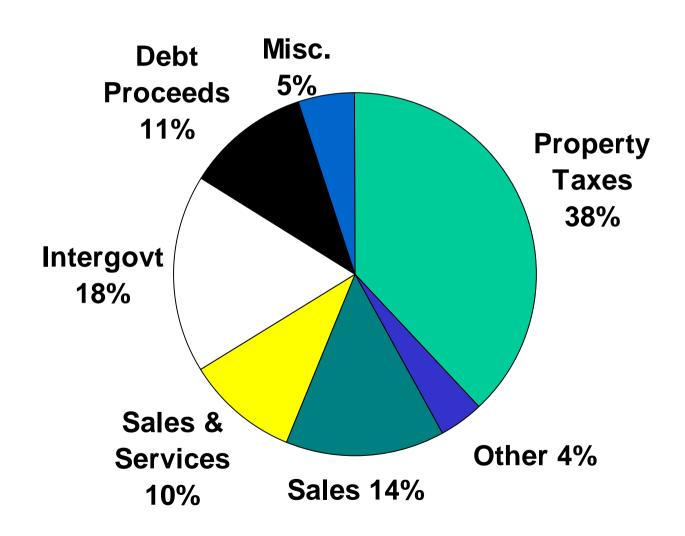
2005-2006 State Government General Fund Revenues

Total budget \$16.89 billion



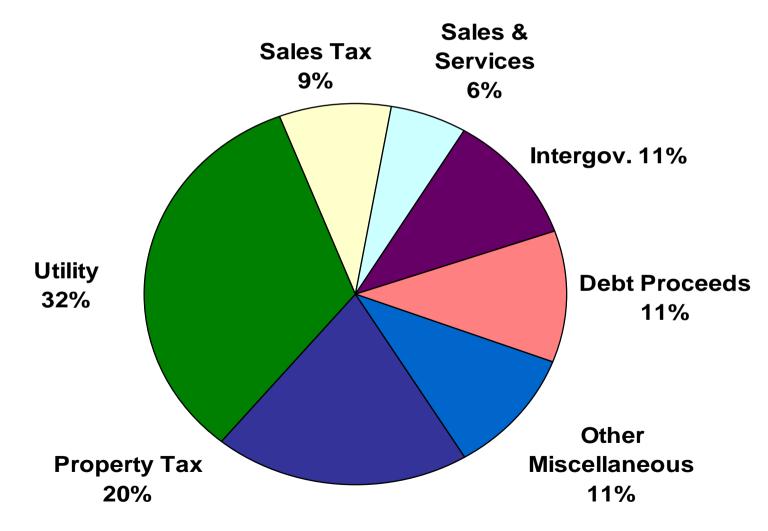
2004-05 County Revenues

Total budget \$11.3 billion



2005 – 2006 Municipal Revenues

Total budget \$8.5 billion





Conclusion

- There are things that the state says it will pay for, but does not (ie, adequate roads & funding to operate schools)
- There are things that county governments do pay for, but shouldn't (ie Medicaid)
- There are things that local government could pay for (ie, roads in urban areas) or are unable to pay for (ie, water and sewer in rural areas)
- There are things that local government should pay for but sometimes won't (ie, capital school construction)



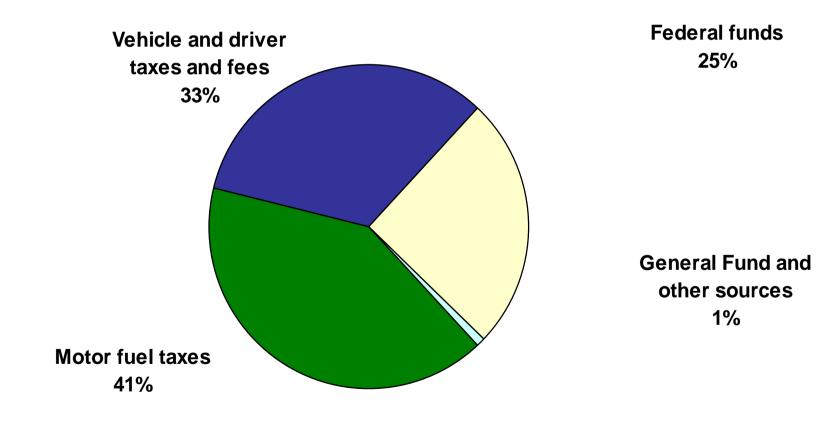
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- Responsibilities and funding should be matched by an appropriate source of revenue.
- Only a comprehensive solution to fiscal modernization can match revenues with responsibilities and address all major challenges.

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2005 – 2006 State Highway Revenue Sources

Total budget \$3.5 billion



2005 – 2006 State Highway Expenditures

Total budget \$3.5 billion **General Fund Agencies Maintenance** 13% and municipal **DOT Mgmt** aid 5% 28% Non-highway 1% **DMV 3%** Reserves 1% **Highway** construction 49%