

State and Local Finance Initiative

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State and Local Finance Initiative Team

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Status: Active | Dates: 1998 to present

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Interactive Data Tools

- **State Economic Monitor**
 - <http://datatools.urban.org/features/state-economic-monitor/index.html>
- **State and Local Finance Data Query System**
 - <http://slfdqs.taxpolicycenter.org/>
- **Future projects**

State Economic Monitor



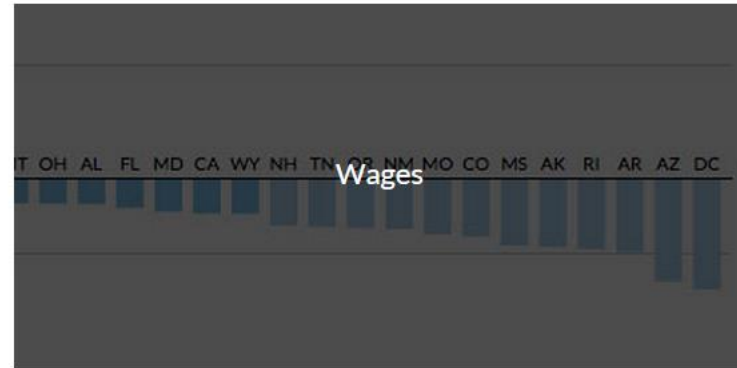
STATE ECONOMIC MONITOR

Employment

Wages

Housing

Taxes



State Economic Monitor

- Unemployment Rate; Total Employment; Public Employment
 - Bureau of Labor Statistics
- Average Weekly Earnings
 - Bureau of Labor Statistics
- House Prices
 - Federal Housing Finance Agency
- Total/Sales/Personal Income/Corporate Income Tax Revenue
 - US Census Bureau

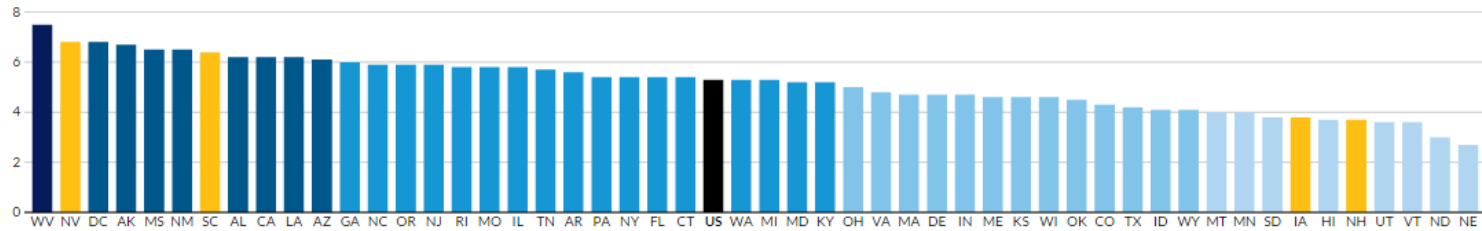
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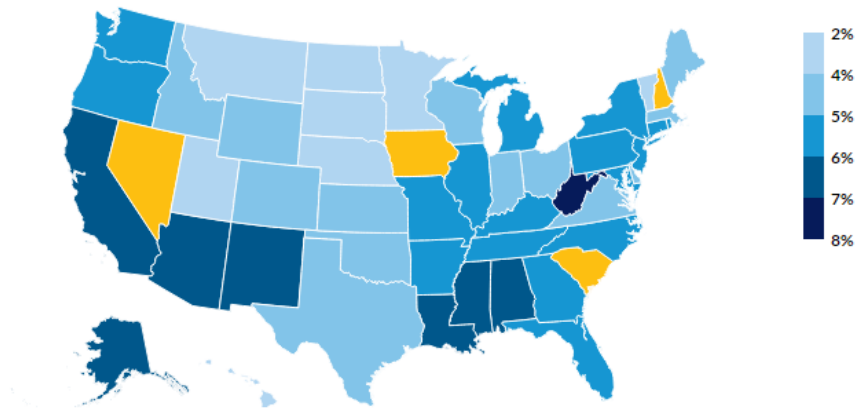
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Unemployment Rate (percent, seasonally adjusted)

The national unemployment rate was 5.3 percent as of July 2015.



REGION/STATE: Iowa
 RATE: 3.8%
 MONTH: July
 YEAR: 2015
 US average: 5.3%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

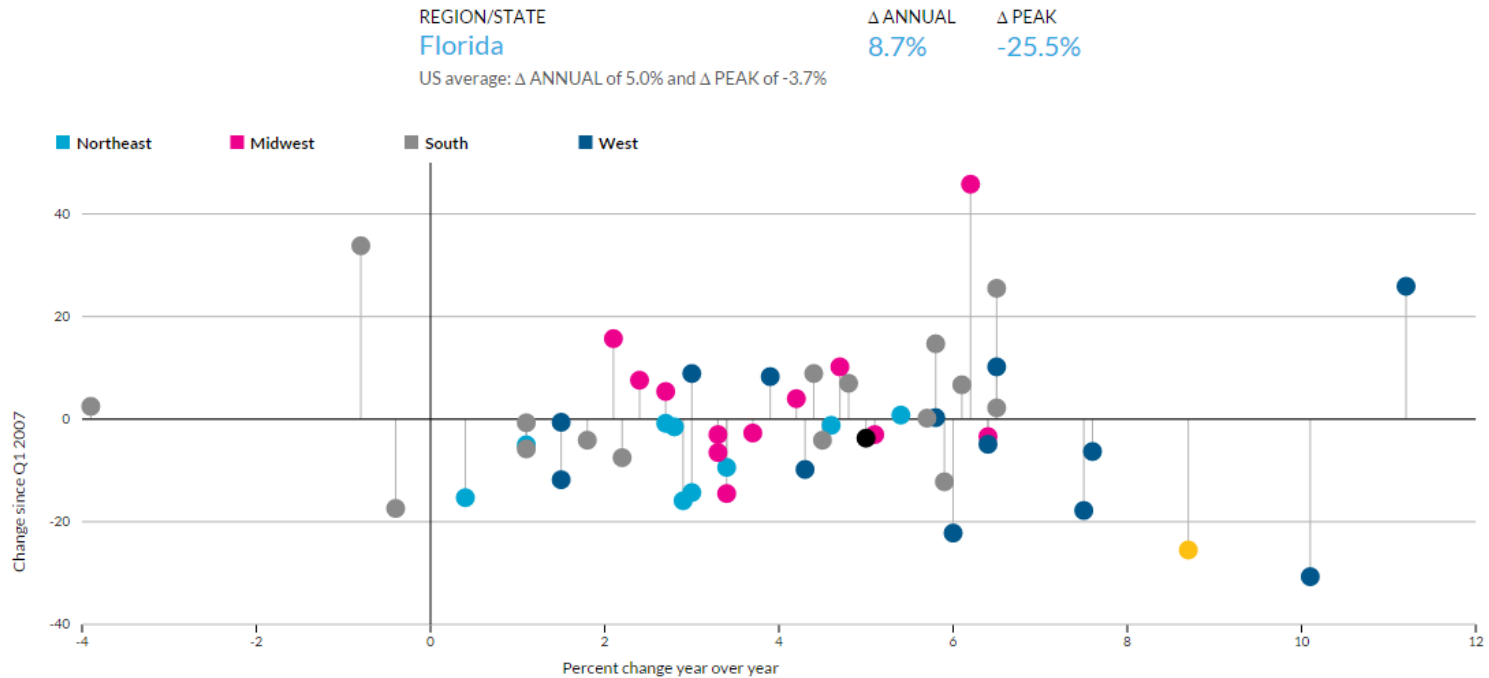
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One-Year-Change vs. Change Since Peak in Housing Prices

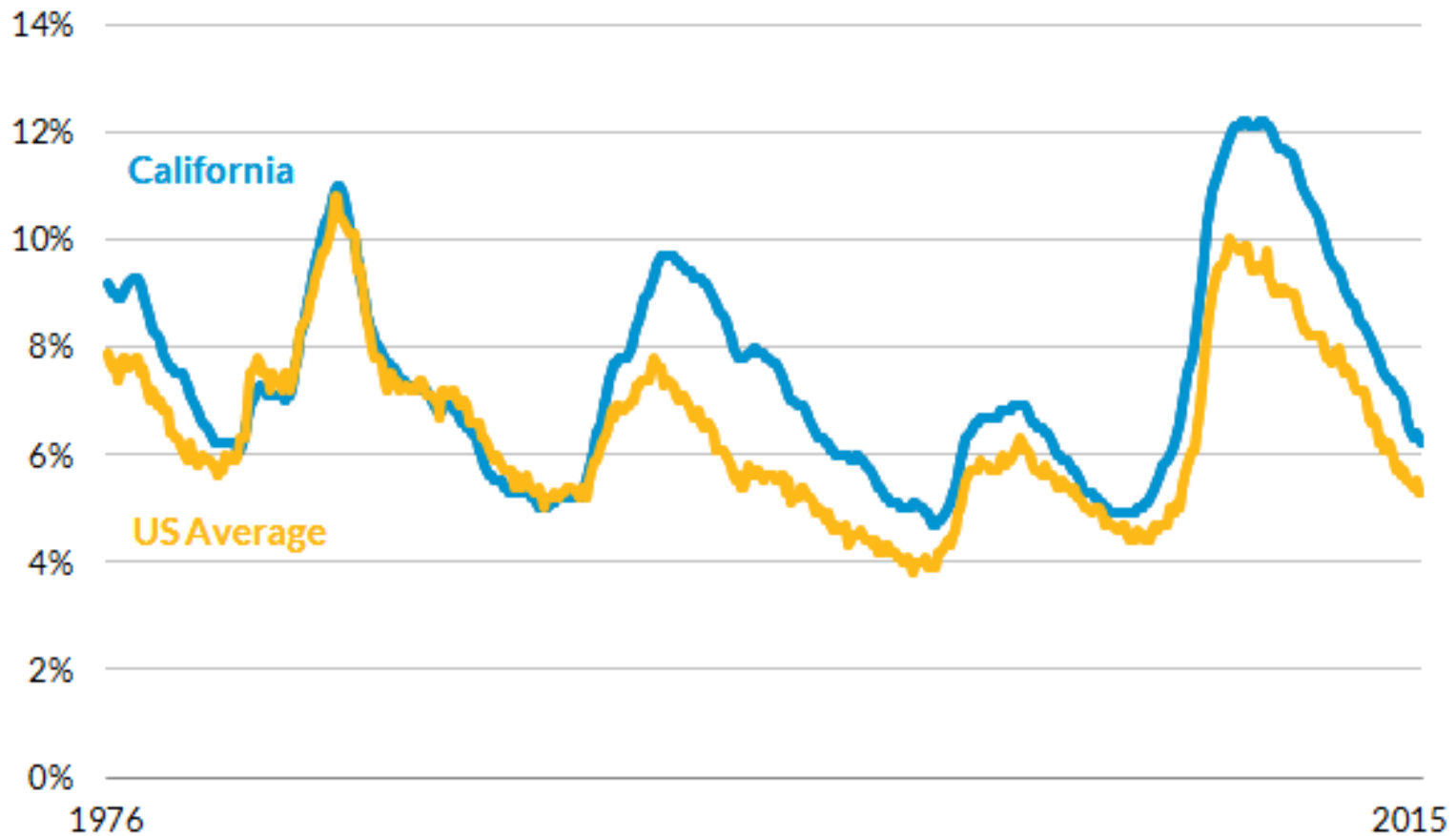
National house prices in the first quarter of 2015 were still 6.2 percent below the peak in house prices during the first quarter of 2007.



Despite 15 consecutive quarters of year-over-year growth, national house prices in the first quarter of 2015 were 3.7 percent lower than their peak in the first quarter of 2007. Prices were below 2007 levels in 30 states. Despite Nevada

What we're working on

Historical Unemployment Rate



Data Query System

STATE AND LOCAL FINANCE INITIATIVE

Data Query System (DQS)

INTRO

SELECT LEVEL

SELECT STATE

SELECT SERIES

SELECT YEARS

SELECT UNITS

VIEW RESULTS

This system allows flexible presentation of data from the Census of Governments State and Local Finance series. That series contains detailed revenue, expenditure and debt variables for the United States, each of the 50 states, and the District of Columbia for 1977-2012. The data are available by type of government: state, local, state and local totals, and local government detail. All data presented are state aggregates of finance data for the selected level of government. Users can view the data along different dimensions, in real or nominal dollars, and on a per capita or fraction of personal income, general revenues or total expenditures basis. This tool is useful for comparative, single state, or time series analysis.

To Use: Click on "Create a Table!" to begin making tables. On each tab, select desired options and click on "Next >>". If you need help, click on the ? box buttons. If you experience any problems or have comments or suggestions, please email sfldqs@urban.org

CREATE A TABLE

[Pre-Made Tables](#)

[Data Definitions](#)

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Government services are provided by governments and agencies at many different levels. In 2012 the Census Bureau identified 90,056 local governments. In addition to the Federal Government and the 50 state governments, Census recognizes five basic types of local governments. Finances may be aggregated by each type of government, as well as combinations of multiple levels.

Select Level of Government

- State and Local
- State
- Local
- County
- Municipal
- Township
- Special District
- School District

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Finance information for each state (revenues, expenditures or debt) is aggregated for all state and subordinate levels of government. (That is, the sum of state, county, municipal, town, special district and school district finances for the selected variable.) Because states differ in terms of which level of government collects each type of revenues or provides each service, meaningful comparisons across states are only possible at this level of aggregation.

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For series definitions, click on the ? box

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Available Series

(E020) Air Trans-Direct Expend
(E021) Total Correct-Dir Exp
(E022) Total Correct-Cur Oper
(E023) Total Correct-Cap Out
(E024) Total Educ-Direct Exp
(E025) Total Educ-Cur Oper
(E026) Total Educ-Cap Outlay
(E028) Elem Educ-Current Oper (E12)
(E029) Elem Educ-Cap Outlay
(E030) Total High Ed-Dir Exp

Add >>

<< Remove

Selected Series

(R05) Total Taxes
(R14) Motor Fuels Tax (T13)
(E027) Elem Educ-Direct Exp

hold ctrl to select multiple series

Note: Lottery variables (R79-R82) are exhibits. Net lottery revenue, which equals ticket sales minus prizes, is included in R61 (Misc General Rev NEC). The individual exhibits are displayed until 2006. [Click Here to view net lottery revenues.](#)

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Data Query System

Level: State and Local
Unit: Per Capita (dollars), Real (2012\$)

Order By:
 States Series Years

Selected States

Maryland ▼

Maryland, Real (2012\$)	(R05) Total Taxes	(R14) Motor Fuels Tax (T13)	(E027) Elem Educ-Direct Exp
1977	\$3,315	\$170	\$1,522
1978	\$3,411	\$162	\$1,426
1979	\$3,274	\$149	\$1,306
1980	\$3,068	\$123	\$1,222
1981	\$2,944	\$111	\$1,164
1982	\$2,978	\$107	\$1,132
1983	\$3,105	\$125	\$1,160
1984	\$3,308	\$147	\$1,175
1985	\$3,458	\$144	\$1,155
1986	\$3,630	\$144	\$1,218
1987	\$3,810	\$145	\$1,266
1988	\$4,030	\$184	\$1,322
1989	\$4,063	\$172	\$1,370
1990	\$4,034	\$165	\$1,450
1991	\$3,844	\$154	\$1,474
1992	\$3,813	\$154	\$1,431
1993	\$4,066	\$179	\$1,437
1994	\$4,102	\$181	\$1,474
1995	\$4,132	\$178	\$1,533
1996	\$4,045	\$174	\$1,527
1997	\$4,116	\$170	\$1,577
1998	\$4,344	\$183	\$1,580
1999	\$4,343	\$178	\$1,641
2000	\$4,592	\$164	\$1,687
2001	N/A	N/A	N/A

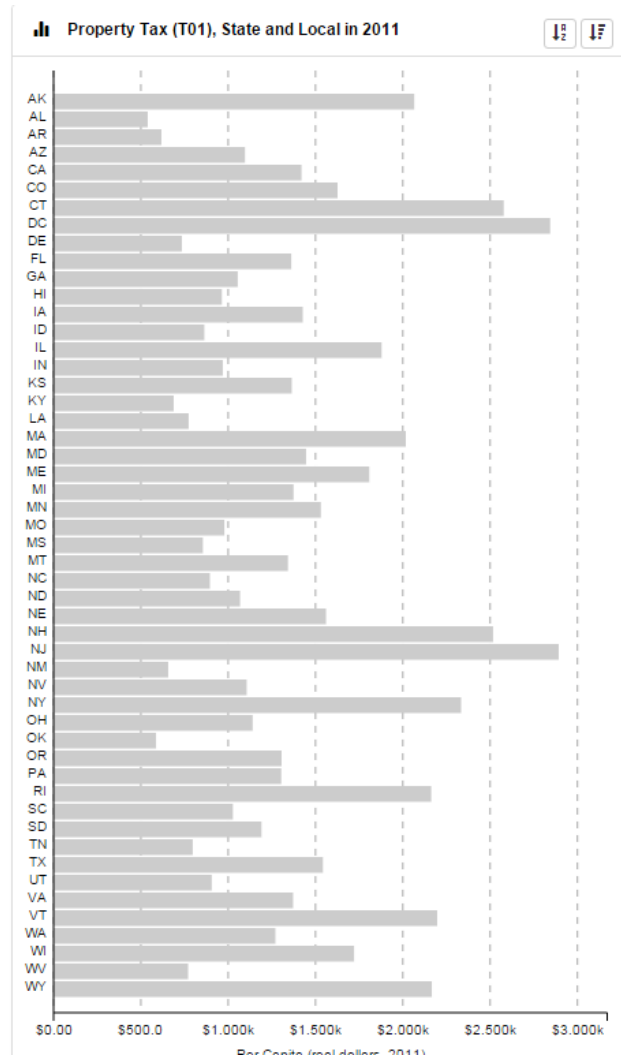
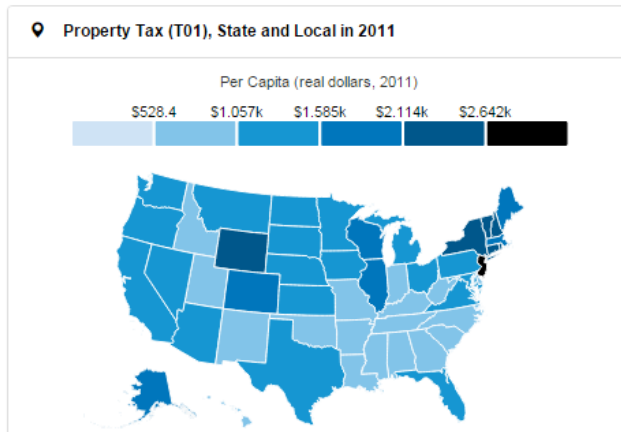
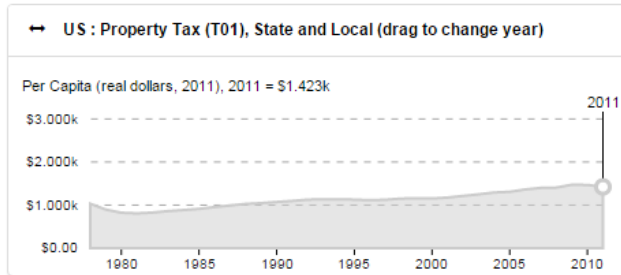
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Series
Property Tax (T01)

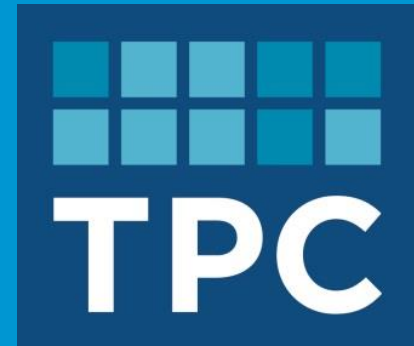
Government Level
 State and Local
 State Only
 Local Only

Display Units
 Real (2011\$)
 Nominal
 Per-Capita
 % of Income



New Data Projects

- Modeling State Taxes and Federal Interactions
- Fiscal Capacity



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