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Alabama	None	None	None	\$ 200,829.4	\$ 168,513.2	\$ 19,990.0	1.10
Alaska	Appropriation limits	Constitutional	Growth of population and inflation	\$ 53,255.2	\$ 43,355.4	\$ 5,812.9	0.70
Arizona	Expenditure Limitation	Constitutional	State personal income, and adjustment of local revenues	\$ 323,597.6	\$ 285,084.1	\$ 27,930.5	2.86
Arkansas	None	None	None	\$ 117,447.1	\$ 103,430.8	\$ 11,044.6	0.74
California	Appropriation limits	Constitutional	Personal income growth and population	\$ 2,800,505.4	\$ 2,510,598.9	\$ 225,440.2	3.23
Colorado	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Percent of state personal income	\$ 356,280.2	\$ 316,316.1	\$ 27,200.1	3.61
	Expenditure and Revenue	Constitutional	Growth of population and inflation, tax increase require voter approval				
Connecticut	Expenditure Limitation	Constitutional	Five year average increase in personal income, or rate of inflation.	\$ 251,329.8	\$ 227,662.5	\$ 18,107.7	1.03
Delaware	Expenditure Limitation	Constitutional	Appropriations tied to 98% of revenue forecast	\$ 64,319.3	\$ 57,711.6	\$ 5,330.2	1.70
Florida	Revenue Limits	Constitutional	Five-year average growth rate of personal income	\$ 963,255.9	\$ 863,422.4	\$ 73,643.3	2.74
Georgia	None	None	None	\$ 547,422.7	\$ 487,507.5	\$ 39,685.3	1.48
Hawaii	Appropriation limits	Constitutional	Three year average personal income growth	\$ 82,471.4	\$ 66,088.4	\$ 7,222.4	0.05
Idaho	Appropriation limits	Statutory	5.33 % of personal income	\$ 74,937.1	\$ 65,987.1	\$ 6,657.7	3.16
Illinois	None	None	Limited only during FY12-15	\$ 773,135.5	\$ 701,370.4	\$ 57,141.2	0.41
Indiana	Appropriation limits	Statutory	State spending growth quotient	\$ 337,636.1	\$ 306,857.0	\$ 25,002.9	1.55

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Iowa	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Appropriations tied to 99% of revenue forecast	\$ 173,515.4	\$ 154,365.1	\$ 16,248.1	0.35
Kansas	None	None	None	\$ 160,059.3	\$ 141,114.8	\$ 13,846.7	1.08
Kentucky	None	None	None	\$ 190,811.5	\$ 166,654.4	\$ 16,446.4	1.85
Louisiana	Appropriation limits	Constitutional	Based on FY91-92 and positive growth factor from US Dept. Commerce data	\$ 239,967.2	\$ 215,326.1	\$ 18,884.9	2.14
Maine	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Average personal income growth over 10 years plus average population growth.	\$ 58,793.3	\$ 51,115.5	\$ 5,236.1	2.30
Maryland	None	None	None	\$ 374,039.3	\$ 299,671.1	\$ 27,645.0	1.14
Massachusetts	Revenue Limits	Statutory	Tax revenue growth limit to average positive rate of growth in total wages and salaries	\$ 519,961.6	\$ 471,641.7	\$ 34,478.2	2.34
Michigan	Revenue Limits	Constitutional	9.49% of prior year's personal income	\$ 471,648.1	\$ 425,202.4	\$ 37,974.9	0.76
Minnesota	None	None	None	\$ 341,041.4	\$ 310,321.8	\$ 25,584.5	1.10
Mississippi	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Appropriations tied to 98% of revenue forecast.	\$ 102,656.4	\$ 85,566.3	\$ 12,067.2	0.49
Missouri	Revenue Limits	Constitutional	5.64% of prior year's personal income. Voter approval required for tax increases.	\$ 287,659.3	\$ 255,016.9	\$ 23,346.8	1.04
Montana	None	None	None	\$ 47,916.3	\$ 41,531.7	\$ 4,383.6	2.69
Nebraska	None	None	None	\$ 117,395.2	\$ 103,739.4	\$ 10,933.1	1.90
Nevada	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Growth of population and inflation	\$ 153,728.6	\$ 138,227.6	\$ 11,870.5	2.64
New Hampshire	None	None	None	\$ 77,240.3	\$ 69,541.1	\$ 5,686.0	1.44

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New Jersey	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Personal income growth	\$ 556,731.0	\$ 501,411.9	\$ 46,723.4	1.39
New Mexico	None	None	None	\$ 98,765.7	\$ 78,406.6	\$ 10,477.9	5.00
New York	None	None	None	\$ 1,490,678.5	\$ 1,335,960.0	\$ 132,457.2	1.52
North Carolina	Revenue Limits	Constitutional	Income tax capped at 7% of income	\$ 511,539.9	\$ 445,345.3	\$ 45,724.2	1.74
	Appropriation limits	Statutory	7 % of state personal income				
North Dakota	None	None	None	\$ 53,930.2	\$ 48,355.1	\$ 4,064.7	0.63
Ohio	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Adjustments based on consumer price index and population growth	\$ 615,474.4	\$ 552,677.8	\$ 48,596.8	1.47
Oklahoma	Appropriation limits	Constitutional	Appropriations tied to revenue forecast	\$ 197,900.4	\$ 170,285.0	\$ 19,501.4	1.98
	Revenue Limits	Statutory	Public vote to increase taxes.				
Oregon	Revenue Limits	Constitutional	Spending limit tied to personal income for that biennium.	\$ 225,336.8	\$ 198,801.3	\$ 22,149.1	2.54
	Appropriation limits	Statutory	Appropriations limited to personal income growth				
Pennsylvania	None	None	None	\$ 726,165.9	\$ 661,663.4	\$ 48,712.6	2.42
Rhode Island	None	None	Required to appropriate less then revenue estimate	\$ 53,668.0	\$ 46,444.2	\$ 4,701.3	0.86
South Carolina	Expenditure Limitation	Constitutional	Average growth rate of state economy and personal income growth	\$ 214,933.7	\$ 183,259.4	\$ 23,684.2	2.48
South Dakota	None	None	None	\$ 47,559.7	\$ 42,463.8	\$ 3,684.8	0.48
Tennessee	Expenditure Limitation	Constitutional	Personal income growth	\$ 328,406.3	\$ 293,451.9	\$ 25,047.4	1.57

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Texas	Expenditure Limitation	Constitutional	Personal income growth, population growth, and inflation	\$ 1,764,357.2	\$ 1,601,340.8	\$ 123,459.7	2.71
	Appropriation limits	Constitutional	Required to appropriate less than revenue estimate				
Utah	Appropriation limitation	Statutory	Growth in population and inflation	\$ 168,792.7	\$ 149,276.1	\$ 13,558.6	3.52
Vermont	None	None	None	\$ 29,806.2	\$ 25,688.9	\$ 3,015.8	0.71
Virginia	None	None	None	\$ 489,168.4	\$ 403,918.4	\$ 37,974.2	1.99
Washington	Expenditure Limitation	Statutory	2020 Legislature passed a bill eliminating limit	\$ 548,686.7	\$ 485,494.5	\$ 45,232.0	4.31
West Virginia	None	None	None	\$ 72,340.4	\$ 61,753.2	\$ 7,242.6	0.50
Wisconsin	Revenue Limits	Statutory	Two-thirds vote required to pass a tax increase	\$ 308,044.7	\$ 277,159.4	\$ 26,622.8	1.31
Wyoming	None	None	None	\$ 39,214.0	\$ 33,692.0	\$ 4,309.0	1.33

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