

# **How Rhode Island's State and Local Expenditures Compare**

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- Provides objective information and conducts educational programs for the benefit of Council members, public officials, and the general public;
- Builds coalitions with other community groups to promote sound public policies; and
- Promotes a public policy agenda to foster a climate for economic opportunity.

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## **I. Introduction**

Uniform and dependable expenditure information is needed to accurately compare state and local expenditures. In RIPEC's opinion, a credible and commonly used source of comparative state and local expenditure data is *Government Finances* compiled by the United States Census Bureau. Thus, the analysis presented here is based on the United States Census Bureau, Government Finance, FY 2006 and FY 1996 data.

RIPEC's report, *How Rhode Island Compares – State and Local Expenditures, 2008 Edition* provides details on state and local government expenditures for fiscal year 2006, the latest year for which national data are available. The publication compares Rhode Island's expenditures with those of the other 49 states and the United States average.

A comparison of Rhode Island's actual expenditures to other states would provide little, if any, useful information given the vast differences in land area, population and personal wealth. To provide a common basis for comparison, expenditures are shown on both a "Per Capita" and "Per \$1,000 of Personal Income" basis. This provides two types of common denominators that account for differences due to the population of a state (per capita measurement) and the personal income level of the state (per \$1,000 of personal income).

Per capita refers to the amount of state and local expenditures divided by the number of residents in the state. Measuring expenditures on a per capita basis shows the level of government spending for a particular service for each resident in a state. However, this measure does not reflect the ability to pay for these services or the demographic characteristics of a state. Per \$1,000 of personal income refers to the amount of state and local expenditures expended per every \$1,000 of personal income generated by the state's residents. Measuring spending against personal income provides some measure of a state's residents' ability to pay.

One should note that there are other measures to benchmark expenditures as well. For example, education expenditures can be measured on a per pupil basis or social welfare expenditures can be measured by the caseloads served. All of these measurements have their strengths and weaknesses. Therefore, several gauges should be considered in analyzing a state's expenditure trends. Nevertheless, RIPEC believes that reporting and analyzing relative expenditure trends per capita, per \$1,000 of personal income, and as a percent of total expenditures provides a benchmark to assess a state's expenditure choices.

RIPEC relied primarily on data made available through the United States Department of Commerce's Bureau of the Census website ([www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)). Per capita calculations were completed by RIPEC using Census Bureau population figures and per \$1,000 of personal income calculations by using the U.S. Dept. of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis income data as of March, 2008.

*How Rhode Island Compares – State and Local Expenditures, 2008 Edition* contains three sections in addition to this Introduction:

- Section II: Expenditure Analysis provides analysis and highlights major types of expenditures;
- Section III: State and Local Government Expenditures contains 32 tables of expenditure data for fiscal years 1996 and 2006 on a per \$1,000 of personal income basis and a per capita basis; and
- Section IV: Glossary of Terms.

## II. Expenditure Analysis

This report provides an overview of how Rhode Island's per \$1,000 of personal income and per capita direct general expenditures compare to Connecticut, Massachusetts and the United States as a whole for selected expenditure categories (elementary and secondary education; higher education; Medicaid/vendor payments; cash assistance; highways; police; fire; parks and recreation; and housing and community development). In addition, this report provides an analysis of expenditure trends for these expenditure categories for FY 1996 and FY 2006 in section IV.

	Per \$1,000 of PI			Per Capita		
	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
U.S.	\$199.56	-	-	\$7,101	-	-
CT	158.96	50	79.7%	7,842	9	110.4%
MA	180.83	41	90.6%	8,143	6	114.7%
<b>RI</b>	<b>211.11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>105.8%</b>	<b>7,725</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>108.8%</b>

\* Direct General Expenditures include all expenditures except expenditures for utilities, liquor store, insurance trust, and intergovernmental expenditures.  
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

As shown on Table 1, Rhode Island's direct general expenditures of \$211.11 per \$1,000 of personal income were 5.8 percent above the national average and ranked 21<sup>st</sup> highest in FY 2006. This varied significantly from Connecticut and Massachusetts. Connecticut's spending of \$158.96 per \$1,000 of personal income was 20.3 percent below the national average and Massachusetts' spending (\$180.83 per \$1,000 of personal income) was 9.4 percent below the national average.

On a per capita basis, Rhode Island's expenditures of \$7,725 per capita (10<sup>th</sup> highest) were 8.8 percent above the national average of \$7,101 per capita. Connecticut's per capita spending was 10.4 percent above the national average, ranking 9<sup>th</sup> highest in the Nation. Massachusetts' per capita state and local government spending was 6<sup>th</sup> highest, 14.7 percent above the average for the 50 states.

**Table 2**  
**Selected Expenditures Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**FY 2006**

	<b>U.S.</b>	<b>Rhode Island</b>		<b>Connecticut</b>		<b>Massachusetts</b>	
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Rank</b>
El. & Sec. Education	\$47.07	<b>\$50.09</b>	<b>16</b>	\$42.27	40	\$40.05	49
Higher Education	18.03	<b>15.27</b>	<b>41</b>	12.28	47	12.23	48
Medicaid/Vendor Paym.*	22.85	<b>44.31</b>	<b>2</b>	19.38	45	34.91	11
Cash Assistance	2.06	<b>3.21</b>	<b>9</b>	1.62	24	1.70	20
Highways	12.73	<b>10.12</b>	<b>44</b>	7.38	50	7.77	49
Police	7.44	<b>7.33</b>	<b>17</b>	5.23	47	5.77	39
Fire	3.21	<b>6.24</b>	<b>1</b>	2.63	33	3.38	13
Parks & Recreation	5.67	<b>2.66</b>	<b>48</b>	2.26	49	2.05	50
Housing & Comm. Dev.	3.95	<b>5.42</b>	<b>4</b>	3.77	18	5.21	7
Governm. Administration	10.47	<b>12.89</b>	<b>15</b>	8.74	39	7.99	47

\* Includes Medicaid and other public welfare vendor payments.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Government Finances, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 3**  
**Selected Expenditures Per Capita**  
**FY 2006**

	<b>U.S.</b>	<b>Rhode Island</b>		<b>Connecticut</b>		<b>Massachusetts</b>	
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Rank</b>
El. & Sec. Education	\$1,675	<b>\$1,833</b>	<b>8</b>	\$2,085	5	\$1,803	9
Higher Education	642	<b>559</b>	<b>40</b>	606	34	551	42
Medicaid/Vendor Paym.*	920	<b>1,622</b>	<b>2</b>	956	19	1,572	3
Cash Assistance	73	<b>117</b>	<b>7</b>	80	15	77	16
Highways	453	<b>370</b>	<b>44</b>	364	45	350	48
Police	265	<b>268</b>	<b>13</b>	258	16	260	15
Fire	114	<b>228</b>	<b>1</b>	130	11	152	5
Parks & Recreation	202	<b>97</b>	<b>50</b>	101	49	102	48
Housing & Comm. Dev.	140	<b>198</b>	<b>5</b>	186	6	234	3
Governm. Administration	373	<b>472</b>	<b>7</b>	431	14	360	26

\* Includes Medicaid and other public welfare vendor payments.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Government Finances, and RIPEC calculations.



**Table 4**  
**Selected Expenditures as Percent of Direct General Expenditures**  
**Fiscal Years 1996 and 2006**  
**(In Percent)**

	FY 1996				FY 2006			
	US	RI	CT	MA	US	RI	CT	MA
El. & Sec. Education	13.2%	<b>22.4%</b>	24.1%	19.7%	23.6%	<b>23.7%</b>	26.6%	22.1%
Higher Education	4.7	<b>6.8</b>	5.1	4.9	9.0	<b>7.2</b>	7.7	6.8
Medicaid/Vendor Pymts.*	5.9	<b>11.2</b>	11.1	12.7	13.0	<b>21.0</b>	12.2	19.3
Cash Assistance	1.3	<b>2.8</b>	2.6	2.3	1.0	<b>1.5</b>	1.0	0.9
Highways	3.7	<b>5.6</b>	5.8	7.4	6.4	<b>4.8</b>	4.6	4.3
Police	2.1	<b>3.4</b>	3.2	3.6	3.7	<b>3.5</b>	3.3	3.2
Fire	0.8	<b>2.6</b>	2.2	2.1	1.6	<b>3.0</b>	1.7	1.9
Parks & Recreation	1.6	<b>1.8</b>	1.5	1.3	2.8	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	1.3
Housing & Comm. Dev.	1.1	<b>2.6</b>	2.4	3.5	2.0	<b>2.6</b>	2.4	2.9

\* Includes Medicaid and other public welfare vendor payments.

Source: U.S. Census, Government Finances 1996 and 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 5**  
**Select State and Local Expenditures Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**How Rhode Island Compares to the United States Average, Connecticut and Massachusetts**  
**Fiscal Year 2006**

Selected State and Local Expenditures	U.S.	Rhode Island			Connecticut			Massachusetts		
	Amount	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
<b>Education Expenditures</b>	<b>\$68.46</b>	<b>\$69.36</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>101.3%</b>	<b>\$57.43</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>83.9%</b>	<b>\$58.75</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>85.8%</b>
Elementary & Secondary Education	47.07	50.09	16	106.4%	42.27	40	89.8%	40.05	49	85.1%
Higher Education	18.03	15.27	41	84.7%	12.28	47	68.1%	12.23	48	67.8%
<b>Social Services Expenditures*</b>	<b>\$34.83</b>	<b>\$55.03</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>158.0%</b>	<b>\$26.82</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>77.0%</b>	<b>\$39.50</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>113.4%</b>
Cash Assistance Payments	2.06	3.21	9	155.8%	1.62	24	78.6%	1.70	20	82.5%
Medicaid/Vendor Payments	25.85	44.31	2	171.4%	19.38	45	75.0%	34.91	11	135.0%
<b>Transportation Expenditures</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>	<b>\$12.21</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>81.4%</b>	<b>\$7.87</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>52.5%</b>	<b>\$9.65</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>64.3%</b>
Highways	12.73	10.12	44	79.5%	7.38	50	58.0%	7.77	49	61.0%
<b>Public Safety Expenditures</b>	<b>\$17.83</b>	<b>\$20.63</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>115.7%</b>	<b>\$12.19</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>68.4%</b>	<b>\$13.77</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>77.2%</b>
Police Protection	7.44	7.33	17	98.6%	5.23	47	70.4%	5.77	39	77.6%
Fire Protection	3.21	6.24	1	194.1%	2.63	33	82.0%	3.38	13	105.1%
<b>Environment &amp; Housing Expenditures</b>	<b>\$15.44</b>	<b>\$13.80</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>89.4%</b>	<b>\$9.82</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>63.6%</b>	<b>\$12.49</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>80.9%</b>
Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation	5.67	2.66	48	46.9%	2.05	50	36.2%	2.26	49	39.9%
Housing & Community Development	3.95	5.42	4	137.2%	3.77	18	95.4%	5.21	7	131.9%
Sewerage & Solid Waste	5.82	5.73	22	98.4%	4.00	45	68.7%	5.02	31	86.2%
<b>Governmental Administration</b>	<b>\$10.47</b>	<b>\$12.89</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>123.1%</b>	<b>\$8.74</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>83.5%</b>	<b>\$7.99</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>76.3%</b>
<b>Direct General Expenditures**</b>	<b>\$199.56</b>	<b>\$211.11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>105.8%</b>	<b>\$158.96</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>79.7%</b>	<b>\$180.83</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>90.6%</b>

\* Includes employment security administration and veterans' services.

\*\* Direct General Expenditures include all expenditures except expenditures for utilities, liquor store, insurance trust, and intergovernmental expenditures.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 6**  
**State and Local Expenditures Per Capita**  
**How Rhode Island Compares to the United States Average, Connecticut and Massachusetts**  
**Fiscal Year 2006**

Selected State and Local Expenditures	U.S.	Rhode Island			Connecticut			Massachusetts		
	Amount	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
<b>Education Expenditures</b>	<b>\$2,436</b>	<b>\$2,538</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>104.2%</b>	<b>\$2,833</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>116.3%</b>	<b>\$2,645</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>108.6%</b>
Elementary & Secondary Education	1,675	1,833	8	109.4%	2,085	5	124.5%	1,803	9	107.7%
Higher Education	642	559	40	87.1%	606	34	94.4%	551	42	85.8%
<b>Social Services Expenditures*</b>	<b>\$1,239</b>	<b>\$2,014</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>162.5%</b>	<b>\$1,323</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>106.7%</b>	<b>\$1,779</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>143.5%</b>
Cash Assistance Payments	73	117	7	160.1%	80	15	109.5%	77	16	104.5%
Vendor Payments (incl. Medicaid)	920	1,622	2	176.3%	956	19	104.0%	1,572	3	170.9%
<b>Transportation Expenditures</b>	<b>\$534</b>	<b>\$447</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>83.7%</b>	<b>\$388</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>72.8%</b>	<b>\$435</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>81.4%</b>
Highways	453	370	44	81.7%	364	45	80.4%	350	48	77.2%
<b>Public Safety Expenditures</b>	<b>\$634</b>	<b>\$755</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>119.0%</b>	<b>\$601</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>94.8%</b>	<b>\$620</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>97.8%</b>
Police Protection	265	268	13	101.4%	258	16	97.6%	260	15	98.2%
Fire Protection	114	228	1	199.6%	130	11	113.6%	152	5	133.0%
<b>Environment &amp; Housing Expenditures</b>	<b>\$549</b>	<b>\$505</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>91.9%</b>	<b>\$484</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>88.2%</b>	<b>\$562</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>102.4%</b>
Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation	202	97	50	48.2%	101	49	50.2%	102	48	50.6%
Housing & Community Development	140	198	5	141.1%	186	6	132.3%	234	3	166.9%
Sewerage & Solid Waste	207	210	16	101.2%	197	21	95.2%	226	10	109.1%
<b>Governmental Administration</b>	<b>\$373</b>	<b>\$472</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>126.6%</b>	<b>\$431</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>115.8%</b>	<b>\$360</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>96.5%</b>
<b>Direct General Expenditures**</b>	<b>\$7,101</b>	<b>\$7,725</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>108.8%</b>	<b>\$7,842</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>110.4%</b>	<b>\$8,143</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>114.7%</b>

\* Includes employment security administration and veterans' services.

\*\* Direct General Expenditures include all expenditures except expenditures for utilities, liquor store, insurance trust, and intergovernmental expenditures.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 7**  
**Direct General Expenditures\***  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 1996 and 2006**

	2006			1996		
	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
U.S.	\$199.56	-	-	\$188.42	-	-
CT	158.96	50	79.7%	165.70	45	87.9%
MA	180.83	41	90.6%	177.30	37	94.1%
<b>RI</b>	<b>211.11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>105.8%</b>	<b>198.70</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>105.5%</b>

\* Direct General Expenditures include all expenditures except expenditures for utilities, liquor store, insurance trust, and intergovernmental expenditures.  
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances 1996, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 8**  
**Elementary & Secondary Education Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 1996 and 2006**

	2006			1996		
	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
U.S.	\$47.07	-	-	\$44.26	-	-
CT	42.27	40	89.8%	39.87	42	90.1%
MA	40.05	49	85.1%	35.00	49	79.1%
<b>RI</b>	<b>50.09</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>106.4%</b>	<b>44.55</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>100.7%</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances 1996, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 9**  
**Public Welfare Vendor Payments (incl. Medicaid)**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 1996 and 2006**

	2006			1996		
	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
U.S.	\$25.85	-	-	\$19.80	-	-
CT	19.38	45	75.0%	18.41	28	93.0%
MA	34.91	11	135.0%	22.46	15	113.4%
<b>RI</b>	<b>44.31</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>171.4%</b>	<b>22.25</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>112.4%</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances 1996, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 10**  
**Public Welfare Cash Assistance Payments**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 1996 and 2006**

	2006			1996		
	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
U.S.	\$2.06	-	-	\$4.27	-	-
CT	1.62	24	78.6%	4.34	12	101.6%
MA	1.70	20	82.5%	4.16	13	97.4%
<b>RI</b>	<b>3.21</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>155.8%</b>	<b>5.60</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>131.1%</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances 1996, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

**Table 11**  
**Transportation Expenditures\***  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 1996 and 2006**

	2006			1996		
	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.	Amount	Rank	% of U.S.
U.S.	\$15.00	-	-	\$14.47	-	-
CT	7.87	50	52.5%	10.15	50	70.1%
MA	9.65	48	64.3%	15.24	31	105.3%
<b>RI</b>	<b>12.21</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>81.4%</b>	<b>12.11</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>83.7%</b>

\* Figures do not include transit subsidies, which were included in previous years

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State and Local Finances 1996, 2006, and RIPEC calculations.

### **III. State and Local Government Expenditures**

Per \$1,000 of Personal Income

Per Capita

**Table 12**  
**Direct General Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$199.56	-	\$188.42	-
Alaska	373.18	1	405.43	1
Wyoming	271.18	2	259.53	2
Louisiana	265.86	3	215.78	9
New Mexico	265.06	4	240.34	3
Mississippi	253.39	5	221.53	7
Maine	240.72	6	210.60	12
New York	236.73	7	233.73	4
Vermont	233.49	8	207.33	13
South Carolina	232.20	9	203.98	17
West Virginia	231.29	10	223.27	6
Delaware	229.38	11	206.59	14
Alabama	223.55	12	194.97	22
Montana	220.41	13	226.75	5
North Dakota	219.38	14	205.75	16
Ohio	219.37	15	178.98	35
Hawaii	215.10	16	218.89	8
Iowa	215.02	17	195.37	21
Arkansas	214.19	18	183.47	32
Utah	213.71	19	213.14	10
Oregon	213.32	20	206.00	15
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>211.11</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>198.70</b>	<b>20</b>
Wisconsin	211.04	22	202.28	18
California	210.17	23	192.72	24
Kentucky	207.99	24	194.26	23
North Carolina	202.51	25	179.46	34
Pennsylvania	201.18	26	176.26	38
Indiana	200.96	27	172.01	42
Idaho	200.15	28	192.09	25
Minnesota	198.10	29	212.49	11
Michigan	197.90	30	187.70	26
Nebraska	196.99	31	183.61	31
Kansas	194.72	32	187.58	27
Washington	192.95	33	201.25	19
Florida	191.00	34	178.67	36
Arizona	188.66	35	184.39	30
South Dakota	187.18	36	186.62	28
Oklahoma	187.08	37	181.80	33
Georgia	185.20	38	185.48	29
Missouri	184.72	39	161.34	47
New Jersey	181.54	40	174.72	40
Massachusetts	180.83	41	177.30	37
Tennessee	180.79	42	173.32	41
Illinois	176.34	43	164.38	46
Texas	174.46	44	175.86	39
Nevada	171.67	45	166.56	44
Virginia	170.67	46	159.19	49
Colorado	169.00	47	168.43	43
Maryland	164.80	48	159.24	48
New Hampshire	161.42	49	158.79	50
Connecticut	158.96	50	165.70	45

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 18th in FY 2005

**Table 13**  
**Direct General Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$7,101	-	\$4,483	-
Alaska	13,968	1	10,365	1
Wyoming	10,425	2	5,602	3
New York	10,086	3	6,609	2
Delaware	8,740	4	5,218	8
New Jersey	8,159	5	5,261	7
Massachusetts	8,143	6	5,044	9
California	8,050	7	4,750	12
Vermont	7,874	8	4,460	17
Connecticut	7,842	9	5,338	5
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>7,725</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4,828</b>	<b>11</b>
Hawaii	7,659	11	5,536	4
New Mexico	7,606	12	4,564	15
Maine	7,541	13	4,346	18
Minnesota	7,502	14	5,306	6
Pennsylvania	7,184	15	4,238	23
Ohio	7,148	16	4,104	33
Louisiana	7,108	17	4,227	26
North Dakota	7,100	18	4,134	31
Wisconsin	7,093	19	4,624	14
Washington	7,063	20	4,883	10
Maryland	7,013	21	4,284	22
Iowa	6,910	22	4,284	20
Oregon	6,843	23	4,710	13
Florida	6,779	24	4,220	27
South Carolina	6,724	25	4,065	35
Alabama	6,680	26	3,881	39
Mississippi	6,614	27	3,861	41
Nebraska	6,610	28	4,201	29
Virginia	6,593	29	3,915	38
Montana	6,591	30	4,236	24
Michigan	6,590	31	4,526	16
Illinois	6,561	32	4,301	19
Kansas	6,528	33	4,209	28
Colorado	6,475	34	4,236	25
Nevada	6,451	35	4,284	21
Indiana	6,319	36	3,774	45
North Carolina	6,312	37	3,959	37
West Virginia	6,288	38	4,021	36
New Hampshire	6,196	39	4,065	34
Utah	6,122	40	4,129	32
Kentucky	6,020	41	3,768	46
South Dakota	5,967	42	3,871	40
Missouri	5,911	43	3,578	48
Arkansas	5,900	44	3,458	50
Texas	5,881	45	3,783	44
Oklahoma	5,820	46	3,523	49
Arizona	5,797	47	3,828	42
Georgia	5,789	48	4,168	30
Idaho	5,746	49	3,823	43
Tennessee	5,694	50	3,755	47

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 9th in FY 2005

**Table 14**  
**Elem. & Secondary Education Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$47.07	-	\$44.26	-
Alaska	71.66	1	75.95	1
Vermont	59.16	2	52.19	7
Wyoming	57.42	3	62.92	2
New Jersey	55.90	4	47.27	21
South Carolina	55.45	5	46.92	22
New York	55.25	6	50.93	10
New Mexico	54.49	7	46.23	26
Arkansas	53.35	8	42.26	36
Ohio	53.14	9	46.43	25
West Virginia	52.67	10	55.12	4
Georgia	52.63	11	47.56	20
Mississippi	52.61	12	48.68	17
Louisiana	52.02	13	44.27	32
Maine	51.44	14	50.80	11
Michigan	51.26	15	49.51	13
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>50.09</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>44.55</b>	<b>29</b>
Wisconsin	49.99	17	53.43	6
Delaware	49.70	18	43.84	33
Indiana	49.23	19	46.56	24
Pennsylvania	48.83	20	43.29	35
Texas	48.67	21	48.92	16
Iowa	48.65	22	45.43	28
Montana	47.84	23	59.73	3
Alabama	47.68	24	41.97	37
North Dakota	46.11	25	46.56	23
California	45.92	26	38.04	46
Nebraska	45.92	27	51.07	9
Minnesota	45.48	28	51.86	8
New Hampshire	45.31	29	40.76	38
Oklahoma	45.07	30	48.51	18
Utah	45.05	31	54.09	5
Missouri	44.55	32	43.59	34
Virginia	44.55	33	40.71	39
Kansas	44.43	34	48.98	15
Idaho	44.11	35	49.78	12
Oregon	43.35	36	49.09	14
Illinois	43.33	37	38.53	45
Kentucky	42.58	38	45.68	27
Hawaii	42.32	39	31.64	50
Connecticut	42.27	40	39.87	42
North Carolina	41.66	41	39.51	43
Arizona	40.84	42	44.44	30
Washington	40.77	43	47.74	19
Colorado	40.73	44	40.53	40
Maryland	40.69	45	39.11	44
Nevada	40.62	46	36.61	48
South Dakota	40.57	47	44.32	31
Florida	40.53	48	40.12	41
Massachusetts	40.05	49	35.00	49
Tennessee	38.87	50	36.92	47

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 19th in FY 2005

**Table 15**  
**Elem. & Secondary Education Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$1,675	-	\$1,053	-
Alaska	2,682	1	1,942	1
New Jersey	2,512	2	1,423	3
New York	2,354	3	1,440	2
Wyoming	2,207	4	1,358	4
Connecticut	2,085	5	1,285	6
Vermont	1,995	6	1,123	11
Delaware	1,894	7	1,107	14
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>1,833</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,083</b>	<b>16</b>
Massachusetts	1,803	9	996	30
California	1,759	10	938	37
Pennsylvania	1,744	11	1,041	24
New Hampshire	1,739	12	1,043	23
Ohio	1,732	13	1,065	18
Maryland	1,731	14	1,052	20
Minnesota	1,722	15	1,295	5
Virginia	1,721	16	1,001	28
Michigan	1,707	17	1,194	8
Wisconsin	1,680	18	1,221	7
Georgia	1,645	19	1,069	17
Texas	1,641	20	1,052	19
Illinois	1,612	21	1,008	27
Maine	1,612	22	1,048	21
South Carolina	1,606	23	935	39
New Mexico	1,564	24	878	43
Iowa	1,563	25	996	29
Colorado	1,561	26	1,019	26
Indiana	1,548	27	1,022	25
Nebraska	1,541	28	1,169	9
Nevada	1,526	29	942	35
Hawaii	1,507	30	800	48
North Dakota	1,492	31	935	38
Washington	1,492	32	1,158	10
Kansas	1,490	33	1,099	15
Arkansas	1,470	34	797	50
Florida	1,438	35	948	34
West Virginia	1,432	36	993	31
Montana	1,431	37	1,116	13
Missouri	1,426	38	967	33
Alabama	1,425	39	835	47
Oklahoma	1,402	40	940	36
Oregon	1,391	41	1,122	12
Louisiana	1,391	42	867	45
Mississippi	1,373	43	849	46
North Carolina	1,299	44	872	44
South Dakota	1,293	45	919	41
Utah	1,290	46	1,048	22
Idaho	1,266	47	991	32
Arizona	1,255	48	923	40
Kentucky	1,232	49	886	42
Tennessee	1,224	50	800	49

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 9th in FY 2005



**Table 16**  
**Higher Education Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$18.03	-	\$15.96	-
New Mexico	33.38	1	30.68	2
Utah	32.65	2	30.95	1
North Dakota	32.16	3	28.84	3
Vermont	31.62	4	24.61	7
Iowa	28.85	5	24.97	5
North Carolina	28.49	6	21.05	17
Mississippi	28.06	7	24.30	8
Alabama	27.24	8	21.95	11
Delaware	26.52	9	24.78	6
Kansas	26.09	10	21.88	12
West Virginia	25.46	11	20.52	19
Wyoming	24.86	12	26.62	4
Oregon	24.82	13	20.23	21
Michigan	24.68	14	21.58	13
Arkansas	24.61	15	17.91	29
Nebraska	24.46	16	21.29	16
Wisconsin	24.18	17	21.41	15
Montana	23.69	18	23.14	9
Oklahoma	23.62	19	19.82	22
Alaska	23.08	20	20.38	20
Kentucky	22.58	21	18.76	27
South Carolina	22.42	22	20.68	18
Indiana	21.78	23	22.46	10
Louisiana	21.41	24	18.33	28
Idaho	21.15	25	21.56	14
Hawaii	20.44	26	19.34	25
Washington	20.27	27	19.28	26
Texas	19.73	28	17.24	30
Ohio	19.04	29	15.58	34
Arizona	18.87	30	19.79	23
Virginia	18.04	31	15.93	33
Colorado	17.44	32	19.58	24
California	17.43	33	15.21	37
South Dakota	17.41	34	15.49	35
Minnesota	17.39	35	16.17	32
Maine	17.27	36	15.28	36
Maryland	16.95	37	15.10	38
Missouri	16.53	38	14.16	41
Illinois	15.54	39	13.37	43
Georgia	15.48	40	14.43	39
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>15.27</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>13.42</b>	<b>42</b>
New Hampshire	15.09	42	12.11	44
Tennessee	14.97	43	16.45	31
Pennsylvania	14.95	44	14.21	40
New Jersey	12.51	45	10.93	46
Nevada	12.50	46	11.65	45
Connecticut	12.28	47	8.46	50
Massachusetts	12.23	48	8.72	49
New York	11.88	49	10.53	48
Florida	11.60	50	10.89	47

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 44th in FY 2005

**Table 17**  
**Higher Education Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$642	-	\$380	-
Vermont	1,066	1	529	7
North Dakota	1,041	2	579	4
Delaware	1,011	3	626	1
New Mexico	958	4	583	3
Wyoming	956	5	575	5
Utah	935	6	600	2
Iowa	927	7	547	6
North Carolina	888	8	464	17
Kansas	875	9	491	12
Alaska	864	10	521	8
Michigan	822	11	520	9
Nebraska	821	12	487	15
Alabama	814	13	437	19
Wisconsin	813	14	489	13
Oregon	796	15	463	18
Washington	742	16	468	16
Oklahoma	735	17	384	28
Mississippi	732	18	424	22
Hawaii	728	19	489	14
Maryland	721	20	406	25
Montana	708	21	432	20
Virginia	697	22	392	27
West Virginia	692	23	370	31
Indiana	685	24	493	10
Arkansas	678	25	338	38
Colorado	668	26	492	11
California	668	27	375	29
Texas	665	28	371	30
Minnesota	658	29	404	26
Kentucky	654	30	364	32
South Carolina	649	31	412	23
Ohio	621	32	357	34
Idaho	607	33	429	21
Connecticut	606	34	273	48
Arizona	580	35	411	24
New Hampshire	579	36	310	45
Illinois	578	37	350	36
Louisiana	572	38	359	33
New Jersey	562	39	329	39
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>40</b>
South Dakota	555	41	321	42
Massachusetts	551	42	248	50
Maine	541	43	315	43
Pennsylvania	534	44	342	37
Missouri	529	45	314	44
New York	506	46	298	47
Georgia	484	47	324	41
Tennessee	472	48	356	35
Nevada	470	49	299	46
Florida	412	50	257	49

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 47th in FY 2005

**Table 18**  
Cash Assistance Payments  
Per \$1,000 of Personal Income  
Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$2.06	-	\$4.27	-
Alabama	6.65	1	2.08	39
Alaska	5.91	2	10.90	1
North Carolina	5.07	3	4.06	14
Maine	4.34	4	5.74	5
California	4.19	5	9.15	2
New Mexico	3.95	6	5.04	8
Utah	3.70	7	2.97	23
Minnesota	3.33	8	5.50	7
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>3.21</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5.60</b>	<b>6</b>
Virginia	3.02	10	3.55	16
Vermont	2.81	11	4.92	9
Washington	2.80	12	4.50	10
Oregon	2.53	13	2.96	24
New York	2.52	14	7.35	3
Tennessee	2.00	15	2.74	28
South Carolina	1.98	16	2.44	33
Pennsylvania	1.84	17	3.78	15
Ohio	1.78	18	4.40	11
Louisiana	1.77	19	1.98	41
Massachusetts	1.70	20	4.16	13
Idaho	1.69	21	1.75	46
Wisconsin	1.67	22	3.24	20
Hawaii	1.65	23	7.18	4
Connecticut	1.62	24	4.34	12
New Jersey	1.60	25	2.49	30
Michigan	1.41	26	3.49	18
Maryland	1.40	27	2.84	25
Kansas	1.35	28	2.09	38
West Virginia	1.24	29	3.21	21
New Hampshire	1.21	30	2.45	32
Texas	1.03	31	2.99	22
Florida	0.98	32	2.12	37
Wyoming	0.98	33	1.94	43
Nebraska	0.94	34	1.45	48
Montana	0.94	35	2.83	26
Arizona	0.92	36	3.50	17
Iowa	0.82	37	2.24	34
Kentucky	0.78	38	2.82	27
Oklahoma	0.77	39	2.16	36
South Dakota	0.76	40	1.87	45
Missouri	0.72	41	2.67	29
Delaware	0.66	42	1.97	42
Illinois	0.60	43	3.35	19
Georgia	0.58	44	2.45	31
North Dakota	0.57	45	2.20	35
Nevada	0.56	46	1.27	49
Colorado	0.34	47	2.04	40
Mississippi	0.30	48	0.94	50
Arkansas	0.27	49	1.61	47
Indiana	0.02	50	1.92	44

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 8th in FY 2005

**Table 19**  
Cash Assistance Payments  
Per Capita  
Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$73	-	\$102	-
Alaska	221	1	279	1
Alabama	199	2	41	43
California	160	3	226	2
North Carolina	158	4	90	15
Maine	136	5	118	8
Minnesota	126	6	137	6
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>7</b>
Virginia	117	8	87	17
New Mexico	113	9	96	13
New York	108	10	208	3
Utah	106	11	57	29
Washington	102	12	109	10
Vermont	95	13	106	11
Oregon	81	14	68	23
Connecticut	80	15	140	5
Massachusetts	77	16	118	9
New Jersey	72	17	75	20
Pennsylvania	66	18	91	14
Tennessee	63	19	59	27
Maryland	60	20	76	19
Hawaii	59	21	182	4
Ohio	58	22	101	12
South Carolina	57	23	49	37
Wisconsin	56	24	74	21
Idaho	48	25	35	46
Louisiana	47	26	39	44
Michigan	47	27	84	18
New Hampshire	47	28	63	25
Kansas	45	29	47	38
Wyoming	38	30	42	42
Florida	35	31	50	34
Texas	35	32	64	24
West Virginia	34	33	58	28
Nebraska	32	34	33	47
Arizona	28	35	73	22
Montana	28	36	53	32
Iowa	26	37	49	36
Delaware	25	38	50	35
South Dakota	24	39	39	45
Oklahoma	24	40	42	41
Missouri	23	41	59	26
Kentucky	23	42	55	31
Illinois	22	43	88	16
Nevada	21	44	33	48
North Dakota	18	45	44	39
Georgia	18	46	55	30
Colorado	13	47	51	33
Mississippi	8	48	16	50
Arkansas	7	49	30	49
Indiana	1	50	42	40

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 5th in FY 2005

**Table 20**  
**Vendor Payments**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$25.85	-	\$19.80	-
Maine	44.93	1	35.39	2
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>44.31</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22.25</b>	<b>16</b>
Mississippi	43.47	3	27.79	4
West Virginia	42.70	4	38.73	1
Alaska	40.35	5	21.17	19
New Mexico	40.20	6	24.59	11
New York	39.73	7	31.42	3
Vermont	38.50	8	25.92	9
Kentucky	37.79	9	27.46	5
Arkansas	36.50	10	26.26	8
Massachusetts	34.91	11	22.46	15
Ohio	34.22	12	19.99	21
Louisiana	34.03	13	26.33	7
Minnesota	33.49	14	25.47	10
South Carolina	33.16	15	27.18	6
Pennsylvania	33.13	16	19.00	26
Tennessee	31.13	17	22.82	13
Oklahoma	29.19	18	17.44	36
Iowa	28.47	19	18.11	30
Idaho	28.20	20	15.78	43
Delaware	27.81	21	14.86	45
Alabama	27.40	22	22.51	14
Wisconsin	25.79	23	19.84	22
Missouri	25.59	24	18.30	29
North Carolina	25.07	25	19.72	24
New Jersey	24.79	26	21.31	18
Arizona	24.70	27	17.76	33
Indiana	24.56	28	18.76	27
North Dakota	24.26	29	17.66	35
Georgia	23.74	30	21.43	17
Kansas	23.45	31	12.70	48
Florida	23.09	32	16.07	42
Nebraska	23.06	33	17.29	37
Utah	23.06	34	16.36	41
Wyoming	22.99	35	17.94	32
Montana	22.75	36	20.12	20
Hawaii	21.84	37	19.75	23
Oregon	21.66	38	19.43	25
Texas	20.94	39	17.75	34
New Hampshire	20.92	40	24.54	12
Illinois	20.87	41	17.24	40
South Dakota	20.65	42	18.05	31
Maryland	20.38	43	15.11	44
Washington	19.70	44	17.24	39
Connecticut	19.38	45	18.41	28
California	19.27	46	14.75	46
Michigan	17.40	47	17.26	38
Virginia	17.04	48	12.62	49
Colorado	13.63	49	13.86	47
Nevada	12.89	50	11.09	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 5th in FY 2005

**Table 21**  
**Vendor Payments**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$920	-	\$471	-
New York	1,693	1	889	1
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>1,622</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>12</b>
Massachusetts	1,572	3	639	5
Alaska	1,510	4	541	11
Maine	1,407	5	730	2
Vermont	1,298	6	558	9
Minnesota	1,268	7	636	6
Pennsylvania	1,183	8	457	22
West Virginia	1,161	9	698	3
New Mexico	1,153	10	467	20
Mississippi	1,135	11	484	18
Ohio	1,115	12	458	21
New Jersey	1,114	13	642	4
Kentucky	1,094	14	533	13
Delaware	1,059	15	375	39
Arkansas	1,005	16	495	16
Tennessee	981	17	494	17
South Carolina	960	18	542	10
Connecticut	956	19	593	8
Iowa	915	20	397	33
Louisiana	910	21	516	14
Oklahoma	908	22	338	45
Wyoming	884	23	387	35
Maryland	867	24	406	31
Wisconsin	867	25	454	23
Florida	819	26	380	37
Missouri	819	27	406	32
Alabama	819	28	448	25
Idaho	809	29	314	47
New Hampshire	803	30	628	7
Kansas	786	31	285	50
North Dakota	785	32	355	43
North Carolina	782	33	435	27
Hawaii	778	34	500	15
Illinois	777	35	451	24
Nebraska	774	36	396	34
Indiana	772	37	412	30
Arizona	759	38	369	41
Georgia	742	39	481	19
California	738	40	364	42
Washington	721	41	418	28
Texas	706	42	382	36
Oregon	695	43	444	26
Montana	680	44	376	38
Utah	660	45	317	46
South Dakota	658	46	374	40
Virginia	658	47	310	48
Michigan	580	48	416	29
Colorado	522	49	349	44
Nevada	484	50	285	49

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 3rd in FY 2005

**Table 22**  
**Transportation Expenditures\*\***  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$15.00	-	\$14.47	-
Alaska	57.76	1	54.00	1
Wyoming	31.51	2	30.35	2
North Dakota	29.69	3	23.31	8
South Dakota	27.64	4	26.46	5
Montana	27.12	5	26.61	4
Mississippi	24.26	6	21.86	10
West Virginia	23.39	7	24.68	6
Louisiana	22.98	8	17.64	22
New Mexico	22.23	9	28.69	3
Delaware	21.28	10	18.86	16
Maine	20.75	11	20.40	12
Nevada	20.58	12	19.17	15
Iowa	20.51	13	23.25	9
Nebraska	20.42	14	20.20	13
Kansas	20.03	15	23.87	7
Vermont	19.56	16	21.58	11
Idaho	18.91	17	19.85	14
Wisconsin	18.81	18	17.30	25
Oregon	17.85	19	17.40	23
Washington	17.80	20	18.73	17
Florida	17.78	21	17.36	24
Minnesota	17.65	22	18.35	19
Utah	17.38	23	16.87	26
Missouri	17.01	24	14.64	33
Kentucky	16.93	25	18.32	20
Pennsylvania	16.38	26	11.88	44
Texas	16.31	27	14.09	36
Arkansas	15.83	28	18.43	18
Alabama	15.78	29	15.08	32
South Carolina	15.52	30	11.58	45
Oklahoma	15.41	31	15.58	30
Arizona	15.16	32	15.59	29
Hawaii	14.73	33	17.77	21
Virginia	14.54	34	16.60	27
Colorado	13.99	35	16.21	28
North Carolina	13.86	36	12.75	40
New Hampshire	13.55	37	11.90	42
Ohio	13.50	38	11.90	43
California	13.49	39	10.47	49
Indiana	13.42	40	13.17	39
New York	13.24	41	13.92	37
Illinois	13.22	42	13.52	38
Tennessee	12.95	43	14.30	34
Michigan	12.51	44	11.44	46
Georgia	12.29	45	14.22	35
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>12.21</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>12.11</b>	<b>41</b>
Maryland	12.16	47	11.07	47
Massachusetts	9.65	48	15.24	31
New Jersey	9.48	49	11.00	48
Connecticut	7.87	50	10.15	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

\*\* Figures do not include transit subsidies, which were previously included.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 46th in FY 2005

**Table 23**  
**Transportation Expenditures\*\***  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$534	-	\$344	-
Alaska	2,162	1	1,381	1
Wyoming	1,211	2	655	2
North Dakota	961	3	468	10
South Dakota	881	4	549	3
Montana	811	5	497	7
Delaware	811	6	476	9
Nevada	773	7	493	8
Nebraska	685	8	462	12
Kansas	671	9	536	5
Minnesota	669	10	458	13
Vermont	660	11	464	11
Iowa	659	12	510	6
Washington	651	13	455	14
Maine	650	14	421	18
New Mexico	638	15	545	4
West Virginia	636	16	444	16
Mississippi	633	17	381	26
Wisconsin	632	18	395	23
Florida	631	19	410	19
Louisiana	614	20	346	30
Pennsylvania	585	21	286	45
Oregon	573	22	398	22
New York	564	23	394	25
Virginia	562	24	408	20
Texas	550	25	303	39
Missouri	545	26	325	34
Idaho	543	27	395	24
Colorado	536	28	408	21
Hawaii	524	29	449	15
New Hampshire	520	30	305	38
Maryland	517	31	298	42
California	517	32	258	49
Utah	498	33	327	33
Illinois	492	34	354	28
Kentucky	490	35	355	27
Oklahoma	479	36	302	40
Alabama	471	37	300	41
Arizona	466	38	324	35
South Carolina	449	39	231	50
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>43</b>
Ohio	440	41	273	48
Arkansas	436	42	347	29
Massachusetts	435	43	434	17
North Carolina	432	44	281	46
New Jersey	426	45	331	31
Indiana	422	46	289	44
Michigan	417	47	276	47
Tennessee	408	48	310	37
Connecticut	388	49	327	32
Georgia	384	50	319	36

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

\*\* Figures do not include transit subsidies, which were previously included.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 45th in FY 2005

**Table 24**  
**Highway Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$12.73	-	\$12.53	-
Alaska	51.99	1	44.98	1
Wyoming	29.20	2	29.19	2
North Dakota	27.86	3	21.76	9
South Dakota	26.82	4	25.37	4
Montana	24.66	5	25.30	5
Mississippi	22.68	6	21.03	11
West Virginia	22.29	7	22.66	7
New Mexico	21.28	8	25.78	3
Iowa	19.43	9	22.06	8
Kansas	19.29	10	23.18	6
Maine	19.28	11	19.02	13
Delaware	19.06	12	18.54	14
Nebraska	18.50	13	19.03	12
Louisiana	18.38	14	15.08	21
Vermont	18.05	15	21.18	10
Idaho	17.58	16	18.53	15
Wisconsin	17.48	17	16.24	19
Nevada	15.62	18	16.54	18
Minnesota	15.61	19	16.75	17
Kentucky	15.41	20	15.75	20
Pennsylvania	15.18	21	10.24	45
Oregon	15.14	22	14.63	24
Utah	15.03	23	14.03	25
Missouri	14.74	24	13.18	30
Arkansas	14.62	25	17.39	16
Alabama	14.04	26	13.49	28
Texas	13.91	27	12.45	33
Florida	13.88	28	13.47	29
South Carolina	13.56	29	9.82	47
Oklahoma	13.54	30	14.76	23
Arizona	13.02	31	13.51	27
Washington	12.58	32	14.86	22
Ohio	12.40	33	11.01	43
New Hampshire	12.29	34	11.19	41
North Carolina	12.11	35	11.88	36
Indiana	12.06	36	11.44	40
Tennessee	11.49	37	12.92	32
Colorado	11.36	38	12.24	35
Illinois	11.25	39	11.62	37
California	11.06	40	8.15	50
Michigan	10.77	41	10.21	46
New York	10.59	42	11.56	38
Maryland	10.17	43	9.57	49
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>10.12</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>11.03</b>	<b>42</b>
Virginia	9.97	45	13.79	26
Hawaii	9.73	46	11.45	39
Georgia	9.29	47	12.42	34
New Jersey	9.09	48	10.71	44
Massachusetts	7.77	49	13.17	31
Connecticut	7.38	50	9.64	48

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 44th in FY 2005

**Table 25**  
**Highway Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$453	-	\$298	-
Alaska	1,946	1	1,150	1
Wyoming	1,123	2	630	2
North Dakota	902	3	437	10
South Dakota	855	4	526	3
Montana	737	5	473	7
Delaware	726	6	468	8
Kansas	647	7	520	4
Iowa	625	8	484	6
Nebraska	621	9	435	11
New Mexico	611	10	490	5
Vermont	609	11	456	9
West Virginia	606	12	408	14
Maine	604	13	392	15
Mississippi	592	14	366	19
Minnesota	591	15	418	13
Wisconsin	587	16	371	17
Nevada	587	17	425	12
Pennsylvania	542	18	246	48
Idaho	505	19	369	18
Florida	493	20	318	26
Louisiana	491	21	295	31
Oregon	486	22	335	22
Missouri	472	23	292	32
New Hampshire	472	24	286	34
Texas	469	25	268	42
Washington	460	26	361	20
New York	451	27	327	24
Kentucky	446	28	306	29
Colorado	435	29	308	28
Maryland	433	30	258	44
Utah	431	31	272	39
California	424	32	201	49
Oklahoma	421	33	286	35
Alabama	419	34	269	40
Illinois	418	35	304	30
New Jersey	409	36	322	25
Ohio	404	37	252	45
Arkansas	403	38	328	23
Arizona	400	39	280	36
South Carolina	393	40	196	50
Virginia	385	41	339	21
Indiana	379	42	251	46
North Carolina	377	43	262	43
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>41</b>
Connecticut	364	45	311	27
Tennessee	362	46	280	37
Michigan	359	47	246	47
Massachusetts	350	48	375	16
Hawaii	346	49	290	33
Georgia	290	50	279	38

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 46th in FY 2005

**Table 26**  
**Police Protection Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$7.44	-	\$7.08	-
Louisiana	10.18	1	8.00	8
Nevada	9.48	2	8.30	7
California	9.38	3	9.17	2
Florida	9.23	4	8.92	4
New York	9.22	5	8.98	3
New Mexico	9.07	6	8.68	5
Arizona	8.93	7	8.45	6
Delaware	8.79	8	6.97	14
Alaska	8.58	9	9.39	1
Wyoming	8.36	10	7.48	9
Oregon	7.90	11	7.27	13
Illinois	7.88	12	7.35	12
Wisconsin	7.68	13	7.40	11
New Jersey	7.68	14	7.47	10
Utah	7.62	15	6.83	15
Mississippi	7.39	16	6.05	31
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>7.33</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6.82</b>	<b>16</b>
Ohio	7.19	18	6.73	17
North Carolina	6.94	19	6.18	27
Michigan	6.94	20	6.31	21
Kansas	6.85	21	6.31	22
South Carolina	6.83	22	6.08	29
Montana	6.75	23	6.19	26
Alabama	6.72	24	5.90	35
Maryland	6.71	25	6.56	18
Georgia	6.70	26	6.08	28
Minnesota	6.61	27	5.61	37
Colorado	6.61	28	6.24	25
Idaho	6.56	29	6.52	19
Arkansas	6.53	30	5.37	39
Vermont	6.46	31	5.32	41
Tennessee	6.36	32	5.72	36
Missouri	6.31	33	6.06	30
Texas	6.15	34	6.27	24
Hawaii	6.09	35	6.04	32
Oklahoma	6.04	36	6.28	23
Iowa	5.94	37	5.33	40
Virginia	5.88	38	5.55	38
Massachusetts	5.77	39	6.44	20
Pennsylvania	5.71	40	5.99	34
Washington	5.67	41	6.00	33
Nebraska	5.63	42	4.67	48
Kentucky	5.44	43	4.94	45
New Hampshire	5.44	44	4.91	46
Maine	5.35	45	5.03	44
South Dakota	5.30	46	5.28	43
Connecticut	5.23	47	5.31	42
Indiana	5.23	48	4.84	47
North Dakota	5.15	49	4.14	49
West Virginia	4.79	50	4.04	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 14th in FY 2005

**Table 27**  
**Police Protection Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$265	-	\$168	-
New York	393	1	254	1
California	359	2	226	3
Nevada	356	3	213	5
New Jersey	345	4	225	4
Delaware	335	5	176	10
Florida	328	6	211	6
Wyoming	321	7	161	17
Alaska	321	8	240	2
Illinois	293	9	192	7
Maryland	286	10	176	9
Arizona	274	11	175	11
Louisiana	272	12	157	19
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>15</b>
New Mexico	260	14	165	16
Massachusetts	260	15	183	8
Connecticut	258	16	171	12
Wisconsin	258	17	169	13
Oregon	254	18	166	14
Colorado	253	19	157	18
Minnesota	250	20	140	26
Ohio	234	21	154	20
Michigan	231	22	152	22
Kansas	230	23	142	25
Virginia	227	24	136	28
Utah	218	25	132	32
Vermont	218	26	114	41
Hawaii	217	27	153	21
North Carolina	216	28	136	29
Georgia	210	29	137	27
New Hampshire	209	30	126	34
Washington	208	31	146	23
Texas	207	32	135	30
Pennsylvania	204	33	144	24
Montana	202	34	116	40
Missouri	202	35	134	31
Alabama	201	36	118	38
Tennessee	200	37	124	35
South Carolina	198	38	121	37
Mississippi	193	39	106	45
Iowa	191	40	117	39
Nebraska	189	41	107	43
Idaho	188	42	130	33
Oklahoma	188	43	122	36
Arkansas	180	44	101	47
South Dakota	169	45	110	42
Maine	167	46	104	46
North Dakota	167	47	83	49
Indiana	165	48	106	44
Kentucky	157	49	96	48
West Virginia	130	50	73	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 10th in FY 2005

**Table 28**  
**Fire Protection Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$3.21	-	\$2.81	-
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>6.24</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5.13</b>	<b>1</b>
California	4.44	2	3.82	2
Alaska	4.37	3	3.42	7
Louisiana	4.37	4	2.62	23
Arizona	4.27	5	3.20	9
Florida	4.21	6	3.42	8
Nevada	4.07	7	3.55	6
Ohio	3.89	8	3.14	12
Washington	3.78	9	3.02	15
Illinois	3.66	10	2.74	19
New Mexico	3.52	11	3.09	14
New York	3.42	12	3.15	11
Massachusetts	3.38	13	3.72	3
Oklahoma	3.29	14	3.15	10
Indiana	3.29	15	2.58	24
Oregon	3.28	16	3.62	5
New Hampshire	3.23	17	2.64	22
Virginia	3.15	18	2.58	25
Missouri	3.11	19	2.88	17
Hawaii	2.99	20	2.72	20
Georgia	2.99	21	2.52	26
Wisconsin	2.98	22	3.12	13
Maryland	2.98	23	2.90	16
Colorado	2.92	24	2.47	27
Mississippi	2.90	25	2.26	32
Maine	2.89	26	2.69	21
Kentucky	2.89	27	1.85	44
Utah	2.76	28	2.20	34
Tennessee	2.74	29	2.78	18
Michigan	2.72	30	2.10	37
Alabama	2.72	31	2.32	31
Kansas	2.67	32	2.38	29
Connecticut	2.63	33	3.65	4
North Carolina	2.60	34	2.00	38
Idaho	2.57	35	2.24	33
Texas	2.57	36	2.34	30
Nebraska	2.43	37	1.91	41
Arkansas	2.35	38	1.97	39
Montana	2.28	39	2.15	36
South Carolina	2.23	40	1.92	40
Wyoming	2.23	41	2.17	35
New Jersey	2.06	42	2.43	28
Vermont	1.97	43	1.86	42
South Dakota	1.93	44	1.74	47
Iowa	1.86	45	1.80	45
West Virginia	1.70	46	1.32	49
Minnesota	1.61	47	1.77	46
North Dakota	1.47	48	1.85	43
Pennsylvania	1.27	49	1.34	48
Delaware	0.91	50	0.87	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 1st in FY 2005

**Table 29**  
**Fire Protection Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$114	-	\$67	-
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>1</b>
California	170	2	94	4
Alaska	164	3	87	7
Nevada	153	4	91	5
Massachusetts	152	5	106	3
Florida	149	6	81	9
New York	146	7	89	6
Washington	138	8	73	11
Illinois	136	9	72	14
Arizona	131	10	66	18
Connecticut	130	11	118	2
Maryland	127	12	78	10
Ohio	127	13	72	13
New Hampshire	124	14	68	17
Virginia	122	15	63	20
Louisiana	117	16	51	29
Colorado	112	17	62	21
Hawaii	107	18	69	16
Oregon	105	19	83	8
Indiana	103	20	57	25
Oklahoma	103	21	61	22
New Mexico	101	22	59	24
Wisconsin	100	23	71	15
Missouri	100	24	64	19
Georgia	93	25	57	26
New Jersey	92	26	73	12
Michigan	91	27	51	30
Maine	91	28	56	27
Kansas	90	29	53	28
Texas	87	30	50	31
Tennessee	86	31	60	23
Wyoming	86	32	47	32
Kentucky	84	33	36	47
Nebraska	82	34	44	37
Alabama	81	35	46	33
North Carolina	81	36	44	36
Utah	79	37	43	38
Mississippi	76	38	39	41
Idaho	74	39	45	34
Montana	68	40	40	39
Vermont	66	41	40	40
South Carolina	65	42	38	43
Arkansas	65	43	37	45
South Dakota	62	44	36	46
Minnesota	61	45	44	35
Iowa	60	46	39	42
North Dakota	48	47	37	44
West Virginia	46	48	24	49
Pennsylvania	45	49	32	48
Delaware	35	50	22	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 1st in FY 2005

**Table 30**  
**Corrections Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$5.89	-	\$5.94	-
Wyoming	9.10	1	5.04	26
Louisiana	8.71	2	5.13	24
New Mexico	8.49	3	7.38	6
Alaska	8.45	4	9.47	1
California	7.82	5	7.61	3
Oregon	7.76	6	5.94	16
Arizona	7.54	7	6.45	12
Delaware	7.53	8	6.15	14
Wisconsin	6.83	9	5.42	21
Georgia	6.83	10	6.47	10
Michigan	6.81	11	6.46	11
Arkansas	6.73	12	4.27	34
Florida	6.31	13	7.41	4
Pennsylvania	6.29	14	5.81	17
Montana	6.22	15	4.48	31
New York	6.21	16	7.41	5
Idaho	6.20	17	5.24	22
Maryland	6.11	18	6.41	13
Utah	6.11	19	5.68	18
Washington	6.04	20	5.67	19
Virginia	5.95	21	6.07	15
Nevada	5.92	22	6.93	7
Oklahoma	5.68	23	4.83	27
South Dakota	5.64	24	3.89	37
North Carolina	5.60	25	6.54	9
Texas	5.59	26	7.75	2
Colorado	5.49	27	5.12	25
Ohio	5.33	28	5.49	20
Kentucky	5.17	29	4.09	35
West Virginia	5.14	30	3.15	47
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>4.99</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>4.83</b>	<b>28</b>
Mississippi	4.96	32	5.16	23
South Carolina	4.96	33	6.63	8
Nebraska	4.94	34	3.69	43
New Jersey	4.89	35	4.68	29
Vermont	4.81	36	3.40	46
Tennessee	4.71	37	4.61	30
Indiana	4.71	38	3.86	40
Alabama	4.70	39	3.74	42
Maine	4.41	40	3.51	45
Missouri	4.31	41	3.87	39
Kansas	4.06	42	3.87	38
Massachusetts	3.94	43	4.29	33
Hawaii	3.92	44	3.54	44
Minnesota	3.78	45	3.91	36
Iowa	3.75	46	3.02	48
Illinois	3.63	47	3.86	41
North Dakota	3.59	48	1.99	50
Connecticut	3.58	49	4.40	32
New Hampshire	3.27	50	2.96	49

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 37th in FY 2005

**Table 31**  
**Corrections Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$210	-	\$141	-
Wyoming	350	1	109	27
Alaska	316	2	242	1
California	299	3	188	3
Delaware	287	4	155	9
New York	264	5	210	2
Maryland	260	6	172	6
Oregon	249	7	136	18
New Mexico	244	8	140	15
Louisiana	233	9	101	30
Arizona	232	10	134	19
Virginia	230	11	149	10
Wisconsin	230	12	124	23
Michigan	227	13	156	8
Pennsylvania	225	14	140	16
Florida	224	15	175	5
Nevada	223	16	178	4
Washington	221	17	137	17
New Jersey	220	18	141	14
Georgia	214	19	145	11
Colorado	211	20	129	21
Texas	188	21	167	7
Montana	186	22	84	40
Arkansas	186	23	81	42
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>25</b>
South Dakota	180	25	81	41
Idaho	178	26	104	28
Massachusetts	177	27	122	24
Oklahoma	177	28	94	33
Connecticut	176	29	142	13
Utah	175	30	110	26
North Carolina	175	31	144	12
Ohio	174	32	126	22
Nebraska	166	33	84	39
Vermont	162	34	73	46
Kentucky	150	35	79	43
Tennessee	148	36	100	31
Indiana	148	37	85	38
South Carolina	144	38	132	20
Minnesota	143	39	98	32
Alabama	141	40	75	45
West Virginia	140	41	57	49
Hawaii	139	42	90	35
Maine	138	43	72	47
Missouri	138	44	86	37
Kansas	136	45	87	36
Illinois	135	46	101	29
Mississippi	129	47	90	34
New Hampshire	126	48	76	44
Iowa	121	49	66	48
North Dakota	116	50	40	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 29th in FY 2005



**Table 32**  
National Resources,  
Parks and Recreation Expenditures  
Per \$1,000 of Personal Income  
Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$5.67	-	\$5.54	-
Wyoming	16.26	1	12.50	2
Alaska	14.57	2	20.50	1
North Dakota	14.04	3	11.81	3
Montana	11.23	4	9.73	7
New Mexico	10.23	5	9.80	6
Louisiana	9.97	6	7.45	15
South Dakota	9.88	7	10.53	4
Arizona	9.61	8	7.81	14
Florida	8.97	9	9.61	8
Nevada	8.43	10	8.35	11
Colorado	8.37	11	6.89	19
Utah	8.16	12	8.57	10
Idaho	8.15	13	8.33	12
California	7.76	14	7.11	18
Hawaii	7.68	15	10.24	5
Nebraska	7.52	16	6.42	21
Oregon	7.43	17	7.27	16
Minnesota	7.10	18	7.27	17
Wisconsin	7.08	19	8.32	13
Illinois	6.64	20	6.35	23
Washington	6.60	21	8.65	9
Maryland	6.52	22	5.76	26
Iowa	6.40	23	6.20	24
Vermont	6.09	24	5.57	30
West Virginia	5.96	25	6.75	20
Maine	5.89	26	5.69	28
Kentucky	5.87	27	5.95	25
Delaware	5.75	28	6.39	22
Alabama	5.67	29	4.59	38
Mississippi	5.49	30	5.70	27
Arkansas	5.43	31	4.75	35
Kansas	5.33	32	5.61	29
North Carolina	5.02	33	5.11	32
Missouri	4.98	34	5.29	31
Oklahoma	4.83	35	5.04	34
Georgia	4.61	36	5.05	33
South Carolina	4.36	37	4.63	37
Indiana	4.21	38	3.72	41
Virginia	4.14	39	3.46	45
Tennessee	3.98	40	4.70	36
New Jersey	3.83	41	3.49	44
Michigan	3.76	42	4.43	39
Texas	3.69	43	4.05	40
Ohio	3.55	44	3.51	43
Pennsylvania	3.39	45	3.19	47
New Hampshire	3.28	46	2.87	48
New York	3.25	47	3.40	46
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>2.66</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>3.64</b>	<b>42</b>
Massachusetts	2.26	49	2.34	50
Connecticut	2.05	50	2.52	49

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 48th in FY 2005

**Table 33**  
National Resources,  
Parks and Recreation Expenditures  
Per Capita  
Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$202	-	\$132	-
Wyoming	625	1	270	2
Alaska	545	2	524	1
North Dakota	454	3	237	4
Montana	336	4	182	11
Colorado	321	5	173	14
Florida	318	6	227	5
Nevada	317	7	215	7
South Dakota	315	8	218	6
California	297	9	175	13
Arizona	295	10	162	19
New Mexico	293	11	186	10
Maryland	278	12	155	21
Hawaii	273	13	259	3
Minnesota	269	14	182	12
Louisiana	267	15	146	23
Nebraska	252	16	147	22
Illinois	247	17	166	16
Washington	242	18	210	8
Oregon	238	19	166	15
Wisconsin	238	20	190	9
Idaho	234	21	166	18
Utah	234	22	166	17
Delaware	219	23	161	20
Iowa	206	24	136	24
Vermont	205	25	120	27
Maine	184	26	117	28
Kansas	179	27	126	25
New Jersey	172	28	105	34
Kentucky	170	29	115	30
Alabama	169	30	91	40
West Virginia	162	31	122	26
Virginia	160	32	85	44
Missouri	159	33	117	29
North Carolina	157	34	113	32
Oklahoma	150	35	98	37
Arkansas	149	36	89	41
Georgia	144	37	113	31
Mississippi	143	38	99	36
New York	138	39	96	38
Indiana	132	40	82	45
South Carolina	126	41	92	39
New Hampshire	126	42	73	49
Tennessee	125	43	102	35
Michigan	125	44	107	33
Texas	124	45	87	43
Pennsylvania	121	46	77	48
Ohio	116	47	80	47
Massachusetts	102	48	67	50
Connecticut	101	49	81	46
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>42</b>

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 49th in FY 2005

**Table 34**  
**Housing and Community Development Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$3.95	-	\$3.59	-
Alaska	9.07	1	8.18	2
California	6.44	2	6.63	3
New York	5.42	3	6.14	5
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>5.42</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5.12</b>	<b>6</b>
Maine	5.40	5	3.12	19
Vermont	5.23	6	4.36	8
Massachusetts	5.21	7	6.14	4
Ohio	5.00	8	3.81	13
Louisiana	4.60	9	2.73	23
Illinois	4.29	10	2.90	20
Pennsylvania	4.21	11	3.46	15
Oregon	4.21	12	4.22	10
Indiana	4.14	13	2.82	21
Minnesota	4.08	14	4.24	9
Maryland	4.03	15	4.58	7
Montana	3.80	16	3.33	17
Hawaii	3.79	17	10.81	1
Connecticut	3.77	18	3.93	12
South Dakota	3.73	19	2.00	41
Colorado	3.73	20	2.73	24
Delaware	3.69	21	4.15	11
Utah	3.62	22	2.08	39
New Hampshire	3.46	23	2.68	27
Washington	3.40	24	3.42	16
New Mexico	3.32	25	1.86	44
Virginia	3.31	26	2.69	25
Alabama	3.23	27	3.33	18
Missouri	3.19	28	2.57	29
Georgia	3.14	29	2.38	32
Mississippi	3.00	30	2.44	31
North Carolina	2.97	31	2.30	34
South Carolina	2.97	32	2.31	33
Michigan	2.87	33	0.76	50
Kentucky	2.84	34	1.72	45
Nebraska	2.80	35	2.68	26
Tennessee	2.71	36	2.78	22
New Jersey	2.67	37	1.92	43
North Dakota	2.60	38	3.57	14
Kansas	2.56	39	1.17	48
Florida	2.55	40	2.50	30
West Virginia	2.52	41	2.23	35
Texas	2.43	42	1.94	42
Nevada	2.38	43	2.59	28
Wisconsin	2.36	44	2.10	38
Arkansas	2.36	45	2.04	40
Arizona	2.10	46	2.17	36
Iowa	1.89	47	2.12	37
Oklahoma	1.64	48	1.42	46
Idaho	1.16	49	0.93	49
Wyoming	0.81	50	1.21	47

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 5th in FY 2005

**Table 35**  
**Housing and Community Development Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$140	-	\$85	-
Alaska	339	1	209	2
California	247	2	163	5
Massachusetts	234	3	175	3
New York	231	4	173	4
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>7</b>
Connecticut	186	6	127	6
Vermont	176	7	94	12
Maryland	172	8	123	8
Maine	169	9	64	23
Ohio	163	10	87	13
Illinois	159	11	76	16
Minnesota	154	12	106	9
Pennsylvania	150	13	83	14
Colorado	143	14	69	19
Delaware	141	15	105	10
Oregon	135	16	96	11
Hawaii	135	17	273	1
New Hampshire	133	18	69	18
Indiana	130	19	62	25
Virginia	128	20	66	22
Washington	124	21	83	15
Louisiana	123	22	54	31
New Jersey	120	23	58	29
South Dakota	119	24	42	40
Montana	114	25	62	24
Utah	104	26	40	41
Missouri	102	27	57	30
Georgia	98	28	53	32
Alabama	96	29	66	21
Michigan	95	30	18	50
New Mexico	95	31	35	44
Nebraska	94	32	61	26
North Carolina	93	33	51	33
Florida	90	34	59	28
Nevada	89	35	67	20
South Carolina	86	36	46	36
Kansas	86	37	26	47
Tennessee	85	38	60	27
North Dakota	84	39	72	17
Kentucky	82	40	33	45
Texas	82	41	42	39
Wisconsin	79	42	48	34
Mississippi	78	43	43	38
West Virginia	69	44	40	42
Arkansas	65	45	39	43
Arizona	65	46	45	37
Iowa	61	47	47	35
Oklahoma	51	48	27	46
Idaho	33	49	18	49
Wyoming	31	50	26	48

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 6th in FY 2005

**Table 36**  
**Sewerage and Solid Waste Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$5.82	-	\$6.24	-
Hawaii	8.41	1	9.31	2
Delaware	7.85	2	10.33	1
Ohio	7.47	3	7.15	10
Florida	7.42	4	6.82	14
North Carolina	7.24	5	5.23	29
New York	7.17	6	7.37	8
Louisiana	6.88	7	6.26	22
Georgia	6.63	8	4.41	36
Washington	6.61	9	7.82	6
Oregon	6.60	10	6.76	16
Indiana	6.58	11	4.28	39
California	6.46	12	8.20	3
Utah	6.39	13	6.50	19
Alabama	6.27	14	4.89	31
Wisconsin	6.26	15	6.50	20
Maine	6.15	16	6.70	17
Michigan	6.14	17	7.14	11
Idaho	5.98	18	6.05	23
Alaska	5.89	19	7.06	12
Arizona	5.86	20	5.66	26
West Virginia	5.73	21	4.34	37
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>5.73</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7.92</b>	<b>5</b>
New Jersey	5.71	23	7.66	7
Arkansas	5.52	24	4.58	33
Virginia	5.45	25	6.67	18
Wyoming	5.38	26	7.34	9
Maryland	5.35	27	6.41	21
Pennsylvania	5.27	28	5.70	25
South Carolina	5.13	29	4.31	38
Montana	5.06	30	4.43	35
Massachusetts	5.02	31	8.04	4
Tennessee	5.01	32	5.47	28
New Mexico	4.71	33	6.90	13
Oklahoma	4.65	34	5.12	30
Kentucky	4.65	35	4.68	32
Kansas	4.63	36	4.22	42
Iowa	4.57	37	5.76	24
Vermont	4.51	38	4.25	40
Texas	4.43	39	4.55	34
Minnesota	4.41	40	6.81	15
Colorado	4.38	41	4.20	43
New Hampshire	4.36	42	3.90	46
Mississippi	4.36	43	3.38	48
Missouri	4.04	44	4.23	41
Connecticut	4.00	45	5.53	27
South Dakota	3.88	46	4.05	45
Illinois	3.74	47	4.17	44
North Dakota	3.49	48	3.22	49
Nebraska	3.27	49	3.76	47
Nevada	2.72	50	2.71	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 13th in FY 2005

**Table 37**  
**Sewerage and Solid Waste Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$207	-	\$148	-
New York	306	1	208	5
Hawaii	300	2	236	2
Delaware	299	3	261	1
Florida	263	4	161	16
New Jersey	256	5	231	3
California	247	6	202	6
Ohio	243	7	164	15
Washington	242	8	190	8
Maryland	227	9	172	11
Massachusetts	226	10	229	4
North Carolina	226	11	115	29
Alaska	220	12	180	9
Oregon	212	13	155	18
Virginia	211	14	164	14
Wisconsin	210	15	149	19
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>7</b>
Georgia	207	17	99	34
Indiana	207	18	94	38
Wyoming	207	19	158	17
Michigan	205	20	172	12
Connecticut	197	21	178	10
Maine	193	22	138	20
Pennsylvania	188	23	137	21
Alabama	187	24	97	36
Louisiana	184	25	123	25
Utah	183	26	126	24
Arizona	180	27	117	28
Idaho	172	28	120	26
Colorado	168	29	106	31
New Hampshire	167	30	100	32
Minnesota	167	31	170	13
Tennessee	158	32	118	27
West Virginia	156	33	78	47
Kansas	155	34	95	37
Vermont	152	35	92	40
Arkansas	152	36	86	42
Montana	151	37	83	46
Texas	149	38	98	35
South Carolina	148	39	86	44
Iowa	147	40	126	23
Oklahoma	145	41	99	33
Illinois	139	42	109	30
New Mexico	135	43	131	22
Kentucky	134	44	91	41
Missouri	129	45	94	39
South Dakota	124	46	84	45
Mississippi	114	47	59	50
North Dakota	113	48	65	49
Nebraska	110	49	86	43
Nevada	102	50	70	48

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 9th in FY 2005

**Table 38**  
**Government Administration Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$10.47	-	\$9.85	-
Alaska	26.59	1	30.66	1
Delaware	18.74	2	14.54	5
Utah	17.11	3	14.79	4
West Virginia	16.61	4	13.30	9
Wyoming	16.19	5	17.04	2
Montana	14.99	6	12.68	10
New Mexico	14.89	7	13.48	7
Louisiana	14.19	8	9.41	28
Oregon	13.91	9	15.65	3
California	13.90	10	11.69	13
Ohio	13.41	11	11.15	16
South Carolina	13.09	12	8.57	39
Hawaii	13.05	13	14.19	6
Nevada	13.02	14	13.37	8
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>12.89</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11.31</b>	<b>14</b>
Idaho	12.29	16	10.96	17
Arizona	11.44	17	11.86	12
Maine	11.37	18	9.91	22
Florida	11.34	19	9.86	23
Arkansas	11.28	20	8.49	41
North Dakota	11.18	21	8.71	36
South Dakota	10.96	22	11.22	15
Vermont	10.75	23	12.23	11
Pennsylvania	10.57	24	8.76	34
New York	10.56	25	10.42	21
Colorado	10.50	26	9.15	31
Kansas	10.35	27	10.69	20
Kentucky	10.23	28	8.30	46
Minnesota	10.07	29	10.88	18
Oklahoma	10.02	30	9.56	27
Mississippi	9.95	31	10.76	19
Michigan	9.50	32	8.93	32
Georgia	9.48	33	9.33	29
Maryland	9.44	34	8.88	33
Iowa	9.30	35	9.21	30
Indiana	9.05	36	8.31	45
Virginia	9.01	37	8.71	35
Wisconsin	8.86	38	9.78	25
Connecticut	8.74	39	8.32	43
Nebraska	8.66	40	7.94	48
Illinois	8.53	41	8.59	38
Alabama	8.40	42	8.20	47
Tennessee	8.34	43	8.59	37
New Hampshire	8.33	44	8.49	40
New Jersey	8.32	45	9.69	26
Washington	8.26	46	9.82	24
Massachusetts	7.99	47	8.32	44
North Carolina	7.78	48	7.62	49
Missouri	7.56	49	8.43	42
Texas	6.75	50	7.40	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 15th in FY 2005

**Table 39**  
**Government Administration Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$373	-	\$234	-
Alaska	995	1	784	1
Delaware	714	2	367	3
Wyoming	622	3	368	2
California	533	4	288	9
Utah	490	5	287	10
Nevada	489	6	344	6
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>11</b>
Hawaii	465	8	359	4
West Virginia	451	9	239	19
New York	450	10	295	7
Montana	448	11	237	22
Oregon	446	12	358	5
Ohio	437	13	256	16
Connecticut	431	14	268	13
New Mexico	427	15	256	15
Colorado	402	16	230	26
Florida	402	17	233	24
Maryland	402	18	239	20
Minnesota	381	19	272	12
Louisiana	379	20	184	41
South Carolina	379	21	171	45
Pennsylvania	378	22	211	33
New Jersey	374	23	292	8
Vermont	363	24	263	14
North Dakota	362	25	175	44
Massachusetts	360	26	237	23
Maine	356	27	204	35
Idaho	353	28	218	29
Arizona	352	29	246	17
South Dakota	349	30	233	25
Virginia	348	31	214	32
Kansas	347	32	240	18
New Hampshire	320	33	217	30
Illinois	317	34	225	27
Michigan	316	35	215	31
Oklahoma	312	36	185	40
Arkansas	311	37	160	49
Washington	302	38	238	21
Iowa	299	39	202	36
Wisconsin	298	40	224	28
Georgia	296	41	210	34
Kentucky	296	42	161	48
Nebraska	290	43	182	43
Indiana	285	44	182	42
Tennessee	263	45	186	39
Mississippi	260	46	188	37
Alabama	251	47	163	47
North Carolina	242	48	168	46
Missouri	242	49	187	38
Texas	227	50	159	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 8th in FY 2005

**Table 40**  
**Insurance Trust Expenditures**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$19.21	-	\$17.23	-
Alaska	40.55	1	32.97	1
Ohio	31.93	2	26.68	5
Louisiana	29.20	3	17.93	14
Oregon	28.70	4	29.42	2
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>27.84</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27.72</b>	<b>4</b>
New York	26.92	6	26.44	6
California	25.59	7	22.38	10
Illinois	22.66	8	17.45	18
Wisconsin	22.47	9	16.09	25
Kentucky	22.10	10	16.59	21
New Jersey	21.43	11	20.25	12
Pennsylvania	20.94	12	19.02	13
Mississippi	20.53	13	14.22	32
Michigan	20.47	14	16.39	22
New Mexico	19.98	15	15.95	27
Minnesota	19.87	16	15.37	29
Montana	19.80	17	22.95	9
Wyoming	19.69	18	21.90	11
Washington	19.58	19	25.15	7
Colorado	18.94	20	16.10	24
South Carolina	18.76	21	14.43	31
Hawaii	17.99	22	23.96	8
Connecticut	17.42	23	16.71	20
Massachusetts	17.07	24	16.94	19
Missouri	16.44	25	10.75	40
Oklahoma	15.78	26	17.85	15
Maine	15.05	27	17.85	16
Idaho	14.78	28	16.17	23
Alabama	14.43	29	12.25	34
Iowa	14.22	30	9.89	42
Arkansas	14.20	31	12.28	33
Delaware	14.18	32	15.45	28
Florida	14.11	33	9.10	45
Maryland	13.92	34	15.19	30
North Dakota	13.82	35	16.07	26
North Carolina	13.79	36	11.27	38
Arizona	13.46	37	12.21	35
Georgia	13.17	38	9.73	43
Utah	13.07	39	11.44	37
Texas	13.01	40	11.96	36
Kansas	12.47	41	10.84	39
South Dakota	12.10	42	7.82	48
Nevada	11.34	43	17.58	17
West Virginia	11.26	44	28.16	3
Indiana	10.59	45	8.05	47
Tennessee	10.41	46	10.09	41
Virginia	10.34	47	8.65	46
Vermont	10.18	48	9.36	44
Nebraska	8.37	49	6.23	50
New Hampshire	8.21	50	7.31	49

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 5th in FY 2005

**Table 41**  
**Insurance Trust Expenditures**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$684	-	\$410	-
Alaska	1,518	1	843	1
New York	1,147	2	748	2
Ohio	1,040	3	612	5
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>3</b>
California	980	5	552	9
New Jersey	963	6	610	7
Oregon	921	7	673	4
Connecticut	859	8	538	10
Illinois	843	9	457	15
Louisiana	781	10	351	25
Massachusetts	769	11	482	12
Wyoming	757	12	473	13
Wisconsin	755	13	368	24
Minnesota	752	14	384	22
Pennsylvania	748	15	457	14
Colorado	726	16	405	19
Washington	717	17	610	6
Michigan	682	18	395	20
Hawaii	641	19	606	8
Kentucky	640	20	322	29
Maryland	592	21	409	18
Montana	592	22	429	17
New Mexico	573	23	303	30
South Carolina	543	24	288	31
Delaware	540	25	390	21
Mississippi	536	26	248	35
Missouri	526	27	238	38
Florida	501	28	215	44
Oklahoma	491	29	346	26
Maine	472	30	368	23
Iowa	457	31	217	43
North Dakota	447	32	323	27
Texas	439	33	257	32
Alabama	431	34	244	36
North Carolina	430	35	249	34
Nevada	426	36	452	16
Idaho	424	37	322	28
Kansas	418	38	243	37
Arizona	414	39	253	33
Georgia	412	40	219	42
Virginia	400	41	213	45
Arkansas	391	42	232	39
South Dakota	386	43	162	49
Utah	375	44	222	40
Vermont	343	45	201	46
Indiana	333	46	177	48
Tennessee	328	47	219	41
New Hampshire	315	48	187	47
West Virginia	306	49	507	11
Nebraska	281	50	143	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 4th in FY 2005

**Table 42**  
**Outstanding Debt**  
**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$206.98	-	\$185.31	-
Alaska	376.76	1	438.15	1
Massachusetts	299.93	2	234.44	10
New York	293.48	3	291.13	4
Kentucky	266.81	4	257.53	6
South Carolina	256.99	5	164.17	33
Washington	241.98	6	236.64	9
Pennsylvania	238.70	7	201.78	13
Illinois	232.04	8	169.11	29
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>228.96</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>270.94</b>	<b>5</b>
Oregon	226.75	10	169.96	28
Nevada	219.47	11	198.08	15
Colorado	219.25	12	200.27	14
Louisiana	215.76	13	191.51	19
Kansas	214.82	14	139.51	39
California	214.51	15	183.00	22
Michigan	210.67	16	136.63	40
Utah	209.82	17	296.26	3
Texas	208.93	18	184.66	21
Wisconsin	207.94	19	166.93	30
Hawaii	207.64	20	240.61	8
Montana	204.89	21	178.30	25
New Jersey	202.20	22	173.09	27
New Hampshire	197.19	23	233.18	11
New Mexico	190.91	24	166.84	31
Delaware	187.20	25	300.77	2
Minnesota	187.15	26	189.71	20
Florida	186.40	27	191.58	18
Connecticut	186.40	28	242.42	7
Vermont	183.15	29	178.10	26
South Dakota	182.97	30	158.47	35
Arizona	182.89	31	208.99	12
Missouri	181.60	32	116.72	47
West Virginia	180.77	33	197.64	16
Maine	180.51	34	182.51	23
Indiana	173.02	35	120.10	46
Ohio	170.21	36	113.02	48
North Dakota	169.41	37	134.61	42
Alabama	162.35	38	136.54	41
North Carolina	159.16	39	133.09	43
Nebraska	157.35	40	164.59	32
Virginia	157.11	41	147.60	36
Arkansas	152.58	42	122.87	45
Mississippi	146.91	43	129.89	44
Tennessee	146.85	44	195.14	17
Iowa	144.06	45	101.62	49
Georgia	143.78	46	143.44	37
Oklahoma	136.90	47	140.17	38
Maryland	128.36	48	163.06	34
Idaho	105.51	49	98.16	50
Wyoming	98.36	50	180.14	24

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 8th in FY 2005

**Table 43**  
**Outstanding Debt**  
**Per Capita**  
**Fiscal Years 2006, and 1996**

State	FY 2006		FY 1996	
	Amount	Rank	Amount	Rank
United States*	\$7,365	-	\$4,409	-
Alaska	14,102	1	11,201	1
Massachusetts	13,506	2	6,670	5
New York	12,504	3	8,232	2
Connecticut	9,195	4	7,810	3
New Jersey	9,087	5	5,212	11
Washington	8,858	6	5,742	9
Illinois	8,634	7	4,425	19
Pennsylvania	8,524	8	4,852	15
Colorado	8,401	9	5,036	13
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>8,378</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6,583</b>	<b>6</b>
Nevada	8,247	11	5,094	12
California	8,216	12	4,511	18
Kentucky	7,722	13	4,995	14
New Hampshire	7,569	14	5,970	8
South Carolina	7,442	15	3,272	36
Hawaii	7,393	16	6,086	7
Oregon	7,274	17	3,886	25
Kansas	7,202	18	3,130	39
Delaware	7,133	19	7,597	4
Minnesota	7,087	20	4,737	16
Texas	7,043	21	3,973	23
Michigan	7,015	22	3,295	34
Wisconsin	6,989	23	3,816	27
Florida	6,616	24	4,525	17
Vermont	6,177	25	3,832	26
Montana	6,126	26	3,331	33
Virginia	6,069	27	3,630	31
Utah	6,010	28	5,739	10
South Dakota	5,832	29	3,287	35
Missouri	5,812	30	2,589	46
Louisiana	5,768	31	3,752	30
Maine	5,655	32	3,766	28
Arizona	5,620	33	4,338	21
Ohio	5,546	34	2,591	45
North Dakota	5,483	35	2,704	43
New Mexico	5,478	36	3,168	38
Maryland	5,462	37	4,387	20
Indiana	5,440	38	2,635	44
Nebraska	5,279	39	3,766	29
North Carolina	4,961	40	2,936	40
West Virginia	4,915	41	3,559	32
Alabama	4,851	42	2,718	41
Iowa	4,630	43	2,228	49
Tennessee	4,625	44	4,227	22
Georgia	4,495	45	3,223	37
Oklahoma	4,259	46	2,716	42
Arkansas	4,203	47	2,316	47
Mississippi	3,835	48	2,264	48
Wyoming	3,781	49	3,889	24
Idaho	3,029	50	1,954	50

\* U.S. average includes the District of Columbia.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Finances, various years, Bureau of Economic Analysis for personal income data, and RIPEC calculations. RI ranked 10th in FY 2005

#### **IV. Glossary of Terms**

**Corrections** include residential institutions for the confinement, correction, and rehabilitation of convicted adults or adjudicated juveniles and for the detention of adults and juveniles charged with a crime and awaiting trial. Expenditures for probation offices (whether operated by courts or correctional agencies), parole boards and non-institutional activities such as administration of a correctional agency, the training of correctional employees and the operation of nonresidential halfway houses and community correction facilities are also included.

**Education Expenditures** include expenditures for elementary and secondary education, higher education, and other education expenditures.

**Elementary and Secondary Education** comprises expenditures for the operation, maintenance and construction of elementary and secondary schools, which include kindergarten through high school, vocational-technical education, and other educational institutions except those for higher education, whether operated by independent governments (school districts) or as integral agencies of state, county, municipal, or township governments; and financial support of public elementary and secondary schools.

**Environment and Housing Expenditures** comprise expenditures for natural resources, parks and recreation, housing and community development, sewerage, and solid waste management.

**Fire Protection** comprises expenditures for the prevention, avoidance and suppression of fires and for the provision of ambulance, medical, rescue or auxiliary services when provided by fire protection agencies.

#### **Governmental Administration**

Includes expenditures related to

**Financial Administration** which comprises expenditures for the operation of central staff agencies concerned with tax assessment, collection, accounting, auditing and budgeting, purchasing, custody of funds and other finance activities. It includes expenditures related to licensing and tax collection activities of motor vehicle departments, lottery administrative costs, costs of insurance for issuing debt; the administration of public employee retirement, workers' compensation and other insurance trust funds and the management of debt and investments. It also covers expenditures for the distinctive tax collection activities of regulatory agencies. It does not cover internal financial management activities of functional agencies;

**Judicial and Legal** which comprises expenditures relating to courts (criminal and civil) and activities associated with courts, legal services and counseling of indigent or other needy persons. It covers the court activities of sheriff offices (bailiff functions), registers or wills and other probate activities; legal departments and

general counsels; prosecuting and district attorneys, indigent defense and contributions to legal aid societies;

**General public buildings** which comprises the construction, equipping, maintenance and operation of general public buildings related to specific functions or agencies; and

**Other governmental administration.**

**Higher Education** comprises expenditures for degree-granting institutions (associate, bachelor, master, or doctorate) operated by state or local governments which provide academic training beyond the high school (grade 12) level. It also comprises expenditures relating to the activities and facilities connected with state institutions of higher education providing supplementary services to students, faculty or staff, and which are self-supported (wholly or largely through charges for services) and operated on a commercial basis.

**Housing and Community Development** comprises expenditures for the construction, operation and support of housing and redevelopment projects and other activities to promote or aid public and private housing and community development. Covered are the planning, construction, furnishing and operations of public housing projects; rent subsidies; housing and mortgage finance agencies operations; assistance for the repair and renovation of existing homes and programs to encourage private sector housing production. The category also includes expenditures for urban renewal and slum clearance, redevelopment and rehabilitation of substandard or deteriorated facilities; rural development and revitalization of commercial areas.

“Housing and Community Development” does not include: direct loans to individuals, buildings, landlords or others or distribution of proceeds from mortgage revenue bonds. Also not included are building inspection and enforcement of housing codes or standards and temporary shelters for housing the homeless.

**Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation** comprise expenditures (and revenues) related to agriculture, forestry and other natural resources, including the regulation of industries which develop or utilize or affect natural resources; recreational, cultural and scientific facilities; including golf courses, playing fields, playgrounds, public beaches, swimming pools, tennis courts, parks, auditoriums, stadiums, auto camps, marinas, botanical gardens, galleries, museums and zoos.

**Per Capita** refers to the amount of state and local expenditures expended per the total number of residents in the state. This figure is calculated by dividing the expenditure amount by the total number of residents.

**Per \$1,000 of Personal Income** refers to the amount of state and local expenditures expended per every \$1,000 of personal income generated by the state’s residents. This figure is calculated by first dividing the state’s total personal income by 1,000. This number is then used as the denominator when dividing the expenditure amount.



**Police Protection** includes expenditures for the preservation of law and order and traffic safety. It covers regular police departments, law enforcement activities of sheriff and constable officers, state highway patrol, police training academies, coroners, medical examiners, forensic services and crime labs, temporary lockups, criminal justice planning, payments for transporting criminals. It includes the following activities if handled by a police agency: motor vehicle inspection and regulation, liquor law enforcement and traffic control. It does not include special police forces of non-police agencies such as park rangers and fish and game wardens and law enforcement units of legal officers.

**Public Safety Expenditures** includes expenditures for police protection, fire protection, correction, and protective inspection and regulation.

**Public Welfare Expenditures** includes expenditures for cash assistance, vendor payments, and other public welfare expenditures.

**Public Welfare – Cash Assistance** comprises cash payments made directly to individuals contingent upon their need, including, but not limited to, SSI, and cash payments by states to families under TANF.

**Public Welfare – Vendor Payments** comprise payments under public welfare programs made directly to private vendors (i.e., individuals or non-governmental organizations furnishing goods and services) for commodities and services, including Medicaid, on behalf of low-income or other medically needy persons unable to purchase such care.

**Sewerage and Solid Waste Management Expenditures** comprise the provision, maintenance and operation of sanitary and storm sewer systems and sewage disposal and treatment. This category also comprises expenditures for the collection, removal and disposal of garbage, refuse, and hazardous and other solid wastes, cleaning of streets, alleys and sidewalks. It covers the operation of sanitary landfills, hazardous waste disposal sites, incinerators, the cleanup of toxic chemical spills and dumps, and collection and disposal of abandoned vehicles.

**Social Services Expenditures** includes expenditures for public welfare, hospitals, health, employment security administration, and veterans' services.

### **Transportation**

Includes expenditures related to

**Highways** comprise expenditures for the maintenance, operation, repair and construction of highways, streets, roads, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, tunnels, ferryboats, viaducts and related structures. It does not cover the patrol or policing of streets and highway or traffic control activities of police or public safety agencies or street cleaning activities;

**Air Transportation (airports)** includes the provision, operation, construction, and support of airport facilities serving the public-at-large on a scheduled or unscheduled basis, and the regulation of the airline industry;

**Parking Facilities** includes the provision, construction, maintenance, and operation of local government public parking facilities operated on a commercial basis; and

**Sea and inland port facilities**

Please note, earlier editions of How Rhode Island Expenditures Compare included Transit Subsidies in this category. Because of a change in how the US Census Bureau calculates transportation expenditures, this category is no longer included in our analysis.

NOTE: The report relies on multiple sources for comparative data including state and local government finances compiled by the United States Bureau of the Census for fiscal year 2006; personal income data calculated by the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

In contrast to prior years, this report uses personal income data calculated on a fiscal year basis, averaging quarterly, annualized, and seasonally adjusted income estimates provided by the Bureau of Economic Analysis. For this reason RIPEC does not recommend comparing the calculations in this report to prior RIPEC reports.