

### NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

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### RESULTS

### Background

The Real Property Transfer Tax (RPTT) is collected in each county when deeds<sup>1</sup> are presented for recording, with some exceptions<sup>2</sup>. Tax rates vary in each county<sup>3</sup> and range from \$1.95 to \$2.55 per \$500 of value<sup>4</sup> or fraction thereof. The amounts collected are then distributed to various funds at the county and State levels. The statutes related to RPTT are contained in Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 375. The regulations for the tax are contained in Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 375. For a more complete description of the tax, please refer to the next section, Administration of the Real Property Transfer Tax.

### Tax Totals

The following table shows total  $\tan^5$  by county for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020) of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (FY19-20) and for the entire FY19-20 (July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020) sorted by the full FY amount. Approximately 91.01% (~\$29.97 million) of the total tax (~\$32.93 million) for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of FY19-20 relates to transactions in Clark County and Washoe County. Approximately 92.25% (~\$173.02 million) of the total tax (~\$187.55 million) for FY19-20 relates to transactions in Clark County and Washoe County.

County	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Amount	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter %	FY19-20 Amount <sup>6</sup>	FY19-20 %
Total	\$32,932,101.85	100.00%	\$187,554,858.10	100.00%
Clark	24,826,312.95	75.39%	145,736,284.20	77.70%
Washoe	5,144,973.15	15.62%	27,285,908.35	14.55%
Douglas	862,837.95	2.62%	3,790,903.35	2.02%
Lyon	543,041.80	1.65%	2,320,850.95	1.24%
Carson City	345,532.20	1.05%	2,037,067.50	1.09%
Elko	437,494.20	1.33%	1,904,937.45	1.02%
Nye	325,807.95	0.99%	1,576,695.90	0.84%
Humboldt	101,998.65	0.31%	721,917.05	0.38%
Churchill	177,294.25	0.54%	718,438.90	0.38%
Storey	32,680.05	0.10%	470,215.20	0.25%
Eureka	4,933.50	0.01%	308,585.55	0.16%
Pershing	26,670.05	0.08%	230,384.60	0.12%
Lander	23,388.30	0.07%	189,372.30	0.10%
White Pine	45,534.45	0.14%	148,320.90	0.08%
Lincoln	24,096.15	0.07%	78,982.80	0.04%
Mineral	7,901.40	0.02%	28,468.05	0.02%
Esmeralda	1,604.85	0.00%	7,525.05	0.00%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Per NRS 375.010(1)(b), a Deed essentially means any instrument that transfers an estate or present interest in real property, regardless of the name of the document, with certain exceptions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Non-taxable events (Exceptions) are listed in NRS 375.010(1)(b); Exemptions are listed in NRS 375.090.

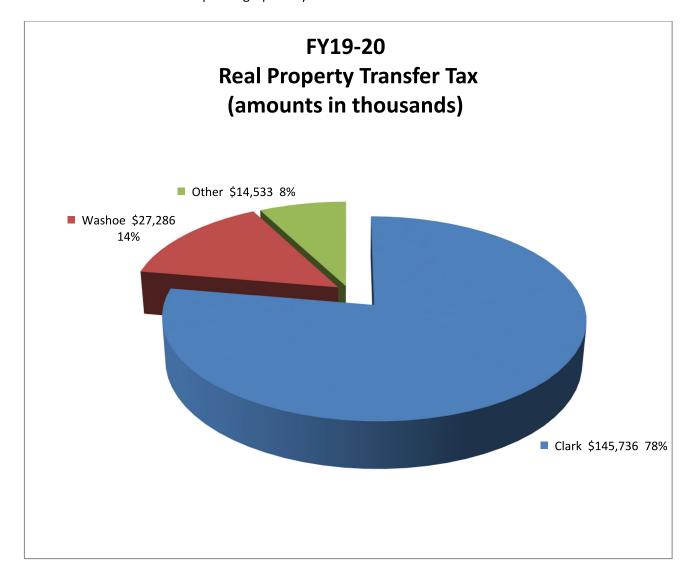
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Table in the next section "Calculation and Collection of Tax" for a table of the rates and distribution in each County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> NRS 375.020 through 375.026 impose tax "for each \$500 of value or fraction thereof...if the consideration or value of the interest or property conveyed exceeds \$100".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Amounts in table are from Recorders Monthly Report; minor adjustments for refunds or timing differences are excluded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> FY19-20 Amount includes amended monthly reports received as of issue date of this report.

The total tax for FY19-20 is depicted graphically below:



Transactions in Washoe County and Clark County account for approximately 92.25% of the total Real Property Transfer Tax in FY19-20. Transactions in the other 15 counties account for the remaining 7.75%. The total tax is approximately \$187.55 million.

### Distribution of Tax

The following table shows the distribution of the tax for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020) of FY19-20. The "Level of Government" heading indicates where the tax is ultimately used.

Level of Govt	State	County	County	County	State	County
	General Fund <sup>7</sup>	Collection Allowance <sup>8</sup>	Consolidated Tax <sup>9</sup>	School District <sup>10</sup>	Low Income Housing <sup>11</sup>	Local Govt Tax Act <sup>12</sup>
Total	\$17,708,432.77	\$178,652.57	\$7,567,747.50	\$5,841,482.48	\$1,376,059.89	\$259,726.65
Clark	12,529,989.10	126,564.54	5,354,688.13	5,841,482.48	973,588.69	
Washoe	3,230,014.14	32,413.33	1,380,396.30		251,074.69	251,074.69
Douglas	569,473.05	5,752.54	243,364.31		44,248.06	
Lyon	358,407.59	3,620.46	153,165.48		27,848.27	
Elko	288,746.17	2,916.77	123,395.68		22,435.58	
Carson City	228,051.25	2,303.66	97,457.70		17,719.58	
Nye	215,033.25	2,172.16	91,894.46		16,708.08	
Churchill	111,305.33	1,116.95	47,568.05		8,651.96	8,651.96
Humboldt	67,319.11	680.02	28,768.82		5,230.69	
White Pine	30,052.74	303.58	12,843.04		2,335.10	
Storey	21,568.83	217.88	9,217.44		1,675.90	
Pershing	17,602.23	177.81	7,522.31		1,367.69	
Lincoln	15,903.46	160.65	6,796.34		1,235.70	
Lander	15,436.28	155.93	6,596.69		1,199.40	
Mineral	5,214.92	52.68	2,228.60		405.20	
Eureka	3,256.11	32.89	1,391.50		253.00	
Esmeralda	1,059.20	10.70	452.65		82.30	

<sup>7</sup> Per NRS 375.023, the tax rate includes \$1.30 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof for the State General Fund. The amount in the table is net of the Collection Allowance per NRS 375.023(4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Per NRS 375.023(4), Counties are entitled to 1% of the State's \$1.30 portion of the taxes collected to defray the County's administrative costs associated with the tax.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Per NRS 375.020, the tax rate includes \$0.65 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof. Of this amount, \$0.55 (NRS 375.070(1)(c) is distributed to the Local Government Tax Distribution Account, where it is combined with the proceeds of other taxes and becomes part of the Consolidated Tax or CTX (See NRS 360.660). The CTX is ultimately distributed back to Counties. The remaining \$0.10 (NRS 375.070(1)(a) is distributed to the State administered Low-Income Housing Program created per NRS 319. In Clark County, an additional \$0.60 is added which is distributed to the Clark County School District per NRS 375.070(1)(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Ultimately distributed to the County School District. See previous note.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Ultimately distributed to the State account for Low-Income Housing, created pursuant to NRS 319.500. See Note 9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> The Local Government Tax Act (LGTA) was passed in 1991 and can be found in the Special Acts section at the following link. <a href="https://www.leg.state.nv.us/SpecialActs/59-LocalGovernmentTax1991.html">https://www.leg.state.nv.us/SpecialActs/59-LocalGovernmentTax1991.html</a>. See Section 32. Please also see the updated LGTA of 1993. This act allows certain Counties, by local ordinance, to levy an additional tax of \$0.10 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof. Currently, only Churchill County and Washoe County levy the tax. The tax is ultimately distributed back to the County through the Tax Distribution Fund.

The following table shows the distribution of the tax for FY19-20 (July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020). The "Level of Government" heading indicates where the tax is ultimately used.

Level of Govt	State	County	County	County	State	County
	General Fund <sup>13</sup>	Collection Allowance <sup>14</sup>	Consolidated Tax <sup>15</sup>	School District <sup>16</sup>	Low Income Housing <sup>17</sup>	Local Govt Tax Act <sup>18</sup>
Total	\$100,252,495.85	\$1,011,490.41	\$42,843,159.00	\$34,290,873.25	\$7,790,227.44	\$1,366,612.15
Clark	73,553,977.05	742,963.58	31,433,276.19	34,290,873.25	5,715,194.12	
Washoe	17,130,093.26	171,901.22	7,320,809.21		1,331,552.33	1,331,552.33
Douglas	2,501,996.21	25,273.95	1,069,228.08		194,405.11	
Lyon	1,531,761.63	15,473.11	654,598.33		119,017.88	
Carson City	1,344,464.55	13,581.13	574,556.93		104,464.90	
Elko	1,257,258.72	12,700.22	537,289.51		97,689.00	
Nye	1,040,619.29	10,511.83	444,708.66		80,856.12	
Humboldt	476,465.25	4,813.02	203,617.43		37,021.35	
Churchill	451,035.94	4,526.17	192,757.16		35,059.82	35,059.82
Storey	310,342.03	3,134.92	132,624.67		24,113.58	
Eureka	203,666.46	2,057.34	87,036.86		15,824.88	
Pershing	152,053.84	1,535.97	64,980.21		11,814.58	
Lander	124,985.72	1,262.55	53,412.65		9,711.39	
White Pine	97,891.79	988.86	41,834.06		7,606.19	
Lincoln	52,128.65	526.58	22,277.18		4,050.40	
Mineral	18,788.91	189.80	8,029.44		1,459.90	
Esmeralda	4,966.53	50.17	2,122.45		385.90	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Per NRS 375.023, the tax rate includes \$1.30 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof for the State General Fund. The amount in the table is net of the collection allowance per NRS 375.023(4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Per NRS 375.023(4), Counties are entitled to 1% of the State's \$1.30 portion of the taxes collected to defray the County's administrative costs associated with the tax.

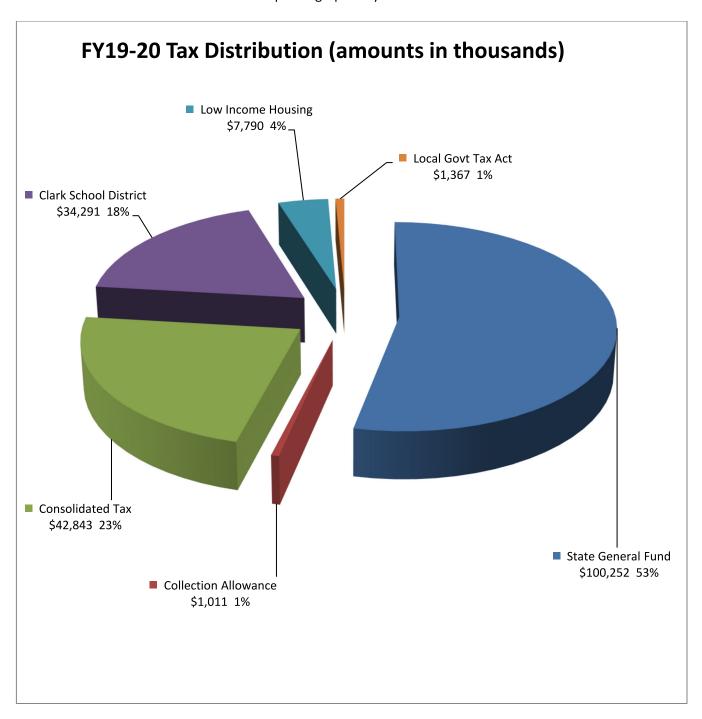
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Per NRS 375.020, the tax rate includes \$0.65 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof. Of this amount, \$0.55 (NRS 375.070(1)(c) is distributed to the Local Government Tax Distribution Account, where it is combined with the proceeds of other taxes and becomes part of the Consolidated Tax or CTX (See NRS 360.660). The CTX is ultimately distributed back to Counties. The remaining \$0.10 (NRS 375.070(1)(a) is distributed to the State administered Low-Income Housing Program created per NRS 319. In Clark County, an additional \$0.60 is added which is distributed to the Clark County School District NRS 375.070(1)(b).

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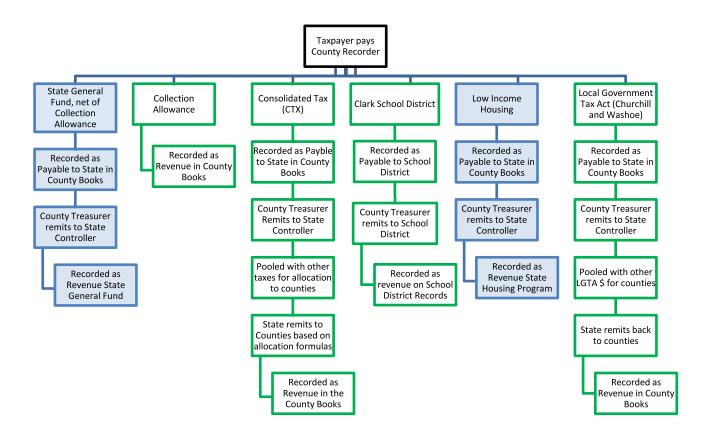
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The distribution of the tax for FY19-20 is depicted graphically as follows:



The proceeds allocated to the State General Fund (net of collection allowance) and to Low-Income Housing are ultimately used at the State level. The remaining proceeds are ultimately used at the local government level.

The total tax collected by the County Recorder is posted to various accounts in the County books and records. A portion of the amount collected is retained by the County. The retained amount consists of the collection allowance and School District amount (currently only in Clark County). The remaining portions (Consolidated Tax (CTX), State General fund (net of collection allowance), Low Income Housing, and Local Government Tax Act) are remitted by the County Treasurer to the State Controller for further distribution. CTX is ultimately combined with other taxes and distributed back to the Counties based on statutory allocation formulas. Similarly, the LGTA is combined with other LGTA taxes and distributed back to the Counties. The following flowchart shows the flow of the tax through the various systems. The blue indicates proceeds ultimately used at the local government level.



See the distribution table and graph on the prior two pages for amounts distributed per the above flowchart for the FY19-20.

### Exemptions

The total number of deeds filed with the County Recorders for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of FY19-20 (April 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020) and the full fiscal year (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020) are shown in the following tables together with the number of each type of exemption. The exemption numbers correspond with the subparagraphs of NRS 375.090 as follows:

NRS 375.090 Exemptions. The taxes imposed by  $\overline{\rm NRS}$  375.020,  $\overline{\rm 375.023}$  and  $\overline{\rm 375.026}$  do not apply to:

- 1. A mere change in identity, form or place of organization, such as a transfer between a business entity and its parent, its subsidiary or an affiliated business entity if the affiliated business entity has identical common ownership.
- 2. A transfer of title to the United States, any territory or state or any agency, department, instrumentality or political subdivision thereof.
- 3. A transfer of title recognizing the true status of ownership of the real property, including, without limitation, a transfer by an instrument in writing pursuant to the terms of a land sale installment contract previously recorded and upon which the taxes imposed by this chapter have been paid.
- 4. A transfer of title without consideration from one joint tenant or tenant in common to one or more remaining joint tenants or tenants in common.
- 5. A transfer, assignment or other conveyance of real property if the owner of the property is related to the person to whom it is conveyed within the first degree of lineal consanguinity or affinity.
- 6. A transfer of title between former spouses in compliance with a decree of divorce.
- 7. A transfer of title to or from a trust without consideration if a certificate of trust is presented at the time of transfer.
- 8. Transfers, assignments or conveyances of unpatented mines or mining claims.
- 9. A transfer, assignment or other conveyance of real property to a corporation or other business organization if the person conveying the property owns 100 percent of the corporation or organization to which the conveyance is made.
- 10. A conveyance of real property by deed which becomes effective upon the death of the grantor pursuant to NRS 111.655 to 111.699, inclusive.
- 11. The making, delivery or filing of conveyances of real property to make effective any plan of reorganization or adjustment:
- (a) Confirmed under the Bankruptcy Act, as amended, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.;
- (b) Approved in an equity receivership proceeding involving a railroad, as defined in the Bankruptcy Act; or
- (c) Approved in an equity receivership proceeding involving a corporation, as defined in the Bankruptcy Act,
- if the making, delivery or filing of instruments of transfer or conveyance occurs within 5 years after the date of the confirmation, approval or change.
- 12. A transfer to an educational foundation. As used in this subsection, "educational foundation" has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 3 of NRS 388.750. 13. A transfer to a university foundation. As used in this subsection, "university foundation" has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 3 of NRS 396.405.
  - 14. A transfer to a library foundation. As used in this subsection, "library foundation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 379.0056.
- (Added to NRS by 1967, 1761; A 1969, 569; 1971, 246; 1985, 862, 2046; 1991, 1122, 2053; 1993, 2308, 2624; 1995, 716, 1037; 2001, 1593; 2003, 3486; 2003, 20th Special Session, 172, 174; 2005, 962, 2057, 2488; 2007, 3393; 2009, 1112; 2011, 1354; 2017, 525)

Number of Exemptions for the 4th Quarter of FY19-20, together with calculation of the ratio of the number of transfers (exempt and non-exempt) in each county to the number of transfers statewide, the ratio of the number of exempt transfers to the total (exempt and non-exempt) transfers in each county, and the percentage of transfers qualified for exemption in each county are shown in the following table. The table is sorted by Total Transfers in descending order.

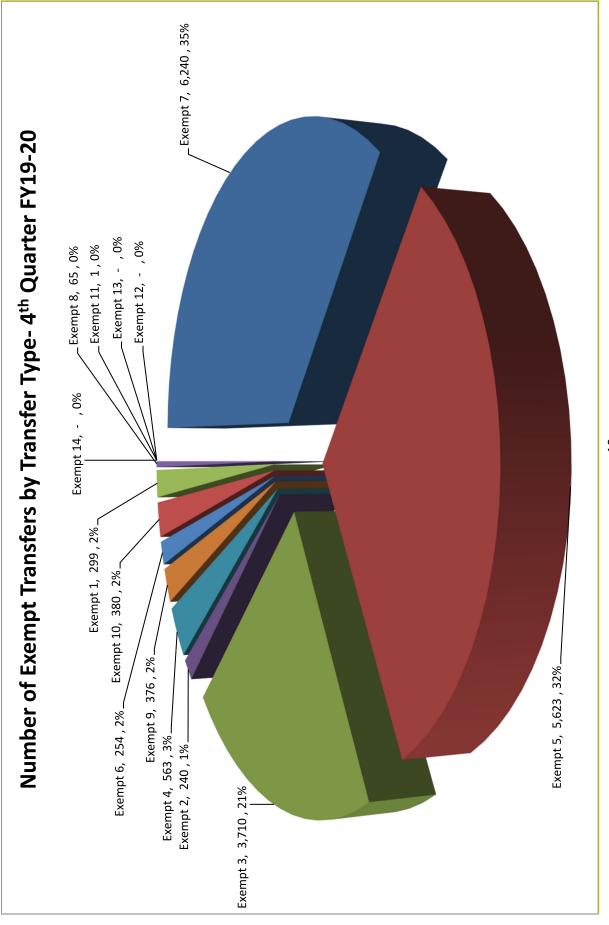
	% of				% of
	Total	Total	Exempt	% of Total	Transfers
County	Transfers	Transfers	Transfers	Exemptions	Exempted
	100.00%	41,050	17,751	100.00%	43.24%
	71.71%	29,438	12,205	%92.89	41.46%
Washoe	13.32%	5,468	2,824	15.91%	51.65%
	2.70%	1,109	448	2.52%	40.40%
Douglas	7:66%	1,092	487	2.74%	44.60%
	7.25%	673	306	1.72%	33.15%
	7.20%	904	381	2.15%	42.15%
Carson City	1.16%	477	259	1.46%	54.30%
Humboldt	1.00%	410	224	1.26%	54.63%
Churchill	0.91%	373	208	1.17%	25.76%
Pershing	%/5'0	235	96	0.54%	40.85%
White Pine	0.44%	181	104	0.59%	57.46%
Storey	0.23%	86	51	0.29%	54.84%
Lincoln	0.22%	76	42	0.24%	45.65%
Eureka	0.19%	80	30	0.17%	37.50%
Lander	0.19%	78	33	0.19%	42.31%
Mineral	0.13%	55	25	0.14%	45.45%
Esmeralda	0.10%	75	28	0.16%	%29.99

For the 4th Quarter of FY19-20, per the tables under the heading "Tax Totals," transactions in Washoe County and Clark County account for 91.01% of the tax dollars. The above table indicates that transactions in Washoe County and Clark County account for 85.03% of the total number of transfers. Transactions in the other 15 counties account for 14.97% of the total number of transfers.

Additional information about the number of transfers qualified for each exemption (e.g. 1= exemption per  $\frac{NRS\ 375.090(1)}{S}$ ) is also shown in the table for  $4^{th}$ Quarter of FY19-20. The table is sorted by total exempt transfers in descending order.

	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	11	1	0	П	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	10	380	163	73	16	40	12	13	10	13	22	2	4	2	1	1	3	0	2
	6	376	285	54	2	4	7	9	3	2	T	2	1	0	1	1	3	0	1
NOI	8	65	4	0	1	6	0	2	0	2	1	1	16	0	1	4	1	20	0
EXEMPTION	7	6,240	4,163	1,179	233	163	109	88	117	50	73	11	6	24	11	6	6	2	8
	9	254	153	53	6	2	4	11	3	1	4	7	2	1	0	3	3	0	0
	5	5,623	4,220	969	46	143	130	106	29	29	36	15	25	12	17	11	7	3	6
	4	263	385	94	16	14	21	6	8	2	1	1	3	2	4	1	0	0	2
	3	3,710	2,510	652	103	69	95	99	48	89	28	20	34	7	2	2	3	0	3
	2	240	51	14	2	0	2	3	0	74	37	20	0	0	2	1	1	0	0
	1	536	271	8	2	1	4	2	3	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	County	Total	Clark	Washoe	Douglas	Nye	Lyon	Elko	Carson City	Humboldt	Churchill	White Pine	Pershing	Storey	Lincoln	Lander	Eureka	Esmeralda	Mineral

The following chart shows the number of exemptions by category for the  $4^{\rm th}$  Quarter of FY19-20.



Number of Exemptions for the FY19-20, together with calculation of the ratio of the number of transfers (exempt and non-exempt) in each county to the number of transfers statewide, the ratio of the number of exempt transfers to the total (exempt and non-exempt) transfers in each county, and the percentage of transfers qualified for exemption in each county are shown in the following table. The table is sorted by Total Transfers in descending order.

% of				% of
Total	Total	Exempt	% of Total	Transfers
Transfers	Transfers	Transfers	Exemptions	Exempted
100.00%	210,823	78,122	100.00%	37.06%
76.28%	160,813	55,094	70.52%	34.26%
11.21%	23,636	11,629	14.89%	49.20%
2.45%	5,162	2,345	3.00%	45.43%
2.36%	4,976	1,923	2.46%	38.65%
1.88%	3,974	1,639	2.10%	41.24%
1.69%	3,563	1,322	1.69%	37.10%
1.16%	2,443	1,222	1.56%	50.02%
0.66%	1,386	289	0.88%	49.57%
0.65%	1,376	634	0.81%	46.08%
0.40%	849	316	0.40%	37.22%
0.30%	641	322	0.41%	50.23%
0.20%	479	206	0.26%	48.02%
0.18%	385	219	0.28%	26.88%
0.18%	381	173	0.22%	45.41%
0.16%	339	123	0.16%	36.28%
0.12%	244	132	0.17%	54.10%
0.11%	226	136	0.17%	60.18%

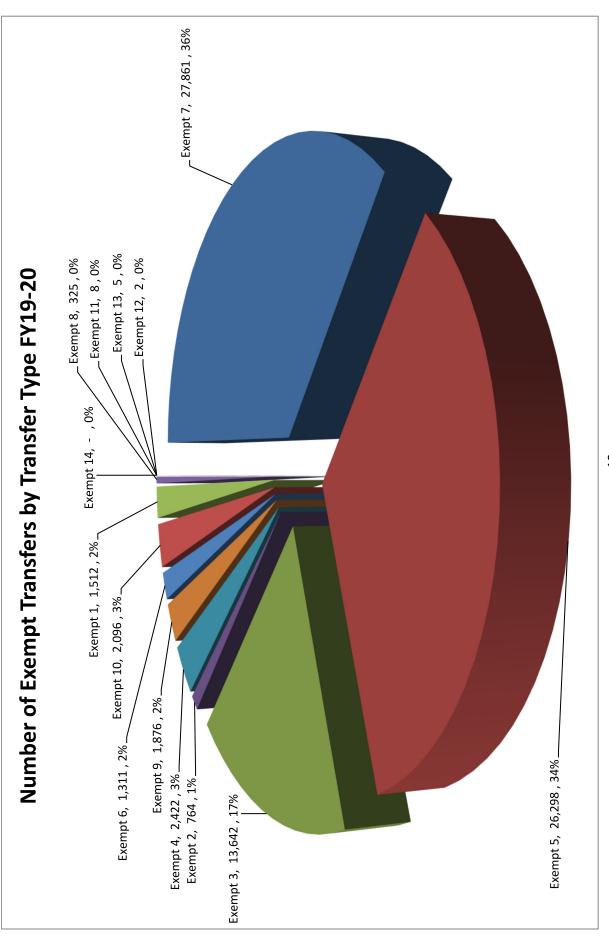
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Additional information about the number of transfers qualified for each exemption (e.g. 1= exemption per NRS 375.090(1)) is also shown for FY19-20 in the table below. The table is sorted by total exempt transactions in descending order.

							EXEMPTION	NO						
County	1	2	3	4	5	9	7	∞	6	10	11	12	13	14
Total	1,512	764	13,642	2,422	26,298	1,311	27,861	325	1,876	2,096	8	2	2	0
Clark	1,333	330	9,406	1,654	20,158	761	18,975	8	1,411	1,046	7	1	4	0
Washoe	70	79	2,104	361	3,056	252	2,090	2	275	335	1	1	0	0
Nye	13	47	422	29	629	30	824	29	40	194	0	0	0	0
Douglas	6	19	336	26	354	39	1,013	4	27	99	0	0	0	0
Lyon	13	27	355	72	545	52	457	2	27	68	0	0	0	0
Elko	23	56	258	36	450	39	363	30	28	69	0	0	0	0
Carson City	13	18	158	06	292	<i>L</i> 9	513	1	18	52	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	2	74	192	14	179	8	112	39	6	28	0	0	0	0
Churchill	10	51	133	12	146	14	172	7	7	82	0	0	0	0
White Pine	0	09	71	6	91	11	49	13	7	11	0	0	0	0
Pershing	13	9	88	11	77	3	46	41	12	19	0	0	0	0
Storey	3	4	22	15	51	3	6/	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
Lincoln	2	9	25	10	89	10	29	8	2	10	0	0	0	0
Lander	3	11	6	3	22	11	43	29	1	2	0	0	1	0
Esmeralda	0	2	8	2	28	2	20	63	0	8	0	0	0	0
Mineral	1	2	13	7	36	2	19	13	3	36	0	0	0	0
Eureka	1	2	6	0	31	7	27	33	9	7	0	0	0	0

The following chart shows the number of exemptions by category for FY19-20.



### Historical Trends

The following table shows the tax for the last ten fiscal years  $^{19}$  sorted by FV19-20 total.

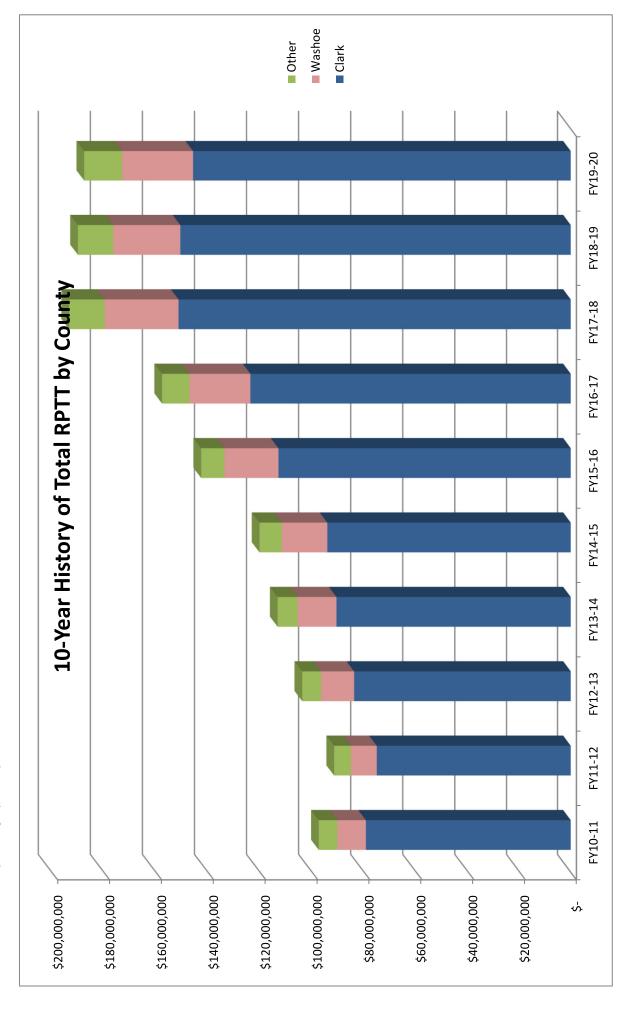
	FY10-11	FY11-12	FY12-13	FY13-14	FY14-15	FY15-16 <sup>20</sup>	FY16-17	FY17-18 <sup>21</sup>	FY18-19	FY19-20
Total	\$97,451,899.65	\$91,555,410.38	\$103,806,790.53	\$113,251,556.14	\$120,225,322.55	\$142,627,333.40	\$157,638,265.20	\$193,357,159.41	\$189,963,923.47	\$187,554,858.10
Clark	\$79,337,410.50	\$75,173,556.50	\$83,853,906.75	\$90,636,710.40	\$94,168,621.05	\$112,929,909.45	\$123,714,132.30	\$151,322,638.05	\$150,622,372.35	145,736,284.20
Washoe	\$10,943,230.05	\$9,910,474.93	\$12,686,613.60	\$14,885,138.14	\$17,482,779.25	\$20,744,198.05	\$23,367,835.20	\$28,364,200.00	\$25,785,705.65	27,285,908.35
Douglas	\$1,780,599.60	\$1,574,651.35	\$2,237,118.00	\$2,508,009.85	\$2,507,451.50	\$2,651,994.05	\$2,955,353.70	\$3,631,227.60	\$3,726,034.65	3,790,903.35
Lyon	\$1,183,072.80	\$941,914.35	\$1,074,019.05	\$1,366,253.85	\$1,407,088.80	\$1,573,053.30	\$1,730,024.40	\$2,530,900.46	\$2,721,012.45	2,320,850.95
Carson City	\$685,290.45	\$826,474.35	\$950,829.75	\$1,022,137.35	\$1,118,584.35	\$1,268,476.95	\$1,919,884.20	\$2,112,372.60	\$1,845,819.30	2,037,067.50
Elko	\$774,791.55	\$993,248.10	\$1,037,288.85	\$983,363.55	\$1,039,336.35	\$995,749.95	\$1,156,170.60	\$1,344,747.30	\$1,454,471.44	1,904,937.45
Nye	\$692,554.20	\$661,397.10	\$689,625.30	\$620,380.80	\$655,240.95	\$891,566.40	\$1,220,425.05	\$1,425,040.50	\$1,667,723.85	1,576,695.90
Humboldt	\$210,432.30	\$390,138.45	\$396,148.35	\$331,244.55	\$444,299.70	\$316,017.00	\$300,247.35	\$322,662.60	\$417,861.60	721,917.05
Churchill	\$1,373,664.00	\$274,482.70	\$337,844.10	\$264,390.55	\$326,661.35	\$453,173.00	\$513,838.65	\$624,792.85	\$707,360.70	718,438.90
Storey	\$151,499.40	\$305,682.00	\$112,557.90	\$207,376.65	\$495,855.75	\$217,955.40	\$345,655.05	\$1,096,290.00	\$453,107.40	470,215.20
Eureka	\$13,417.95	\$119,802.15	\$29,653.65	\$32,365.75	\$29,782.35	\$74,856.60	\$37,857.30	\$75,972.00	\$32,175.00	308,585.55
Pershing	\$51,902.55	\$102,137.10	\$89,704.90	\$61,206.60	\$162,805.50	\$86,219.25	\$71,804.85	\$140,985.00	\$100,865.70	230,384.60
Lander	\$64,515.75	\$85,569.90	\$91,143.98	\$79,066.65	\$136,217.25	\$94,953.30	\$72,288.45	\$97,209.35	\$89,173.50	189,372.30
White Pine	\$108,872.40	\$81,995.55	\$111,198.75	\$111,664.80	\$101,031.45	\$174,396.30	\$113,415.90	\$123,592.95	\$200,110.95	148,320.90
Lincoln	\$55,649.10	\$59,239.05	\$59,434.05	\$42,098.55	\$115,796.85	\$90,784.20	\$78,563.55	\$75,583.95	\$75,942.73	78,982.80
Mineral	\$15,646.80	\$39,089.70	\$40,969.50	\$28,048.80	\$26,947.05	\$58,026.15	\$26,902.20	\$41,449.20	\$37,001.25	28,468.05
Esmeralda	\$9,350.25	\$15,557.10	\$8,734.05	\$72,099.30	\$6,823.05	\$6,004.05	\$13,866.45	\$27,495.00	\$27,184.95	7,525.05

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Amounts in table are calculated from Recorders Monthly Report; minor adjustments for refunds and timing differences are excluded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Total Amount varied from prior years' Annual Report due to corrections made in Clark, Washoe, Douglas, and Nye Counties.

 $<sup>^{21}</sup>$  Total Amount varied from the FY18-19 Annual Report due to inclusion of Esmeralda County's RPTT collections for April-June 2018.

Historical Trends depicted graphically as follows.



The following table shows the distribution of the tax over the last ten fiscal years.<sup>22</sup>

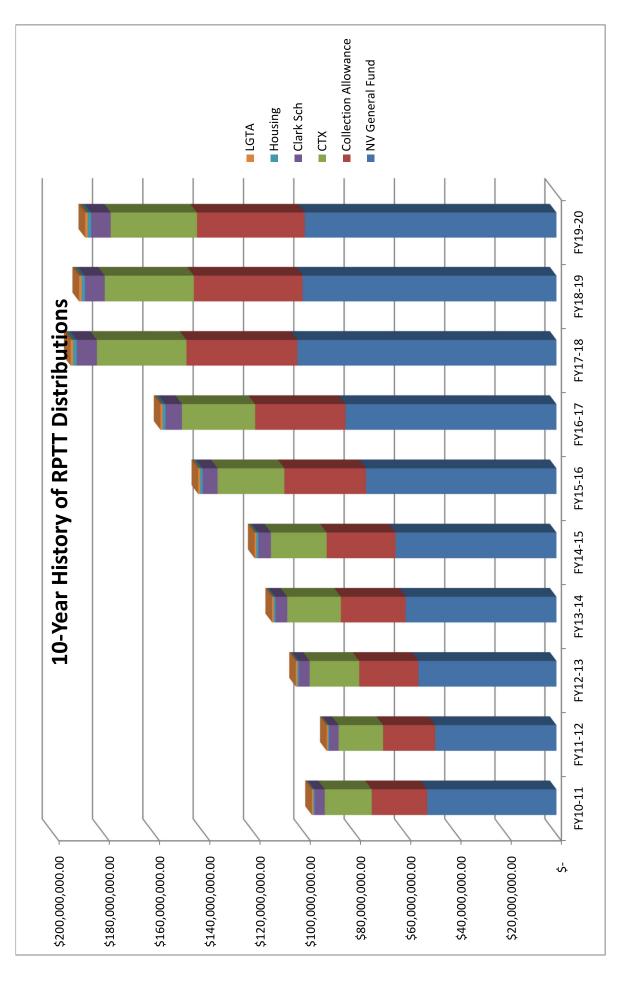
	FY10-1112	FY11-12	FY12-13	FY13-14	FY14-15 <sup>23</sup>	FY15-16 <sup>24</sup>	FY16-17	FY17-18 <sup>25</sup>	FY18-19	FY19-20
Total	\$97,451,899.65	\$91,555,410.38	\$91,555,410.38 \$103,806,790.53	\$113,251,556.14 \$120,225,322.55 \$142,627,333.40 \$157,638,265.20 \$193,357,159.41 \$189,963,923.47 \$187,554,858.10	\$120,225,322.55	\$142,627,333.40	\$157,638,265.20	\$193,357,159.41	\$189,963,923.47	\$187,554,858.10
NV General Fund	\$51,601,076.70	\$48,424,653.77	\$55,071,139.29	\$60,182,938.16	\$60,182,938.16 \$64,151,427.06	\$75,914,147.34	\$84,060,202.67 \$103,182,781.89 \$101,132,362.06	\$103,182,781.89	\$101,132,362.06	100,252,495.85
Consolidated Tax	\$22,051,742.18	\$20,694,296.48	\$23,534,674.91	\$25,719,204.34	\$25,719,204.34 \$27,415,274.30		\$32,442,103.52 \$35,923,345.05	\$44,095,425.65 \$43,219,154.68	\$43,219,154.68	42,843,159.00
Clark School Dist.	\$18,667,626.00	\$17,687,895.65	\$19,730,331.00	\$21,326,284.80	\$21,326,284.80 \$22,157,311.52	\$26,571,730.11	\$29,109,193.05	\$35,605,308.80	\$35,440,540.48	34,290,873.25
Low Income Housing	\$4,009,407.67	\$3,762,599.36	\$4,279,031.80	\$4,676,218.97	\$4,984,953.38	\$5,898,990.75	\$6,531,996.48	\$8,017,932.22	\$7,858,564.59	7,790,227.44
Local Gov't Tax Act	\$600,824.10	\$496,827.20	\$635,339.40	\$739,001.40	\$869,100.70	\$1,034,431.71	\$1,165,425.68	\$1,414,662.85	\$1,292,861.64	1,366,612.15
Collection Allowance	\$521,223.00	\$489,137.92	\$556,274.13	\$607,908.47	\$647,255.59	\$765,929.97	\$848,102.27	\$1,041,048.00	\$1,041,048.00 \$1,020,440.02	1,011,490.41

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Amounts in table are calculated from Recorders Monthly Report; minor adjustments for refunds and timing differences are excluded. Each fiscal year's Tax Totals and Total Distribution are now consistent in amounts (without variance) due to revision in the rounding of approximate Effective Tax Rates up to six (6) digits.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Distributions varied from prior years' Annual Report due to correction to the amounts distributed to each fund.

<sup>25</sup> Amounts of total tax and affected funds varied from the FY18-19 Annual Report due to inclusion of Esmeralda County's RPTT collections for April-June 2018. <sup>24</sup> Total Amount and distributions varied from prior years' Annual Report due to corrections made in Clark, Washoe, Douglas, and Nye Counties.

The following chart shows the distribution of the tax over the last ten fiscal years.

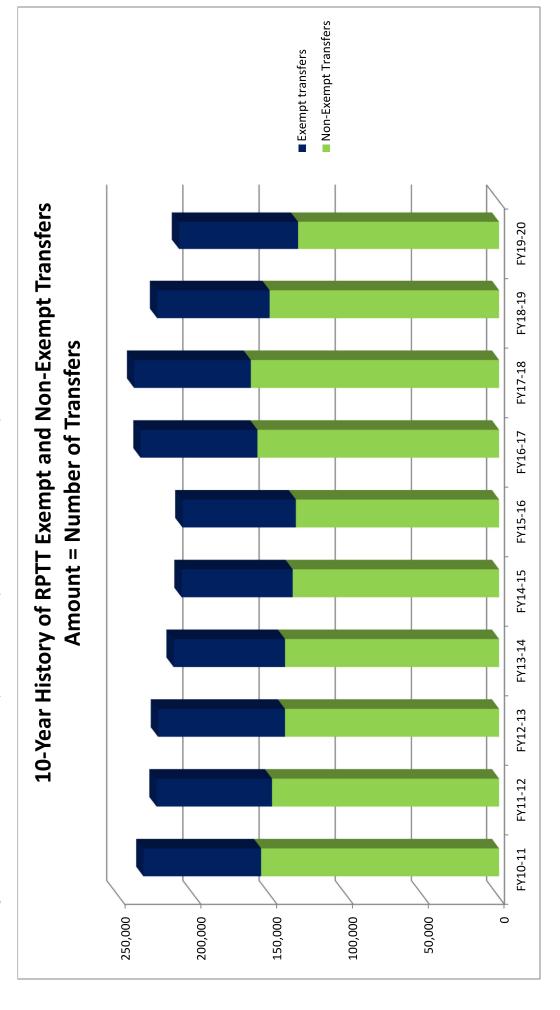


The following table shows the total number of transfers and the exempt transfers over the last ten years sorted by the FY19-20 total transfers.

0.	Exempt Trans	78,122	55,094	11,629	2,345	1,923	1,639	1,322	1,222	687	634	316	322	206	219	173	123	132	136
FY19-20	Total E	210,823	160,813	23,636	5,162	4,976	3,974	3,563	2,443	1,386	1,376	849	641	429	385	381	339	244	226
6	Exempt Trans		52,430	10,321	2,235	1,948	1,710	1,182	1,165	599	611	351	302	185	258	149	94	149	151
FY18-19	Total E	225,218	175,000	22,831	5,592	5,327	4,275	3,374	2,389	1,313	1,389	1,030	640	377	489	330	281	321	260
126	Exempt	,,,	54,313 1	11,140	2,448	1,702	1,864	1,287	1,136	651	587	250	281	139	250	145	87	117	172
FY17-18 <sup>26</sup>	Total E		187,734	25,244	5,745	5,093	4,451	3,539	2,497	1,342	1,313	715	596	329	532	336	227	274	332
7	Exempt Trans		54,363	11,172	2,287	1,815	1,700	1,268	1,309	597	621	267	290	193	205	188	66	195	152
FY16-17	Total E	236,102	184,635	24,966	5,073	5,665	3,959	3,332	2,617	1,224	1,349	689	592	355	423	386	220	353	264
16	Exempt Trans	74,463	52,257	11,138	2,190	1,934	1,587	1,253	1,167	537	989	315	382	217	222	172	107	157	142
FY15-16	Total Trans		158,614	24,352	4,982	5,801	3,602	3,127	2,329	1,085	1,338	662	664	436	428	409	211	342	230
15	Exempt Trans	72,933	51,293	10,588	2,253	2,068	1,543	1,174	1,142	570	685	320	328	246	184	189	71	166	113
FY14-15	Total Trans	209,178	159,886	22,964	5,390	6,268	3,773	2,998	2,203	1,131	1,263	777	556	394	435	414	206	301	219
14	Exempt Trans	73,122	52,051	10,329	2,053	1,921	1,458	1,318	1,092	552	752	283	355	191	176	195	89	161	146
FY13-14	Total Trans	214,375	165,692	23,701	4,051	6,524	3,417	3,067	2,134	1,162	1,308	716	595	325	395	450	287	319	232
13	Exempt Trans	83,352	60,095	11,619	2,049	2,325	1,628	1,283	1,344	652	831	269	320	188	202	162	88	170	127
FY12-13	Total Trans	224,646	176,144	24,001	3,554	6,268	3,591	3,249	2,317	683	1,359	876	558	396	397	442	252	328	231
-12	Exempt Trans	75,773	54,857	10,125	1,964	2,106	1,470	1,213	1,214	729	613	289	301	143	172	158	73	175	171
FY11-12	Total Trans	225,585	178,268	23,412	3,233	6,497	3,558	3,156	2,230	1,033	1,142	712	521	282	361	396	187	342	255
-11	Exempt Trans	77,262	56,145	10,207	1,969	2,120	1,639	1,154	1,241	655	681	275	294	180	177	128	73	197	127
FY10-11	Total Trans	234,218	188,531	23,231	3,245	5,512	3,583	2,589	2,094	1,296	1,161	998	509	287	353	294	161	297	209
		Total	Clark	Washoe	Nye	Douglas	Lyon	Elko	Carson City	Humboldt	Churchill	Pershing	White Pine	Lincoln	Storey	Lander	Eureka	Mineral	Esmeralda

<sup>26</sup> Total counts of Real Property Transfers and Exempt deeds varied from the FY18-19 Annual Report due to inclusion of Esmeralda County's data for April-June 2018.

The following chart shows the number of exempt and non-exempt transfers over the last ten years.



### Reconciliation

Pursuant to NAC 375.400, County Recorders must provide the Department the following information each month:

- Total number of deeds subject to RPTT during the prior month;
- Total taxes collected during the prior month;
- Total number of exemptions granted by type of exemption;
- Such other information that may be useful in coordinating the collection and administration of the taxes (under this category, a line item on the report form for the total collection allowance that may be retained by the county, based on the General Fund taxes collected during the prior month and the school district portion for Clark County).

Pursuant to NRS 375.023(3), County Treasurers must remit a portion of the amounts collected to the State Controller for distribution to various accounts in the State books and records. Counties retain a portion of the amount collected. See "Distribution of Tax" above for a complete explanation of the distribution.

The Department prepares a quarterly reconciliation of the tax. The Department prepares a workpaper with the expected distribution of the funds per the Recorder's Report. The expected collection allowance is reconciled to the collection allowance reported by the Recorder. The expected distributions to the State, including CTX, General Fund, Low Income Housing, and LGTA amounts, are compared with the State Controller's records and the County Treasurer remittance reports. Any discrepancies are investigated and brought to the attention of the County Recorder, County Treasurer, or State Controller, as needed. The expected Clark County School District portion is reconciled to the school district amount reported by the Recorder.

During the Department's reconciliation process minor differences between the Recorder monthly reports and the State reports are investigated, documented and resolved. Most differences are "timing differences" between periods that do not impact total tax. Occasionally, there are permanent differences such as refunds to taxpayers pursuant to NRS 375.150, NRS 375.290, NRS 375.310 or calculation errors that may impact total tax. During the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of FY 19-20, permanent differences amounted to less than 0.05% of the total reported amount and are not considered material for purposes of this report, except for Esmeralda County.

Esmeralda County had distribution discrepancies in FY 17-18 and FY 18-19 that remain uncorrected as of the end of the FY 19-20

For the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Esmeralda County to the State in October 2019, for portions of the amounts collected in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$1,658.09 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for July, August, and September 2019. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in October 2019 was \$929.78, which was \$728.31 short of expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Esmeralda County to the State in January 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$1,508.93 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for October, November, and December. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in January 2020 was \$2,992.68, which was \$1,483.75 more than expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Esmeralda County to the State in April 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$2,713.75 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for January, February, and March. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in April 2020 was \$1,971.25, which was \$742.50 short of expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Esmeralda County to the State in July 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$1,594.16 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for April, May, and June. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in July 2020 was \$91,757.64, which was \$269.24 more than expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Lander County to the State in April 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$71,171.14 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for January, February, and March. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in April 2020 was \$125,331.59, which was \$54,160.45 more than expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Lander County to the State in July 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$23,232.38 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for April, May, and June. The actual RPTT revenue transfers by the County Treasurer in May and June 2020 totaled \$12,958.53, which was \$10,273.85 short of expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Mineral County to the State in May 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$5,506.89 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for January, February, and March. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in May 2020 was \$5,699.29, which was \$192.40 more than expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to Consolidated Tax. This distribution discrepancy remains uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Mineral County to the State in July 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$7,848.70 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for April, May, and June. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in May and June 2020 totaled \$7,875.70, which was \$27 more than expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to Consolidated Tax. This distribution discrepancy remains uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

For the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20, the expected RPTT revenue transfer from Carson City to the State in July 2020, for portions of the amounts collected in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY19-20 was \$343,228.74 per County Recorder's monthly RPTT reports for April, May, and June. The actual RPTT revenue transfer by the County Treasurer in May and June 2020 totaled \$405,079.00, which was \$61,850.26 more than expected. In addition, the RPTT revenue received was improperly distributed to the General Fund, Consolidated Tax, and Low Income Housing. These distribution discrepancies remain uncorrected as of the FY19-20 Annual report date.

### ADMINISTRATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

### Authority and Oversight

The 20th Special Session of the Nevada State Legislature in 2003 instituted the passage of Senate Bill 8, which authorized an additional tax rate for the State General fund and gave the Department of Taxation administrative authority and oversight. The Department is required by NRS 375.019 to coordinate the collection and administration of the tax. The Nevada Tax Commission adopted regulations governing the Department's authority and oversight as well as the reporting of the Real Property Transfer Tax (RPTT) on March 1, 2004. Refer to NAC 375.400, 410, and 420.

### Calculation and Collection of the Tax

The RPTT was originally imposed in 1968. The tax rates were established in NRS 375.020. NRS 375.020 has been amended from time to time. The current rate is \$0.65 per \$500 of value, or fraction thereof, for counties whose population is less than 700,000. The base rate in all counties of \$0.65 is segregated between county revenue<sup>27</sup> (consolidated tax \$0.55) and State revenue<sup>28</sup> (low-income housing \$0.10). For any county whose population is 700,000 or more, the rate is \$1.25 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof. The only county eligible for the higher rate at the current time is Clark County. The additional \$0.60 per \$500 of value, or fraction thereof, imposed in Clark County is dedicated to the Clark County School District fund for capital projects.

The Local Government Tax Act (LGTA) of 1991 provides an optional tax levy, if county commissioners approve an ordinance to impose a Real Property Transfer Tax, of up to \$0.10 for each \$500 of value or fraction thereof. Currently, only Churchill County and Washoe County impose an additional \$0.10 levy.

NRS 375.026, passed by the Legislature in 2003, provides for the imposition of an additional levy of \$0.05 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof. The taxes so levied are for use in the Plant Industry Program as required by NRS 561.355. To date, no counties have levied any taxes for this program.

Finally, NRS 375.023 provides for the imposition of \$1.30 per \$500 of value or fraction thereof for the State General Fund.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> The County Revenue is based on \$0.55 per \$500 of value, or fraction thereof, and is part of the Consolidated Tax.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> The State Revenue is based on \$0.10 per \$500 of value, or fraction thereof, and is part of the Low Income Housing program created pursuant to NRS 319.

The following table shows each component of RPTT and when it was implemented.

Entity	Component Type	Effective Date	Rate (per \$500)	Total Rate
Churchill County	County (now Consolidated Tax)	1/1/1968	\$0.55	
	Low Income Housing	7/1/1991	\$0.10	
	LGTA	7/1/1991	\$0.10	
	State General Fund	10/1/2003	<u>\$1.30</u>	\$2.05
Clark County	County (now Consolidated Tax)	1/1/1968	\$0.55	
	School District	8/1/1977	\$0.60	
	Low Income Housing	7/1/1991	\$0.10	
	State General Fund	10/1/2003	<u>\$1.30</u>	\$2.55
Washoe County	County (now Consolidated Tax)	1/1/1968	\$0.55	
	Low Income Housing	7/1/1991	\$0.10	
	LGTA	7/1/1991	\$0.10	
	State General Fund	10/1/2003	<u>\$1.30</u>	\$2.05
All other counties	County (now Consolidated Tax)	1/1/1968	\$0.55	
	Low Income Housing	7/1/1991	\$0.10	
	State General Fund	10/1/2003	<u>\$1.30</u>	\$1.95

### Collection Allowance

Pursuant to NRS 375.023(4), counties are entitled to deduct and withhold a collection allowance for the cost of collecting the tax. Per the 2005 Legislative Session, all counties may deduct 1% of the State's portion of the taxes collected.

The collection allowance is retained by the county and deducted from the amount remitted to the State.

### Distribution of the Tax

All components of the Real Property Transfer Tax, net of the collection allowance, are transmitted to the State Controller, with two exceptions. The first exception is the Plant Industry Program. If and when any taxes are levied for the Plant Industry Program, they must be transmitted directly to the State Treasurer. The second exception is the school district component levied in Clark County, which is transmitted directly to the Clark County Treasurer for ultimate distribution to the School District.

NRS 375.070 requires the tax imposed by NRS 375.020 (the \$0.65 per \$500 of value of fraction thereof) to be transmitted to the State Controller at the end of each quarter. Some counties transmit on a monthly basis and in turn receive back a monthly distribution of the consolidated tax (CTX) component (the \$0.55 per \$500 or fraction thereof). The remaining Low-Income Housing component (\$0.10 per \$500 value or fraction thereof) is distributed to the State housing program.

The State Controller distributes the tax represented by the CTX component to the Local Government Tax Distribution Account, where it is combined with the proceeds of other taxes and becomes part of the Consolidated Tax distribution (CTX) administered by the Department of Taxation pursuant to NRS 360.660. The remaining \$0.10 of the \$0.65 is distributed by the State Controller to the account for Low-Income Housing, created pursuant to NRS 319.500.

The Real Property Transfer Taxes collected pursuant to the Local Government Tax Act (LGTA) are also transmitted to the State Controller and are distributed to the Intergovernmental Trust Fund which accrues interest. The real property transfer taxes are distributed back to the participating counties, along with the proceeds of other types of taxes collected pursuant to LGTA, by the Department of Taxation.

The taxes collected by counties on behalf of the State are distributed by the State Controller to the State General Fund. The taxes collected on behalf of the State; however, are required to be transmitted within 30 days after the end of the calendar quarter *during which the tax was collected* (NRS 375.023(3)). For instance, taxes collected by the County Recorder in January must be remitted to the State Controller no later than April 30. Taxes collected in January may be remitted monthly as other components of the RPTT are transmitted, but cannot be remitted later than 30 days after the last day of the calendar quarter.

In all counties, the County Treasurer or County Controller is currently responsible for transmitting the taxes to the State Controller, and the transmittal report must reflect the time period when the taxes were actually collected by the Recorder, not when the Treasurer or Controller received the monies from the Recorder. If the State conducts an audit, the period to be audited would be when the monies were first received from the taxpayer ("the collection period"). The collection period must balance to the transmittal reports.