

Introduction

This report is a compilation of data collected by the Ohio Legislative Budget Office from forty-five state agencies. The disbursement data contained in this report represents primarily General Revenue Fund subsidies and Capital moneys to local entities. Specifically, the report contains disbursement figures for state fiscal year 1999 as well as historical *total disbursement* figures for state fiscal year 1998. Minor variance in “total” figures is attributed to rounding. In cases where agencies could not provide separate spending for each county within a multi-county district, individual county spending figures are estimated.

LBO has made several changes from previous reports. One of the changes is a new summary table that has been placed at the beginning of the report. The table shows how much state subsidy and capital money each of the eighty-eight counties received in state fiscal year 1999 along with a numerical rank according to the total dollars received into a county. Another new feature of this report is the Agency Disbursements by Functional Categories section. Each state agency is classified as belonging to one of eight groupings based upon the agency’s function. Wherever possible, these categories correspond to the program areas delineated in the Governor’s Budget “Blue Book.”

Readers of this report will also find that the Ranking by Disbursement Per Capita Section and Ranking by Total Disbursement section now include the ten highest, as well as the ten lowest, counties for each of the program categories. Thus, the range of spending differences can be observed. Following the summary sections of this report is an agency-by-agency breakdown of state expenditure for each of the state’s eighty-eight counties. Here, LBO reports the total state fiscal year 1998 agency disbursements as well as the delineation of subsidy and capital disbursements for state fiscal year 1999.