

Department of Revenue and Taxation



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MISSION STATEMENT

To provide quality service in helping our island community to understand and meet tax and licensing responsibilities by applying the Tax Laws and Regulations with fairness and integrity to All.



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GUAM TAX STRUCTURE

The U.S. Congress created the Territorial Government of Guam as a separate taxing jurisdiction by enactment of the Organic Act of Guam in 1950. Section 31 of the Act provides that the income tax laws in force in the United States shall be the income tax laws of Guam, substituting Guam for the United States where necessary and omitting any inapplicable or incompatible provisions. The U.S. Internal Revenue Code with such changes constitutes the Guam Territorial Income Tax Law.

There is the usual range of other types of local taxes such as, real property, liquor, tobacco, liquid fuel, automotive surcharges, gross receipts, use, and hotel occupancy. However, there is only one taxing authority in the Territory, the Government of Guam. There are no separate municipal, county, school district or improvement district taxes. Additionally, Guam does not impose a general sales tax directly on the consumer.

AGENCY OBJECTIVES

- Improve and enhance the tax system so as to decrease the burden that any such system imposes on the public.
- Provide quality services in a cost-effective and timely manner through maximizing the use of all resources available.
- Administer, enforce, and educate the public of all tax laws and business regulations to attain the highest degree of voluntary compliance, and the trust and confidence of the general public.

AGENCY CHALLENGES

- Providing quality services to the public with limited staff due to attrition and/or resignation.
- Implementing unfunded mandates or policy process amendments created by Legislature.
- Adequate and permanent department accommodation facilities to better serve the public.
- Insufficient funding for fully functional electronic systems, machines, and equipment to insure the proper safeguarding of taxpayer assets and information.
- Continued efforts to integrate all tax payments from DOA.

Financial Statement & Staffing Pattern

	FY 2012	FY 2012 FY 2013					
BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS							
General Fund	9,738,912	9,784,697	9,015,615				
Tax Collection Enhancement Fund	667,009	686,717	835,484				
Better Public Service Fund	1,422,747	1,390,554	1,620,468				
Federal Grant Fund	350,000	350,000	350,000				
Real Property Reevaluation	0	1,400,000	1,400,000				
Transaction Processing System	0	0	400,000				
Principal Guam Income Tax Attorney	0	0	13,647				
Computer System Upgrade/Integrated	0	0	0				
Process Stimulus Tax Rebates	0	0	0				
Monitoring Hotel Occupancy Tax	0	0	0				
Monitoring Tobacco and Alcohol	0	0	0				
Safe Home/Streets	0	0	0				
Banking and Insurance Enforcement Fund	0	0	0				
Sale and Measure of Petroleum	0	0	0				
Total Appropriations	12,178,668	14,111,968	13,635,214				
EXPENDITURES							
Personnel	7,549,850	7,833,965	7,826,264				
Travel	8,072	22,580	18,180				
Contractual Services	1,158,882	1,919,975	2,467,114				
Office Space Rental	1,017,897	988,088	963,381				
Supplies & Materials	55,232	74,409	98,819				
Equipment	88,090	0	0				
Utilities	0	95,414	91,983				
Capital Outlay	0	0	0				
Miscellaneous (Sub-Recipient/Grants)	0	0	0				
Total Expenditures	9,878,023	10,934,431	11,465,741				

DIVISION	FY12	FY13	FY14	DIVISION	FY12	FY13	FY14
EXECUTIVE DIRECTION				REGULATORY DIVISION			
Director's Office	6	8	9	General Licese & Registration	6	6	6
Passport	4	7	7	Compliance	4	4	3
Technical Research & Appeals Bureau	3	2	1	Insurance, Banking, Securities & Real Estate	8	8	9
Systems & Programming Support	3	2	2	Weights & Measures	3	3	3
DIVISION TOTALS	16	19	19	DIVISION TOTALS	21	21	21
TAX ENFORCEMENT DIVISION				REAL PROPERTY TAX DIVISION			
Criminal Investigation Branch	6	7	7	Appraisal	9	9	9
Tax Examination Branch	20	20	21	Assessment	7	7	8
Collection Branch	28	29	25				
DIVISION TOTALS	54	56	53	DIVISION TOTALS	16	16	17
TAXPAYER SERVICE DIVISION				MOTOR VEHICLE			
Accounting Branch	7	6	7	Driver's License Examination	9	9	8
Central Files Branch	5	5	7	Vehicle Registration	9	6	9
Income Tax Assistance & Processing Branch	13	14	15	Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Pro- gram	7	7	7
Electronic Data Processing/SWICA Branch	9	9	7				
Business Privilege Tax Branch	8	6	6				
DIVISION TOTALS	42	40	42	DIVISION TOTALS	25	22	24

FISCAL YEAR	FY12	FY13	FY14
TOTAL STAFFING	174	174	176

Performance Accomplishments

ACTIVITIES	F00		2012			20	013	2014			
	FOO TNO TE	Branch	Am	ount Assessed	Branch	Amount Assessed		Branch	Am	ount Assessed	
	ļ ·	Units	(or Collected	Units	C	r Collected	Units		or Collected	
Alcohol Beverage Licenses		957	\$	736,500	922	\$	741,735	1,023	\$	771,800	
Amusement Devices		1,719		335,486	1,857		354,514	1,678		340,229	
Recreational Facilities		315		32,781	298		32,325	307		31,900	
ABC Cards Processed		1,776		30,400	1,727		29,135	1,776		29,030	
Guam Healthcare Trust & Other Events					670		253,623	360		180,000	
Special Display & Tasting/Sampling Events							,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	13		325	
Total Performance: ABC Compliance Branch		4,767	\$	1,135,167	5,474	\$	1,411,332	5,157	\$	1,353,284	
Business Licenses	П	22,945	\$	2,129,070	22,901		2,304,017	23,190	\$	2,272,160	
Tobacco Licenses		460		64,381	454		62,641	454		73,273	
Reg. of Corporations & related documents		8,648		779,087	8,967		828,741	9,281		880,066	
Total Performance: Business License Branch		32,053		2,972,538	32,322	\$	3,195,399	32,925	\$	3,225,499	
Insurance Licenses		1,502	-	135,625	1,614		150,861	1,662		152,275	
Securities Licenses		759		365,830	650	¥	254,264	622	Y	200,750	
Real Estate Licenses		52		14,090	161		34,230	72		28,800	
UCC Filings		525		5,250	973		9,730	415		4,150	
Total Performance: ISBRE Branch		2,838		520,795	3,398		449,085	2,771	¢	385.975	
Scales	Н	506	_	3,544	494		3,256	526		3,054	
Gas Pump Meters		705		7,050	1,033	Ψ	10,330	1,093	Ψ	10,930	
Taxi Meters		222		4,440	258		5,160	274		5,480	
Total Performance: Weights & Measures		1,433		15,034	1,785	\$	18,746	1,893	¢	19,464	
Passport Applications - Adults		7,068			7,180			7,556			
		4,840		883,455	4,547	Ф	889,675	4,365	Ф	930,310	
Passport Applications - Minors Total Performance: Passport Branch				508,200		•	477,435		•	458,325	
Income Tax Examinations	-	11,908		1,406,689	13,512		1,385,856	13,814		1,408,099	
	5 5	1,036		4,711,704	873	\$	3,219,411	848	Ф	10,395,896	
Business Privilege Tax Examinations	5	26		4,224,878	17	•	608,605	96	•	2,282,036	
Total Performance: Examination Branch		1,062		8,936,582	890	\$	3,828,016	944		12,677,932	
Driver's Licenses		38,965		1,366,373	31,491	\$	1,014,655	28,737	\$	871,274	
Permits (All types)		4,654		46,540	7,039		70,440	3,877		38,810	
Vehicle Registrations		111,088		14,689,553	112,450		14,557,016	113,999	_	15,039,015	
Total Performance: DMV		154,707		16,102,466		_		146,613	_	15,949,099	
Collection of Income Taxes			\$	26,715,399		\$	30,658,147		\$	18,754,407	
Collection of Bus. Privilege Taxes				8,907,923			10,746,920		74.0	10,947,016	
Total Performance: Collection Branch			\$	35,623,322		\$	41,405,067		\$	29,701,424	
Real Property Tax Assessments		67,893	\$	20,817,338	66,627	\$	21,019,765	67,463	\$	21,529,590	
Real Property Tax Collections			\$	20,842,108			21,091,757		\$	23,378,675	
Total Performance: Real Property Tax Branch											
Inspections		3,046			2,668			2,607			
Total Performance: Motor Carrior		3,046			2,668			2,607			
		В	ranc	h Units	В	ranc	h Units	Bra	nch	Units	
Business Privilege Tax (BPT)											
GuamTax.com E-Filing			59	,951		67	,712		76,65	56	
Electronic Data Processing Branch (EDPB)											
Forms 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ filed as of 12/31/XX	1		67	,384		67	,474		70,20)4	
Forms 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ processed as of 12/31/XX		67,337		67,461		70,204					
Corporate Tax Returns filed as of 12/31/XX	1	4,350		4,590			4,832				
Corporate Tax Returns processed as of 12/31/XX	1		4,342		4,584			4,831			

- All units and dollar amounts are fiscal year based with the exception of Individual Income Tax forms filed and processed which are based on calendar year.
- Due to IT System challenges, certain previously generated CCR reports contained variances within FYE2012 and 2013 information statements. These adjustments have been addressed and updated herein this 2014 CCR.
- RRA98 provides that <u>in no event</u>, Tax Enforcement performance measures are not to be used for any purpose involving setting production
- and/or dollar goals, employee performance ratings, making related enforcement assessments or collections, or otherwise to undermine fair treatment of taxpayers.
- 4. The collection or assessments above may include applicable taxes, interest, penalties, credits or other related charges within its Branch as authorized.
- Tax Examination \$ figures are "net" production computed as: Agreed & Unagreed Deficiencies, (Less): Over-Assessments- inclusive of addl. Claims allowed per an Audit, Plus: Claims Denied, Plus: Applicable Penalties.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Timely payments of refunds totaling approximately \$140 million and almost 75K tax returns processed.
- The near completion of the Real Property Tax Revaluation Project since the 1993 Triennial Revaluation Assessment Study (1994 Certified; 1995 values were made effective).
- The reconciliation and receipt of over \$40 million in Section 30 monies that were in arrears decades ago.
- Awarded on-line services contract for Vehicle Registration, Business Licenses and On-line Payments.

FUTURE OUTLOOK

- To continue in reinforcing and restoring public confidence in Guam's tax system.
- To expend to its fullest capability, E-Services in improving and enhancing service to Guam taxpayers and the island community while insuring security and safeguarding of taxpayer assets and information.
- To construct a permanent facility, fashioned to safely and efficiently service the public.
- To work with Department of Administration in establishing a unified accounting system.
- To complete the 2014 Real Property Tax Revaluation and conduct future valuations in real-time consistent with Guam laws.

ONLINE SERVICES

- www.guamtax.com
- www.govguamdocs.com
- https://pay.guam.gov
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