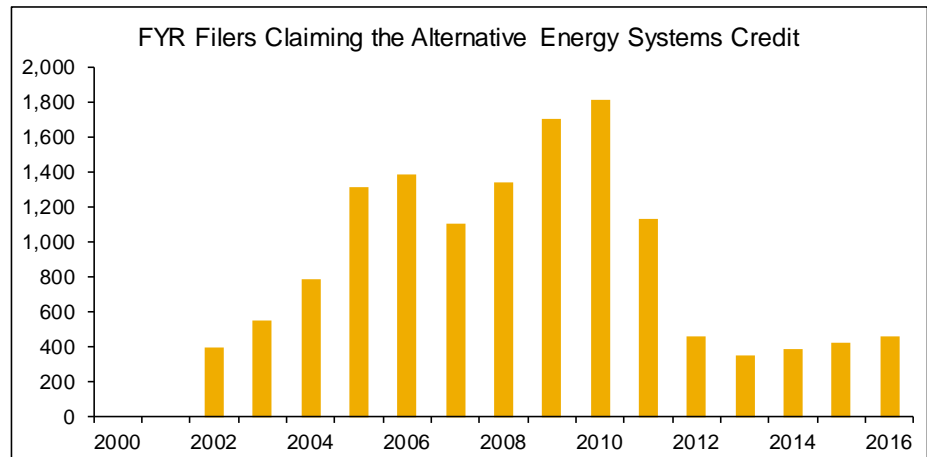
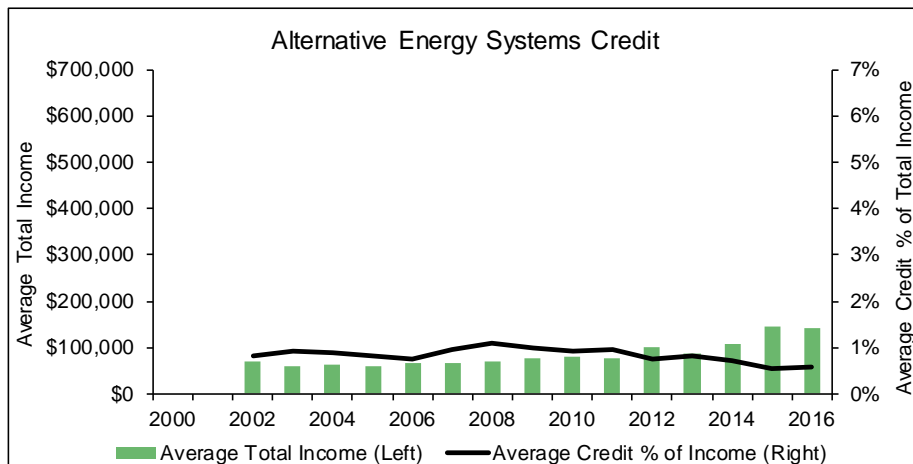


Alternative Energy Systems Credit: [15-32-201, MCA](#) to [15-32-203, MCA](#)

Resident individual taxpayers are allowed a credit for up to \$500 of the cost of installing an alternative energy heating system or a low-emission wood or biomass system in their principal residence. If the credit exceeds the taxpayer's liability, the excess may be carried forward for four years.



In 2016, 457 full year resident taxpayers claimed this credit for a total credit amount of \$0.4 million and an average credit amount of \$815. The first chart above indicates that the average total income of filers who claim this credit has recently increased to about \$150,000 and the credit accounts for less than 1% of total income. Starting in 2012, DOR started separating out the claimers of the credit for biomass systems, which is a primary reason for the apparent drop in the number of claimers in 2012 in the second chart. The detail for the separated biomass systems is shown on the next page.