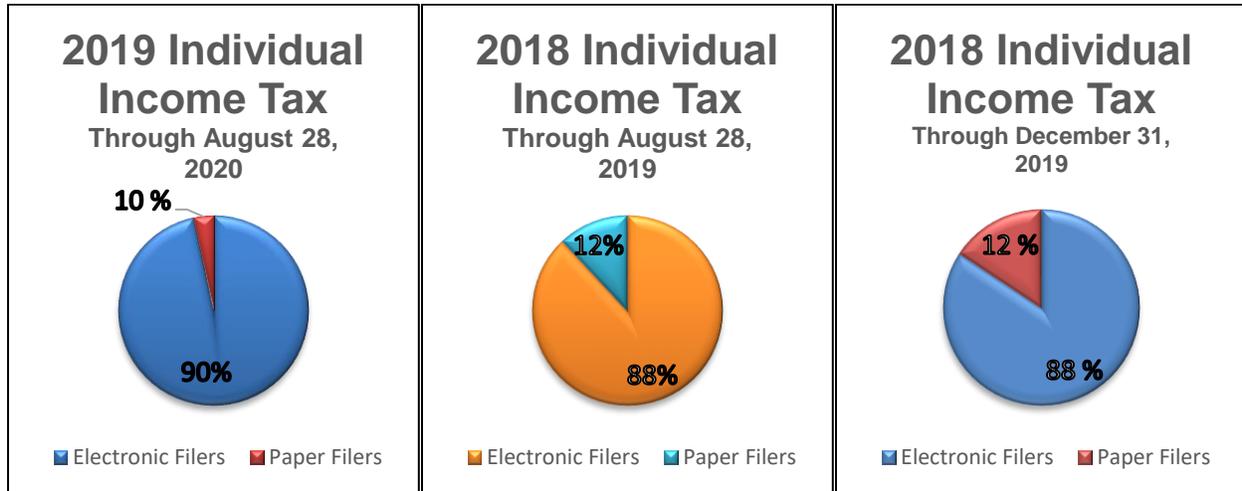


Tax Processing Season 2020 Update



Compared to this time in 2019

16,666 More Returns Processed

5,454 Fewer Returns Filed on Paper

Average Refund Information

TY 2019 Average Refund Issued - \$505

Over 401,000 Refunds Issued to Date

TY 2018 Average Refund Issued - \$471

Approximately 390,000 Refunds Issued

Fraudulent Filing Statistics

Tax Year 2012-2019

Tax Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	*2016	*2017	*2018	*2019 (as of 9/8/20)
Number of Fraudulent Returns Stopped	133	971	1,250	1,728	443	2,299	3,641	164	412
Amount of Fraudulent Refunds Prevented	\$233,036	\$776,162	\$1,482,060	\$1,884,270	\$600,085	\$5,421,232	\$999,697	\$123,663	\$817,369

*2016 includes a single fraudulent return received requesting a refund of \$4,200,000.

*2018/2019 do not yet include any reversed refunds for unanswered identity verification letters.

(Source data: Gentax Cube (er007) Montana Reversed Fraudulent Returns)