

State School Funding Trends

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School District General Fund

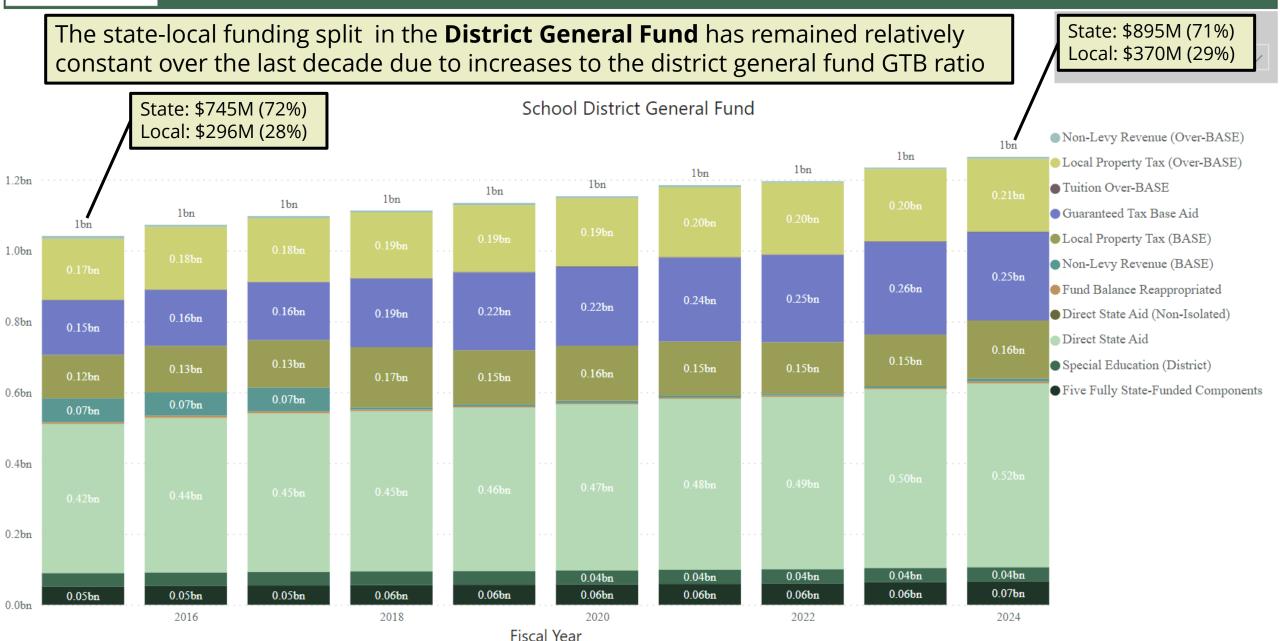






School District General Fund - Adopted Budget Over Time

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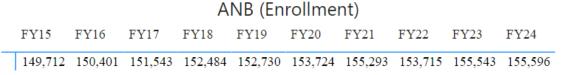




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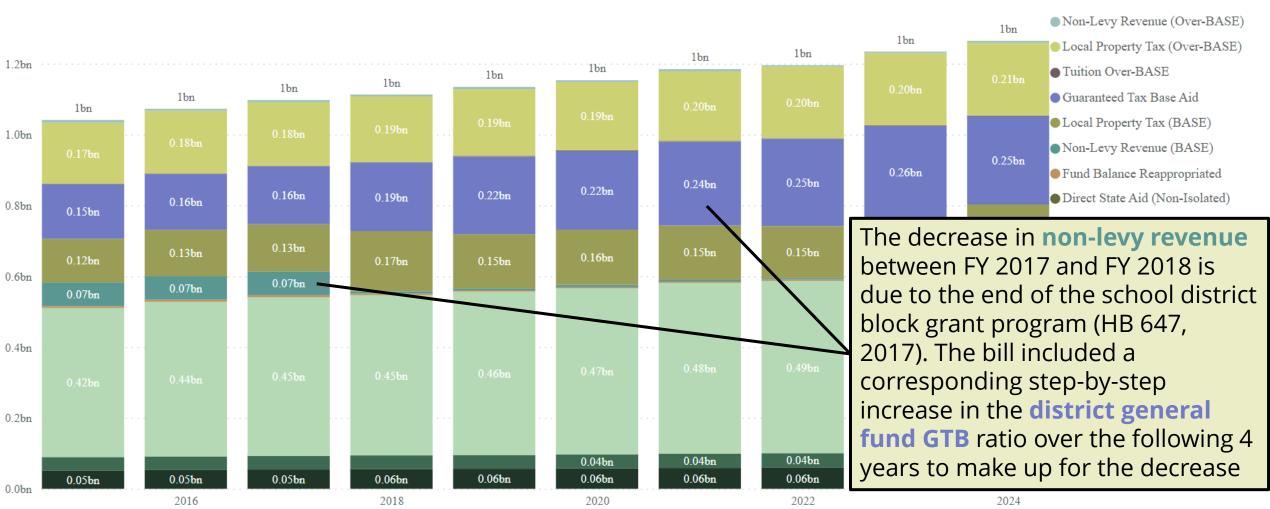
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School District





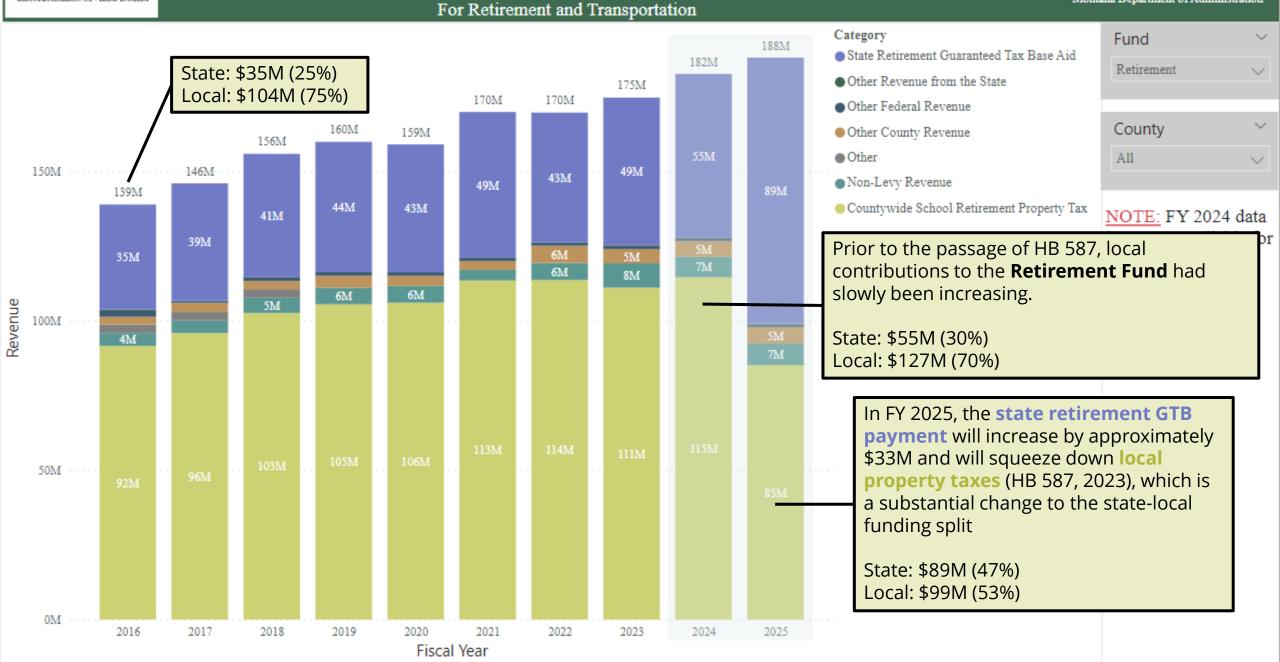
County Funds





Countywide School Revenues

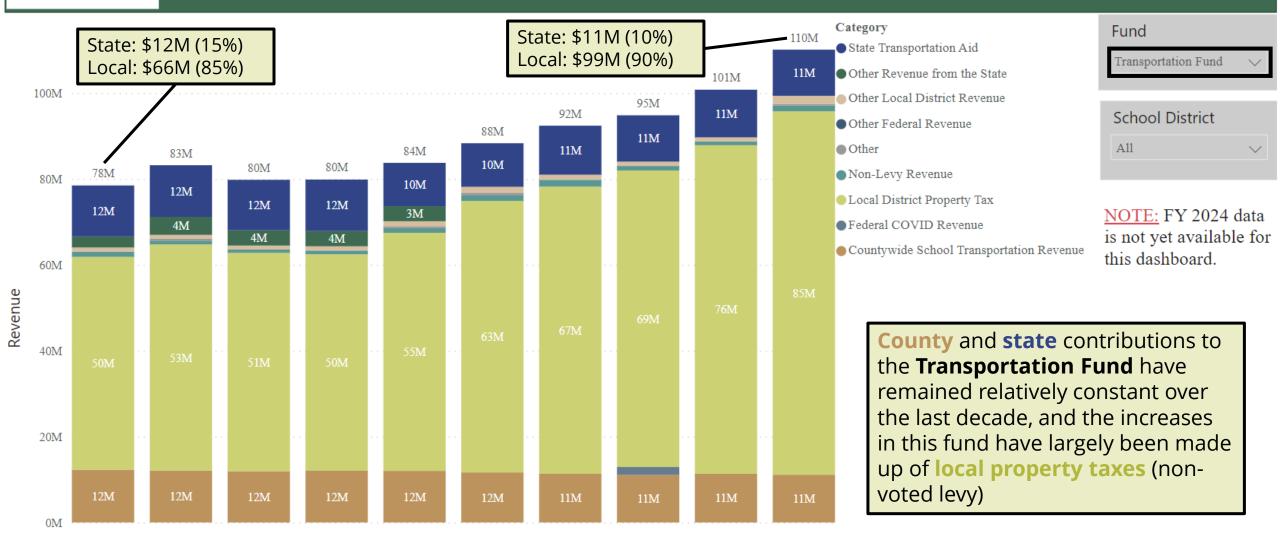
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School District Funds





The revenues into the **Debt Service Fund** have grown over the last decade and while there is a **state debt service assistance payment** (GTB-like), it has a relatively small effect on the **local property taxes** (voted levy) in this fund

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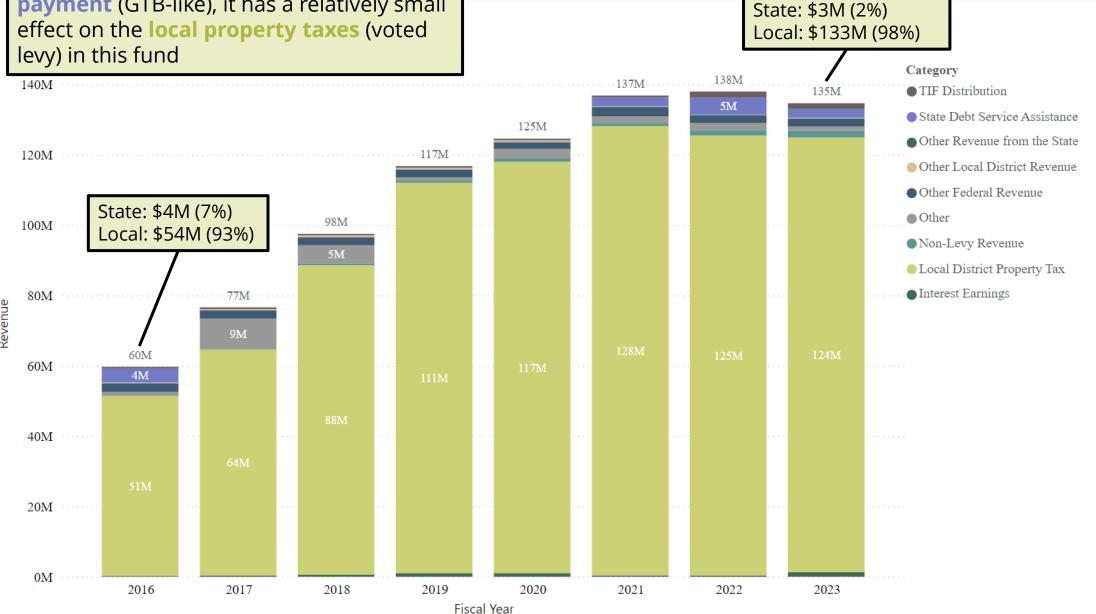
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Budgeted Funds receive property tax revenue

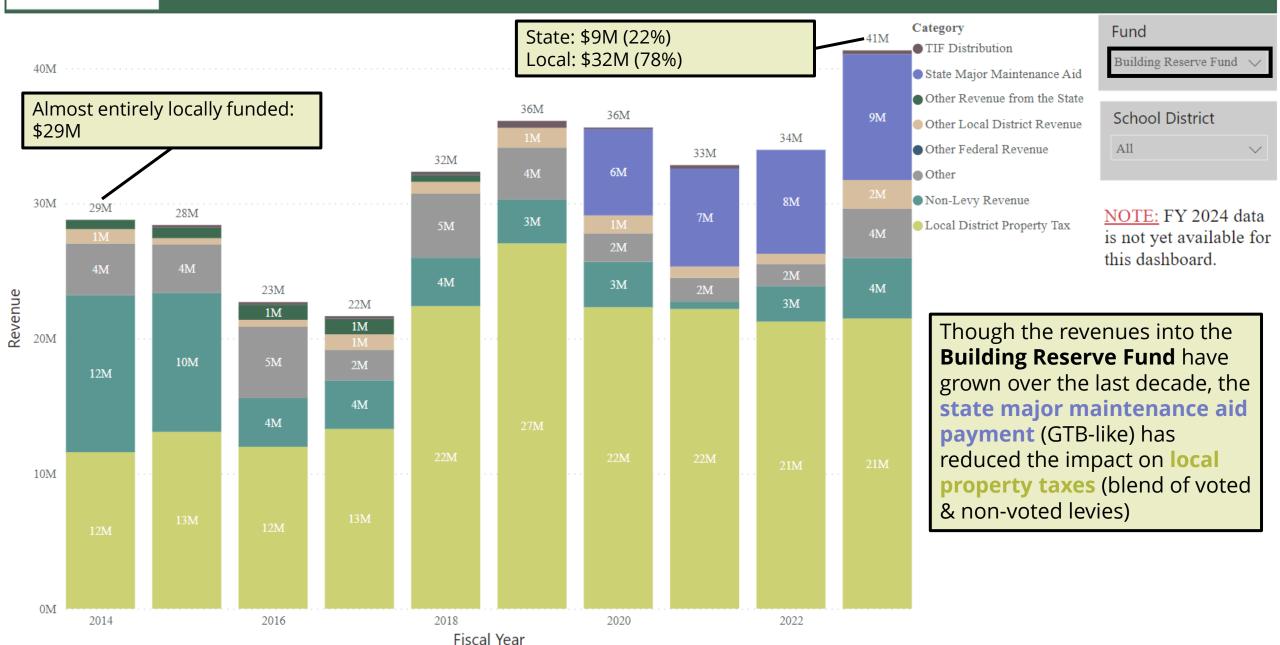
Non-Budgeted Funds do not receive property tax revenue

NOTE: FY 2024 data is not yet available for this dashboard.





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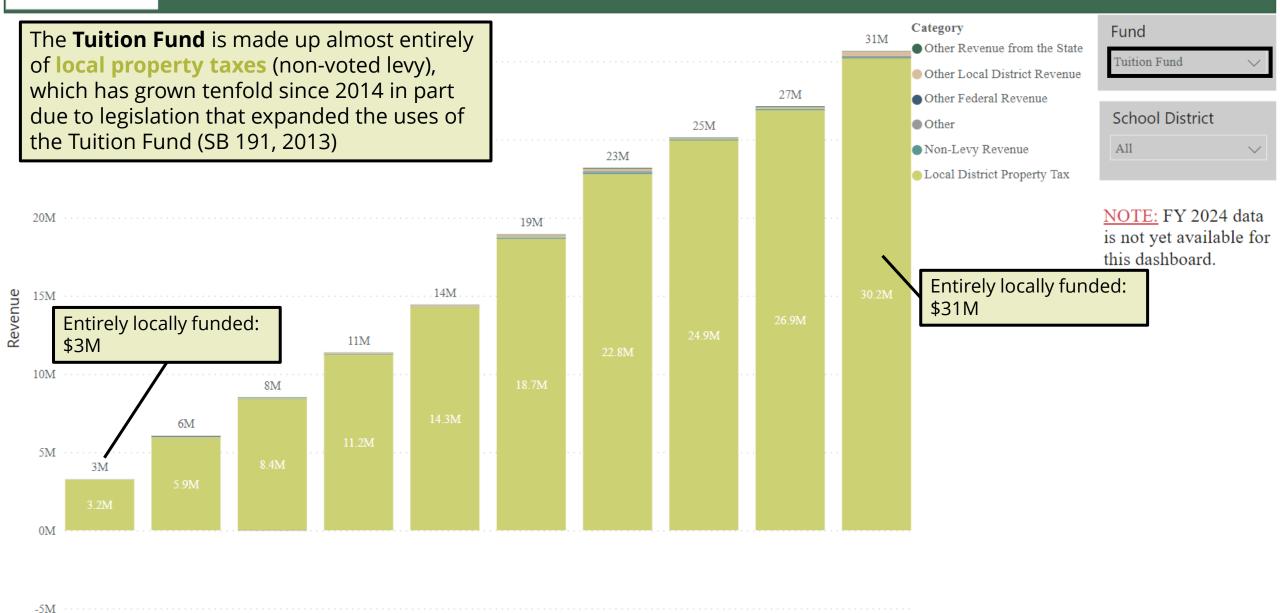
2014

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School District Revenues for All Budgeted Funds



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2020

Fiscal Year

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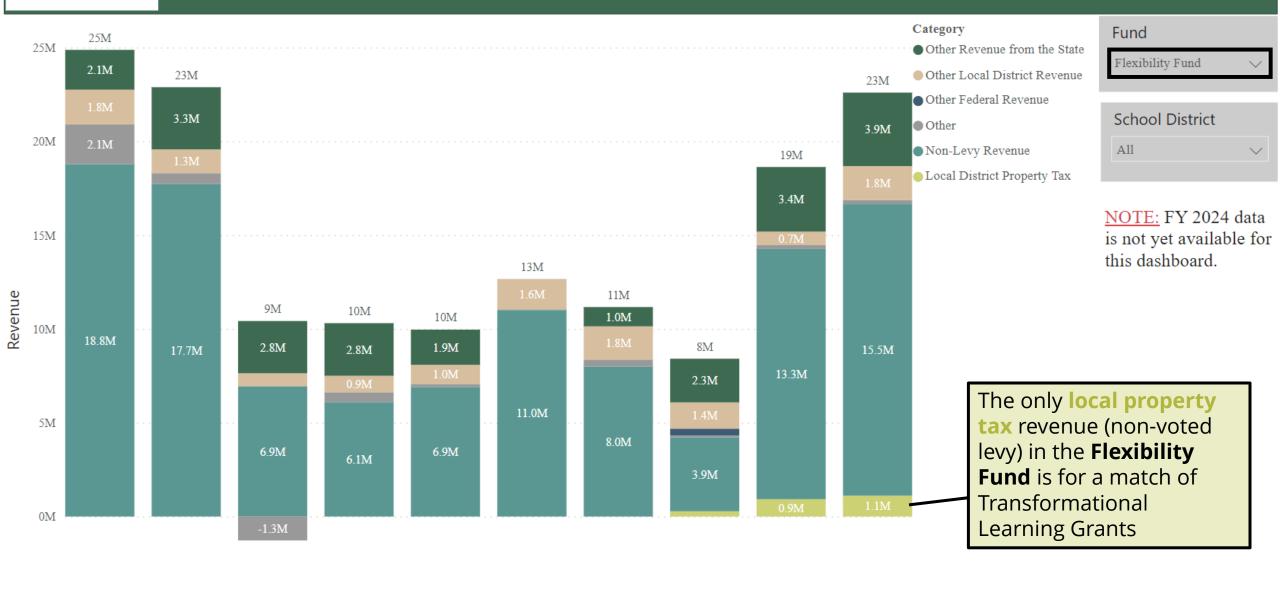
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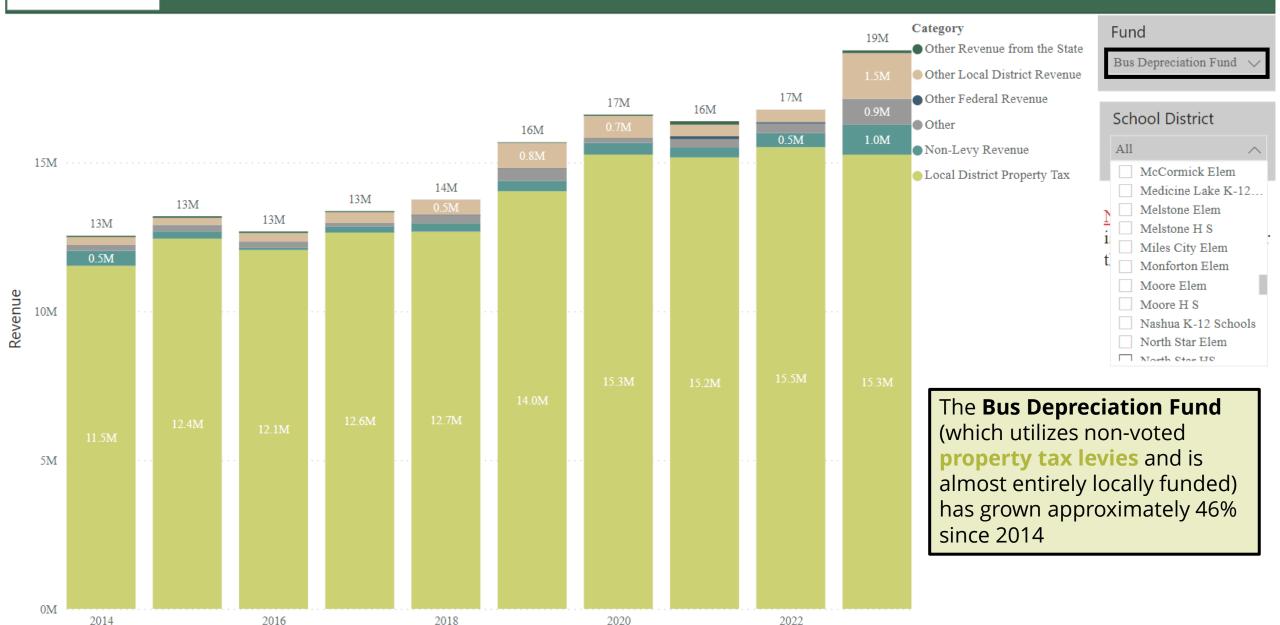
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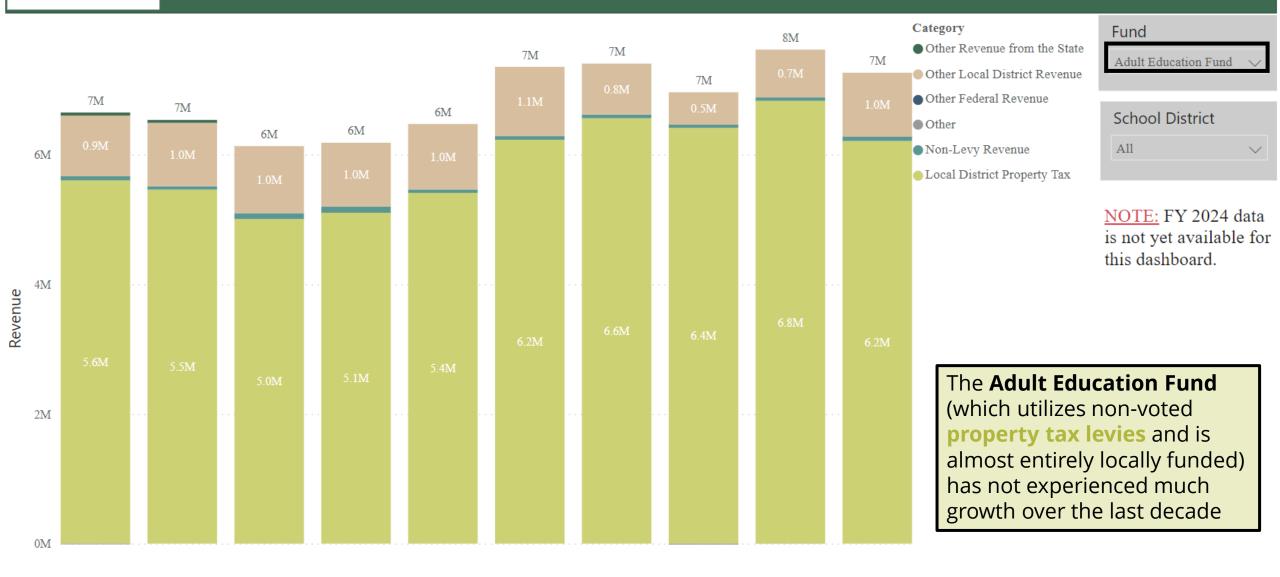


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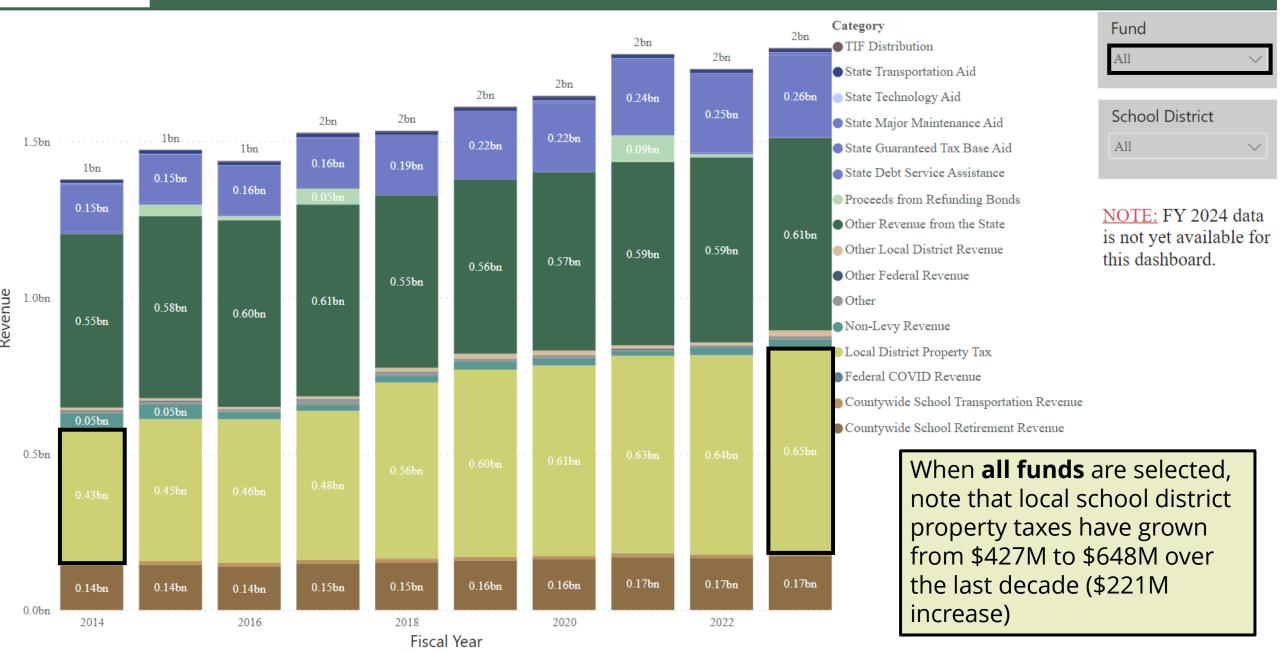
Property Tax Trends







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2014

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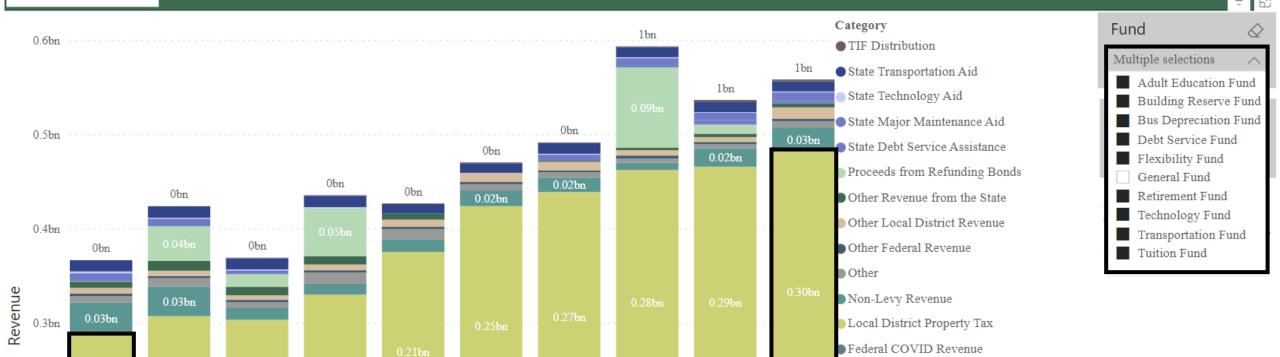
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2016

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0.17bn

0.16bn

2020

0.16bn

0.15bn

2018

Fiscal Year

0.15bn

0.17bn

2022

When all funds except the district general fund are selected, local school district property taxes have grown from \$134M to \$297M over the last decade (\$163M increase)

Countywide School Transportation Revenue

Countywide School Retirement Revenue

0.17bn



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