

**State of Utah
Constitutional Debt Limit
December 31, 2017**

As of December 31, 2017 the State of Utah has used 41% of its Constitutional Debt Limit borrowing authority.

Utah Code Annotated 63A-3-103(1)(f) requires the Division of Finance to publish the State’s current constitutional debt limit on the Utah Public Finance Website.

Constitutional Debt Limit. Article XIV, Section 1 of the State Constitution limits the total general obligation indebtedness of the State to an amount equal to 1.5% of the value of the total taxable property of the State, as shown by the last assessment for State purposes previous to incurring such debt. The application of this constitutional debt limit and the additional debt incurring capacity of the State under the Constitution are estimated to be on December 31, 2017 as follows:

Constitutional Debt Limit			
Total Fair Market Value of Taxable Property (1)	\$ 347,716,283,667		
Constitutional Debt Limit (1.5%)	\$ 5,215,744,255	100%	
Less: Currently Outstanding General Obligation Debt (Net) (2)	(2,124,713,732)	41%	Used
Estimated Additional Constitutional Debt Incurring Capacity of the State (3) ..	\$ 3,091,030,523	59%	Remaining

(1) Based on 2016 taxable values. See “2016 Annual Statistical Report” prepared by Property Tax Division, Utah State Tax Commission, page 4. <http://propertytax.utah.gov/annual-reports/2016annual.pdf>

(2) Includes unamortized original issue bond premium that was treated as principal for purposes of calculating the applicable constitutional and statutory debt limits.

(3) The State is further limited on its issuance of general obligation indebtedness by statute.

The State uses outstanding general obligation bond debt to comply within the constitutional debt limit. For Fiscal Year 2017, the State has other long-term contract liabilities consisting of unused vacation and other vested leave for employees of \$92,010,000. These contract liabilities do not affect the State’s compliance with the constitutional debt limit. (Sources: Division of Finance and the Fiscal Year 2017 CAFR).