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	Fiscal 1998	Fiscal 1999	Fiscal 2000	Fiscal 1998	Fiscal 1999	Fiscal 2000
NEW ENGLAND						
Connecticut*	\$ 499	\$ 527	\$ 527	5.1%	5.0%	5.0%
Maine	190	284	225	10.0	12.9	10.2
Massachusetts	1,414	1,431	1,444	8.2	7.7	7.6
New Hampshire	61	40	42	6.7	4.1	4.1
Rhode Island	193	141	66	10.3	6.8	3.1
Vermont	36	38	38	4.1	4.5	4.8
MID-ATLANTIC						
Delaware	539	477	396	28.4	21.7	17.6
Maryland	1,038	885	739	13.3	10.4	8.2
New Jersey	1,257	1,050	747	7.5	5.9	4.0
New York	638	799	2,466	1.9	2.2	6.6
Pennsylvania	920	1,049	805	5.3	5.8	4.3
GREAT LAKES						
Illinois	1,202	1,100	1,000	6.1	5.1	4.5
Indiana***	1,844	1,893	2,080	23.2	20.2	22.5
Michigan	1,055	1,058	1,059	12.2	12.0	11.7
Ohio	1,046	1,159	1,214	6.1	6.4	6.2
Wisconsin	554	551	545	5.7	5.5	5.2
PLAINS						
Iowa	854	774	668	19.6	17.1	14.2
Kansas	757	612	423	19.9	14.5	9.6
Minnesota	2,527	1,494	1,192	24.7	13.5	10.4
Missouri	398	292	205	6.0	4.1	2.9
Nebraska	564	312	198	29.2	14.0	8.7
North Dakota	97	69	32	13.3	9.1	4.1
South Dakota	30	37	37	4.2	5.0	4.9
SOUTHEAST						
Alabama	51	34	211	1.1	0.7	4.3
Arkansas	59	37	0	2.1	1.2	0.0
Florida	1,443	1,298	1,051	8.4	7.1	5.7
Georgia	1,203	585	584	9.7	4.5	4.4
Kentucky	556	263	252	9.3	4.3	3.9
Louisiana	94	107	107	1.6	1.8	1.8
Mississippi	314	321	239	10.7	10.3	7.0
North Carolina	638	836	529	5.6	6.4	4.1
South Carolina	517	439	242	10.5	9.2	4.8
Tennessee	349	152	183	6.0	2.4	2.7
Virginia	1,195	739	552	14.3	7.2	5.0
West Virginia	193	65	68	7.6	2.4	2.5
SOUTHWEST						
Arizona	816	448	432	15.6	7.6	7.5
New Mexico	227	193	178	7.4	6.0	5.4
Oklahoma	471	416	512	11.2	9.3	11.3
Texas	3,083	3,417	2,004	11.5	15.4	7.5
ROCKY MOUNTAIN						
Colorado	1,078	855	790	22.8	18.2	14.9
Idaho	72	62	74	5.0	3.8	4.4
Montana	44	43	53	4.3	4.1	4.9
Utah	174	134	98	5.7	4.1	2.9
Wyoming	40	52	10	7.7	10.0	1.7
FAR WEST						
Alaska	3,559	2,729	2,012	150.9	117.4	88.1
California	3,075	1,097	894	5.8	1.9	1.5
Hawaii	154	180	65	4.8	5.5	2.0
Nevada	214	208	211	14.8	13.6	13.6
Oregon	511	386	372	11.8	8.7	7.6
Washington	832	896	679	8.9	9.1	6.7
TERRITORIES						
Puerto Rico	126	32	67	2.1	0.5	1.0
Total	\$38,674	\$32,060	\$28,552	9.4%	7.4%	6.3%

NOTES: *Fiscal 1998 are actual figures, fiscal 1999 are estimated figures, and fiscal 2000 are recommended figures.

**Total balances include both the ending balance and balances in budget stabilization funds.

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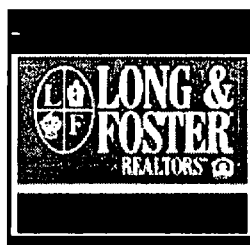
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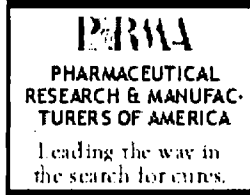
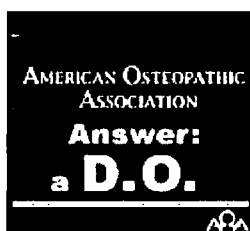
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State Surpluses Hit 19-Year High

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INDIANAPOLIS -- The booming economy, conservative revenue forecasting and prudent management have left states in their best financial shape in at least two decades, according to a survey released Monday.

The 44 states that provided information to the National Conference of State Legislatures ended fiscal year 1999 a total of \$33.4 billion in the black.

The number combines general fund ending balances with reserve funds and represents 9.4 percent of 1999 state general fund spending, the survey showed. That tops the previous high of 9 percent in 1980.

The NCSL, a clearinghouse of information for states and their lobbying arm in Washington, has been conducting the survey since 1978. The organization is holding its annual conference in Indianapolis this week.

The survey also showed that state legislatures overall lowered taxes for a fifth consecutive year, approving a net cut of \$5.5 billion for fiscal year 2000.

"The general fiscal conditions of our states is excellent," said Dan Blue, a state representative from North Carolina and president of the NCSL. "In fact, it's probably unprecedented."

The survey indicated that of the 44 states reporting, 32 ended the 1999 state fiscal year with a balance exceeding 5 percent, the level Wall Street analysts recommend as prudent. Seventeen of those had balances exceeding 10 percent.

Seventeen states deposited money in their rainy day funds or other reserve accounts, while 20 cut taxes specifically to reduce excess revenue.

Minnesota cut taxes by more than 18 percent, and three other states -- Connecticut, Colorado and Missouri -- reduced taxes by 3 percent or more.

Only two states of the 44 reporting -- Nebraska and South Dakota -- approved significant tax increases.

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