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FEDERAL EXPENDITURES IN MONTANA

"Economy" was the theme of the recently adjourned First Session of the 85th Congress and the Budget submitted to Congress by President Eisenhower for the operation of the Federal Government in Fiscal Year 1958 was reduced by nearly \$5 billion in funds appropriated by Congress.

However, estimated Federal spending in Montana was increased by an additional \$11,197,134 for Fiscal Year 1958. Appropriations totaling \$220,909,849 have been programmed for Montana for the 12 month period which began on July 1 of this year. In Fiscal Year 1957 the Federal Government spent \$209,712,715 in Montana. These annual appropriations continue to be the largest single source of income to the State.

Federal income and excise taxes collected in Montana for Fiscal Year 1956 was in the amount of \$128,991,000. On the basis of the above figures Federal expenditures in the State will be at the rate of approximately \$1.71 for every \$1.00 collected in Montana.

The Agriculture Department contributed the most to the State and the Commerce Department and the Defense Department are the next two largest sources of Federal monies.

These appropriations do not include public works projects such as Helena Valley, the Second Power Plant at Fort Peck and others as portions of these are repayable.

It was a distinct pleasure to work with Senator James E. Murray, Congressmen Lee Metcalf and LeRoy Anderson. We worked together - held periodic conferences - in connection with all matters affecting Montana's welfare and endeavored at all times to work as a unit in furthering the development and best interests of our State.

In the following table are the major Federal Departments and Agencies who programmed funds in Montana:

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES IN STATE OF MONTANA BY DEPARTMENTS

<u>Departments</u>	<u>F.Y. 1957</u>	<u>F.Y. 1958</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease</u>
<u>COMMERCE</u> (Highway Program) Census Bureau, Weather Bureau, Coast & Geodetic Survey, Bureau of Public Roads, Civil Aeronautics Administration	\$ 35,505,173 (\$ 31,915,857)	\$ 44,194,235 (\$ 40,297,442)	/\$ 8,689,062 (/\$ 8,381,585)
<u>TREASURY</u> Bureau of Customs, Internal Revenue and Savings Bonds Division	\$ 1,169,405	\$ 1,234,896	/\$ 65,491
<u>LABOR</u> Bureau of Labor Statistics, Wage & Hour Division, Employees Compensation, Apprenticeship and Training, Employment Security	\$ 2,024,771	\$ 2,008,674	-\$ 16,097
<u>POST OFFICE</u>	\$ 7,840,000	\$ 8,133,000	/\$ 293,000
<u>JUSTICE</u> Legal Activities, Immigration & Natural- ization Service	\$ 557,647	\$ 645,000	/\$ 87,353
<u>GENERAL SERVICES</u> <u>ADMINISTRATION</u> Government Buildings & Services, Minerals Purchase Programs	\$ 6,887,060	\$ 7,212,516	/\$ 325,456
<u>VETERANS ADMINISTRATION</u> General Administration, Medical & Hospital Services, Benefit Payments	\$ 14,634,166	\$ 14,634,166	
<u>DEFENSE</u> Departments of the Army, Navy & Air Force	\$ 32,260,000	\$ 31,854,000	-\$ 406,000

<u>Departments (cont.)</u>	<u>F.Y. 1957</u>	<u>F.Y. 1958</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease</u>
<u>INTERIOR</u> Bonneville Power Administration, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Reclamation, Geological Survey, Bureau of Mines, National Park Service, Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife	\$ 14,480,392	\$ 17,971,256	/\$3,490,864
<u>HEALTH, EDUCATION and WELFARE</u> American Printing House for the Blind, Office of Education, Vocational Rehabilitation, Public Health Service and Social Security Administration	\$ 8,861,571	\$ 9,704,805	/\$ 843,234
<u>AGRICULTURE</u> Agricultural Research Service, Extension Service, Forest Service, Soil Conservation, Conservation Program Service, Marketing Service*, Soil Bank Program, Commodity Stabilization Service, Commodity Credit Corporation, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation **, REA, FHA, Office of General Counsel.	\$ 85,492,530	\$ 83,317,301	-\$2,175,229
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$209,712,715	\$220,909,849	/\$11,197,134

* Since it is not practicable to estimate in advance the availability or demand for surplus commodities, the estimate for 1958 is not included.

** Since it is not practicable to estimate the amount of crop insurance indemnity payments in advance an estimate for 1958 is not included. Estimate premium income is as follows: 1957, \$1,429,511; 1958, \$1,500,000.