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Office of the State Auditor

Primary Statutory Responsibilities

Section 134 of the Mississippi Constitution, adopted November 1, 1890, created the Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts, now the Office of the State Auditor. The Mississippi Code of 1972 (Annotated) grants the Office important responsibilities. Section 7-7-211 is the most comprehensive, charging the Office with the following responsibilities and authority:

- Identify and define generally accepted accounting principles for all public offices of the state and its subdivisions;
- Prescribe systems of accounting, budgeting and financial reporting for all public offices of regional and local subdivisions of the state and assist in the installation of these systems;
- Study and analyze existing managerial policies, methods, procedures, duties and services of state agencies and institutions upon written request of the Governor or the Legislature or its designee, and determine if operations can be eliminated, combined, simplified or improved;
- Relative to the comprehensive annual financial report of the state, post-audit and, when necessary, pre-audit and investigate financial matters of departments, institutions, boards, commissions and other agencies of state government;
- Post-audit and, when necessary, pre-audit and investigate financial matters of county governments, public school districts, community college districts, levee boards, agencies created by the Legislature or by executive order, profit or nonprofit business entities administering programs financed by funds flowing through the state treasury or receiving grants from revenues collected by state governmental divisions and all other public bodies supported by funds derived in part or wholly from public funds, except municipalities;
- Demand payment from public officers, employees, administrative bodies, individuals, partnerships, corporations or associations for amounts representing recovery of public funds improperly withheld, misappropriated or otherwise illegally expended and the value of public property disposed of in an unlawful manner, institute suit in any state court for demands not paid;
- Investigate suspected violations of state laws by officers or employees of the state, counties or other public offices;
- With approval of a chancery or circuit court, issue subpoenas to examine records, etc. regarding persons, firms or other entities related to dealings with any state, county or other public entity;
- In lieu of conducting audits, examine audits of public hospitals or public school districts produced by certified public accountants. Provide audit programs and report formats to accountants conducting audits of public hospitals and public school districts;

- If funds are made available by the Legislature, contract for preparation of selected audits of departments, institutions, boards, commissions or other agencies of state government, county governments, public school districts, community college districts and any other public bodies supported by public funds, except municipalities, provide audit programs and report formats to accountants conducting contract audits;
- Establish training courses and programs for state and local government personnel under jurisdiction of the Office; and
- Upon written request of the Governor or member of the Legislature, audit any state or federal funds received by any nonprofit corporation.

Other responsibilities are given to the Office throughout sections of the Mississippi Code. However, most of these are addressed within the responsibilities mentioned above. When new programs are created or funded by the Legislature, the Office is often given audit or system-prescribing responsibility.

Audit Responsibility

The above statutory responsibilities make the Office responsible for financial reporting of most public entities within the state. This entails either audit, review, recording, receipt, or investigative responsibility for over 1,000 entities in the following categories:

General State and Local Governments

General governments provide a wide range of services to their citizens and number the following:

State Agencies	117
Cities	298
Counties	82

Special-Purpose Governmental Entities

Most special-purpose governments provide a single, special service. Created by counties, municipalities or a combination of both, or by special legislation passed by the Legislature, all were designed to provide services not offered by individual general governments. In most cases, special-purpose governments are designed as authorities, agencies, boards or districts.

Mississippi special-purpose governmental units include, but are not limited to, the following:

Airport Authorities	59
Colleges	15
Universities	8
District Attorneys	22
Drainage Districts	58
Economic Development Districts	138
Fire Protection Districts	85
Flood Control Districts	4
Hospitals	67
Housing Authorities	Local
Human Resource Agencies	27
Industrial Development Districts	35
Libraries	48
Mental Health Centers	15
Park Districts	7
Planning and Development Districts	10
Port Authorities	6
Public Building Authorities	Local
School Districts	150
Soil and Water Conservation Districts	79
Tourism Bureaus	40
Utility Districts	28

The Office maintains some oversight responsibility for each. In addition, other public and private entities fall within the Office's oversight when created or financially supported by Legislative appropriations, for a number of reasons some of these do not fall into one of the general categories listed above.

Office Customers

Based on analysis of Mississippi statutes, the Office has identified and prioritized its customers to provide the above services in a manner to protect the public's interest. These include:

- 1) Citizens and taxpayers of the State of Mississippi
- 2) Legislative, Executive and Judicial Branches of state government
- 3) State and local governmental entities
- 4) Federal government
- 5) Other states

Citizens are prioritized as the most important Office customer, since providing services for and on their behalf is the reason government exists. The Office has primary responsibility for oversight of the taxpayers' state and often local government supporting funds.

Therefore, the primary purpose of the Office is protection of the interests of its most important customer, the taxpayers.

The legislative, executive, and judicial branches of state government, along with the Office, exist to serve citizens and taxpayers. Therefore the Office provides valuable services to these branches in performing their services to the citizens of the state.

State and local governmental entities are the primary recipients of Office services with customers receiving benefits from the services provided by this Office. Although state agencies are a part of the executive, legislative and judicial branches, state agencies are also considered separate Office customers since they are the subject of audits and are not always directly accountable to citizens and taxpayers. Although the focus of day-to-day Office work relates to state and local governmental entities, benefits accrue to higher prioritized customers: taxpayers, and legislative, executive, and judicial branches.

Because the federal government provides certain funds to the state, the state has reporting responsibilities to the federal government. Additionally, the Office's audit field work and reporting standards are controlled in part by the federal government. Since other states occasionally use our reports in their work, they are also considered valued Office customers.

Office of the State Auditor's Mission

Based on the purpose intended for the Office and the services the Office provides, the following mission statement was developed and published in fiscal year 1997:

The mission of the Office of the State Auditor is to serve its customers and protect the public's trust by independently assessing state and local governmental and other entities to ensure that public funds are properly received, are legally, effectively, and efficiently spent and are accounted for and reported accurately.

Divisions

The Office of the State Auditor is composed of eight divisions. These divisions report to the Audit Department Director, Norman McLeod and include; (Exhibit A, page 6)

Administrative Services Division (page 9)
Jeff Adcock, Director

Average Daily Attendance Audit Division (page 10)
Shirley Crawford, Director

Financial & Compliance Audit Division (page 11)
Rodney Zeagler, CPA, Director

Information Technology Division (page 16)
Bennie Nutt, Director

Investigative Division (page 18)
Jesse Bingham, Director

Performance Audit Division (page 20)
Bobby Bynum, CPA, Director

Property Audit Division (page 22)
Bill Pope, Director

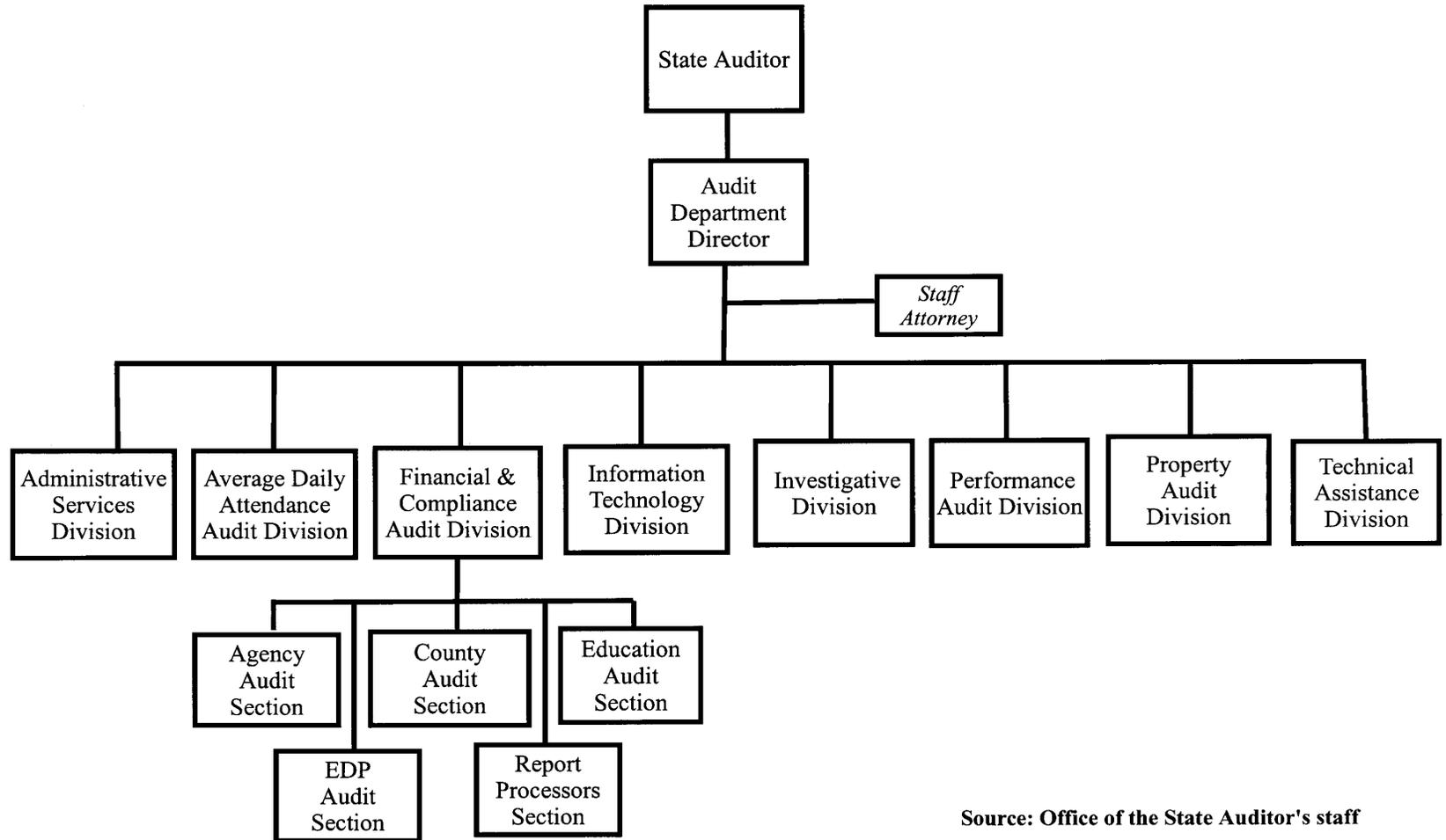
Technical Assistance Division (page 23)
Rhuel Dickinson, CPA, Director

Office Goals

In accomplishing its mission the Office of the State Auditor has established the following goals:

- Establish accounting and financial reporting systems for all regional and local governmental entities. Consult with State Fiscal Officer in the establishment of accounting and financial reporting systems for the state;
- Perform or contract the necessary financial, compliance, performance, and investigative audits in accordance with professional standards;
- Train public officials in methods of conducting their duties in compliance with state law; and
- Comply with constitutional and statutory provisions.
- Make Government more accessible to the taxpayers.

Exhibit A
Office of the State Auditor
Organizational Structure
as of March 1, 1999



Source: Office of the State Auditor's staff

The Office will accomplish these goals by:

- Providing timely financial and legal compliance audits of state agencies, counties, school districts and state supported colleges and universities;
- Providing timely technical assistance to representatives of state and local governments and the general public;
- Investigating state and local governments and government representatives and employees concerning legal compliance violations and accountability issues;
- Performing performance audits for state and local governments to improve accountability, economy and efficiency of government operations;
- Conducting state-wide property audits and performing average daily attendance counts for school districts; and
- Providing the Office and state and local governments assistance with their information management needs.
- Working with local governments to secure E-Government services for the taxpayers it serves.

Electronic Government

The Office of the State Auditor continues to take a leading role in the development and implementation of E-Government in the State. As a result of the efforts of this office, taxpayers in thirteen counties now have the ability to pay their property taxes and renew their car tags via the internet. Also, there are a number of State agencies that now offer online services to the citizens of Mississippi. While displaying an aggressive role in E-government Auditor Bryant currently serves as Chairman of the E-Government Committee for the National State Auditor's Association (NSAA), serves as Vice-Chairman of the Mississippi Legislative E-Government Oversight Committee and The National Electronic Commerce Coordinating Councils board of directors.. *He was named "Mississippian of the Year" by the Association of Information Technology Professionals in 2002.*

Professional Audit Standards

The Office is comprised of professional staff to perform a necessary function to protect the welfare and ensure the public trust. Because taxes are an involuntary requirement for the citizens of this great state, financial accountability and responsibility for an effective and efficient government are the responsibility of every public servant, including those elected, appointed and employed. This public trust requires a diligent review and accounting for the financial reporting and performance of all entities entrusted with public funds. To perform this service, the Office complies with generally accepted government auditing standards (GAGAS) issued by the United States General Accounting Office and documented as Government Auditing Standards and generally accepted auditing standards (GAAS) published by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The Office also abides by pronouncements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) where applicable. Additionally, the Office participates in a quality control review process whereby Office audits are periodically reviewed by other states' audit office personnel for compliance with the above standards. Also the Office's finances are reviewed by the Legislative PEER Committee to ensure all financial matters are in order.

What does all this mean? The Office sets high standards of performance for the auditors it hires and the work they perform. The trust placed with the Office by the public is not taken lightly, nor the responsibility ignored. These standards and the reviews the Office undergo help ensure the quality of the work prepared and presented to the public administrators of the public funds and resources on behalf of the citizens of the state, who are our primary customers and to whom we acknowledge a great responsibility.

Administrative Services Division

Our Administrative Services Division continues to perform in an exemplary manner by providing services for personnel matters, processing invoices, payroll, travel vouchers purchase orders for the office and all accounting functions including preparation of the department's GAAP package. The Division prepares invoices for services rendered by the office which account for nearly four million dollars or forty percent of our annual budget.

Average Daily Attendance Division

The Average Daily Attendance Division (ADA) was created to verify correct distribution of Minimum Foundation Program funds, a compliance function related to local school districts. ADA performs counts of school district pupils to determine the accuracy of school district attendance reports to the State Department of Education. By law, ADA performs a minimum of three unannounced counts of school children within designated units throughout the year. For 2003, 732 units were counted four times and 693 units were counted six times due to large discrepancies between the number of students on the rolls and the number of students present. School district reports are used by the State Department of Education to allocate Minimum Program Funds to local school districts. In 2003, the Minimum Foundation Program distributed \$1,518,881 (43.4%) of the state's entire general fund budget to support local school districts.

Accomplishments for 2003

During 2003, ADA accomplished the following:

- Issued and distributed the Average Daily Attendance Comprehensive Annual Report to the Governor, State Board of Education members, Public School Building Fund members, and local school district superintendents;
- Identified student count errors that allowed the State Department of Education to reallocate \$1,975,000.
- Completed 10,197 student counts;
- Calculated average daily attendance at 460,208 for school year 2002-2003;
- Issued 26 letters of commendation to school districts;
- Performed fixed asset audits for 94 local school districts;
- Made random vehicle checks for correct markings in 130 municipalities and counties.

Financial and Compliance Audit Division

The Financial and Compliance Audit Division employs a majority of the employees of the Office and produces most of its published work. The Division is responsible for performing audits on 82 counties, 15 colleges the university system, 150 local school districts and the State of Mississippi, which includes 117 state agencies. The Division also performs agreed-upon procedures on disaster claims of various entities in the state. To perform these audit duties, the Division is organized into five sections:

County Audit Section

Tony Green, Director

Education Audit Section

Brent Ballard, CPA, Director

State Agency Audit Section

Bill Doss, CPA, Director

EDP Audit Section

Mike Sumrall, CISA, Manager

Report Processing Section

Frieda Bailey, Supervisor

Through this division, the Office accomplishes its primary statutory duties of:

- Examining the financial records and statements of counties, school districts, colleges, the university system and the State of Mississippi to determine accuracy and reliability;
- Reviewing, testing and evaluating state and local government control systems to ensure
 - the safeguarding of assets,
 - the legality, accuracy and reliability of financial transactions, records and statements, and
 - adherence to prescribed management control policies;
- Auditing and issuing opinions on financial statements of counties, school districts, colleges, the university system and the State of Mississippi;
- Issuing the State's Single Audit Report and single audit reports of counties, school districts, colleges and the university system;
- Examining and testing transactions and operational processes of auditees to determine compliance with laws and regulations;

- Auditing governmental entities seeking reimbursement for disaster losses; and
- Reviewing audits of college, county, school district and state agency financial statements performed by CPA firms.

To reduce travel time and expenses, the Division maintains staff in Jackson, with branch offices in Grenada and Ellisville. Pages 25 through 31, includes a listing of financial and compliance audits released by the Division during fiscal year ending June 30, 2003.

Audit Sections

A brief description of each of the audit sections is given below.

County Audit Section

The County Audit Section audits the 82 Mississippi counties. During fiscal year 2003, the County Audit Section released reports on 42 counties it audited. Also during this period, this Section released reports on 33 counties audited by CPA firms. Pages 32 through 33, includes a list of county audit reports released during fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, with the counties' total revenues, expenditures, assets and long-term debt.

Education Audit Section

The Education Audit Section is responsible for college and university audits and for local school district audits. College and university auditors are responsible for 15 public colleges, the Board of Trustees of the Institutions of Higher Learning, and eight public universities and their divisions. During fiscal year 2003, the Section audited and released reports for five colleges. Beginning in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998, the Section audits the universities under the governance of the Board of Trustees of the Institutions of Higher Learning as a system. The Section audited and released the report in April 2003 for the university system for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002. Separate management letters were issued to the universities and their divisions. Colleges not audited by this Section were audited by CPA firms under contracts supervised by the Education Section. Four college audit reports issued by CPA firms were released during fiscal year 2003.

The Section is also responsible for conducting annual audits of the 150 public school districts in the state. During fiscal year 2003, the Section audited and released reports on 30 school districts. Public school districts not audited by this Section are audited by CPA firms under contracts supervised by the Education Audit Section. One-hundred-three school district audit reports issued by CPA firms were released during fiscal year 2003.

Pages 34 through 37 includes a listing of the university system, colleges and local school districts audit reports released by the Division during fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, including summary financial information.

State Agency Audit Section

The State Agency Audit Section is responsible for the annual audit of the State of Mississippi, including the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and its Single Audit Report.

EDP Audit Section

The EDP Audit Section works with the other sections to perform reviews of entities' electronic data processing systems.

Report Processing Section

The Report Processing Section finalizes all Division reports and processes them for publication.

Goals and Objectives

The goals and objectives of the Financial and Compliance Audit Division include the following:

- Perform more efficient and effective audits while maintaining current audit status and timely release of audits.
- Increase the use of computers in performing audit procedures and ensure the staff has access to the most up-to-date technology.
- Provide staff training on new technical pronouncements.
- Continue to reduce time between the completion of fieldwork and the issuance of the report.
- Increase the number of auditors in the EDP Audit Section.
- Revise various manuals for the professional staff and local government officials.

Accomplishments for 2003

The Financial and Compliance Audit Division accomplished many things during the 2003 fiscal year. Highlights of these accomplishments include:

- This division took exception to \$394,137 of expenditures which was returned directly to governmental entities.

- During fiscal year 2003, the County Audit Section released 75 audit reports. The reports covered Governmental and Expendable Trust Fund revenues of almost \$914 million, Governmental and Expendable Trust Fund expenditures in excess of one billion, assets of almost \$2.8 billion and long-term debt in excess of \$668 million. Of these amounts, audit coverage of approximately \$463 million revenues, \$506.9 million expenditures, \$1.5 billion assets and \$330.3 million debt was provided by CPA firms.
- During fiscal year 2003, this division embarked on a new frontier of auditing. With the esteem vision of Auditor Bryant to revolutionize the way we audit, this division tested and completed the first “Virtual Audit” conducted in Pike County. This pilot project, although in a preliminary stage was able to save this agency 225 audit hours (25%) and Pike County more than \$3,000 in taxpayer funds. Total savings of the Virtual Audit Pilot project was \$12,000. In fiscal year 2004, we will add more counties as we develop a more efficient and effective program to maximize savings to counties and the State of Mississippi.
- During fiscal year 2003, the College and University Unit in the Education Audit Section released nine college audit reports. The reports covered current fund revenues in excess of \$303.5 million, expenditures in excess of \$287.3 million and assets in excess of \$86 million and plant fund assets in excess of \$492.2 million. Of these amounts, audit coverage of approximately \$175.1 million current fund revenues, \$164.3 million current fund expenditures, \$48.6 million current fund assets and \$281.4 million plant fund assets was provided by CPA firms.
- During fiscal year 2003, the College and University Unit issued its fifth system-wide audit report on the State of Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning. The report was issued using the new reporting model required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board’s Statement Numbers 34 and 35. The report covered operating revenues of approximately \$1.3 billion, nonoperating revenues of approximately \$600 million, operating expenses in excess of \$1.8 billion, nonoperating expenses in excess of \$14.3 million, other revenues and expenses (net) in excess of \$95 million, and total net assets in excess of \$1.9 billion.
- During fiscal year 2003, the School Unit in the Education Audit Section released 133 school district audits. The reports covered Governmental and Expendable Trust Fund revenues of approximately \$2.7 billion, Governmental and Expendable Trust Fund expenditures of approximately \$2.8 billion, assets in excess of \$5.1 billion and long-term debt of approximately \$1.3 billion. Of these amounts, audit coverage of approximately \$2.3 billion revenues, \$2.4 billion expenditures, \$4.5 billion assets and \$1.2 billion debt was provided by CPA firms.

- During fiscal year 2003, Mississippi's 2002 CAFR was released using the new reporting model required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's Statement Number 34. Mississippi's 2002 Single Audit Report was also issued during fiscal year 2003. The State Agency Section was responsible for auditing Governmental Activities program revenues of approximately \$5.5 billion, Business-type Activities program revenues in excess of \$270 million, Governmental Activities general revenues in excess of \$4.5 billion, Business-type Activities general revenues of approximately \$46 million, Governmental Activities expenses of approximately \$9.8 billion and Business-type Activities expenses of approximately \$290 million.
- Staff in the Division assisted the Training Officer in conducting required training sessions for professional staff.
- Staff in the Division revised accounting and auditing manuals as necessary to comply with federal regulations and audit standards.

Information Technology Division

The Information Technology Division is responsible for providing information technology and services to all employees of the Office of the State Auditor and other governmental entities that must comply with Office-issued requirements. The Division also conducts computer training, assists auditors with electronic data processing (EDP) audit reviews, procures computer hardware and software, develops and supports computerized applications, maintains a local area network, web server and email system, and provides technical support to the Office staff. The Division supports the Office by:

- Increasing Office employee productivity through automation;
- Improving technological support for all Office staff by focusing on service for the Office;
- Enhancing computer applications and implementing new information systems for other divisions;
- Assisting other divisions applying technology in performing audits;
- Procuring and implementing state-of-the-art hardware and software; and
- Educating Office staff in the use of information technology.

Accomplishments for 2003

Over the last year, the Division has successfully implemented several projects to improve the Agency operations.

Field Auditors

Due to the demands placed on the current field audit work force, there is constant need to provide updated software compatible with the entities we audit. The division purchased and installed Microsoft Office XP on the laptop computers for our field staff. As the entities we audit increase in technological abilities, so must we increase the methods by which we audit electronically. The Agency has completed its first paperless audit in Pike County.

Office Staff

The Division purchased and installed Microsoft Office XP for all users connected to the OSA network, upgraded the email client and completed required modifications to all applications.

The Division has successfully maintained all computer equipment and software to meet standards that will make the Office productive, provide audit services and satisfy concerns associated with the 21st century. As we have upgraded our technology, we have also donated equipment and maintained applications to assist other entities in technology advancement.

Web Server

The Division successfully upgraded and redesigned the Web Server. A search engine was installed to make the system user friendly.

Future Plans

The Division plans to continue the long-range purchasing by replacing any computer related equipment that is not under manufacture's warranty. The Division continues to pursue a wide area network for audit reports and investigative files from around the state to be downloaded directly to the main Office computers. This will expedite the audit report and investigative process. These advances should cut travel cost and enable more effective use of Office personnel. The Division continues to support the Agency in its efforts to perform paperless audits. The Division plans to purchase additional equipment and software to meet this goal.

Investigative Division

The Investigative Division is responsible for investigating allegations or suspected violations of the laws of the State of Mississippi by any state, county or local public official or other individual responsible for public assets. The primary focus of the Division is to detect and deter the misuse or misappropriation of public assets in the purchase, sale or use of any supplies, services, equipment or other property.

This staff assures proper use of public assets through recoveries and prosecution when violations are detected. Based on a study conducted by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, the average organization loses about 6 percent of its total annual revenue to fraud and abuse committed by its own employees and management. Government waste, fraud and abuse represent a hidden tax on every family in Mississippi. This Division's responsibility is to cut that hidden tax.

Complaints are received from public officials, private citizens, auditors, the media and anonymous or public sources. All complaints are confidential.

Any information concerning possible violations should be forwarded to:

Office of the State Auditor
Attn: Jesse M. Bingham, Director
Investigative Division
P.O. Box 956
Jackson, MS 39205

Or reported by calling 601.576.2722 or toll free in-state 800.321.1275 and ask for The Investigative Division.

Accomplishments for 2003

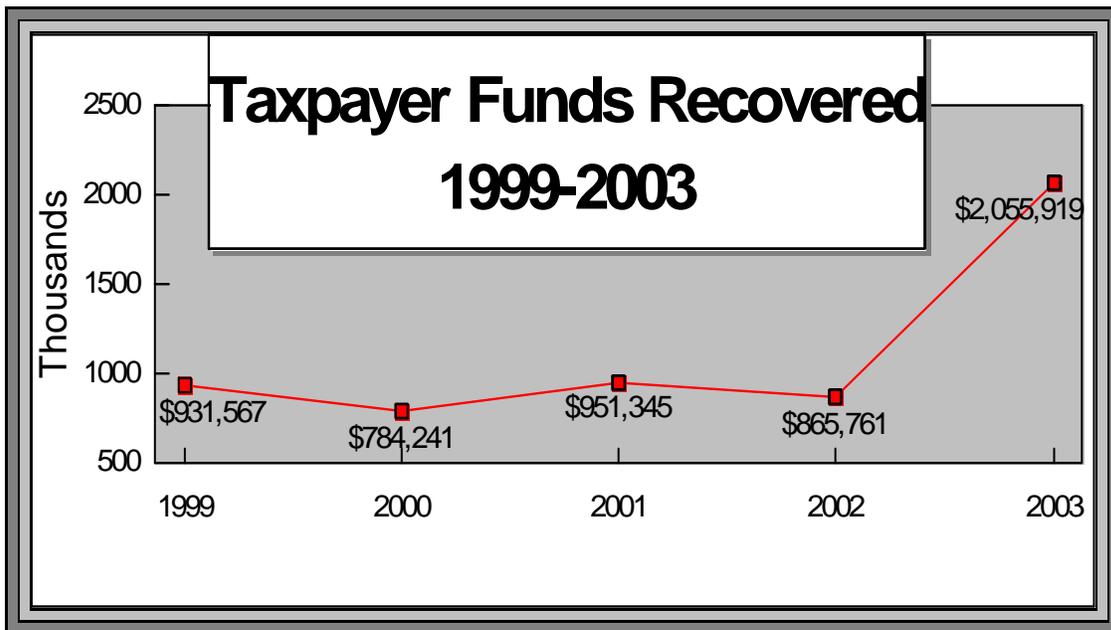
During Fiscal Year 2003, there were 73 cases of allegedly misused or misappropriated public assets opened in the Investigative Division bringing the total number of open, inquiry and pending cases to 281. Of the cases opened and ongoing, the allegations concerned:

Counties	138
Municipalities	54
State Agencies	24
Public School Districts	32
College & Universities	19
<u>Other</u>	<u>14</u>
Total	281

During Fiscal Year 2003, the Investigative Division:

- recovered \$1,268,229 and returned these funds to public entities;
- issued 16 Formal Demand letters totaling \$957,795.756.
- closed 263 cases.

As demonstrated by the graph below, the State Auditor's Office strives to apprehend and make accountable public officials, employees and private citizens who abuse public assets. Additionally, through the audit process, which includes Financial and Compliance and Performance Audits, \$787,690 was recovered and returned to the proper governmental entity.



**Chart indicates the past five years of funds recovered*

Performance Audit Division

The Performance Audit Division was established to provide services to the Office, state and local governments, and citizens. While other divisions of the State Auditor are designed to detect governmental entities' errors or omissions, the Performance Audit Division is one of two Office Divisions, the other being Technical Assistance, designed to prevent problems and help government managers better perform their jobs. We perform this function by providing invaluable management information to enable managers to effectively and efficiently direct their organizations. Performance auditing is defined by the Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, as "*the assessment of the performance of organizations, programs, activities, and functions in order to provide information to improve accountability and facilitate decision-making.*" Public managers can not effectively manage without important-relevant-specific-useful information. The Performance Audit Division provides this information through independent assessments that can not be obtained any other way.

Government is designed to provide services to the citizens of this state. Performance audits can make government more accountable to citizens by determining programs' and services' effectiveness (does the agency get the intended job done) and efficiency (does the agency waste resources in accomplishing the intended job). Performance audits concentrate on laws and governing regulations, program purposes/goals, amount of resources, program operations and outputs and outcomes (the final results produced by a program).

Accomplishments for 2003

Major accomplishments by the Division for fiscal year 2003 were:

- *As a result of the reconstruction of records in the Bolivar County Circuit Clerks Office, this division disbursed \$393,553 of unaccounted funds to the county and state.*
- *A Review of the Feasibility of Extending Drug Courts Statewide in Mississippi*
- *A Limited Review of the Mississippi State Department of Health's Individual Wastewater Disposal System Inspection Process in Rankin County*
- *A Disclosure of Emergency Purchases Made by State Agencies in Fiscal Year 2002*
- *A Review of State Vehicle Purchases*
- *A Performance Review of the State and School Employees Life and Health Insurance Plan*
- *A Limited Review of the Mississippi Major Economic Impact Authority's Nissan Project*

- *Worked as part of an Audit Response Team developed to quickly solve problems identified by governmental entities*

Property Audit Division

The purpose of the Property Audit Division is to protect the public's trust by independently assessing state and local governmental entities to ensure that public property is properly procured, effectively managed in its dispersal and disposal and proper procedures are lawfully followed regarding the addition and deletion of fixed assets. In addition to verifying the existence of fixed assets, the Property Audit Division is responsible for maintaining a master inventory of fixed assets and periodic audits of state and local government asset maintenance records.

Accomplishments for 2003

The Division performs its duties and responsibilities in conformity with statutory mandates as set in Section 29-9-1, et seq, *Mississippi Code of 1972* (Annotated). The primary focus of the Division is the verification of assets. In fiscal year 2002, the Division initiated property audits (verification) of fixed assets as follows:

State Agency and University audits -	88
County Government audits -	6
School District audits -	94

The division maintains a master state-wide inventory database for all assets owned by state agencies and universities. All reports for additions, deletions and adjustments by agencies and universities are submitted to the Division for review and verification of accuracy and completeness.

The Division offered advisory and training sessions for data file structure for the reporting of assets under the GASB 34/35 statements. Also provided was one-on-one technical support to property managers in complying with the new reporting requirements. Technical assistance is offered to property managers to ensure continued effectiveness and to communicate statutory amendments, rule changes and management techniques.

In a continuing effort to enhance the reporting of fixed assets, the Division assisted in the development and implementation of a Web-Based property management system.

Technical Assistance Division

The Technical Assistance Division was established to provide a mechanism through which state and local government officials can receive guidance to help comply with the many financial-and-compliance-related laws and regulations they enforce. This service enables public officials to address and resolve questions or minor problems before they result in misappropriated or misused public funds or resources.

The Division's staff of five Certified Public Accountants provide oral and/or written answers to literally thousands of inquires annually. The staff also conducts specialized training to update officials of the latest changes in laws and regulations that affect their jobs maintaining the public's resources and trust. Combined, the staff has over 100 years of experience in local and state government accounting and auditing.

Accomplishments for 2003

During fiscal year 2003, the Division performed the following services:

- Responded to approximately 8,800 telephone requests for technical assistance from the general public, public officials and employees, other agencies and governing authorities.
- Responded by letter or by E-mail to over 340 requests for statements of position of the Office of the State Auditor on legal requirements and department regulations. A statement of position is a written ruling stating the position or action our office will take on a situation that has already occurred or will occur in the future.
- Developed, published and distributed a monthly publication entitled "Technicalities" to over 4,800 public officials, employees, and practitioners. "Technicalities" is presented in a question and answer format and addresses current issues (legal compliance, accounting procedures, new AG opinions, changing legislation, and other matters) facing public officials and employees.
- Met with public officials and various other individuals on matters of concern in an effort to resolve problems and explain areas of statutory compliance, accounting procedures, office regulations, etc.
- Developed and conducted approximately 74 Educational and / or Required Certification Programs annually for various groups and associations. Examples include:

Mississippi Supervisors
Chancery Clerks
Circuit Clerks
County Administrators and Comptrollers
County Tax Assessors and Collectors
County Board Attorneys
Sheriffs

Purchase Clerks, Receiving Clerks, and Inventory Control Clerks
Justice Court Clerks
Municipal Aldermen, Councilmen and Mayors
Municipal Clerks and Court Clerks
Police Chiefs
Narcotic Task Forces
Municipal Board Attorneys
CPA's who conduct municipal, district attorney and other audits throughout the state
Election Commissioners
Fire Chiefs and Coordinators
Soil and Water as well as other assorted local commissions
Planning and Development Districts
Governmental Purchasing Agents
Prosecuting Attorneys
Association of Government Accountants
Local School Boards and School Officials

Other Accomplishments For 2003:

- Reviewed and filed all official opinions of the Attorney General for research purposes.
- Provided legislators with information concerning proposed legislation upon request and met with or testified before legislative bodies to explain the intent or effect of proposed legislation.
- Compiled the annual update of the legal digest for Mississippi counties.
- Scheduled and conducted continuing education for the staff of the Office of the State Auditor.
- Completed the update of the Municipal Audit and Accounting Guide.

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Adams County	September 30, 2001
Claiborne County	September 30, 2001
Coahoma County	September 30, 2001
Holmes County	September 30, 2001
Jackson County	September 30, 2001
Jefferson Davis County	September 30, 2001
Kemper County	September 30, 2001
Lauderdale County	September 30, 2001
Lee County	September 30, 2001
Monroe County	September 30, 2001
Noxubee County	September 30, 2001
Rankin County	September 30, 2001
Sharkey County	September 30, 2001
Tallahatchie County	September 30, 2001
Warren County	September 30, 2001
Winston County	September 30, 2001

Baldwin Public School District	June 30, 2001
Claiborne County School District	June 30, 2001
Clay County School District	June 30, 2001
Grenada School District	June 30, 2001
Kemper County School District	June 30, 2001
Lee County School District	June 30, 2001
Lincoln County School District	June 30, 2001
North Panola School District	June 30, 2001
Scott County School District	June 30, 2001
Simpson County School District	June 30, 2001
Smith County School District	June 30, 2001
South Panola School District	June 30, 2001
South Pike School District	June 30, 2001
Union Public School District	June 30, 2001
West Jasper Consolidated School District	June 30, 2001
West Point School District	June 30, 2001

Mississippi Delta Community College	June 30, 2001
Meridian Community College	June 30, 2001

Released in August 2002

Benton County	September 30, 2001
Franklin County	September 30, 2001
Grenada County	September 30, 2001
Lowndes County	September 30, 2001

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Smith County	September 30, 2001
Yalobusha County	September 30, 2001
Chickasaw County School District	June 30, 2001
Forrest County Agricultural High School	June 30, 2001
Jackson Public School District	June 30, 2001
Lamar County School District	June 30, 2001
Leflore County School District	June 30, 2001
Sunflower Municipal School District	June 30, 2001
Western Line School District	June 30, 2001
Holmes Community College	June 30, 2001
Itawamba Community College	June 30, 2001
Jones County Junior College	June 30, 2001

Released in September 2002

Bolivar County	September 30, 2001
Calhoun County	September 30, 2001
Carroll County	September 30, 2001
Clarke County	September 30, 2001
Clay County	September 30, 2001
Copiah County	September 30, 2001
Hancock County	September 30, 2001
Jasper County	September 30, 2001
Jefferson County	September 30, 2001
Leake County	September 30, 2001
Neshoba County	September 30, 2001
Perry County	September 30, 2001
Pontotoc County	September 30, 2001
Scott County	September 30, 2001
Simpson County	September 30, 2001
Tishomingo County	September 30, 2001
Greenwood Public School District	June 30, 2001
Madison County School District	June 30, 2001
Coahoma Community College & Agricultural High School	June 30, 2001

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Released in October 2002

Marshall County	September 30, 2001
Wilkinson County	September 30, 2001
Yazoo County	September 30, 2001
Columbia School District	June 30, 2001
Yazoo County School District	June 30, 2001
Kosciusko School District	June 30, 2002
Winona Public School District	June 30, 2002

Released in November 2002

Covington County	September 30, 2001
Montgomery County	September 30, 2001
Washington County	September 30, 2001
Copiah County School District	June 30, 2001
Lauderdale County School District	June 30, 2001
Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District	June 30, 2002
Clinton Public School District	June 30, 2002
Grenada School District	June 30, 2002

Released in December 2002

Sunflower County	September 30, 2001
Walthall County	September 30, 2001
Wayne County	September 30, 2001
Aberdeen School District	June 30, 2002
Attala County School District	June 30, 2002
Lamar County School District	June 30, 2002
Lee County School District	June 30, 2002
Quitman Consolidated School District	June 30, 2002
Richton School District	June 30, 2002

Released in January 2003

Alcorn County	September 30, 2001
Amite County	September 30, 2001
Chickasaw County	September 30, 2001
George County	September 30, 2001
Marion County	September 30, 2001
Tunica County	September 30, 2001
Webster County	September 30, 2001

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Pontotoc City School District	June 30, 2001
Benton County School District	June 30, 2002
Biloxi Public School District	June 30, 2002
Calhoun County School District	June 30, 2002
Covington County School District	June 30, 2002
Drew School District	June 30, 2002
Jones County School District	June 30, 2002
Lawrence County School District	June 30, 2002
Leland School District	June 30, 2002
Lincoln County School District	June 30, 2002
Long Beach School District	June 30, 2002
Newton Municipal School District	June 30, 2002
Poplarville Special Municipal Separate School District	June 30, 2002
Rankin County School District	June 30, 2002
South Tippah School District	June 30, 2002
Stone County School District	June 30, 2002

East Central Community College	June 30, 2001
Hinds Community College	June 30, 2001

Northwest Mississippi Community College	June 30, 2002
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Expressed opinion on the State of Mississippi financial statements issued by the Department of Finance & Administration in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)	June 30, 2002
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Released in February 2003

DeSoto County	September 30, 2001
Greene County	September 30, 2001
Lawrence County	September 30, 2001
Lincoln County	September 30, 2001
Hancock County	September 30, 2002

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Amory School District	June 30, 2002
Clay County School District	June 30, 2002
Columbus Municipal School District	June 30, 2002
Durant Public School District	June 30, 2002
South Delta School District	June 30, 2002
West Bolivar School District	June 30, 2002

Released in March 2003

Issaquena County	September 30, 2001
Stone County	September 30, 2001

Canton Public School District	June 30, 2002
Enterprise School District	June 30, 2002
Forrest County School District	June 30, 2002
Holly Springs School District	June 30, 2002
Mound Bayou Public Schools	June 30, 2002
New Albany Public School District	June 30, 2002
Ocean Springs School District	June 30, 2002
Petal School District	June 30, 2002
Pontotoc County School District	June 30, 2002
South Pike School District	June 30, 2002

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Released in April 2003

Tate County	September 30, 2001
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Pike County	September 30, 2002
Smith County	September 30, 2002

Alcorn County School District	June 30, 2001
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Baldwin Public School District	June 30, 2002
Booneville School District	June 30, 2002
Coahoma County School District	June 30, 2002
Corinth School District	June 30, 2002
East Tallahatchie Consolidated School District	June 30, 2002
Forest Municipal School District	June 30, 2002
Harrison County School District	June 30, 2002
Humphreys County School District	June 30, 2002

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Jackson County School District	June 30, 2002
Jefferson County School District	June 30, 2002
Newton County School District	June 30, 2002
Pass Christian Public School District	June 30, 2002
Senatobia Municipal School District	June 30, 2002
Tishomingo County Special Municipal School District	June 30, 2002
Tunica County School District	June 30, 2002
State of Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning	June 30, 2002

Released in May 2002

Humphreys County	September 30, 2001
Itawamba County	September 30, 2001
Lafayette County	September 30, 2001
Kemper County	September 30, 2002
Lauderdale County	September 30, 2002
Brookhaven School District	June 30, 2002
Chickasaw County School District	June 30, 2002
Cleveland School District	June 30, 2002
DeSoto County School District	June 30, 2002
Hancock County School District	June 30, 2002
Hattiesburg Public School District	June 30, 2002
Holmes County School District	June 30, 2002
Jefferson Davis County School District	June 30, 2002
Lafayette County School District	June 30, 2002
Louisville Municipal School District	June 30, 2002
Marion County School District	June 30, 2002
McComb Separate School District	June 30, 2002
Montgomery County School District	June 30, 2002
Natchez-Adams School District	June 30, 2002
North Pike Consolidated School District	June 30, 2002
North Tippah Consolidated School District	June 30, 2002
Pascagoula Municipal Separate School District	June 30, 2002
Pearl Public School District	June 30, 2002
Perry County School District	June 30, 2002
Quitman County School District	June 30, 2002
Vicksburg-Warren School District	June 30, 2002
Water Valley School District	June 30, 2002
Wayne County School District	June 30, 2002

Released in June 2003

Tippah County	September 30, 2001
Union County	September 30, 2001

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Copiah County	September 30, 2002
Forrest County	September 30, 2002
Leflore County	September 30, 2002
Oktibbeha County	September 30, 2002
Coffeeville School District	June 30, 2002
Forrest County Agricultural High School	June 30, 2002
Franklin County School District	June 30, 2002
George County School District	June 30, 2002
Greenville Public Schools	June 30, 2002
Hollandale School District	June 30, 2002
Laurel School District	June 30, 2002
Lumberton Public School District	June 30, 2002
Marshall County School District	June 30, 2002
Meridian Separate School District	June 30, 2002
Monroe County School District	June 30, 2002
Nettleton School District	June 30, 2002
Okolona Municipal Separate School District	June 30, 2002
Oxford School District	June 30, 2002
Pearl River County School District	June 30, 2002
Picayune School District	June 30, 2002
Union Public School District	June 30, 2002
Walthall County School District	June 30, 2002
Webster County School District	June 30, 2002
West Jasper Consolidated School District	June 30, 2002
Wilkinson County School District	June 30, 2002
Yazoo County School District	June 30, 2002

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<u>Year</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Revenues*</u>	<u>Expenditures*</u>	<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Total Long-term Debt</u>
Counties Audited by CPA Firms					
2001	Adams County	14,637,091	17,764,686	47,157,046	17,314,710
2001	Benton County	3,890,506	4,541,304	8,049,862	305,573
2001	Bolivar County	16,665,203	21,388,210	67,899,414	13,312,436
2001	Calhoun County	4,908,102	5,451,083	14,918,744	2,236,200
2001	Carroll County	7,750,961	8,242,629	23,956,907	8,161,828
2001	Claiborne County	9,943,931	10,849,638	25,619,142	6,298,259
2001	Coahoma County	15,749,350	17,407,197	116,843,726	3,820,070
2001	Copiah County	10,643,578	14,186,474	31,513,339	6,737,068
2001	Franklin County	4,680,352	4,225,223	15,382,820	1,114,845
2001	Grenada County	10,924,865	10,795,514	44,791,083	16,257,016
2001	Holmes County	9,806,394	10,953,382	27,800,995	8,545,990
2001	Jackson County	59,446,796	60,925,183	120,669,762	50,869,825
2001	Jasper County	8,044,693	8,910,968	22,952,156	5,948,028
2001	Jefferson Davis County	6,802,756	5,436,137	14,499,758	0
2001	Kemper County	5,688,027	7,340,942	16,124,843	1,531,043
2001	Lauderdale County	28,268,686	35,187,354	91,479,538	32,365,792
2001	Lee County	23,207,400	24,506,765	88,287,336	10,245,608
2001	Lowdnes County	22,370,654	22,506,038	79,077,914	9,929,445
2001	Monroe County	11,507,121	16,673,475	52,844,815	11,347,074
2001	Neshoba County	8,462,194	8,263,749	28,953,094	7,750,188
2001	Pontotoc County	8,016,551	7,410,072	18,177,287	690,634
2001	Rankin County	37,745,818	38,895,888	151,627,052	29,715,839
2001	Scott County	9,530,800	10,770,271	22,528,092	4,212,853
2001	Sharkey County	3,333,789	3,821,399	5,274,514	1,260,900
2001	Simpson County	8,252,489	8,148,777	17,699,674	5,348,523
2001	Tishomingo County	6,365,888	6,525,218	23,458,932	431,388
2001	Warren County	18,144,580	19,714,062	44,069,787	8,550,132
2001	Winston County	6,263,869	6,554,042	39,823,394	8,612,693
2001	Yalobusha County	5,694,186	6,046,094	12,872,921	2,004,820
2002	Forrest County	30,307,140	32,124,570	87,663,956	22,190,852
2002	Hancock County	21,959,476	24,954,386	46,200,105	13,702,736
2002	Leflore County	17,484,904	19,865,030	54,057,853	17,457,994
2002	Smith County	6,535,336	6,564,016	14,778,401	2,020,706
TOTAL BY CPA FIRMS		\$ 463,033,486	506,949,776	1,477,054,262	330,291,068
Counties Audited by OSA					
2001	Alcorn County	10,896,647	12,277,199	29,239,227	8,136,353
2001	Amite County	4,787,301	4,391,932	15,019,106	1,420,536
2001	Chickasaw County	6,317,503	5,743,987	14,921,457	1,939,480
2001	Clarke County	6,662,868	7,333,528	22,723,556	5,577,888
2001	Clay County	6,970,150	8,517,708	21,550,890	3,881,573
2001	Covington County	6,918,754	5,499,619	15,770,882	105,314
2001	DeSoto County	42,147,452	54,282,447	158,255,678	84,797,402
2001	George County	7,473,984	7,198,200	21,390,548	1,875,285
2001	Greene County	5,163,570	7,013,370	11,957,213	3,723,949
2001	Hancock County	20,770,148	21,818,517	43,913,243	11,399,570
2001	Humphreys County	5,585,976	5,131,416	10,671,321	4,283,481

**County Audits Released by the Office of the State Auditor
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<u>Year</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Revenues*</u>	<u>Expenditures*</u>	<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Total Long-term Debt</u>
Counties Audited by OSA (continued)					
2001	Issaquena County	5,188,799	4,697,874	15,122,391	5,107,593
2001	Itawamba County	5,973,704	7,735,827	21,749,613	6,357,925
2001	Jefferson County	7,244,943	7,488,544	20,943,341	8,177,840
2001	Lafayette County	12,802,760	16,733,530	68,285,439	18,732,828
2001	Lawrence County	5,717,976	7,061,334	21,259,175	4,155,556
2001	Leake County	10,169,473	10,968,641	31,724,493	10,517,148
2001	Lincoln County	9,977,593	11,261,067	28,429,306	5,569,366
2001	Marion County	11,392,800	11,609,839	28,591,765	8,508,280
2001	Marshall County	13,278,013	14,798,108	38,379,060	9,888,546
2001	Montgomery County	4,879,469	5,391,445	13,026,739	1,360,062
2001	Noxubee County	5,350,615	6,247,996	13,295,965	3,347,772
2001	Perry County	7,016,694	7,636,842	21,878,624	2,714,174
2001	Smith County	5,634,910	6,055,648	14,492,856	2,055,712
2001	Stone County	7,050,090	9,383,221	20,326,316	7,168,822
2001	Sunflower County	9,128,027	10,104,753	21,534,950	6,853,021
2001	Tallahatchie County	6,748,304	8,079,186	13,905,116	2,632,842
2001	Tate County	9,243,789	9,466,606	40,254,906	10,807,526
2001	Tippah County	6,609,635	9,811,093	15,103,793	3,948,533
2001	Tunica County	48,687,097	47,392,192	83,324,629	889,665
2001	Union County	8,967,726	8,758,988	37,748,694	4,177,736
2001	Walthall County	4,921,489	5,612,329	12,104,741	1,934,309
2001	Washington County	25,785,555	31,064,052	49,768,479	12,567,828
2001	Wayne County	8,380,227	10,210,984	33,490,628	9,841,820
2001	Webster County	4,212,083	4,494,068	7,635,990	1,385,277
2001	Wilkinson County	5,341,677	5,294,789	10,878,300	1,445,722
2001	Yazoo County	10,248,952	14,028,371	40,276,557	17,850,557
2002	Copiah County	8,783,568	11,107,045	28,858,751	5,970,155
2002	Kemper County	6,277,261	5,554,153	17,140,429	1,139,479
2002	Lauderdale County	26,017,935	29,021,355	88,129,606	28,990,955
2002	Oktibbeha County	11,534,048	12,832,587	32,363,240	5,651,902
2002	Pike County	14,672,187	15,858,500	44,747,869	828,029
TOTAL BY OSA		\$ 450,931,752	504,968,890	1,300,184,882	337,717,811
COMBINED TOTAL		\$ 913,965,238	1,011,918,666	2,777,239,144	668,008,879

* Includes Governmental Funds and Expendable Trust Funds

Source - Financial and Compliance Audit Division, Office of the State Auditor (OSA)

**College Audits Released by the Office of the State Auditor
State Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003**

<u>Year</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>Current Funds</u>				<u>Plant Fund</u>	
		<u>Revenues & Other Add.</u>	<u>Expenditures & Other Deduct.</u>	<u>Tuition & Fees</u>	<u>State Appropriations</u>	<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Total Assets</u>
Colleges Audited by CPA Firms							
2001	East Central Community College	19,346,695	18,703,702	2,400,949	9,195,283	4,451,383	24,909,763
2001	Hinds Community College	81,304,649	79,522,481	13,049,222	26,545,509	21,091,381	144,441,194
2001	Itawamba Community College	31,424,895	30,212,580	3,988,782	10,730,134	10,373,341	52,360,637
2002	Northwest MS Community College	43,057,160	35,866,996	7,264,128	12,627,814	12,692,637	59,689,911
TOTAL BY CPA FIRMS		\$ 175,133,399	164,305,759	26,703,081	59,098,740	48,608,742	281,401,505
Colleges Audited by OSA							
2001	Coahoma Community College & Agr HS	17,420,807	17,085,941	1,664,068	5,072,809	3,460,517	35,504,435
2001	Holmes Community College	23,940,212	21,117,796	3,935,418	9,362,612	7,668,343	45,758,956
2001	Jones County Junior College	36,313,950	35,044,753	4,727,239	15,423,191	14,001,804	63,065,342
2001	Meridian Community College	23,220,200	22,478,413	3,455,980	8,999,311	5,879,898	29,668,938
2001	MS Delta Community College	27,530,360	27,291,729	3,160,205	8,834,282	6,449,719	36,820,038
TOTAL BY OSA		\$ 128,425,529	123,018,632	16,942,910	47,692,205	37,460,281	210,817,709
COMBINED TOTAL		\$ 303,558,928	287,324,391	43,645,991	106,790,945	86,069,023	492,219,214

**University System Audit Released by the Office of the State Auditor*
State Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003**

<u>Year</u>	<u>University System</u>	<u>Operating Revenues</u>	<u>Nonoperating Revenues</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Nonoperating Expenses</u>	<u>Other Revenues & Expenses (Net)</u>	<u>Tuition & Fees (Net)</u>	<u>State Appropriations</u>	<u>Total Net Assets</u>
University System Audited by OSA									
2002	State of Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning	\$ 1,272,540,374	595,963,706	1,827,625,657	14,307,461	95,021,169	235,364,656	561,973,960	1,909,017,383

* As a result of the new reporting model required for fiscal year 2002 by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's Statement Numbers 34 and 35, the information on the university system is not comparable to prior year information.

Source - Financial and Compliance Audit Division, Office of the State Auditor (OSA)

**School District Audits Released by the Office of the State Auditor
State Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003**

<u>Year</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Revenues*</u>	<u>Expenditures*</u>	<u>Total Assets</u>	<u>Total Long-term Debt</u>
School Districts Audited by CPA Firms					
2001	Alcorn County School District	20,941,275	23,053,130	45,335,405	8,495,530
2001	Claiborne County School District	13,375,790	14,668,804	29,718,221	6,365,120
2001	Columbia School District	10,905,336	14,566,439	36,137,557	10,872,465
2001	Copiah County School District	16,470,789	18,205,242	28,025,548	8,466,835
2001	Greenwood Public School District	21,159,054	27,471,331	38,202,930	6,598,591
2001	Grenada School District	24,242,971	24,401,076	57,052,085	11,423,625
2001	Jackson Public School District	202,611,429	222,109,852	404,662,157	104,901,642
2001	Lauderdale County School District	36,600,391	36,203,311	61,616,548	13,205,436
2001	Lee County School District	34,304,218	33,259,929	63,041,289	12,758,508
2001	Madison County School District	58,565,380	68,334,090	258,527,380	98,094,872
2001	North Panola School District	11,627,097	11,826,927	21,609,428	5,335,511
2001	Pontotoc City School District	11,955,258	12,835,152	28,752,906	7,331,599
2001	Scott County School District	19,067,681	19,132,109	28,622,284	2,827,037
2001	Simpson County School District	23,292,411	25,101,214	44,478,490	6,782,741
2001	Smith County School District	16,540,395	17,577,744	39,947,605	6,606,252
2001	South Panola School District	26,719,346	28,325,464	54,333,798	16,510,954
2001	Union Public School District	6,302,064	5,605,416	8,811,150	1,307,767
2001	West Point School District	20,441,390	20,304,459	46,659,286	14,572,008
2001	Yazoo County School District	11,248,997	11,410,278	17,960,118	1,985,096
2002	Aberdeen School District	12,740,965	12,787,297	13,084,822	2,775,074
2002	Amory School District	10,540,899	11,804,027	19,814,192	6,117,081
2002	Attala County School District	8,791,062	8,476,462	19,664,957	2,619,983
2002	Baldwyn Public School District	5,743,196	6,343,206	10,927,929	3,372,692
2002	Bay St. Louis-Waveland School District	16,560,293	15,870,137	32,580,414	10,770,322
2002	Biloxi Public School District	49,596,877	74,625,028	204,075,848	69,278,275
2002	Booneville School District	7,390,027	7,043,007	13,835,453	1,401,128
2002	Brookhaven School District	19,214,819	22,743,891	42,260,912	10,779,836
2002	Calhoun County School District	14,539,974	14,402,703	22,752,502	4,809,392
2002	Canton Public School District	20,543,750	18,175,949	52,648,071	17,627,893
2002	Clay County School District	2,473,113	2,149,409	3,174,733	125,008
2002	Cleveland School District	22,759,713	24,094,624	23,993,123	8,501,942
2002	Coahoma County School District	14,505,132	14,633,205	18,594,610	6,930,405
2002	Columbus Municipal School District	35,552,615	35,620,551	51,768,707	14,975,476
2002	Corinth School District	12,665,831	12,066,616	29,108,770	5,287,645
2002	DeSoto County School District	110,062,886	105,111,281	178,802,697	27,377,940
2002	Durant Public School District	3,214,971	3,955,567	3,894,383	1,178,374
2002	East Tallahatchie School District	10,163,658	9,374,469	6,928,083	292,779
2002	Enterprise School District	5,458,941	5,007,882	7,753,533	1,855,739
2002	Forest Municipal School District	10,142,047	9,788,176	15,018,935	4,561,399
2002	Forrest County School District	16,297,272	15,497,064	34,941,313	10,602,169
2002	Greenville Public Schools	45,533,717	46,925,034	50,983,656	15,465,746
2002	Hancock County School District	27,018,701	26,450,924	82,565,216	28,437,821
2002	Harrison County School District	73,130,065	72,426,835	138,164,346	42,847,025
2002	Hattiesburg Public School District	34,795,743	35,349,772	63,767,771	22,297,245
2002	Holly Springs School District	11,069,447	10,429,664	22,761,751	6,608,483
2002	Holmes County School District	20,822,027	20,367,397	36,162,192	10,190,145
2002	Humphrey County School District	12,236,678	11,715,864	27,016,320	5,094,376
2002	Jackson County School District	47,509,358	47,395,317	80,223,736	17,984,823
2002	Jefferson County School District	10,314,099	10,423,049	13,292,583	4,052,817
2002	Jefferson Davis County School District	14,351,858	15,316,703	30,252,472	6,319,516
2002	Jones County School District	44,385,495	47,050,569	86,760,085	23,012,332
2002	Kosciusko School District	12,986,242	11,899,924	26,681,348	6,285,954

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School Districts Audited by CPA Firms (continued)					
2002	Lafayette County School District	14,611,538	14,484,429	28,191,061	8,132,406
2002	Lamar County School District	36,691,215	36,585,735	69,374,749	17,921,554
2002	Lawrence County School District	14,787,371	14,404,108	17,849,476	1,529,653
2002	Lee County School District	36,518,366	35,279,682	62,934,158	11,881,407
2002	Leland School District	8,395,670	9,506,385	11,879,301	4,089,094
2002	Lincoln County School District	15,738,418	15,186,554	27,569,386	6,455,887
2002	Long Beach School District	19,409,145	20,160,336	27,776,347	7,465,767
2002	Louisville Municipal School District	19,154,201	19,012,512	20,686,804	1,465,063
2002	Lumberton Public School District	5,717,713	5,822,813	11,843,055	2,289,469
2002	Marion County School District	17,148,556	17,297,265	36,201,827	9,714,998
2002	Marshall County School District	16,636,205	19,449,728	42,690,881	14,265,776
2002	Meridian Separate School District	46,316,922	49,549,344	37,914,570	4,927,149
2002	Monroe County School District	15,007,165	14,304,771	25,370,092	5,295,177
2002	Montgomery County School District	6,070,014	4,950,921	6,927,594	1,252,618
2002	Mound Bayou Public Schools	5,232,341	5,562,015	5,209,502	1,195,028
2002	Natchez-Adams School District	31,514,872	34,611,962	75,339,101	15,782,215
2002	Nettleton School District	7,722,818	7,543,514	8,525,528	1,371,981
2002	New Albany Public School District	13,511,877	21,988,091	35,114,561	11,283,148
2002	Newton County School District	10,766,371	11,319,365	21,692,451	2,521,533
2002	Newton Municipal School District	7,425,013	8,333,266	14,590,909	3,306,100
2002	North Pike Consolidated School District	8,514,677	9,090,594	12,012,755	1,143,452
2002	North Tippah Consolidated School District	7,677,599	7,524,708	8,111,771	1,082,653
2002	Ocean Springs School District	31,621,336	27,824,722	60,471,187	6,942,900
2002	Pascagoula Municipal Separate School District	51,149,720	50,479,375	96,110,491	18,910,140
2002	Pass Christian Public School District	15,141,919	15,504,108	42,430,559	13,191,996
2002	Pearl Public School District	21,626,854	21,998,483	47,134,962	9,787,712
2002	Pearl River County School District	14,203,109	14,436,898	28,224,225	8,491,349
2002	Perry County School District	9,087,597	9,479,503	14,448,701	3,997,172
2002	Petal School District	21,734,375	21,226,447	32,123,906	5,954,113
2002	Picayune School District	23,676,761	23,405,626	22,683,369	5,191,763
2002	Pontotoc County School District	16,838,505	16,797,097	17,620,671	3,514,395
2002	Poplarville Spec. Mun. Sep. Sch. Dist.	13,838,363	12,533,741	21,074,652	3,889,366
2002	Quitman Consolidated School District	15,210,786	15,170,345	27,594,703	1,912,450
2002	Quitman County School District	9,651,932	9,810,951	9,532,058	2,269,613
2002	Rankin County School District	87,742,442	85,758,129	290,786,131	102,693,629
2002	Richton School District	4,639,108	4,690,109	7,792,300	1,308,992
2002	Senatobia Municipal School District	9,329,929	9,012,768	14,568,761	4,366,829
2002	South Delta School District	9,385,148	8,876,980	8,552,218	93,034
2002	South Pike School District	14,244,861	13,412,326	13,537,537	1,182,468
2002	Stone County School District	15,518,096	15,658,405	22,801,503	5,136,573
2002	Tishomingo County Spec. Mun. Sep. Sch. Dist.	19,272,109	18,528,414	34,050,876	756,494
2002	Tunica County School District	21,698,180	26,968,276	44,666,533	7,490,701
2002	Union Public School District	6,116,699	5,872,407	7,821,765	1,176,717
2002	Vicksburg-Warren School District	55,443,019	55,190,903	109,178,547	28,167,198
2002	Walthall County School District	16,757,438	16,108,630	24,921,776	6,247,905
2002	Water Valley School District	7,941,795	7,701,832	12,397,333	4,181,477
2002	Wayne County School District	22,814,072	23,546,697	33,641,369	9,273,752
2002	Webster County School District	10,597,745	10,491,420	18,791,257	3,954,382
2002	West Bolivar School District	7,428,604	8,792,290	9,684,060	2,738,153
2002	West Jasper Consolidated School District	11,158,740	11,405,943	19,805,767	5,293,137
2002	Wilkinson County School District	10,844,801	10,234,303	18,004,917	3,782,688
TOTAL BY CPA FIRMS		\$ 2,288,764,853	2,372,598,796	4,495,917,661	1,150,547,650

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School Districts Audited by OSA					
2001	Baldwyn Public School District	5,614,967	5,905,722	11,575,042	3,286,684
2001	Chickasaw County School District	3,159,326	3,163,145	4,898,953	1,139,782
2001	Clay County School District	2,281,766	2,393,772	2,973,231	60,219
2001	Forrest County Agricultural High School	3,160,325	3,056,624	6,764,343	927,771
2001	Kemper County School District	8,185,616	9,375,228	12,565,369	2,900,509
2001	Lamar County School District	34,302,687	35,758,945	74,674,174	17,891,962
2001	Leflore County School District	17,843,261	17,371,727	22,291,546	3,371,478
2001	Lincoln County School District	16,400,176	16,695,303	33,059,259	7,570,404
2001	South Pike School District	14,545,129	14,672,286	16,370,307	1,298,819
2001	Sunflower County School District	10,984,337	12,568,370	15,353,775	4,690,986
2001	West Jasper Consolidated School District	11,516,813	11,726,740	23,553,745	5,649,990
2001	Western Line School District	12,061,950	12,637,752	23,353,445	4,226,159
2002	Benton County School District	7,836,374	8,969,825	9,475,612	1,829,482
2002	Chickasaw County School District	3,539,451	3,739,073	4,594,770	1,100,400
2002	Clinton Public School District	27,015,360	27,705,361	48,055,800	9,241,796
2002	Coffeetown School District	6,032,429	5,677,032	9,599,668	2,539,724
2002	Covington County School District	19,873,533	19,875,429	25,761,328	3,650,290
2002	Drew School District	4,866,786	5,150,839	5,733,054	1,364,364
2002	Forrest County Agricultural High School	3,339,558	3,143,742	6,024,371	869,844
2002	Franklin County School District	10,999,790	11,187,900	14,569,862	1,007,683
2002	George County School District	20,792,957	20,604,446	43,592,579	11,426,202
2002	Grenada School District	24,634,382	23,930,987	54,723,121	10,706,586
2002	Hollandale School District	8,580,310	8,702,103	8,823,080	3,051,977
2002	Laurel School District	21,280,001	20,240,284	20,630,698	4,154,840
2002	McComb Separate School District	20,478,314	23,099,528	23,459,587	7,826,551
2002	Okolona Municipal Separate School District	5,731,945	5,756,641	7,719,907	2,244,286
2002	Oxford School District	20,562,113	20,737,014	50,315,098	17,945,717
2002	South Tiptah School District	14,119,313	13,900,541	17,622,694	116,146
2002	Winona Public School District	9,021,204	9,184,013	10,684,930	2,036,088
2002	Yazoo County School District	13,365,059	13,660,497	34,285,061	9,995,060
TOTAL BY OSA		\$ <u>382,125,232</u>	<u>390,590,869</u>	<u>643,104,409</u>	<u>144,121,799</u>
COMBINED TOTAL		\$ <u>2,670,890,085</u>	<u>2,763,189,665</u>	<u>5,139,022,070</u>	<u>1,294,669,449</u>

* Includes Governmental Funds and Expendable Trust Funds

Source - Financial and Compliance Audit Division, Office of the State Auditor (OSA)