

SURVEY OF NATIVE NATIONS

USET AND CICD PARTNERSHIP

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What is the Survey of Native Nations?

The survey focuses on financial administrative data that includes revenues collected and expenditures spent by tribal governments as well as a few additional non-financial questions. Below are general data collection categories:

Revenues	Expenditures	Non-Financial
Total Revenues	Administration (financial/central)	Enrollment
Revenues received through:	Transportation	Tribal government employment #
• Tribal enterprise distributions	Healthcare	Tribal government address
• Taxes	Payroll	Fiscal year dates
• License, rent & lease fees	Natural resources	Confidentiality agreement
• Royalties	Cultural programming	Survey respondent contact info
• Transfers from other gov'ts	Education	
Other	Public works	

**Each category can be compared to other governments' data collected through the Census of Government and the Annual Survey of State Government Finances*

What are we trying to accomplish through the Survey of Native Nations?

- Address the **economic invisibility** of Native nations and Native communities through data-informed analyses.
- Model the **power of partnerships**, trust building and tribal data sovereignty through a multi-stakeholder data initiative
- Provide the data analysis for Native nations, USET and CICD to articulate an accurate narrative of the individual and collective **economic contributions of tribes**
- Understand **how policies and practices have influenced** how and to what degree tribes raise revenues
- Demonstrate the **comprehensive delivery of tribal government services and employment** to citizens and their local communities

*But there are endless possibilities of how the survey can be a resource for advancing important policies and decisions affecting Indian Country

Why is CICD well positioned to offer the Survey of Native Nations?

- **Independent:** The Federal Reserve is an independent, non-partisan and respected institution that conducts objective research.
- **Data Stewards:** The Federal Reserve has a long history of collecting, analyzing and safeguarding sensitive and confidential data.
- **Commitment:** The Minneapolis Fed is committed to pursuing a strong and inclusive economy that works for all, including Indian Country.
- **Capacity:** CICD's recent expansion brought in technical and Indian Country specific expertise to help close data gaps including launching the Survey of Native Nations
- **Invested:** Through its Research and Data Use Principles, CICD is invested in honoring tribal data sovereignty

How is tribal data protected?

- As an **independent institution** within the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis has a long history of secure data collection and handling
- In addition to adhering to Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis **policies governing data privacy and security**, CICD and our partners follow **Principles of Research and Data Use** that were co-created with tribes to **ensure respect for tribal data sovereignty** and governance in our research and data collection.
- **CICD will not release to the public any confidential information** that is individually identifiable to a specific survey respondent.
- CICD considers confidential information to include all data submitted by a survey respondent that the **respondent keeps private or closely held** and that is not available to the public.
- **CICD analysis** of aggregated respondent data may be made available to the public

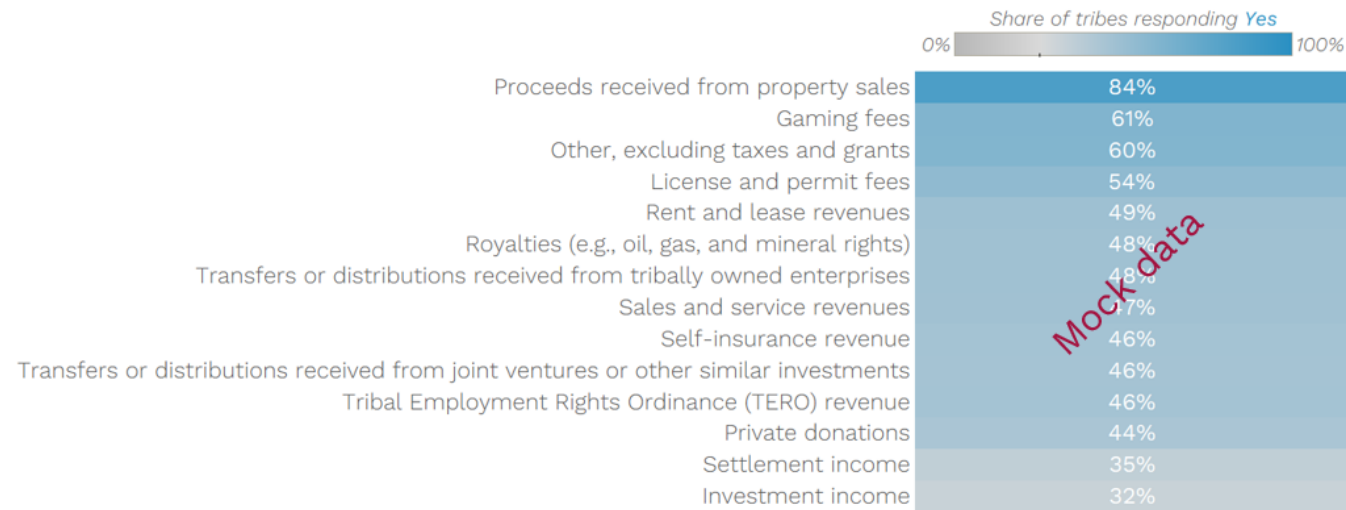
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DIVERSITY OF REVENUE STREAMS VARIES ACROSS TRIBES

Did your tribal government collect revenue, other than tax and intergovernmental revenues, in each of the following categories?



Source: Survey of Native Nations (2019 data)

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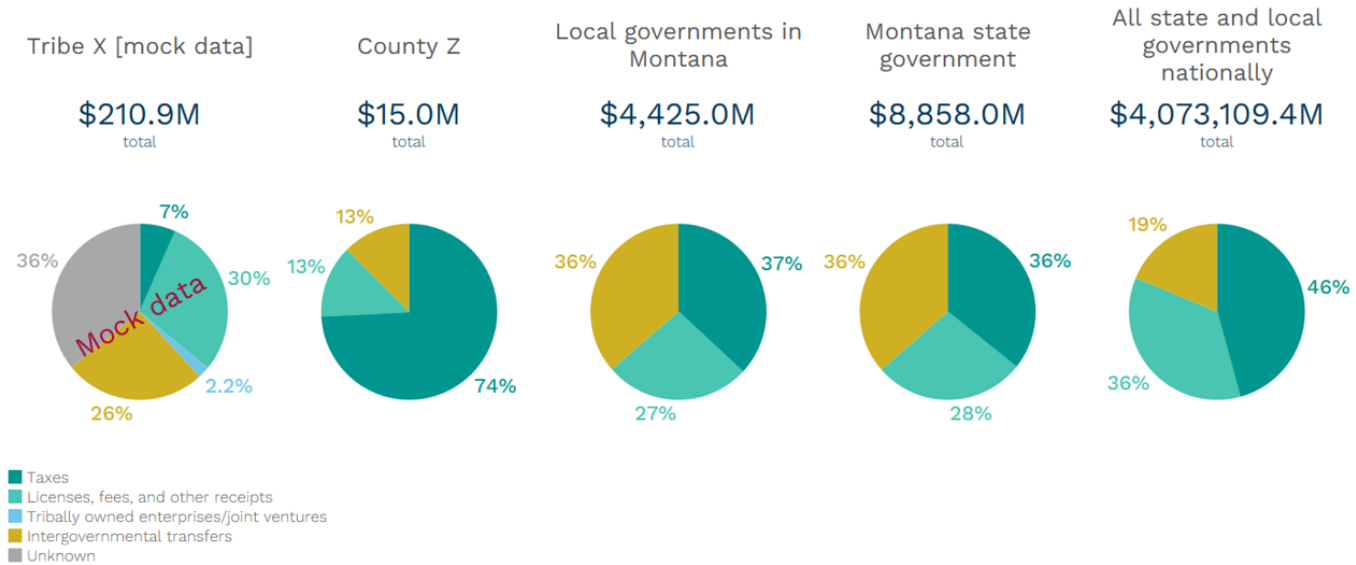
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 - Comparative analysis of revenue & expense data from other tribal government SNN respondents (in aggregate and anonymized)
 - State and select local jurisdiction data and comparative analysis as available from Census
 - Customized proprietary slide deck with data & infographics
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COMPARING REVENUES BY MAJOR SOURCE CATEGORY



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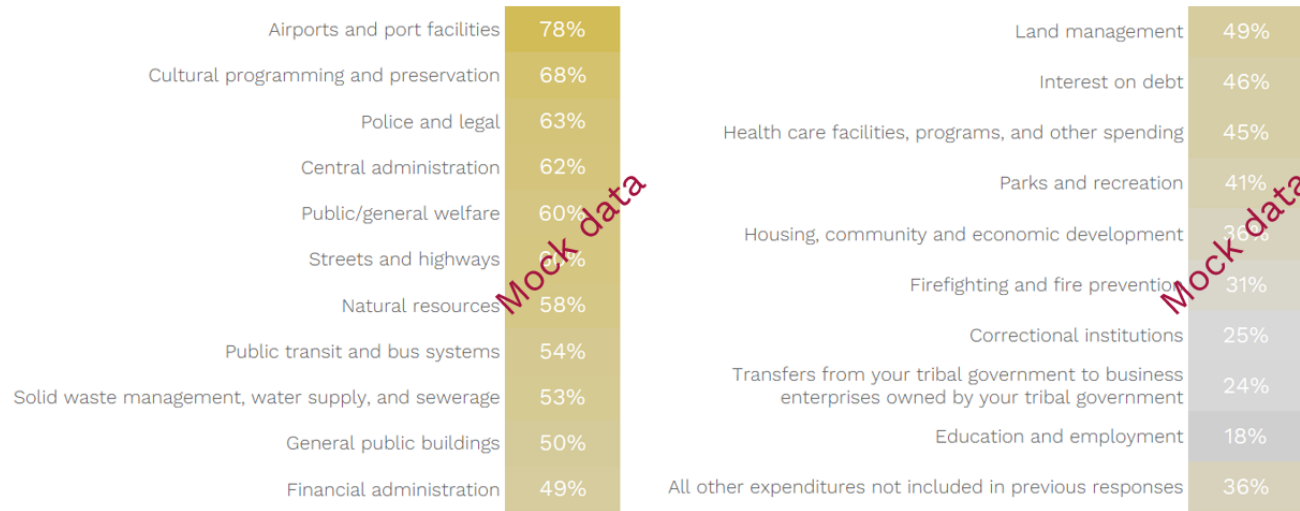
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TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS MANAGE A WIDE RANGE OF SERVICES

Did your tribal government incur expenditures in each of the following categories?



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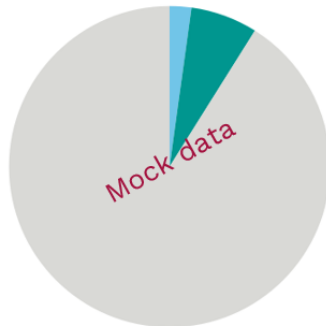
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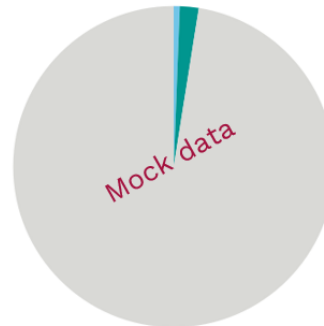
REVENUES FROM TRIBAL BUSINESSES VARY

Tribe X [mock data]



\$8.9M (2.2%) from tribally owned enterprises
\$3.9M (6.7%) from taxes
\$198.2M (91.1%) from all other sources
\$210.9M total

All responding Montana tribes, summed [mock data]



\$8.3M (0.6%) from tribally owned enterprises
\$3.0M (1.9%) from taxes
\$117.0M (97.5%) from all other sources
\$128.3M total

Note: "Tribally owned enterprises" total includes revenues from enterprises wholly or majority-owned by the tribal government as well as joint ventures (i.e., enterprises minority-owned)
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SNN Benefits for USET SPF Mission

- Final report containing:
 - Comparative data analysis (in aggregate, anonymized) of participating USET tribes and state/local jurisdictions
 - Comparative data analysis (in aggregate, anonymized) among USET member tribes
- Customized slide deck with data, infographics and charts
- In-person presentation of findings to USET board and tribes at the conclusion of this phase of survey



SNN Project Timeline

Spring 2024

- Collaborate with USET to recruit member tribes to participate in the survey
- Hold information sessions and conduct outreach to tribal government stakeholders
- Begin to onboard 'early adopters' into the survey

Summer 2024

- Host onboarding virtual event with participating partner tribes
- Work with tribal govt personnel to onboard into security protocols & prepare for survey responses
- Continue tribal government outreach & recruitment efforts

August 2024

- Survey launches
- Provide ongoing technical assistance and support for completing the survey
- Last call for survey participation

Fall 2024

- Close survey in early fall
- Potentially share initial aggregated USET data for fall meeting (TBD)
- Conduct analysis and prepare final reports

Winter 2024

- Finish final reports and share back with tribal government partners
- Complete and deliver USET organizational final report
- Conduct feedback gathering with survey participants

Opportunity of SNN and Next Steps



- New model for data partnerships in Indian Country
 - Data sovereignty protections
 - Cooperation for mutual benefit
 - No financial cost to tribes
- Outreach & Engagement
 - Contact information
 - Working with USET
 - Partnering with and supporting participating tribes
 - Supporting tribal survey respondents



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