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County	Property Tax Revenue (as % of County total revenue)		Median property overvaluation (as % of individual property value)	Total overvaluation	
Marin County, CA	29.5%	3.5%	3.9%	\$	2,257,165,696
Mineral County, CO	44.3%	3.4%	3.3%	\$	643,097
Middlesex County, CT	50.7%	2.1%	0.3%	\$	213,537,962
New Haven County, CT	47.2%	1.4%	0.9%	\$	501,895,388
Manatee County, FL	27.8%	5.7%	0.9%	\$	2,003,588,396
Miami-Dade County, FL	30.1%	2.8%	0.1%	\$	3,873,492,541
Palm Beach County, FL	30.7%	2.9%	0.6%	\$	3,969,325,179
Blaine County, ID	27.6%	1.8%	0.8%	\$	521,477,156
Camas County, ID	33.6%	3.3%	0.8%	\$	3,052,857
Custer County, ID	30.1%	6.4%	3.4%	\$	28,367,576
Kootenai County, ID	28.8%	1.7%	1.4%	\$	327,081,578
Lemhi County, ID	30.2%	5.3%	3.0%	\$	35,936,101
Nez Perce County, ID	35.5%	1.4%	10.0%	\$	26,695,764
Oneida County, ID	36.4%	1.4%	0.5%	\$	2,552,347
Owyhee County, ID	25.7%	5.9%	6.5%	\$	28,312,756
Valley County, ID	40.1%	1.4%	1.4%	\$	66,458,389
Elkhart County, IN	44.6%	1.5%	1.0%	\$	103,816,030
White County, IN	28.4%	13.7%	43.5%	\$	187,957,417
Winneshiek County, IA	35.5%	1.6%	4.7%	\$	14,982,202
Wichita County, KS	27.2%	1.4%	0.5%	\$	100,002
Martin County, KY	28.4%	35.9%	59.3%	\$	38,101,700
Knox County, ME	54.0%	1.8%	3.4%	\$	20,652,937
Penobscot County, ME	42.5%	3.8%	9.6%	\$	42,452,962
Sagadahoc County, ME	85.2%	1.5%	1.0%	\$	34,983,511
York County, ME	54.6%	2.7%	1.9%	\$	409,920,431
Dorchester County, MD	34.1%	2.0%	0.7%	\$	43,962,529
Somerset County, MD	43.2%	2.8%	0.8%	\$	22,367,071
Worcester County, MD	32.5%	2.7%	0.3%	\$	165,968,497
Berkshire County, MA	43.5%	1.4%	2.4%	\$	176,797,478
Franklin County, MA	46.6%	1.7%	2.5%	\$	82,240,761
Gladwin County, MI	32.6%	3.0%	2.8%	\$	47,087,392
Leelanau County, MI	26.3%	2.2%	4.7%	\$	115,639,143

Midland County, MI	36.6%	1.8%	0.7%	\$ 117,256,631
Newaygo County, MI	34.8%	2.5%	2.9%	\$ 57,782,545
Crow Wing County, MN	34.3%	1.7%	6.3%	\$ 21,945
Goodhue County, MN	38.9%	1.4%	3.4%	\$ 37,893,689
Cascade County, MT	26.1%	2.8%	3.6%	\$ 84,839,580
Deer Lodge County, MT	47.2%	3.0%	0.9%	\$ 12,864,176
Fergus County, MT	30.5%	2.1%	2.1%	\$ 11,837,380
Flathead County, MT	26.3%	1.9%	0.9%	\$ 144,319,735
Judith Basin County, MT	26.5%	6.7%	9.3%	\$ 2,692,595
Mineral County, MT	27.7%	26.2%	76.6%	\$ 48,282,912
Missoula County, MT	32.0%	2.6%	1.8%	\$ 191,450,421
Stillwater County, MT	42.0%	8.7%	8.1%	\$ 52,770,831
Belknap County, NH	66.6%	1.8%	3.8%	\$ 139,216,612
Cheshire County, NH	48.7%	1.7%	4.5%	\$ 48,040,250
Coos County, NH	30.3%	3.7%	5.0%	\$ 24,163,820
Grafton County, NH	54.0%	5.1%	31.7%	\$ 55,774,842
Merrimack County, NH	54.7%	1.6%	3.9%	\$ 89,542,180
Sullivan County, NH	56.0%	2.6%	4.8%	\$ 44,026,495
Cape May County, NJ	59.8%	1.5%	0.0%	\$ 535,930,880
Ocean County, NJ	44.2%	4.8%	2.6%	\$ 5,014,317,558
Warren County, NJ	70.8%	1.7%	4.1%	\$ 148,827,638
Chemung County, NY	33.8%	3.1%	1.1%	\$ 41,876,233
Columbia County, NY	35.5%	1.7%	2.9%	\$ 45,331,453
Cortland County, NY	30.6%	3.5%	2.5%	\$ 50,372,257
Delaware County, NY	33.7%	4.6%	12.0%	\$ 103,357,815
Franklin County, NY	35.9%	1.9%	4.4%	\$ 22,856,859
Greene County, NY	43.2%	1.6%	4.4%	\$ 74,053,629
Hamilton County, NY	47.3%	5.8%	9.1%	\$ 36,585,067
Herkimer County, NY	35.1%	2.7%	4.0%	\$ 55,793,935
Lewis County, NY	32.6%	2.4%	4.0%	\$ 14,359,914
Livingston County, NY	35.2%	2.1%	2.3%	\$ 50,353,164
Orange County, NY	38.7%	1.4%	8.2%	\$ 24,975,286
Rensselaer County, NY	26.0%	1.4%	3.4%	\$ 85,395,093
St. Lawrence County, NY	30.8%	3.3%	5.8%	\$ 73,600,960
Steuben County, NY	26.4%	4.2%	3.4%	\$ 127,368,296
Sullivan County, NY	32.1%	2.8%	10.3%	\$ 85,148,017
Tioga County, NY	34.0%	2.7%	2.1%	\$ 45,915,690
Tompkins County, NY	28.4%	2.2%	7.1%	\$ 73,960,085
Warren County, NY	29.9%	2.4%	2.8%	\$ 137,425,019
Washington County, NY	55.5%	2.4%	7.0%	\$ 57,169,553
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Wyoming County, NY	26.6%	2.0%	2.9%	\$ 21,245,910
Ashe County, NC	26.6%	11.3%	48.4%	\$ 272,546,410
Avery County, NC	29.7%	4.0%	36.2%	\$ 79,944,814
Buncombe County, NC	27.3%	1.4%	5.4%	\$ 299,118,328
Carteret County, NC	34.2%	6.9%	2.3%	\$ 732,300,937
Clay County, NC	47.7%	6.0%	27.4%	\$ 73,820,555
Craven County, NC	28.6%	2.5%	1.0%	\$ 146,959,310
Henderson County, NC	29.6%	1.7%	8.5%	\$ 159,801,458
Jackson County, NC	48.2%	6.7%	56.2%	\$ 393,515,170
Macon County, NC	42.5%	6.7%	40.8%	\$ 384,483,909
Montgomery County, NC	29.2%	1.5%	2.5%	\$ 22,596,130
Onslow County, NC	26.3%	3.2%	2.3%	\$ 248,032,155
Transylvania County, NC	28.0%	3.7%	17.7%	\$ 108,216,509
Watauga County, NC	29.6%	5.5%	42.2%	\$ 378,512,622
Vinton County, OH	33.9%	1.6%	8.1%	\$ 8,603,037
Coos County, OR	30.0%	1.5%	2.1%	\$ 79,409,875
Curry County, OR	28.9%	2.5%	12.0%	\$ 71,888,921
Douglas County, OR	34.8%	7.3%	8.0%	\$ 476,465,129
Josephine County, OR	35.6%	5.6%	5.7%	\$ 430,485,281
Union County, OR	27.8%	1.9%	0.9%	\$ 14,760,203
Bedford County, PA	31.1%	5.3%	15.4%	\$ 105,023,046
Cameron County, PA	31.6%	5.1%	1.6%	\$ 1,785,706
Potter County, PA	30.8%	4.6%	4.8%	\$ 21,311,647
Sullivan County, PA	30.5%	1.5%	10.0%	\$ 8,647,309
Washington County, PA	28.1%	2.3%	24.3%	\$ 290,402,040
Wayne County, PA	52.6%	2.0%	9.0%	\$ 86,488,114
Wyoming County, PA	35.2%	1.7%	0.6%	\$ 25,284,872
Beaufort County, SC	33.0%	11.9%	0.6%	\$ 2,900,422,069
Jones County, SD	60.1%	1.5%	8.4%	\$ 292,827
Hardin County, TN	46.9%	2.4%	5.7%	\$ 30,724,513
Unicoi County, TN	37.0%	2.8%	4.0%	\$ 21,265,755
Blanco County, TX	41.5%	2.3%	11.6%	\$ 16,901,316
Bosque County, TX	30.4%	1.5%	9.5%	\$ 3,925,633
Brazoria County, TX	28.2%	2.5%	2.4%	\$ 380,648,508
Calhoun County, TX	32.2%	16.6%	4.9%	\$ 88,485,958
Galveston County, TX	25.8%	4.6%	2.5%	\$ 994,992,690
Jones County, TX	32.6%	1.6%	2.1%	\$ 1,012,603
Knox County, TX	48.7%	4.7%	15.7%	\$ 1,533,371
Live Oak County, TX	39.8%	2.1%	1.4%	\$ 4,929,442
Llano County, TX	52.3%	40.6%	100.0%	\$ 227,195,139
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Palo Pinto County, TX	30.9%	3.5%	8.3%	\$ 20,339,255
Real County, TX	50.3%	6.0%	10.4%	\$ 6,053,184
Runnels County, TX	36.9%	1.5%	0.4%	\$ 342,734
San Patricio County, TX	25.9%	2.0%	0.9%	\$ 18,492,118
Shackelford County, TX	55.8%	1.5%	8.2%	\$ 1,670,326
Sutton County, TX	55.8%	1.8%	3.1%	\$ 2,253,440
Willacy County, TX	30.2%	1.4%	0.3%	\$ 3,735,860
Addison County, VT	58.4%	2.1%	9.7%	\$ 29,046,110
Bennington County, VT	78.3%	3.2%	3.9%	\$ 48,357,810
Lamoille County, VT	44.6%	1.6%	8.7%	\$ 38,418,164
Orange County, VT	82.3%	4.4%	20.4%	\$ 69,708,965
Orleans County, VT	35.2%	2.5%	10.2%	\$ 21,337,593
Rutland County, VT	56.4%	2.1%	2.9%	\$ 76,522,066
Washington County, VT	48.2%	3.7%	9.6%	\$ 80,180,612
Windham County, VT	46.6%	3.3%	12.8%	\$ 126,429,223
Buchanan County, VA	30.6%	35.1%	95.6%	\$ 72,071,672
Covington city, VA	28.2%	3.3%	3.6%	\$ 3,994,623
Poquoson city, VA	42.5%	2.1%	0.1%	\$ 27,329,122
Crawford County, WI	33.6%	4.0%	2.6%	\$ 12,635,895
Dunn County, WI	32.1%	2.4%	3.5%	\$ 48,528,062
Iowa County, WI	39.3%	1.5%	2.0%	\$ 22,095,201
La Crosse County, WI	39.0%	1.4%	0.8%	\$ 83,551,594
Marinette County, WI	27.1%	2.1%	1.6%	\$ 54,491,886
Price County, WI	29.8%	1.4%	2.7%	\$ 10,392,522
Rusk County, WI	26.5%	6.4%	11.5%	\$ 47,723,746



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Fig. S17 | Property overvaluation in dollar terms ranked by state. The color of the bars indicates the discount rate applied in the net present value calculation.