

**County Response to LD Spending Limitations
(accounting for legislative and county-based exemptions)**

County	FY 2005 Assessment	Growth Factor ³	FY 2006 Limit	FY 2006 Assessment	Over Limit	Under Limit
Androscoggin	6,628,952	6.30	7,046,576	6,740,117		306,459
Aroostook	4,202,416	4.43	4,388,583	4,286,616	-	101,967
Cumberland ⁴	18,909,631	5.20	19,892,932	19,312,646	-	580,286
Franklin	3,430,618	6.13	3,640,915	3,603,118	-	37,797
Hancock	4,939,580	4.50	5,161,861	4,971,553	-	190,308
Kennebec	7,686,384	6.10	8,155,253	8,137,949	-	17,304
Knox	5,371,179	5.85	5,685,393	5,656,318	-	29,075
Lincoln ¹	5,597,168	4.99	5,876,466	5,640,460	-	236,006
Oxford ²	3,430,210	9.45	3,754,365	3,785,060	30,695	-
Penobscot	9,016,581	5.84	9,543,149	9,479,531	-	63,618
Piscataquis	2,943,071	4.27	3,068,740	3,048,359	-	20,381
Sagadahoc ¹	4,498,954	6.60	4,795,885	4,795,819	-	66
Somerset	5,514,890	4.58	5,767,472	5,537,505		229,967
Waldo ⁵	5,457,306	4.83	5,720,894	5,720,804	-	90
Washington	4,256,761	4.39	4,443,633	4,157,367	-	286,266
York	12,520,866	2.62	12,848,913	12,848,913	-	-
Total	104,404,566	5.16	109,791,030	107,722,135	30,695	2,099,590
% Increase FY 05-06	3.18					

¹ Legislature granted an exemption from the LD 1 (PL 2005, c. 348) cap for jail costs .

² Voted to increase cap to fund the salaries and benefits of three road deputies. Although in early December, Oxford County reported a growth factor of 6.96, it revised that number to 9.45% when MMA called all counties to confirm the growth rates. Using the growth factors provided by the 6 fiscal year communities that participated in the LD 1 survey, MMA calculates that the property growth factor for this subset of Oxford County communities is 3.32.

³ Total Growth Factor, at the bottom of this column, is calculated as the percentage difference between FY 05 assessment and FY 06 limit.

⁴ According to Victor Labrecque, Cumberland County finance director, the County does have a true growth factor because the municipalities have not returned their surveys. Labrecque also stated that the County Manager, Peter Crichton, was not going to bother with it since the budget growth was only 2.13%.

⁵ Preliminary Waldo County figures.

FY 06 Allowable Growth	5,386,463
FY 06 Actual Growth	3,317,569
Difference	2,068,895
% Deviation from Total Allowance	(38)