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33 STATES RECEIVE RECORD \$1 BILLION IN 2001

AS SHARE OF MINERAL REVENUES LOCATED ON FEDERAL LANDS

The Minerals Management Service distributed a record \$1,064,332,777 to 33 states as their 2001 share of revenues from mineral leases. The money represents the states' share of collected bonuses, rents and royalties on federal public lands located within their borders and adjacent to their shores.

A state is entitled to a share of the mineral revenues collected from federal lands located within that state's boundaries. For the majority of federal lands, states and the federal government share the revenues: 50 percent to the state, 40 percent to the Reclamation Fund for water projects, and 10 percent to the General Fund of the U.S. Treasury. One exception, Alaska, gets a 90-percent share, as prescribed by the Alaska Statehood Act.

Certain coastal states with federal offshore 8(g) tracts adjacent to their seaward boundaries receive 27 percent of those mineral royalties as well. The remaining 73 percent, as well as revenues from other offshore leases, go to the General Fund, the Historic Preservation Fund and the Land and Water Conservation Fund of the U.S. Treasury.

Annual distributions vary according to production and market prices. \$800 million was distributed in 2000, \$541 million in 1999 and \$559 million in 1998.

The 2001 distribution to 33 states was:

Alabama \$17,684,729.11	Louisiana \$31,149,291.23	Ohio \$220,029.26
Alaska \$6,696,967.03	Michigan \$472,993.79	Oklahoma \$2,697,696.27
Arizona \$96,786.58	Minnesota \$12,820.62	Oregon \$27,758.50
Arkansas \$1,778,270.75	Mississippi \$1,423,557.22	Pennsylvania \$24,884.77
California \$27,961,529.91	Missouri \$599,411.75	South Dakota \$517,035.47
Colorado \$64,006,287.64	Montana \$31,217,392.55	Texas \$16,877,810.90
Florida \$1,604.58	Nebraska \$12,878.84	Utah \$47,505,917.91
Idaho \$4,325,993.32	Nevada \$3,400,515.18	Virginia \$140,875.98
Illinois \$105,378.08	New Mexico \$364,834,301.46	Washington \$2,253,501.50
Kansas \$2,176,334.63	North Carolina \$118.52	West Virginia \$290,352.84

Kentucky \$78,287.19

North Dakota \$6,176,620.60

Wyoming \$429,564,843.06

2001 total \$1,064,332,777.00

In 2000, 35 states received \$800,315,424.86.

Alabama \$14,935,610.13

Louisiana \$19,002,684.40

Oklahoma \$2,524,092.05

Alaska \$5,407,073.73

Michigan \$479,530.02

Oregon \$45,109.07

Arizona \$62,836.48

Minnesota \$12,536.11

Pennsylvania \$20,191.04

Arkansas \$1,430,018.03

Mississippi \$1,162,688.16

South Dakota \$536,605.57

California \$24,882,585.36

Missouri \$877,602.56

Tennessee \$6,582.31

Colorado \$47,123,514.85

Montana \$21,965,850.59

Texas \$16,867,520.93

Florida \$7,972.01

Nebraska \$15,139.06

Utah \$37,184,986.28

Georgia \$54.51

Nevada \$2,905,398.33

Virginia \$155,757.47

Idaho \$2,188,283.72

New Mexico \$258,585,797.99

Washington \$1,677,029.22

Illinois \$139,593.58

North Carolina \$118.51

West Virginia \$259,214.44

Kansas \$1,474,974.03

North Dakota \$4,639,925.36

Wyoming \$333,553,356.79

Kentucky \$47,470.66 Ohio

2000 total \$800,315,424.86

\$137,721.51

Through its Minerals Revenue Management, MMS is responsible for collecting, accounting for, auditing and disbursing revenues associated with mineral leases on federal onshore and offshore lands. It has similar responsibilities for mineral leases on Indian lands.

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