

STATE OF INDIANA

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE



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TO: Brown County Auditor

FROM: Department of Local Government Finance

RE: 2026 Certified Budget Order

DATE: Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Enclosed is the certified 2026 Budget order for your county. Please make one copy of all rates, levies, and budgets for retention in county auditor's office.

The following events occurred that led to the issuance of this order:

- County assessor delivered the ratio study to the DLGF on 02/20/25 (Due 03/03/25).
- Ratio study was approved by the DLGF on 03/04/25.
- County auditor certified net assessed values to the DLGF on 10/08/25 (Due 08/01/25).
- DLGF certified the Budget Order on 01/14/2026 (Due 01/15/26).

Because at least one taxing unit in this county issued debt after December 1 or intended to file a shortfall appeal, pursuant to IC 6-1.11-17-16(k), the budget order deadline for this county is January 15, 2026.

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-22-4, immediately upon the receipt of the tax duplicate, the county auditor shall give notice of the rate of tax per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation to be collected in the county for each purpose and the total of the rates in each taxing district. This notice shall be published three (3) times with each publication one (1) week apart. The notice shall be printed in two (2) newspapers which represent different political parties and which are published in the county. However, if two (2) newspapers which represent different political parties are not published in the county, the notice shall be printed in one (1) newspaper.

**STATE OF INDIANA
DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE**

ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUDGET
AND TAX RATES FOR 2025 PAYABLE 2026 FOR
BROWN COUNTY

THIS DEPARTMENT NOW ORDERS the attached budgets and rates for the various taxing units in the abovementioned county shall be the budgets and rates for the year 2026. The county auditor is directed to prepare the tax duplicate in accordance with this order. Each of the several legislative bodies and the administrative officers of each of the municipal corporations are directed to allocate the funds to be derived in such a manner that the expenditures for the ensuing year shall not exceed the amount to be derived from the attached rates and no expenditures shall exceed the maximum included in the separate and several budget classifications. Nor may alterations be made in any budget or any separate budget classifications, other than specified in this order, except as provided for in IC 6-1.1-18-5.

The county auditor is directed to make this Order a part of the permanent record to be used in the preparation of the tax duplicate.

Dated this January 14, 2026

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE


Jason Cockerill, Commissioner

**STATE OF INDIANA
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**2026 TAX RATES
(Per Taxing District)**

**Year : 2026
County: 07 Brown**

		<i>FOR COMPARISON ONLY</i>	
	<u>Taxing District</u>	<u>2026 District Rate</u>	<u>2025 District Rate</u>
001	HAMBLEN/CONSERV	0.9284	0.8814
002	JACKSON	0.9357	0.8894
003	VAN BUREN	0.9398	0.8924
004	WASHINGTON	0.9320	0.8851
005	NASHVILLE	1.2284	1.2002
006	HAMBLEN	0.9405	0.8932
007	NON BILLABLE		0.0000
999	REMOVED DISTRICT		0.0000

NOTE: If applicable, conservancy district special assessment rates are not included in the above taxing district rates.

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County: 07 Brown
Unit: 0000 BROWN COUNTY

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0101	GENERAL	\$9,856,663	\$2,232,075,872	\$2,977,589	\$0.1334
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced to remain within statutory levy limitation.					
0124	2015 REASSESSMENT	\$111,900	\$2,232,075,872	\$104,908	\$0.0047
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
0181	DEBT PAYMENT	\$1,089,575	\$2,232,075,872	\$1,006,666	\$0.0451
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
0702	HIGHWAY	\$3,570,228	\$2,232,075,872	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0706	LOCAL ROAD & STREET	\$422,487	\$2,232,075,872	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0790	CUMULATIVE BRIDGE	\$1,120,594	\$2,232,075,872	\$549,091	\$0.0246
Department of Local Government Finance approval not required.					
Cumulative fund rate cannot be increased over previous years rate until the fund is re-established.					
0801	HEALTH	\$665,016	\$2,232,075,872	\$468,736	\$0.0210
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1185	JAIL LEASE RENTAL	\$569,000	\$2,232,075,872	\$531,234	\$0.0238
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					

2391	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	\$596,692	\$2,232,075,872	\$743,281	\$0.0333
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Budget approved for displayed amount.

Cumulative fund rate cannot be increased over previous years rate until the fund is re-established.

Unit Total:		\$18,002,155	\$6,381,505	\$0.2859
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County: 07 Brown
Unit: 0001 HAMBLETON TOWNSHIP

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0101	GENERAL	\$98,550	\$857,413,762	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0840	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$24,000	\$857,413,762	\$25,722	\$0.0030
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced to remain within statutory levy limitation.					
1111	TOWNSHIP FIRE AND E.M.S.	\$34,500	\$527,646,254	\$16,357	\$0.0031
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced to remain within statutory levy limitation.					
1190	CUMULATIVE FIRE (Township)	\$100,000	\$527,646,254	\$150,379	\$0.0285
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Cumulative fund rate cannot be increased over previous years rate until the fund is re-established.					
Unit Total:		\$257,050		\$192,458	\$0.0346

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County: 07 Brown
Unit: 0002 JACKSON TOWNSHIP

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0061	RAINY DAY	\$10,000	\$506,133,768	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0101	GENERAL	\$149,098	\$506,133,768	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0840	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$25,103	\$506,133,768	\$24,294	\$0.0048
Budget has been decreased because projected revenues are insufficient to fund the adopted budget.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1111	TOWNSHIP FIRE AND E.M.S.	\$37,809	\$506,133,768	\$25,307	\$0.0050
Budget has been decreased because projected revenues are insufficient to fund the adopted budget.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1190	CUMULATIVE FIRE (Township)	\$100,000	\$506,133,768	\$162,469	\$0.0321
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate Approved.					

Unit Total:		\$322,010		\$212,070	\$0.0419

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County: 07 Brown
Unit: 0003 VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0101	GENERAL	\$60,350	\$231,394,902	\$4,628	\$0.0020
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
0840	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$15,000	\$231,394,902	\$17,817	\$0.0077
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1111	TOWNSHIP FIRE AND E.M.S.	\$31,500	\$231,394,902	\$6,942	\$0.0030
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1190	CUMULATIVE FIRE (Township)	\$70,000	\$231,394,902	\$77,055	\$0.0333
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate Approved.					
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Unit Total:		\$176,850		\$106,442	\$0.0460
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County: 07 Brown
Unit: 0004 WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-17-16(c), this unit qualified for a shortened review by the Department.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0061	RAINY DAY	\$0	\$637,133,440	\$0	\$0.0000
0101	GENERAL	\$58,852	\$637,133,440	\$6,371	\$0.0010
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
0840	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$31,500	\$637,133,440	\$29,945	\$0.0047
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1111	TOWNSHIP FIRE AND E.M.S.	\$80,000	\$453,592,953	\$12,247	\$0.0027
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
1190	CUMULATIVE FIRE (Township)	\$0	\$453,592,953	\$135,171	\$0.0298
Rate Approved.					

Unit Total:		\$170,352		\$183,734	\$0.0382

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County: 07 Brown
Unit: 0542 NASHVILLE CIVIL TOWN

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0101	GENERAL	\$942,356	\$183,540,487	\$379,011	\$0.2065
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
0708	MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY	\$214,744	\$183,540,487	\$139,858	\$0.0762
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
2379	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMP (CIG TAX)	\$3,000	\$183,540,487	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
2391	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	\$90,000	\$183,540,487	\$84,796	\$0.0462
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate Approved.					
Unit Total:		\$1,250,100		\$603,665	\$0.3289

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County: 07 Brown

Unit: 0670 BROWN COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0022	REFERENDUM FUND - EXEMPT OPERATING - POST 2009	\$2,000,000	\$2,243,522,139	\$2,243,522	\$0.1000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate Approved.					
0061	RAINY DAY	\$1,000,000	\$2,232,075,872	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0180	DEBT SERVICE	\$4,722,100	\$2,232,075,872	\$4,439,599	\$0.1989
Budget has been reduced and approved for the displayed amt.					
Rate reduced per unit request.					
3101	EDUCATION	\$15,000,000	\$2,232,075,872	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
3300	OPERATIONS	\$8,000,000	\$2,232,075,872	\$6,245,348	\$0.2798
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced to remain within statutory levy limitation.					
Unit Total:		\$30,722,100		\$12,928,469	\$0.5787

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County: 07 Brown

Unit: 0017 BROWN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-17-16(c), this unit qualified for a shortened review by the Department.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0061	RAINY DAY	\$39,500	\$2,232,075,872	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
0101	GENERAL	\$766,473	\$2,232,075,872	\$303,562	\$0.0136
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
2011	LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT RESERVE	\$250,706	\$2,232,075,872	\$0	\$0.0000
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Unit Total:		\$1,056,679		\$303,562	\$0.0136

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County: 07 Brown

Unit: 0960 HAMBLLEN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DIST

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-17-16(c), this unit qualified for a shortened review by the Department.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	\$111,700	\$329,767,508	\$43,200	\$0.0131

Budget approved for displayed amount.

Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.

8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	\$100,000	\$329,767,508	\$100,909	\$0.0306
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Budget approved for displayed amount.

Rate Approved.

Unit Total:		\$211,700		\$144,109	\$0.0437
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County: 07 Brown

Unit: 1041 BROWN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
8210	SPECIAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$622,013	\$2,232,075,872	\$348,204	\$0.0156
Budget approved for displayed amount.					
Rate reduced to remain within statutory levy limitation.					
Unit Total:		\$622,013		\$348,204	\$0.0156

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Unit: 0051 CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-17-16(c), this unit qualified for a shortened review by the Department.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0061	RAINY DAY	\$0	\$661,736,800	\$0	\$0.0000
0101	GENERAL	\$2,684,325	\$661,736,800	\$1,199,729	\$0.1813

Budget approved for displayed amount.

Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.

Unit Total:		\$2,684,325		\$1,199,729	\$0.1813
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County: 07 Brown

Unit: 0055 LAKE LEMON CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Certified Budget</u>	<u>Certified AV</u>	<u>Certified Levy</u>	<u>Certified Rate</u>
0101	GENERAL	\$0	\$63,125,100	\$237,350	\$0.3760
Rate reduced due to increased assessed valuation.					
2393	CUMULATIVE CONSERVANCY IMPROVEMENT	\$0	\$63,125,100	\$20,831	\$0.0330
Rate Approved.					
Unit Total:		\$0		\$258,181	\$0.4090

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