

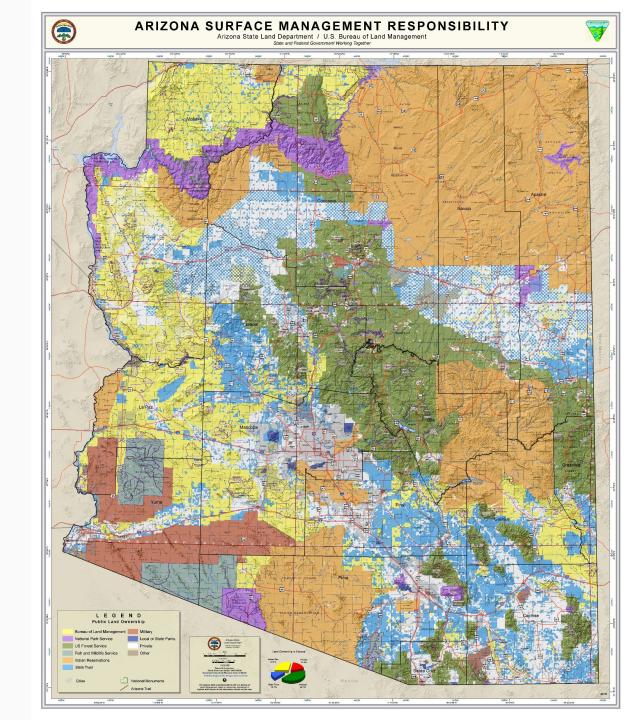
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Counties often provide services associated with public lands

In addition to services traditionally provided by counties to their residents, counties with federal lands in their jurisdictions often provide services on, or associated with those lands, including:

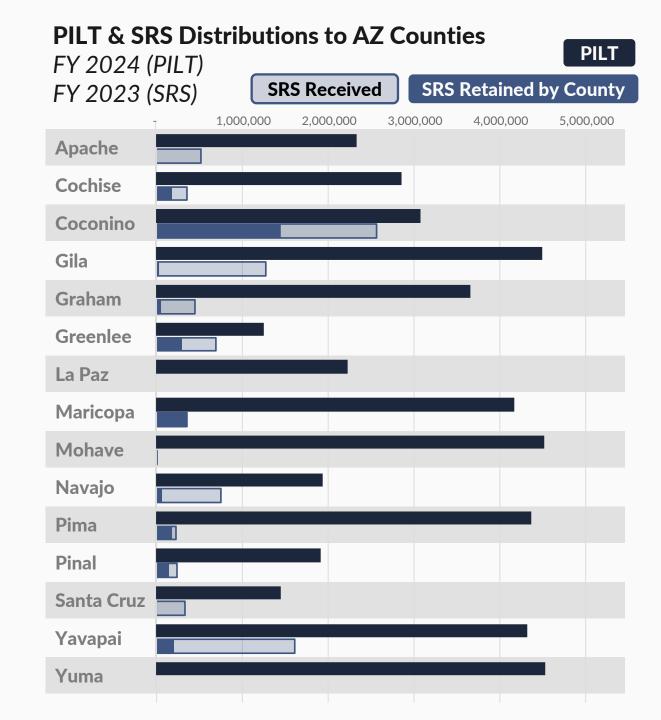






In FY 2024, AZ counties received **\$46.9M** in PILT

In FY 2023, AZ counties received \$9.4M in SRS Title I & III funds and retained \$3.0M





PILT Funding Formula

\$620.8MFY 2024 PILT Full Funding

\$284.3Mdeducted for prior year payments

Alt. A

Acres x \$3.35 - Prior Year Payments

OR

Alt. B

Acres x \$0.48

- In FY 2024, all AZ counties received distribution based on Alt. A
- Amount per acre is adjusted annually for inflation
- Acreage is for entitlement acres, for example, BLM, NFS, etc.
 - **28.1 million acres** in AZ for FY 2024
- Subject to payment cap based on population



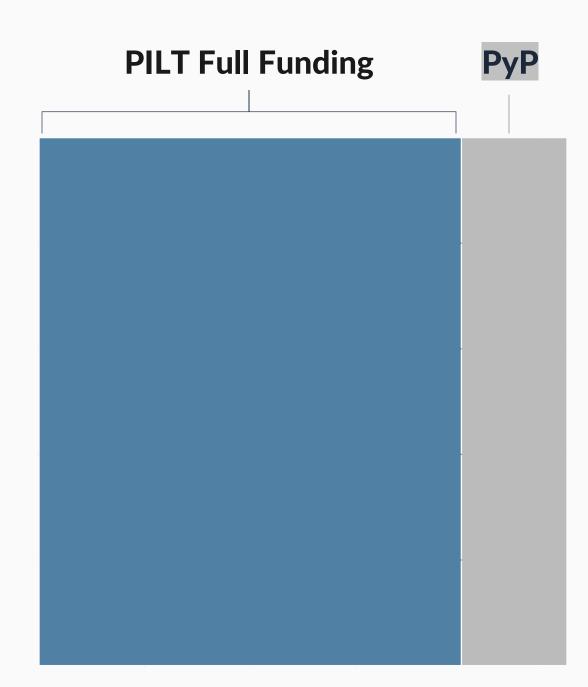
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Prior Year Payments

(PyP)

Other federal payments made to local governments including:

- Secure Rural Schools
- 25% Timber Payments
- Taylor Grazing Act
- Mineral Leasing Act





Reductions in prior year payments increase the total cost of fully funding PILT.

- If SRS is not reauthorized, this will happen
- 2-year delay in impact
 - No SRS payments in FFY 2024 impacts FY 2026 PILT payments

PILT Full Funding

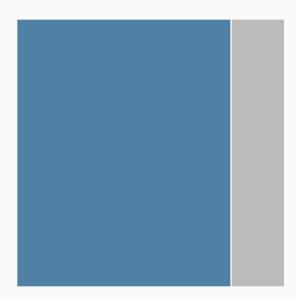
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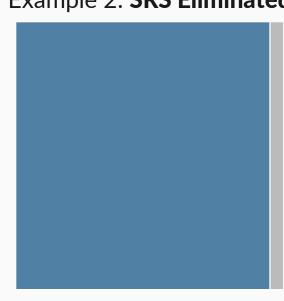
If PILT fully funded, counties lose SRS but see increased PILT payment 2-years later

- Schools would lose SRS funding, not see increase elsewhere
- PILT more expensive for federal government to fund





Example 2: SRS Eliminated



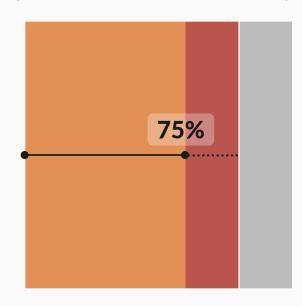


Example 1: **Same** Prior Year Payments

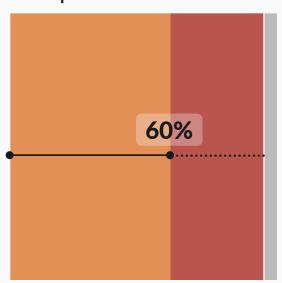
If PILT under funded:

- Each county's payment is pro-rated based on funds appropriated
- More expensive PILT means lower prorated amount

Same amount of funding makes up lower % of total PILT funding



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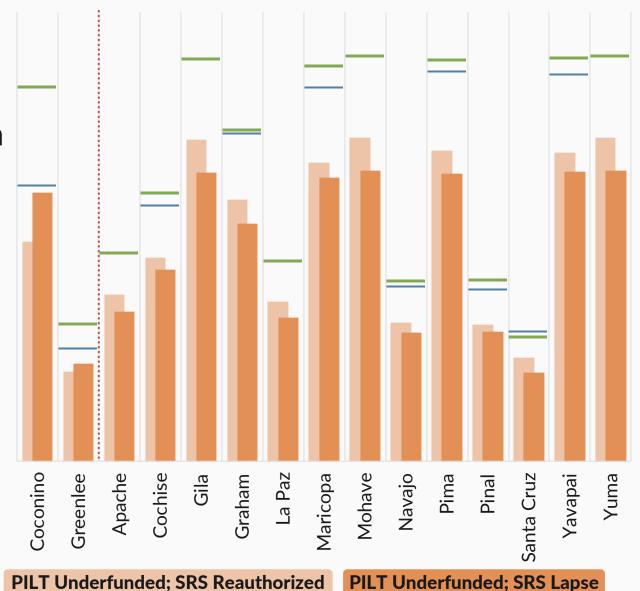




Counties with lower SRS harmed most in PILT distribution, those with larger SRS harmed less.

In Arizona:

- Coconino and Greenlee counties, who historically retain larger SRS dollars, would see a lower reduction in PILT, but would lose SRS funding
- Other counties would see larger reduction in PILT - similar to the aggregated pro-rated amount



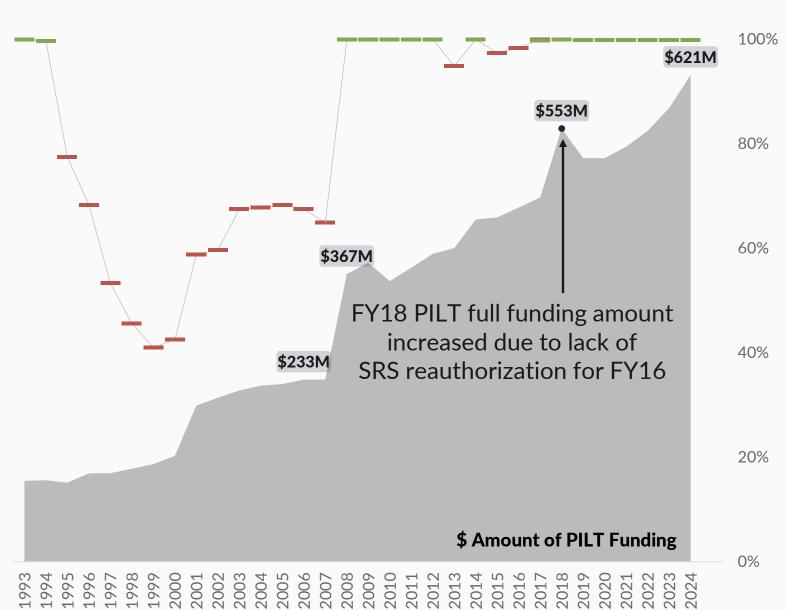


PILT Funding Level - Historical Perspective

Funding Level Percent & Appropriated Amount of PILT Funding

FFY 1993 to FFY 2024

Since the Great Recession, PILT funding has been at or very close to fully funded.







SRS has not been reauthorized for FFY 2024

 Last authorized SRS payment was received in April 2024 (FFY 2023)

PILT has not been reauthorized for FFY 2025

- PILT only reauthorized through FFY 2024 (received in June 2024)
- If PILT is reauthorized for FFY 2025, will have SRS from FFY 2023 included
 - Underfunding would apply uniformly across counties

First year for potential PILT underfunding AND SRS lapse would be FFY 2026

Potential Impact Summary

For counties, SRS lapse/elimination alone is a short-term issue since PILT funding would increase two years later to offset county loss.

Combination of SRS lapse and PILT underfunding is detrimental for all counties in AZ.