

Mergent Municipal & Government Manual and News Reports

“Coverage includes virtually all U.S. taxing jurisdictions and agencies – from school districts, hospitals, villages and towns to cities, counties and states across the nation – with total long-term rated debt of \$25,000,000 or over. Full coverage is extended to all entities in California, New York and Texas. In this comprehensive manual, you’ll find a historical perspective on each issuing entity, as well as statistical data, financial statements and full bond descriptions.”

Bonds are listed by state and then region and city. The information is very detailed but not comparative. It is a good resource for a person wanting more information about a municipal bond they found listed in the Mergent Bond Annual.

Federal government coverage includes:

- Complete descriptions of direct debt
- Government corporations and agencies
- Finances – summary of fiscal operations, receipts/expenditures, assets/liabilities, public debt statistics, investment regulations
- Internal economic and financial data – area and population, national income, GNP, principal industries, currency and exchange, etc.
- External economic and financial data – balance of payments, foreign trade statistics
- Loan trusts
- Housing and Urban Development assistance contracts, description of new housing bonds

Financial statistics:

- Coverage includes two-year assessed value, tax rates, Population/enrollment, Taxes levied, collection figures and percentage collected, Bonded debt

Financial statements:

- Operating revenues and expenses, Receipts and disbursements, General, debt service and special reserve funds

Other information:

- Information pertaining to wealth and finances, Public debt limitations, Agricultural, mineral, industrial, other output

Issue descriptions:

- Ratings, Dated date/coupon/maturity, Re-offering yield, Series/project name, Use of proceeds, Security descriptions, Paying agents/trustee/registrar, Underwriter, Bond counsel, Interest payment information, Complete original issue discount schedule, Complete call schedule, Complete sinking fund schedule, Principal amount issued/outstanding, Pre-refunded information, Insurance, Letter of credit provider and expiration date, Denomination

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