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# State of Washington Fiscal Indicator System



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# **Objectives**

- Existing data systems
- Current fiscal indicator project
- Future outreach and development plans
- Supporting tools and resources





## **Existing data systems**

Three systems – one database
 Local Government Comparative Statistics (LGCS) Reports
 Financial indicators used by auditors



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# **Existing data systems**

Financial Intelligence Tool (FIT)

Same financial indicators as LGCS – Requires authentication

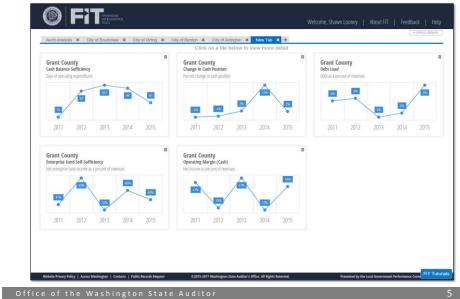


Launched May 2015 (CASH)
Launched February 2016 (GAAP) Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

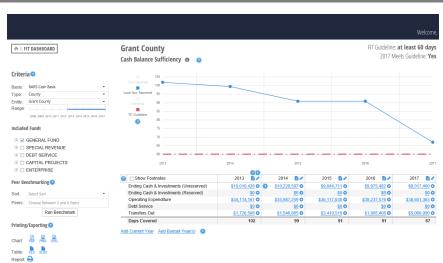
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#### **Existing data systems**

Local Government Financial Reporting System (LGFRS)

Public data system – no financial indicators

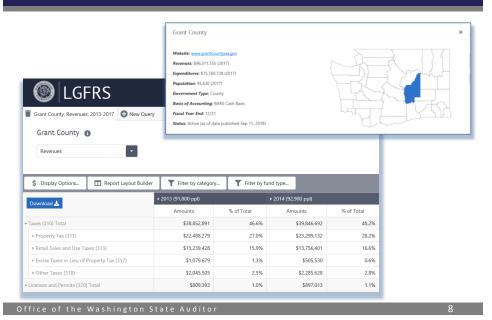
# Come try the improved LGFRS tool As a part of our continuing commitment to making information about local government operations around the state more transparent and accessible, we have updated the look and feel of our Local Government Financial Reporting System, or LGFRS. Our Office has long provided unaudited financial data compiled by local governments on our website via LGFRS, but now this same tool has a new look and is even easier to use. You can try it here.

Launched March 2017 - open to public

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# **Local Government Financial Reporting System**



#### **Current project**

#### Combine both FIT and LGFRS into one system named FIT

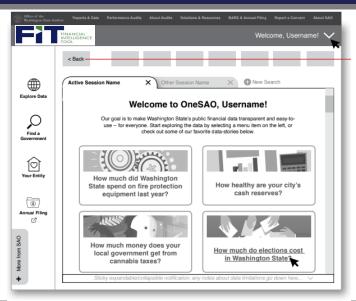
- Open to the public with authentication for identified groups
- Outreach to state legislature
- Engage public during website development
- Create visually appealing appearance
- Improve user experience
- Integrate map and shape files
- Add feature for projection



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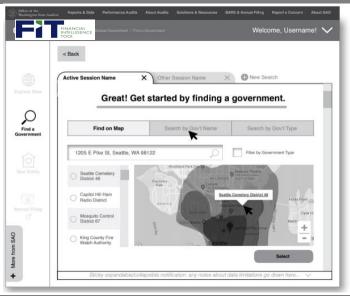
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# Common ways to explore data



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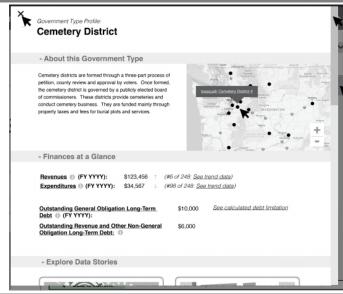




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# **Government type information**



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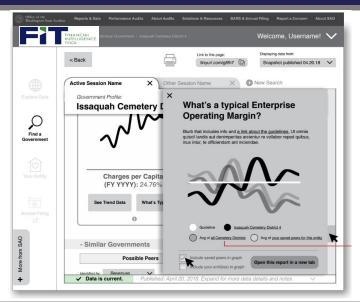


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✓ Data is current.

Find a Government

# What is typical



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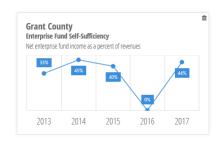
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# **Future outreach and development**

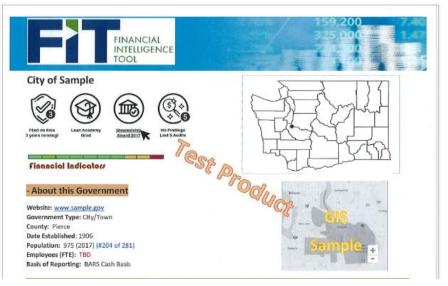
- Enhance FIT system
  - Adjust features/functions based on client use and feedback
  - Revisit financial indicators and update
  - Collect data targeted to government types





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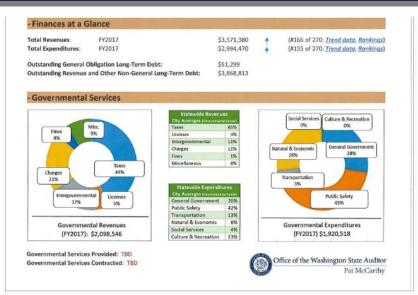
# **Government profile**



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#### **Data summary reports**



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## **Correlating projects**

- Government Types 101 (35 entity types in Washington)
  - Scribble videos
- Early warning system



- Notification to audit client
- Guidance on preparing for recession





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Thank you for your interest

Please feel free to contact us with questions

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