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California State Budget 101: Climate Center

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Understanding the Budget





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Key Budget Players

Budget Basics

Four funding sources:

- **General Fund**
- Special Fund
- Bond Funds
- Federal Funds

Constitutional Provisions:

- **Proposition 2-Rainy Day Fund**
- Proposition 98
- State Appropriation Limit GANN Limit









General Fund Revenues: Fun Facts

- Personal income tax represents roughly two-thirds of <u>all</u> General Fund revenues—180,000—were responsible for half of all personal income tax paid by residents in 2021—or \$62.9 billion.
- Capital gains is volatile -over the last 3 decades it has swung from over 10% of personal income to less than 2%
- ✓ The Prop 2 Rainy Day Fund requires larger transfers when capital gains are high



General Fund: Climate Budget

- ✓ Traditionally climate has been funded with special funds (e.g., GGRF)
- ✓ 2021 and 2022 Budget Acts provided \$54B in climate across the multiyear
- ✓ The 2023 Budget Act provided \$52B
- ✓ The January Budget proposes \$48.3 billion now across **seven** years

When: Understanding the Budget Calendar

January 10

Constitutional deadline for the Governor to present a budget to the State Legislature.

April Letters

Traditionally the first time the Governor submits amendments to the budget.

May Revision (May 14)

Governor updates the January budget revenues and caseloads and makes new proposals to the State Legislature.

June 15

Constitutional deadline for the Legislature to pass a budget for the new fiscal year that starts July 1.

Where can you educate yourself on all things budget?

The Department of Finance The source: www.dof.ca.gov

- **The Legislative Analyst**
- For bipartisan analysis: www.lao.ca.gov

The Legislature

 For hearing agendas and final action reports: <u>https://sbud.senate.ca.gov/</u> and <u>https://abgt.assembly.ca.gov/</u>

Thank you.

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