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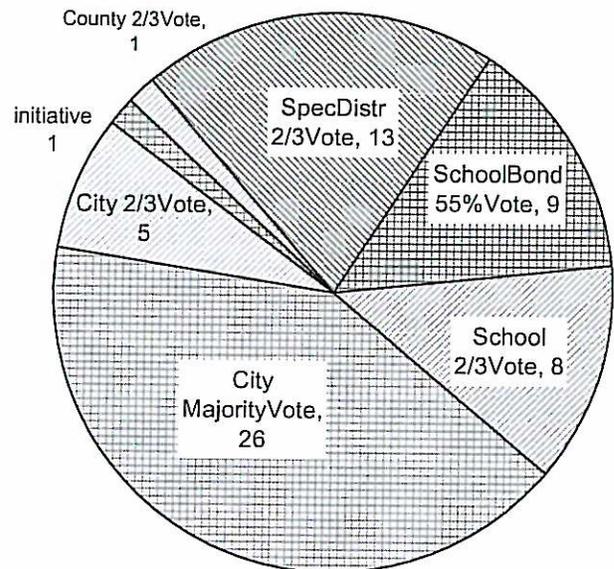
**Local Revenue Measures, November 2007, November 2008
and November 2009**

Local Revenue Measures November 2007

It's an off year – no state or federal races – but voters in California considered a variety of local bonds and taxes – and most said “yes.” In California, the November 6, 2007 election included 63 local measures¹ related to local agency taxes, fees and financing. Of these measures, 32 concerned city taxes, fees or financing; one concerned a county; and 13 concerned special districts. There were 17 school measures including school bonds and parcel taxes. Among the 32 city measures, five were special taxes requiring 2/3 voter approval, 26 concerned general taxes requiring majority voter approval, and one was an initiative repeal of a fee. The county and special district measures were all 2/3 supermajority measures.

Supermajority vote requirements again proved formidable for special districts, although five of the six city/county measures requiring 2/3 vote passed, the only failing city measure a library bond in Sunnyvale that garnered over 59% yes votes. The other failing measures were either in small, more politically conservative rural or mountain areas or for non-public safety uses. Seven of the ten failing supermajority measures failed to even garner majority voter approval.

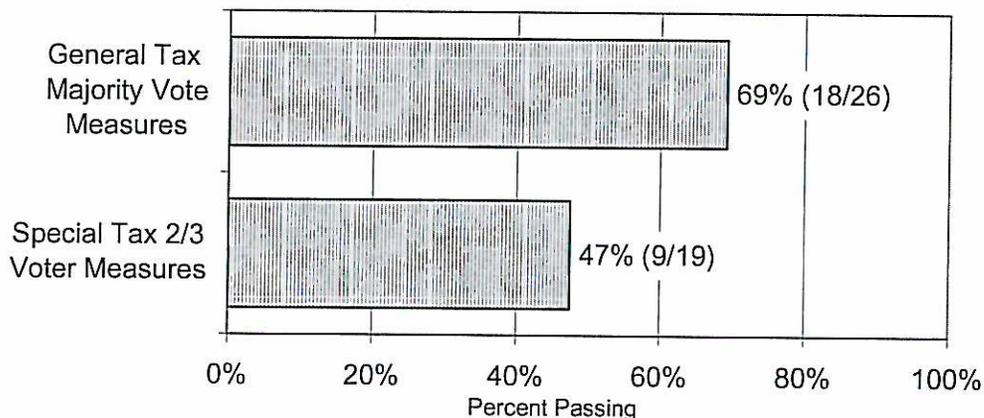
Proposed Local Revenue Measures November 2007



Local Revenue Measures Nov 2007

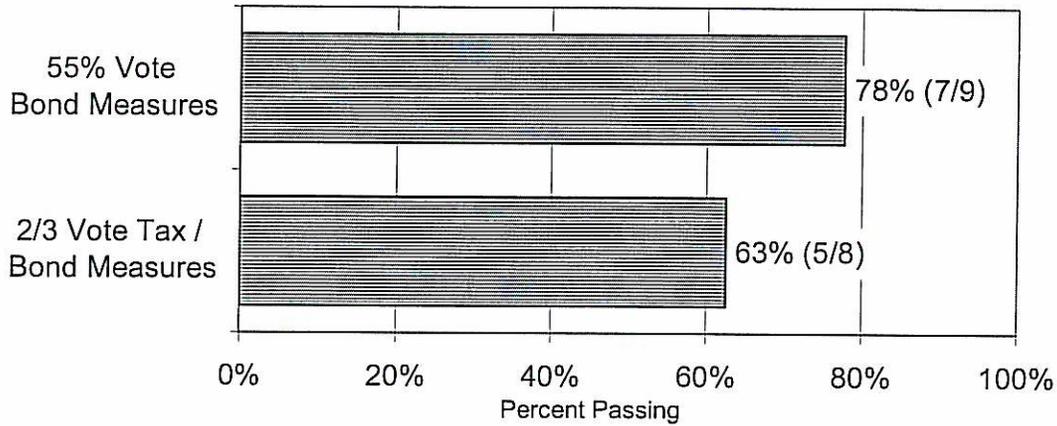
	Total	Pass	Passing%
City Majority Vote	26	18	69%
City 2/3 Vote	5	4	80%
City initiative to repeal	1	0	0%
County 2/3 Vote	1	1	100%
Special District (2/3)	13	4	31%
School Bond 55%	9	7	78%
School 2/3 Vote	8	5	63%
Total	63	39	62%

City / County / Special District Tax & Bond Measures Nov 2007



¹ Includes city, county, special district and local school measures.

School Tax & Bond Measures Nov 2007



Transient Occupancy (Hotel/Motel) Taxes

Two cities proposed to increase hotel/motel taxes (Transient Occupancy Taxes) by 2% from their existing 10% rate to 12%. Both taxes are general purposes taxes requiring majority voter approval. Both passed easily.

Transient Occupancy Tax Tax Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Desert Hot Springs	Riverside County	Measure J +2%=10%to12%	50.0%	65.8%	34.3%	PASS
City of Palo Alto	Santa Clara County	Measure M +2%=10%to12%	50.0%	80.1%	19.9%	PASS

Business License Taxes

Three cities proposed increases to their Business License Taxes. These are general taxes requiring majority voter approval. The City of Pacific Grove tied the passage of their Business License tax proposal to the passage of companion proposals to increase parcel taxes and sales taxes. All of that city's measures failed, including this proposal to lift the \$3000 cap on business license taxes for six years. The measures in Redlands and South San Francisco passed easily.

Business License Tax Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of South San Francisco	San Mateo County	Measure B	50.0%	73.0%	27.0%	PASS
City of Redlands	San Bernardino County	Measure F	50.0%	70.5%	29.5%	PASS
City of Pacific Grove	Monterey County	Measure O 6 yrs	50.0%	48.1%	51.9%	FAIL

Transaction and Use Taxes

Nine cities asked their voters to consider transactions and use tax add-ons to the local sales tax. Seven were general taxes, requiring majority approval, two were 2/3 supermajority special taxes earmarked for public safety services.

Hollister and Delano passed their 1 cent general purpose taxes. San Bruno's 1/2 cent failed narrowly as did measures in Imperial County (Brawley, Calexico) and San Juan Bautista. Also failing was a Pacific Grove measure which was paired with two other tax increase measures – all failing. The 1/2 cent 2/3 vote special taxes dedicated to police and fire services in Ceres and Selma passed.

The successful new taxes will become operative on April 1, 2008.

Transactions and Use Tax: General Tax Measures (Majority voter approval required)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Sunset</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Hollister	San Benito County	Measure T	5 yrs	50.0%	66.0%	34.0%	PASS
City of Delano	Kern County	Measure I	10 yrs	50.0%	53.5%	46.5%	PASS
City of San Bruno	San Mateo County	Measure F		50.0%	49.1%	50.9%	FAIL
City of San Juan Bautista	San Benito County	Measure C		50.0%	48.1%	51.9%	FAIL
City of Pacific Grove	Monterey County	Measure Q	6 yrs	50.0%	47.5%	52.5%	FAIL
City of Brawley	Imperial County	Measure W	10 yrs	50.0%	46.3%	53.7%	FAIL
City of Calexico	Imperial County	Measure Y	15 yrs	50.0%	43.9%	56.1%	FAIL

Special Transactions & Use Tax Measures (2/3 voter approval required)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Sunset</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Selma	Fresno County	Measure S		66.7%	86.5%	13.6%	PASS
City of Ceres	Stanislaus County	Measure H		66.7%	74.3%	25.7%	PASS

Utility User Taxes

Ten cities asked their voters to modify their existing Utility User Taxes (UUT). The measures all endeavored to respond to changes in telecommunications technology, billing practices and federal law, by modernizing their UUT ordinances to clearly and lawfully cover wireless telecommunications. Two of the measures (Emeryville, Rialto) modernized the city UUT without any reduction. Seven measures reduced an existing city UUT on telecommunications. The city of South Pasadena was the only agency proposing to increase its UUT rate - by 3% (to 8%) for a five year period - and accompanied this measure with an advisory measure requesting voter opinion regarding dedicating the tax to infrastructure (65%) and employee compensation (35%). The South Pasadena UUT increase applies to telecommunications, electric, gas, cable TV, and water utilities.

All ten UUT measures were successful, including the rate increase in South Pasadena.

Utility User Tax Measures - Majority Voter Approval (General Purpose)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Emeryville	Alameda County	Measure A (no change 5.5%)		86.1%	13.9%	PASS
City of Los Altos	Santa Clara County	Measure O 3.5% to 3.2%		84.3%	15.7%	PASS
City of Redwood City	San Mateo County	Measure D 5% to 4%		80.6%	19.4%	PASS
City of Hermosa Beach	Los Angeles County	Measure H 6% to 5.5%		72.0%	28.1%	PASS
City of Benicia	Solano County	Measure S 4% to 3.5%		70.7%	29.3%	PASS
City of Gilroy	Santa Clara County	Measure A 5% to 4.5%		64.1%	35.9%	PASS
City of Rialto	San Bernardino County	Measure D (no change 8%)		63.6%	36.4%	PASS
City of Buena Ventura	Ventura County	Measure C7 5% to 4.5%		63.5%	36.5%	PASS
City of El Monte	Los Angeles County	Measure A 7% to 6.5%		62.8%	37.2%	PASS
City of South Pasadena	Los Angeles County	Measure UT +3%=5%to8%	5 yrs	53.5%	46.5%	PASS
City of South Pasadena	Los Angeles County	Measure AV 65%infrastructure/35%EmployeeSalaries		75.2%	24.8%	PASS

Parcel Taxes: Cities and Special Districts

There were 15 parcel taxes proposed by 13 special districts and two cities on the ballot. Eight were for fire or ambulance districts, five for parks or recreation centers, and one for libraries. The City of Pacific Grove proposed a parcel tax for general purposes with its passage dependent on the passage of two companion measures for a business license tax increase and a sales tax increase.

Four of the 15 measures achieved the 2/3 voter approval threshold. Three others garnered more than 55% but failed.

City and Special District Parcel Taxes (2/3 vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Hammond Fire Zone County Service Area #4	Siskiyou County	Measure K		79.8%	20.2%	PASS Safety
Hamilton Branch Fire Protection District	Plumas County	Measure C		76.5%	23.5%	PASS Safety
Peninsula Fire Protection District	Plumas County	Measure D	3 yrs	74.2%	25.8%	PASS Safety
City of Davis	Yolo County	Measure P		73.1%	26.9%	PASS Library
Colma Fire Protection District	San Mateo County	Measure H	6 yrs	67.1%	32.9%	PASS Safety
Spreckels Memorial District	Monterey County	Measure H	5 yrs	65.0%	35.0%	FAIL Rec
Mesa Park District	Marin County	Measure C	4 yrs	57.8%	42.2%	FAIL Rec
Rim-of-the-World Recreation & Park District	San Bernardino Count	Measure C		56.8%	43.2%	FAIL Rec
Jenny Lind Veterans Memorial District	Calaveras County	Measure C	10 yrs	50.0%	50.0%	FAIL Rec
Sierra Valley Fire Protection District	Plumas County	Measure F		45.7%	54.4%	FAIL Safety
South County Ambulance Zone	Tuolumne County	Measure S	10 yrs	42.9%	57.1%	FAIL Safety
Miwuk-Sugarpine Fire Protection District	Tuolumne County	Measure R	15 yrs	42.2%	57.8%	FAIL Safety
Almanor Recreation & Park District	Plumas County	Measure A		41.7%	58.3%	FAIL Rec
Don Pedro Ambulance Zone	Tuolumne County	Measure T	10 yrs	37.8%	62.2%	FAIL Safety

City and Special District Parcel Taxes (majority vote)

City of Pacific Grove	Monterey County	Measure P	6 yrs	42.6%	57.4%	FAIL General
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General Obligation Bonds: Cities, Counties and Special Districts

Voters considered three bond measures. The Calaveras County and the City of Sunnyvale measures increase ad valorem property taxes. The city of San Francisco library measure uses funds out of the existing tax rate.

Only the Sunnyvale library measure failed. The Calaveras County measure for jail/safety-dispatch facilities narrowly passed.

City, County and Special District Bond Measures (2/3 vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>		
City of San Francisco		Proposition D	74.5%	25.5%	PASS	Library
Calaveras County		Measure J	67.0%	33.0%	PASS	Jail/Dispatch
City of Sunnyvale	Santa Clara County	Measure B	59.3%	40.7%	FAIL	Library

Other City Fiscal Matters

Voters in the City of South San Francisco approved the conversion of the city's business license tax on off-street parking operations to a parking tax (on those who park). In so doing, the tax will apply to a large facility operated by the San Francisco Airport Authority.

Fairfield voters rejected a proposal to ratify certain transfers from the city water fund as taxes. Rancho Palos Verdes voters turned back an initiative to repeal a city storm drain fee and instead approved a city-sponsored proposal to revise the fee and reduce its term.

Other Fiscal Measures (majority vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of South San Francisco	San Mateo County	Measure C	ParkingTax vs BusnTax	8%replacing 8%BusnTax	63.1%	36.9% PASS
City of Fairfield	Solano County	Measure Q	Ratify existing tax	2% WaterFund Trnsfr	46.0%	54.0% FAIL
City of Rancho Palos Verdes	Los Angeles County	Measure C	Storm Drain Fee		55.2%	44.8% PASS
City of Rancho Palos Verdes	Los Angeles County	Measure D	Repeal of Storm Drain Fee		44.1%	55.9% FAIL

School Parcel Taxes

Of the six parcel tax measures proposed by school districts, only one failed to get the required 2/3 voter approval. Extensions of existing taxes garnered the most support.

School Parcel Taxes (2/3 voter approval)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure No</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Davis Joint Unified School District	Yolo County	Measure Q	extend \$100/parcel	72.9%	27.1%	PASS
Lafayette School District	Contra Costa County	Measure J	extend \$313/parcel	72.6%	27.4%	PASS
Las Virgenes Unified School District	Los Angeles County - V	Measure E	extend \$98/parcel	78.2%	21.8%	PASS
Mammoth Unified School District	Mono County	Measure S	\$59/parcel	68.4%	31.6%	PASS
Reed Union School District	Marin County	Measure A	\$319/parcel	68.2%	31.8%	PASS
Sonoma Valley Unified School District	Sonoma County	Measure E	\$91/parcel	57.0%	43.0%	FAIL

School Bonds

There were 11 school bond measures on the ballot for a total of \$710.5 million in proposed bond authorizations. Two of the measures required a 2/3 approval for passage because they did not meet Proposition 39 requirements. The others needed 55% approval. Voters authorized \$351.7 million of local school bonds in approving seven measures. Both 2/3 vote measures failed. Absent the 55% vote threshold permitted by Proposition 39, just one of these measures would have passed.

School Bond Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure No</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Lennox Elementary School District	Los Angeles County	Measure L	\$10.7m	55.0%	76.5%	23.5%	PASS
Burlingame School District	San Mateo County	Measure A	\$48.3m	55.0%	64.6%	35.4%	PASS
Denair Unified School District	Stanislaus County	Measure K	\$13m	55.0%	63.4%	36.6%	PASS
Alvord Unified School District	Riverside County	Measure H	\$196m	55.0%	62.0%	38.0%	PASS
Walnut Valley Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure S	\$64.6m	55.0%	60.6%	39.4%	PASS
Hart-Ransom School District	Stanislaus County	Measure G	\$3.9m	55.0%	60.4%	39.6%	PASS
Walnut Valley Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure Y	\$15.2m	55.0%	56.2%	43.8%	PASS
Washington Unified School District	Yolo County	Measure S	\$59m	55.0%	50.4%	49.6%	FAIL
Antelope Valley High School District	Los Angeles County - Kern County	Measure W	\$240m	55.0%	50.0%	50.0%	FAIL
Wasco Union High School District	Kern County	Measure G	\$45m	66.7%	60.7%	39.4%	FAIL
Muroc Unified School District	Kern County - San Bernardino County	Measure H	\$14.8m	66.7%	54.0%	46.1%	FAIL

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Sources: County elections offices, City of San Juan Butista.

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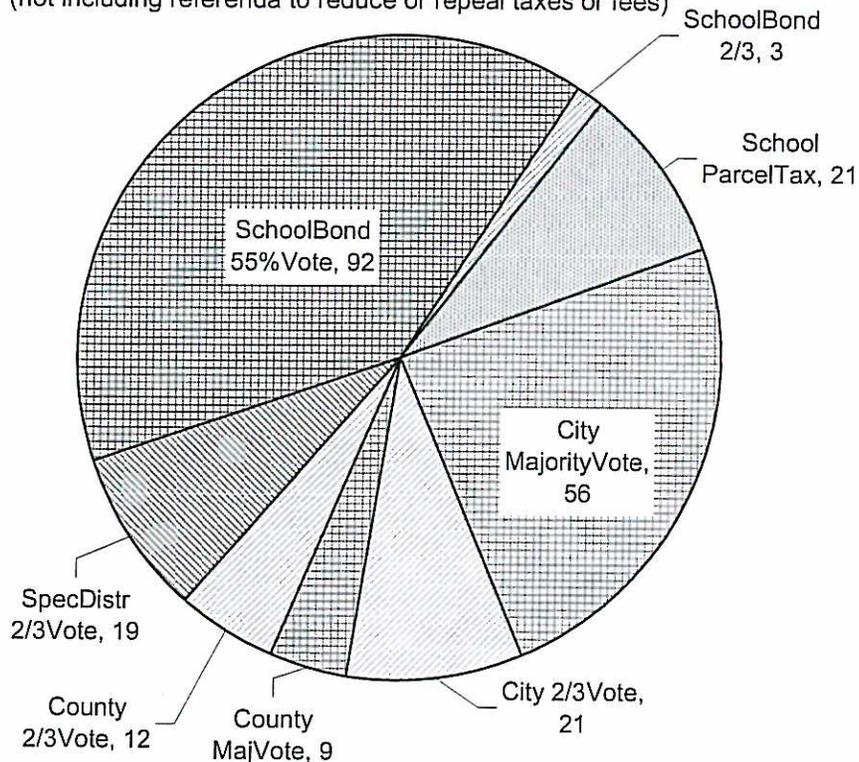
In the November 4, 2008 presidential election, California voters decided the fate of over 380 local measures including 239 concerning taxes, fees or bonds for cities, counties, special districts and schools.¹ There were 95 school bond measures seeking approval of a total of nearly \$22.5 billion in elementary, high school and community college bonds. There were also 21 school parcel tax measures requiring two-thirds voter approval.

Among the non-school local fiscal measures most (81) concern cities; with 20 concerning counties and 21 special district. Among the city measures, most (56) were majority vote general tax measures. Four city measures were referenda to repeal existing taxes or fees, and 21 are special taxes or bonds requiring two-thirds voter approval. Among the county measures, nine were majority vote general taxes, and 12 were two-thirds vote bonds or special taxes. The special district measures were all two-thirds supermajority measures, except for one referendum to repeal a special district fee.

As in prior elections, majority vote measures proved much more successful than special taxes requiring two-thirds vote supermajority approval. Forty-five of 65 general taxes passed (69%), while just 28 of 52 non-school special taxes passed (54%). School parcel taxes fared better with 81% passing. More than nine out of ten 55%-vote school bonds passed. Across most categories, approval rates of local revenue measures are as high or higher than those of similar measures since 2001.

Proposed Local Revenue Measures Nov2008

(not including referenda to reduce or repeal taxes or fees)

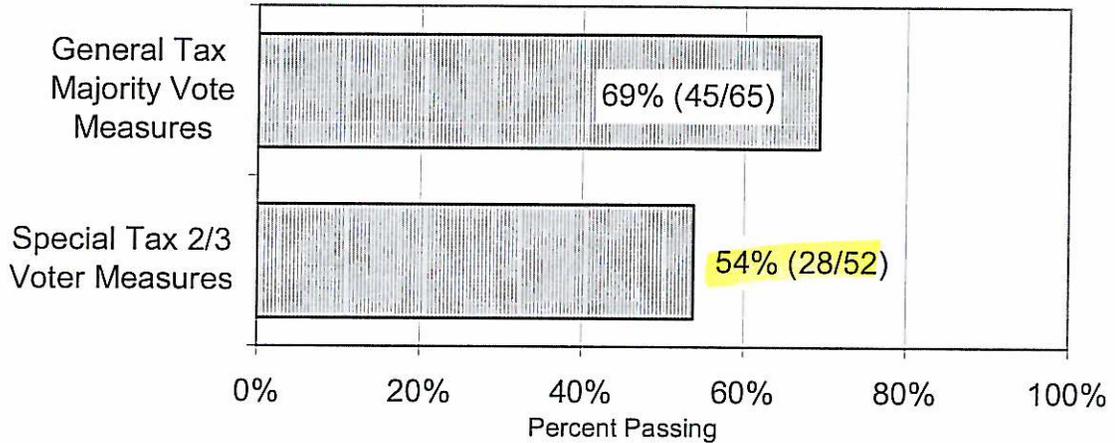


¹ Includes a proposal to incorporate the City of Rossmoor in Orange County and five citizen referenda.

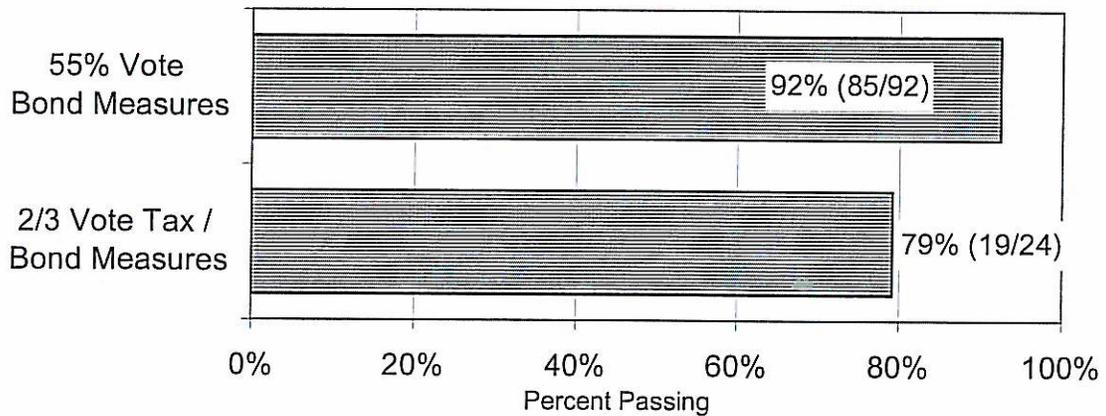
Local Revenue Measures Nov 2008

	Total	Pass	Passing%
City Majority Vote	56	40	71%
City 2/3 Vote	21	11	52%
County Majority Vote	9	5	56%
County 2/3 Vote	12	7	58%
Special District 2/3 Vote	19	10	53%
School Bond 55%	92	85	92%
School Bond 2/3 Vote	3	2	67%
School Parcel Taxes 2/3	21	17	81%
Total	233	177	76%
Initiatives to Repeal	5	2	40%
City Incorporation	1	0	0%

City / County / Special District Tax & Bond Measures Nov 2008



School Tax & Bond Measures Nov 2008



Transaction and Use Taxes – General Purpose

Nineteen cities asked their voters to consider sales tax add-ons (AKA transactions and use taxes) for general purposes. The proposals ranged from increases of ¼ percent to 1 percent and require majority voter approval. Two measures (Capitola, West Sacramento) asked voters to extend existing tax rates. Fifteen of the 19 proposals passed, including both extensions.

The cities of West Sacramento and Colusa paired their measures with companion advisory measures regarding the use of the funds. West Sacramento’s measure for streets & flood control passed. Colusa’s measure for police and fire benefits failed.

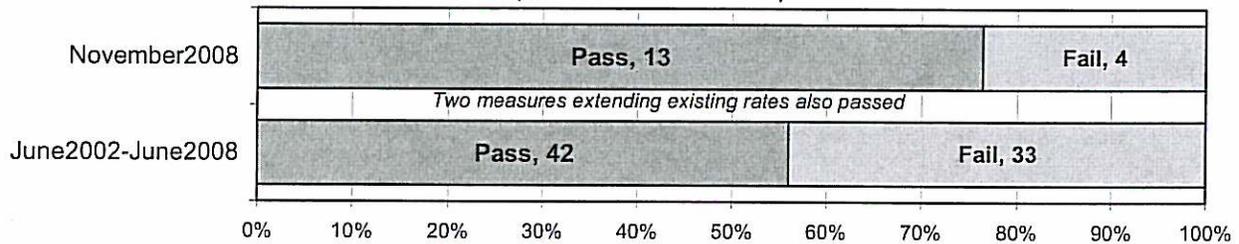
The success rate for majority-vote general-purpose add-on sales taxes was better than that of similar measures since 2001. The successful new taxes will become operative on April 1, 2009.

A citizen-led referendum to repeal National City’s 1 cent transaction and use tax failed.

Transactions and Use Tax: General Tax Measures (Majority voter approval required)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Town of Truckee	Nevada County	Measure V 1/2cent	20yrs	84.5%	15.5%	PASS
City of Port Hueneme	Ventura County	Measure W 1/2cent		71.5%	28.5%	PASS
City of El Monte	Los Angeles County	Measure GG 1/2cent	5yrs	71.4%	28.6%	PASS
City of Arvin	Kern County	Measure L 1cent		70.8%	29.2%	PASS
City of Campbell	Santa Clara County	Measure O 1/4cent		70.3%	29.8%	PASS
City of Pico Rivera	Los Angeles County	Measure P 1cent		68.3%	31.7%	PASS
City of Capitola	Santa Cruz County	Measure D 1/4cent	extend (2010-2017)	7yrs	66.2%	33.8% PASS
City of Oxnard	Ventura County	Measure O 1/2cent	20yrs	65.6%	34.4%	PASS
City of Arcata	Humboldt County	Measure G 3/4cent		63.5%	36.5%	PASS
City of West Sacramento	Yolo County	Measure V 1/4cent from 1/2 cent	extend (2013 to 2033)	20yrs	57.5%	42.5% PASS
City of West Sacramento	Yolo County	Measure U	ADVISORY Streetcar/FloodControl		64.4%	35.6% PASS
City of Eureka	Humboldt County	Measure D 1/4cent	repeals3%UUT		56.3%	43.7% PASS
City of La Mesa	San Diego County	Prop L 3/4cent	20yrs	55.5%	44.5%	PASS
City of La Habra	Orange County	Measure T 1/2cent	20yrs	54.0%	46.0%	PASS
City of Trinidad	Humboldt County	Measure I 3/4cent	4yrs	52.2%	47.8%	PASS
City of El Cajon	San Diego County	Prop J 1/2cent	20yrs	51.8%	48.2%	PASS
City of Gustine	Merced County	Measure N 3/4cent		48.5%	51.5%	FAIL
City of Maywood	Los Angeles County	Measure MC 1cent		47.8%	52.2%	FAIL
City of Colusa	Colusa County	Measure A 1/4cent		42.7%	57.3%	FAIL
City of Colusa	Colusa County	Measure B	ADVISORY Police&Fire Benefits		49.6%	50.4% FAIL
City of Marysville	Yuba County	Measure O 1/2cent		37.3%	62.7%	FAIL
City of National City	San Diego County	Prop M 1cent	REPEAL		42.7%	57.3% FAIL

General Purpose Add-On Sales Tax (Transactions & Use) Increases



Transaction and Use Taxes – Special Purpose

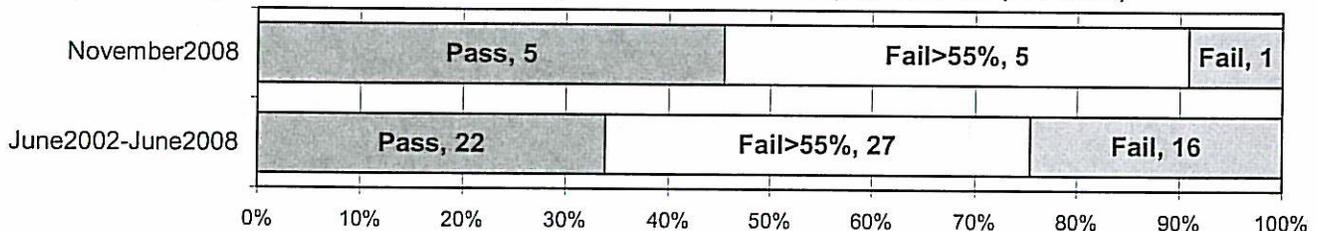
Voters in four cities and ten counties considered transactions and use tax measures for specific purposes. All but one measure received over 55% “yes” votes but these special tax measures require two-thirds voter approval for passage. Seven of the 13 measures passed² including measures in Imperial and Santa Barbara counties to extend existing taxes for countywide transportation improvements. Countywide transportation measures failed in the counties of Stanislaus, and Monterey despite achieving over 60% “yes” votes.

The passage rate for these tax increase measures was also better than that of similar measures since 2001. The successful new taxes will become operative on April 1, 2009.

Special Transactions & Use Tax Measures (2/3 voter approval required)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Sunse</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
County of Imperial	Imperial County	Measure D 1/2cent	extend 40yrs	83.5%	16.5%	PASS
County of Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara County	Measure A 1/2cent	extend 30yrs	78.6%	21.4%	PASS
Sonoma Marin Area Rail T	Sonoma County / Marin County	Measure Q 1/4cent	20yrs	69.5%	30.5%	PASS
County of Amador	Amador County	Measure M 1/2cent		69.1%	30.9%	PASS
City of Galt	Sacramento County	Measure R 1/2cent		68.0%	32.0%	PASS
County of Los Angeles	Los Angeles County	Measure R 1/2cent	30yrs	67.9%	32.1%	PASS
County of Santa Clara	Santa Clara County	Measure B 1/8cent	30yrs	66.7%	33.3%	PASS
County of Stanislaus	Stanislaus County	Measure S 1/2cent	20yrs	65.9%	34.1%	FAIL
County of Fresno	Fresno County	Measure L 1/4cent to 1/2 cent	16yrs	62.4%	37.6%	FAIL
County of Monterey	Monterey County	Measure Z 1/2cent	20yrs	62.2%	37.8%	FAIL
City of Ridgecrest	Kern County	Measure N 3/4cent	10yrs	56.3%	43.7%	FAIL
City of Barstow	San Bernardino County	Measure D 3/4cent		56.2%	43.8%	FAIL
City of Alturas	Modoc County	Measure K 1/2cent		47.9%	52.1%	FAIL

Special Purpose Add-On Sales Tax (Transactions & Use) Measures (2/3 vote)



Utility User Taxes

There were 23 measures to increase or expand utility user taxes. Thirteen cities and the County of Los Angeles asked voters to modify their existing Utility User Taxes (UUTs) on telecommunications to cover new telecommunications technologies just like traditional telephone service while expanding or maintaining existing rates. Nine measures proposed

Utility User Tax Measures - Nov 2008

	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Passed</u>
Expand what is taxed & reduce rate	8	8
Expand what is taxed & maintain rate	6	6
New or increase	9	3
	<u>23</u>	<u>17</u>

² One measure spanned two counties: Marin and Sonoma (Measure Q – rail transit)
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to increase UUT rates, including 2 from the proposed City of Rossmoor, and Holtville's dedicated to police services, making it a 2/3 vote special tax.

All fourteen measures to expand existing UUTs passed, whether maintaining or reducing the rate. But just three of the nine UUT rate increase proposals were approved: Sebastopol, Cathedral City, and San Gabriel.

In Seaside, voters turned back a citizen referendum to repeal the city's 6% utility user tax.

Utility User Tax Measures

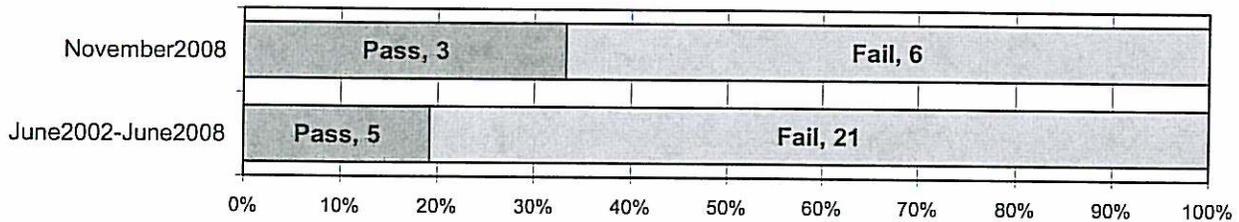
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City of Inglewood	Los Angeles County	Measure UUT	10%to8%	expand	50.0%	84.2%	15.8% PASS
City of San Leandro	Alameda County	Measure RR	6%to5.7%	expand	50.0%	83.8%	16.2% PASS
City of San Jose	Santa Clara County	Measure K	5%to4.5%	expand	50.0%	79.4%	20.6% PASS
City of Lakewood	Los Angeles County	Measure L	maintain3%	expand	50.0%	78.9%	21.1% PASS
City of Moreno Valley	Riverside County	Measure P	6%to5.75%	expand	50.0%	78.7%	21.4% PASS
City of Hawthorne	Los Angeles County	Measure V	maintain5%	expand	50.0%	73.4%	26.6% PASS
City of Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara County	Measure G	6%to5.75%	expand	50.0%	70.6%	29.4% PASS
City of Cathedral City	Riverside County	Measure L	3%	new	50.0%	68.0%	32.0% PASS
City of San Gabriel	Los Angeles County	Measure SG	6%to8%	increase	50.0%	66.1%	33.9% PASS
City of Indio	Riverside County	Measure K	maintain5%	expand	50.0%	66.0%	34.0% PASS
City of Lynwood	Los Angeles County	Measure II	10%to9%	expand	50.0%	65.4%	34.7% PASS
City of Lynwood	Los Angeles County	Measure HH		ADVISORY	50.0%	59.7%	40.3% PASS
City of Sacramento	Sacramento County	Measure O	7.5%to7%	expand	50.0%	64.2%	35.8% PASS
County of Los Angeles	Los Angeles County	Measure U	5%to4.5%	expand	50.0%	62.9%	37.1% PASS
City of Stockton	San Joaquin County	Measure U	maintain7%	expand	50.0%	61.1%	38.9% PASS
City of Sebastopol	Sonoma County	Measure M	4%gas&electric	new 6yrs	50.0%	59.4%	40.6% PASS
City of Long Beach	Los Angeles County	Measure G	maintain5%	expand	50.0%	59.9%	40.1% PASS
City of Santa Monica	Los Angeles County	Measure SM	maintain10%	expand	50.0%	51.4%	48.6% PASS
City of Holtville	Imperial County	Measure C	5%to9%	increase Police	66.7%	57.2%	42.8% FAIL
City of Hemet	Riverside County	Measure O	5%	new	50.0%	45.2%	54.8% FAIL
City of Morgan Hill	Santa Clara County	Measure G	2%	new	50.0%	35.0%	65.0% FAIL
Proposed City of Rossmoor	Orange County	Measure U2	7%electr.gas,water	increase	50.0%	29.3%	70.7% FAIL
City of Pomona	Los Angeles County	Measure PC	9%to10%	increase 26 months	50.0%	27.6%	72.4% FAIL
Proposed City of Rossmoor	Orange County	Measure U3	9%electr.gas,water	increase	50.0%	20.2%	79.8% FAIL
City of Seaside	Monterey County	Measure E	repeal6%	repeal	50.0%	42.9%	57.1% FAIL

There were also five measures asking voters to validate charges as taxes that had previously been imposed as regulatory fees for 911 services and had come under legal challenge. Voters agreed in San Leandro, San Jose and San Francisco, but rejected the idea in Watsonville and Santa Cruz County.

Utility User Tax Measures - 911 Fees to Taxes

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>%Need</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of San Leandro	Alameda County	Measure SS	\$24.72/line	66.7%	77.9%	22.1% PASS
City of San Jose	Santa Clara County	Measure J	\$1.57/line-replacing\$1.75fee	50.0%	77.5%	22.5% PASS
San Francisco	San Francisco	Measure O	\$2.75/mo/line, higher on commercial	50.0%	66.3%	33.7% PASS
County of Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz County	Measure B	\$1.47/line/month	50.0%	48.7%	51.3% FAIL
City of Watsonville	Santa Cruz County	Measure C	\$2.05/line/month	50.0%	45.9%	54.1% FAIL

Utility User Tax Increases



Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Taxes

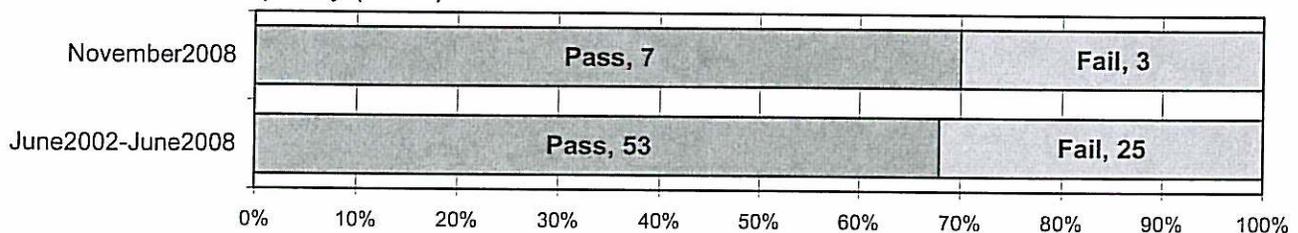
Voters in eleven cities and the County of Siskiyou considered increasing their Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Tax. All were majority-vote general purpose taxes except for the City of Encinitas which pledged its 2% rate on vacation rentals to beach maintenance. The City of Big Bear Lake accompanied its proposal with a companion advisory measure to use the funds for the renovation of various public facilities.

Seven of the 12 measures passed. Voters in Kerman, one of the few cities in California without a TOT, rejected a new 8% rate by a single vote: 1,139 “yes” to 1,140 “no.”

Transient Occupancy Tax Tax Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Rate</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Kingsburg	Fresno County	Measure A	8%to12%	50.0%	75.6%	24.4%	PASS
Town of Windsor	Sonoma County	Measure N	8%to12%	50.0%	70.2%	29.8%	PASS
City of Encinitas	San Diego County	Prop K	+2%onVacationRent BeachMntnc	66.7%	70.0%	30.0%	PASS
City of Fremont	Alameda County	Measure MM	8%to10%	50.0%	65.5%	34.5%	PASS
City of Eureka	Humboldt County	Measure E	9%to10%	50.0%	62.6%	37.4%	PASS
City of Del Mar	San Diego County	Prop H	10.5%to13%	50.0%	62.5%	37.5%	PASS
City of Big Bear Lake	San Bernardino County	Measure Y	6%to7%@1/1/09, to8%@1/1/10	50.0%	60.2%	39.8%	PASS
City of Big Bear Lake	San Bernardino County	Measure YY	ADVISORY FacilitiesRenovation	50.0%	78.6%	21.4%	PASS
City of Kerman	Fresno County	Measure T	8%	50.0%	50.0%	50.0%	FAIL
City of Solvang	Santa Barbara County	Measure B	10%to11%	50.0%	49.3%	50.8%	FAIL
County of Siskiyou	Siskiyou County	Measure M	8%to10%	50.0%	44.8%	55.2%	FAIL
City of Victorville	San Bernardino County	Measure C	7%to 10%	50.0%	38.4%	61.6%	FAIL
City of Selma	Fresno County	Measure R	6%to10%	50.0%	35.8%	64.2%	FAIL

Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Tax Measures



Parcel Taxes

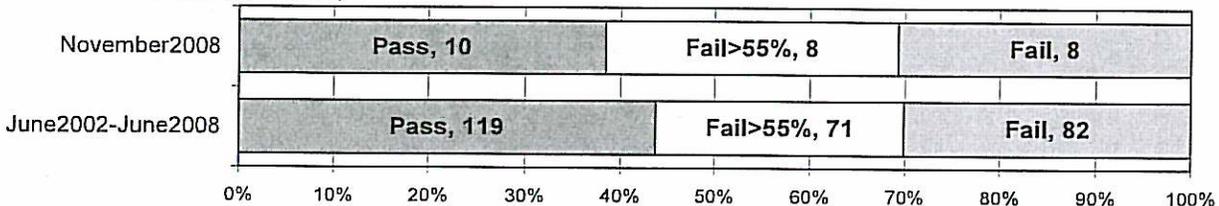
There were 26 non-school parcel taxes proposed: nine city, one county and 16 special districts. Parcel taxes require approval of a 2/3 supermajority. Ten passed, eight failing with over 55% "yes" votes. This was a similar success rate to other parcel tax measures since 2001. Parcel taxes for fire and/or police ranging from \$45 to \$153 per parcel passed in seven jurisdictions. A \$48/parcel tax for transit passed in Alameda/Contra Costa and a \$28/parcel tax for beach and river restoration passed in Santa Cruz.

Among the failing measures were many police and fire service taxes, as well as several for streets or parks/recreation.

City and Special District Parcel Taxes (2/3 vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate(SingleFamRes)</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Piru Cemetery District	Ventura County	Measure M \$25/parcel	Cemetery	86.7%	13.3%	PASS
City of Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz County	Measure E \$28/\$Fparcel, \$94/others, \$10/undvlpd.	Beaches/Rivers	76.4%	23.7%	PASS
McCloud Community Services District	Siskiyou County	Measure T \$153/parcel	Fire	76.1%	23.9%	PASS
Gold Ridge Fire Protection District	Sonoma County	Measure O \$45/parcel	Fire	75.7%	24.3%	PASS
County Service Area 40	Kern County	Measure K \$70/parcel	Fire/EMS	75.4%	24.6%	PASS
El Medio Fire Protection District	Butte County	Measure B \$58/parcel	Fire/EMS	72.4%	27.6%	PASS
City of Union City	Alameda County	Measure UU \$95to\$112/pr extend	Police/Fire	72.5%	27.5%	PASS
City of Berkeley	Alameda County	Measure GG \$0.04083/sf	fire/ems	71.7%	28.3%	PASS
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District	Alameda/Contra Costa Co	Measure VV \$48/parcel	Transit	71.6%	28.4%	PASS
Twin Cities Police Authority	Marin County	Measure E \$109/parcel \$20M bond	Police	69.3%	30.7%	PASS
City of Los Angeles	Los Angeles County	Measure A \$36/parcel	GangPrevention	66.3%	33.7%	FAIL
City of Albany	Alameda County	Measure EE Incr existing \$18/yr by 4%/yr beginning FY10-11	EmergencyMedic	64.0%	36.0%	FAIL
County of San Diego	San Diego County	Prop A \$52/parcel	Fire	63.6%	36.4%	FAIL
Lake Shastina Community Services Di	Siskiyou County	Measure R \$97/parcel	Police	62.0%	38.0%	FAIL
Zone306 CSA P-6	Contra Costa County	Measure F \$108/parcel	Police	60.2%	39.8%	FAIL
City of Parlier	Fresno County	Measure S \$300/parcel	Police & Fire	60.0%	40.0%	FAIL
Cameron Estates Community Services	El Dorado County	Measure H incr by\$250to\$500	Streets	55.7%	44.3%	FAIL
City of San Leandro	Alameda County	Measure TT \$48/parcel	Police	55.8%	44.2%	FAIL
City of Oakland	Alameda County	Measure NN \$107(incr to \$267 over 3yr	Police	55.0%	45.1%	FAIL
Weaverville/Douglas City Parks and R	Trinity County	Measure U ad valorem*	pool	53.1%	46.9%	FAIL
City of Long Beach	Los Angeles County	Measure I \$120/parcel	various	52.9%	47.1%	FAIL
County of Lassen	Lassen County	Measure R \$25/parcel	SwimmingPool	52.1%	47.9%	FAIL
Arrowbear Park County Water District	San Bernardino County	Measure U \$45/parcel	Fire equip	49.0%	51.0%	FAIL
Greater Hayfork Valley Park and Recn	Trinity County	Measure V \$20/parcel	Park/Rec	45.1%	54.9%	FAIL
Post Mountain Public Utilities District	Trinity County	Measure T \$35/parcel	roads	41.3%	58.7%	FAIL
Scott Valley Fire and Emergency Resp	Siskiyou County	Measure N \$40/parcel	Fire/EMS	41.2%	58.8%	FAIL

Parcel Taxes (2/3 vote)



Property Transfer Taxes

Charter cities may adopt and increase property transfer taxes with voter approval. Three were proposed for general purposes, requiring majority voter approval. Voters in San Francisco and Alameda passed their measures. Measure DD in Albany failed.

Property Transfer Taxes

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure No</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
San Francisco	San Francisco	Measure N	incr from 0.75% to 1.5% on property over \$5M	69.0%	31.0%	PASS
City of Alameda	Alameda County	Measure P	\$5.40to\$12.00per\$1,000	20yrs 50.7%	49.3%	PASS
City of Albany	Alameda County	Measure DD	\$11.50to\$14.50per\$1,000	44.0%	56.0%	FAIL

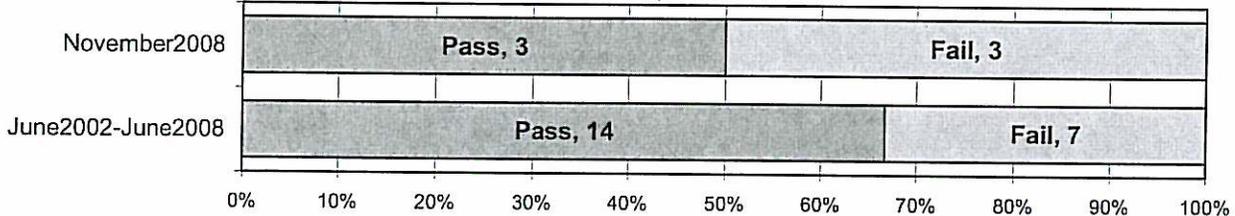
Business License Taxes

Six proposals to revise and increase Business License Taxes were considered in five locales. All are majority vote general taxes except Brisbane’s Measure T, a 2/3 vote special tax dedicated to public facility improvements. Half passed with both San Mateo County measures failing.

Business License Tax Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>leeded</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
San Francisco	San Francisco	Measure Q	50.0%	74.1%	25.9%	PASS
City of Richmond	Contra Costa County	Measure T	50.0%	72.3%	27.8%	PASS
City of Brisbane	San Mateo County	Measure T	0.075%	66.7%	70.3%	29.7% PASS
County of San Mateo	San Mateo County	Measure Q	8%onParking	50.0%	47.9%	52.1% FAIL
County of San Mateo	San Mateo County	Measure R	2.5%onVehRentals	50.0%	47.5%	52.5% FAIL
City of Oakley	Contra Costa County	Measure L	50.0%	42.5%	57.5%	FAIL

Business License Tax Measures - General Purpose



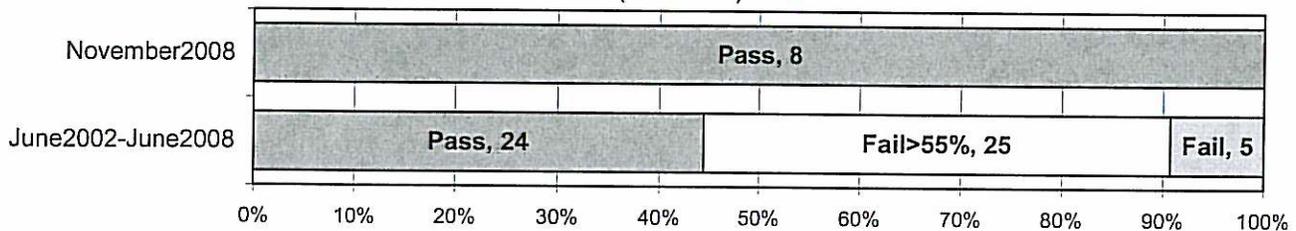
General Obligation Bonds

Non-school local general obligation bond measures require 2/3 supermajority voter approval and involve the approval of a “tax override,” a higher ad-valorem (property-value-based) tax rate to pay off the approved bonds. There were eight non-school local G.O. bond measures for hospitals (3), libraries (4) and parks (2) totaling \$1.675 billion in municipal financing. The largest is San Francisco’s \$888 million measure for its hospital system. All passed, a surprisingly high success rate given historic passage rates and the current condition of the economy.

City, County and Special District Bond Measures (2/3 vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
San Francisco	San Francisco	Measure A \$0.0059 per\$100AV \$887.4M Hospital	84.3%	15.7%	PASS
Sonoma Valley Health Care Distric	Sonoma County	Measure P \$0.0014 per\$100AV \$35M Hospital	80.8%	19.2%	PASS
County of Santa Clara	Santa Clara County	Measure A \$0.0014 per\$100AV \$84M Hospital	78.0%	22.0%	PASS
East Bay Regional Park District	Alameda/Contra Costa	Measure WW \$0.001 per \$100AV \$500M Parks	71.4%	28.6%	PASS
City of Palo Alto	Santa Clara County	Measure N \$0.02874 per\$100AV \$76M Library	69.5%	30.5%	PASS
City of Martinez	Contra Costa County	Measure H \$0.018 per\$100AV \$30M Parks/Library	68.4%	31.6%	PASS
City of Gilroy	Santa Clara County	Measure F \$0.0116 per\$100AV \$37M Library	68.1%	31.9%	PASS
City of Berkeley	Alameda County	Measure FF \$0.018 per\$100/AV \$26M Library	67.7%	32.3%	PASS

Local G.O. Bond Measures - Non-school (2/3 vote)



City Incorporation and Other Measures of Note

Over 70% of voters in the community of Rossmoor in Orange County said “no” to a proposal to become California’s 481st city. The companion utility tax increase proposals needed to make the city financially viable probably did not help the idea and also failed (see “utility user taxes” above).

Residents of the cities of Santee and Buena Park voted to adopt city charters rather than remain “general law” cities, but charter city proposals in Davis and Rosemead were defeated.

Charter City

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Santee	San Diego County	Prop P	69.7%	30.3%	PASS
City of Buena Park	Orange County	Measure P	58.1%	41.9%	PASS
City of Davis	Yolo County	Measure N	45.7%	54.3%	FAIL
City of Rosemead	Los Angeles County	Measure CC	37.2%	62.8%	FAIL

Voters in Pacific Grove approved a measure to provide 401k-style “defined contribution” retirement plans to employees instead of defined benefit pensions. A Yorba Linda measure was approved eliminating the use of eminent domain for “private economic development purposes.” In Chula Vista, voters approved a measure to elect, rather than have the City Council appoint, their City Attorney. Voters in Orange County overwhelmingly approved a measure requiring voter approval of any increase in county employee benefits.

Other Measures of Note

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure Name</u>	<u>Tax/Fee</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Pacific Grove	Monterey County	Measure Y	Employee Compensation	56.3%	43.7%	PASS
City of Yorba Linda	Orange County	Measure BB	eminent domain	79.0%	21.0%	PASS
City of Chula Vista	San Diego County	Prop Q	Elect City Attorney	59.5%	40.6%	PASS
County of Orange	Orange County	Measure J	Employee Compensation	75.2%	24.8%	PASS

Referenda to Repeal Water Rate Increases

Two out of three referenda to repeal increases in water/wastewater rates passed.

Water/Wastewater Rate Repeals

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure</u>	<u>Tax/Fee</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
City of Petaluma	Sonoma County	Measure K	Reduce Water/Wastewater Rates	45.8%	54.2%	FAIL
City of Rohnert Park	Sonoma County	Measure L	Reduce Water/Wastewater Rates	52.9%	47.1%	PASS
North San Joaquin Water Conservation District	San Joaquin County	Measure V	Repeal Groundwater Charge	54.9%	45.1%	PASS

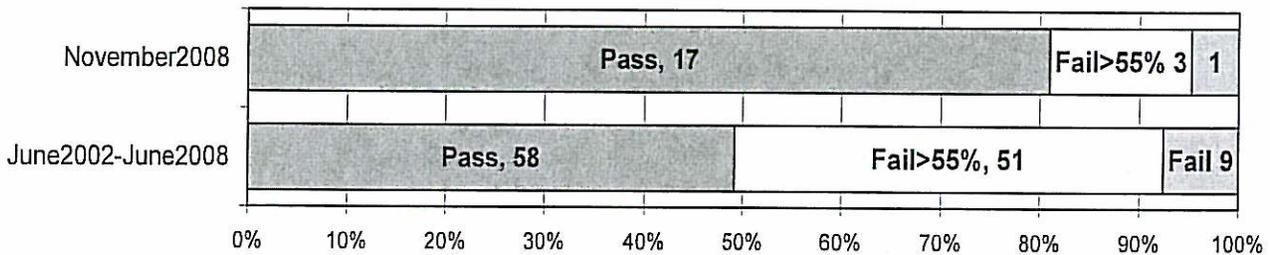
School Parcel Taxes

Parcel taxes were on the ballot in 21 school districts, all but one achieving 55% “yes” vote. But a 2/3 supermajority approval is needed for a parcel tax. Seventeen passed.

School Parcel Taxes (2/3 voter approval)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure No</u>	<u>Rate/year</u>	<u>Suns</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
West County Unified School District	Contra Costa County	Measure D	7.2cents/sf extend	5yrs	79.2%	20.8%	PASS
Campbell Union High School District	Santa Clara County	Measure R	\$84/parcel extend	5yrs	78.8%	21.3%	PASS
Live Oak School District	Santa Cruz County	Measure A	\$84/parcel	9yrs	76.7%	23.3%	PASS
Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District	Alameda/Contra Costa Ct	Measure M	\$138/parcel extend	5yrs	76.1%	23.9%	PASS
Pacific Grove Unified School District	Monterey County	Measure X	\$35/parcel	5yrs	75.8%	24.2%	PASS
Davis Joint Unified School District	Yolo/Solano County	Measure W	\$120/parcel	3yrs	75.5%	24.5%	PASS
Mill Valley School District	Marin County	Measure A	\$193/parcel	4yrs	74.4%	25.6%	PASS
Evergreen School District	Santa Clara County	Measure T	\$90/parcel	5yrs	73.2%	26.8%	PASS
Franklin-McKinley School District	Santa Clara County	Measure U	\$72/parcel	9yrs	73.0%	27.0%	PASS
Baysshore Elementary School District	San Mateo County	Measure Y	\$96/parcel	6yrs	72.3%	27.7%	PASS
Dublin Unified School District	Alameda County	Measure L	\$96/parcel	5yrs	72.1%	28.0%	PASS
Berryessa Union School District	Santa Clara County	Measure W	\$79/parcel	5yrs	71.9%	28.1%	PASS
Pittsburg Unified School District	Contra Costa County	Measure C	\$65/parcel	7yrs	71.7%	28.3%	PASS
Santa Barbara Elementary School District	Santa Barbara County	Measure I	\$27/parcel	4yrs	71.6%	28.4%	PASS
Belmont-Redwood Shores School District	San Mateo County	Measure U	\$78/parcel	7yrs	71.3%	28.7%	PASS
Santa Barbara High School District	Santa Barbara County	Measure H	\$23/parcel	4yrs	70.7%	29.3%	PASS
Martinez Unified School District	Contra Costa County	Measure B	\$50/parcel	5yrs	69.3%	30.7%	PASS
Ojai Unified School District	Ventura County	Measure P	\$89/parcel	7yrs	65.9%	34.1%	FAIL
San Carlos School District	San Mateo County	Measure S	\$75/parcel+3%/yr		65.6%	34.4%	FAIL
Oakland Unified School District	Alameda County	Measure N	\$120/parcel	10yrs	61.5%	38.5%	FAIL
Alta-Dutch Flat Union School District	Placer County	Measure T	\$45/parcel	4yrs	54.7%	45.4%	FAIL

School Parcel Taxes



School Bonds

There were 95 school bond measures on the ballot for a total of \$22.44 billion in bond authorizations. All but three measures met the criterion for the measure to require 55% approval rather than 2/3. The Centinela Valley, Planada Elementary and Plumas Lake school district measures required 2/3 supermajority approval.

Eighty-seven (87) of the 95 measures passed (totaling \$22.2 billion).

School Bond Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure Nar</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>%Neede</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Lakeside Union School District	Kern County	Measure I	\$22.5M	55.0%	77.6%	22.4%	PASS
South Bay Union Elementary School District	San Diego County	Prop X	\$59.4M	55.0%	76.4%	23.6%	PASS
Rosemead School District	Los Angeles County	Measure O	\$30M	55.0%	74.9%	25.1%	PASS
Alhambra Unified Neighborhood Elementary	Los Angeles County	Measure MM	\$50M	55.0%	74.9%	25.1%	PASS
Pasadena Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure TT	\$350M	55.0%	74.5%	25.5%	PASS
Pomona Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure PS	\$235M	55.0%	74.5%	25.5%	PASS
Oak Grove School District	Santa Clara County	Measure S	\$125M	55.0%	74.2%	25.8%	PASS
El Monte Union High School District	Los Angeles County	Measure D	\$148M	55.0%	74.2%	25.8%	PASS
Torrance Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure Y	\$265M	55.0%	74.1%	26.0%	PASS
John Swett High School	Contra Costa County	Measure A	\$20M	55.0%	73.4%	26.6%	PASS
San Lorenzo Unified School District	Alameda County	Measure O	\$83M	55.0%	73.3%	26.7%	PASS
Colton Joint Unified School District	San Bernardino/ Riverside	Measure G	\$225M	55.0%	73.3%	26.7%	PASS
Lemon Grove Elementary School District	San Diego County	Prop W	\$28M	55.0%	72.8%	27.2%	PASS
El Monte City School District	Los Angeles County	Measure KC	\$75M	55.0%	72.5%	27.5%	PASS
Savanna Elementary School District	Orange County	Measure N	\$24.935M	55.0%	72.5%	27.5%	PASS
Whittier Union High School District	Los Angeles County	Measure W	\$75M	55.0%	72.2%	27.8%	PASS
Long Beach Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure K	\$1.200M	55.0%	72.1%	27.9%	PASS
Ceres Unified School District	Stanislaus County	Measure U	\$60M	55.0%	71.4%	28.6%	PASS
College of the Sequoias Community College Distri	Tulare/Kings County	Measure J	\$60M	55.0%	71.3%	28.7%	PASS
Torrance Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure Z	\$90M	55.0%	71.2%	28.8%	PASS
Richland School District	Kern County	Measure J	\$23M	55.0%	71.2%	28.8%	PASS
Centinela Valley Union High School District	Los Angeles County	Measure CV	\$98M	66.7%	70.8%	29.2%	PASS
Central School District	San Bernardino County	Measure A	\$31M	55.0%	70.7%	29.3%	PASS
Southwestern Community College District	San Diego County	Prop R	\$389M	55.0%	70.6%	29.4%	PASS
Santa Paula Union High School District	Ventura County	Measure Q	\$39M	55.0%	70.4%	29.6%	PASS
Mojave Unified School District	Kern County	Measure G	\$14M	55.0%	70.4%	29.6%	PASS
Stanislaus Union School District	Stanislaus County	Measure T	\$39.8M	55.0%	70.1%	29.9%	PASS
Los Angeles Community College District	Los Angeles County	Measure J	\$3,500M	55.0%	70.1%	29.9%	PASS
Mt. San Antonio Community College District	Los Angeles & Orange C	Measure RR	\$353M	55.0%	70.0%	30.1%	PASS
Millbrae School District	San Mateo County	Measure X	\$30M	55.0%	69.7%	30.3%	PASS
Tracy Unified School District	San Joaquin County	Measure S	\$43.1M	55.0%	69.6%	30.4%	PASS
Bishop Union Elementary School District	Inyo County	Measure A	\$3M	55.0%	69.6%	30.4%	PASS
Cypress School District	Orange County	Measure M	\$53.6M	55.0%	69.2%	30.8%	PASS
Klamath-Trinity Joint Unified School District	Humboldt / Trinity Count	Measure H	\$5.95M	55.0%	69.2%	30.8%	PASS
Planada Elementary School District	Merced County	Measure O	\$2.9M	66.7%	69.1%	30.9%	PASS
Los Angeles Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure Q	\$7,000M	55.0%	69.1%	30.9%	PASS
Bellevue Union School District	Sonoma County	Measure J	\$19M	55.0%	68.8%	31.2%	PASS

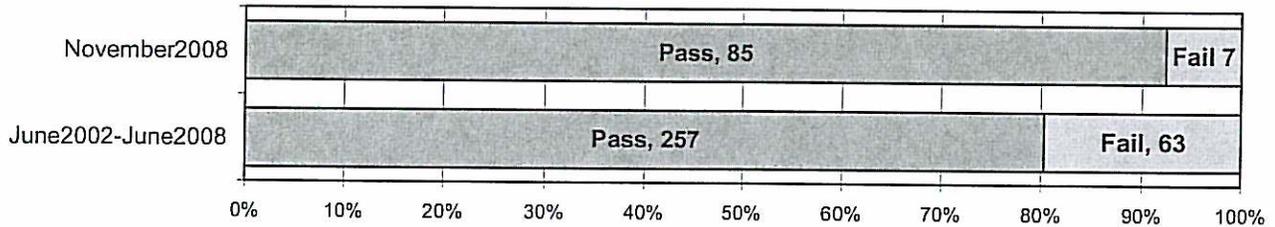
School Bond Measures (continued)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure Nar</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>%Neede</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
San Diego Unified School District	San Diego County	Prop S	\$2.100M	55.0%	68.2%	31.8%	PASS
Helendale School District	San Bernardino County	Measure X	\$20M	55.0%	68.2%	31.9%	PASS
Southern Kern Unified School District	Kern County	Measure H	\$24M	55.0%	67.8%	32.2%	PASS
El Segundo Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure M	\$14M	55.0%	67.3%	32.7%	PASS
Terra Bella Union Elementary School District	Tulare County	Measure K	\$3.3M	55.0%	67.2%	32.8%	PASS
Victor Valley Union High School District	San Bernardino County	Measure V	\$500M	55.0%	67.2%	32.8%	PASS
Gilroy Unified School District	Santa Clara County	Measure P	\$150M	55.0%	66.7%	33.3%	PASS
Victor Elementary School District	San Bernardino County	Measure E	\$150M	55.0%	66.6%	33.4%	PASS
Cascade Union Elementary School District	Shasta County	Measure C	\$12.4M	55.0%	66.2%	33.8%	PASS
Patterson Joint Unified School District	Stanislaus / Santa Clara C	Measure V	\$50M	55.0%	65.7%	34.3%	PASS
Susanville Elementary School District	Lassen County	Measure S	\$9M	55.0%	65.6%	34.4%	PASS
Moorpark Unified School District	Ventura County	Measure S	\$39.5M	55.0%	65.4%	34.6%	PASS
College of the Sequoias Community College District	Tulare County	Measure I	\$47M	55.0%	65.1%	34.9%	PASS
Wheatland School District	Yuba County	Measure R	\$5.7M	55.0%	65.1%	34.9%	PASS
Los Alamitos Unified School District	Orange County	Measure K	\$126M	55.0%	65.0%	35.0%	PASS
Beverly Hills Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure E	\$334M	55.0%	64.9%	35.1%	PASS
Lakeside Union Elementary School District	San Diego County	Prop V	\$79.55M	55.0%	64.6%	35.4%	PASS
Newman-Crows Landing Unified School District	Stanislaus County	Measure R	\$25M	55.0%	64.3%	35.7%	PASS
Acalanes Union High School District	Contra Costa County	Measure E	\$93M	55.0%	64.2%	35.8%	PASS
West Hills Community College District	Fresno/Madera/SanBenito	Measure C	\$11.6M	55.0%	64.1%	35.9%	PASS
West Hills Community College District	Fresno/Kings/Madera/Sar	Measure E	\$70.6M	55.0%	63.4%	36.6%	PASS
Westminster School District	Orange County	Measure O	\$130M	55.0%	63.0%	37.0%	PASS
Westside Union School District	Los Angeles County	Measure WS	\$63.5M	55.0%	63.0%	37.0%	PASS
Central Unified School District	Fresno County	Measure B	\$152M	55.0%	63.0%	37.0%	PASS
Merced Union High School District	Merced County	Measure M	\$149.45M	55.0%	62.6%	37.4%	PASS
Santa Monica Community College District	Los Angeles County	Measure AA	\$295M	55.0%	62.1%	38.0%	PASS
Marysville Joint Unified School District	Yuba / Butte Counties	Measure P	\$47M	55.0%	61.9%	38.1%	PASS
Beaumont Unified School District	Riverside & San Bernardi	Measure Z	\$125M	55.0%	61.8%	38.2%	PASS
Happy Valley Union Elementary School	Shasta County	Measure E	\$3.8M	55.0%	61.7%	38.4%	PASS
Center Unified School District	Sacramento,Placer Counti	Measure N	\$500M	55.0%	61.5%	38.5%	PASS
Rim of the World Unified School District	San Bernardino County	Measure W	\$23.34M	55.0%	61.5%	38.5%	PASS
Manhattan Beach Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure BB	\$67.48M	55.0%	61.1%	39.0%	PASS
Bonita Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure AB	\$83.56M	55.0%	60.8%	39.2%	PASS
Victor Valley Community College District	Los Angeles & San Berna	Measure JJ	\$297.5M	55.0%	60.7%	39.3%	PASS
Cold Spring School District	Santa Barbara County	Measure C	\$2.44M	55.0%	60.4%	39.6%	PASS
William S. Hart Union High School District	Los Angeles County	Measure SA	\$300M	55.0%	60.4%	39.6%	PASS
Bret Harte Union High School District	Calaveras County	Measure K	\$18M	55.0%	59.6%	40.4%	PASS
Lake Tahoe Unified School District	El Dorado County	Measure G	\$15.4M	55.0%	59.4%	40.6%	PASS
Oroville Union High School District	Butte County	Measure G	\$12M	55.0%	59.2%	40.8%	PASS
Escondido Union High School District	San Diego County	Prop T	\$98M	55.0%	59.0%	41.0%	PASS
Tustin Unified School District	Orange County	Measure L	\$95M	55.0%	58.5%	41.5%	PASS
Del Norte County School District	Del Norte County	Measure A	\$25M	55.0%	57.6%	42.4%	PASS
Siskiyou Union High School District	Siskiyou County	Measure Q	\$12.5M	55.0%	57.4%	42.6%	PASS
Gateway Unified School District	Shasta County	Measure G	\$19M	55.0%	57.0%	43.0%	PASS
Los Rios Community College District	Sacramento,ElDorado,So	Measure M	\$475M	55.0%	57.0%	43.0%	PASS

School Bond Measures (continued)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Measure Nar</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>%Neede</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Oak Park Unified School District	Ventura County	Measure R	\$29.445M	55.0%	57.0%	43.0%	PASS
Grossmont Union High School District	San Diego County	Prop U	\$417M	55.0%	56.6%	43.4%	PASS
Gold Oak Union School District	El Dorado County	Measure E	\$8.95M	55.0%	56.1%	43.9%	PASS
Acton-Agua Dulce Unified School District	Los Angeles County	Measure CF	\$13M	55.0%	55.8%	44.2%	PASS
Pacheco Union School District	Shasta County	Measure B	\$11M	55.0%	55.7%	44.3%	PASS
Plumas Lake School District	Yuba County	Measure Q	\$20M	66.7%	54.8%	45.2%	FAIL
Columbia School District	Shasta County	Measure D	\$9.5M	55.0%	54.1%	45.9%	FAIL
Colfax School District	Placer County	Measure Q	\$2.5M	55.0%	53.6%	46.4%	FAIL
Sierra Unified School District	Fresno County	Measure W	\$10M	55.0%	51.0%	49.1%	FAIL
Tahoe Truckee Unified School District	Placer,Nevada Counties	Measure U	\$93.53M	55.0%	49.1%	50.9%	FAIL
Sierra Unified School District	Fresno County	Measure V	\$12M	55.0%	48.6%	51.4%	FAIL
Mammoth School District	Mono County	Measure K	\$65M	55.0%	47.7%	52.3%	FAIL
Biggs Unified School District	Butte County	Measure E	\$6.9M	55.0%	45.7%	54.3%	FAIL

School Bonds (55%)



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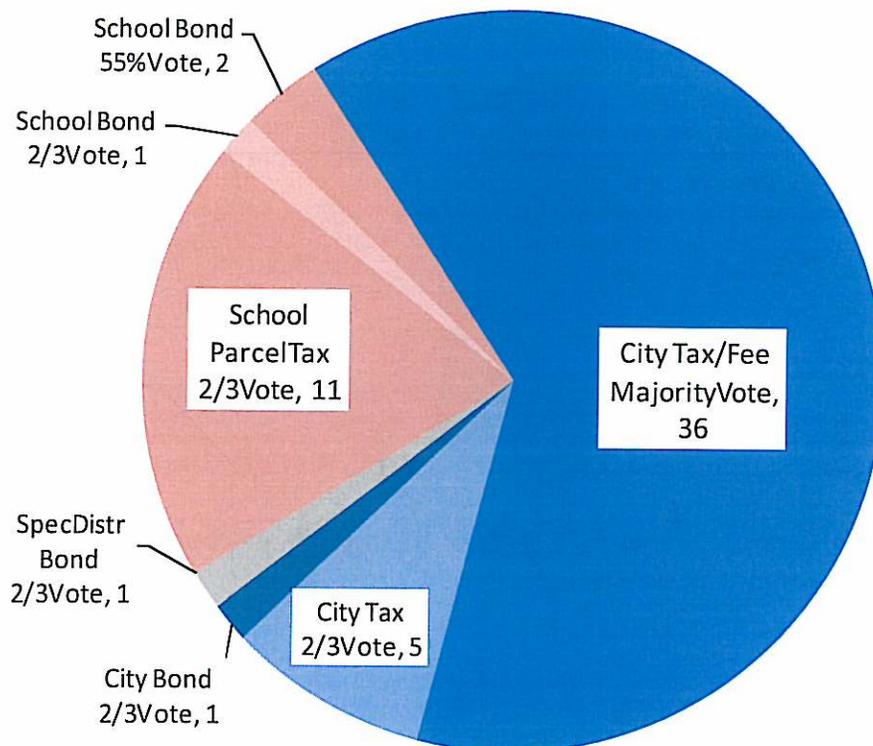


Local Revenue Measures November 2009

Elections were held on November 3 in many areas of California. In addition to a number of elections to fill legislative and agency governing board positions, voters decided the fate of 114 local measures including 57 concerning taxes, fees or bonds for cities, counties, special districts and schools.¹ There were five local bond measures, including three for schools, seeking approval of a total of \$214 million to finance capital facility construction and repair. There were also 11 school parcel tax measures requiring two-thirds voter approval.

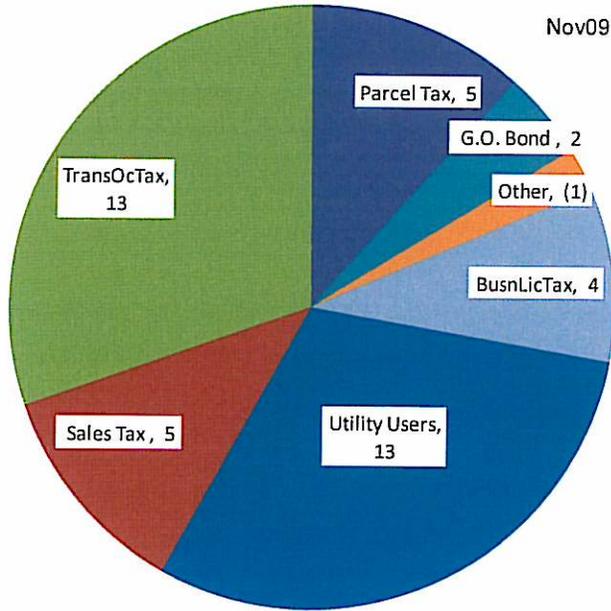
Among the non-school local fiscal measures 42 concerned cities and one concerned a special district. Among the city measures, most (36) are majority vote general tax measures. Six city measures required two-thirds voter approval including five special taxes and one general obligation bond. There were 13 utility user tax measures, including three new UUTs and nine modernization proposals. Five cities sought sales tax increases ranging from ¼ cent 1 cent. Eleven cities proposed hotel tax increases and two sought to impose hotel taxes for the first time. There were five parcel tax proposals and just five bond measures including three school bonds.

Proposed Local Revenue Measures Nov2009



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Types of Non-School Local Tax Measures



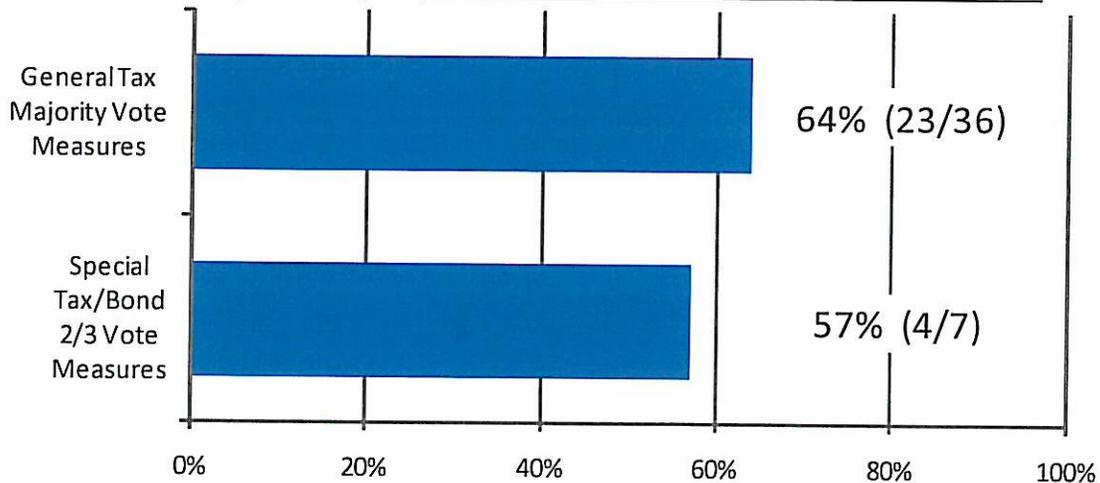
Local Revenue Measures Nov 2009

	Proposed	Pass	Passing%
City Tax/Fee MajorityVote	36	23	64%
City Tax 2/3Vote	5	3	60%
City Bond 2/3Vote	1	0	0%
SpecialDistrict Bond 2/3Vote	1	1	100%
School ParcelTax2/3	11	7	64%
SchoolBond 2/3Vote	1	0	0%
School Bond 55%	2	2	100%
Total	57	36	63%

The overall passage rate of non-school local tax measures this election was similar to that of prior elections over the last decade. Of the 36 majority-vote tax measures, nearly two out of three (23) passed. Since 2001, 65% of majority vote local tax measures have passed.

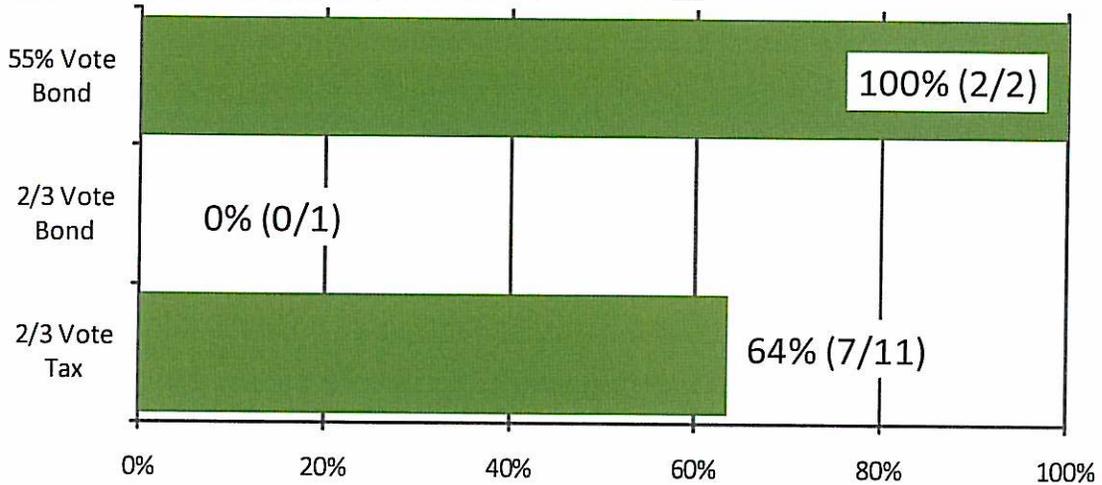
Of the five special tax measures requiring two-thirds voter approval, three passed. A hospital district bond measure passed but the one city bond measure (2/3 vote) failed. This passage rate generally mirrors historic passage rates for special taxes and bonds since 2001: half passed.

Passage Rates: City / County / Special District Tax & Bond Measures Nov2009



The passage rates for school measures also mirrored passage rates since 2001. Both 55% school bond measures passed, but Springvale Union Elementary School District's bond measure did not meet the Proposition 39 rules for 55% approval and failed to garner the required two-thirds voter approval. Of the eleven school parcel tax measures, seven passed.

Passage Rates: School Tax & Bond Measures Nov2009



Local Add-On Sales Taxes (Transaction and Use Taxes)

Five cities asked their voters to consider sales tax add-ons (transactions and use taxes) for general purposes. The proposals ranged from increases of ¼ percent to 1 percent and require majority voter approval. Two of the measures passed: a ¼ cent increase in San Mateo and a ½ cent rate in Gustine. Since 2001, three out of five add-on sales tax measures have passed.

Transactions and Use Tax: General Tax Measures (Majority voter approval required)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
San Mateo	San Mateo	Measure L 1/4cent	8yrs	60.8%	39.2%	PASS
Gustine	Merced	Measure B 1/2cent		52.5%	47.5%	PASS
San Carlos	San Mateo	Measure U 1/2cent	6yrs	44.3%	55.7%	FAIL
San Buenaventura	Ventura	Measure A 1/2cent	4yrs	44.1%	55.9%	FAIL
Salinas	Monterey	Measure K 1cent		39.2%	60.8%	FAIL

Utility User Taxes

There were 13 measures to increase or expand utility user taxes. Five cities asked voters to modernize their existing Utility User Taxes (UUTs) on telecommunications to cover new telecommunications technologies while maintaining existing rates. All passed. Four cities similarly asked voters to modernize their existing UUTs but also reduced the tax rate. All passed. The City of Portola Valley succeeded in extending the sunset on its UUT for another four years. Among all these measures just two (Newark and Coachella) proposed tax rate increases. Both measures failed; Newark's by just ten votes of over 4,700 cast. Voters in Redondo Beach rejected a proposal to extend their UUT to tax power plants in the city.

Utility User Tax Measures - Nov 2009

	Proposed	Passed
Expand what is taxed & reduce rate	4	4
Expand what is taxed & maintain rate	5	5
Extend sunset	1	1
Expand to powerplant	1	0
New/increase rate	2	0
	13	10

These outcomes are similar to recent historical passage results. Since 2001, nearly all of the 56 proposals to modernize UUTs without increasing the tax rate have passed. But proposals for new or increased UUTs this decade have fared much worse with just one in four passing.

Utility User Tax Measures - all majority vote general taxes

Agency Name	County		Rate		YES%	NO%	
Tulare	Tulare	Measure N	7%to6%	expand&reduce	83.0%	17.0%	PASS
Portola Valley	San Mateo	Measure P	maintain4.5%	extend 4yrs	82.1%	17.9%	PASS
Irwindale	Los Angeles	Measure I-U	maintain 7.5%	expand	82.0%	18.0%	PASS
Cupertino	Santa Clara	Measure B	maintain 2.4%	expand	75.5%	24.5%	PASS
Palm Springs	Riverside	Measure G	5%to4.5%	expand&reduce	70.3%	29.8%	PASS
Vallejo	Solano	Measure U	7.5%to7.3%	expand&reduce	69.4%	30.6%	PASS
Pico Rivera	Los Angeles	Measure TR	5%to4.5%	expand&reduce	67.3%	32.7%	PASS
Dinuba	Tulare	Measure M	maintain 7%	expand	64.7%	35.4%	PASS
Pomona	Los Angeles	Measure PC	maintain 9%	expand	59.7%	40.4%	PASS
Huntington Park	Los Angeles	Measure E	6.5% and 7% to 9.25% and 9.75%	increase	51.4%	48.6%	PASS
Newark	Alameda	Measure L	3.9%	new	49.9%	50.1%	FAIL
Coachella	Riverside	Measure M	5%	new	47.1%	52.9%	FAIL
Redondo Beach	Los Angeles	Measure UU	4.75%(existing)	expand:PowerPlant	46.6%	53.4%	FAIL

Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Taxes

Voters in eleven cities considered increasing their Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Tax and two cities considered adopting a transient occupancy tax (TOT) for the first time. All were majority-vote general purpose taxes. Nine of the measures succeeded including all six in San Mateo County. The Artesia measure passed by just 12 votes of 966 cast. San Anselmo rejected a new 10% TOT, while voters in Irwindale approved their new 10% tax.

This was a slightly better overall showing for TOTs compared to past elections. In prior elections since 2001, three of five measures to increase TOTs have passed.

Transient Occupancy Tax Measures - General Taxes - Majority Vote

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Rate</u>		<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Irwindale	Los Angeles	Measure I-T	10%	new	84.5%	15.5%	PASS
Burlingame	San Mateo	Measure H	10%to12%	increase	79.4%	20.6%	PASS
South San Francisco	San Mateo	Measure O	9%to10%	increase	77.9%	22.1%	PASS
Banning	Riverside	Measure L	6%to12%	increase	75.0%	25.0%	PASS
San Mateo	San Mateo	Measure M	10%to12%	increase	74.5%	25.5%	PASS
San Bruno	San Mateo	Measure F	10%to12%	increase	70.1%	29.9%	PASS
Millbrae	San Mateo	Measure J	10%to12%	increase	68.1%	31.9%	PASS
Brisbane	San Mateo	Measure G	10%to12%	increase	63.9%	36.1%	PASS
Norco	Riverside	Measure B	8%to11%	increase	54.6%	45.4%	PASS
Artesia	Los Angeles	Measure S	6% to 12.5%	increase	51.0%	49.0%	PASS
Rancho Palos Verdes	Los Angeles	Measure TOT	10%to12%	increase	48.7%	51.3%	FAIL
Blythe	Riverside	Measure H	10%to13%	increase	47.0%	53.1%	FAIL
San Anselmo	Marin	Measure F	10%	new	40.0%	60.0%	FAIL

Parcel Taxes (non-school)

There were five city parcel tax measures on the ballot. Three extended existing taxes. All passed. The two proposals for new parcel taxes failed, including a measure in Pacific Grove which garnered 62.2% yes vote, but short of the 2/3 approval needed.

Parcel Taxes (2/3 vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Rate</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Sunset</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
South Pasadena	Los Angeles	Measure L	no increase	Library	extend 5yrs	79.7%	20.3%	PASS
Atherton	San Mateo	Measure S	no increase	general	extend 4yrs	77.6%	22.4%	PASS
Fairfax	Marin	Measure I	no increase	general	extend 5yrs	72.9%	27.2%	PASS
Pacific Grove	Monterey	Measure J	\$75/parcel	Library	new	62.2%	37.8%	FAIL
Perris	Riverside	Measure C	\$136/parcel	general	new	42.1%	57.9%	FAIL

Business License Taxes

Four cities proposed increases to local business license taxes. All were majority vote general taxes. Palo Alto, in failing with its proposal, remains one of the few cities in the state not to impose a business license tax. Emeryville increased its tax on card rooms. But business tax increase proposals in Artesia and Redwood City failed, the Artesia measure by just ten votes of 978 cast. Historically since 2001 three out of five business license tax increase measures have passed.

Business License Tax Measures - General Tax - Majority Vote

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>			<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Emeryville	Alameda	Measure K	9% to 10% cardroom increase	82.6%	17.4%	PASS
Artesia	Los Angeles	Measure Y	increase	50.0%	50.1%	FAIL
Redwood City	San Mateo	Measure Y	increase	45.5%	54.5%	FAIL
Palo Alto	Santa Clara	Measure A	new	42.9%	57.1%	FAIL

General Obligation Bonds

Non-school local general obligation bond measures require 2/3 supermajority voter approval and involve the approval of a "tax override," a higher ad-valorem (property-value-based) tax rate to pay off the approved bonds. There were just two non-school general obligation bond measures including a hospital district and a city public safety facility bond. The Tehachapi Valley Health Care District measure passed, but the City of San Rafael measure failed with 61% "yes" votes.

G.O. Bonds (2/3 vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>		<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Tehachapi Valley Health Care District	Kern	Measure A \$50M	hospital	69.8%	30.2%	PASS
San Rafael	Marin	Measure G \$88M	Police/Fire/EMS	61.0%	39.0%	FAIL

Other Revenue Measures

Voters rejected a citizen referendum to ratify a water rate increase in Paso Robles. A "yes" vote would have ratified the rate increase. The citizen group succeeded in reversing the City Council's action increasing the rates.

Other Fiscal Measures (majority vote)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
El Paso de Robles	San Luis Obispo	Measure A-09 Referend:WaterRates	50.0%	45.5%	54.5%	FAIL

City Incorporation and Other Measures of Note

A majority of residents in Carmel Valley said “no” to becoming California’s 481st city. In advisory votes, residents of the unincorporated Los Angeles communities of Sunset Pointe, Stevenson Ranch, Southern Oaks, Westridge, Tesoro, Castaic and Val Verde said “no” to incorporation, but “yes” to becoming an “official unincorporated community” and also to annexation into the City of Santa Clarita. The cities of Palmdale and El Centro both voted to become charter cities.

Other Measures of Note

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>			<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Proposed Town of Carmel Valley	Monterey	Measure G	Proposed Town of Carmel Valley	47.7%	52.3%	FAIL
Unincorporated Sunset Pointe,		Measure A	Official Community In Unincorporat	56.3%	43.7%	PASS
Stevenson Ranch, Southern Oaks,	Los Angeles	Measure C	Annex Into the City of Santa Clarita	52.9%	47.1%	PASS
Westridge, Tesoro, Castaic and Val Verde		Measure B	Incorporate Into a New Separate City	22.2%	77.8%	FAIL
Palmdale	Los Angeles	Measure CH	Charter City	82.0%	18.0%	PASS
El Centro	Imperial	Measure G	Charter City	60.4%	39.6%	PASS

Appointed versus Elected Clerks and Treasurers

Voters in three out of the four cities proposing to switch from elected to appointed city clerk positions said “yes.” In Millbrae, voters approved switch from an elected city treasurer to appointed.

Appointed City Clerk / City Treasurer

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Purpose</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
San Carlos	San Mateo	Measure V	Appointed City Clerk (not elected)	60.9%	39.1%	PASS
Willits	Mendocino	Measure B	Appointed City Clerk (not elected)	55.4%	44.6%	PASS
Burlingame	San Mateo	Measure I	Appointed City Clerk (not elected)	54.0%	46.0%	PASS
Perris	Riverside	Measure E	Appointed City Clerk (not elected)	45.7%	54.4%	FAIL
Millbrae	San Mateo	Measure K	Appointed City Treasurer (not elected)	51.3%	48.7%	PASS

School Parcel Taxes

Eleven school parcel taxes were on the ballot. Seven achieved the 2/3 voter approval needed. This mirrors recent history of such measures. Since 2001, three out of five school parcel taxes have passed.

School Parcel Taxes (2/3 voter approval)

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Rate</u>		<u>Sunset</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Albany Unified School District	Alameda	Measure J	\$559/du	combine +CPI		76.7%	23.3%	PASS
Albany Unified School District	Alameda	Measure I	\$149/parcel	new	5yrs	75.8%	24.2%	PASS
Walnut Creek School District	Contra Costa	Measure H	\$82/parcel	extend-same rate		75.4%	24.6%	PASS
Culver City Unified School District	Los Angeles	Measure EE	\$96/parcel	new	5yrs	74.7%	25.4%	PASS
Acalanes Union High School District	Contra Costa	Measure G	\$189/parcel	extend-same rate		74.0%	26.0%	PASS
Larkspur School District	Marin	Measure B	\$369/parcel	extend		69.9%	30.1%	PASS
Lagunitas School District	Marin	Measure A	\$325/parcel	new		68.1%	31.9%	PASS
Santa Clara Unified School District	Santa Clara	Measure C	\$138/parcel	new		62.6%	37.4%	FAIL
Fremont Union High School District	Santa Clara	Measure G	\$98/parcel	extend-same rate		58.9%	41.1%	FAIL
Oxnard Elementary School District	Ventura	Measure E	\$99/parcel	new		46.8%	53.2%	FAIL
Long Beach Unified School District	Los Angeles	Measure T	\$92/parcel	new	5yrs	43.0%	57.0%	FAIL

School Bonds

There were just three school bond measures on the ballot. Two passed.

School Bond Measures

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>County</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>%Needed</u>	<u>YES%</u>	<u>NO%</u>	
Mill Valley School District	Marin	Measure C	\$59.8M	55.0%	66.5%	33.5%	PASS
Shoreline Unified School District	Marin / Sonoma	Measure D	\$9.29M	55.0%	63.0%	37.0%	PASS
Springville Union Elementary School District	Tulare	Measure O	\$6.7M	66.7%	34.5%	65.5%	FAIL

Conclusion

Despite the difficult economy local voters appeared just as willing as in prior times to pass many taxes and bonds. Passage rates of local revenue measures for the November 3, 2009 election generally mirror those of elections since 2001. There are a number of factors that may be at work here. While the economy has been hard on most people, it has also been very hard on cities, counties, and schools. Certainly, the dire financial conditions of some local governments is compelling to some voters. But each of these measures reflects a local circumstance and a local issue, with all the factors at work that are unique to each particular community.

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