

Property Taxes – Gas and Electric and Utility Taxes and Instructional Support Levy

Each year, the Department of Education receives numerous questions on how to code the various taxes and tax credits received from the county. New for FY15 is the State Replacement for Commercial & Industrial (C & I) property valuation reduction, which is coded to source 3803 and the Business Property Tax Credit, which is coded to source 111X. All districts may not receive taxes from all of these categories, and all counties may not segregate taxes the same way. Iowa Code (IC) references have been added. Delinquent taxes are receipted with the category of the delinquent tax.

Following are some of the categories:

Type of Tax	Source	Comments
Real Estate or Delinquent Real Estate	111X	May use header or detail, but not a combination of both. If district is using the header, Instructional Support Levy (ISL) is coded to source 1110. If the district is using detail, ISL is coded to source 1114. This applies to all with source 111X in chart.
Gas and Electric or Utility Replacement or Excise Tax (IC 437A)	1171	If ISL, the district uses this source, but may use 1114 project code to segregate.
Utility (not gas and electric) or delinquent utility	111X	Some counties have split utilities into two categories. This tax relates to per mile of phone cable. If the county doesn't also have the previous category, check with the county to see if this is gas and electric or other utilities.
Grain Handled Taxes (IC 428.35)	111X	This excise tax occurs if there is a grain elevator in the district that has paid excise real estate taxes.
Agricultural Land or Ag Land Credit (IC 426)	111X	This credit was established to partially offset the school tax burden borne by agricultural real estate. Current law allows a credit for any general school fund tax in excess of \$5.40 per \$1,000 of assessed value.
Homestead Credit (IC 425.1)	111X	This credit was originally adopted to encourage home ownership through property tax relief. The current credit is equal to the actual tax levy on the first \$4,850 of actual value.
Disabled veteran tax credit (IC 425.15)	111X	This credit was originally adopted to encourage home ownership for disabled veterans. The current credit is equal to 100% of the actual tax levy.
Iowa Disabled and Senior Citizens Property Tax Credit (IC 425.16-17)	111X	Credit incorporated into the Homestead Tax Law to provide property tax or rent relief to elderly homeowners and homeowners with disabilities.
Family Farm Credit (IC 425A)	111X	Credit established to partially offset the school tax burden borne by agricultural real estate. Current law allows a credit for any general school fund tax in excess of \$5.40 per \$1,000 of assessed value.
Business Property Tax Credit (IC 426C)	111X	Credit established to provide tax relief to eligible commercial, industrial, or railway property.

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Mobile Home Taxes or delinquent mobile home taxes (IC 435)	1191	If ISL, the district uses this source, but may use 1114 project code to segregate.
Military Credit (IC 426A.13)	3801	Credit to replace the tax which would be due on property eligible for military service tax exemption, if the property were subject to taxation, up to \$6.92 per \$1,000 of assessed value.
State Replacement for Commercial and Industrial (C & I) property valuation reduction (IC 441.21A)	3803	State aid to replace the tax which would be due on commercial and industrial property if the property were taxed at the full assessed valuation. There is a tool at the bottom of the Department of Management's homepage to help districts estimate their C & I replacement amounts.
Federal	481X	Contact the county to see which Federal funds were received.