

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — RATES

4840. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to the Local Government Council Rates charged for the year 2015–2016, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please provide the average percentage increase in rates for each individual metropolitan council; and
- (b) will the Minister please provide the average percentage increase in rates for each individual regional council?

Mr A.J. Simpson replied:

- (a) The Department of Local Government and Communities has compiled the following information on metropolitan local governments from the 2015/16 annual budgets.

Local Government	Average Rates Increase %
Armadale City	5.20
Bassendean Town	4.00
Bayswater City	3.75
Belmont City	2.25
Cambridge Town	3.00
Canning City	7.37
Claremont Town	2.90
Cockburn City	3.50
Cottesloe Town	2.50
East Fremantle Town	6.25
Fremantle City	5.00
Gosnells City	2.99
Joondalup City	3.90
Kalamunda Shire	4.10
Kwinana City	3.50
Melville City	3.75
Mosman Park Town	2.53
Mundaring Shire	5.46
Nedlands City	2.50
Peppermint Grove Shire	6.90
Perth City	4.70
Rockingham City	7.00
Serpentine-Jarrahdale Shire	5.00
South Perth City	4.80
Stirling City	1.90
Subiaco City	4.65
Swan City	3.25
Victoria Park Town	8.00
Vincent City	2.8% for residential and 8.5% for other
Wanneroo City	4.90

- (b) The Department of Local Government and Communities has compiled the following information on rural local governments from the 2015/16 annual budgets.

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Local Government	Average Rates Increase %
Albany City	4.35
Augusta-Margaret River Shire	4.00
Beverley Shire	6.00
Boddington Shire	5.00
Boyup Brook Shire	4.68
Bridgetown-Greenbushes Shire	6.40
Brookton Shire	7.00
Broome Shire	3.97
Broomehill-Tambellup Shire	10% for GRV and 5% UV Rural
Bruce Rock Shire	5.00
Bunbury City	3.50
Busselton City	4.75
Capel Shire	6.00
Carnamah Shire	2.50
Carnarvon Shire	8.00
Chapman Valley Shire	5.50
Chittering Shire ^[1]	0.00
Christmas Island Shire	4.00
Cocos (Keeling) Islands Shire	5.65
Collie Shire	4.26
Coolgardie Shire	9.50
Coorow Shire	5.00
Corrigin Shire	4.98
Cranbrook Shire	4.00
Cuballing Shire	5.00
Cue Shire	3.00
Cunderdin Shire	5.00
Dalwallinu Shire	2.50
Dandaragan Shire	5.00
Dardanup Shire	6.81
Denmark Shire	5.40
Derby-West Kimberley Shire	4.90
Donnybrook-Balingup Shire	5.20
Dowerin Shire	4.00
Dumbleyung Shire	4.00
Dundas Shire	3.00
East Pilbara Shire	2.50
Esperance Shire	5.18
Exmouth Shire	1.30
Gingin Shire	7.00
Gnowangerup Shire	6.00

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Goomalling Shire	4.00
Greater Geraldton City	3.90
Halls Creek Shire	13.50
Harvey Shire	4.50
Irwin Shire	4.50
Jerramungup Shire	3.00
Kalgoorlie-Boulder City	3.50
Karratha City	4.00
Katanning Shire	6.00
Kellerberrin Shire	4.30
Kent Shire	4.00
Kojonup Shire	4.30
Kondinin Shire	4.00
Koorda Shire	5.00
Kulin Shire	2.50
Lake Grace Shire	2.85
Laverton Shire	3.50
Leonora Shire	2.90
Mandurah City	3.40
Manjimup Shire	4.48
Merredin Shire	5.00
Mingenew Shire	6.00
Moora Shire	2.00
Morawa Shire	2.00
Mount Magnet Shire	4.00
Mount Marshall Shire	5.00
Mukinbudin Shire	5.00
Murchison Shire	1.90
Murray Shire	5.75
Nannup Shire	6.25
Narembeen Shire	6.01
Narrogin Shire	4.18
Narrogin Town	3.50
Northam Shire	3.50
Northampton Shire	5.00
Nungarin Shire	5.00
Perenjori Shire	3.00
Pingelly Shire	7.00
Plantagenet Shire	3.00
Quairading Shire	6.00
Ravensthorpe Shire	5.60
Sandstone Shire	2.00

Shark Bay Shire	3.00
Tammin Shire	7.00
Three Springs Shire	5.00
Toodyay Shire	6.40
Trayning Shire	9.00
Upper Gascoyne Shire	2.00
Victoria Plains Shire	4.00
Wagin Shire	3.50
Wandering Shire	12.00
Waroona Shire	7.95
West Arthur Shire	3.00
Westonia Shire	5.00
Wickepin Shire	3.00
Williams Shire	6.09
Wiluna	3.40
Wongan-Ballidu Shire	3.00
Woodanilling Shire	3.00
Wyalkatchem Shire	7.50
Wyndham–East Kimberley Shire	4.93
Yalgoo Shire	6.90
Yilgarn Shire	3.00
York Shire	9.50

Three local governments had rate decreases. They were:

Ashburton Shire	- 3.10
Meekatharra Shire	- 4.92
Port Hedland Town	- 2.85

The rate increases for Nvaanyatjarraku rural local government were not available as the local government has not yet submitted their annual budget for 2015–2016 to the Department.

The Shire reviewed their rating system and moved a large number of properties from UV to GRV; however, there was no increase to their rate revenue.