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Fresno County's Tax Roll Passes \$73 Billion
Fresno, California- Fresno County Assessor-Recorder Paul Dictos announced today that the county assessment roll hit a major milestone, exceeding the $\$ 73$ billion mark. The net assessed value of the county grew by $4.78 \%$, an increase of $\$ 3.367$ billion.

All but one of the municipalities showed an increase in their assessed value- as shown on the attachment- with Sanger topping the list with a $13.43 \%$ increase. "Emerging from the 2009-2012 bust, Fresno housing market has been named healthiest in the nation", said Dictos.

Proposition 8, restoring assessed values previously temporarily reduced
The recovery is positive news for homeowners who are finally seeing the market value of their home, usually their single biggest asset, increase in value, recapturing equity lost during the recession. When the market value of a property declines below the previously established assessed value measured as of January 1 each year (lien date), the Assessor is required to proactively reduce the assessed value to reflect the lower market value. However, when the real estate market rebounds, the Assessor is required to "restore" the assessed values for properties previously reduced during the downturn. "Just as we reduced assessed values when market values declined, we must also restore the assessments when market conditions improve as mandated by Proposition 8, passed by California voters in November 1978," said Assessor-recorder Dictos. This companion law to Proposition 13 provides that property owners are entitled to the lower of the fair market value of their property (as of January 1, 2016), or the base year value as determined at the time of purchase or construction, and increased by two percent or the California CPI, whichever is lower. Online valuation notices for real property will be available to property owners on July 15, 2016. Notices can be searched by either assessor parcel number or property address at http://assessor.co.fresno.ca.us.
"The assessment roll is a barometer of yesterday's economic weather, and at present it's looking good.This is GOOD NEWS for our families and children" Said AssessorRecorder Paul Dictos.

Fresno County Assessed Valuation for 2016-2017


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