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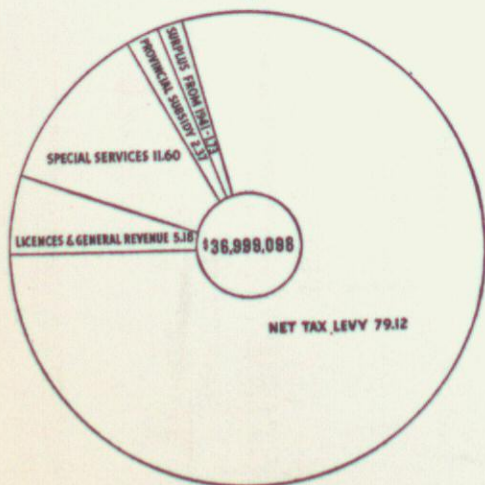
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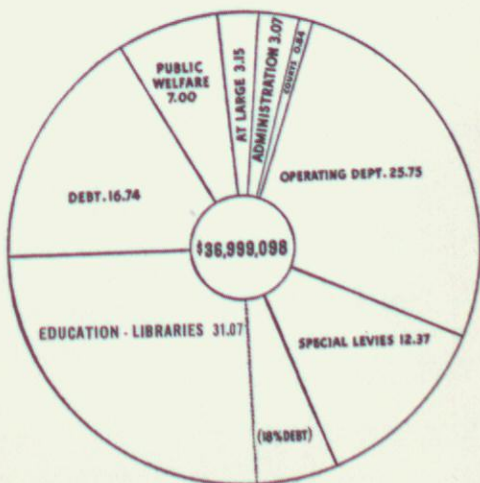
June 29th, 1942

## The Toronto Current Civic Budget for 1942

*Where the Money is to Come from*



*Where it is to Go*



*The figures following titles of sections are percentages of total revenue or expenditure*

# CITY OF TORONTO

## Comparison of 1942 Final Estimates with 1941 Approximate Actual Figures

### REVENUE

	1941 Approx. Actual	1942			1941 Approx. Actual Compared with 1942 Estimates	
		Departmental Estimates	Board of Control Estimates 23rd March	Final Council Estimates 31st March	Increase	Decrease
<b>GENERAL</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Administration of Justice.....	447,861		446,000	446,000		1,861
Licenses.....	291,740		292,000	292,000	260	
Taxation Percentages.....	236,522		250,000	250,000	13,478	
Beverage Rooms.....	62,962		63,000	63,000	38	
General Rentals.....	371,211		369,500	369,500		1,711
Mortgage Tax.....	15,995		7,500	7,500		8,495
Land Titles Office.....	2,659					2,659
Registry Office.....	19,495	5,000	5,000	5,000	64,819	14,495
Sundry Items.....	102,931	167,750	167,750	167,750		
Department of Buildings.....	66,103	67,350	67,350	67,350	1,247	
City Planning Department.....	2,408	2,500	2,500	2,500	92	
Audit Department.....	6,623	7,000	7,000	7,000	377	
City Clerk's Department.....	7,358	7,000	7,000	7,000		358
Department of Public Welfare.....	513					513
Fire Department.....	327	350	350	350	23	
Health Department.....	58,200	45,000	45,000	45,000		13,200
Law Department.....	1,008	900	900	900		108
Parks Department.....	7,893	7,000	7,000	7,000		893
Police Department.....	6,173	6,000	6,000	6,000		173
Property Department.....	75,305	62,650	62,650	62,650		12,655
Street Cleaning Department.....	5,427	23,000	23,000	23,000	17,573	
Treasury Department.....	8,212	7,500	7,500	7,500		712
Works Department.....	69,520	79,750	79,750	79,750	10,230	
<b>Total General Revenue...</b>	<b>1,866,446</b>	<b>1,916,750</b>	<b>1,916,750</b>	<b>1,916,750</b>	<b>50,304</b>	
<b>SPECIAL SERVICES</b>						
Abattoir.....	138,117	160,000	160,000	160,000	21,883	
Airports—Municipal.....	20,587	47,300	47,300	47,300	26,713	
Canadian National Exhibition.....	270,941	251,200	251,200	251,200		19,741
Royal Agricultural Winter Fair..	82,000	82,000	82,000	82,000		
Waterworks.....	3,677,012	3,750,000	3,750,000	3,750,000	72,988	
<b>Total Revenue Other Than Taxation.....</b>	<b>4,188,657</b>	<b>4,290,500</b>	<b>4,290,500</b>	<b>4,290,500</b>	<b>101,843</b>	
<b>Total Revenue Other Than Taxation.....</b>	<b>6,055,103</b>	<b>6,207,250</b>	<b>6,207,250</b>	<b>6,207,250</b>	<b>152,147</b>	
Prov. Gov't Subsidy (of One Mill on General Assessm't)...	876,934	876,156	876,156	876,156		778
Surplus Brought Forward from Previous Year.....	110,971	639,658	639,658	639,658	528,687	
	7,043,008	7,723,064	7,723,064	7,723,064	680,056	
Tax Levy (Net).....	31,062,378	29,626,434	29,276,034	29,276,034		1,786,344
<b>GRAND TOTALS.....</b>	<b>38,105,386</b>	<b>37,349,498</b>	<b>36,999,098</b>	<b>36,999,098</b>		<b>1,106,288</b>
Less 1941 Approximate Actual Expenditure.....	37,465,728					
Surplus Carried Forward to 1942	639,658					

### EXPENDITURE

	1941 Approx. Actual	1942			1941 Approx. Actual Compared with 1942 Estimates	
		Departmental Estimates	Board of Control Estimates 23rd March	Final Council* Estimates 31st March	Increase	Decrease
<b>GENERAL</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Debt Charges, General.....	7,051,810	6,198,661	6,193,661	6,193,661		858,149
Libraries—Public.....	475,923	501,686	499,686	499,686	19,763	
At Large.....	1,209,238	1,188,068	1,164,520	1,164,520		44,718
<b>Public Welfare Department...</b>	<b>2,289,282</b>	<b>2,314,561</b>	<b>2,791,505</b>	<b>2,589,005</b>	<b>299,723</b>	<b>583,381</b>
<b>Administrative Departments</b>						
Assessment.....	243,274	238,728	232,393	230,007		13,267
City Clerk.....	153,338	143,206	139,249	137,819		15,519
City Planning and Surveying..	49,848	51,995	49,424	48,917		931
City Audit.....	105,033	107,549	104,558	103,485		1,548
Law.....	92,509	88,091	79,391	78,576		13,933
Treasury.....	307,138	354,130	354,164	350,529	43,391	
City Council—General.....	133,347	166,977	161,386	155,028	21,681	
Grants.....	39,680	38,414	33,414	33,414		6,266
	<b>1,124,167</b>	<b>1,189,090</b>	<b>1,153,979</b>	<b>1,137,775</b>	<b>13,608</b>	
<b>Courts</b>						
General Courts and Inquests..	200,592	198,895	191,895	191,895	1,127	8,697
Toronto Family Court.....	39,480	41,132	41,028	40,607		428
Magistrates' Court.....	80,909	81,816	81,316	80,481		
	<b>320,981</b>	<b>321,843</b>	<b>314,239</b>	<b>312,983</b>		<b>7,998</b>
<b>Operating Departments</b>						
Buildings.....	131,929	134,188	130,459	129,120		2,809
Fire.....	1,697,575	1,770,862	1,712,344	1,696,837	40,879	738
Health.....	835,081	924,044	885,044	875,960		
Parks.....	817,763	873,836	842,222	833,829		16,066
Police.....	2,377,215	2,437,306	2,405,956	2,381,260		4,045
Property.....	956,819	1,003,840	968,152	958,214		1,395
Street Cleaning.....	1,882,883	2,014,762	1,910,946	1,891,330		8,447
Works.....	742,435	770,292	770,292	762,385	19,950	
	<b>9,441,700</b>	<b>9,944,375</b>	<b>9,625,415</b>	<b>9,528,935</b>	<b>87,235</b>	<b>490,536</b>
<b>Total General Expense...</b>	<b>21,913,101</b>	<b>21,658,284</b>	<b>21,743,005</b>	<b>21,422,565</b>		
<b>SPECIAL SERVICES (Incl. Debt Charges)</b>						
Abattoir.....	112,864	130,305	126,565	125,434	12,570	
Airports—Municipal.....	67,930	67,740	67,740	67,740		190
Canadian National Exhibition..	332,537	346,368	320,890	319,754		12,783
Royal Agricultural Winter Fair..	157,610	156,990	156,990	156,965		645
Waterworks.....	3,272,801	3,322,449	3,297,028	3,282,114	9,313	
Island Ferry.....	39,154	51,000	45,154	45,154	6,000	
Toronto Harbour Commissioners	529,628	622,754	592,754	580,000	50,372	
	<b>4,512,524</b>	<b>4,697,606</b>	<b>4,607,121</b>	<b>4,577,161</b>	<b>64,637</b>	
<b>EDUCATION</b>						
Bd. of Education—General.....	8,615,890	8,607,908	8,607,908	8,607,908		7,982
Debt Chgs.....	1,904,743	1,872,056	1,872,056	1,872,056		32,687
Separate School Board.....	10,520,633	10,479,964	10,479,964	10,479,964		40,669
	519,470	519,408	519,408	519,408		62
	<b>11,040,103</b>	<b>10,999,372</b>	<b>10,999,372</b>	<b>10,999,372</b>		<b>40,731</b>
<b>GRAND TOTALS.....</b>	<b>37,465,728</b>	<b>37,355,262</b>	<b>37,349,498</b>	<b>36,999,098</b>		<b>466,630</b>
Tax Rate in Mills—Public School ...	34.60	?	33.00	32.60		
Separate School.....	38.80	?	37.20	36.80		

\*After adjustment by Finance Commissioner of \$170,000.

†Operated by Toronto Transportation Commission.

The Board of Control and City Council began budget-making with certain disadvantages, as set forth in the table below:

*Increases in 1942 estimates over 1941 actual expenditures*

For Direct Unemployment Relief . . . . .	\$386,688
For Cost-of-Living Bonus . . . . .	318,151
A.R.P. . . . .	20,000
Medical Inspection—Secondary Schools . . . . .	10,672
Special Allowances <i>re</i> Enlistments . . . . .	20,000
Special Items—Surveys, etc. . . . .	21,950
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	\$777,461

The total reduction in estimated expenditure in 1942 from the approximate actual expenditure of 1941 is

\$466,630

But the total reduction in debt charges available before budget-making began was

\$858,149

At the same time, the increase in the general surplus brought forward was \$528,687\*, as well as other considerable favourable items of revenue.

How can it be claimed, then, that in this war year there was adequate reduction of the tax burden as the result of the deliberations of the elected representatives of the citizens?

**WHY ALL THE PROLONGED AND HEATED DISCUSSION?**

\* Difference between approximate actual surplus of 1940 and 1941—page 2.