

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

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Accommodation - Includes hotels, motels, bed & breakfasts, RV parks, campgrounds, short-term rentals (e.g. Airbnb), and all other paid overnight accommodations.

Auto Repair - Includes mechanical and electrical maintenance and repair on automotive vehicles (e.g. cars, trucks, RVs, trailers, etc.).

Car Rental Tax - Includes rental of cars, vans, trucks, RVs, campers, and trailers.

County Transient Room Tax - The county transient room tax is applied to the rental charge for any suite, room, or rooms in a motel, motor court, inn, campground, short-term rental, or similar public accommodation for fewer than 30 consecutive days. A tax of up to 4.50% (as of FY 2026) is in addition to the applicable sales tax.

CTAA (Convention & Tourism Assessment Area) Tax - The CTAA Tax is a 2.0% assessment on the gross short-term guest room rental revenue in Salt Lake County (as of FY 2026), which supports the county's convention and tourism efforts. Established by Salt Lake County on June 13, 2023, the CTAA aims to attract large conferences, conventions, meetings, and sporting events by providing additional funding for Visit Salt Lake's sales and marketing programming.

Gas Station - Includes gas station retail and gasoline purchases.

Grocery - Includes supermarkets, convenience stores, specialty markets, beer, wine, and liquor stores.

Indirect/Induced - When Utah visitors purchase from Utah businesses, the businesses hire employees and purchase from other local businesses, who in turn hire employees and purchase from other local businesses. These rounds of activity produce indirect employment effects. Then, direct and indirect employees spend a portion of their wages in the local economy, spurring additional "induced" effects.

Local Property Tax - Includes all taxable real property, personal property, and motor vehicles, which are referred to collectively as "locally assessed" property.

Local Sales Tax - Includes local sales and use, mass transit, fixed guideway, rural hospital, ZAP, highways, county option, county option transportation, transportation infrastructure, supplemental sales, correctional facility, city/town option, and resort community sales, transient room, motor vehicle leasing, and restaurant taxes.

MIDA Tax - an optional, state-level tax in Utah that the Military Installation Development Authority (MIDA) can impose on accommodations and services within designated MIDA project areas, potentially up to 15.0%. This tax, which can be passed on to consumers as a separate line item, serves as a funding source for infrastructure projects and other benefits within MIDA project areas, with no expiration date set by the law.

Motor Vehicle Leasing Tax – A statewide tax of 2.5% (as of FY 2026) of all short-term leases and rentals of motor vehicles not exceeding 30 days. There is an exception when the rental vehicle replaces a motor vehicle that is being repaired due to a repair or insurance agreement.

Municipal Transient Room Tax – A municipal transient room tax is applied to the rental charge for any suite, room, or rooms in a motel, motor court, inn, campground, short-term rental, or similar public accommodation for fewer than 30 consecutive days. A tax of up to 1.50% (as of FY 2026) is in addition to the applicable sales tax.

Museum/Park - Includes museums, historical sites, zoos and botanical gardens, nature parks, and other similar institutions.

Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Rental Tax – a sales tax on off-highway vehicle (OHV) rentals of 30 days or less that can be up to 7.0% (as of FY 2026). The total tax rate depends on the county where you rent the OHV.

Other - Includes hair and nail salons, personal care services, dry cleaning and laundry services, pet care, parking lots, and all other.

Performing Arts/Spectator Sports - Includes theater, dance, musical groups/concerts, other performing arts companies, sports teams/clubs, racetracks, all other spectator sports, promoters, agents, managers, performers, writers, artists, and athletes.

Personal Income Tax - For the 2026 tax year, the personal income tax rate in Utah will be calculated and published by the State Tax Commission, rather than being a single, set percentage. The exact figure will be determined based on state revenue projections for the preceding fiscal year.

Recreation - Includes amusement parks, arcades, golf courses, country clubs, ski resorts, marinas, fitness/sports centers, bowling centers, and all other recreation industries.

Resort Communities Sales Tax - a local sales and use tax of up to 1.6% (as of FY 2026) imposed by specific cities and towns that qualify as resort communities. A municipality can levy the tax if its transient room capacity (lodging) is greater than 66% of its permanent population.

Restaurant - Includes food services, caterers, food trucks, bars, full- and limited-service restaurants, cafeterias, buffets, and snack bars.

Restaurant Tax - A tax of up to 1.0% on all sales of prepared foods and beverages sold by a restaurant for immediate consumption.

Retail - Includes healthcare/pharmacies, clothing/apparel, sporting goods, books, music, musical instruments, hobby/game, and sewing retail stores; newsstands; and all other miscellaneous retail.

Short Term Vehicle Leasing Tax - A county tax of up to 3.0% of all short-term leases and rentals of motor vehicles not exceeding 30 days. There is an exception when the rental vehicle replaces a motor vehicle that is being repaired due to a repair or insurance agreement. Counties that have imposed the

motor vehicle short-term lease and rental tax may impose an additional 4.0% tax on these vehicles (as of FY 2026).

State Corporate Franchise Tax - For fiscal year FY 2026, the Utah corporate franchise tax rate is a variable rate based on annual state revenue calculations, but it will not be higher than 4.50%. In addition to the corporate income tax, a minimum tax of \$100 applies.

State Income Tax - The state individual income tax rate under the “single rate” is 4.95% (2018).

State Sales Tax - The state sales and use tax rate of 4.85% (as of FY 2026) applies to sales of tangible personal property made within the state, certain products transferred electronically, sales of meals, admissions to places of amusement, intrastate communication, gas and heat utility service, commercial electrical service, hotel and motel accommodations, and certain other services.

State Tax - Other/Misc. - Includes beer, cigarette, tobacco, motor fuel tax, special fuel tax, aviation fuel tax, and all other miscellaneous fees (e.g., motor vehicle, boat, ATV registration fees, hunting and fishing licenses, permits, etc.).

State Transient Room Tax – A statewide transient room tax is applied to the rental charge for any suite, room, or rooms in a motel, motor court, inn, campground, short-term rental, or similar public accommodation for fewer than 30 consecutive days. A tax of up to 1.07% (or 1.32% in SL County as of FY2026) is in addition to the applicable sales tax.

TRCCA Tax - this Tourism, Recreation, Cultural, Convention, and Airport Facilities Tax is a county-option tax, primarily imposed on restaurant sales at 1.0% (see **Restaurant Tax**, above) and short-term motor vehicle rentals, with rates varying by county (see **Short Term Vehicle Leasing Tax**, above), as well as a 1.0% tourism transient room tax in SL County as of FY 2026. TRCCA revenues are used to fund tourism and cultural projects.