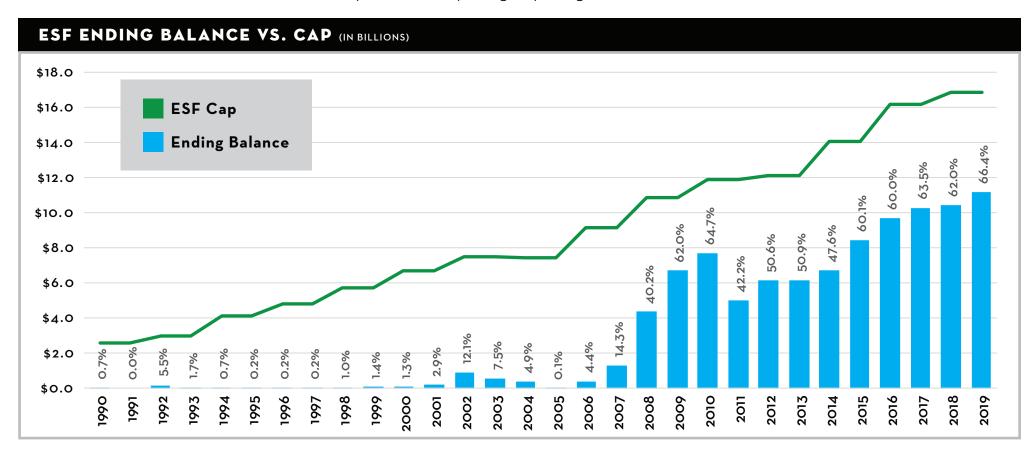
## ECONOMIC STABILIZATION FUND (ESF) OVERVIEW

The Texas Economic Stabilization Fund (ESF) was established by the passage of a constitutional amendment in **1988**. Since its establishment, deposits to the fund have totaled **\$20.9 billion**. The Texas Legislature has passed eight bills appropriating **\$11.6 billion** from the fund. The 2017 balance (**\$10.3 billion**) is the **largest** among all state stabilization funds and **third largest** as a percentage of state expenditures (**19.2%**).

In November 2016 a sufficient balance in the ESF of **\$7.5 billion** was adopted. If the balance falls below this amount, deposits to the ESF are increased until the balance is reestablished. The maximum balance for the 2018-19 biennium is **\$16.9 billion**.

Historically, the ESF has been held in the Treasury Pool, a low risk, high liquidity cash equivalent fund. Beginning in 2016, a portion of the ESF exceeding the Sufficient Balance has been invested outside of the Treasury Pool in less liquid, higher yielding fixed income assets.



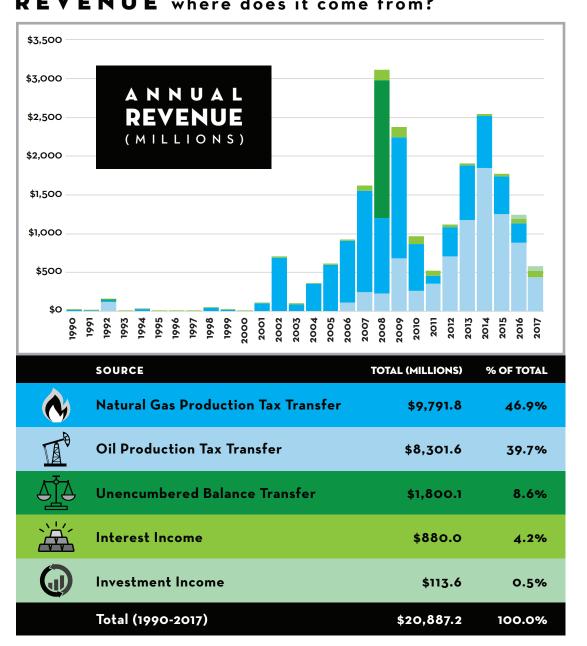








## REVENUE where does it come from?



## APPROPRIATIONS where does it go?

