

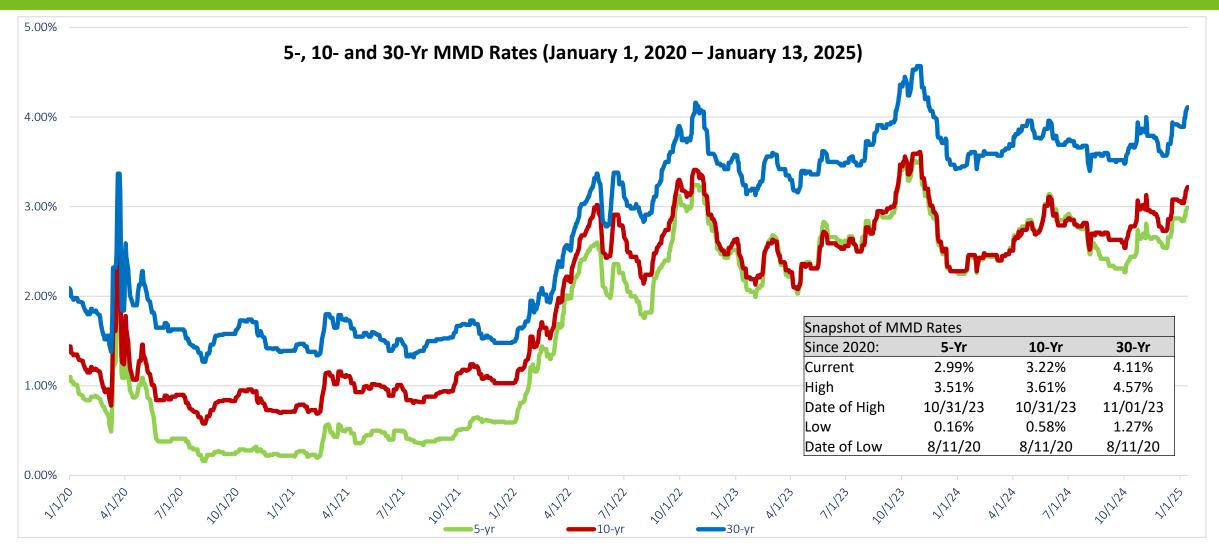
# Capital Investment Guidelines, Debt Capacity and Cancellation Report

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## Municipal Bond Market



### Municipal Bond Market Since 2020



### Capital Investment Guidelines



### Purpose of Minnesota's Capital Investment Guidelines

#### Why have guidelines?

- Guide decision making
- Communicate policy goals
- Demonstrate commitment to long-term capital and financial planning

#### Why these guidelines?

- Consistent with other states and rating agency review
- Inclusive of all debt obligations
- Represent Minnesota's strong financial management

### Types of Debt Measured in Guidelines

- General obligation bonds (various purpose and trunk highway)
- State appropriation bonds
- Agency bonds, payable from standing appropriations
- Lease-purchase financing for real estate
- Lease-purchase financing for equipment
- Moral obligation debt
- But <u>not</u> "self-supporting debt" (for example, revenue bonds)

#### Capital Investment Guideline #1

- **Guideline #1:** Total tax-supported principal outstanding (sold) shall be 3.25% or less of total state personal income. **Nov. 2024: 1.89%**
- Purpose is to measure the capacity to repay debt
- What debt is included?
  - State Issued Debt
    - General Obligation Various Purpose Bonds; General Obligation Trunk Highway Bonds;
       State Appropriation Bonds; Certificates of Participation
  - State-Supported Debt
    - State standing appropriations (University of Minnesota and Minnesota Housing Finance Agency);
       Lease-Purchase Financing for Real Estate

#### Capital Investment Guideline #2

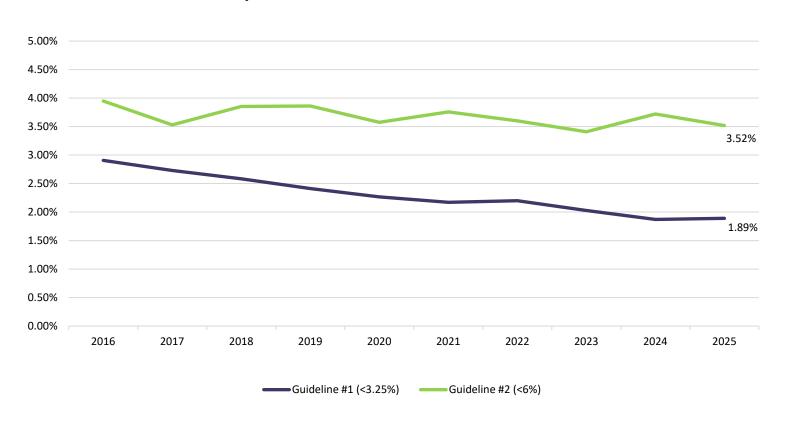
- **Guideline #2:** Total amount of tax-supported principal (both sold and authorized/unsold) for state general obligations, state moral obligations, equipment capital leases and real estate capital leases shall not exceed 6% of total state personal income. **Nov. 2024: 3.52**%
- What debt is included?
  - All debt types included in Guideline #1, including authorized but unissued, plus
  - Moral obligations (Housing Finance Agency, Office of Higher Education)
  - Lease purchase financing for equipment

#### Capital Investment Guideline #3

- Guideline #3: At least 40% of state G.O. bonds are to mature within 5 years and 70% within 10 years. Nov. 2024: 42.2% / 73.1%
- Cost of bonding bills are realized more quickly
- Purpose is to preserve additional borrowing capacity for future legislatures

### Guidelines #1 and #2 Remain within Historic Range

#### **Capital Investment Guidelines #1 and #2**



# Debt Capacity



#### Statement of Indebtedness

- Debt Capacity Report published according to Minn. Stat. 16A.105
  - Statement of indebtedness
  - Debt service costs
  - Borrowing capacity

(as of 11/30/2024)	Principal Outstanding	Authorized, Unissued
General Obligation Bonds	\$4,421,775,000	\$1,216,426,906
Trunk Highway Bonds	\$2,468,255,000	\$1,233,755,076
Annual Appropriation Debt	\$1,507,355,000	\$50,000,000
Total	\$8,397,385,000	\$2,500,181,982

### Managing State Debt Capacity

#### Guidelines reflect a point in time

- Once bonds are authorized, they first appear in Guideline #2
- Once bonds are issued, they also appear in Guideline #1
  - Bonds are sold on a cash flow needs basis; the full authorization is not issued at once

#### Debt Capacity reflects projections

- Helps answer question, How big could the bonding bill be?
- Based on forecast assumptions of 10-year historic rolling average
  - \$790 million in 2025 / \$1.01 billion in even years / \$165 million in odd years (November 2024 Forecast)

## Guideline #1 & #2 Capacity

November 2024 Debt Capacity Report Maximum: Personal Income (Guidelines #1 and #2)						
Dollars in millions	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30
Bonding Bills Assumed in Nov. 2024 Forecast	\$790	\$1,010	\$165	\$1,010	\$165	\$1,010
Maximum New Debt Authorizations Within Debt Guidelines #1 and #2	\$3,475	\$2,800	\$2,500	\$2,800	\$2,500	\$2,800
	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31
Impact on Guideline #1	1.99%	2.24%	2.57%	2.84%	2.97%	3.25%
Impact on Guideline #2	4.11%	4.47%	4.70%	4.86%	5.00%	5.37%
Additional Debt Service Required	\$42	\$167	\$351	\$580	\$715	\$910

### Guideline #3 Capacity

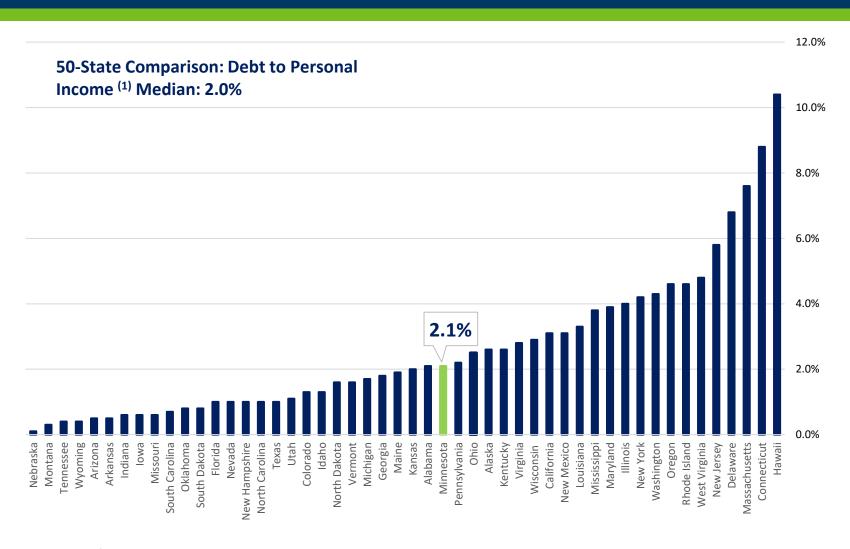
November 2024 Debt Capacity Report Maximum: Scheduled Debt Retirement (Guideline #3)								
	Bonding Bills Assumed in Nov. 2024 Forecast (millions)	Maximum New Debt Within Guideline #3 (millions)	% Retired in 5 Years as of 6/30 (Maximum Scenario)	% Retired in 10 Years as of 6/30 (Maximum Scenario)				
FY 2025	\$790	\$790	42.2%	73.1%				
FY 2026	\$1,010	\$1,010	41.7%	71.8%				
FY 2027	\$165	\$171	40.8%	70.5%				
FY 2028	\$1,010	\$1,510	40.3%	70.0%				
FY 2029	\$165	\$255	40.2%	70.0%				
FY 2030	\$1,010	\$1,260	40.0%	70.4%				

Next bond sale will be in Summer 2025 (FY2026), which will flow into the Guideline #3 updates in November 2025.

### Inputs into Guideline 3

- (1) Existing debt that's been sold plus (2) authorized/unissued debt that will be sold plus (3) future capital budgets
  - Starting point is debt the state is already obligated on
- Future debt is sensitive to:
  - Interest rate changes
  - Spending assumptions for authorized/unissued debt can shift
- General obligation debt is issued with level principal

#### State-by-State Comparison



## **Cancellation Report**



#### Cancellations (M.S. §16A.642)

- Commissioner of MMB issues cancellation report by February 1 of each year
- Lists all bond and general fund capital appropriations previously enacted > 4
  years with unspent and unencumbered balances
- The 2025 report showed amounts from 2020 bonding bill and earlier
  - Total of \$30.3 million in GO bonds and \$4.0 million in General Fund cash
- Such balances will be cancelled as of July 1 of the year of the report
- Cancelled balances go to repay state bonds or to the general fund



# Thank you

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