

**State of Wisconsin
Government Accountability Board**

Total Lobbying Expenditures
2015-2016 Legislative Session
through December 31 2016

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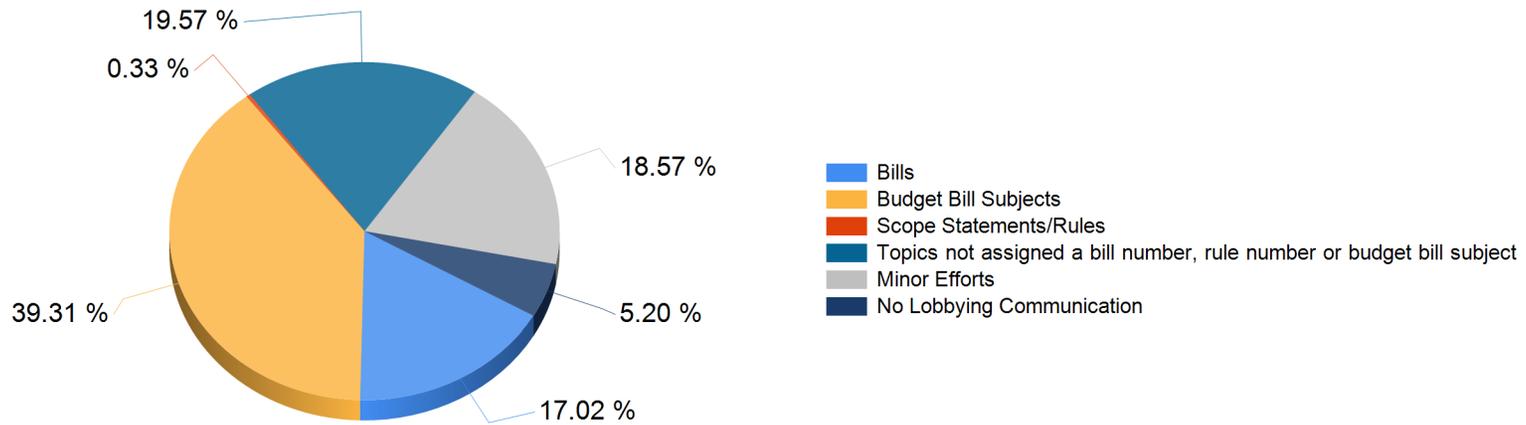
This report provides a measure of the lobbying activity directed toward specific proposals that were before Wisconsin's legislature during the 2015-2016 legislative session. Each of the organizations that employed lobbyists in Wisconsin during the 2015-2016 legislative session has reported to the Government Accountability Board the number of hours and dollars it spent on lobbying-related efforts. Each also provided the Government Accountability Board with its estimate of the portion of its lobbying efforts associated with specific proposals.

The number of hours of lobbying-related activity reported for each proposal is derived from each lobbying organization's estimate of the hours it devoted to lobbying on that proposal during each 6 month reporting period within the 2015-2016 legislative session. True totals may be slightly greater for some proposals because an organization did not have to report time it devoted to a proposal if the time amounted to less than 10% of its total lobbying effort.

Due to the rounding of percentages and the formulas used to generate this report, all totals are accurate within a margin of +/- 1.

	<u>January-June 2015</u>	<u>July-December 2015</u>	<u>January-June 2016</u>	<u>July-December 2016</u>	<u>Session-to-date</u>
TOTALS:					
Hours:	123,323				123,323
Dollars:	\$18,453,033				\$18,453,033
CONTRACT LOBBYISTS AND THEIR RESEARCH STAFF:					
Hours:	42,658				42,658
Dollars:	\$9,863,311				\$9,863,311
IN-HOUSE LOBBYISTS AND THEIR RESEARCH STAFF:					
Hours:	80,665				80,665
Dollars:	\$6,738,315				\$6,738,315
ALL OTHER LOBBYING EXPENSES:					
Dollars:	\$1,851,407				\$1,851,407

2015-2016 Legislative Session Focus on Lobbying Interests



2015-2016 Legislative Session Lobbying		
Effort in Hours by Subject Area		
Lobbying Subject	Hours	Percentage
Bills	21,019	17.02%
Budget Bill Subjects	48,543	39.31%
Scope Statements/Rules	406	0.33%
Topics not assigned a bill number, rule number or budget bill subject	24,165	19.57%
Minor Efforts	22,930	18.57%
No Lobbying Communication	6,422	5.20%
	123,485	100.00%

The 15 organizations who spent the greatest number of DOLLARS lobbying

Milwaukee Bucks

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	208				208
Dollars:	\$482,496				\$482,496

Wisconsin Hospital Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,755				2,755
Dollars:	\$378,816				\$378,816

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,765				2,765
Dollars:	\$348,733				\$348,733

Wisconsin Infrastructure Investment Now, Inc.

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2				2
Dollars:	\$329,180				\$329,180

Wisconsin Property Taxpayers Inc

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,909				2,909
Dollars:	\$283,339				\$283,339

Americans For Prosperity

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	565				565
Dollars:	\$268,715				\$268,715

Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,188				1,188
Dollars:	\$232,892				\$232,892

Wisconsin Counties Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,366				2,366
Dollars:	\$192,108				\$192,108

Wisconsin Realtors Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,563				1,563
Dollars:	\$182,674				\$182,674

AT&T Wisconsin

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	578				578
Dollars:	\$180,839				\$180,839

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	714				714
Dollars:	\$174,744				\$174,744

League of Wisconsin Municipalities

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,326				1,326
Dollars:	\$169,488				\$169,488

City of Milwaukee

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,189				2,189
Dollars:	\$168,382				\$168,382

Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	615				615
Dollars:	\$153,276				\$153,276

Wisconsin Association of School Boards Inc

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,693				1,693
Dollars:	\$145,778				\$145,778

The 12 organizations who spent the greatest number of HOURS lobbying

Wisconsin Property Taxpayers Inc

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,909				2,909
Dollars:	\$283,339				\$283,339

Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,765				2,765
Dollars:	\$348,733				\$348,733

Wisconsin Hospital Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,755				2,755
Dollars:	\$378,816				\$378,816

Wisconsin Counties Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,366				2,366
Dollars:	\$192,108				\$192,108

Wisconsin Independent Businesses, Inc.

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,361				2,361
Dollars:	\$72,346				\$72,346

City of Milwaukee

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,189				2,189
Dollars:	\$168,382				\$168,382

Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters (WLCV)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,128				2,128
Dollars:	\$96,928				\$96,928

American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACSCAN)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,799				1,799
Dollars:	\$125,537				\$125,537

Wisconsin Association of School Boards Inc

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,693				1,693
Dollars:	\$145,778				\$145,778

Wisconsin Realtors Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,563				1,563
Dollars:	\$182,674				\$182,674

State Bar of Wisconsin

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,409				1,409
Dollars:	\$107,069				\$107,069

American Heart Association

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,371				1,371
Dollars:	\$94,479				\$94,479

The 10 most lobbied bills

Assembly Bill 32 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: elimination of the requirement that laborers, workers, mechanics, and truck drivers employed on the site of a project of public works be paid the prevailing wage. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,939				2,939

Senate Bill 44 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: prohibiting as a condition of employment membership in a labor organization or payments to a labor organization and providing a penalty.

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,536				1,536

Senate Bill 49 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: elimination of the requirement that laborers, workers, mechanics, and truck drivers employed on the site of a project of public works be paid the prevailing wage. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,100				1,100

Senate Bill 179 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: requiring a determination of probable postfertilization age of an unborn child before abortion, prohibiting abortion of an unborn child considered capable of experiencing pain, informed consent, abortion reporting, and providing a criminal penalty. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	987				987

Assembly Bill 61 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: prohibiting as a condition of employment membership in a labor organization or payments to a labor organization and providing a penalty.

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	915				915

Assembly Bill 143 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: regulation of transportation network companies, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, granting rule-making authority, and providing a penalty. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	869				869

Assembly Bill 253 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: ratification of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and making appropriations. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	682				682

Assembly Bill 113 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: operating implements of husbandry and agricultural commercial motor vehicles on highways and transporting implements of husbandry by trailer on highways. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	588				588

Assembly Bill 177 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: limiting the foods that may be purchased under FoodShare; requiring a report on the cost to implement and comply with the food limitations; requiring review, updating, and publication of the list of authorized foods; providing an exemption from rule-making procedures; and making an appropriation. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	530				530

Senate Bill 1 2015 Regular Session

Relating to: the school and school district accountability report, chronically failing schools and school districts, and educational options information. (FE)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	452				452

The 12 most lobbied budget bill subjects

Health Services: Medical Assistance - General

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	4,681				4,681

Health Services: Medical Assistance - Long-Term Care Services

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	4,044				4,044

Natural Resources: Departmentwide

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	3,533				3,533

Public Instruction: General School Aids and Revenue Limits

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,964				2,964

Public Instruction: Choice, Charter, and Open Enrollment

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,708				2,708

Transportation: Finance

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	2,644				2,644

Sports and Entertainment District

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,792				1,792

Public Instruction: District Operations and Standards

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,434				1,434

Insurance

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,383				1,383

Public Service Commission

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,244	0			1,244

General Provisions

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,198				1,198

Workforce Development: Worker's Compensation

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	1,188				1,188

TOPICS OF LOBBYING COMMUNICATION (not assigned a bill or clearinghouse rule number)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	24,165	0			24,165

MINOR LOBBYING EFFORT (effort that accounted for less than 10% of an organization's total lobbying time)

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	22,930	0			22,930

NO LOBBYING COMMUNICATION

	January-June 2015	July-December 2015	January-June 2016	July-December 2016	Session-to-date
Hours:	6,422	0			6,422