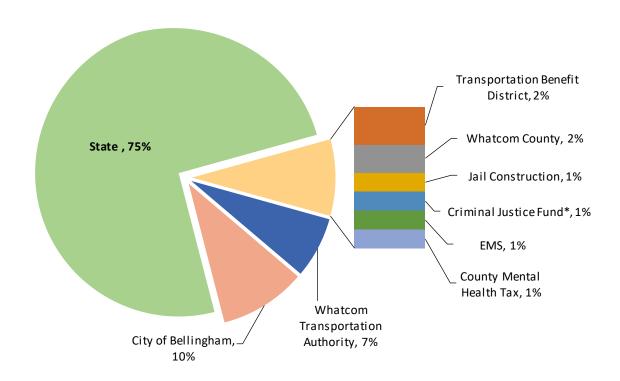
Distribution of Sales Tax

The sales tax received by the City has historically been divided between the Street Fund and the General Fund. Approximately 60% is allocated to the General Fund, 37% to the Street Fund and 3% to fund the radio communication system (previously paid for out of the Street Fund).



Distribution of Retail Sales Tax

Whatcom Transportation Authority	0.60
Transportation Fund	0.20
Whatcom County	0.15
Jail Construction	0.10
Criminal Justice Fund*	0.10
EMS	0.10
County Mental Health Tax	0.10
City of Bellingham	0.85
State	6.50
Total Retail Sales Tax Rate	8.70%

^{*}Criminal Justice Fund money is divided between the City and County based on population.

The Transportation Fund collects an additional 0.02%. Collection of the tax began April 1, 2011 and was renewed by the voters in November 2020 for a ten-year term. This tax is accounted for in a separate fund.