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Findings in the audit of the Missouri Accountability Portal

Incomplete and Inaccurate Data

Certain data reported in the Missouri Accountability Portal (MAP) is not complete or accurate. The OA has excluded a category of state expenditures from reporting in the MAP, resulting in an underreporting of state expenditures of approximately \$743 million for the 7-month period July 2018 through January 2019. In addition, the OA has elected to omit interagency payments from the MAP, leading to inaccurate reporting of agency expenditures. The OA has not adopted policies and procedures to ensure bonds reported by political subdivisions to the MAP are complete or accurate.

Portal Usability

Opportunities exist for the OA to increase the usability and functionality of the MAP. The MAP does not incorporate some best practices and actions recommended for transparently reporting government data. Data available from the download tool in the MAP is not the same as the data displayed in the MAP for public browsing.

Because of the nature of this report, no rating is provided.



Recommendations in the audit of Missouri Accountability Portal

Incomplete and Inaccurate Data	1.1	Include summarized employee benefit transaction data in the MAP to increase completeness and usefulness of the data to users.
	1.2	Report interagency expenditures in the MAP to more accurately reflect actual agency expenditures, while continuing to avoid recording expenditures twice.
	1.3	Implement procedures to ensure the completeness and accuracy of bond information reported in the MAP.
Portal Usability	2.1	Evaluate ways to update the MAP to address the best practices and actions recommended by the GAO to transparently report government data.
	2.2	Ensure the data available in the MAP and the download tool are complete, consistent, and comparable.