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# Compilation of 2014 Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act Seizures

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### **CITIZENS SUMMARY**

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Compliance with Submitting Required Reports	For property seized during calendar year 2014, the State Auditor received 114 of the total possible 116 Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act (CAFA) reports from prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General. Two counties, Chariton and Lawrence, did not submit a report to indicate if the county received any seizures or not. A report is required if the county received seizures, and Section 513.607.10, RSMo, states intentional or knowing failure to comply with any reporting requirements shall be a class A misdemeanor. Of those counties that did submit the required copy of the CAFA report to the State Auditor, all but four counties, Barton, Iron, Miller, and Jefferson, did so by the January 31, 2015, deadline.
Disposition of Seizures Reported	Of the \$5,415,686 reported seized in 2014, the reported disposition was as follows: \$1,290,741 pending, \$509,923 returned, \$3,361,468 transferred to a federal agency, \$127,856 transferred to the state, \$1,389 other, and \$124,309 disposition not reported.
Compliance with Reporting Required Information	The 114 reports received reported 526 total cases. Some of the reports did not include all of the required information, such as date, time, and place of seizure, estimated value of property seized, criminal charges filed, and disposition of criminal actions.

Because of the nature of this compilation, no overall rating is provided.

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Honorable Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, Governor and Members of the General Assembly Jefferson City, Missouri

As required by Section 513.607, RSMo, we have compiled the 2014 Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act (CAFA) seizure reports submitted to the State Auditor by prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General. The compilation is limited to presenting information that is submitted. We have not audited the reports submitted and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them. The primary objectives of this compilation were to:

- 1. Compile the 2014 CAFA seizure information reported.
- 2. Identify those officials who submitted 2014 CAFA seizure reports to the State Auditor.

Section 513.607, RSMo, requires prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General to report CAFA seizures for the previous calendar year by January 31, to both the Director of the Department of Public Safety and the State Auditor. Of the 116 potential reporting entities, we received 114 CAFA seizure reports; 110 of these reports were submitted by the required due date of January 31, 2015.

Compliance with Section 513.653, RSMo, which requires law enforcement agencies involved in using the federal forfeiture system to submit reports regarding federal seizures and the proceeds therefrom to both the Department of Public Safety and the State Auditor's office, will be separately reported.

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## Compilation of 2014 Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act Seizures Executive Summary

## Compliance with Submitting CAFA Seizure Reports

The State Auditor received 114 of the total possible 116 CAFA seizure reports from prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General for property seized during calendar year 2014. All but 4 of the 114 reports were received by the January 31, 2015, deadline. The following table lists the total number of CAFA seizure reports submitted to the State Auditor for 2014, 2013, and 2012.

Reporting Status		2014		2013		2012 1		
By January 31	110	94.8 %	114	98.3 %	114	98.3		
After January 31	4	3.5	2	1.7	2	1.7		
Total Reported	114	98.3	116	100.0	116	100.0		
Did Not Report	2	1.7	0	0.0	O	0.0		
Total Possible Reports	116	100.0 %	116	100.0 %	116	100.0		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes CAFA seizure reports submitted by prosecuting attorneys to the State Auditor after the annual compilation reports were issued.

Barton County, Iron County, and Miller County reported after the reporting deadline and reported no seizures. Jefferson County reported after the reporting deadline and reported seizures.

Conclusions regarding the 2 counties (Chariton and Lawrence) that did not submit a 2014 CAFA seizure report to the State Auditor's office cannot be made as it is unknown whether or not either county had any seizures to report.

Section 513.607.10, RSMo, states intentional or knowing failure to comply with any reporting requirement shall be a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.

## Disposition of the Seizures Reported

We compiled the disposition of all seizures as reported by prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General for property seized during calendar year 2014. The following table lists the overall dollar value of the dispositions by category as reported to the State Auditor for 2014, 2013, and 2012.

Reported Disposition		2	2014	201	13	2012 1		
Pending	\$	1,290,741	23.8 % \$	1,776,653	38.5 % \$	1,982,551	32.3 %	
Returned		509,923	9.4	384,568	8.3	311,430	5.1	
Transferred to Federal Agency		3,361,468	62.1	2,300,764	49.8	3,734,293	60.9	
Transferred to State		127,856	2.4	116,220	2.5	83,868	1.4	
Other		1,389	0.0	2,513	0.1	2,290	0.0	
Disposition Not Reported		124,309	2.3	34,800	0.8	20,186	0.3	
Total	\$	5,415,686	100.0 % \$	4,615,518	100.0 % \$	6,134,618	100.0 %	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes CAFA seizure reports submitted by prosecuting attorneys to the State Auditor after the annual compilation reports were issued.

See Appendix I for a list of the 2014 CAFA seizures disposition reported by each prosecuting attorney and the Attorney General.



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## Compliance with Reporting the Required Information

Section 513.607.8, RSMo, requires prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General to report the date, time, and place of the seizure; property seized; estimated value of the property seized; person(s) from whom the property was seized; criminal charges filed; and disposition of the seizure, forfeiture, and criminal actions. For the 526 cases reported in the CAFA seizure reports received, the following table lists the required information and the number of cases that reported each required item. Some reports did not include all of the required information; therefore, our compilation includes only the information reported.

Required Information	2	014	20	013	2012 1		
Date	525	99.8 %	614	99.8 %	556	99.6 %	
Time	386	73.4	472	76.7	433	77.6	
Place of Seizure	516	98.1	614	99.8	555	99.5	
Property Seized	526	100.0	615	100.0	558	100.0	
Estimated Value of Property Seized	513	97.5	604	98.2	536	96.1	
Person(s) Property Seized From	526	100.0	615	100.0	558	100.0	
Criminal Charges Filed	313	59.5	357	58.0	330	59.1	
Disposition of Seizure	526	100.0	615	100.0	558	100.0	
Disposition of Criminal Actions	419	79.7	498	81.0	425	76.2	
Total Cases Reported	526	100.0 %	615	100.0 %	558	100.0 %	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes CAFA seizure reports submitted by prosecuting attorneys to the State Auditor after the annual compilation reports were issued.

See Appendix II for a list of the number of 2014 CAFA seizure cases that contained the required information reported for each prosecuting attorney and the Attorney General.

Appendix I 2014 CAFA Seizures Disposition Reported

	Estimated Value of Status Reported as of December 31, 2014									
		Value of		Status			2014			
		Cases		_	Transferred to	Transferred		Not		
Reporting Entity		Reported	Pending	Returned	Federal Agency	to State	Other	Reported		
Adair	\$	38,473	38,473							
Andrew		18,000	18,000							
Atchison		0								
Attorney General		0								
Audrain		213	213							
Barry		1,852	1,377			475				
Barton*		0								
Bates		0								
Benton		1,936		1,936						
Bollinger		0								
Boone		160,439	76,833		83,606					
Buchanan		25,331	7,481			17,850				
Butler		0								
Caldwell		0								
Callaway		39,930	39,930							
Camden		11,907	11,907							
Cape Girardeau		15,790			13,750	2,040				
Carroll		0								
Carter		0								
Cass		60,225	60,225							
Cedar		1,647	1,647							
Chariton		DNF								
Christian		21,916	18,278	3,638						
Clark		0								
Clay		15,328	15,328							
Clinton		0								
Cole		74,664	47,683	5,870	21,111					
Cooper		5,155	5,155							
Crawford		122,811	5,859		116,952					
Dade		19,964	14,964	5,000	,					
Dallas		1,549	1,090	•		459				
Daviess		0	,							
DeKalb		0								
Dent		0								
Douglas		1,759				1,759				
Dunklin		0				,				
Franklin		15,829	13,726	2,103						
Gasconade		3,420	3,420	,						
Gentry		0	-,							
Greene		41,060	41,060							
Grundy		0	. 1,000							
Harrison		4,161	4,161							
Henry		0	1,101							
Hickory		0								
Holt		0								
Howard		0								
Howell		43,267	31,303	8,975		1,600	1,389 **			
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Appendix I 2014 CAFA Seizures Disposition Reported

	Estimated Value of		Status	s Reported as of I	December 31,	2014	
	Cases			Transferred to	Transferred		Not
Reporting Entity	Reported	Pending	Returned	Federal Agency	to State	Other	Reported
Iron*	0						•
Jackson	247,710	211,135	36,575				
Jasper	6,433	6,433					
Jefferson*	69,629	65,347	4,282				
Johnson	24,157	24,157					
Knox	0						
Laclede	33,919	33,919					
Lafayette	112,280	9,740	63,100		39,440		
Lawrence	DNF						
Lewis	0						
Lincoln	31,718	28,582	3,046		90		
Linn	0						
Livingston	0						
Macon	460	460					
Madison	15,342			15,342			
Maries	0						
Marion	41,845	11,820		30,025			
McDonald	6,842		6,842				
Mercer	0						
Miller*	0						
Mississippi	7,468			7,468			
Moniteau	0						
Monroe	0						
Montgomery	9,950	9,950					
Morgan	0						
New Madrid	31,988			18,097	13,891		
Newton	19,337	18,575		762			
Nodaway	0						
Oregon	12,887						12,887
Osage	3,390	390		3,000			
Ozark	0						
Pemiscot	0						
Perry	0						
Pettis	6,836	6,136					700
Phelps	1,950,599	3,755	6,566	1,931,278	9,000		
Pike	29,295	29,295					
Platte	61,740	61,740					
Polk	0						
Pulaski	30,184	30,184					
Putnam	0						
Ralls	0						
Randolph	4,854	4,854					
Ray	1,679	1,679					
Reynolds	0						
Ripley	0						
Saline	7,074	7,074					
Schuyler	0						

Appendix I 2014 CAFA Seizures Disposition Reported

	Estimated						
	Value of		Status	Reported as of D	December 31	, 2014	
	Cases			Transferred to	Transferred	[	Not
Reporting Entity	Reported	Pending	Returned	Federal Agency	to State	Other	Reported
Scotland	0						
Scott	44,832	12,496	1,710	29,395	1,231		
Shannon	0						
Shelby	0						
St. Charles	933,666	15,684	29,582	888,400			
St. Clair	20,000						20,000
St. Francois	22,758	22,758					
St. Louis City	404,892	69,581	240,998	60,067	34,246		
St. Louis County	287,861	51,319	89,580	56,240			90,722
Ste. Genevieve	0						
Stoddard	3,459	3,459					
Stone	12,383	12,383					
Sullivan	0						
Taney	12,855	9,689	120		3,046		
Texas	0						
Vernon	56,385	56,385					
Warren	11,111	9,342			1,769		
Washington	3,218	3,218					
Wayne	85,975			85,975			
Webster	1,089	1,089					
Worth	0						
Wright	960				960		
	\$5,415,686	1,290,741	509,923	3,361,468	127,856	1,389	124,309

DNF - Did not file a 2014 CAFA seizure report with the State Auditor's office.

This appendix compiles only the information reported to the State Auditor by prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General. We did not verify this data. In analyzing this appendix, some disparity may result due to different methods used by the various prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General in presenting essentially the same information.

<sup>\*</sup> Submitted the 2014 CAFA seizure report to the State Auditor's office after the reporting deadline.

<sup>\*\*</sup>This amount was applied to the defendant's jail costs.

Appendix II 2014 CAFA Seizures Required Information Reported

		Number of Cases that Reported Required Information									
		Estimated					Estimated	Person(s)			
	Number of	Value of					Value of	Property	Criminal	Dispo	osition
	Cases				Place	Property	Property	Seized	Charges		Criminal
Reporting Entity	Reported	Cases Reported	Date	Time	Seized	Seized	Seized	From	Filed	Seizure	Actions
Adair	3	\$ 38,473	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Andrew	1	18,000	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Atchison	0	0									
Attorney General	0	0									
Audrain	2	213	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Barry	3	1,852	3		3	3	3	3	3	3	2
Barton*	0	0									
Bates	0	0									
Benton	1	1,936	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1
Bollinger	0	0									
Boone	13	160,439	13		12	13	13	13	10	13	12
Buchanan	4	25,331	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2
Butler	0	0									
Caldwell	0	0									
Callaway	5	39,930	5	5	5	5	5	5	1	5	5
Camden	4	11,907	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
Cape Girardeau	3	15,790	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Carroll	0	0									
Carter	0	0									
Cass	4	60,225	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	4	4
Cedar	1	1,647	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chariton	DNF										
Christian	10	21,916	10	9	10	10	10	10	7	10	10
Clark	0	0									
Clay	2	15,328	2	2	2	2	2	2		2	
Clinton	0	0									
Cole	13	74,664	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
Cooper	3	5,155	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Crawford	4	122,811	4		4	4	4	4	3	4	1
Dade	3	19,964	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Dallas	2	1,549	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Daviess	0	0									
DeKalb	0	0									
Dent	0	0									
Douglas	1	1,759	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dunklin	0	0									
Franklin	14	15,829	14	7	14	14	14	14	12	14	4
Gasconade	2	3,420	2		2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Gentry	0	0									
Greene	5	41,060	5	3	5	5	5	5	1	5	5
Grundy	0	0									
Harrison	7	4,161	6		2	7	5	7	6	7	5
Henry	0	0									
Hickory	0	0									
Holt	0	0									
Howard	0	0									
Howell	11	43,267	11	9	11	11	11	11	9	11	11

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			Number of Cases that Reported Required Information								
		Estimated					Estimated	Person(s)			
	Number of	Value of					Value of	Property	Criminal	Dispo	osition
	Cases				Place	Property	Property	Seized	Charges		Criminal
Reporting Entity	Reported	Cases Reported	Date	Time	Seized	Seized	Seized	From	Filed	Seizure	Actions
Iron*	0	0									
Jackson	54	247,710	54	47	54	54	54	54	8	54	54
Jasper	3	6,433	3		3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Jefferson*	43	69,629	43	43	43	43	43	43	21	43	38
Johnson	7	24,157	7	6	7	7	7	7	4	7	4
Knox	0	0									
Laclede	2	33,919	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	1
Lafayette	3	112,280	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2
Lawrence	DNF										
Lewis	0	0									
Lincoln	6	31,718	6		5	6	6	6	6	6	1
Linn	1	0	1		1	1		1		1	1
Livingston	0	0									
Macon	1	460	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Madison	1	15,342	1			1	1	1		1	
Maries	0	0									
Marion	4	41,845	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
McDonald	3	6,842	3		3	3	2	3	3	3	3
Mercer	0	0									
Miller*	0	0									
Mississippi	2	7,468	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2
Moniteau	0	0									
Monroe	0	0									
Montgomery	1	9,950	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Morgan	0	0									
New Madrid	8	31,988	8		8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Newton	5	19,337	5		5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Nodaway	0	0									
Oregon	2	12,887	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Osage	2	3,390	2		2	2	2	2	1	2	1
Ozark	0	0									
Pemiscot	0	0									
Perry	0	0									
Pettis	8	6,836	8		8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Phelps	15	1,950,599	15	15	15	15	15	15	3	15	3
Pike	2	29,295	2		2	2	2	2	1	2	2
Platte	7	61,740	7	7	7	7	7	7	2	7	7
Polk	0	0									
Pulaski	2	30,184	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Putnam	0	0									
Ralls	0	0									
Randolph	7	4,854	7		7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Ray	1	1,679	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Reynolds	0	0	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ripley	0	0									
Saline	2	7,074	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Schuyler	0	0									

## Appendix II 2014 CAFA Seizures Required Information Reported

	Number of Cases that Reported Required Information										
		Estimated					Estimated	` '			
	Number of	Value of					Value of	Property	Criminal	Disp	osition
	Cases				Place	Property	Property	Seized	Charges		Criminal
Reporting Entity	Reported	Cases Reported	Date	Time	Seized	Seized	Seized	From	Filed	Seizure	Actions
Scotland	0	0									
Scott	9	44,832	9	8	9	9	9	9	8	9	9
Shannon	0	0									
Shelby	0	0									
St. Charles	19	933,666	19	19	19	19	19	19	3	19	5
St. Clair	1	20,000	1			1	1	1	1	1	1
St. Francois	5	22,758	5		5	5	5	5	4	5	5
St. Louis City	75	404,892	75	75	75	75	75	75	55	75	55
St. Louis County	68	287,861	68	61	67	68	59	68	19	68	51
Ste. Genevieve	0	0									
Stoddard	2	3,459	2		2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Stone	3	12,383	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Sullivan	0	0									
Taney	17	12,855	17		17	17	17	17	15	17	16
Texas	0	0									
Vernon	3	56,385	3		3	3	3	3	2	3	3
Warren	6	11,111	6	5	6	6	6	6	5	6	5
Washington	1	3,218	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wayne	2	85,975	2		2	2	2	2		2	2
Webster	1	1,089	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Worth	0	0									
Wright	1	960	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	526	\$ 5,415,686	525	386	516	526	513	526	313	526	419

DNF - Did not file a 2014 CAFA seizure report with the State Auditor's office.

This appendix compiles the total number of 2014 CAFA seizure cases, the total estimated value of cases reported, and the number of cases that reported the required information by each prosecuting attorney and the Attorney General. We did not verify this data. In analyzing this appendix, some disparity may result due to different methods used by the various prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General in presenting essentially the same information.

st Submitted the 2014 CAFA seizure report to the State Auditor's office after the reporting deadline.