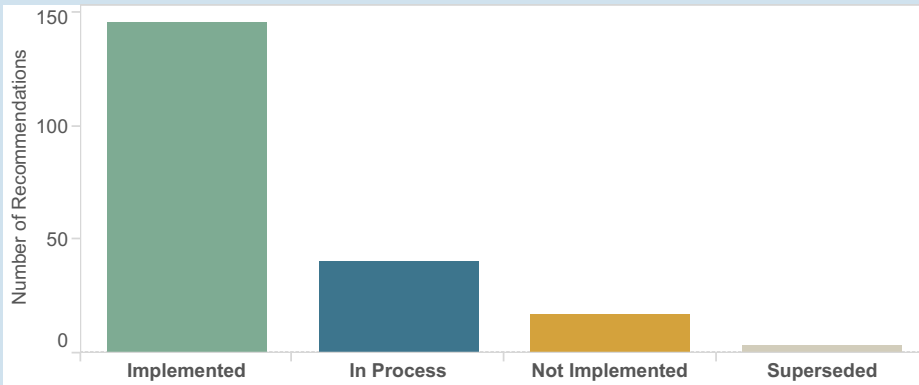


## Multnomah County Audit Recommendations: Status and Effects

Audit Recommendation Status	Department Perspectives	Background
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### Status of Audit Recommendations, as Reported by Departments



#### Department Audited

All

#### Fiscal Year Audit was Released

All

#### Audit Title

All

#### Status

All

Audit	Status	Recommendation
Accounts Payable Audit: Continue Improvements	Implemented	Central accounts payable should continue efforts to convert vendors to electronic payments by focusing efforts on vendors that require additional check handling and those that have a high volume of payments.
		Central accounts payable should work with purchasing and departments to better manage and clean up vendor master files including removal of duplicate vendors and unused vendors.
		Department management should review and document their internal controls for check handling and disbursement, the need for inserts mailed with checks, and for duplicate payments.
		The County's chief finance officer and accounts payable manager should review

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### Department Perspectives of Audits Issued During Last Five Fiscal Years

Did the audit contribute to...	Number of Responses		Neutral	N/A
Improving program performance?	1	28	3	0
Communicating best practices?		25	7	0
Improving quality of operations?	1	25	5	1
Assessing program effectiveness?		23	7	2
Increasing understanding of audited area?	4	27	1	0
Increasing transparency of operations?	1	20	7	4
Reducing risk of fraud, waste, or abuse?	1	17	7	7
Informing the public about program performance?	1	16	10	5
Reducing costs?	4	7	16	5
Improving public welfare?	3	2	13	14
Improving public health?	4		12	16
Increasing revenues?	7	1	12	12

■ Disagree/Strongly Disagree
 ■ Agree/Strongly Agree

**Department**  
All

**Fiscal Year**  
All

**Audit Name**  
All

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### Audit Recommendations: Dashboards on Status and Effects

The Multnomah County Auditor's Office conducts performance audits to achieve our mission: to ensure that County government is efficient, effective, equitable, transparent, and fully accountable to its citizens. Our audit reports include recommendations for improvement, and County departments are responsible for taking corrective actions to address them. We maintain a follow-up program to help departments meet this responsibility. Our program includes an annual survey asking departments to report on recommendation status, as well as follow-up audits, during which auditors independently evaluate recommendation status. We track the status of recommendations in our historical database of issued audits for five years following each report's release.

The dashboards in this interactive report are updated annually to reflect the last five fiscal years, and the dashboards are based on two annual surveys. One of the surveys asks County departments to self-report the implementation status of audit recommendations. We launched the other survey in FY 2014. It asks departments to report on each audit's impacts; data for this survey cover audits issued since FY 2009. We issued the first *Audit Recommendations: Dashboards on Status and Effects* in 2014.

### Conduct of Follow-up Program

To help fulfill our mission, the Multnomah County Auditor's Office maintains an audit follow-up program described in Section 6.3.11 of our Audit Procedures Manual. This program complies with generally accepted government auditing standards, and is informed by the U.S. Government Accountability Office's guidance on How to Get Action on Audit Recommendations (GAO/OP-9.2.1).



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