California sales tax rate increases Jan. 1

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE SALES & USE TAX RATE		
Rate	Jurisdiction	Purpose
3.6875%	State	State General Fund
0.25%	State	State General Fund
0.25%	State	State's Fiscal Recovery Fund (2004 Economic Recovery Bonds)
0.50%	State	Local Public Safety Fund (1993)
0.50%	State	Local Revenue Fund (Health and Social Services)
1.0625%	State	Local Revenue Fund 2011 (Public Safety)
0.25%	State	Initiative Constitutional Amendment (Proposition 30)
0.25%	Local	0.25% County Transportation Funds
0.75%	Local	City or County Operations
7.50%	State/Local	Total Statewide Base Sales and Use Tax Rate on January 1, 2013

California's sales tax on Jan. 1 goes from 7.25 percent to 7.5

percent.

The passage of Proposition 30 on Nov. 6 is why it is going up. This increase is set to expire Dec. 31, 2016.

Sales tax in some locations will be 10 percent because voters in cities and counties can choose to levy a higher local rate.

In South Lake Tahoe, the rate will be 8 percent. The 0.5 percent additional tax has been in place since 2004. It goes to the city's general fund.

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