





# External Public Audit of Municipal Budgets on the Example of the Rostov Region

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### Fundamentals of legal regulation of organization and activity of audit bodies









Currently there are approximately 24 000 municipal units in the Russian Federation

including 463 municipal units in the Rostov region.

The structure of local budgets of the Rostov region includes the budgets of:

12 town districts

43 municipal districts

408 settlements



#### **Inter-budget relation policies**



Ensuring balance of local budgets

Policies in the sphere of inter-budget relations in the Rostov region:

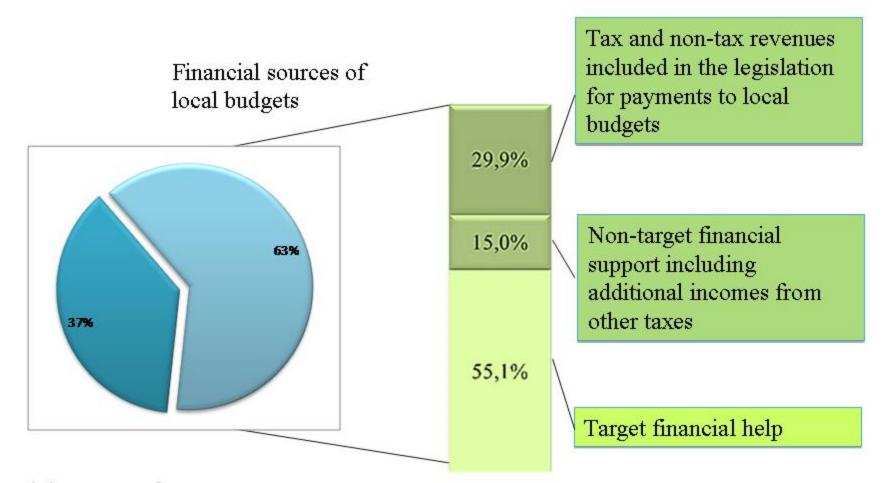
Support of investment, innovative and infrastructure municipal projects

Increase of initiative and responsibility in the realization of budget process



# The structure of distribution of financial resources in the Rostov region



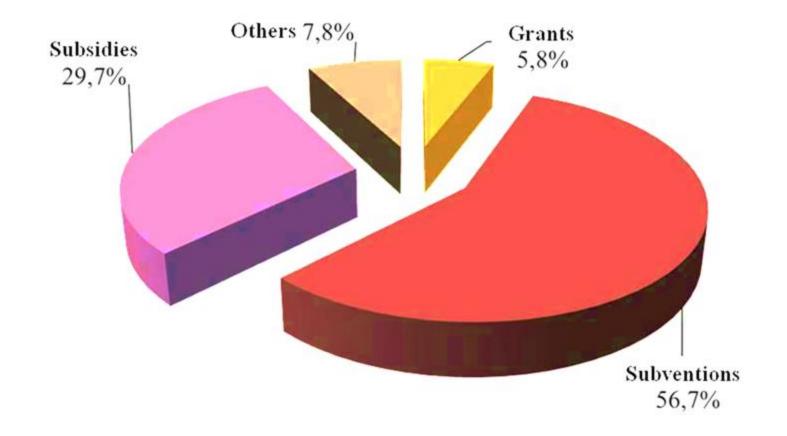


Financial sources of regional budget



# Structure of inter-budget transfers, provided to local budgets in 2010







#### Types of audit activities



Full-scope audit

Thematic audit

External audit of annual reporting

Audit of efficiency of the activities of local authorities

Expert and analytical activities

On a regular basis but not less than once in 2.5 years

Relevance and degree of financial risks

On a regular basis but not less than once in 2 years

Relevance, supervision of implementation of development programs

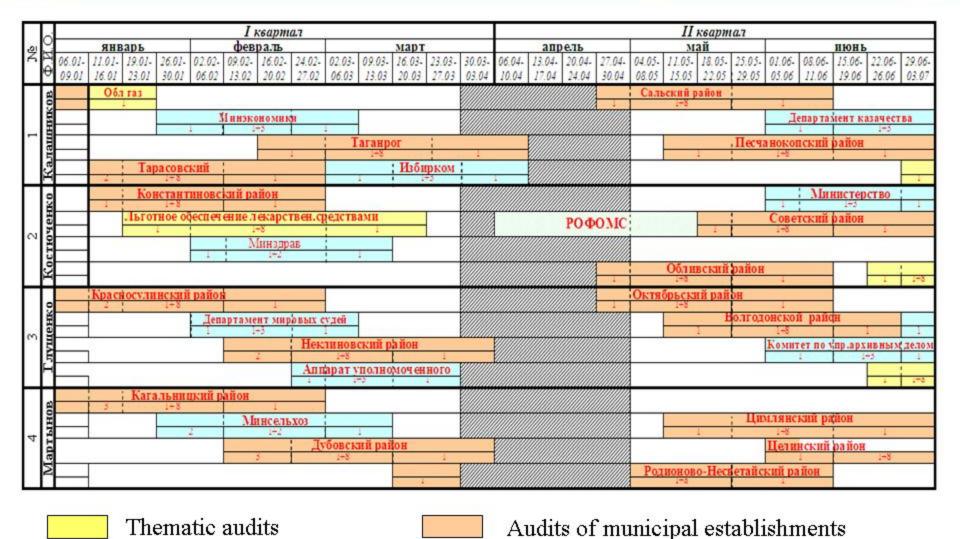
Relevance, development of solutions



External audits

# Network schedule of Chamber of Control and Accounts of the Rostov region



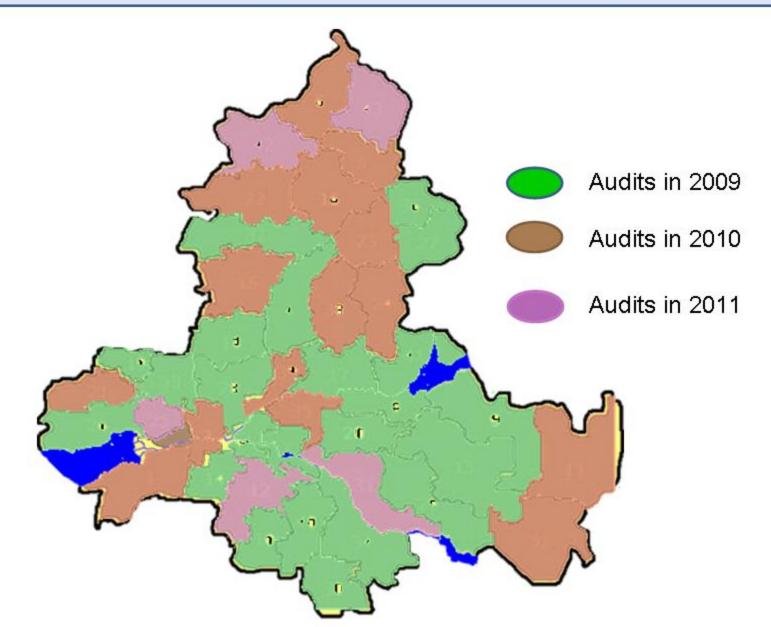


Audits of chief controllers



# Audit of compliance with the conditions of inter-budget transfers to local budgets







# Amount of municipal units covered with the audit of compliance with the conditions of inter-budget transfers



2009

221



5 town districts

22 municipal districts

194 settlements

2010

177



6 town districts

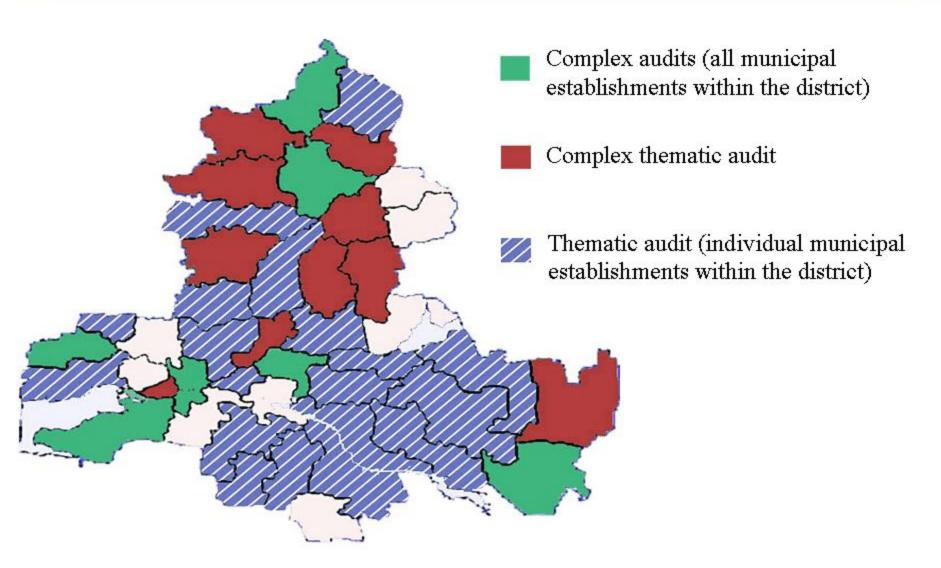
15 municipal districts

156 settlements



#### Geography of audits in 2010



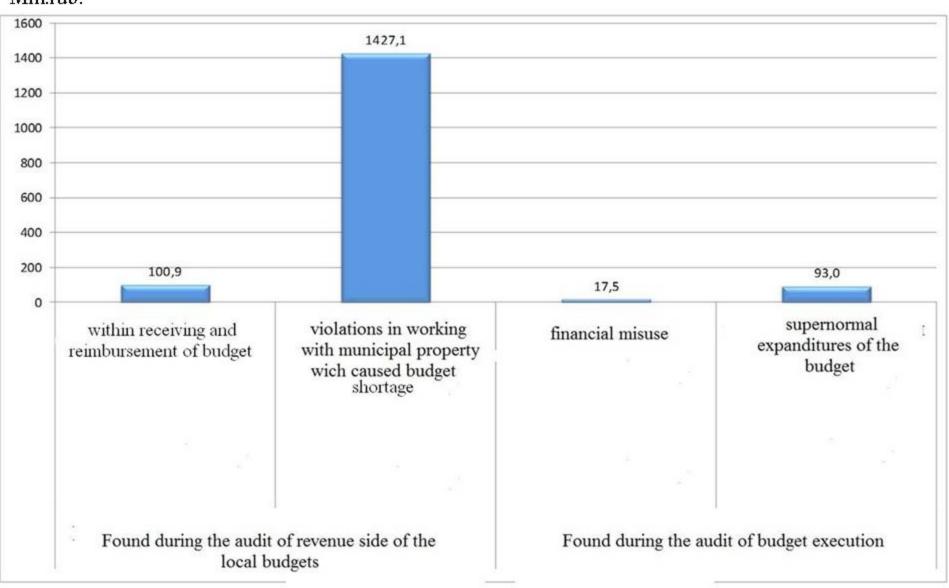




#### Volume of violations found in 2010



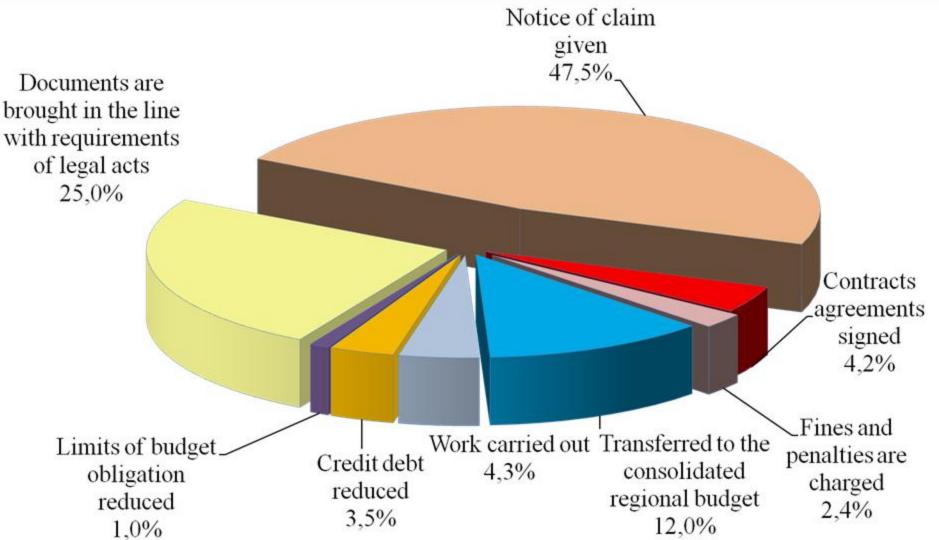
#### Mln.rub.





#### Measures taken on the results of audits in 2010







#### Results of audits are realized







#### Preparatory stage of an audit activity



#### To prepare an audit it is necessary:

- ❖to collect data on the object and pay attention to the results of previous audits
- \*to determine a volume of the audit
- \*to determine a general approach to the audit
- \*to define terms and stages of the audit
- \*to make the audit program
- ❖to define the requirements for employees, inspection group and division of responsibilities
- \*to inform the object of control about the audit



#### Main attributes of the software module



Focused on particular audit objects with specialized authority sphere of power with budget provision

provides an algorithm of analytical and control activities

used in one or several contexts



#### Subjects of the detailed analysis:



- Legal base, regulating the system of regional inter-budget relations,
- > forms and directions of finance allocation of the local budgets,
- > organizational structure and order of financing
- poperative and accounting reports of regional finance bodies and municipal units audited on the volume of inter-budget transfers in dynamics and structure,
- results of operative, latest and the next audit of the budget execution of the regional and local control bodies,
- Description to Determine the affect of finance support and its execution on the public satisfaction with the life quality in the municipal unit (reports on the results and main activities, information in mass-media, notifications, complaints, etc.)



#### Typical part of the software module



Verification of compliance with the current legislation and regulating orders

Audit of the conditions of inter-budget transfer allocation

Typical part of the software module

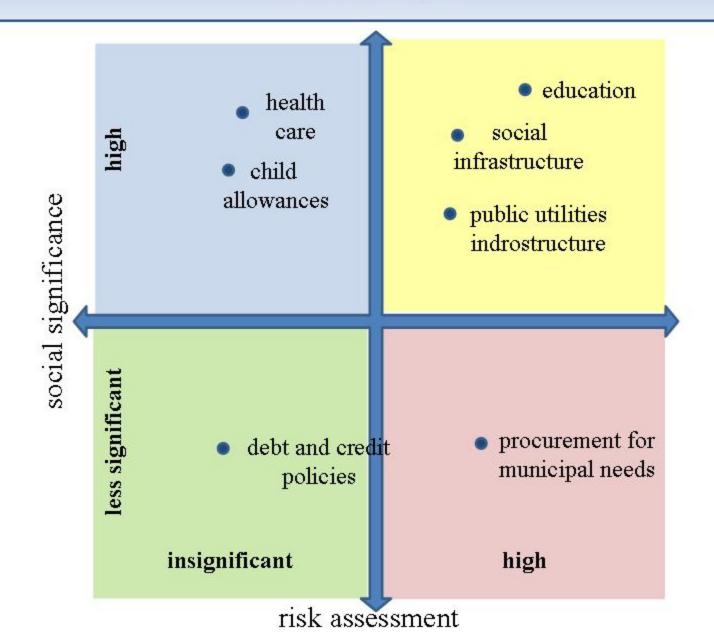
Audit of compliance with the limit of deficit of local budget and requirements on the municipal debt

Verification of accounts payable of the local budgets



### Integrated matrix of selection of software audit modules and audit objects







#### Assessment of the theme and audit object selection



Criteria	Scale of criteria	Score points
1. Degree of financial risk presence		
1.1. Volume of financing	- up to 10 mln.rub.	1
	- from 10 to 100 mln.rub.	2
	- from 100 to 400 mln.rub.	3
	- etc.	
1.2. Number of receiving units	-low	1
	-medium	3
	- high	5
1.3. Number of indicators in the budget	- low	1
	- medium	4
	- high	7
1.4. Previous audits in the sphere or (and)	- the audit was carried out violations eliminated	0
on the given object	- the audit was carried out violations are not	
	completely eliminated	2
	- the audit was not carried out	
		4
2. Social and economic priority	- insignificant	0
	- is significant as an audit object	8
	- is of high interest	16



### Conclusions on the results of external audit include:



conclusion on the budget legislation compliance on the stages of budget execution as well as during the preparation of the report on the municipal budget execution

conclusion on the accuracy and depth of the report data

conclusion on the execution of the expenditure obligations of municipal budget in the fiscal year

conclusion on the variety of sources of budget deficit financing

conclusion on the deviations found and solutions for improvement of budget process

conclusion on the availability condition and efficiency of finance control in local authorities



#### Relevant themes of audit activities in 2010



 Compliance of municipal unitary enterprises with legislation when transferring income tax to the regional budget

· Efficiency of management, usage and sale of land sites

 Target and efficient usage of funds aimed at social support of population (veterans, the poor, children and youth)

• Legitimacy and efficiency of investment activity of the local authorities in the sphere of public and housing utilities

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