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2 oror Tax Year 2001, the number of U.S. corporions claiming the possessions tax credit (171) and the amount of the credit claimed (\$1.3 billion) continued declines that began in the 1990's. These declines are generally due to increased legislative restrictions on the use of the possessions tax credit.

Most of the U.S. corporations reporting a possessions tax credit for 2001 were located in Puerto Rico. These 136 corporations claimed more than 96 percent of the total possessions tax credit.

Manufacturers continued to claim virtually all (more than 96 percent) of the possessions tax credit. As in prior years, pharmaceuticals and medicines manufacturers accounted for the largest share of the credit. For 2001, some 26 pharmaceuticals and medicines manufacturers reported possessions tax credits of $\$ 0.6$ billion, approximately 48 percent of the total. Other industries with substantial amounts of possessions tax credits claimed included food manufacturing, computer and electric equipment, medical equipment and supplies, and textiles and apparel manufacturing [1].

## Background

Since 1921, Federal income tax laws have provided an incentive for U.S. corporations to conduct business in U.S. possessions. The original legislation provided an exemption from taxation on all income derived from sources outside the United States if certain conditions were met. Specifically, the corporation had to derive 80 percent or more of its gross income from U.S. possessions and 50 percent or more of its gross income from the active conduct of a trade or business in the possessions. These tax provisions were enacted to help U.S. corporations compete with foreign companies in the Philippines, which was then a U.S. possession.

The Tax Reform Act of 1976 significantly changed the taxation of U.S. corporations operating in U.S. possessions, creating a new section 936 of the Internal Revenue Code. Rather than exempting all income derived from sources outside the United States for qualifying corporations, the new legislation

[^0]allowed a credit against taxes only for income derived from the active conduct of a trade or business in a possession and "qualified possessions source investment income" (see the Explanation of Selected Terms section). The intent of this legislation was to encourage employment-producing investments by U.S. corporations in U.S. possessions.

The Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 and the Tax Reform Act of 1986 further restricted the tax benefits available under section 936 by modifying the tax treatment of income derived from intangible assets and passive investments. In general, the 1982 Act provided that a possessions corporation's income from intangible assets, such as patents and copyrights, would be taxable to the U.S. shareholders (usually the U.S. parent corporation) of the possessions corporation [2]. By meeting either a direct labor test or a value added test with respect to a specific product or type of service, a possessions corporation could elect out of this general rule by demonstrating that it had a significant business presence in the possession in which it operated [3]. Electing corporations could then choose to allocate income attributable to that product or service between the U.S. shareholders and the possessions corporation using either the cost-sharing or profit split method [4]. The 1982 Act also increased the percentage of gross income that a possessions corporation must earn from the active conduct of a trade or business in U.S. possessions to 65 percent; the 1986 Act increased this percentage to 75 percent.

Legislation introduced in the 1990's continued to restrict, and finally generally repeal, the possessions tax credit provisions. Congress, in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, required corporations to separate their possessions incomes and credit computations into active and passive components. While qualified passive income (i.e., "qualified possessions source investment income") continued to receive unrestricted credit treatment, the possessions credit derived from active income was subject to a limitation computed under either the percentage limitation or economic-activity limitation methods (these methods are explained in the Highlights section) [5].

The Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-188) generally repealed the credit for tax years beginning after December 31, 1995.

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However, transition rules allow an existing possessions corporation to claim credits, with certain restrictions, through taxable years beginning before January 1, 2006. The Act eliminated the credit for qualified possessions source investment income received or accrued after June 31, 1996 [6]. Existing credit claimants could, however, continue to claim reduced credit amounts for active income using the percentage or economic-activity limitations [7]. The Act also implemented a base period constraint that limits the taxable income eligible for the credit for claimants using the percentage limitation method [8]. This base period constraint is effective for tax years beginning after December 31, 1997.

In general, to qualify for the possessions tax credit, a corporation must be a domestic corporation, organized under the laws of one of the 50 states, and have filed Form 5712, Election To Be Treated as a Possessions Corporation under Section 936. Once filed, this election remains in effect for 10 years, unless the taxpayer obtains permission for a revocation from the Internal Revenue Service.

Two gross income tests must also be satisfied. First, the possessions corporation must have derived 80 percent or more of its gross income from sources in a U.S. possession for the corporation's applicable period, which is generally the shorter of 36 months or the period when the corporation actively conducted a trade or business in a U.S. possession. The second test requires the corporation to derive at least 75 percent or more of its gross income from the active conduct of a trade or business in a U.S. possession. If these gross income tests are satisfied, a U.S. possessions corporation may claim the possessions tax credit for that portion of income earned from qualified sources in U.S. possessions. For Tax Year 2001, U.S. possessions included Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The United States taxes its citizens and residents on their worldwide incomes. Because possessions corporations are domestic corporations, they are subject to U.S. taxation on income earned in U.S. possessions and other foreign tax jurisdictions. For U.S. tax purposes, income earned in U.S. possessions is generally considered foreign-source income. Unlike the foreign tax credit, the possessions tax credit reduces and, in some cases, eliminates the
U.S. tax liability on qualified possessions income whether or not the possessions tax that income [9]. To attract U.S. investment, U.S. possessions typically tax the incomes of possessions corporations at low effective rates [10]. Thus, the income earned by possessions corporations from possessions sources tends to be subject to low worldwide effective tax rates.

## Highlights

As shown in Figure A, the statistics for 2001 reflect a continuing trend of fewer U.S. possessions corporations reporting smaller amounts of possessions tax credits. For 2001, there were 246 active possessions corporations, an 18-percent decrease from the 300 active corporations for 1999 [11]. During this same time period, the total possessions tax credit decreased from $\$ 1.6$ billion to $\$ 1.3$ billion [12].
U.S. possessions corporations located in Puerto Rico continued to report virtually all of the possessions tax credits (Figure B). For 2001, some 136 Puerto Rico-based possessions corporations claimed $\$ 1.3$ billion of possessions tax credits. These corporations also accounted for nearly all of the assets, receipts, and net income.

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## Corporations Claiming the U.S. Possessions Tax Credit, Selected Tax Years, 1983-2001

[Money amounts are in billions of dollars]

| Tax year | Number of active possessions corporations ${ }^{1}$ | Corporations claiming credit |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number | U.S. possessions tax credit |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) |
| 1983. | 625 | 553 | 2.0 |
| 1985. | 594 | 510 | 2.4 |
| 1987. | 516 | 452 | 2.8 |
| 1989. | 513 | 434 | 2.8 |
| $1991{ }^{2}$.. | n/a | 402 | 3.5 |
| 1993. | 474 | 395 | 4.6 |
| 1995... | 440 | 353 | 3.1 |
| 1997. | 378 | 310 | 2.8 |
| 1999. | 300 | 206 | 1.6 |
| 2001. | 246 | 171 | 1.3 |

n/a--Not available.
${ }^{1}$ An "active" corporation is a corporation that has item(s) of current income and/or deductions.
${ }^{2}$ No U.S. Possessions study was conducted for Tax Year 1991. The number of credit claimants and possessions tax credits published in Statistics of Income--1991, Corporation Income Tax Returns was used as a substitute.

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Total Assets, Total Receipts, Net Income, Tax, and U.S. Possessions Tax Credit, by U.S. Possession in Which Income Was Earned, 2001
[Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| U.S. possession | Number of corporations claiming credit | Total assets | Total receipts | Net income (less deficit) | Income subject to tax | U.S. income tax before credits | U.S. possessions tax credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| All U.S. possessions... | 171 | 34,100,189 | 25,538,141 | 8,856,648 | 8,728,987 | 3,053,651 | 1,299,803 |
| Puerto Rico | 136 | 32,792,201 | 24,393,915 | 8,664,094 | 8,536,654 | 2,986,627 | 1,252,728 |
| U.S. Virgin Islands | 31 | $\begin{array}{r} 117,448 \\ 1,190,540 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 62,197 \\ 1,082,029 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 19,399 \\ 173,155 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 19,232 \\ 173,100 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 6,710 \\ 60,314 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 3,768 \\ 43,307 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Not specified or other U.S. Possessions. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

NOTE: Detail may not add to totals because of rounding.

As shown in Figure C, manufacturing corporations claimed the bulk of the possessions tax credit [13]. For 2001, manufacturers of food, textiles and apparel, pharmaceuticals and medicines, computers and electric equipment, and medical equipment and supplies claimed almost 87 percent of the $\$ 1.3$-billion total credit.

Figure D, which provides statistics for credit claimants for 1997, 1999, and 2001, highlights the extent of the decline in the use of the possessions tax credit provisions. The number of credit claimants fell 17 percent to 171 for 2001. Assets and receipts reported for 2001 dropped to $\$ 34.1$ billion (a 14-percent decline) and $\$ 25.5$ billion (a 20-percent decline),

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U.S. Possessions Tax Credit, by Industrial Group, 2001


NOTE: Detail does not add to 100 percent because of rounding.

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Selected Information for U.S. Possessions Tax
Credit Claimants, 1997, 1999, and 2001
[Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Item | 1997 | 1999 | 2001 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) |
| Number of returns | 310 | 206 | 171 |
| Total assets | 47,835,816 | 39,859,398 | 34,100,189 |
| Total receipts. | 39,583,991 | 31,847,430 | 25,538,141 |
| Income subject to tax. | 14,903,440 | 11,500,269 | 8,728,987 |
| U.S. income tax before credits. | 5,213,057 | 4,023,543 | 3,053,651 |
| U.S. possessions tax credit. | 2,795,176 | 1,605,735 | 1,299,803 |
| U.S. possessions tax credit, total. | 2,795,176 | 1,605,735 | 1,299,803 |
| Percent limitation method. | 1,954,034 | 955,332 | 777,816 |
| Economic activity method.. | 841,120 | 650,404 | 492,682 |
| Unspecified method.. | 21 | -- | 29,304 |
| Deduction for possessions taxes, total. | 298,031 | 179,686 | 98,947 |
| Percent limitation method. | 294,474 | 177,343 | 98,133 |
| Economic activity method.. | 3,557 | 2,343 | 814 |
| Possessions sales reported on |  |  |  |
| Schedule P, total.... | 59,748,281 | 48,086,748 | 40,264,206 |
| Cost-sharing method.. | 10,135,631 | 7,797,313 | 4,838,528 |
| Profit-split method.... | 49,612,650 | 40,289,435 | 35,425,679 |

NOTE: Detail may not add to totals because of rounding.
respectively. For 2001, U.S. income tax before credits fell 24 percent to $\$ 3.1$ billion, and the total amount of possessions sales (as reported on Schedule P (Form 5735)) fell 16 percent to $\$ 40.3$ billion.

For 2001, possessions corporations were subject to a limitation concerning the possessions tax credit derived from their active business incomes. With certain restrictions, corporations could elect to determine the possessions credit using either a percentage or economic-activity limitation computation. The percentage limitation method required taxpayers to compute the possessions tax credit for active income as a percentage of the credit that would have been allowed prior to Tax Year 1994. For 2001, the applicable percentage was 40 percent. Generally, corporations with large profits relative to labor and depreciation expenses elected the percentage limitation method. The economic-activity limitation was based on a formula that depended on the qualified compensation and depreciation deductions that a possession corporation incurred during the tax year [14]. Generally, corporations that had substantial labor and depreciation expenses relative to profits elected the economic-activity method.

Of the $\$ 1.3$ billion possessions tax credit claimed for 2001, nearly 60 percent ( $\$ 0.8$ billion) was computed using the percentage limitation method, nearly 38 percent ( $\$ 0.5$ billion) was computed using the economic-activity limitation method, and the remaining 2 percent was reported by taxpayers that did not provide information about their credit computations. Most (over 91 percent) of the possessions tax credit computed using the percentage limitation method was attributable to corporations in the food manufacturing and pharmaceuticals and medicines industrial groups [15]. Use of the economic-activity method was spread throughout almost all industries. However, almost 56 percent of possessions credit computed using the economic-activity method was attributable to the textiles and apparel, computers and electric equipment, and medical equipment and supplies manufacturing industrial groups.

In general, possessions corporations were also allowed to deduct the portion of actual income taxes paid to U.S. possessions that related to possessions income not sheltered by the possessions tax credit. For 2001, the total deduction for possessions taxes paid was almost $\$ 0.1$ billion (Figure D).

## Summary

For Tax Year 2001, some 171 U.S. corporations reported $\$ 1.3$ billion of possessions tax credits. The number of U.S. corporations claiming a possessions tax credit and the total amount of the credit reported continued declines that began in the 1990's. These declines were generally due to increased legislative restrictions on the use of the possessions tax credit.

As in prior years, pharmaceuticals and medicines manufacturers located in Puerto Rico reported the bulk of the possessions tax credit. The food manufacturing, medical equipment and supplies, computers and electric equipment, and textiles and apparel industries also claimed substantial amounts of possessions tax credits.

## Data,Sources andTimitations

The 2001 statistics are based on data compiled from all returns filed by U.S. possessions corporations with accounting periods ending between July 2001 and June 2002. Consequently, the data are not subject to sampling error.

The data may, however, contain nonsampling errors. Where possible, inconsistencies in the data

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were resolved to conform with provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. In cases where information reported was not logical, other data on the return were used to resolve errors.

Data were collected from Form 1120, U.S. Corporation Income Tax Return, for possessions corporations and supplemented by information collected from Form 5712, Election To Be Treated as a Possessions Corporation Under Section 936, Form 5735, Possessions Corporation Tax Credit (Under Sections 936 and 30A), and Schedule P (Form 5735), Allocation of Income and Expenses Under Section 936(h)(5). Due to processing differences, slight variations exist between the data in this article and the more limited statistics published in Statistics of Income--2001, Corporation Income Tax Returns and Table 13 of the Selected Historical and Other Data section of this volume.

## Explanationof SelectedTerms

Business Receipts.--Business receipts were the gross operating receipts of the corporation reduced by the cost of returned goods and allowances. Generally, they represented all of a corporation's receipts except investment and incidental income.

Distributions to Stockholders.--Distributions to stockholders represent cash and property (other than company stock) distributions to stockholders during the current year.

Existing Credit Claimant.--A corporation was an existing credit claimant with respect to a possession if the corporation: 1 ) was engaged in the active conduct of a trade or business within the possession on October 13, 1995; and 2) elected the benefits of the possessions credit effective for its taxable year that included October 13, 1995. A corporation that acquired all of the assets of a trade or business of an existing credit claimant qualified as an existing credit claimant.

Income Subject to Tax.--This was generally the amount of income subject to tax at the corporate level. For most corporations, income subject to tax consisted of net income minus statutory special deductions (i.e., the net operating loss deduction and special deductions for dividends).

Intangible Assets.--Intangible assets represented the total gross value of goodwill, contracts, copyrights, formulas, licenses, patents, registered trade-
marks, franchises, covenants not to compete, and similar assets that were amortizable for tax purposes.

Passive Activity.--Passive activity generally included trade or business activity in which the corporation did not materially participate for the tax year, and with exceptions, rental activities regardless of the corporation's participation.

Qualified Possessions Source Investment Income.--Income attributable to the investment of funds derived from the active conduct of a trade or business in the same U.S. possession.

## Notes andReferences

[1] Throughout this article, the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to categorize business activity of possessions corporations. See North American Industry Classification System, United States, 2002, Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget for additional information about specific industrial groups. For example, the food manufacturing industrial group includes beverages and distilled spirits.
[2] Prior to the passage of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982, U.S. parent corporations could deduct research and development costs relative to an intangible asset (for example, a patent) and transfer the intangible to a related possessions corporation where the resulting income would qualify for the possessions tax credit under section 936. For further information, see General Accounting Office, "Report to the Chairman, Committee on Finance, U.S. Senate: Tax Policy, Puerto Rico Economic Trends," May, 1997.
[3] U.S. possessions corporations file Form 5712-A, Election and Verification of the Cost-Sharing or Profit Split Method Under Section 936(h)(5) to show under the direct labor or value added test that they have a significant business presence in a possession.
[4] Generally, the cost-sharing method allows a possessions corporation to earn income from intangible processes (that may have been developed by a parent and/or members of the

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affiliated group) in the production of a product provided that the possessions corporation makes a cost-sharing payment (for use of the intangible processes) to the affiliate(s). Generally, the profit split method allows a possessions corporation to report income equal to 50 percent of the combined taxable income of the affiliated group from the production and sale of a product (while the remaining 50 percent of combined taxable income is allocated to the affiliated group). A comprehensive discussion of the cost-sharing and profit split methods is beyond the scope of this article.
[5] For more information on the legislative history, see Miller, Randy, "U.S. Possessions Corporations, 1995," Statistics of Income Bulletin, Summer 1999, Volume 19, Number 1.
[6] For tax years beginning before January 1, 2006, the Act's amendments with regard to both active and qualified possessions source investment income do not apply to existing credit claimants with respect to Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. These claimants figure the credit under the rules in effect prior to the 1996 Act.
[7] With the passage of the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996, credit claimants operating in Puerto Rico that use the economic activity limitation figure their credits under the new section 30A. Generally, the provisions of section 936 apply when computing the credit under section 30A. See the Explanation of Selected Terms section for a definition of the term "existing credit claimant."
[8] A similar cap is effective for credit claimants using the economic-activity limitation fortaxable years beginning after December 31, 2001.
[9] Subject to numerous limitations, the foreign tax credit is available only for actual taxes paid or accrued or deemed paid. For more information on the foreign tax credit, see Luttrell, Scott, "Foreign Tax Credit, 2001," in this volume.
[10] For example, the Puerto Rican tax system is separate and independent from the U.S. tax
system. Although it is modeled after the U.S. system, there are differences in law and tax rates. Puerto Rico provides various tax incentives for industries under the Tax Incentives Acts of 1987 and 1998 (see Note 13). A comprehensive discussion of U.S. possessions' tax systems is beyond the scope of this article.
[11] For more information on the possessions tax credit for Tax Years 1997 and 1999, see Nutter, Sarah E., "U.S. Possessions Corporation Returns, 1997 and 1999," Statistics of Income Bulletin, Summer 2003, Volume 23, Number 1.
[12] The amount of possessions tax credit is available for intervening years from the Statistics of Income corporation program. The credit was $\$ 3.2$ billion for 1990, $\$ 3.5$ billion for 1991, and $\$ 3.7$ billion for 1992. For 1994, 1996, 1998, and 2000 , the credit was $\$ 3.8$ billion, $\$ 3.1$ billion, $\$ 2.4$ billion, and $\$ 1.4$ billion, respectively.
[13] Puerto Rico has tax incentives that are primarily for companies in the manufacturing or export business. Nonmanufacturing companies generally pay the full Puerto Rican income tax and then claim the U.S. foreign tax credit. Thus, nonmanufacturing companies receive little reduction in U.S. income tax liabilities through the use of the possessions tax credit. For additional information, see General Accounting Office, "Report to the Chairman, Committee on Finance, U.S. Senate: Tax Policy, Puerto Rican Economic Trends," May, 1997.
[14] The labor component of the economic activity limit generally consists of 60 percent of the corporation's qualified wages and employee fringe benefits for the tax year, subject to certain limitations (see Internal Revenue Code sections 936(i)(1) and 936(i)(2) for more detailed information). The amount of depreciation expense taken into account when computing the economic activity limit depends on the useful life of each asset. Taxpayers compute 15 percent of the depreciation deduction for short-life property, 40 percent for medium-life property, and 65-percent for long-life property. Short-life property refers to property with a

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useful life of 3 years to 5 years. Medium-life property is 7 -year or 10 -year property. Longlife property generally refers to property that is neither short-life nor medium-life.
[15] Source: data relative to the possessions tax credit computation method by selected industrial group are from unpublished statistics, SOI 2001 U.S. Possessions study.

SOURCE: IRS, Statistics of Income Bulletin, Fall 2005, Publication 1136. (Rev. 12-05.)

## U.S. Possessions Corporation Returns, 2001

Table 1.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Balance Sheet Items, by Selected Industry, 2001

| Item | All industries | Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting | Manufacturing |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Food manufacturing | Textiles and apparel | Leather and allied products |
| Number of returns........................................... | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
|  | 246 | 3 | 188 | 17 | 20 | 7 |
|  | 41,221,855 | 26,857 | 36,464,078 | 10,157,104 | 1,185,700 | 256,632 |
| Cash.. | 2,351,201 | 1,495 | 2,262,650 | 650,900 | 33,999 | 20,771 |
| Notes and accounts receivable... | 10,023,520 | 12,758 | 9,011,281 | 2,196,899 | 856,950 | 203,587 |
| Less: Allowance for bad debts..... | $\begin{array}{r} 35,739 \\ 1,636,993 \end{array}$ | 26 | 13,582 | 7,529 | 1,684 | 15,275 |
| Inventories.. |  | 2,762 | 1,495,597 | 240,203 | 83,065 |  |
| Investment in Government obligations... | 146 |  | 146 | -- | -- | 15,275 |
| Tax-exempt securities.............. | 39,523 | 38 | $\begin{array}{r} 39,523 \\ 1,350,643 \end{array}$ | -- | 5,621 | -- |
| Other current assets......... | 2,916,692 |  |  |  | 14,390 | 1,740 |
| Loans to stockholders.. | 139,673 |  | 91,121 | 183,346 | 6,312 | , |
| Mortgage and real estate loans.. | 23,625 | -- | 86 | 6,396,401 | 86 | -- |
| Other investments.... | 18,508,166 | 268 | 17,514,542 |  | 42,521 | 7,275 |
| Depreciable assets.. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6,234,475 } \\ & 2,923,622 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9,177 \\ & 4,782 \end{aligned}$ | 5,439,486 | 675,518 | 196,581 | $\begin{aligned} & 42,032 \\ & 32,981 \end{aligned}$ |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation... |  |  | 2,640,017 | 300,613 | 111,171 |  |
| Land... | 119,864 | -- | 86,791 | 20,235 | 222 |  |
| Intangible assets....... | $\begin{aligned} & 540,852 \\ & 216,376 \end{aligned}$ | -- | 390,312 | 48,984 | -- | 49 |
| Less: Accumulated amortization.. |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 154,165 \\ 1,610,120 \end{array}$ | 12,907 | -- | -- |
| Other assets..... | 1,902,166 | 5,166 |  | 66,806 | 58,807 | 142 |
| Assets balancing adjustment ${ }^{2}$.... | -39,303 | -- | -20,453 | $-1,139$ |  | -1,256 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity. $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} 41,221,855 \\ 2,458,849 \end{array}$ | 26,857 | 36,464,078 | 10,157,104 | 1,185,700 | 256,632 |
| Accounts payable. |  | 952 | 2,230,951 | 740,745 | 148,526 | 40,366 |
| Current mortgages, notes, and bonds payable. $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & 683,413 \\ & 941,425 \end{aligned}$ | 243 | 250,476 | 4,255 | 3,837 | 4,384 |
| Other current liabilities.... |  |  | 714,74113,182 | $\begin{array}{r} 75,921 \\ \text {-- } \end{array}$ | 34,318201 |  |
| Loans from stockholders............. | 14,770 |  |  |  |  | , |
| Long-term mortgages, notes, and bonds payable. $\qquad$ | 634,997 | 73 | 270,031695,219 | 191,837 | 17 | -- |
| Other liabilities... | $\begin{array}{r} 2,098,907 \\ 714.324 \end{array}$ | 6,331 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 63,701 \\ 600,001 \end{array}$ | 1,445 | 140 |
| Preferred stock.. |  | -- | 689,184 |  | 202 | -- |
| Common stock... | $1,808,197$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,617,749 \\ & 1,887,800 \end{aligned}$ | 3,535 | 1,304 | $\begin{array}{r} 7,327 \\ 11,984 \end{array}$ |
| Paid-in or capital surplus... | $\begin{array}{r} 2,239,453 \\ 17,844 \end{array}$ | 1,805 |  | 493,041 | 30,862 |  |
| Retained earnings, appropriated... |  | 14,819 | $\begin{array}{r} 2,686 \\ 28,192,144 \end{array}$ |  | 777964,299 | 192,432 |
| Retained earnings, unappropriated... | 29,717,384 | 2,631 |  | 7,989,214 |  |  |
| Adjustments to stockholders' equity...... | $\begin{array}{r} -110 \\ 5,290 \\ -102,307 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | -- <br> -- <br> -- | $\begin{array}{r} -110 \\ 2,024 \\ -97,952 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $-5,146$ | -- | -- |
| Less: Cost of treasury stock.......... |  |  |  |  | -86 | -- |
| Liabilities balancing adjustment ${ }^{2}$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Table 1.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Balance Sheet Items, by Selected Industry, 2001--Continued [Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]


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Table 1.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Balance Sheet Items, by Selected Industry, 2001--Continued [Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]


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## U.S. Possessions Corporation Returns, 2001

Table 1.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Balance Sheet Items, by Selected Industry, 2001--Continued
[Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]


[^4]${ }^{2}$ For statistical purposes, negative balance sheet asset and liability accounts have been moved to, and included in, asset and liability balancing adjustment categories, respectively. This procedure was adopted to address the increased usage of negative items being reported on corporate balance sheets.
${ }^{3}$ Less than $\$ 500$.
NOTE: Detail may not add to totals because of rounding.

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Table 2.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Income Statement Items and Distributions to Stockholders, by Selected Industry, 2001

| Item | All industries | Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting | Manufacturing |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total | Food manufacturing | Textiles and apparel | Leather and allied products |
| Number of returns <br> Total receipts. | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 246 \\ 27,032,527 \\ 25,422,128 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 21,725 \\ 20,391 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 188 \\ 25,038,602 \\ 23,824,082 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17 \\ 4,919,880 \\ 4,439,994 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 20 \\ 895,569 \\ 878,034 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 212,791 \\ 184,822 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business receipts... |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest, except State and local government obligations. $\qquad$ | 989,709 | 9 | 837,814 | 321,335 | 1,429 | 1,502 |
| Interest on State and local government obligations. | 11,560 | -- | 11,560 | - -- | 711 | -- |
| Rents.............................................................. | 11,062 | -- | 1,363 |  | -- | 12 |
| Royalties.... | 12,715 | -- | 12,715 | 1,211 | -- | -- |
| Net short-term capital gain.. | 137 | -- | 137 | -- | -- | -- |
| Net long-term capital gain.. | 9,214 | -- | 6,713 | 3 | 547 | -- |
| Net gain, noncapital assets. | 3,953 | -- | 3,834 | 83 | 3,311 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| Dividends, other than constructive distributions....... | 255,287 | -- | 204,495 | 13,454 | 141 | -- |
| Other receipts... | 442,226 | 1,325 | 261,132 | 143,838 | 11,396 | 26,455 |
| Total deductions ${ }^{2}$......... | $\begin{array}{r} 18,200,806 \\ 8,000,410 \end{array}$ | 16,925 | 16,384,825 | 3,575,492 | 614,656 | 194,843 |
| Cost of sales and operations.. |  |  | 7,025,896 | 1,341,024 | 537,050 | 146,294 |
| Compensation of officers... | $\begin{array}{r} 8,000,410 \\ 9,550 \end{array}$ | 11,926 | 6,733 | 1,952 | 176 | 20 |
| Salaries and wages..... | 416,700 | 994 | 206,329 | 32,309 | 11,513 | 2,572 |
| Repairs... | 46,090 | 130 | 28,763 | 3,734 | 333 | 20 |
| Bad debts.... | $29,470$ | 42 | 2,599 | 854 | 72 | -- |
| Rents paid... |  | $\begin{array}{r} 603 \\ 1,039 \end{array}$ | 35,476 | 2,988 | 4,601 | 1,332 |
| Taxes paid... | $266,517$ |  | 222,940 | 47,272 | 12,952 | 698 |
| Interest paid.. | 99,121 | 3 | 43,731 | 15,082 | $\begin{aligned} & 365 \\ & 106 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Contributions... | 8,494 | 2 | 8,221 | 724 |  | (1) |
| Amortization.. | 15,561 | -- 725 | 14,046 | 6,802 | -- | , |
| Depreciation.. | $\begin{aligned} & 308,174 \\ & 102,144 \end{aligned}$ | 725 | $\begin{array}{r} 254,717 \\ 65,999 \end{array}$ | $30,162$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13,791 \\ 2,707 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,889 \\ 17 \end{array}$ |
| Advertising.. |  |  |  | $48,331$ |  |  |
| Pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, and annuity plans. | 34,714 | -- | 31,272 | 4,765 | 768 | 4 |
| Employee benefit programs.. | 251,510 | 16 | 103,879 | 12,459 | 10,836 | 548 |
| Net loss, noncapital assets... | $\begin{array}{r} -45,678 \\ 8.530,256 \end{array}$ | -- | -45,181 | -30,536 | -111 | -1,624 |
| Other deductions. |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1,447 \\ & 4,799 \end{aligned}$ | 8,317,048 | 2,010,845 | 19,260 | 39,820 |
| Total receipts less total deductions.... | $\begin{aligned} & 8,530,256 \\ & 8,838,743 \end{aligned}$ |  | 8,660,800 | 1,344,388 | 280,913 | 17,948 |
| Net income (less deficit)... | $\begin{aligned} & 8,827,184 \\ & 9,024,755 \end{aligned}$ | 4,7994,799 | 8,649,241 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,344,388 \\ & 1,391,138 \end{aligned}$ | 280,202 | 17,948 |
| Net income ............. |  |  | 8,836,813 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 280,724 \\ -523 \\ 293,551 \\ 280,244 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 25,439 \\ -7,491 \end{array}$ |
| Deficit.. | $-197,571$ | 4,799 | -187,572 | $\begin{array}{r} -46,750 \\ 1,067,472 \\ 1,390,197 \end{array}$ |  |  |
| Net income (less deficit) per books.......... | $\begin{aligned} & 6,380,183 \\ & 8,888,909 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,594 \\ & 4,622 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6,262,731 \\ & 8,708,876 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 14,873 \\ & 25,313 \end{aligned}$ |
| Income subject to tax.... |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. income tax before credits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total.... | $\begin{aligned} & 3,110,471 \\ & 3,109,329 \end{aligned}$ | 1,571 | 3,047,366 | 487,172 | 97,965 | 8,839 |
| Regular tax.................. |  | 1,571 | 3,046,442 | 486,568 | 97,962 | 8,839 |
| U.S. possessions tax credit.. | 1,299,803 | 1,419 | 1,257,494 | 168,423 | 76,396 | 7,148 |
| Foreign tax credit..... | 34,353 | -- | 28,255 | 11,382 | -- | -- |
| General business credit.... | 931 | -- | 931 | -- | -- | -- |
| Other credits... | 835 | -- | 835 | -- | -- | 44 |
| Total U.S. income tax after credits......... | 1,774,550 | 152 | 1,759,852 | 307,367 | 21,569 | 1,647 |
| Distributions to stockholders.. | 5,217,840 | -- | 5,167,520 | 560,590 | 16,409 | 65,211 |

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## U.S. Possessions Corporation Returns, 2001

Table 2.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Income Statement Items and Distributions to Stockholders, by Selected Industry, 2001--Continued
[Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Item | Manufacturing--Continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Paper products | Printing | Basic chemicals, resins, and agricultural chemicals | Pharmaceuticals and medicines | All other chemicals | Plastics and rubber products | Primary metals and fabricated metal products |
| Number of returns. $\qquad$ Total receipts $\qquad$ | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ 99,435 \\ 98,977 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 46,655 \\ 46,097 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ 149,528 \\ 147,581 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 26 \\ 11,926,031 \\ 11,365,868 \end{array}$ | 9 668,953 <br> 697,605 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business receipts. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest, except State and local government obligations. $\qquad$ | 136 | 160 | 277 | 426,387 | 12,498 | 3,449 | 111 |
| Interest on State and local government obligations. | 84 | -- |  | 514 | 1,124 | -- | 102 |
| Rents.. | -- | -- |  | $\begin{array}{r} 50 \\ 12,660 \end{array}$ | -- | -- | 50 |
| Royalties.... | -- | -- | 39 -- |  | 137 | -- | -- |
| Net short-term capital gain... | -- |  | -- | -- |  | -- |  |
| Net long-term capital gain... |  | -- | 146 | 4,600 | 115 | -- | 163 |
| Net gain, noncapital assets... | -- | 11 | -- | 105,388 | 1,268 | 26 | -- |
| Dividends, other than constructive distributions... | -- | 110 | -- |  |  | -- | -- |
| Other receipts... | 237 | 277 | 1,484 | 50,158 | 1,928 | 4,132 | 4961,462 |
| Total deductions ${ }^{2}$.. | 85,110 | $\begin{aligned} & 38,129 \\ & 28,178 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 210,130 \\ & 103,480 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 6,494,561 } \\ & \text { 1,986,568 } \end{aligned}$ | 525,836 | $\begin{aligned} & 205,660 \\ & 153,125 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Cost of sales and operations. | 74,214 |  |  |  | 280,551 |  | 53,562 |
| Compensation of officers. | 2,551 | 56 | 817 | 459 | 477 | -- | 45 |
| Salaries and wages.. |  | 2,198 | 12,772 | 66,057 | 17,546 | 9,341 | 936 |
| Repairs.... | 635 |  | 7,893 | 3,661 | 1,629 | 3,227 | 31 |
| Bad debts.. | 46 | 84 | 512 | 107 | 88 | 122 | 21 |
| Rents paid.. | 492 | 642 | 1,242 | 4,357 | 1,910 | 3,973 | 315 |
| Taxes paid.. | 576 | 864 | 2,493 | 117,445 | 3,092 | 3,655 | 950 |
| Interest paid. | 48 | 403 | -- | 22,273 | 1,593 | 425 | 368 |
| Contributions.. | 27 | 1 | 23 | 6,858 | 117 | 29 | 6 |
| Amortization.. | $\begin{aligned} & 1,621 \\ & 1,922 \end{aligned}$ | 156 | 764 | 1,083 | -- | 1,196 | -- |
| Depreciation... |  | 1,68851 | 34,150 | 59,707 | 17,156 |  | 1,174 |
| Advertising.... | -- |  |  | 615 | 10,663 | - 51 | 159 |
| Pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, and annuity plans. $\qquad$ | 104 | 416 | 11,616 | 305 | 603 | 258 | 108 |
| Employee benefit programs. | 712 | 726 | 4,361 | 21,101 | 9,085 | 3,893 | 678 |
| Net loss, noncapital assets.. | -77 | -1 | -32 | -3,851 | -350 | -211 | -- |
| Other deductions... | 3,70914,325 | 2,848 | 30,648 | 4,196,193 | 180,994 | 16,556 | 3,412 |
| Total receipts less total deductions... |  | 8,525 | -60,602 | $\begin{aligned} & 5,438,492 \\ & 5,437,979 \end{aligned}$ | 143,117 | 27,028 | 3,724 |
| Net income (less deficit)... | $\begin{aligned} & 14,240 \\ & 14,513 \end{aligned}$ |  | -60,602 |  | 141,992 | 27,028 | 3,622 |
| Net income |  | 9,155 | 25,528 | 5,445,753 | 142,019 | 31,037 | 4,314 |
| Deficit.. | -273 | -629 | -86,130 | -7,775 | -27 | -4,009 | -692 |
| Net income (less deficit) per books.. | 14,723 | 7,074 | -136,719 | 3,860,779 | 134,221 | 29,434 | 3,658 |
| Income subject to tax......... | 14,513 | 9,155 | 24,947 | 5,404,155 | 140,804 | 31,037 | 4,287 |
| U.S. income tax before credits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total. | 5,045 | 3,099 | 8,631 | 1,891,314 | 49,309 | 10,653 | 1,476 |
| Regular tax.................. | 5,045 | 3,099 | 8,631 | 1,891,241 | 49,282 | 10,653 | 1,476 |
| U.S. possessions tax credit... | 4,833 | 2,473 | 5,944 | 620,032 | 44,537 | 9,679 | 1,391 |
| Foreign tax credit...... | -- | 24 | 30 | 14,504 | 11 | 2 | 2 |
| General business credit.. | -- | -- | -- | 931 | -- | -- | -- |
| Other credits... | -- | -- | -- | -- | 771 | -- | 19 |
| Total U.S. income tax after credits... | 212 | 602 | 2,657 | 1,255,847 | 3,990 | 972 | 64 |
| Distributions to stockholders. | 8,000 | 5,509 | 23,723 | 3,538,389 | 90,400 | 30,618 | 4,263 |

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## U.S. Possessions Corporation Returns, 2001

Table 2.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Income Statement Items and Distributions to Stockholders, by Selected Industry, 2001--Continued
[Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]


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## U.S. Possessions Corporation Returns, 2001

Table 2.--U.S. Possessions Corporations: Income Statement Items and Distributions to Stockholders, by Selected Industry, 2001--Continued
[Money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Item | Retail trade | Publishing and information services | Finance and insurance | Real estate and rental and leasing | Professional services | Administrative support services | Accommodation and food services |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (21) | (22) | (23) | (24) | (25) | (26) | (27) |
| Number of returns... | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 10 |
| Total receipts... | 538,529 | 101,358 | 193,351 | 5,330 | 192,642 | 18,123 | 383,628 |
| Business receipts.. | 436,093 | 89,672 | 4,460 | 5,071 | 187,003 | 18,020 | 301,424 |
| Interest, except State and local government obligations. $\qquad$ | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1,813 | 134,891 | 40 | 5,639 | 103 | 7,089 |
| Interest on State and local government obligations... | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Rents. | -- | 9,175 | -- | 55 | -- | -- | 330 |
| Royalties..... | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Net short-term capital gain................................. | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Net long-term capital gain.... | -- | -- | 2,300 | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Net gain, noncapital assets...... | -- | -- | -- | 115 | -- | -- | -- |
| Dividends, other than constructive distributions........ | 162 | -- | 50,630 | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other receipts... | 102,274 | 698 | 1,098 | 48 | ${ }^{1}$ ) | -- | 74,785 |
| Total deductions ${ }^{2}$.. | 478,211 | 87,460 | 163,921 | 5,517 | 181,102 | 16,692 | 343,371 |
| Cost of sales and operations. | 283,023 | 2,800 | -- | 310 | 179,019 | 14,622 | 84,402 |
| Compensation of officers. | 1,835 | -- | 639 | 139 | -- | -- | -- |
| Salaries and wages.. | 54,329 | 8,751 | 7,028 | 809 | 315 | 647 | 89,511 |
| Repairs... | 8,230 | 237 | 1 | 147 | 1 | 2 | 6,594 |
| Bad debts.. | 20,523 | 1,528 | 25 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | 66 | -- | 630 |
| Rents paid.. | 11,549 | 610 | 117 | 169 | 154 | 109 | 15,957 |
| Taxes paid.. | 17,050 | 2,601 | 929 | 250 | 324 | 188 | 15,826 |
| Interest paid. | 7,219 | 6,261 | 13,410 | 375 | -- | -- | 24,567 |
| Contributions.. | 94 | 17 | -- | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | -- | 1 | 155 |
| Amortization.. | -- | 174 | -- | 5 | -- | -- | 1,255 |
| Depreciation...... | 11,186 | 17,749 | 1,974 | 2,446 | 18 | 129 | 13,879 |
| Advertising..... | 15,360 | 208 | 19 | 2 | -- | 1 | 10,892 |
| Pension, profit-sharing, stock bonus, and annuity plans. $\qquad$ | 2,116 | 1 | 203 | -- | -- | 30 | 707 |
| Employee benefit programs.. | 6,555 | 744 | 133,981 | 150 | 211 | 215 | 2,180 |
| Net loss, noncapital assets.. | -284 | -- | -49 | (1) | -- | -- | -1 |
| Other deductions.. | 40,115 | 45,953 | 5,552 | 718 | 995 | 747 | 78,068 |
| Total receipts less total deductions... | 60,318 | 13,898 | 29,430 | -187 | 11,540 | 1,431 | 40,256 |
| Net income (less deficit)... | 60,318 | 13,898 | 29,430 | -187 | 11,540 | 1,431 | 40,256 |
| Net income | 60,470 | 17,652 | 29,770 | 404 | 11,540 | 1,930 | 40,483 |
| Deficit. | -152 | -3,754 | -340 | -591 | -- | -500 | -227 |
| Net income (less deficit) per books.. | 32,433 | -3,803 | 34,177 | -368 | 11,687 | 1,478 | 22,887 |
| Income subject to tax..... | 59,778 | 17,652 | 29,689 | 401 | 11,540 | 1,930 | 33,859 |
| U.S. income tax before credits: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total. | 20,922 | 6,151 | 10,358 | 137 | 4,042 | 676 | 11,899 |
| Regular tax............... | 20,922 | 6,151 | 10,306 | 137 | 4,042 | 676 | 11,733 |
| U.S. possessions tax credit... | 20,865 | 12 | 1,503 | 137 | 3,046 | 640 | 9,754 |
| Foreign tax credit.... | -- | 6,076 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 22 |
| General business credit.. | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other credits.. | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Total U.S. income tax after credits............................ | 57 | 63 | 8,855 | -- | 996 | 36 | 2,122 |
| Distributions to stockholders................................ | -- | -- | 12,172 | -- | -- | -- | 30,148 |

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[^1]:    Footnotes at end of table.

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[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ No returns reported depletable assets and accumulated depletion for 2001.

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[^8]:    ${ }^{1}$ Less than $\$ 500$.
    ${ }^{2}$ No returns reported depletion deductions for 2001.
    NOTE: Detail may not add to totals because of rounding

