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Local Government Investment in Public Water and Sewer Hits a Record \$123.7 Billion in 2016.

Long-term infrastructure investment commitment to clean water and sewer/stormwater management tops \$1.99 Trillion from 1993 to 2016

Public spending on water and sewer/stormwater management continues to set new nominal dollar highs according to recently released local government Census data for 2016. Overall there was a 4 percent increase in spending from 2015 to 2016, and a 2 percent growth in revenues. Expenditures for water and sewer follow similar trajectories with some important distinctions, (Chart 1). For example, local governments consistently spend between \$5 Billion to \$15 Billion more on water than on sewer/stormwater management.

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