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## **County Completes Town Study**

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Columbia County has recently completed a detailed study comparing all 18 towns in the County to each other over 60 different measures.

From salaries of elected officials to maintenance costs per road mile, each town is benchmarked to its neighbors.

The study was commissioned by the County's Budget Officer and conducted by Taconic Hills School student interns using publicly available budget information

"Consisting of over 60 pages of data, this is probably the most thorough review of town information ever compiled," stated Roy Brown, Chairman Columbia County Board of Supervisors. "We believe this report will be of significant value to Supervisors and Town Boards as they prepare their budgets for next year," according to Art Baer, County Budget Officer.

The County would also like to express its gratitude to the three students who collected the data and to Cybil Howard, the students' faculty advisor.

An electronic version of the report is now available on the County's website.