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**Bernalillo County &  
City of Albuquerque**

Legislative Finance Committee Hearing

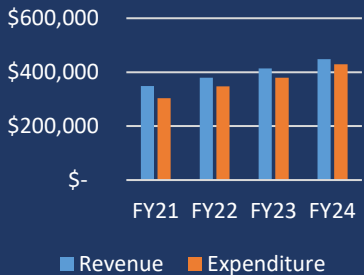
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Albuquerque, New Mexico

# Economy & Finance

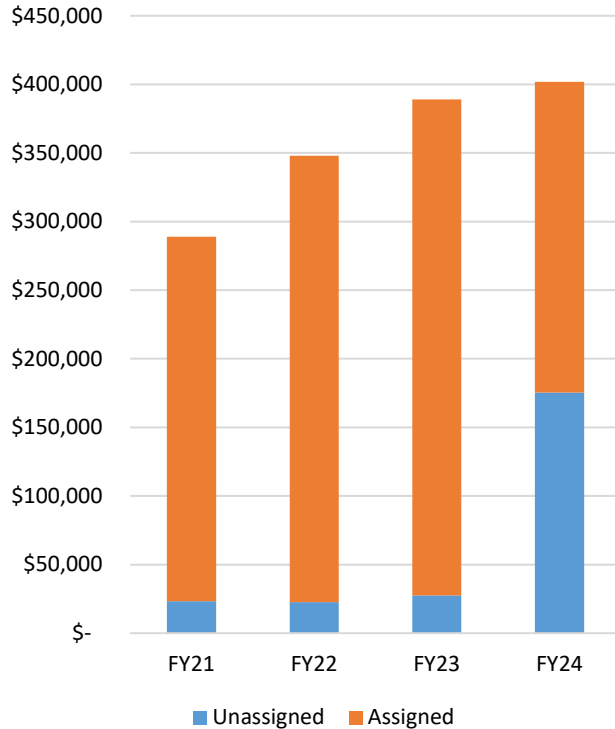
Bernalillo County's taxable gross receipts in mining and oil and gas extraction increased by \$2.2 million, or 367 percent, from this time last year. Retail trade is still the largest industry of the county's taxable gross receipts, making 24 percent of total taxable gross receipts, followed by professional, scientific, and technical services at 20 percent. The county's FY24 audit had 4 findings, including two significant deficiencies

## Bernalillo County Revenue vs. Expenditures (in thousands)



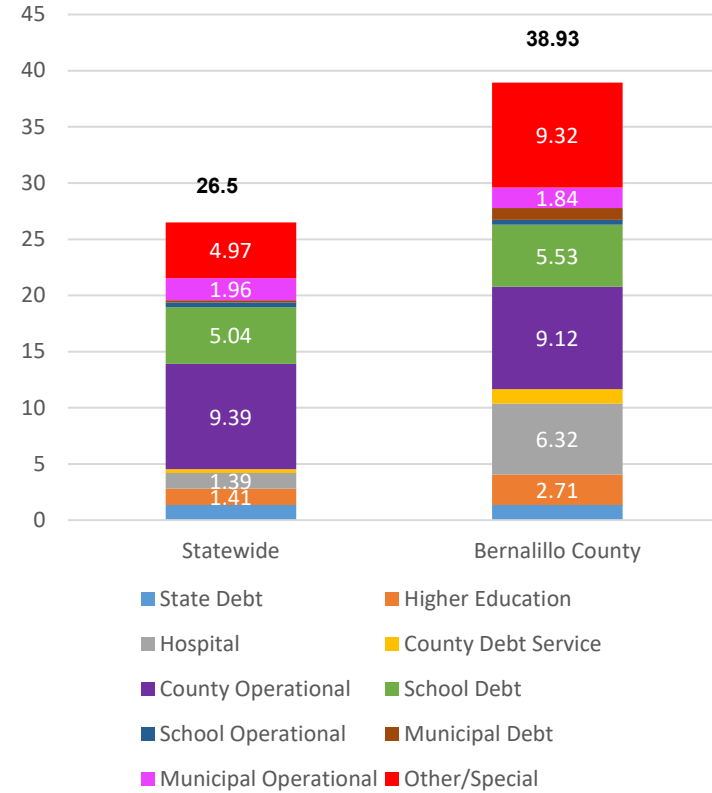
Source: OSA Audits

## Bernalillo County General Fund Balance (in thousands)



Source: OSA Audits

## Residential Property Tax by Use, 2024



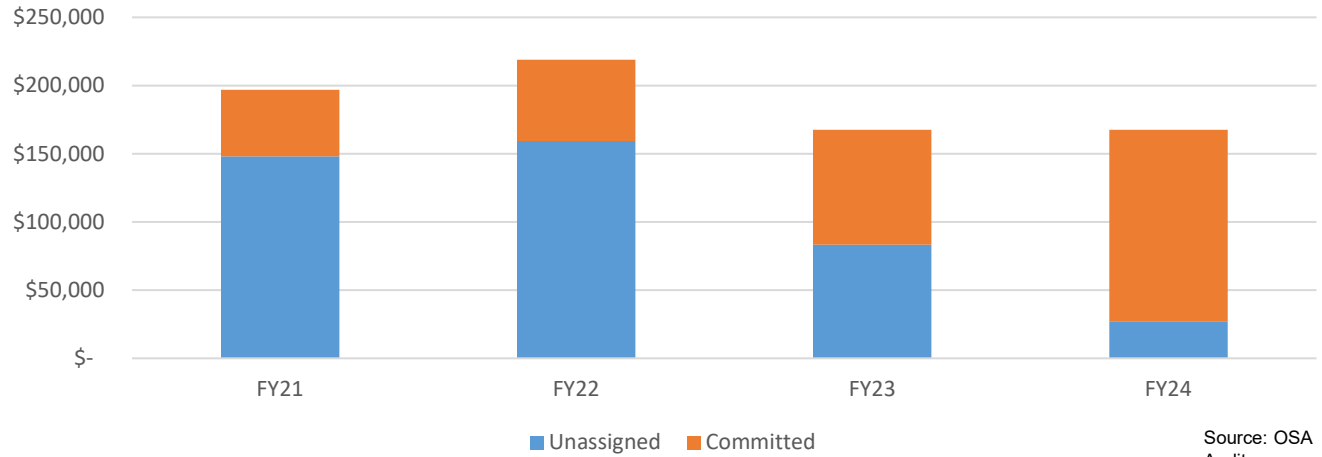
Source: LFC Analysis

- Bernalillo County's general fund is primarily made up of assigned funds. Assigned fund balance represents money that has been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. In FY24, the county's unassigned general fund balance increased by \$147.8 million, or 84 percent, over FY23. This is because the Department of Finance and Administration required the county to reserve 25 percent of budgeted expenditures, or \$146 million.
- The county's behavioral health fund has an \$89 million balance.
- Bernalillo County residents are paying more in property tax in relation to their property value than the New Mexico average. The main driver of this is special levies, which constituents vote on. Voted special levies include levied property tax towards hospitals, public schools, local colleges, etc.

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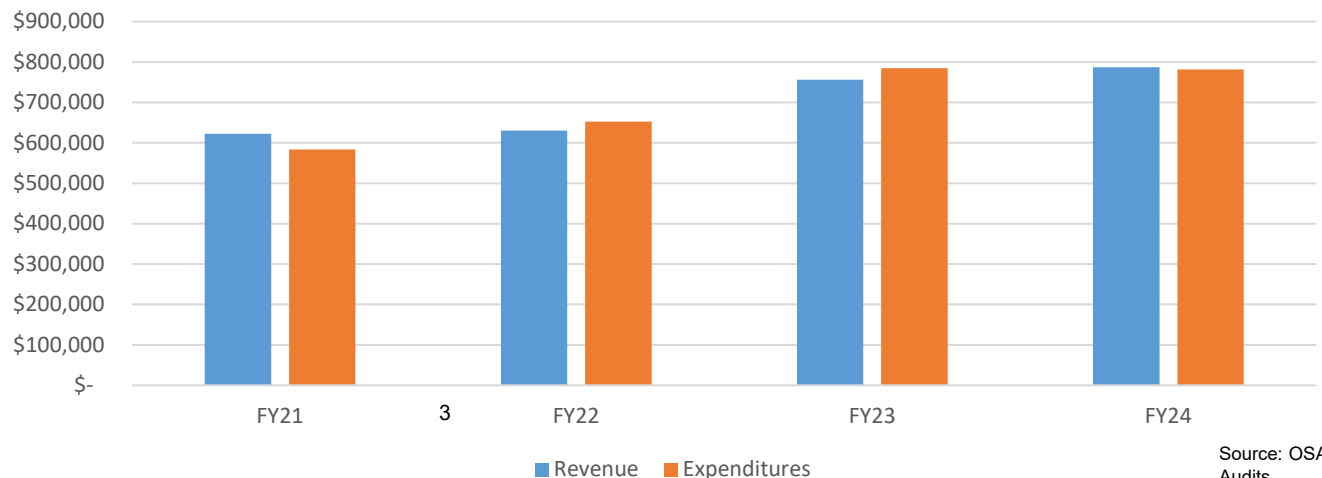
Following the Office of the State Auditor's FY24 audit, the city of Albuquerque had 24 audit findings, including 2 material weaknesses, 12 significant deficiencies, 5 other noncompliance findings, and 5 other matter findings. Of these findings, 8 are repeat or repeated and modified findings. Audit findings include a miscategorization of \$2.3 million worth of invoices that were included in accounts payable at year-end, which is a repeat audit finding. One of the significant deficiency findings was noncompliance with the city's policy of evidence of employee approval of timesheets.

## City of Albuquerque General Fund Balance (in thousands)



- The city of Albuquerque's general fund is primarily unassigned, or committed, fund balance. Albuquerque's general fund balance decreased by \$71.7 million in FY24, though the city saw an increase in revenue of \$21.7 million from FY23. The city's expenditures increased by \$82.6 million, which includes an increase of \$65 million towards public safety from FY23. In total, the city spent \$448.4 million on public safety in FY24.

## City of Albuquerque Revenue vs. Expenditures (in thousands)



# Law Enforcement Agencies

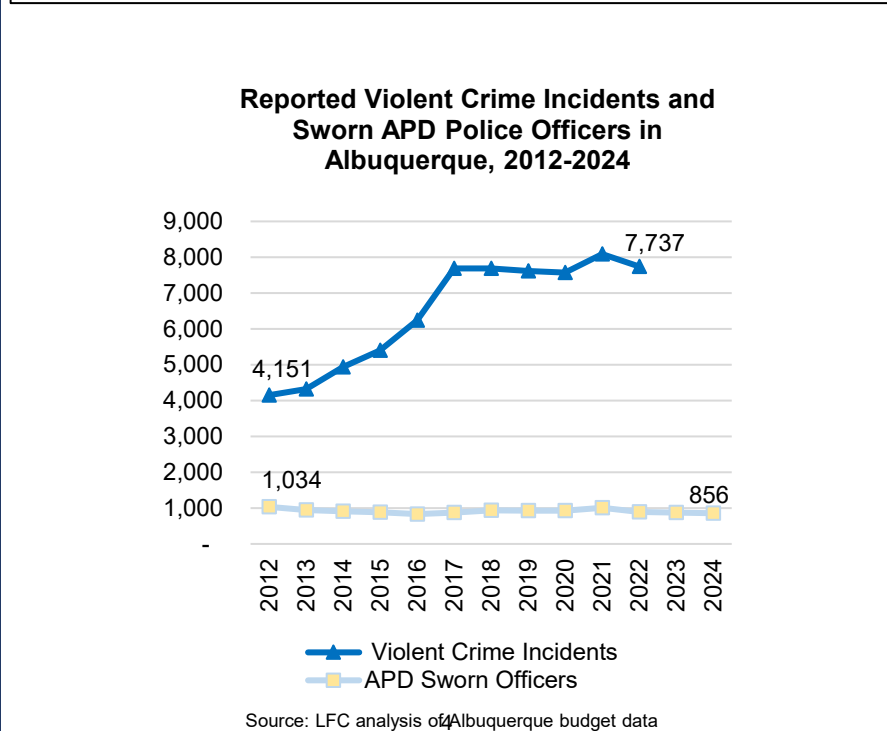
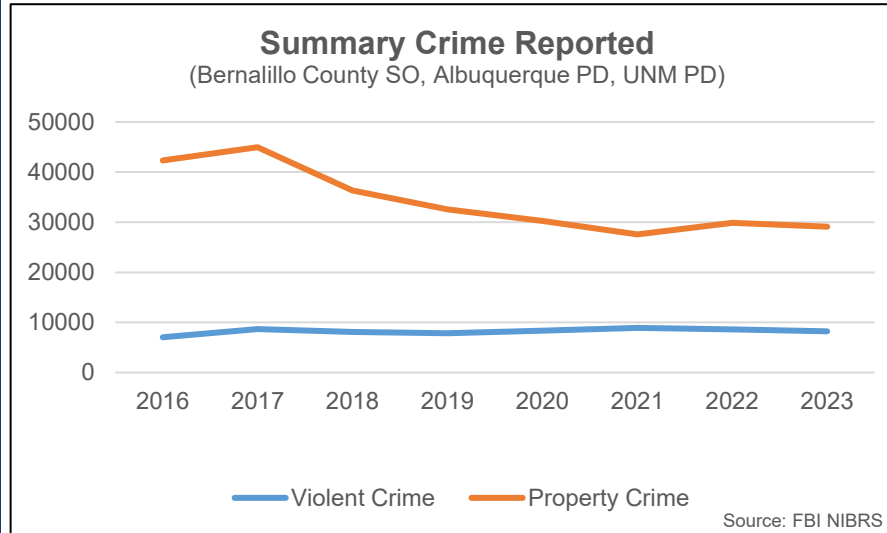
## Albuquerque Police Department

- Leadership:
  - Chief Harold Medina
- Certified Officers: 889

## Bernalillo County Sherriff's Office

- Leadership:
  - Sheriff John Allen
- Certified Officers: 324

Source: Agency Websites and DFA Local Government Division Law Enforcement Protection Fund Distributions by County and Municipality



# Data Reporting

APD and BCSO are both reporting to the National Incident-Based Reporting System and the state Department of Public Safety.

LFC published an *Update on Crime in New Mexico and Bernalillo County in 2024*; see the [LFC website](#) for more information.

# Crime Trends

APD recently reported a year-over-year decrease in quarterly violent crime and property crime. Outpacing similar decreases in national crime rates.

## % Change from 2024 Q1

Aggravated Assault:	-18%
Shooting with Injuries:	-50%
Homicides:	-48%
Robbery:	-31%
Rape:	-19%
Burglary/B&E:	-24%
Destruction/Vandalism:	-28%
Larceny/Theft:	-21%
Motor Vehicle Theft:	-47%

The number of felony arrests is also up 12 percent from the first quarter of FY24

# Leadership & Resources

## Bernalillo County Leadership

- **County Commissioners:**  
Barbara Baca  
Frank Baca  
Adriann Barboa  
Walt Benson  
Eric C. Olivas
- **County Manager:**  
Cindy Chavez
- **County Clerk:**  
Michelle S. Kavanaugh



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## City of Albuquerque Leadership

- **Mayor:**  
Tim Keller
- **City Council:**  
Louie Sanchez  
Joaquin Baca  
Klarissa J. Pena  
Brook Bassan  
Dan Lewis  
Nichole Rogers  
Tammy Fiebelkorn  
Dan Champine  
Renee Grout
- **City Administrator :**  
Samantha Sengel