

Revenue Analysis and Summary

Carroll County receives revenues from more than 120 sources including taxes, permit fees, State aid, user fees and investment income. Over 77% of the revenue comes from real property and income taxes. The eight largest revenues generate 91% of total revenue. The following chart shows the recent history of the eight revenues in dollars and as a percent of total revenue.

Revenue In Millions	FY 04 Budget	Percent of Total	FY 04 Projected Revenue	Percent of Total	FY 05 Adopted Budget	Percent of Total	Cumulative Percent of Total
Real Property	\$104.5	41.5%	\$105.1	40.2%	\$115.0	43.8%	43.8%
Income Tax	77.8	30.9%	80.9	30.9%	89.0	33.9%	77.7%
Recordation Tax	12.3	4.9%	19.0	7.3%	13.0	4.9%	82.6%
Highway & Motor Vehicle	6.5	2.6%	7.0	2.7%	7.6	2.9%	85.5%
Railroad & Public Utilities	6.6	2.6%	6.7	2.6%	6.6	2.5%	88.0%
Ordinary Business	6.6	2.6%	6.0	2.3%	5.7	2.2%	90.2%
Interest	2.0	0.8%	1.1	0.4%	1.9	0.7%	90.9%
Building Permits	1.3	0.5%	1.1	0.4%	1.0	0.4%	91.3%
Total Major Revenues	\$217.6	86.5%	\$226.9	86.7%	\$239.8	91.3%	91.3%
Total Annual Revenues	228.2	90.7%	237.6	90.8%	249.8	95.1%	95.1%
Other Revenues	23.5	9.3%	24.1	9.2%	12.9	4.9%	100.0%
Total Revenue	\$251.7	100.0%	\$261.7	100.0%	\$262.7	100.0%	

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Property Tax

The Property Tax group includes thirteen separate taxes, tax credits and charges. The three most significant; Real Property, Railroad and Public Utilities, and Ordinary Business are included in the chart above. Property assessments are done by the Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxation and the Board of County Commissioners sets the property tax rate. Applying the County tax rate to the State assessment determines the amount of taxes owed.

For assessment purposes, the State divides Carroll County into three assessment groups based on Election Districts, as follows:

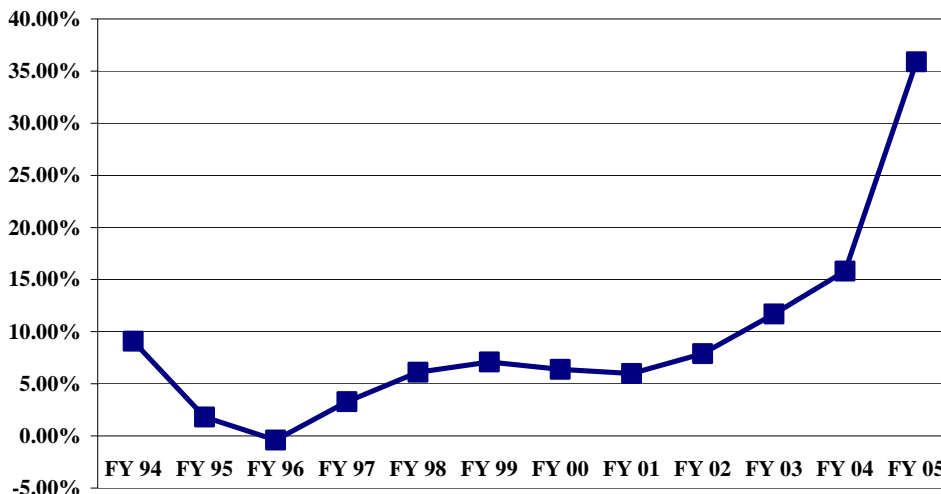
Group 1	New Windsor, Franklin, Mt. Airy, Berrett and Freedom
Group 2	Myers, Manchester, Hampstead and Woolerys
Group 3	Taneytown, Middleburg, Uniontown, Westminster and Union Bridge

Real property is assessed at 100% of market value with a tax rate of \$1.048 per one hundred dollars of full value. Each year the State reassesses one area, resulting in a complete reassessment of the County once every three years. Increased assessments are capped at 10% annually. Decreased assessments are fully applied in the first year. The total of the assessed values of local property is the County's assessable base, which can change through reassessment and the loss or gain of buildings and personal property. 3% of real property tax is dedicated to the Capital Budget and debt service on land preserved through the Agricultural Preservation Program.

The assessable base includes three major categories of assessment: residential property, commercial/industrial property and agricultural property. Typically, taxes paid by residential property owners do not cover the costs of services required. Commercial/Industrial properties generally pay more in taxes than the cost of the services they require. A strong Commercial/Industrial base can relieve the tax burden on residents. Conversely, a relatively small Commercial/Industrial base increases the burden on individual taxpayers, often constraining the level of services that can be offered at a given tax rate. Immediately following this revenue summary is a three-year comparison showing Carroll County in comparison to the assessable bases of other counties and Baltimore City.

In recent years the assessable base and property tax revenue experienced strong and steady growth driven by rising residential assessments and a strong construction market. Real property tax revenue is projected to grow approximately 10% from the FY 04 Budget. The graph below shows the average reassessment of the individual groups. As mentioned above one-third of the County is assessed each year each point is the average reassessment of one of the three areas.

Average Reassessment History

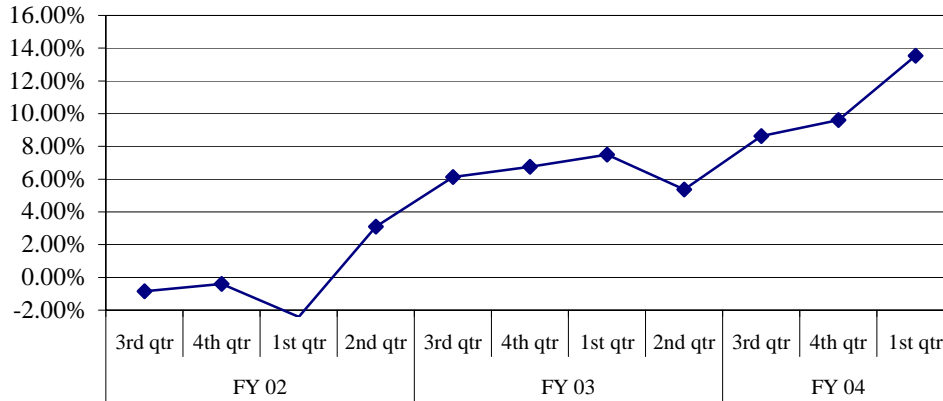


Income Tax

Local income tax is calculated as a percentage of net taxable State income. The Commissioners set the rate, although there is a State cap of 3.2%.

Approximately 90% of income tax revenue is received in quarterly distributions of withholdings and estimated payments. We have seen a recovery of income tax revenue growth since the beginning of FY 03. In FY 04, the Commissioner's raised the income tax rate from 2.85% to 3.05%. The graph below shows the growth in distributions from the same period in the prior year. The FY 04 first quarter distribution was the first to be impacted by the rate increase and growth was 21.5%. For comparison purposes the FY 04 distribution was adjusted to reflect growth without the tax increase.

Growth on Quarterly Income Tax Distributions



Forecasts are cautiously optimistic. The FY 05 Budget is project to grow 10.2% from the FY 04 revised forecast. \$2.6 million is the effect of the FY 04 tax rate increase. Because income tax is calculated on a calendar year and the County is on a fiscal year, which runs July 1 to June 30, only one-half of the income tax collected in FY 04 is impacted by the new rate and with the full year impact in FY 05. \$2.2 million of the growth is related to the State's early release of unallocated prior year revenue. Unallocated income tax revenue is revenue collected by the State that should be distributed to local jurisdictions but the State has not identified to which jurisdiction it belongs. The State identified approximately \$160 million of unallocated revenue belonging to the counties and will distribute one-half to the local jurisdictions and retain the other one-half to supplement the State's budget. The underlying growth without the tax rate increase and the unallocated distribution is 6.0%.

Recordation

Recordation Tax is calculated on the value of recorded mortgages, deeds and other documents conveying title or creating liens on real and personal property. Recordation revenue is very directly affected by the economy and housing market.

Recordation growth was strong in recent years due to low interest rates, a strong housing demand and rising home values. In FY 04 collections were 70% higher than FY 03. We don't believe the housing and refinancing markets can sustain these levels of activity and the FY 05 budget is projected to be only 5.9% higher than the FY 04 budget.

Ordinary Business

All corporations are required to file personal property tax returns with the State. The taxable value of personal property is based on its original value less an annual

depreciation allowance with a tax rate of \$2.62 per \$100 of market value. Commercial and manufacturing inventory, manufacturing machinery, farm implements and livestock are exempt from local taxation. Ordinary business is influenced by the economy and growth in the commercial/industrial base. With expectation of little to no change in the commercial and industrial base, this revenue is held at level growth for FY 05.

Railroad and Public Utilities

Revenues from property tax on railroad and public utilities make up approximately 2.5% of total revenues. In Carroll County, approximately 85% of collections come from three utility companies, BGE, Bell Atlantic and AT&T. Due to business difficulties in the telecommunications sector, RR&PU revenue is expected to decline approximately 1.4% in FY 05.

Highway and Motor Vehicle

Highway and Motor Vehicle, the County's fourth largest revenue, is a State shared revenue based on motor fuel taxes, vehicle titling tax, vehicle registration fees and corporate income tax. The State allocates revenue based on road mileage and vehicle registrations. Carroll County receives approximately 2.2% of the total distribution.

The State, due to a revenue shortfall, is withholding approximately \$3,100,000 in FY 04 and FY 05.

Interest Income

Cash flow requirements allow the County to invest revenue receipts until they are actually needed to pay for expenditures. Maryland State law dictates a conservative approach to protect taxpayers' money. Carroll County invests primarily in short-term investments such as Maryland Local Government Investment Pool, Bankers' Acceptances, Repurchase Agreements, U.S. Government Agency and U.S. Government sponsored instruments. Dramatically declining interest rates led to a nearly 17% decline in FY 04 interest revenue.

Building Permits

Building permit fees are collected for construction and modification of residential and commercial/industrial buildings. Permit revenue is directly affected by changes in the construction environment. A twelve-month deferral of residential building led to a major reduction in building permit revenue of approximately 17% for FY 04.

In June 2004, the Commissioners adopted the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance to manage residential development. The ordinance requires adequate services be available before development is approved. Restrictions on development are imposed in the following areas: Eldersburg Elementary School, Hampstead Elementary School, Manchester Elementary School, Mt. Airy Elementary School, Mt. Airy Middle School, Sykesville Middle School, North Carroll High School, and the Freedom Water Service Area. Development will be restricted in these areas. The FY 05 revenue is projected to decline by 9.5% from the FY 04 Budget partially due to the current restrictions on residential growth.

Assessable Base

Comparison of Maryland Jurisdictions by Property Type

	FY 02			FY 03			FY 04		
Jurisdiction	Commercial/ Industrial	Residential	Agricultural	Commercial/ Industrial	Residential	Agricultural	Commercial/ Industrial	Residential	Agricultural
Baltimore City	29.16%	70.84%	0.00%	28.85%	71.15%	0.00%	28.74%	71.26%	0.00%
Washington	25.96%	68.94%	5.10%	25.95%	68.94%	5.11%	25.39%	69.54%	5.07%
Allegany	25.03%	71.95%	3.02%	24.95%	71.98%	3.07%	24.87%	72.06%	3.07%
Wicomico	25.69%	68.93%	5.38%	25.29%	69.33%	5.38%	24.05%	70.67%	5.28%
Dorchester	19.73%	66.63%	13.64%	19.63%	66.85%	13.52%	23.15%	64.14%	12.71%
Baltimore Co.	20.69%	77.85%	1.46%	20.49%	78.03%	1.48%	20.11%	78.40%	1.49%
Howard	20.18%	78.64%	1.18%	20.55%	78.27%	1.18%	20.03%	78.81%	1.16%
Prince George's	19.67%	80.26%	0.07%	19.61%	80.32%	0.07%	19.23%	80.70%	0.07%
Worcester	20.75%	76.31%	2.94%	20.83%	76.37%	2.80%	18.65%	78.94%	2.41%
Montgomery	19.35%	80.23%	0.42%	19.08%	80.51%	0.41%	18.58%	81.03%	0.39%
Frederick	18.93%	75.84%	5.23%	18.66%	76.17%	5.17%	18.30%	76.59%	5.12%
Anne Arundel	17.02%	82.16%	0.82%	17.50%	81.71%	0.79%	17.12%	82.10%	0.78%
Cecil	17.28%	76.28%	6.44%	16.78%	76.80%	6.42%	16.87%	76.90%	6.23%
Charles	17.03%	79.88%	3.09%	16.66%	80.32%	3.02%	16.23%	80.87%	2.90%
Harford	15.46%	80.92%	3.62%	15.34%	81.09%	3.57%	15.11%	81.41%	3.48%
Caroline	14.16%	69.23%	16.61%	14.50%	68.97%	16.53%	14.36%	69.31%	16.33%
Kent	15.01%	69.88%	15.11%	14.69%	70.30%	15.01%	14.32%	70.92%	14.75%
Somerset	14.62%	71.00%	14.38%	14.40%	71.46%	14.14%	14.01%	72.00%	13.99%
St. Mary's	13.76%	80.52%	5.72%	13.76%	80.55%	5.69%	13.35%	81.12%	5.53%
Carroll	12.24%	82.12%	5.64%	12.50%	81.99%	5.51%	12.52%	82.08%	5.41%
Talbot	13.25%	75.28%	11.47%	12.53%	75.83%	11.64%	11.79%	76.70%	11.51%
Garrett	12.38%	80.87%	6.75%	11.82%	81.74%	6.44%	11.27%	82.70%	6.03%
Queen Anne's	11.31%	78.42%	10.27%	10.97%	78.94%	10.09%	10.10%	80.01%	9.89%
Calvert	8.20%	88.73%	3.07%	8.05%	89.00%	2.95%	8.50%	88.63%	2.87%
State Total	19.21%	78.77%	2.02%	19.09%	78.91%	2.00%	18.65%	79.39%	1.96%

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Source: State Department of Assessments and Taxation, AIMS 2 Report

Operating Revenues

Revenue	FY 03 Actual	FY 04 Budget	FY 05 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	% Change
Real Property Tax	\$97,765,053	\$104,547,711	\$114,995,000	\$10,447,289	9.99%
Taxes-Discounts	(515,700)	(524,800)	(546,780)	(21,980)	-4.02%
Homeowner Tax Credit	(470)	(348,468)	(500)	347,968	69593.60%
Penalty and Interest	565,921	585,200	630,000	44,800	7.66%
Homestead Tax Credit	(23,314)	(23,345)	(1,258,350)	(1,235,005)	-98.14%
Home Tax Credit	(47,606)	(21,000)	(50,000)	(29,000)	-58.00%
Personal Property Tax-Current Year	373,038	362,100	370,000	7,900	2.18%
Railroad & Public Utility-Current Year	6,892,050	6,552,000	6,575,000	23,000	0.35%
Ordinary Business Tax-Current Year	6,323,158	6,640,000	5,725,000	(915,000)	-13.78%
Real Property Tax-Prior Year	0	(57,500)	0	57,500	100.00%
Collections Office-Over/Under	(36)	15	100	85	566.67%
Prior Years Taxes Deferred	350,108	25,000	250,000	225,000	900.00%
Semi-Annual Service Charges	194,213	222,200	195,000	(27,200)	-12.24%
Total Local Property Taxes	\$111,876,417	\$117,959,113	\$126,884,470	\$8,925,357	7.57%
Income Tax	\$71,480,051	\$77,780,000	\$88,968,300	\$11,188,300	14.38%
911 Service Fee	\$701,240	\$630,000	\$868,800	\$238,800	37.90%
Recordation	11,152,452	12,275,490	13,000,000	724,510	5.90%
Other Local Taxes	\$11,853,692	\$12,905,490	\$13,868,800	\$963,310	7.46%
Admissions	\$477,069	\$517,650	\$474,000	(\$43,650)	-8.43%
Police Aid-Regular Grant	523,143	529,405	519,530	(9,875)	-1.87%
Highway/Motor Vehicle	9,129,834	6,500,000	7,603,200	1,103,200	16.97%
Total State Shared Taxes	\$10,130,046	\$7,547,055	\$8,596,730	\$1,049,675	13.91%
Beer, Wine, Liquor	\$181,402	\$170,000	\$186,000	\$16,000	9.41%
Amusements	8,404	9,735	10,000	265	2.72%
Traders	123,204	132,600	139,000	6,400	4.83%
Mobile Home Licenses	71,182	83,790	71,000	(12,790)	-15.26%
Animal Licenses	73,161	73,075	77,000	3,925	5.37%
Building Permits	1,267,683	1,282,500	950,000	(332,500)	-25.93%
Plumbing Licenses	43,330	21,000	42,500	21,500	102.38%
Marriage Licenses	34,360	32,725	32,000	(725)	-2.22%
Electrical Licenses	53,768	17,075	55,100	38,025	222.69%
Utility Construction Permits	27,068	30,000	32,000	2,000	6.67%
Electrical Permits	289,436	315,000	291,000	(24,000)	-7.62%
Grading Permits	71,455	83,600	60,000	(23,600)	-28.23%
Franchise Fee-Cable TV	724,393	771,750	776,700	4,950	0.64%
Use & Occupancy Certificates	82,810	87,495	78,000	(9,495)	-10.85%
Zoning Certificates/Ordinances	5,810	1,500	2,200	700	46.67%
Plumbing Permits	306,953	339,500	289,800	(49,700)	-14.64%
Reinspection Fees	4,500	4,500	4,700	200	4.44%
Total Licenses and Permits	\$3,368,919	\$3,455,845	\$3,097,000	(\$358,845)	-10.38%
Pass Through Disaster Relief	\$198,091	\$0	\$0	\$0	100.00%

Operating Revenues

Revenue	FY 03 Actual	FY 04 Budget	FY 05 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	% Change
Police Protection-Supplemental Grant	\$288,798	\$294,280	\$304,970	\$10,690	3.63%
Civil Defense	40,568	40,200	53,000	12,800	31.84%
Johnson Grass-State Dollars	3,500	2,000	3,500	1,500	75.00%
State Aid-Fire Companies	259,492	261,600	262,000	400	0.15%
Parks & Recreation Facilities	740	500	500	0	0.00%
Grand Petit in Circuit Court	36,220	24,105	45,800	21,695	90.00%
Circuit Court Master Reimbursement	185,219	192,275	231,000	38,725	20.14%
Total Intergovernmental	\$814,537	\$814,960	\$900,770	\$85,810	10.53%
Lien Certification	\$178,290	\$181,300	\$189,100	\$7,800	4.30%
District Court Bailiff	16,447	0	0	0	0.00%
Data Processing Services	27,772	28,515	28,700	185	0.65%
Hearing Fees-Zoning	13,540	18,025	16,000	(2,025)	-11.23%
Copy Fees	18,024	24,795	24,200	(595)	-2.40%
Telephone	59,501	75,000	52,000	(23,000)	-30.67%
Health Dept.-BG&E	45,026	45,685	47,000	1,315	2.88%
Hearing Fees-Zoning Admin.	23,820	17,100	16,500	(600)	-3.51%
Total General Government	\$382,420	\$390,420	\$373,500	(\$16,920)	-4.33%
Sheriff Salary Recovery	\$5,034	\$17,120	\$5,000	(\$12,120)	-70.79%
Sheriff Fees	68,926	79,025	65,500	(13,525)	-17.11%
Sheriff Training Reimbursement	0	0	2,000	2,000	100.00%
Detention Center	320,834	440,000	233,000	(207,000)	-47.05%
Resident Trooper Reimbursement	62,959	65,650	72,000	6,350	9.67%
Inspection Fees-Towns	25,550	43,000	35,000	(8,000)	-18.60%
Inspection Fees-Roads	132,973	128,250	150,000	21,750	16.96%
Inspection Fees-Development Review	14,757	38,000	40,000	2,000	5.26%
Detention Center-Commissary	28,646	30,300	35,000	4,700	15.51%
Detention Center-Work Release	155,959	171,700	158,000	(13,700)	-7.98%
INS Inmates	405,832	0	200,000	200,000	100.00%
Home Detention	25	75	0	(75)	-100.00%
INS Medical	9,606	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Social Security Incentive	1,000	500	0	(500)	-100.00%
Juvenile Transport	79,689	65,000	85,000	20,000	30.77%
Alien Prisoner-SCAAP-JBL	0	19,775	7,000	(12,775)	100.00%
Total Public Safety	\$1,311,790	\$1,102,395	\$1,091,500	(\$10,895)	-0.99%
Courthouse Annex	\$39,211	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%
Vehicle Maintenance	608,987	604,200	705,000	100,800	16.68%
Road Maintenance	92,316	57,000	88,000	31,000	54.39%
Development Review Fees	400,437	292,500	310,000	17,500	5.98%
Stormwater\Environmental Review Fees	111,620	63,750	68,100	4,350	6.82%
Engineering Review Fee	73,480	58,200	60,000	1,800	3.09%
Forest Conservation Review Fees	47,996	45,000	48,000	3,000	6.67%
Tower Fees	8,115	26,400	5,000	(21,400)	100.00%
Total Public Works	\$1,382,162	\$1,147,050	\$1,284,100	\$137,050	11.95%

Operating Revenues

Revenue	FY 03 Actual	FY 04 Budget	FY 05 Budget	Increase (Decrease)	% Change
Weed Control	\$3,229	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$0	0.00%
General Public Programs	\$19,393	\$34,450	\$30,000	(\$4,450)	-12.92%
School\Youth Program	13,396	10,200	11,000	800	7.84%
Hashawha School-Meals	151,381	135,000	135,000	0	0.00%
Concessions	5,344	6,000	6,500	500	8.33%
Farm Museum-Admissions	334,317	370,000	373,000	3,000	0.81%
Farm Museum-Concession	56,416	56,000	57,000	1,000	1.79%
Farm Museum-Gift Shop	0	750	0	(750)	-100.00%
Piney Run-Admissions	111,341	117,200	118,000	800	0.68%
Hashawa Fees	201,575	236,250	228,000	(8,250)	-3.49%
Hashawa Milk Subsidy	6,100	7,775	6,200	(1,575)	-20.26%
Pavilion Rentals	15,934	22,680	23,000	320	1.41%
Piney Run-Concessions	14,942	12,875	14,600	1,725	13.40%
Piney Run-Boat Rentals	38,287	47,380	47,500	120	0.25%
Piney Run Programs	13,853	7,500	10,000	2,500	33.33%
Interpretation & Conservation-Programs	9,077	14,050	15,000	950	6.76%
Interpretation & Conservation-Facility Rental	424	300	400	100	33.33%
Interpretation & Conservation-Nature Camp	20,034	42,420	45,000	2,580	6.08%
Interpretation & Conservation-Concessions	1,895	4,400	4,500	100	2.27%
Sports Complex Concessions	26,063	48,950	35,000	(13,950)	-28.50%
Sports Complex-Rent/Light	53,747	45,000	54,000	9,000	20.00%
Sports Complex-Advertisement	300	1,000	0	(1,000)	-100.00%
Total Recreation	\$1,093,819	\$1,220,180	\$1,213,700	(\$6,480)	-0.53%
Circuit Court Fines	\$35,996	\$31,000	\$37,000	\$6,000	19.35%
Liquor License Fines	4,850	5,600	5,500	(100)	-1.79%
Animal Violation Fines	23,136	19,550	20,000	450	2.30%
Civil Zoning Violation	2,850	0	1,200	1,200	0.00%
Humane Society Impound Fee	8,829	9,000	10,000	1,000	11.11%
Building Code\Inspection Violation	0	0	900	900	0.00%
Miscellaneous Fines	18	50	0	(50)	100.00%
Total Fines and Forfeits	\$75,679	\$65,200	\$74,600	\$9,400	14.42%
Interest	\$96,528	\$155,200	\$77,750	(\$77,450)	-49.90%
Interest-Fire Company	397,621	375,100	383,920	8,820	2.35%
Investment Interest	1,693,752	2,020,900	1,900,000	(120,900)	100.00%
Rents And Royalties	170,812	216,300	204,300	(12,000)	-5.55%
IDA Building	57,543	54,375	52,000	(2,375)	-4.37%
Rent-Dept. of Social Services	316,332	315,820	316,300	480	0.15%
Humane Society Refunds	35,173	30,950	25,000	(5,950)	-19.22%
Health Dept. Refunds	182,081	200,000	100,000	(100,000)	-50.00%
Social Services Refunds	56,762	65,650	55,000	(10,650)	-16.22%
Advertising	12,000	14,850	12,000	(2,850)	-19.19%
Phone-Pager	889	1,050	1,000	(50)	-4.76%
Jury Duty	270	460	370	(90)	-19.57%
Postage	31,925	26,335	32,000	5,665	21.51%
Survey Control Manuals	112	125	100	(25)	-20.00%
Equipment Sales	50,168	70,000	50,000	(20,000)	-28.57%

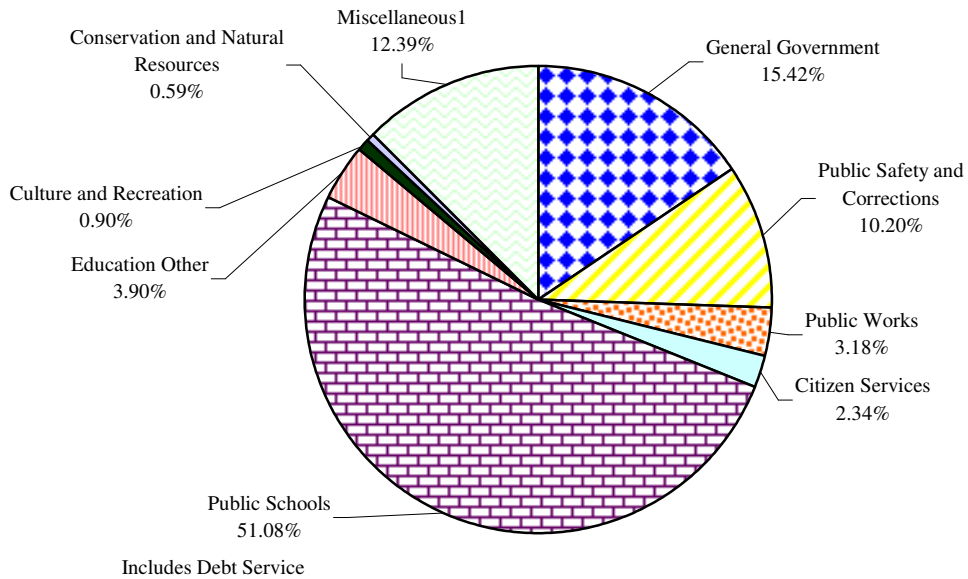
Operating Revenues

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Woodland Management	5,114	575	1,000	425	73.91%
Miscellaneous	91,793	58,315	60,000	1,685	2.89%
Activities-Farm Museum General	44,312	30,500	35,000	4,500	14.75%
Total Other	\$3,243,187	\$3,636,505	\$3,305,740	(\$330,765)	-9.10%
Insurance Recovery	\$0	\$105	\$0	(\$105)	-100.00%
Health Department	2,167	1,650	2,000	350	21.21%
County Attorney Fees	171,691	160,000	170,000	10,000	6.25%
Total Cost Recovery	\$173,858	\$161,755	\$172,000	\$10,245	6.33%
Total Annual Revenue	\$217,387,897	\$228,192,968	\$249,838,210	\$21,645,242	9.49%
Board of Education Surplus	\$0	\$0	\$529,340	\$529,340	100.00%
Prior Year Unappropriated Reserve	15,235,394	9,556,782	5,338,140	(4,218,642)	-44.14%
Transfer from Special Revenue Fund Impact Fees for Debt Service	2,550,000	2,550,000	2,550,000	0	0.00%
Transfer from Capital Fund Local Income Tax for Debt Service	3,967,850	4,449,530	4,398,330	(51,200)	-1.15%
Transfer from Fund Balance for LOSAP	0	7,000,000	0	(7,000,000)	-100.00%
Total Operating Revenue	\$239,141,134	\$251,749,280	\$262,654,020	\$10,904,740	4.33%
Prior Year Unappropriated Reserve	Revenue in excess of budget and unspent appropriated dollars. These funds are carried over to the next budget following the completion of an independent audit.				
Transfer from Special Revenue Fund	Dedicated Impact fee revenue for Public School construction that is transferred into the General Fund to pay debt service on school construction.				
Transfer from Capital Fund	Dedicated local income tax revenue for Public School construction that is transferred into the General Fund to pay debt service on school construction.				
Board of Education Surplus	In FY 03, the Board of Education had funds remaining from in their budget that were returned to the County to be appropriated in FY 05.				
Prior Year Unappropriated Reserve	Revenue in excess of budget and unspent appropriated dollars. These funds are carried over to the next budget following the completion of an independent audit.				
Transfer From Fund Balance for LOSAP	The County provides funding and administers the Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP) for the Emergency Services Association. In FY 04, the County transferred \$7,000,000, held for future payments to the LOSAP program, from the fund balance to the LOSAP Pension Trust Fund. This change allows the funds to be invested and the return on these investments will fund current expenses, with the goal of the program supporting itself. This transfer increased FY 04 revenues and expenditures and the budget was amended with no net increase in available funding for the budget.				

General Fund Appropriations

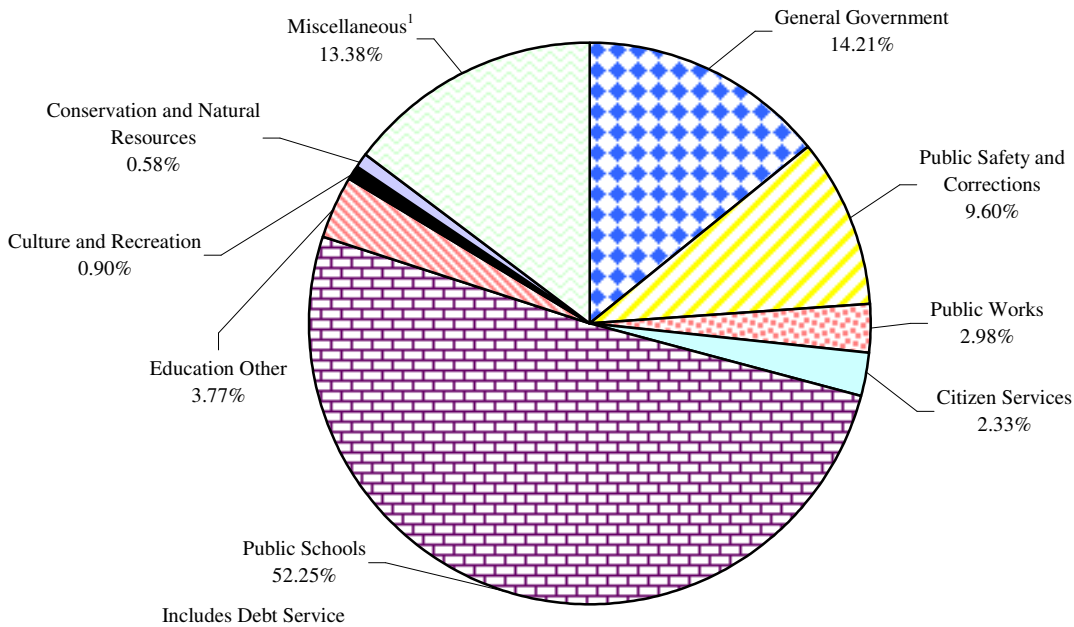
Fiscal Year 2005

\$262,654,020



Amended Fiscal Year 2004

\$251,749,280



¹ Miscellaneous consists of debt service, reserves for contingencies and positions, and intergovernmental and interfund transfers.

Note: The FY 04 Adopted Budget was amended in June 2004 for a transfer of \$7,000,000 from the Designated Unreserved Fund Balance to the Volunteer Firemen's Pension Trust Fund.