

THE CITIZENS' GUIDE

A Pocket Reference to New York State's Finances



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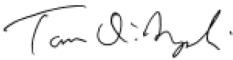
Dear Fellow New Yorker:

As New York's chief financial officer, I want to make information about the State's finances easily understandable and available to as many New Yorkers as possible.

This guide is just one of my efforts to make information accessible to all New Yorkers. You can find much more information about New York State and local governments on my website: www.osc.state.ny.us.

I hope you find this guide helpful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Tom DiNapoli".

Thomas P. DiNapoli
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STATE REVENUE AND SPENDING DETAILS

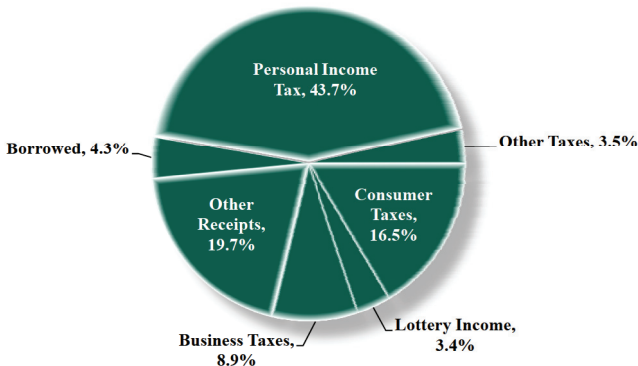
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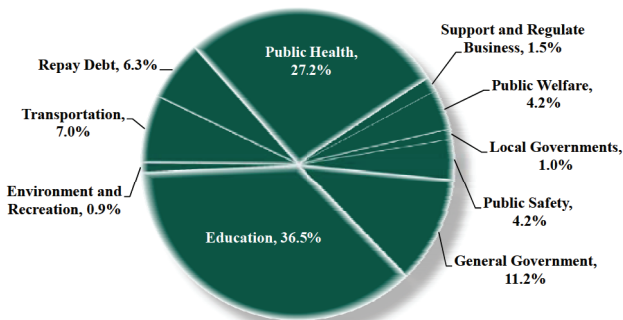
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STATE FUNDS 2011-2012

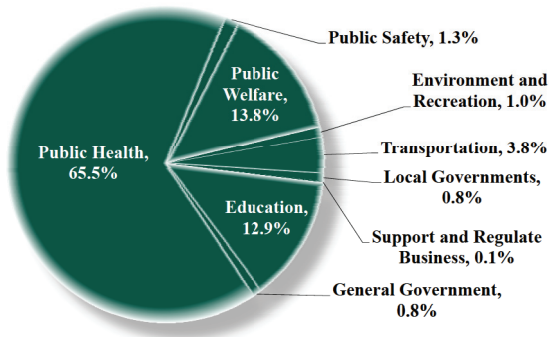
The State Collected and Borrowed \$88.5 Billion



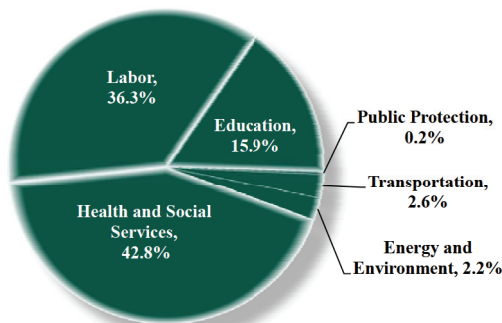
The State Spent \$93.2 Billion



The State Spent \$40.3 Billion from the Federal Government

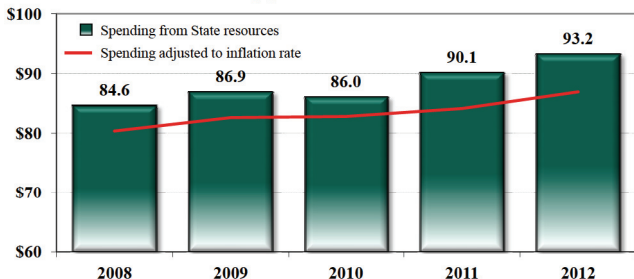


The State Spent \$33.9 Billion in Total Federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funds



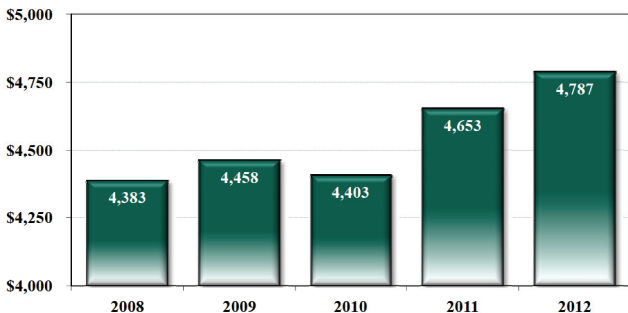
Total Spending from State Resources

figures in billions

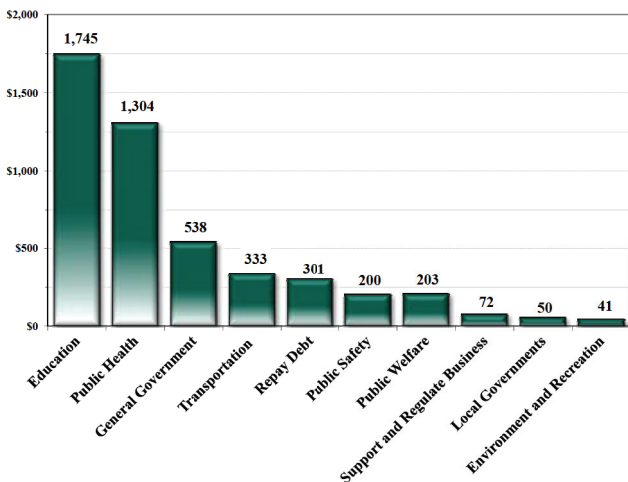


Since 2008, spending from State resources increased 10.2%. Inflation-adjusted spending increased 8.2% over the same period.

Total State Spending from State Resources per Person

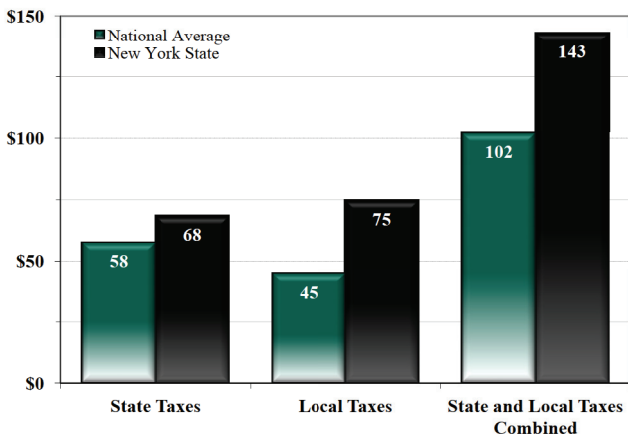


Total Spending from State Resources per Person by Program for 2011-2012



Spending for Education and Public Health accounts for 63.7% of total spending from State resources.

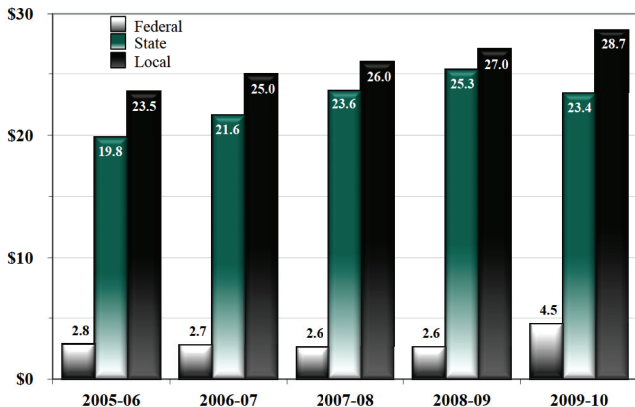
Taxes per \$1,000 of Personal Income



Local taxes in New York are 66.7% above the national average, while State taxes are 17.2% above the national average.

Education Funding Sources

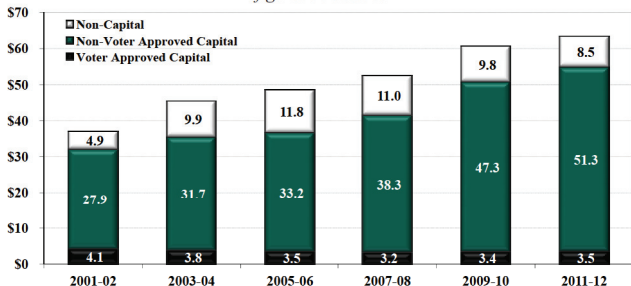
figures in billions



Between 2005-06 and 2009-10, State and local support for public elementary and secondary schools grew by 18.2% and 22.1%, respectively. Federal support increased by 60.7% over the same period.

State-Funded Debt

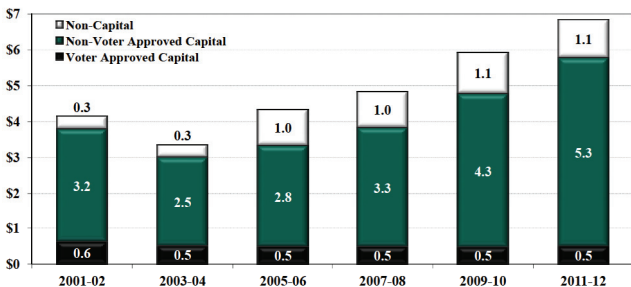
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*State-funded debt increased 71.5% since 2002.
Non-voter approved capital debt accounted for 81.0%
of the State-funded debt outstanding in 2011-12.*

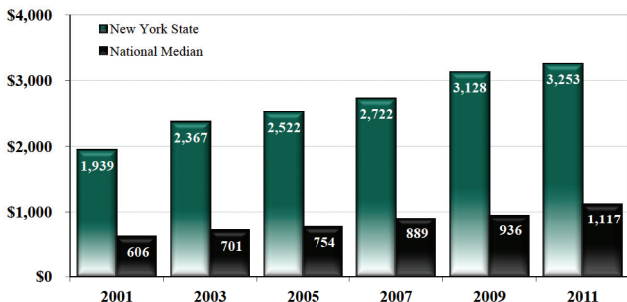
The Cost of New York State's Debt

figures in billions



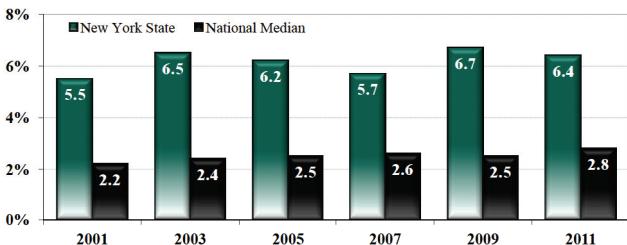
Debt service costs have increased 68.3% since 2002.

Debt per Capita



In 2011, New York's debt per capita was nearly three times the national median.

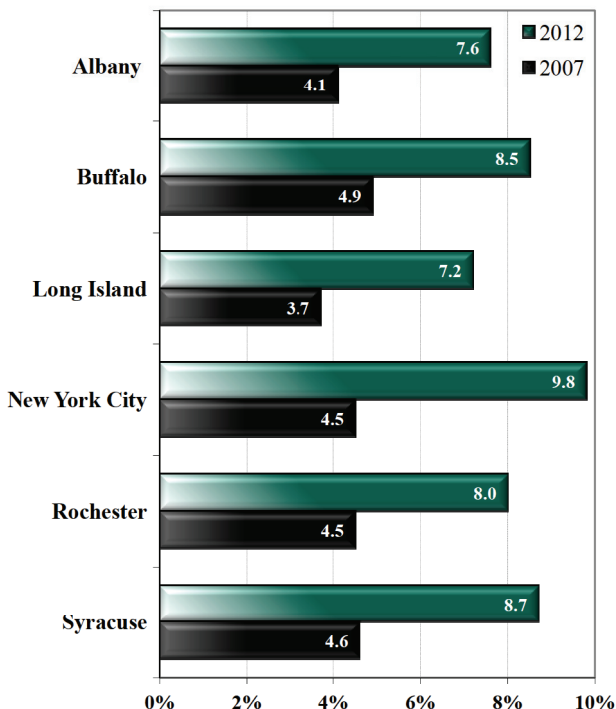
Debt as a Percentage of Personal Income



New York has more than twice as much debt as a percentage of personal income than the national median.

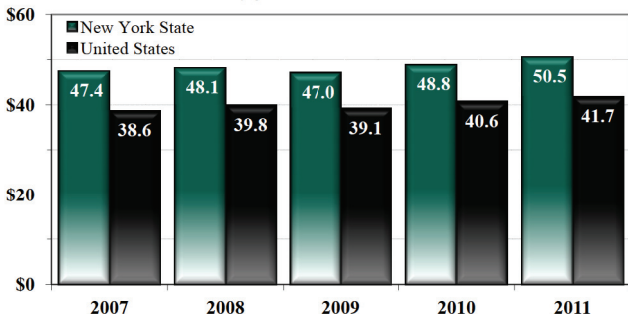
Unemployment Rates by Major Metropolitan Area

(comparison of 2007 and 2012)



Personal Income per Person, N.Y. vs. U.S.

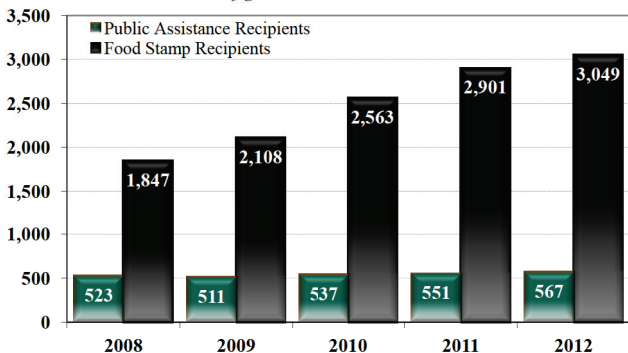
figures in thousands



Since 2007, personal income has grown slower in New York (6.5%) than in the nation as a whole (8.0%).

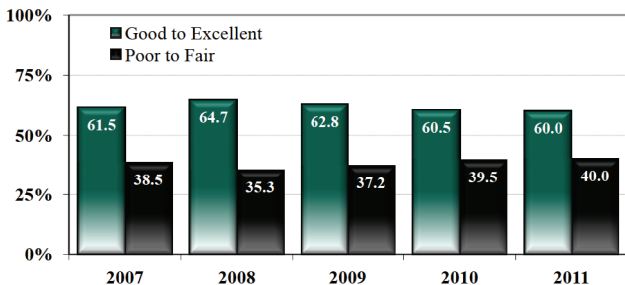
Recipients of Public Assistance and Food Stamps

figures in thousands



Highway Condition Ratings in New York

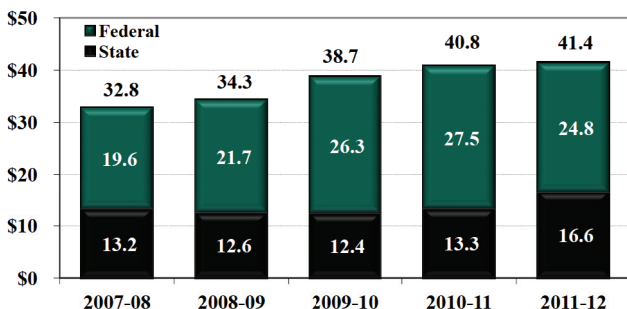
as a percentage of total lane miles



The State is responsible for maintaining more than 42,600 lane miles of highway.

Medicaid Costs

figures in billions



Since 2008, the State's Medicaid costs have increased by 25.8%. The Federal government's costs for New York increased 26.5% over the same period.

State Revenues 2011-2012*

(with changes from previous year)

PERSONAL INCOME TAX	\$38.8 Billion (7.2%)
BUSINESS TAXES	\$7.9 Billion (8.2%)
Corporation Franchise.....	\$3.2 Billion (14.3%)
Corporation and Utilities.....	\$797 Million (-2.1%)
Insurance.....	\$1.4 Billion (0%)
Bank.....	\$1.4 Billion (16.7%)
Petroleum Business.....	\$1.1 Billion (0%)
LOTTERY INCOME, VLT, CASINO	\$3 Billion (-6.3%)
BORROWING	\$3.7 Billion (2.8%)
CONSUMER TAXES	\$14.6 Billion (2.8%)
Sales Tax.....	\$11.9 Billion (3.5%)
Cigarette/Tobacco Products.....	\$1.6 Billion (0%)
Motor Fuel.....	\$502 Million (-2.7%)
Alcoholic Beverages.....	\$238 Million (3.5%)
Highway Use.....	\$132 Million (2.3%)
Auto Rentals.....	\$104 Million (9.5%)
MCTD Taxicab Ride.....	\$87 Million (7.4%)
OTHER TAXES	\$3.1 Billion (-3.1%)
Estate and Gift.....	\$1.1 Billion (-8.3%)
Pari-mutuel.....	\$17 Million (0%)
Real Estate Transfer.....	\$610 Million (5.2%)
MCTD Mobility.....	\$1.4 Billion (0%)
OTHER	\$17.4 Billion (3%)
Student Tuition and Fees.....	\$2.7 Billion (3.8%)
Hospital Patient Fees.....	\$2.3 Billion (27.8%)
Abandoned Property.....	\$756 Million (18.1%)
Regulatory Assessments.....	\$2.6 Billion (0%)
Transfers from Public Goods Pool.....	\$4.1 Billion (0%)
Miscellaneous.....	\$4.9 Billion (-5.8%)

*State Funds only

State Spending 2011-2012*

(with changes from previous year)

EDUCATION	\$33.9 Billion (-3.4%)
Public Schools.....	\$21.4 Billion (-8.9%)
School Tax Relief (STAR)	\$3.2 Billion (0%)
State University of New York	\$6.9 Billion (13.1%)
City University of New York	\$1.3 Billion (0%)
Tuition Assistance Program	\$926 Million (13.6%)
Higher Education Services Corporation	\$91 Million (-4.2%)
Cultural Programs	\$34 Million (-27.7%)
PUBLIC HEALTH	\$25.4 Billion (16.5%)
Health and Mental Health Services.....	\$8.8 Billion (3.5%)
Medical Assistance (Medicaid).....	\$16.6 Billion (24.8%)
PUBLIC WELFARE	\$3.9 Billion (0%)
Public Welfare.....	\$3.5 Billion (0%)
Public Housing.....	\$180 Million (-12.2%)
Employment Services	\$204 Million (-1.4%)
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$3.9 Billion (0%)
Criminal Justice	\$1 Billion (-16.7%)
Emergency Management.....	\$181 Million (61.6%)
Prisons/Reformatories.....	\$2.7 Billion (3.8%)
TRANSPORTATION	\$6.5 Billion (0%)
ENVIRONMENT/RECREATION	\$799 Million (-7.5%)
Environmental Protection	\$532 Million (-4.7%)
Parks, Recreation	\$267 Million (-12.7%)
SUPPORT/REGULATE BUSINESS	\$1.4 Billion (16.7%)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	\$976 Million (-11.3%)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$10.5 Billion (4%)
REPAY DEBT	\$5.9 Billion (5.4%)

*State Funds only

Federal Grants Received and Disbursed 2011-2012

(with changes from previous year)

RECEIVED	\$44.6 Billion (-9.5%)
DISBURSED	\$40.3 Billion (-9.8%)
EDUCATION	\$5.2 Billion (-21.2%)
Public Schools	\$4.9 Billion (-19.7%)
State University of New York.....	\$302 Million (-25.1%)
City University of New York.....	\$0 Million (-100%)
Tuition Assistance Program.....	\$1 Million (-98.3%)
Higher Education Services Corporation.....	\$4 Million (-50%)
Cultural Programs.....	\$2 Million (100%)
PUBLIC HEALTH	\$26.4 Billion (-9.3%)
Health and Mental Health Services.....	\$1.6 Billion (0%)
Medical Assistance (Medicaid)	\$24.8 Billion (-9.8%)
PUBLIC WELFARE	\$5.6 Billion (0%)
Public Welfare	\$5.1 Billion (2%)
Public Housing	\$31 Million (93.8%)
Employment Services.....	\$491 Million (-10.7%)
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$593 Million (14.5%)
Criminal Justice.....	\$406 Million (59.2%)
Emergency Management	\$183 Million (-21.5%)
Prisons/Reformatories	\$4 Million (-86.7%)
TRANSPORTATION	\$1.5 Billion (-16.7%)
ENVIRONMENT/RECREATION	\$386 Million (-7%)
Environmental Protection.....	\$377 Million (-7.6%)
Parks, Recreation.....	\$9 Million (28.6%)
SUPPORT/REGULATE BUSINESS	\$17 Million (30.8%)
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	\$317 Million (15.7%)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$335 Million (-19.9%)

All data in this *Citizens' Guide* was compiled by the Office of the State Comptroller. More detailed data is presented in other publications of the Comptroller's Office, including the Comptroller's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

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