



DENVER

THE MILE HIGH CITY

CITIZEN CENTRIC REPORT

2022

Founded in November 1858, Denver stands as the capital of Colorado as well as the cultural, financial, and entertainment hub of the Rocky Mountain Region. The “Mile High City” is at an elevation of 5,280 feet with a cool, sunny climate attracting outdoor enthusiasts from across the country.

Mission Statement

To lead an inclusive and innovative economy for all Denver residents and businesses by supporting local and global business development, workforce development programs, and stabilization efforts in diverse neighborhoods.



Statement from Mayor Hancock



“We’ve made historic investments to resolve homelessness, increase our stock of affordable housing, improve public safety, and address the community’s behavioral health and substance misuse needs. We also prioritized the reinvigoration of downtown.... Our recovery efforts

have afforded Denver an unprecedented chance to level the playing field so that every resident has the opportunity to come back better than before. We’re seizing this opportunity to think big and make decisions that can move Denver forward with conviction. As we close the books on 2022, I am proud of what we’ve done.”


Michael B. Hancock

729,239
2022 Population

\$50,642
Per Capita
Personal Income

\$37,936
2021 Total
Reported Personal
Income (Millions)

11.1%
Poverty Rate

2.80%
Unemployment
Rate

89,213
School Enrollment

365
Number of Parks

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How are we Doing?

2021 to 2022 Trends

Parks & Rec

+1,145
New Park Acres



+18
New Parks
Opened

Business



62,250
Business
Permits
Issued

5.9 % Increase
Business
Permits
Issued



Community

2.7% Decrease
in Denver
Population



729,239
Total Denver
Population

560
Low Income Affordable
Housing Units Created



1.2% Decrease
in Poverty



4.3 % Decrease
in Unsheltered

1.2% Decrease
in Denver Public
Schools Enrollment



89,213
Enrolled

5.9% Increase in
Median Household
Income

\$89,930
Median Household
Income

33% Decrease in
Unemployment



Public Works

34.9% Decrease
in Potholes
Resurfaced



15.8 % Decrease
in Roads
Resurfaced



Safety



12.2% Increase
in Emergency
Responses

11.1%
Increase
Low Priority
911 Calls*

15.8%
Increase
High Priority
911 Calls*

*2020-2021 Data

2.3% Increase
in
Physical Arrests



Sustainability

Denver is offering \$300
rebate vouchers on e-bikes
for Denverites. This helps
promote sustainable
transportation in the city.



5.8% Decrease
in Recyclables
Collected



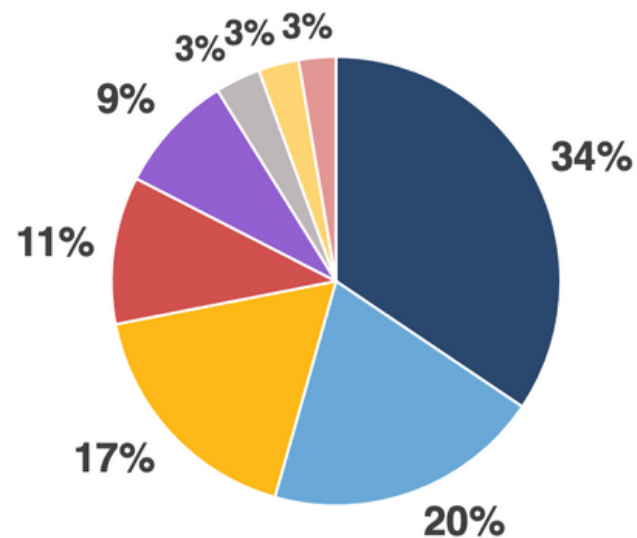
1,327 tons of
Recyclables
Collected

Revenues and Expenses

Fiscal Year 2022

Revenues

(In thousands)



| | 2022 | 2021 | % change |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| ■ Sales and use tax | \$1,461,238 | \$1,079,287 | 35% |
| ■ Other financing sources | 846,329 | 551,501 | 53% |
| ■ Property tax | 743,966 | 533,823 | 39% |
| ■ Charges for services | 450,970 | 398,238 | 13% |
| ■ Intergovernmental revenues | 364,905 | 467,127 | -22% |
| ■ Lodgers tax | 138,250 | 90,696 | 52% |
| ■ Other revenue | 123,452 | 93,069 | 33% |
| ■ Other taxes | 113,470 | 109,205 | 4% |
| Total | \$4,242,580 | \$3,322,946 | 28% |

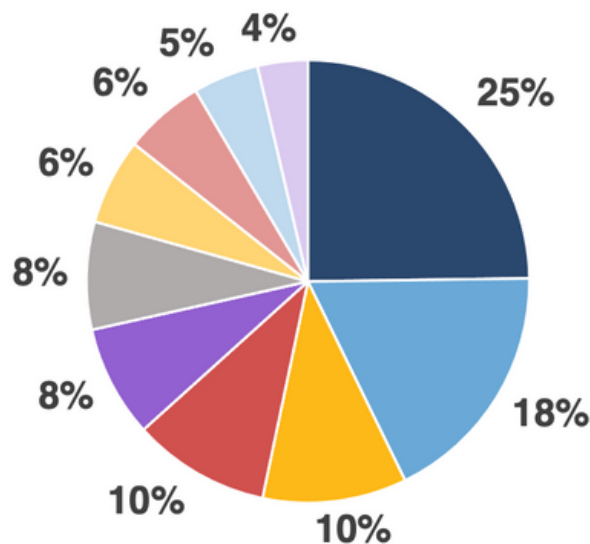
Revenues in 2022 were \$4.2 billion, a 28% increase from 2021. This was largely due to double digit increases in many of the taxes collected, caused by an increase in property valuation from market changes.

Expenses

(In thousands)

| | 2022 | 2021 | % change |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| ■ Public safety | \$771,156 | \$670,637 | 15% |
| ■ Central government | 560,056 | 567,219 | -1% |
| ■ Health and human services | 327,455 | 284,045 | 15% |
| ■ Transportation and infrastructure | 312,244 | 352,697 | -11% |
| ■ Capital outlay | 254,406 | 166,297 | 53% |
| ■ Debt service | 244,633 | 214,699 | 14% |
| ■ Other expenses | 196,199 | 206,015 | -5% |
| ■ Community development | 182,839 | 169,228 | 8% |
| ■ Cultural activities | 149,467 | 115,419 | 29% |
| ■ Parks and recreation | 114,027 | 89,435 | 27% |
| Total | \$3,112,482 | \$2,835,691 | 10% |

Expenses in 2022 were \$3.1 billion, a 10% increase from 2021. Capital outlay expenditures saw the greatest increase of 53%, due to the increase in parks and park acreage. There were also double digit increases in public safety, health and human services, cultural activities, and parks and recreation, reflecting increased investment.



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What's Next?

2023 and Beyond

Your Values

In a recent survey of Denver residents, they voted Economy, Safety, and Parks as their top three values for the city. We used these values to form three objectives for investing our resources.

9 out of
10 value
safety &
economy



8 out of
10 value
parks and
recreation



Safety & Wellbeing for the Community

Housing Stability & Unsheltered Resolution

Building an Inclusive, Stable Economy

Our Actions

These objectives lead us to make the following investments in 2023 budget.

\$1.5 Million

to increase and enhance training for Denver Police Department

\$1.6 Million

to reduce repeat criminal offenses

\$1.7 Million

to support nonprofit partners providing youth violence prevention work

\$10 Million

to increase shelter capacity

New Ballot Initiative

to blunt rising property taxes for the next 10 years

\$214 Million

to increase and improve capital infrastructure

\$48 Million

to support climate protection

\$36.5 Million

to support behavioral health services and address food insecurity

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City and County of
Denver Government

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about our city
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events on our
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