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**Bernalillo County &
City of Albuquerque**

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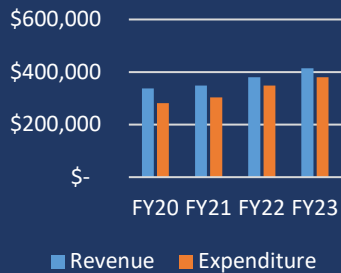
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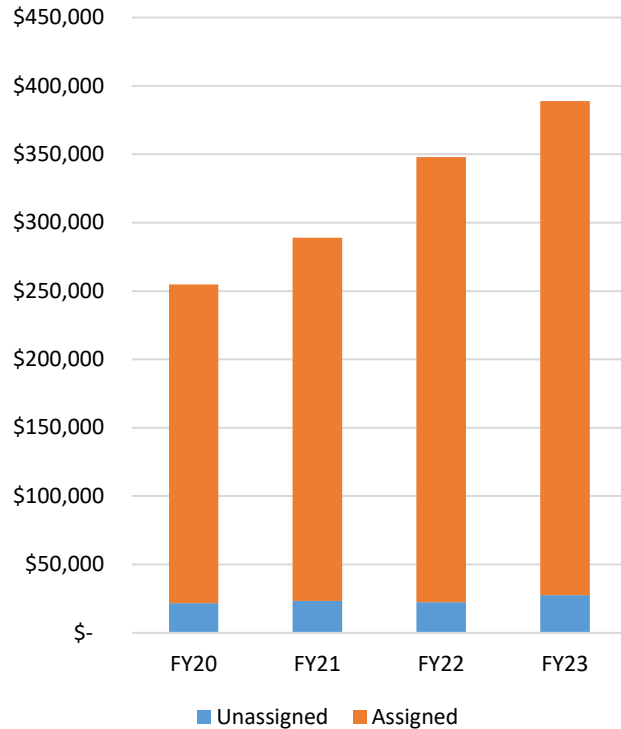
Bernalillo County's taxable gross receipts in construction grew by \$41 million, or 7 percent, from this time last year. Retail trade is still the largest industry of the county's taxable gross receipts, making 24 percent of total taxable gross receipts, followed by professional, scientific, and technical services at 20 percent.

Bernalillo County Revenue vs. Expenditures (in thousands)



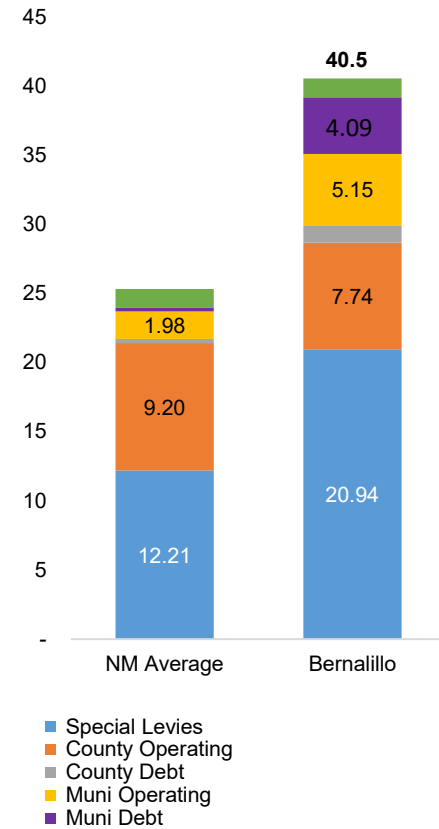
Source: OSA Audits

Bernalillo County General Fund Balance (in thousands)



Source: OSA Audits

Residential Property Tax Mills by Use, 2021



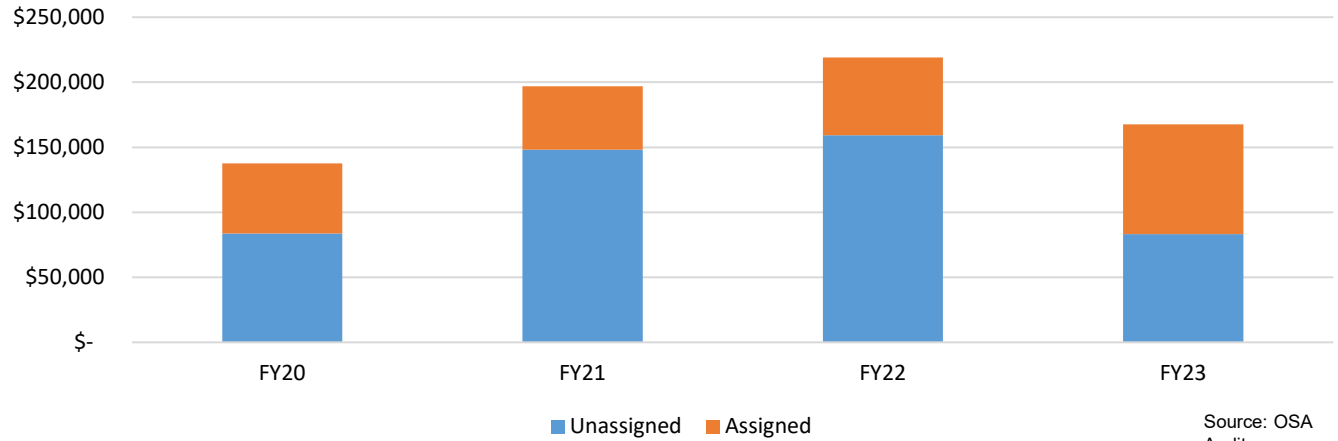
Source: LFC Analysis

- Bernalillo County's general fund is primarily made of assigned funds. Assigned fund balance represents money that has been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. Bernalillo received opioid abatement funding for the first time in FY23 and has seen increases in its construction fund.
- 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.
- Bernalillo County's FY23 audit had 4 findings, including one material weakness of misstatements of lease liability of adjusted contracts.

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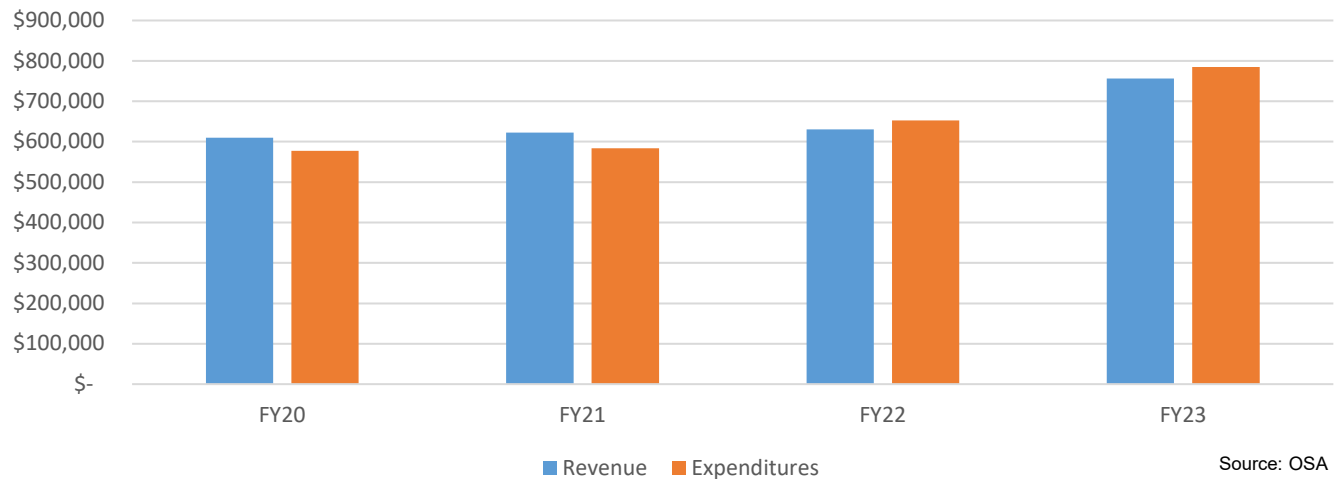
*Following the Office of the State Auditor's FY23 audit, the City of Albuquerque had 2 material weakness findings and 7 significant deficiency findings. Findings include missing documentation from public housing files.

City of Albuquerque General Fund Balance (in thousands)



- The City of Albuquerque's general fund is primarily unassigned fund balance. Albuquerque received an increase of \$227.4 thousand for the law enforcement protection fund in FY23 compared to FY22, and the city also has seen an increase in state contributions to its fire fund.

City of Albuquerque Revenue vs. Expenditures (in thousands)



Law Enforcement Agencies

Albuquerque Police Department

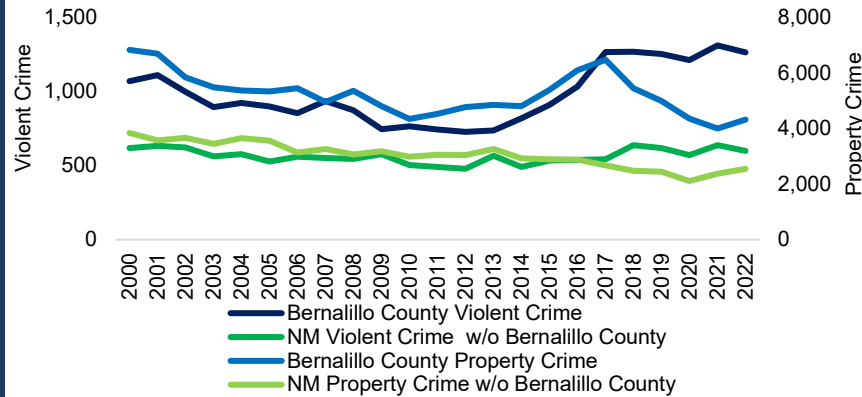
- Leadership:
 - Chief Harold Medina
- Certified Officers: 889

Bernalillo County Sherriff's Office

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

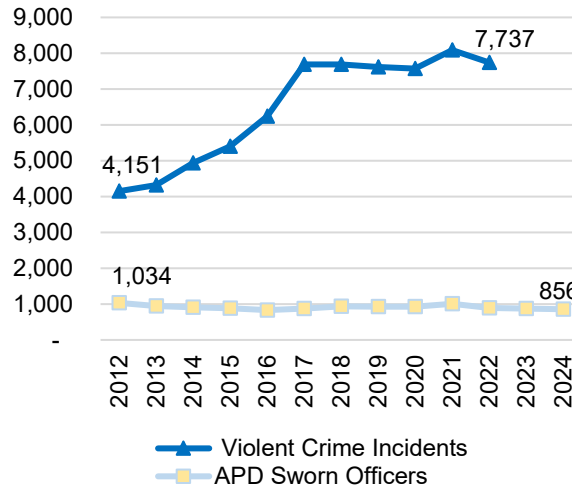
Source: Agency Websites and DFA Local Government Division Law Enforcement Protection Fund Distributions by County and Municipality

Violent and Property Crime Rates per 100 Thousand People in Bernalillo County and the Rest of New Mexico, 2000-2022



Source: LFC analysis of FBI data

Reported Violent Crime Incidents and Sworn APD Police Officers in Albuquerque, 2012-2024



Source: LFC analysis of Albuquerque budget data

Crime Trends and Data Reporting

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

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

Leadership & Resources

Bernalillo County Leadership

- **County Commissioners:**
Barbara Baca
Steven Michael Quezada
Adriann Barboa
Walt Benson
Eric C. Olivas
- **County Manager:**
Shirley M. Ragin
- **County Clerk:**
Linda Stover



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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

