



# 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



# How are we Doing?

## 2021 to 2022 Trends

### Parks & Rec

+1,145  
New Park Acres



+18  
New Parks  
Opened

### Community

2.7% Decrease  
in Denver  
Population



729,239  
Total Denver  
Population

560

Low Income Affordable  
Housing Units Created



4.3 % Decrease  
in Unsheltered



1.2% Decrease  
in Poverty

### Business



62,250  
Business  
Permits  
Issued

5.9 % Increase  
Business  
Permits  
Issued



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



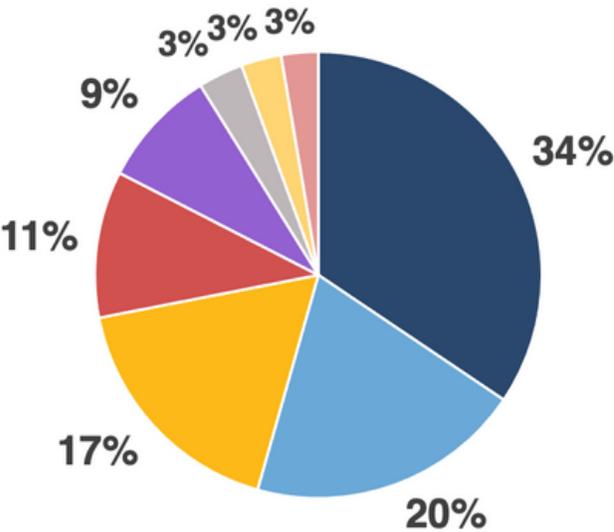
1,327 tons of  
Recyclables  
Collected

# Revenues and Expenses

Fiscal Year 2022

## Revenues

(In thousands)



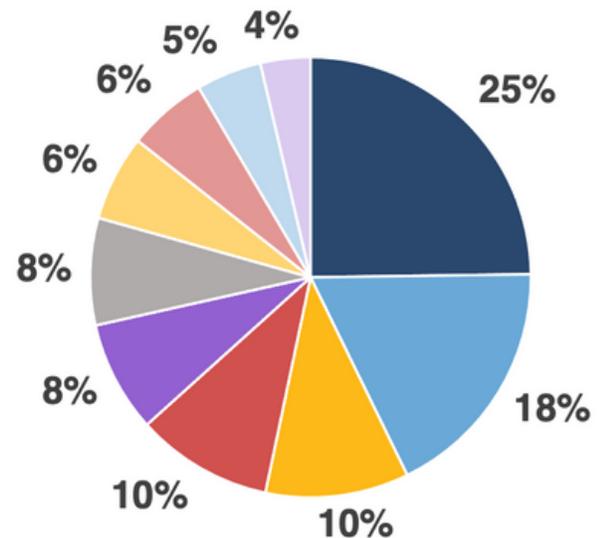
	2022	2021	% change
■ Sales and use tax	\$1,461,238	\$1,079,287	35%
■ Other financing sources	846,329	551,501	53%
■ Property tax	743,966	533,823	39%
■ Charges for services	450,970	398,238	13%
■ Intergovernmental revenues	364,905	467,127	-22%
■ Lodgers tax	138,250	90,696	52%
■ Other revenue	123,452	93,069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

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%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,112,482</b>	<b>\$2,835,691</b>	<b>10%</b>



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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