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CITIZEN-CENTRIC REPORT
FY 2023 | 7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023

About Maine

Maine, located in the northeastern-most point in the United States, is well known for its lush nature. The state was even nicknamed the "Pine Tree State" after their white pine trees, which are the largest conifers in the U.S. Some of Maine's major industries are related to nature and wildlife: forest products, fishing and aquaculture, agriculture, clean energy and outdoor recreation and tourism. Their capital city is Augusta.



State Seal

Missions

Maine is committed to enhance the livelihood of their residents, businesses and communities holistically:

- Healthcare for all
- Environmentalism and addressing climate change
- Combating substance abuse
- Modernizing infrastructure
- Relationship with native tribes
- And more!



State Flag

Meet the Governor

Janet Trafton Mills

Janet T. Mills is the 75th governor of Maine and is the first woman governor of Maine. Prior to her appointment as governor, she served as the Attorney General from 2009-2011 and 2013-2019. Since was sworn into office on January 2, 2019, Governor Mills not only led Maine through the COVID-19 pandemic with one of the highest vaccination rates and lowest death rates but also strengthened Maine's gross domestic product over the years and expanded healthcare for all.



Demographics

Population

1,395,722

(July 1, 2023)

Median Household Income

\$73,733

(2023 ASC 1-Year Estimate)

Unemployment Rate

2.8%

(July 2023)

High School Graduation Rate

87.3%

(2022-2023 academic year)

Top Occupations

1. Education, healthcare and social services - **26.7%**
2. Retail Trade - **12.6%**
3. Professional, scientific, admin. and waste services - **11.1%**
4. Manufacturing - **9.0%**
5. Arts, recreation and food services - **8.4%**
6. Construction - **7.3%**
7. Finance, insurance, and rentals - **6.0%**
8. Others - **18.9%**



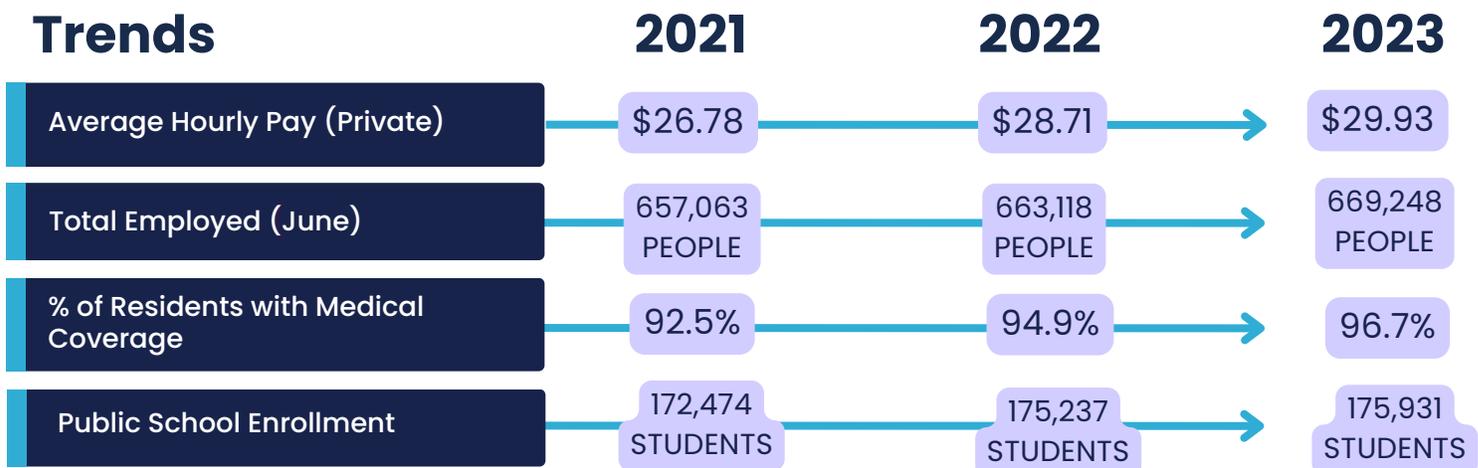
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Trends



Awards



Website for the **Maine Bipartisan Infrastructure Law** recognized as the Gold Winner by AVA Awards, an international digital communications competition.



Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan and **Department of Public Safety** websites recognized as Honorable Mentions by the Marcom Awards, an international marketing and communication competition.

2020–2029 Economic Development Strategy

The 2020-2029 Economic Development Strategy was implemented by Governor Mills to boost Maine's overall economic performance, invest in the workforce and increase wages overall in 10 years. The plan has three goals:

Goal 1: Growth in Real Wages

2022: \$49,881
 2021: \$50,645
 2020: \$50,406
 2019: \$46,348
 2018: \$45,370



Although the 2022 real wages went down slightly from 2021, there is still a positive growth of **10%** since 2018.

Goal 2: Increase in the Value of Sold Products per Worker

From 2017 to 2022, there was an approximate **13%** increase in the value of goods and services sold per worker, which equated to **more than \$10,000**.



Goal 3: Increase the Talent Pool

By 2029

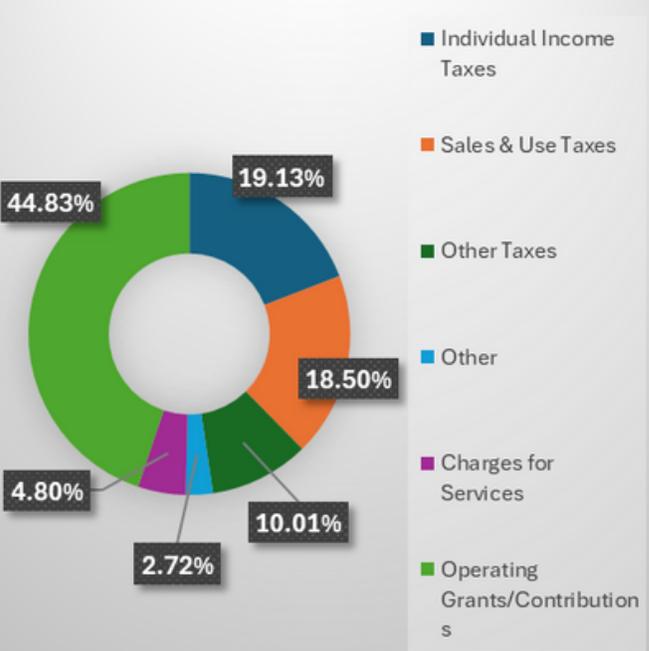
By 2023

Of the goal of adding **75,000 residents** in 10 years, Maine currently attracted **13,400 residents** in the last 3 years.



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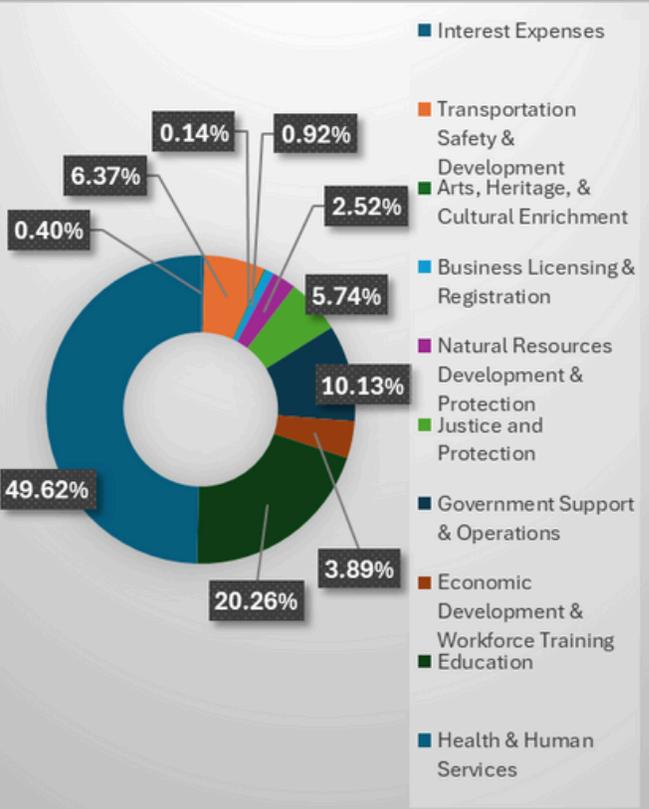
Revenue Sources



Revenue Source (Thousands)	FY 2023	FY 2022	% Change
Taxes (all)	6,072,454	6,068,440	0.07%
Operating Grants/Contributions	5,645,460	5,756,595	(-1.93%)
Assessments (Other)	404,260	416,370	(-2.99%)
Miscellaneous (Other)	233,161	\$177,695	31.21%
Charges for Services	206,579	213,458	(-3.22%)
Investment Income/loss (Other)	87,205	(-\$4,708)	1,952%
Totals	12,627,850	12,649,119	(-0.17%)

Revenues are classified between program and general revenues such as Charges for Services and Individual Income Taxes. Program revenues include but are not limited to goods/services to customers, capital gains, and grants/contributions. General Revenues include a variety of taxes collected and internally dedicated resources. Total revenues for The State of Maine amounted to \$12,649,119 in 2023, decreasing by 0.17% from the prior year. Although the tax rates did not significantly change, the salary rate increased and the unemployment rate dropped to 2.8%. As such, we can assume the increases in tax revenue are reasonable.

Expense Allocation



Expenses List (Thousands)	FY 2023	FY 2022	% Change
Health/Human Services	6,096,833	5,748,780	6.05%
Education	2,576,888	2,450,377	5.16%
Government Support/Operations	1,229,467	1,597,055	(-23.02%)
Transportation Safety & Development	832,968	799,990	4.12%
Justice & Protection	764,959	674,283	13.45%
Economic Development & Workforce Training	430,046	779,063	(-44.80%)
Natural Resources Development & Protection	355,667	280,104	26.98%
Business Licensing & Registration	116,581	73,739	58.10%
Interest, Arts, Heritage, Cultural Enrichment	76,028	72,098	5.45%
Totals	12,566,642	12,475,489	0.73%

The State of Maine received the Government Finance Officer's Association certificate for excellence in financial reporting for the 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for 16 consecutive years. Additionally, the State Auditor performed an independent audit of the financial statements to render third-party confirmation and a clear opinion. In 2023, The State of Maine incurred expenses amounting to \$12,566,642 in 2023, increasing by 0.73% compared to 2022.

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Ongoing Projects and Future Outlook

2020-2029 Economic Development Strategy

As Maine already achieved Goal 1 and Goal 2 in their 10-year development plan, it is important to maintain this economic momentum and focus on achieving Goal 3. Maine's labor force is expected to decline every year and forecasts about a 65,000 people shortage over the next 10 years. It is imperative to obtain further research on migration trends and learn about U.S. and international workers to continue attracting more talent to Maine's workforce.

Clean Energy

Maine is committed to carbon neutrality by 2045, per an executive order signed by Governor Mills on September 23, 2019. Additionally, they aim for 100% renewable energy by 2050 and increase their Renewable Portfolio Standard to 80% by 2030. Maine is currently on track to meet their long-term goals.

Maine Jobs and Recovery Plan

Implemented by the Governor, this plan is a \$1 billion investment of Federal American Rescue Plan funds to help Maine recover from the impacts of COVID. As of the October 2023 report, approximately \$175 million has been spent for direct economic relief. The remaining funding is expected to benefit areas of clean energy, early education, childcare, affordable housing and career development.

Overall Outlook

Given Maine's many initiatives, the government's revenue and expenses can be expected to increase, especially individual income tax and property tax revenues. Conversely, costs related to Section 8 real estate and affordable housing development as well as public transportation likely would rise. Nevertheless, the State of Maine welcomes new residents as the benefits far outweigh the costs.



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