

Catawba County Audit/ Financial Review

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AUDIT RESULTS

- **Audit Opinion**
- **Compliance – Single Audit
(State/Federal Grants)**
- **Financial Condition**

Fiscal Year 2021-22 Financial Report



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Mary Morrison
Interim Chief Financial Officer



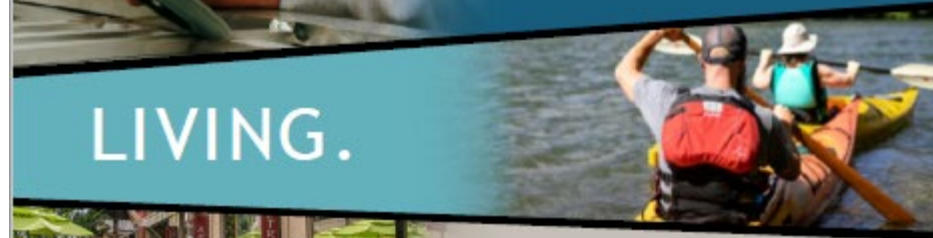
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2022

Annual Comprehensive
Financial Report



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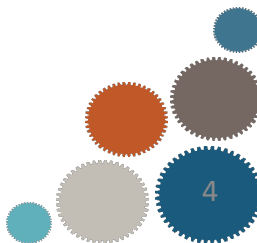


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For the Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2022





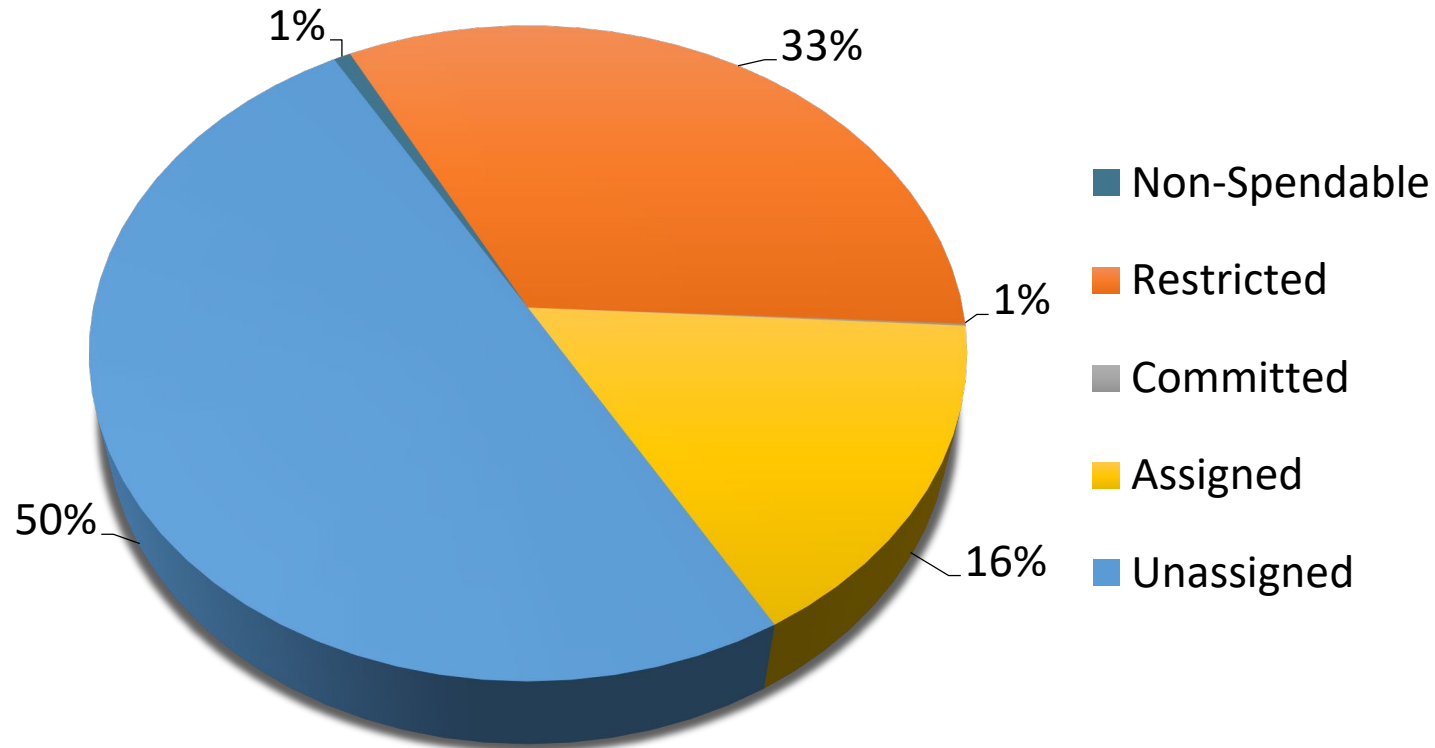
HIGHLIGHTS

The Bottom Line

- Governmental Funds: +\$48.3M
net position
- Business-Type Activities: -\$8.2M
net position
- Change in Outstanding Debt:
-\$19M
- General Fund Fund Balance:
+\$18.6M



Catawba County General Fund Balance Classifications



Total General Fund Balance
\$131.2M

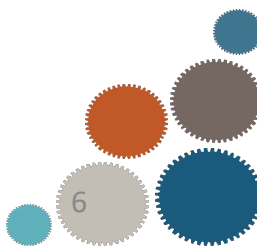
Unassigned: available for spending at BOC's discretion

Non-spendable: Inventories, Prepaid taxes/bills, Notes Receivable

Restricted: State Statute, Register of Deeds-Technology, Debt Service

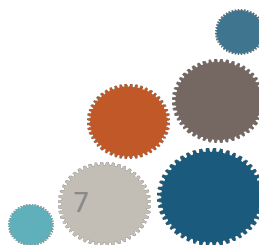
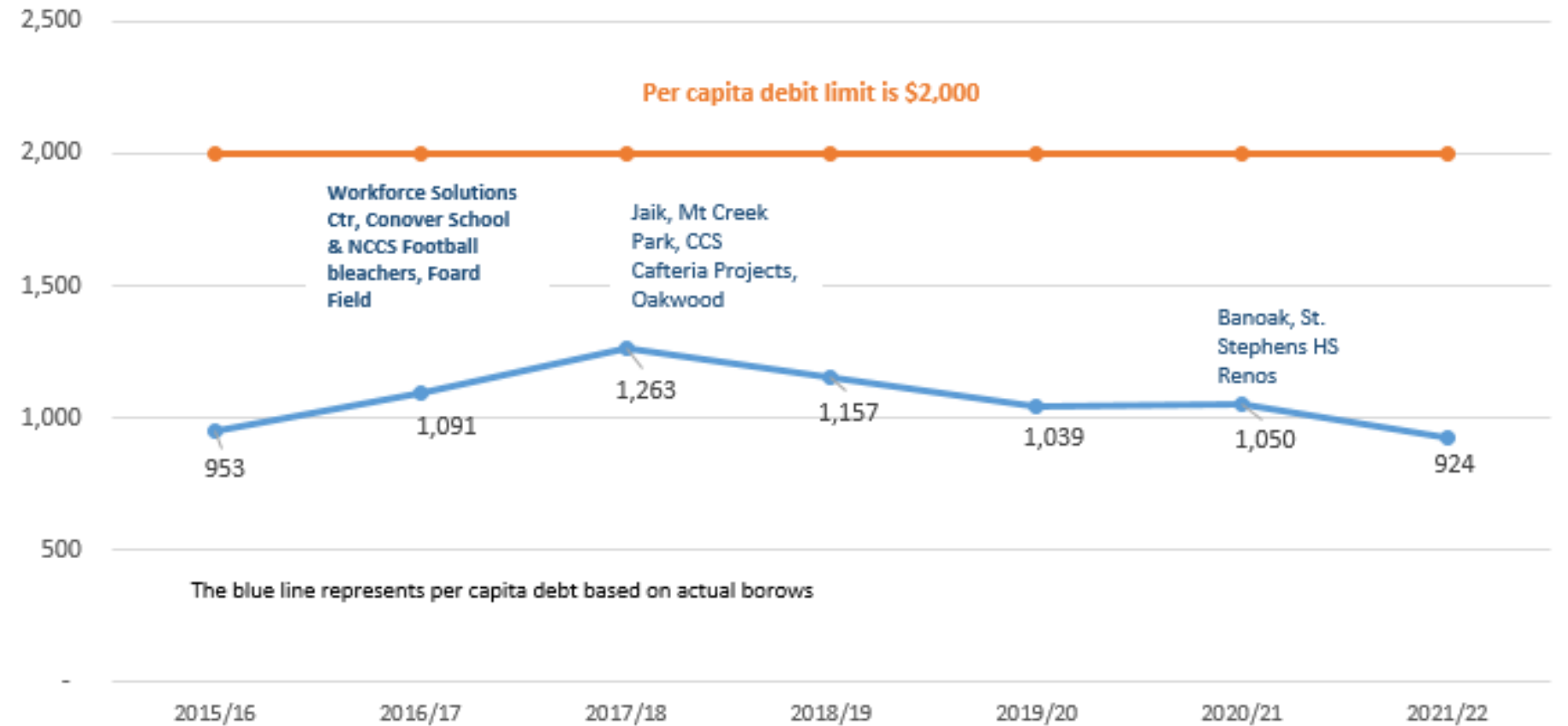
Committed: Tax Revaluation

Assigned: Reinvesting Funds, Subsequent Year's Expenditures (2022 budget)



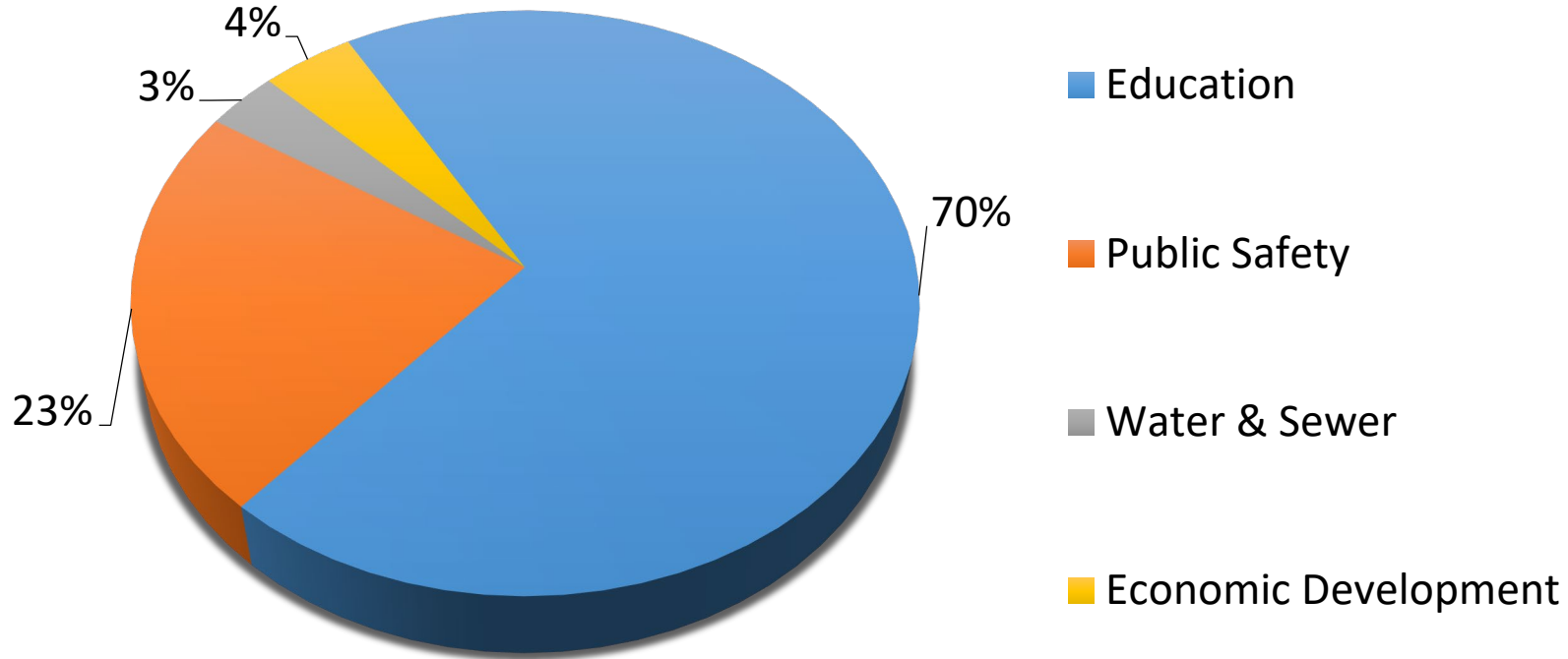


Per-Capita Debt Remains Relatively Flat





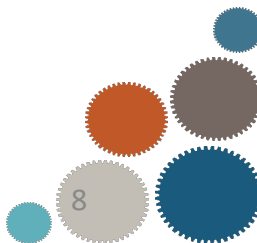
Uses of Outstanding Debt



Credit Rating: Moody's Aa1/Standard & Poor's AA+

- 2022 debt per capita = \$924

\$1.457b in debt capacity available (current debt = 8% of limit)





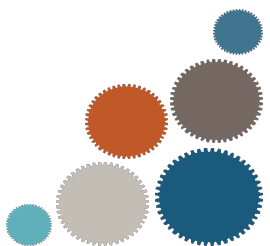
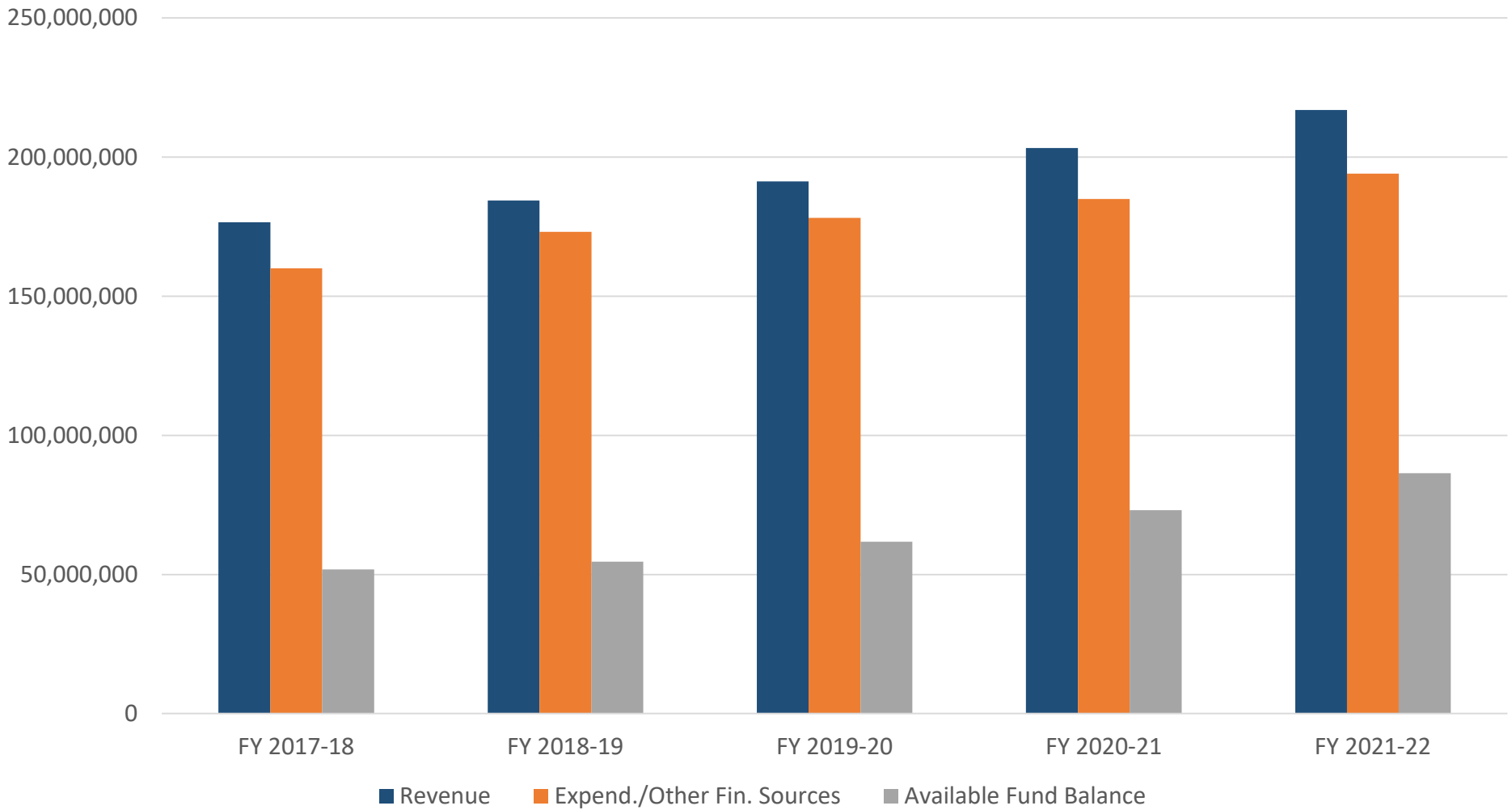
Investment Portfolio Performance

- \$194,015,495 in total investments
- Average rate of return = 1.13%





Historical General Fund Performance

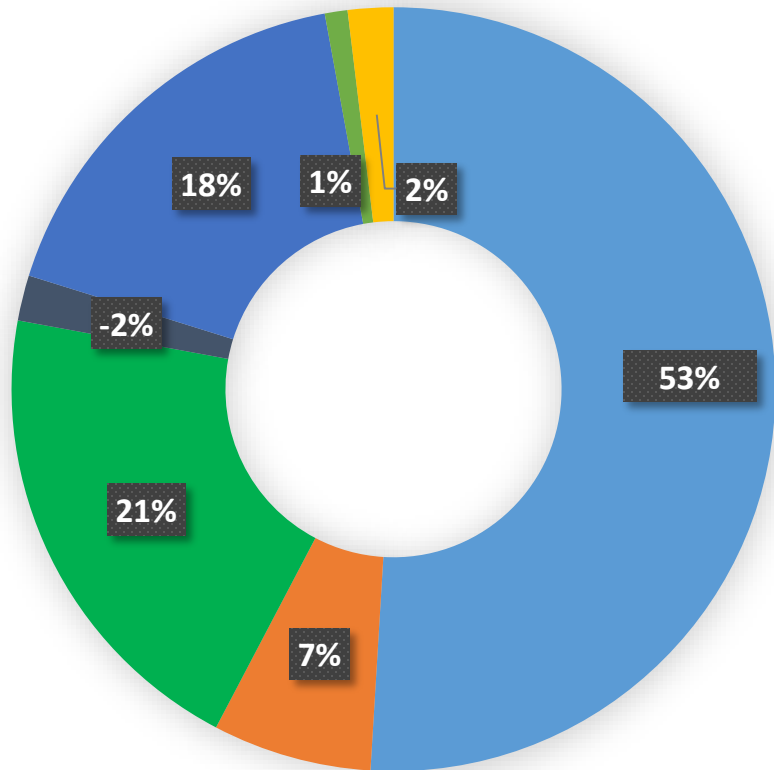




Revenue Composition Remains Stable

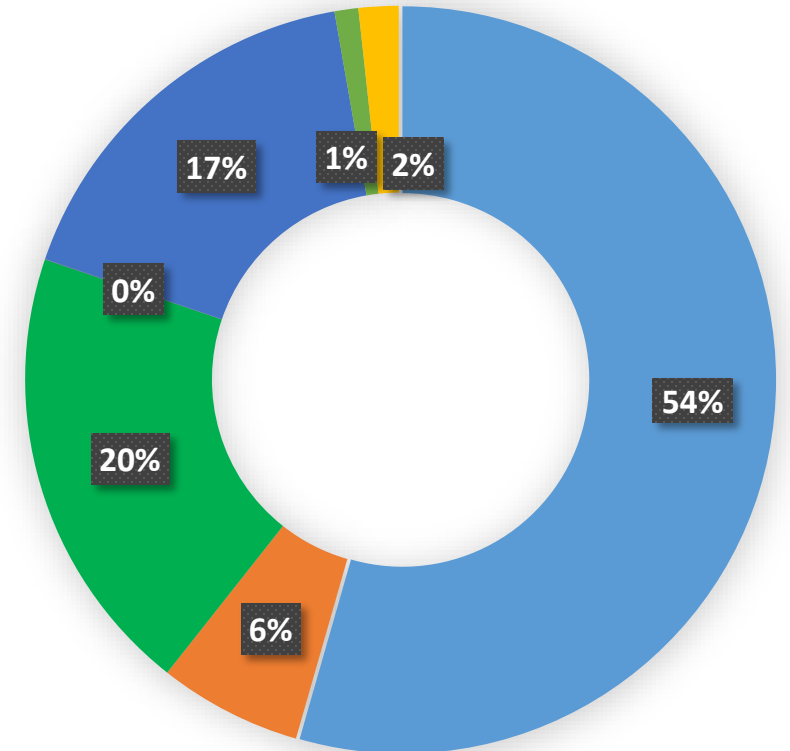
Actual 2022 vs Prior Year

General Fund Revenues FY 2022



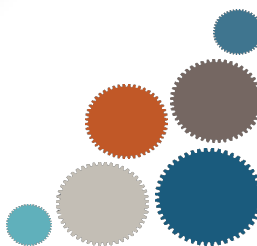
Total Revenues \$217M

General Fund Revenues FY 2021



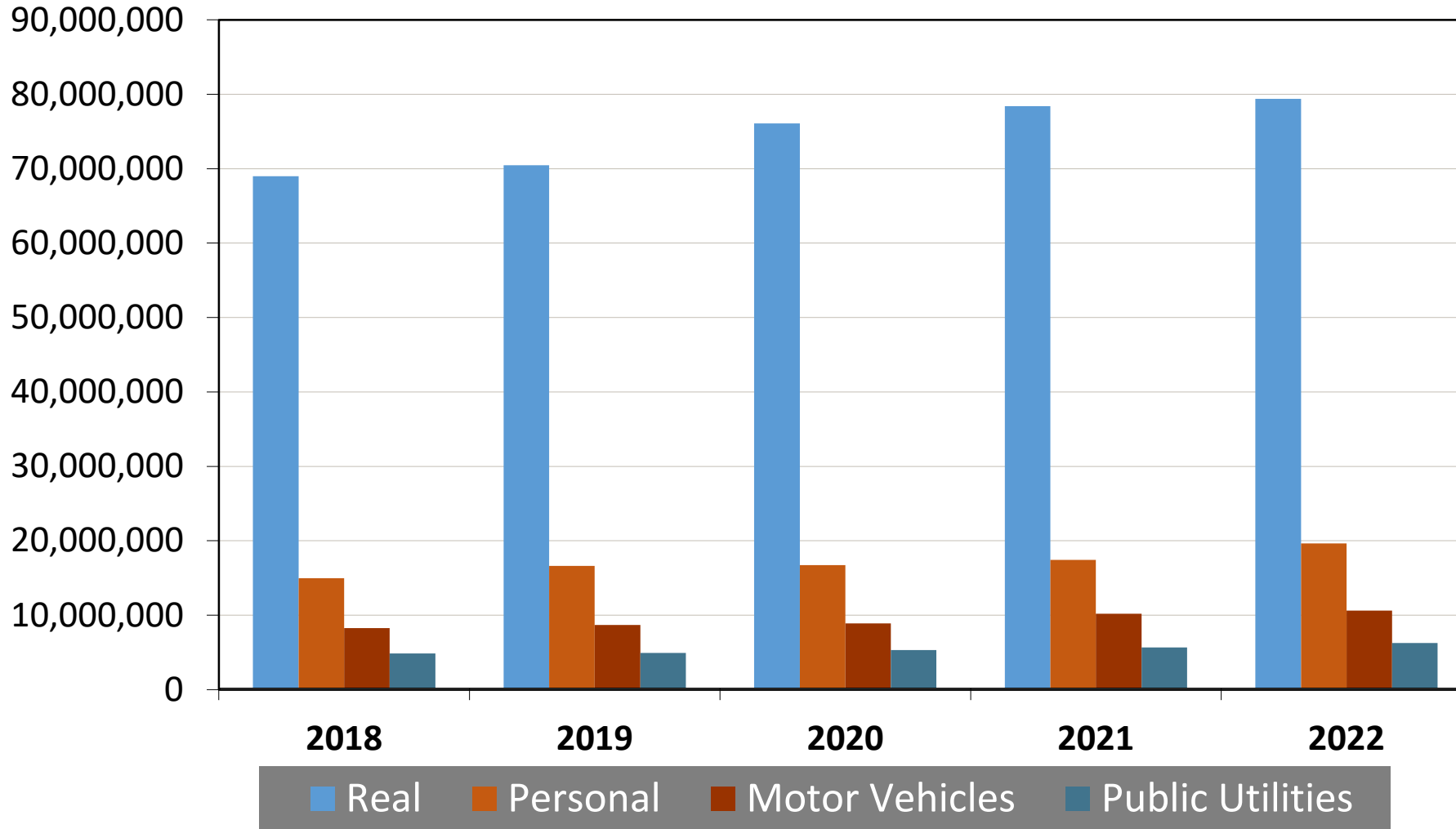
Total Revenues \$203.5M

- Ad Valorem Taxes
- Permits, Fees, Services
- Sales Taxes
- Investment Earnings
- Restricted Revenues
- Unrestricted Revenues
- Other

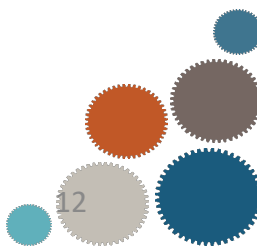




Property Tax Revenues



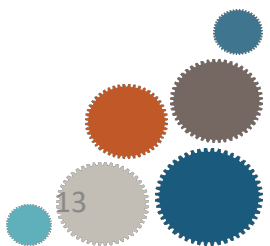
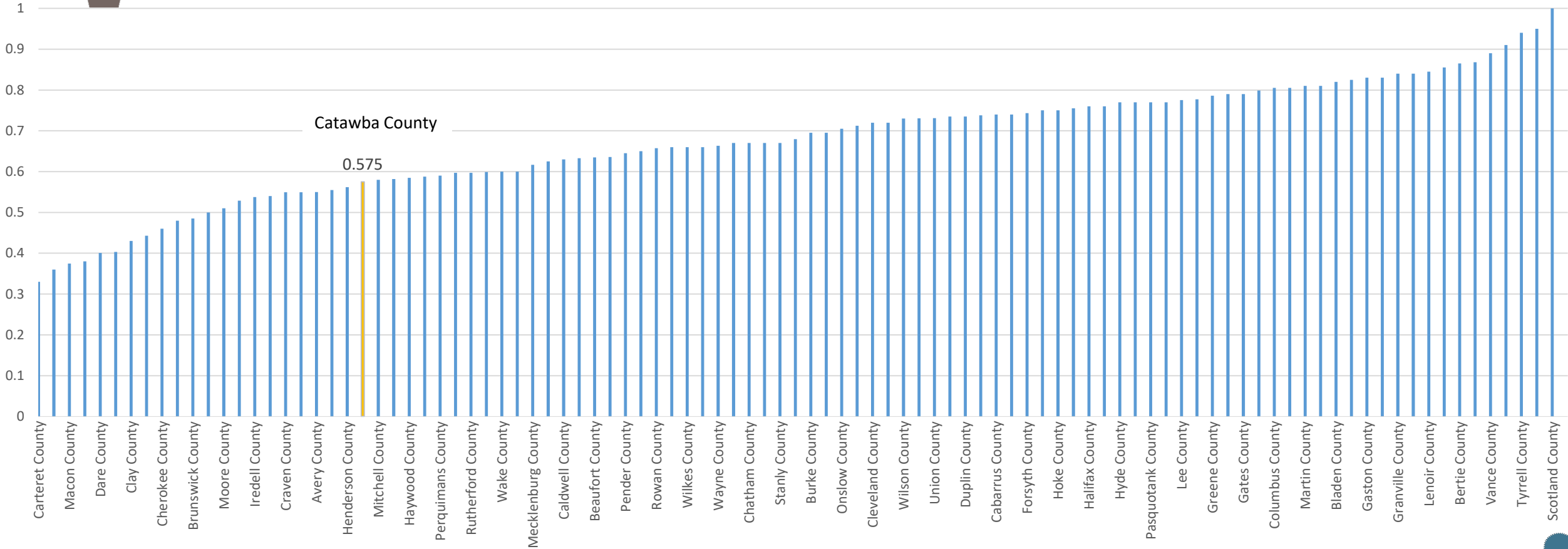
Collection rates - 2018: 98.37%; 2019: 98.63%; 2020: 98.51%, 2021: 98.96%; 2022: 99.05%





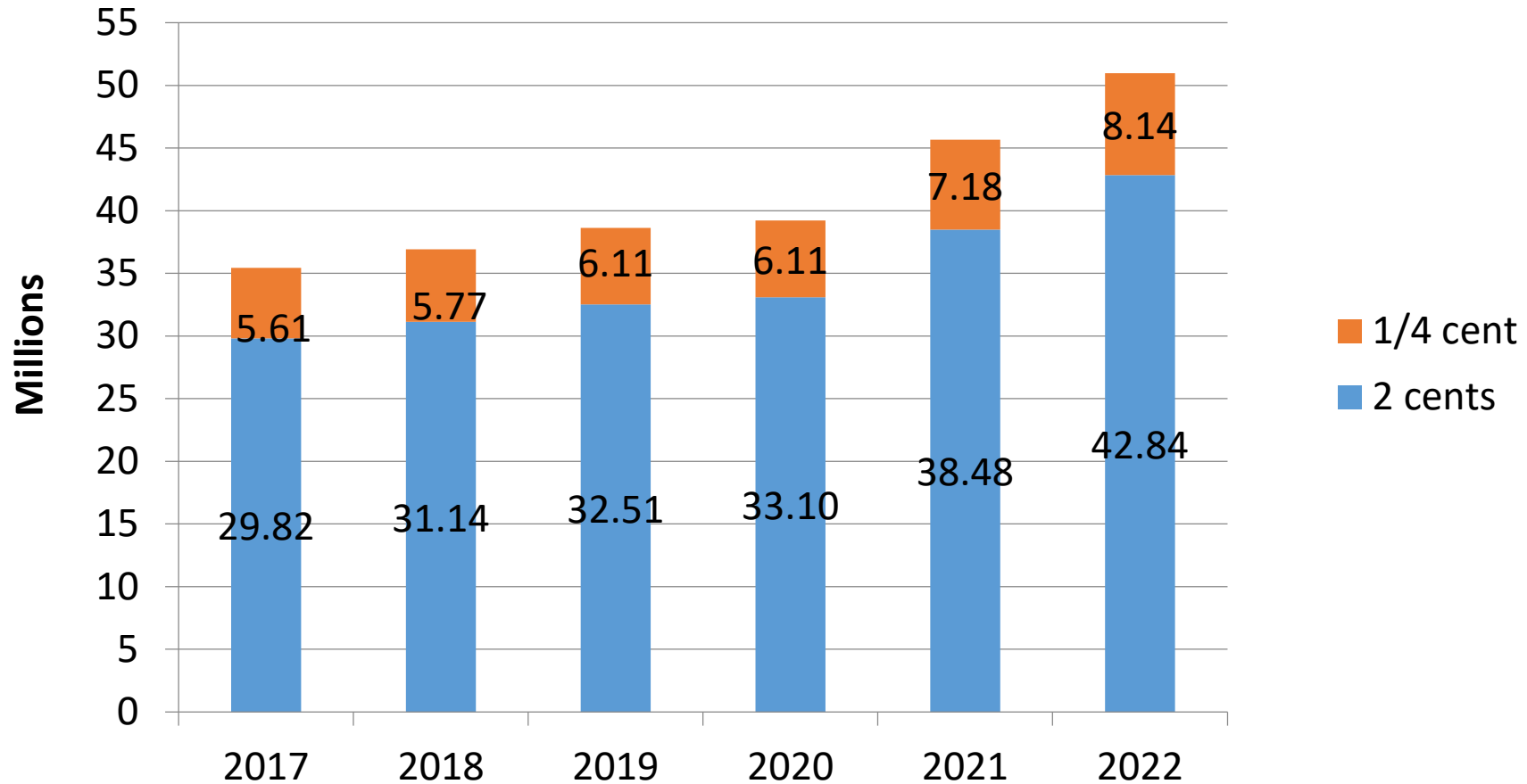
Competitive Tax Rate Position

2020-21 Property Tax Rate

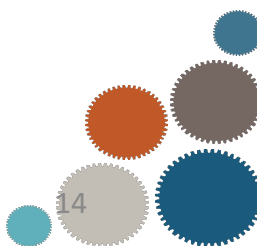




Sales Tax Sustains Strong Performance



- Two-cent collections increased by \$4.3M in FY22; a 11% increase
- ¼ cent collections increased by approximately \$1M in FY22; a 13% increase

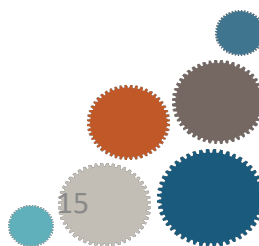




Catawba County maintains position as retail hub

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>% chg.</u>
Mecklenburg	31,011,893,464	26,097,009,350	18.83%
Wake	26,567,203,523	22,643,614,157	17.33%
Guilford	10,091,509,685	8,744,857,835	15.40%
Durham	10,073,809,347	8,612,784,253	16.96%
Forsyth	7,862,160,614	6,968,752,208	12.82%
Buncombe	7,310,486,077	6,160,933,639	18.66%
New Hanover	6,680,019,869	5,746,625,707	16.24%
Cumberland	5,743,623,701	5,238,219,221	9.65%
Cabarrus	4,938,277,630	4,360,483,763	13.25%
Iredell	3,687,326,529	3,276,442,878	12.54%
Gaston	3,627,750,177	3,151,519,745	15.11%
Alamance	3,433,450,050	3,141,095,928	9.31%
Union	3,381,460,607	2,869,555,497	17.84%
Catawba	3,268,344,174	2,886,237,016	13.24%
Onslow	3,238,292,518	2,958,883,309	9.44%
Pitt	3,225,920,776	2,929,521,574	10.12%

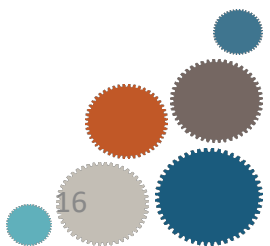
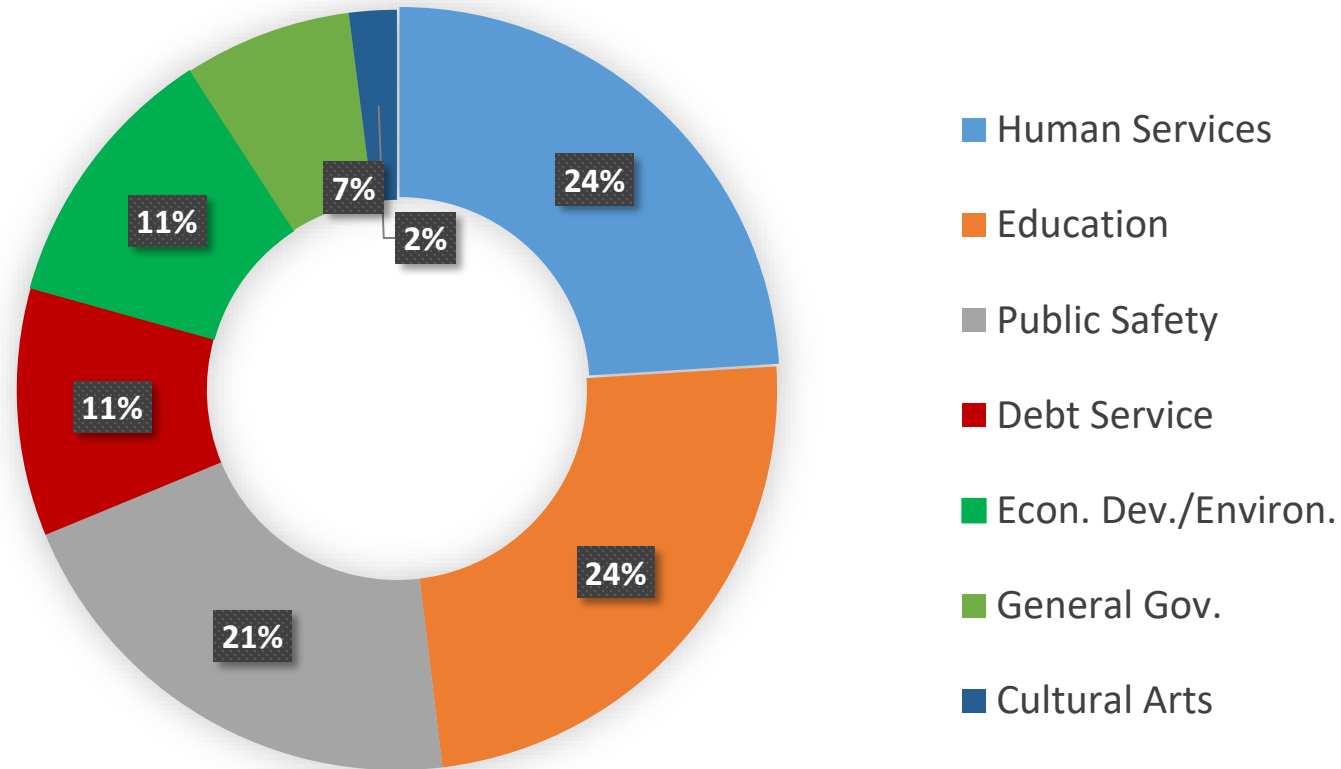
- Catawba County – 18th in population in NC; 14th in retail sales
- 59% of retail sales in the Unifour; 44% population





Strong commitment to enhancing quality of life

General Fund Expenditures FY 2022





SUMMARY

Financially–A Good Year

- Added to Fund Balance
- Steady Revenues
- Underspent Planned Expenditures

Questions?



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