

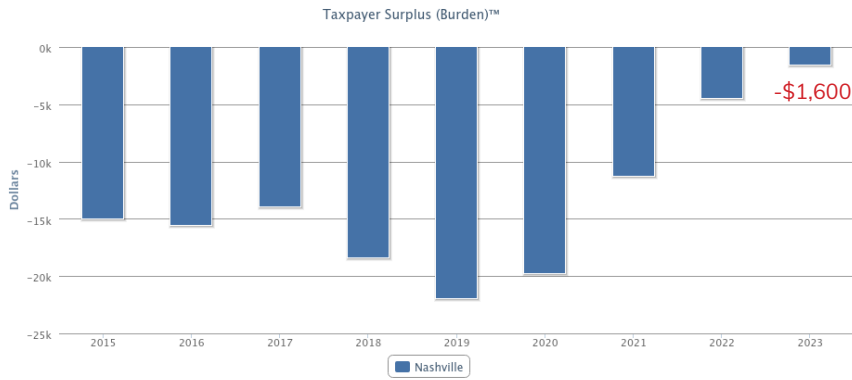
FINANCIAL STATE OF NASHVILLE



\$389.1 million
MONEY NEEDED TO PAY BILLS

\$1,600
TAXPAYER BURDEN™

Nashville’s financial condition showed some improvement. But based on our analysis of its audited financial report for fiscal year 2023, the city still needed \$389.1 million to cover its bills, resulting in a Taxpayer Burden™ of \$1,600. This earned the city a “C” grade from Truth in Accounting, marking it as a Sinkhole City.



Nashville’s finances showed positive growth with an improvement of \$566.6 million, driven by revenues exceeding expenses. However, pension debt increased by \$284.5 million as the MetroPlan shifted from being overfunded to underfunded, largely due to poor investment returns and unfavorable actuarial assumptions changes.

Nashville made significant progress in reducing retiree healthcare liabilities by \$218.8 million, primarily through changes to the School Professional Employees’ Insurance Plan. The city streamlined healthcare costs by making the Medicare Advantage Plan the exclusive option for retirees on Medicare.

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C
FINANCIAL GRADE

32 out of 75
RANKING

FINANCIAL FACTS

- Nashville had \$6.4 billion available to pay \$6.8 billion worth of bills.
- The outcome was a \$389.1 million shortfall, which breaks down to a burden of \$1,600 per taxpayer.
- Nashville’s finances improved by \$566.6 million, but pension debt increased, offset by a reduction in retiree healthcare liabilities.

The City’s Bills Exceeded Its Assets

Total Assets	\$20,174,400,000
Minus: Capital Assets	-\$12,674,046,000
Restricted Assets	-\$1,137,992,000
Assets Available to Pay Bills	\$6,362,362,000
Minus: Total Bills*	-\$6,751,438,000
Money needed to pay bills	\$389,076,000
Each taxpayer’s share of this burden	\$1,600

*Breakdown of Total Bills

Bonds	\$8,552,572,000
Other Liabilities	\$3,818,672,000
Minus: Debt Related to Capital Assets	-\$8,366,445,000
Unfunded Pension Benefits	\$303,148,000
Unfunded Retiree Health Care Benefits	\$2,443,491,000
Total Bills	\$6,751,438,000

Grade:	Bottom line:
C	Nashville would need \$1,600 from each of its taxpayers to pay all of its outstanding bills and received a “C” grade for its finances. According to Truth in Accounting’s grading scale, any government with a Taxpayer Burden between \$0 and \$4,999 is given a “C” grade.