

Money Available
\$5.2 billion



Taxpayer Surplus™
\$23,500



Financial Grade
A

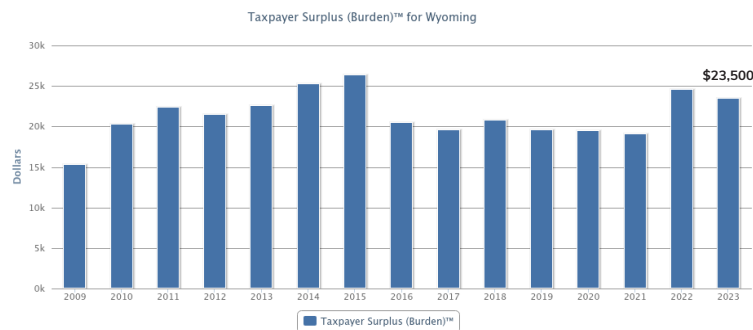


Ranking
3 out of 50



Wyoming, like most other states, improved its financial condition in 2023. This is a positive development, and Truth in Accounting applauds the state's commitment to improving its fiscal solvency. The state increased its money available to pay bills by \$318.6 million. This means the state had a Taxpayer Surplus™ of \$23,500, earning it an "A" grade.

Wyoming had more than enough resources, \$5.2 billion, to pay all its bills, a \$318.6 million increase. The state's reported revenues exceeded its expenses, but some of that was offset by an increase in its net pension debt due in part to unrealized pension investment losses of 7 percent. Revenues were boosted by a \$2.3 billion increase in investment income.



Although Wyoming ended its 2023 fiscal year in strong financial health, as outlined in the comprehensive 2024 Financial State of the States report, market fluctuations in pension values, coupled with uncertainty around inflation and employment, make it challenging to predict the future resources needed to sustain government services and benefits. In light of these uncertainties, it's reassuring that the state has retained funds to cover its financial obligations.

- Wyoming had \$16.4 billion available to pay \$11.2 billion worth of bills.
- The outcome was a \$5.2 billion surplus, which breaks down to \$23,500 per taxpayer.
- Wyoming's overall financial condition improved significantly in 2023 with reported revenues exceeding expenses. The state's condition would have improved more if its pension systems had not reported unrealized losses of 7 percent.

The State's Assets Exceeded Its Bills

Total Assets	\$45,822,736,000
Minus: Capital Assets	-\$8,798,548,000
Restricted Assets	-\$20,576,243,000
Assets Available to Pay Bills	\$16,447,945,000
Minus: Total Bills*	\$11,211,798,000
Money available to pay bills	\$5,236,147,000
Each taxpayer's share of this surplus	\$23,500

*Breakdown of Total Bills

Bonds	\$5,059,000
Other Liabilities	\$9,946,165,000
Minus: Debt Related to Capital Assets	-\$405,043,000
Unfunded Pension Benefits	\$858,985,000
Unfunded Retiree Health Care Benefits	\$806,632,000
Total Bills	\$11,211,798,000

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Bottom line: Wyoming had more than enough money to pay its outstanding bills and received an "A" grade for its finances. According to Truth in Accounting's grading scale, any government with a Taxpayer Surplus greater than \$10,000 is given an "A" grade.