



WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Budget Update

Board of Regents Meeting

January, 2025

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Washington's revenue sources

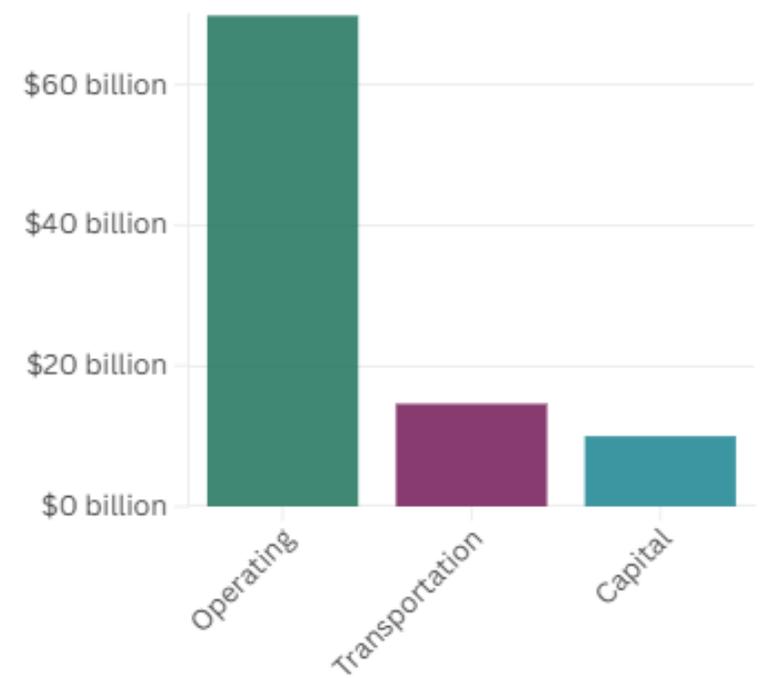
- Retail sales tax
- Business and occupation tax
- Real estate excise tax
- Use tax
- Other agencies
- Other
- Property tax



Source: Washington State Economic and Revenue Forecast Council

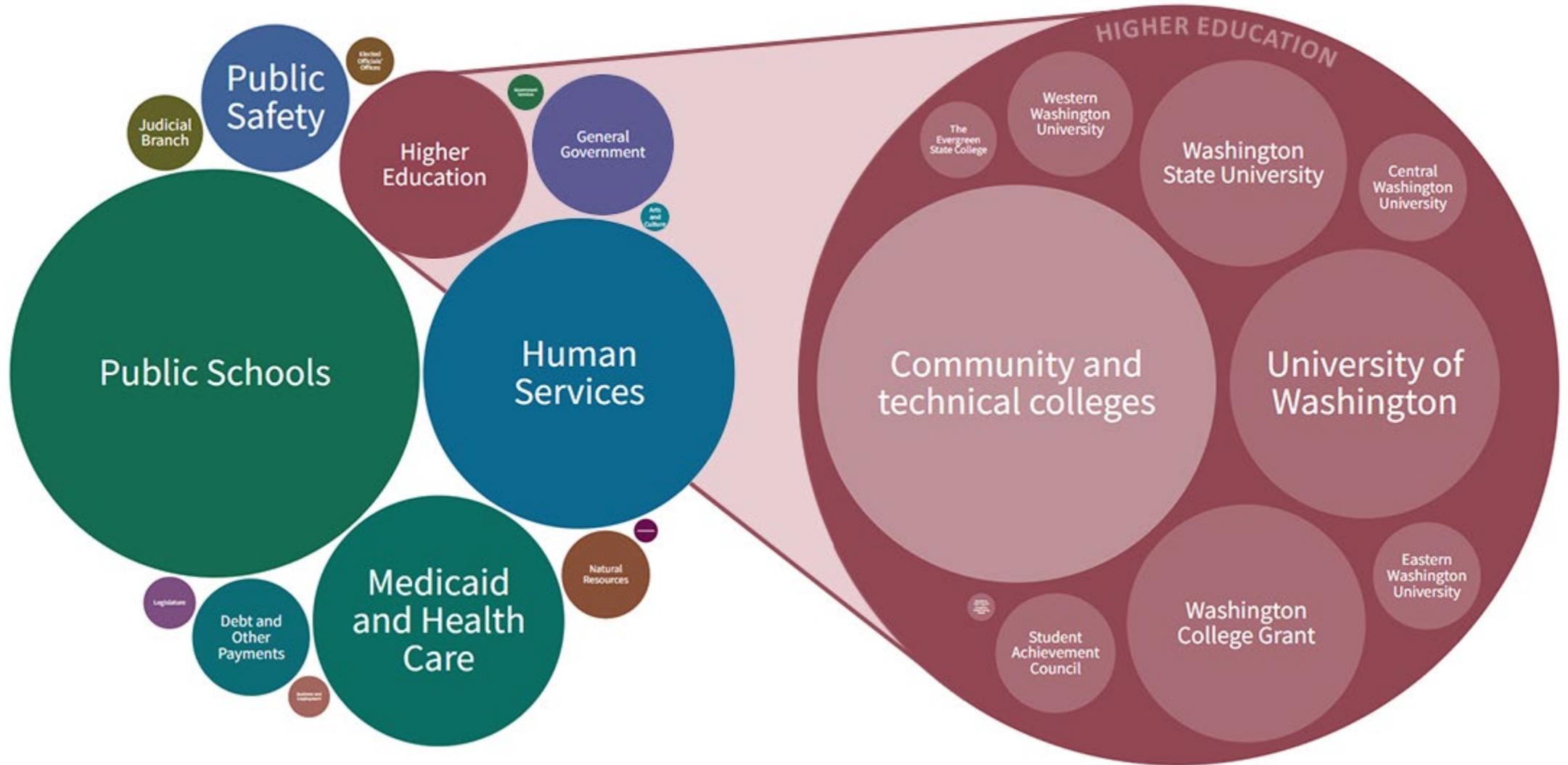
Washington's 2023-2025 budgets

- Operating
- Transportation
- Capital



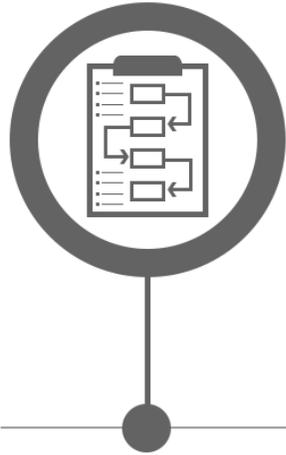
Source: Washington State Fiscal Information
Note: Operating budget numbers only include the general fund, not federal funding and other sources.

Graphs sourced from "A guide to understanding the Washington state budget" by Laurel Demkovich, December 2024, Washington State Standard. <https://washingtonstatestandard.com/2024/12/16/a-guide-to-understanding-the-washington-state-budget>



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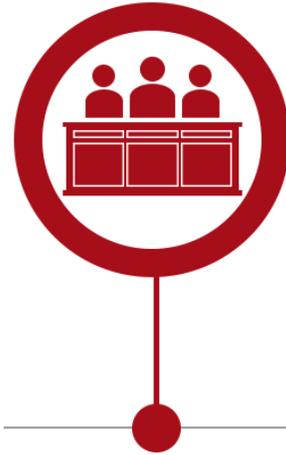


APRIL 2024

INTERIM PLANNING

Budget request development, advocacy commences by summer

WSU Timeline:
Internal stakeholder engagement escalates



SEPTEMBER 2024

REQUESTS SUBMITTED

State budget office makes requests public

WSU Timeline:
External stakeholder engagement escalates; Board of Regents engaged



DECEMBER 2024

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

Released before Christmas, starts the legislative deliberation

WSU Timeline:
Bills can be pre-filed beginning December 1st



JANUARY 2025

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

>> Biennial: 105 Days <<
Supplemental: 60 Days
Special Sessions?

Legislative Session begins on the second Monday in January



SIDE BY SIDE: GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

	WSU BUDGET REQUEST	GOVERNOR PROPOSED
2025-27 Biennial Maintenance level	\$669.9	\$683.2
Academic Student Employees	\$10.5	-
College of Medicine Accreditation	\$3.6	-
Native American Scholarship	\$2.2	\$2.2
Retention and Compensation	\$27.5	\$20.4
WSU Collective Bargaining - Police	\$0.2	\$0.2
WSU Collective Bargaining - WFSE	\$0.4	\$0.2
WSU Collective Bargaining - IUOI	\$0.2	\$0.1
Other (includes a reduction in state funds of \$792,000)	-	(0.5)
Total 2025-27 Biennial Budget (State Appropriations)	\$714.5	\$705.8



KEY UPCOMING DATES

February 21	Policy Cutoff	Last day for policy bills to be passed out of their committee of origin
February 28	Fiscal Cutoff	Last day for bills with fiscal implications to be passed out of the fiscal committee
Late-Feb / Early March	Revenue Forecast release	Projects future state revenues for which legislative budget writers will use to craft their policy proposals
March 12	House of Origin Cutoff	Last day for bills to pass out of their committee of origin
Late-March / Early April	House and Senate release budget proposals	
April 2	Opposite Chamber Policy Cutoff	Last day for policy bills to be passed out of their opposite chamber policy committee
April 8	Opposite Chamber Fiscal Cutoff	Last day for bills with fiscal implications to be passed out of their opposite chamber fiscal committee
April 15	Opposite House Cutoff	Last day for bills to pass out of their committee of origin
April 21	Compromised budget rolls out	
April 27	Sine Die	Last day of legislative session