

HISTORIC GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS AND END-OF-BIENNIUM BALANCES

Biennium	General Fund Appropriations (In Millions) ¹	End-of-Biennium General Fund Balance (In Millions)	General Fund Balance as a Percentage of Appropriations
1967-69	\$145.64	\$20.60 ²	14.1%
1969-71	\$183.69	\$25.90 ²	14.1%
1971-73	\$226.26	\$52.50 ²	23.2%
1973-75	\$297.82	\$150.50 ³	50.5%
1975-77	\$442.53	\$208.30 ³	47.1%
1977-79	\$575.07	\$151.00 ³	26.3%
1979-81	\$680.42	\$174.50 ³	25.6%
1981-83	\$910.25	\$43.40 ³	4.8%
1983-85	\$1,017.86	\$150.41 ³	14.8%
1985-87	\$1,134.18	\$18.66 ³	1.6%
1987-89	\$1,058.71	\$40.00 ^{3,4}	3.8%
1989-91	\$1,061.51	\$105.67 ³	10.0%
1991-93	\$1,202.89	\$19.76 ³	1.6%
1993-95	\$1,251.93	\$31.15 ³	2.5%
1995-97	\$1,352.47	\$65.00 ^{3,5}	4.8%
1997-99	\$1,510.75	\$61.11 ³	4.0%
1999-2001	\$1,614.88	\$62.24 ³	3.9%
2001-03	\$1,727.97 ⁶	\$14.79 ^{3,7}	0.9%
2003-05	\$1,816.89	\$68.02 ^{3,8}	3.7%
2005-07	\$2,000.54	\$295.54 ^{3,9}	14.8%
2007-09	\$2,461.97	\$391.84 ¹⁰ (estimate)	15.9%
2009-11	\$3,110.92 ¹¹	\$64.79 (estimate)	2.1%

¹Appropriation amounts are restated to reflect, where appropriate, deficiency appropriations provided by a subsequent Legislative Assembly and general fund allotments and reductions.

²The amount shown reflects the actual cash balance in the general fund on June 30 at the end of the biennium.

³The amount shown is the unobligated balance, which is the June 30 cash balance reduced by June obligations not paid until after the end of the biennium.

⁴In addition to the amount shown, \$25.2 million was transferred to the budget stabilization fund, pursuant to NDCC Section 54-27.2-02, which provides that any amount in excess of \$40 million in the general fund on June 30, 1989, be transferred to the budget stabilization fund.

⁵In addition to the amount shown, \$17.1 million was transferred to the budget stabilization fund, pursuant to NDCC Section 54-27.2-02, which provides that any amount in excess of \$65 million in the general fund on June 30, 1997, be transferred to the budget stabilization fund. Subsequently, on July 1, 1997, that amount was transferred to the budget stabilization fund.

⁶The amount shown reflects original legislative appropriations of \$1,746.98 million increased by \$3.47 million used to match federal Medicaid funding for intergovernmental transfer payments and decreased by \$18.17 million relating to the July 2002, 1.05 percent budget allotment and \$4.32 million for emergency clauses and other miscellaneous adjustments.

⁷The amount shown is after a transfer of \$18,699,787 from the Bank of North Dakota, pursuant to Section 12 of House Bill No. 1015 (2001).

⁸In addition to the amount shown, \$99.5 million was transferred to the budget stabilization fund, pursuant to NDCC Section 54-27.2-02, which provides that any amount in the general fund at the end of a biennium in excess of \$65 million be transferred to the budget stabilization fund. Pursuant to Section 54-27.2-01, the budget stabilization fund is limited to no more than 5 percent of the current biennial general fund appropriations.

⁹In addition to the amount shown, \$100.5 million was transferred to the budget stabilization fund. Pursuant to NDCC Section 54-27.2-01, the budget stabilization fund is limited to no more than 5 percent of the current biennial general fund appropriations. House Bill No. 1429 (2007) changed the 5 percent maximum balance provision and allows a \$200 million balance during the 2007-09 biennium and a maximum balance of 10 percent of appropriations beginning July 1, 2009.

¹⁰In addition to the amount shown, the executive budget anticipates transferring \$111.1 million to the budget stabilization fund. Pursuant to NDCC Section 54-27.2-01, after June 30, 2009, the budget stabilization fund is limited to no more than 10 percent of the biennial general fund appropriations as approved by the most recently adjourned Legislative Assembly.

¹¹The amount shown reflects recommended general fund appropriations for the 2009-11 biennium.