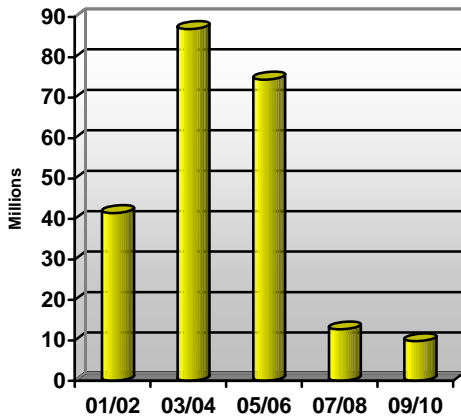


Debt Summary

The County's outstanding debt, which includes general obligation (G.O.) bonds, Public Works Trust Fund loans, and Revenue Bonds totaled \$166.3 million on January 1, 2009.

Bond Sale Proceeds by Year



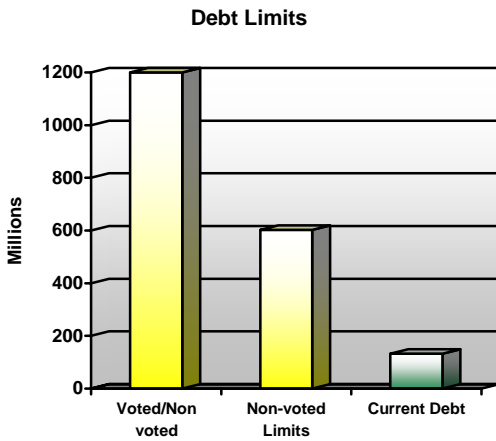
Overview

Clark County periodically issues debt to finance large capital projects. These purchases may involve the purchase of land, the construction of buildings or other improvements, or the development of a major system. The graph to the left shows the actual amount of bonds issued from 2001/02 through 2007/08, and proceeds expected in 2009/10.

The table (below) shows the amount of debt outstanding at the beginning of the year, anticipated debt retirement and new planned debt, and the projected debt position of the County on December 31, 2010, the end of the current biennium. Debt is categorized according to the project or purchase for which it was incurred.

Outstanding Debt, 1-1-09 to 12-31-10 (Thousands)				
	Jan-09 Balance	Retired Debt	New Debt	Dec-10 Balance
General Obligation Debt				
Exhibition Hall	17,555	550	-	17,005
Facilities-Energy Savings Devices	1,588	367	-	1,221
Parks	385	145	-	240
Pepsi Building-Warehouse Space	2,685	165	-	2,520
Assessor/Treasurer computer system	3,355	1,040	-	2,315
VHA Low Income Housing	1,085	410	-	675
Conservation Futures Projects	15,428	1,719	-	13,709
Jail Work Center	5,791	1,205	-	4,586
800 MHZ Communication System	1,700	425	-	1,275
CRESA Motorola equip	1,190	570	-	620
CRESA Building	475	475	-	-
Juvenile Expansion	6,167	1,036	-	5,131
Campus Development	35,310	1,335	-	33,975
Center for Community Health	27,860	1,160	-	26,700
Community Development Remodel	2,805	170	-	2,635
General Equipment	49	10	-	39
Fire/Safety Facility	2,040	300	-	1,740
Tri-Mountain Golf Course	6,640	560	-	6,080
Total General Obligation Debt	132,108	11,642	-	120,466
Other Debt				
Sanitary Wastewater Loans	729	393	-	336
Sanitary Wastewater Revenue	20,750	4,610	-	16,140
Roads-PWTF Loans	12,713	2,291	9,760	20,182
Railroad Loans	26	26	-	-
Total Other Debt	34,218	7,320	9,760	36,658
Total County Debt	166,326	18,962	9,760	157,124

As shown in the table, the total amount of outstanding debt is expected to increase by \$9.8 million during the 2009/2010 biennium. General obligation debt will be reduced \$11.6 million, while other debt will have a net increase of \$2.4 principally to finance the road projects through low interest Public Works Trust Fund loans issued by the State of Washington.



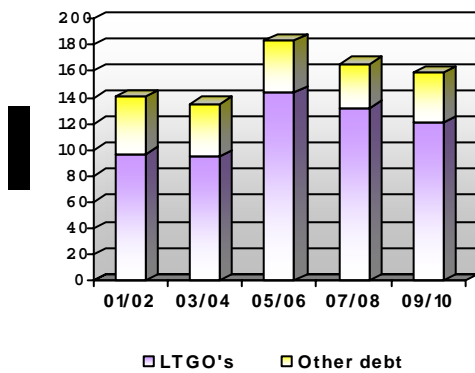
Debt Limit & Carrying Capacity

Washington State law limits the amount of general obligation debt counties may incur. Without an authorizing vote of the citizens, a county may not incur general obligation debt exceeding 1.5 percent of the assessed value of the taxable property within the County. With a vote of its citizens, counties may incur general obligation debt up to 2.5 percent of its assessed taxable value. These limits apply to net general obligation debt, and exclude revenue bonds and other debts not backed by the full taxing authority of the County.

Clark County's assessed taxable value for 2007 was \$48.0 billion, which yields a net non-voted debt limit of \$602.2 million and a voted/non-voted limit of \$1.2 billion. The County's existing general obligation debt totals \$132.1 million as of January 1, 2009, which is well below the non-voted debt limit. As a matter of financial policy, the County has set a goal to maintain debt service costs below 10 percent of external operating revenue. For 2009/10, the annual debt service payment will total approximately 3.2 percent of external operating revenues.

The County has used less than one-third of its non-voted debt limit and debt service costs represent a limited share of total revenues. Overall, the County's debt position is very favorable. The County's bond rating is Moody's Aa3.

Outstanding Principal



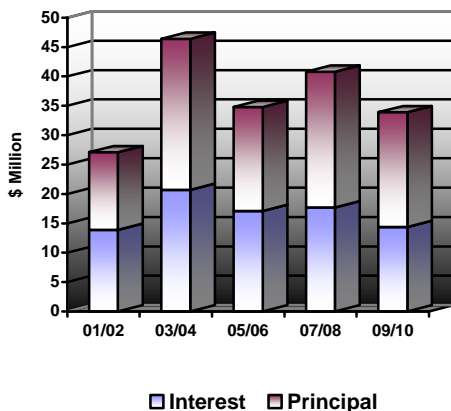
Debt History

Historically, Clark County has maintained a low outstanding principal balance. The County's outstanding principal will decrease over 2009/2010.

Clark County's outstanding principal history since 2001/2002 is displayed in the graph to the left. In 2001/2002, total outstanding debt was \$140.3 million. Of that, \$96.9 million was general obligation debt. The 2001/2002 balance included \$37.1 million in general obligation debt issued to pay for the new Public Service Center. In 2004 and 2005, \$55.6 million in general obligation debt was issued for the Health Building, Exhibit Hall, purchase of the Pepsi building for future jail expansion, the Assessor/ Treasurer system, and Conservation Futures land purchases. Other bonds include \$46 million in revenue bonds for the sewer treatment plant expansion in 1996 and Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF) loans for sewer treatment plant expansions and road construction through this period.

In 2009 the county anticipates the issuance of approximately \$9.7 million in low interest PWTF loans (.5%) for road construction.

Total Debt Payments



Debt Payments

The amount of debt payments scheduled for 2009/2010 is \$33.9 million. The County's total annual debt payments since 2001/2002 is displayed in the graph to the left.

Future Debt Plans

The County is currently planning several road capital projects including expansions of 179th Street, North Orchards, 134th Street, and 119th Street. These projects will depend on available funding and favorable market conditions for issuing bonds.

This section presents a summary of general staffing trends, including the long-term rate of growth and the sources of this growth. The staffing analysis is

Staffing Analysis

Staffing (FTEs) by Function

Law & Justice.....	839.25
Public Works	273.90
General Government	201.25
Internal Support	137.30
Community Services	104.00
Community Development.....	98.50
Public Health.....	82.60
Fiscal Entities.....	14.00
Total Staff (FTEs)	1,750.80

included in the Financial Section of the document to acknowledge the clear link between staffing increases and the County’s current and future operating budgets. Detailed information about staffing changes within individual departments appear in the Program Section. Finally, data on the staffing of specific departments appear in Appendix 2.

Clark County's 2009/2010 biennial budget includes 1,750 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff positions. The table to the left shows the allocation of these positions among the eight County functions that contain staff positions. As has been the case for the last five years, about 48 percent of all County staff are assigned to the Law & Justice function.

Change in Staffing from 03/04 to 09/10

In the six years from 03/04 to the end of the biennial budget, the total number of budgeted County staff positions have increased by 72 FTE, or about 0.7 percent per year. The total population of the County grew by approximately 2.5 percent per year over the same period. Growth in FTE’s has historically increased at the rate of population growth. Total FTE’s in 03/04 were 1,679 growing to 1,900 in 2007/08 for an increase of 3.1 percent. However, the 2009/10 budget reflects a reduction of 150 FTE’s reflecting the recent downturn in the economy.

The paragraphs which follow provide a brief overview of departments that have experienced an increase/decrease in staffing and the reasons for the change.

Health Department

Decrease in Staffing from 03/04-09/10 .. -43.6 FTEs
 Percent of Total FTE Increase.. -60.8 percent

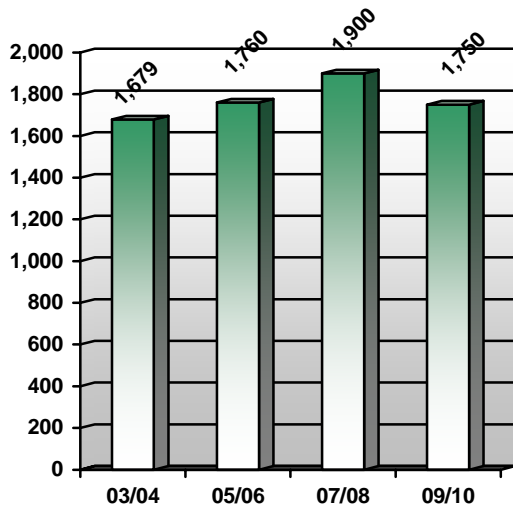
The Health Department staffing reflects a net reduction of 43.6 FTE since 2003/04. However, most of the reduction occurred in the 2009/10 budget. To meet decreased local, state, and federal funding, much of the departments direct services will be transitioned to non-profit agencies. This reduction results in the loss of one third of the departments total staffing

Sheriff’s Office

Increase in Staffing from 03/04-09/10 ... 43.2 FTEs
 Percent of Total FTE Increase.. 60.3 percent

Increases include the addition of 25 staff in 2005. Fifteen of those were funded through the state Department of Corrections most of which were for the jail. Ten positions were added for enforcement. In addition, twelve enforcement officers were added in 2007 and were funded through an additional 1/10th of one percent sales tax. The 2009/10 budget reflects a net decrease of thirteen FTE’s due to budget constraints.

Staffing History



Other Law & Justice departments

Increase in Staffing from 03/04-09/10 ... 34.72 FTEs
Percent of Total FTE Increase.. 48.40 percent

The county has expanded the number of FTE's within Law & Justice area. Besides the Sheriff's Office noted above, other departments include Clerk (9.0 FTE), Juvenile (2.0 FTE), Prosecuting Attorney's Office (5.25 FTE), Superior Court (8.37 FTE), others (10.1 FTE). Noted changes include the addition of the eighth and ninth Superior Court judges and a court commissioner in 2007. District Court added a judge. The 2009/10 budget reflects a net reduction of 11.75 FTE due to budget constraints.

Community Services

Increase in Staffing from 03/04-09/10 ... 33.50 FTEs
Percent of Total FTE Increase.. 46.70 percent

Community Services encompasses the county's social service programs. These programs are almost entirely funded by state and federal grants and by legally dedicated revenues. The growth in staffing reflects the expanded function of providing these services on a regional basis. Formally call the Clark County Regional Support Network, the CCRSN is responsible for managing mental health services in Clark County for all Medicaid clients, as well as individuals with severe mental illness.

Community Development

Increase in Staffing from 03/04-09/10 ... -47.50 FTEs
Percent of Total FTE Increase.. -66.30 percent

The Community Development department mostly has grown as a result of the state Growth Management Act and increased workload. Within the department fifteen new building inspectors were added in response to increased construction activity and ten customer service representatives were added between 2003 and 2007. However, Community Development activity is closely related to development activity. For 2009, staffing levels were reduced to reflect the downturn in the economy. In addition, the Long Range Planning division was moved from the department as placed under the County Administrator.

Other Staffing Increases

Increase in Staffing from 03/04-09/10 ... 50.95 FTEs
Percent of Total FTE Increase.. 71.10 percent

Other staffing increases are spread across a number of other departments with most of the change reflected by changes in Public Works (16.9 FTE), Community Planning (12.5 FTE), Treasurer Office (6.5 FTE), and internal support (7.55 FTE).