State Auditor Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Brief Summary

Information contained in this document is based on the Governor's FY2026 Budget and may not correspond with the final budget adopted by the Legislature.

Source of Funds

Distribution of General Funds



Key Personnel

- Rich Sattgast, State Auditor
- Jenna Latham, Audit Supervisor

- Rik Drewes, Deputy State Auditor
- Peggy Livingston, Accounting Supervisor/Contracts Manager

Megan Hansen, Payroll Supervisor

• Stephanie Poppen, State Social Security Administrator

Mission of the State Auditor

To preaudit all claims against the state, issue warrants, administer state employee payroll, record and monitor all fund balances and all fund transfers; to reconcile fund balances and submit numerous reports to agencies on the state's financial condition as set forth by the rules of the State Auditor, the State Board of Finance, and of other state agencies; to deposit with the Internal Revenue Service, the social security and federal income taxes withheld from employees of the state of South Dakota and the state universities in a proper and timely manner; to audit and correct all wage data and social security records of the employees of the state of South Dakota, state universities, and over 700 governmental subdivisions, including counties, cities, school districts, townships and water districts; and, to serve as a repository for W-2s for state employees.

LEGAL CITATION: South Dakota Constitution, Article IV, Section 7, SDCL 4-9-2, 4-9-7, 4-10-5, and 3-11-3, 3-11-7.

• State Auditor (3300)

State Auditor Bu	dget Request						
By Fund Category	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2024 Budget Revised	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2026 Agency Request	FY 2026 Governors Recommended	Change From FY2025
General	\$1,473,915	\$1,599,397	\$1,653,653	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$0
Federal	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$1,473,915	\$1,599,397	\$1,653,653	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$0
By Program	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2024 Budget Revised	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2026 Agency Request	FY 2026 Governors Recommended	Change From FY2025
State Auditor	\$1,473,915	\$1,599,397	\$1,653,653	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$0
Total	\$1,473,915	\$1,599,397	\$1,653,653	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$0
By Object Expenditure Personnel Costs	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2024 Budget Revised	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2026 Agency Request	FY 2026 Governors Recommended	Change From FY2025
	\$1,296,208	\$1,389,470	\$1,442,301	\$1,574,757	\$1,574,757	\$1,574,757	\$0
Salaries	\$1,004,177	\$1,075,084	\$1,104,170	\$1,219,645	\$1,219,645	\$1,219,645	\$0
Benefits	\$292,032	\$314,386	\$338,131	\$355,112	\$355,112	\$355,112	\$0
Operating Expenditures	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2024 Budget Revised	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2026 Agency Request	FY 2026 Governors Recommended	Change From FY2025
	\$177,707	\$209,927	\$211,352	\$215,011	\$215,011	\$215,011	\$0
Travel	\$1,376	\$632	\$12,843	\$13,211	\$13,211	\$13,211	\$0
Contractual Services	\$121,993	\$145,020	\$153,864	\$157,155	\$157,155	\$157,155	\$0
Supplies	\$36,765	\$37,178	\$37,013	\$37,013	\$37,013	\$37,013	\$0
Capital Outlay	\$17,573	\$27,097	\$7,632	\$7,632	\$7,632	\$7,632	\$0
Total	\$1,473,915	\$1,599,397	\$1,653,653	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$1,789,768	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)	16.0	15.72	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	0.00

Funding Sources (Governor's Recommended)										
	General	Federal	Other	General%	Federal%	Other%				
STATE GENERAL FUND	\$1,789,768	\$0	\$0	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%				