

DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT AND CONTROL

MISSION

The Department of Audit and Control was created in 1926 and is headed by the State Comptroller, who is elected by the people. The Department is responsible for paying the State's bills and payrolls; verifying all financial transactions of the State; reviewing the financial and management practices of State agencies; supervising the fiscal affairs of local governments; investing State funds and issuing bonds and notes; and administering the retirement program for State and most local government employees.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

The operations of the Department of Audit and Control are organized into eleven programs, with its main office in Albany and regional offices in New York City, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Binghamton, Glens Falls, Newburgh and Hauppauge. These regional offices function primarily as decentralized audit centers, providing financial review of the accounting of revenues collected and expenses incurred by counties, cities, towns and villages, school and fire districts and quasi-governmental entities.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The Executive Budget recommends **284.3 million** All Funds (\$157.8 million General Fund; \$101.4 million Fiduciary Fund; \$6.6 million Internal Service Fund; \$18.5 million Other Funds) for the Department of Audit and Control, a decrease of **\$4.1 million (-1.4 percent)** from 2010-11. This decrease is the net result of a \$13.9 million, or 10 percent, decrease in the General Fund; and an increase of \$9.8 million in Other Funds. Executive Budget appropriations support a workforce of up to **2,529 FTEs**, which reflects the transfer of 23 positions to the Statewide Financial System Project.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS.

- The Executive Direction, Legal Services, Administration and the Chief Information Office programs are responsible for the public information, internal audit, fiscal research, IT operations, financial administration, legal, office services, management analysis and human resource functions of the Department.
- The Office of Operations provides accounting and financial reporting services, audits State contracts, expenditures and payrolls prior to payment, carries out the mandates of the Abandoned Property Law by safeguarding lost assets belonging to residents, maintains the State's current Central Accounting System, and has worked with the Executive to consolidate the FOCAS and NYFMS projects into a single statewide financial system. The Office is also responsible for the VendRep system, which was established to promote State agency and Office of the State Comptroller due diligence in assessing the responsibility of vendors with whom the State contracts.
- The State and Local Government Accountability program provides oversight through audits of all State and local government agencies, authorities and special purpose entities. The program conducts about 200 independent audits of New York State agencies, public authorities, and New York City agencies. These audits are intended to enhance public accountability and improve the efficiency

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and effectiveness of State and city government operations. It collects and reviews local government financial data, provides training programs and support services for local financial officials, and publishes research and analysis on a variety of local government policy issues. The Office is comprised of the Divisions of State Government Accountability and Local Government and School Accountability.

- The Office of the State Deputy Comptroller for the City of New York assists the New York State Financial Control Board in carrying out and exercising the responsibilities assigned, and powers granted, to the Board by the Financial Emergency Act for the City of New York. The Retirement Services program administers the State Retirement Systems, consisting of the Employees' Retirement System, the Police and Fire Retirement System and the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan. Currently, there are about 3,000 participating government employers, approximately 679,200 active and vested members and approximately 375,800 pensioners and their beneficiaries.
- The Pension Investment and Public Finance program, in addition to overseeing the assets of the Retirement Systems, issues general obligation debt, invests short-term moneys for the State and local governments and selects financial institutions to provide banking services to the State.
- Under Chapter 845 of the Laws of 1977, the Comptroller administers the New York State Environmental Protection and Oil Spill Compensation Fund. Costs associated with cleaning up oil spills are paid from the fund upon certification of the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation. Moneys in this fund consist of receipts from a fee levied on each barrel of petroleum shipped into the State.

ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Category	Available 2010-11	Appropriations Recommended 2011-12	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2011-12
State Operations	256,429,000	252,308,000	(4,121,000)	0
Aid To Localities	32,025,000	32,025,000	0	0
Capital Projects	0	0	0	0
Total	288,454,000	284,333,000	(4,121,000)	0

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ALL FUND TYPES PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Program	Full-Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)		
	2010-11 Estimated FTEs 03/31/11	2011-12 Estimated FTEs 03/31/12	FTE Change
Administration Program			
General Fund	115	115	0
Chief Information Office			
General Fund	168	168	0
Environmental Protection and Spill			
Compensation			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	6	6	0
Executive Direction			
General Fund	98	98	0
Internal Service Funds	13	13	0
Pension Investment and Public Finance			
Program			
General Fund	5	5	0
Fiduciary Funds	54	54	0
Legal Services			
General Fund	58	58	0
State Services Program			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	8	8	0
Internal Service Funds	11	11	0
Retirement Services Program			
Fiduciary Funds	850	850	0
Office of the Special Deputy Comptroller for			
New York City			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	28	28	0
State and Local Accountability			
General Fund	538	538	0
State Operations			
General Fund	600	577	(23)
Total	<u>2,552</u>	<u>2,529</u>	<u>(23)</u>

The above table does not reflect layoffs that may be necessary in the absence of negotiated workforce savings.

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
General Fund	139,773,000	125,801,000	(13,972,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	11,008,000	18,508,000	7,500,000
Internal Service Funds	4,258,000	6,609,000	2,351,000
Fiduciary Funds	101,390,000	101,390,000	0
Total	<u>256,429,000</u>	<u>252,308,000</u>	<u>(4,121,000)</u>
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) To			
Statewide Financial System			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,684,000		
Appropriated 2010-11	<u>258,113,000</u>		

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STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
Administration Program			
General Fund	12,572,000	11,315,000	(1,257,000)
Chief Information Office			
General Fund	19,453,000	17,509,000	(1,944,000)
Internal Service Funds	0	2,351,000	2,351,000
Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	1,018,000	1,018,000	0
Executive Direction			
General Fund	8,759,000	7,885,000	(874,000)
Internal Service Funds	1,868,000	1,868,000	0
Pension Investment and Public Finance Program			
General Fund	756,000	681,000	(75,000)
Internal Service Funds	2,240,000	2,240,000	0
Fiduciary Funds	11,288,000	11,288,000	0
Legal Services			
General Fund	6,308,000	5,677,000	(631,000)
Retirement Services Program			
Fiduciary Funds	90,102,000	90,102,000	0
Office of the Special Deputy Comptroller for New York City			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	4,397,000	4,397,000	0
State and Local Accountability			
General Fund	43,993,000	39,594,000	(4,399,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	491,000	491,000	0
State Operations			
General Fund	47,932,000	43,140,000	(4,792,000)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	5,102,000	12,602,000	7,500,000
Internal Service Funds	150,000	150,000	0
Total	256,429,000	252,308,000	(4,121,000)

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2011-12 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration Program	6,547,000	(727,000)	6,412,000	(712,000)
Chief Information Office	12,891,000	(1,432,000)	12,441,000	(1,382,000)
Executive Direction	7,095,000	(787,000)	7,013,000	(779,000)
Pension Investment and Public Finance Program	505,000	(56,000)	502,000	(56,000)
Legal Services	5,339,000	(593,000)	5,276,000	(586,000)
State and Local Accountability	35,169,000	(3,907,000)	34,741,000	(3,860,000)
State Operations	33,339,000	(3,703,000)	32,063,000	(3,562,000)
Total	100,885,000	(11,205,000)	98,448,000	(10,937,000)

Program	Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)		Holiday/Overtime Pay	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration Program	45,000	(5,000)	90,000	(10,000)
Chief Information Office	270,000	(30,000)	180,000	(20,000)
Executive Direction	68,000	(7,000)	14,000	(1,000)
Pension Investment and Public Finance Program	3,000	0	0	0
Legal Services	45,000	(5,000)	18,000	(2,000)
State and Local Accountability	248,000	(27,000)	180,000	(20,000)
State Operations	428,000	(47,000)	848,000	(94,000)
Total	1,107,000	(121,000)	1,330,000	(147,000)

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STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2011-12 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Supplies and Materials	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration Program	4,768,000	(530,000)	311,000	(35,000)
Chief Information Office	4,618,000	(512,000)	495,000	(55,000)
Executive Direction	790,000	(87,000)	67,000	(7,000)
Pension Investment and Public Finance Program	176,000	(19,000)	11,000	(1,000)
Legal Services	338,000	(38,000)	60,000	(7,000)
State and Local Accountability	4,425,000	(492,000)	185,000	(21,000)
State Operations	9,801,000	(1,089,000)	412,000	(46,000)
Total	24,916,000	(2,767,000)	1,541,000	(172,000)

Program	Travel		Contractual Services	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Administration Program	181,000	(20,000)	4,143,000	(460,000)
Chief Information Office	113,000	(12,000)	2,759,000	(306,000)
Executive Direction	82,000	(9,000)	614,000	(68,000)
Pension Investment and Public Finance Program	19,000	(2,000)	116,000	(13,000)
Legal Services	66,000	(7,000)	194,000	(22,000)
State and Local Accountability	2,665,000	(296,000)	1,297,000	(144,000)
State Operations	360,000	(40,000)	5,995,000	(666,000)
Total	3,486,000	(386,000)	15,118,000	(1,679,000)

Program	Equipment	
	Amount	Change
Administration Program	133,000	(15,000)
Chief Information Office	1,251,000	(139,000)
Executive Direction	27,000	(3,000)
Pension Investment and Public Finance Program	30,000	(3,000)
Legal Services	18,000	(2,000)
State and Local Accountability	278,000	(31,000)
State Operations	3,034,000	(337,000)
Total	4,771,000	(530,000)

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STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2011-12 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

Program	Total		Personal Service	
	Amount	Change	Amount	Change
Chief Information Office	2,351,000	2,351,000	946,000	946,000
Environmental Protection and Spill				
Compensation	1,018,000	0	523,000	0
Executive Direction	1,868,000	0	1,201,000	0
Pension Investment and Public Finance				
Program	13,528,000	0	6,696,000	0
Retirement Services Program	90,102,000	0	44,449,000	0
Office of the Special Deputy Comptroller for				
New York City	4,397,000	0	2,759,000	0
State and Local Accountability	491,000	0	270,000	0
State Operations	12,752,000	7,500,000	4,568,000	4,500,000
Total	<u>126,507,000</u>	<u>9,851,000</u>	<u>61,412,000</u>	<u>5,446,000</u>

Program	Nonpersonal Service	
	Amount	Change
Chief Information Office	1,405,000	1,405,000
Environmental Protection and Spill		
Compensation	495,000	0
Executive Direction	667,000	0
Pension Investment and Public Finance		
Program	6,832,000	0
Retirement Services Program	45,653,000	0
Office of the Special Deputy Comptroller for		
New York City	1,638,000	0
State and Local Accountability	221,000	0
State Operations	8,184,000	3,000,000
Total	<u>65,095,000</u>	<u>4,405,000</u>

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
General Fund	32,025,000	32,025,000	0
Total	<u>32,025,000</u>	<u>32,025,000</u>	<u>0</u>

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Program	Available 2010-11	Recommended 2011-12	Change
State Operations			
General Fund	32,025,000	32,025,000	0
Total	<u>32,025,000</u>	<u>32,025,000</u>	<u>0</u>