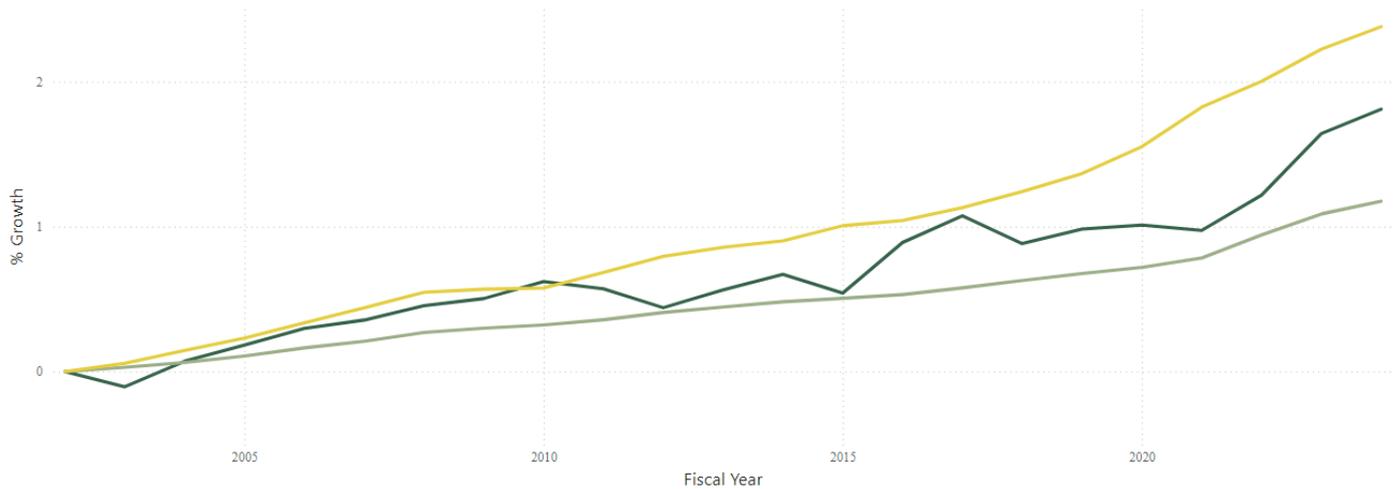


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The chart shows the growth in state resource expenditures compared to the growth in personal income and growth in inflation.

● State Resources Growth ● CPI Adjusted for Population ● MT Personal Income Growth



This report includes a series of charts that compare state resource expenditure growth to the growth in personal and growth in inflation adjusted for population. Montana statute, 17-8-106, MCA, recommends using growth in personal income for comparison purposes. Personal income is a measure for growth in the economy. Comparing growth allows financial planners to consider past and future demands in services or changes in revenues.

Expenditures of state resources has grown at an annual rate of 3.6% over the last twenty-two years. Payments for hail insurance claims totaled \$10.6 million in FY 2008 and \$14.6 million in FY 2014. Statutory expenditures in the 2017 biennium for pulse crop research and marketing totaled \$4.7 million. Expenditures of federal covid relief funds for meat processing infrastructure and agricultural programs starting in FY 2020 increase expenditure growth to 8.7% over the last four years.

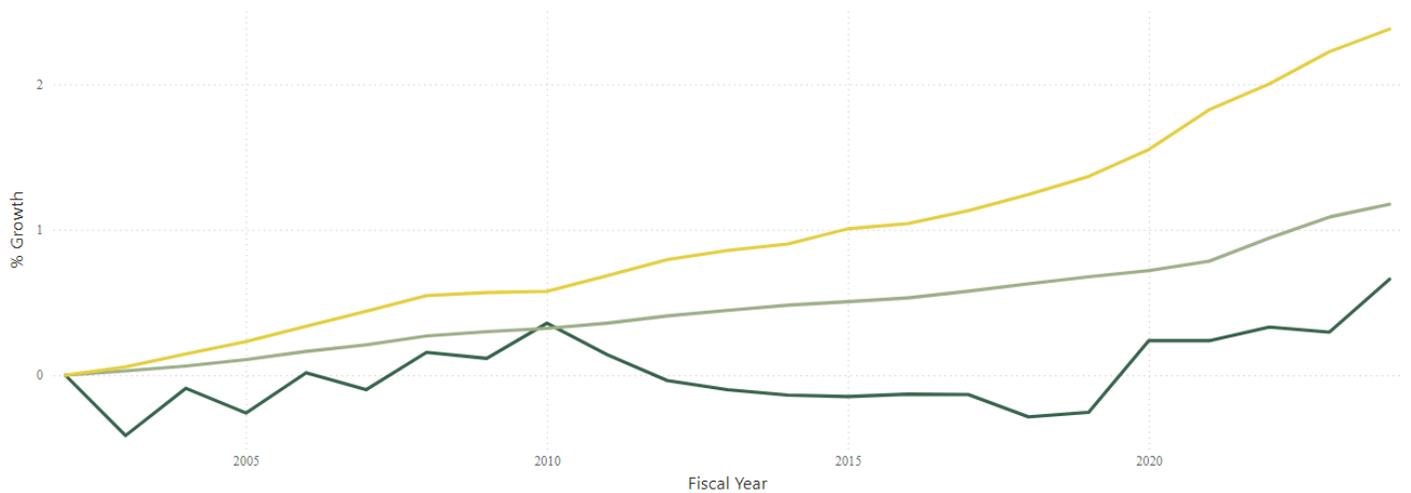
Over the period of this report expenditures have shifted from general fund and state special revenue to federal funds. In FY 2002 the general fund and state special revenue accounted for 87.0% of expenditures, in FY 2024 these funding sources account for 73.0% of expenditures.



General Fund Only

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Expenditures of general fund have grown 2.3% annual rate over the period of the chart, less than the annual rate of inflation of 3.6% over the same period. Over the years about 52.9% of general fund expenditures are statutorily appropriated for growth through agriculture programs, Montana food and agriculture development programs, and cooperative development centers. The general fund also supports personal services, administrative, maintenance, and operational costs.

State Special Only

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Expenditures of state special revenues have grown from 57.3% of total expenditures in FY 2002, to 65.9% in FY 2022. Over the last five biennia, 85.0% of state special revenue was appropriated through HB 2. Expenditure supported by statutory authority account for 9.0% of the total supporting agricultural development programs including growth through agriculture.

