

2025 PROJECTED NY COUNTIES PER RESIDENT SPENDING

The following table ranks all 57 New York State Counties (excluding NYC) based on projected 2025 spending per resident, from lowest to highest. The budget amounts are the 2025 Tentative Budgets recently released by each County.

RANK	COUNTY	POPULATION	2025 TENT. BUDGET	\$ PER RESIDENT
1	Saratoga	238,954	\$432,639,350	\$1,810
2	Monroe	746,077	\$1,538,114,413	\$2,061
3	Erie	943,871	\$1,968,183,452	\$2,085
4	Putnam	98,060	\$205,106,190	\$2,091
5	Dutchess	295,911	\$627,000,000	\$2,118
6	Tioga	47,664	\$103,259,946	\$2,166
7	Niagara	208,447	\$466,900,000	\$2,239
8	Oswego	118,085	\$266,029,338	\$2,252
9	Yates	24,442	\$56,110,482	\$2,295
10	Lewis	26,699	\$63,000,000	\$2,359
11	Ulster	182,346	\$ 432,000,000	\$2,369
12	Washington	59,284	\$141,398,477	\$2,385
13	Herkimer	59,384	\$142,323,060	\$2,396
14	Otsego	59,843	\$144,367,585	\$2,412
15	Orange	408,449	\$987,335,559	\$2,417
16	Oneida	226,752	\$549,872,906	\$2,424
17	Chautauqua	124,438	\$301,900,000	\$2,426
18	Broome	194,896	\$473,652,419	\$2,430
19	Tompkins	102,817	\$252,300,000	\$2,453
20	Madison	66,788	\$165,774,500	\$2,482
21	Fulton	52,212	\$130,106,593	\$2,491
22	Chenango	45,509	\$113,550,856	\$2,495
23	Westchester	989,898	\$2,480,520,681	\$2,505
24	Wayne	90,700	\$228,224,133	\$2,516
25	Rockland	341,257	\$876,044,570	\$2,567
26	Orleans	39,085	\$100,400,000	\$2,568
27	Clinton	78,193	\$201,464,617	\$2,576
28	Cayuga	74,291	\$192,502,129	\$2,591
29	Suffolk	1,518,366	\$4,044,300,000	\$2,663
30	Rensselaer	159,189	\$424,161,147	\$2,664
31	Albany	317,397	\$847,000,000	\$2,668
32	Schenectady	160,110	\$429,613,700	\$2,683
33	Steuben	91,819	\$259,696,215	\$2,828
34	Jefferson	114,113	\$ 324,000,000	\$2,839
35	St. Lawrence	106,791	\$304,700,000	\$2,853

36	Cortland	45,423	\$130,513,453	\$2,873
37	Greene	46,779	\$136,082,679	\$2,909
38	Delaware	44,046	\$129,602,927	\$2,942
39	Franklin	46,611	\$139,114,539	\$2,984
40	Ontario	112,507	\$337,757,775	\$3,002
41	Seneca	32,112	\$96,436,648	\$3,003
42	Columbia	59,832	\$179,946,348	\$3,007
43	Nassau	1,378,136	\$4,200,000,000	\$3,047
44	Warren	65,333	\$207,100,000	\$3,169
45	Montgomery	49,403	\$157,690,228	\$3,191
46	Genesee	57,660	\$189,249,435	\$3,282
47	Schoharie	30,119	\$99,387,309	\$3,299
48	Allegany	46,576	\$154,310,628	\$3,313
49	Onondaga	466,018	\$1,562,018,385	\$3,351
50	Chemung	81,009	\$289,140,902	\$3,569
51	Essex	36,787	\$131,817,715	\$3,583
52	Livingston	60,976	\$226,276,050	\$3,710
53	Sullivan	80,105	\$301,002,983	\$3,757
54	Schuyler	17,405	\$66,726,085	\$3,833
55	Cattaraugus	75,150	\$293,738,000	\$3,908
56	Wyoming	39,463	\$193,602,612	\$4,905
57	Hamilton	5,043	\$26,467,432	\$5,248
	TOTALS	11,288,630	\$29,521,534,451	\$2,615 Average

Saratoga County Notes:

- Saratoga County's Per Resident Spend Rate (\$1,810) is 13.8% lower than the next lowest (Monroe) county's rate (\$2,061).
- Saratoga County's Per Resident Spend Rate is 44.5% lower than the average rate for all 57 NY counties.
- Saratoga County provides homeowners with the lowest property tax rate amongst all Upstate counties at \$1.87 per \$1,000 of assessed value.
- Saratoga County has historically been challenged to remain within the Tax Cap since its inception. With the lowest per capita spending in NYS, the tax levy is low, which equates to a smaller amount of increase allowed annually per the Tax Cap in comparison to other counties.

New York State Tax Cap & Unfunded Mandates:

- The State's 2% Tax Cap, enacted in 2011, limits the rate at which property taxes rise in the counties outside New York City.
- This, coupled with rising inflation and unfunded mandates pushed down to counties, makes it increasingly difficult for local governments to leverage limited resources.
- The burden of unfunded mandates was further strained in 2024 when the State shifted federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage payments from localities to its own coffers.

This information was prepared by Saratoga County, December 2024. Tentative budget estimates are from publicly released information by each county. The population numbers are estimated by NCH Stats for 2024 and can be found at <https://nchstats.com/new-york-population/>.