

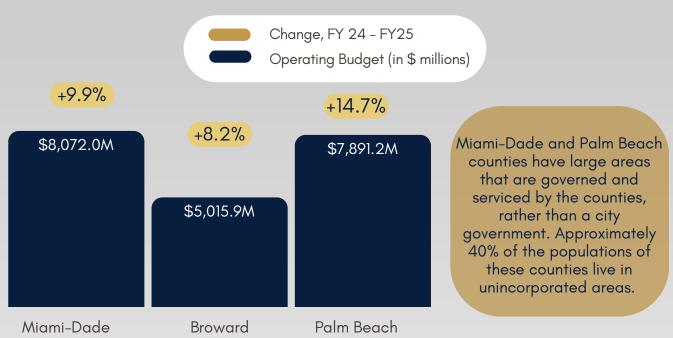
WHERE THE MONEY IS GOING:

An Overview of Budgets, Staffing, and Revenues in Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach County Governments



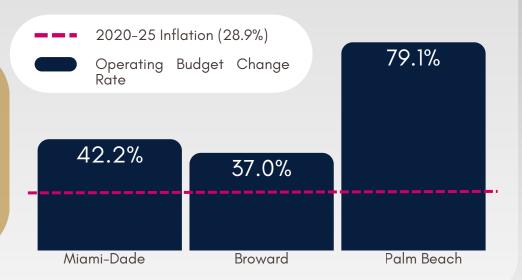
COUNTY BUDGETS 2024-2025

Operating Budget Size and Change from FY24 - FY25

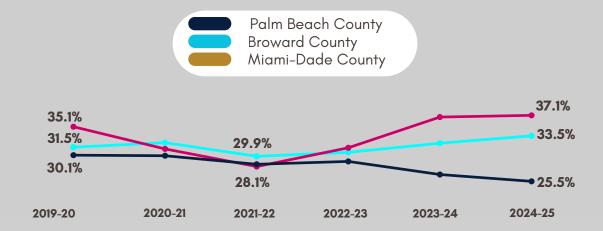


Operating Budget Increase v. Inflation Rate (FY20-25)

Budgets rose faster than the South Florida inflation average (28.9%) in every county. This suggests growth beyond simple price pressures, driven by service expansion, wage adjustments, capital paygo, and non-tax revenues tied to activity (airports, ports, utilities).

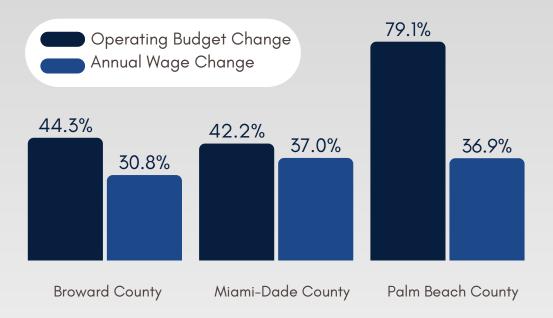


Property Tax as Percentage of Operating Budget, FY20 - FY25



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Population Increase vs Personnel Change 2020-2025



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Sources: County Budgets and QCEW, Florida Department of Commerce





RELIANCE ON PROPERTY TAXES (% OF OPERATING BUDGET, FY 20-25)

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2019-20 2020-21 2021-22 2022-23 2023-24 2024-25

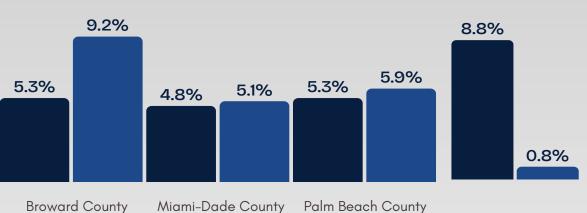
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OPERATING BUDGET GROWTH V. RESIDENT WAGE GROWTH (FY20-25)

Budget Increases vs. Resident Income Changes 2020-2025





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