



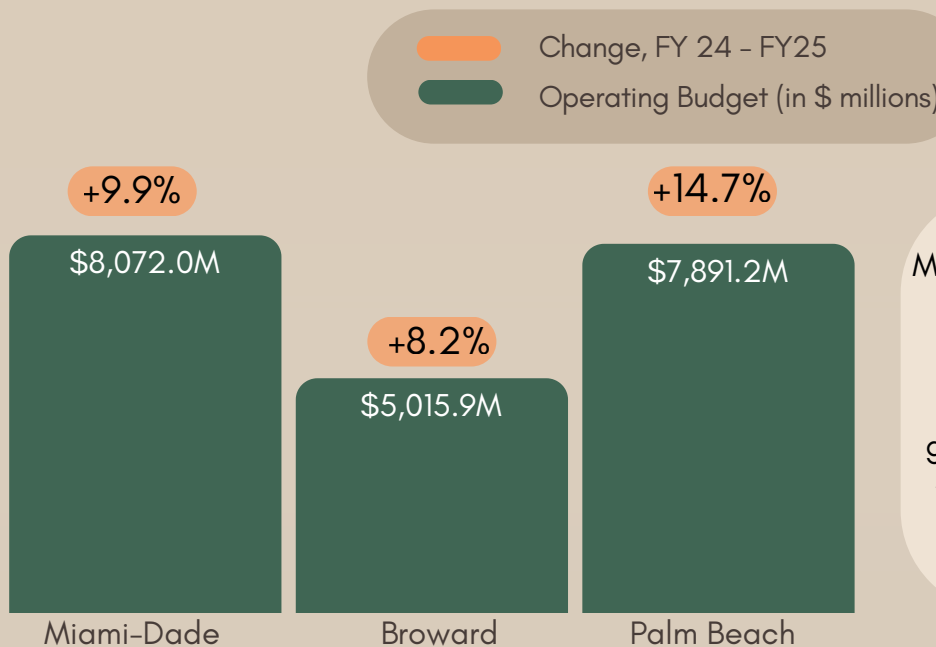
WHERE THE MONEY IS GOING:

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



COUNTY BUDGETS 2024-2025

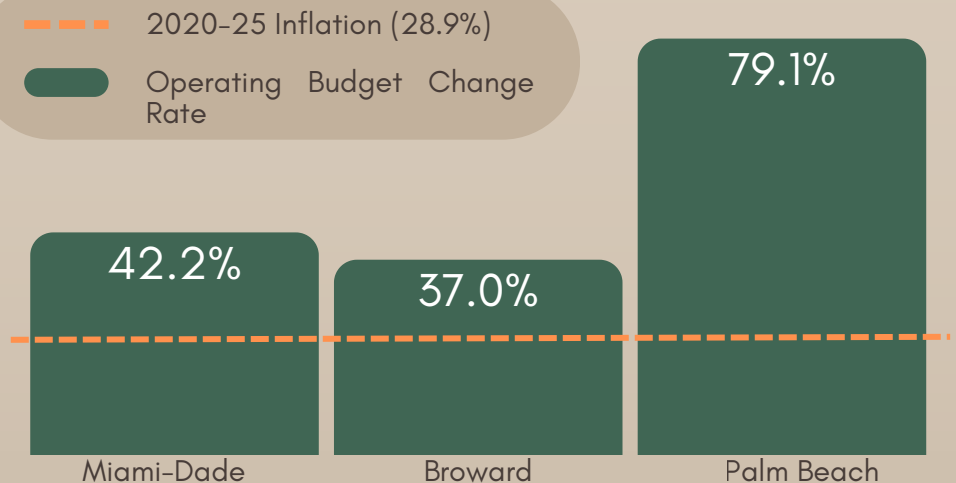
Operating Budget Size and Change from FY24 - FY25



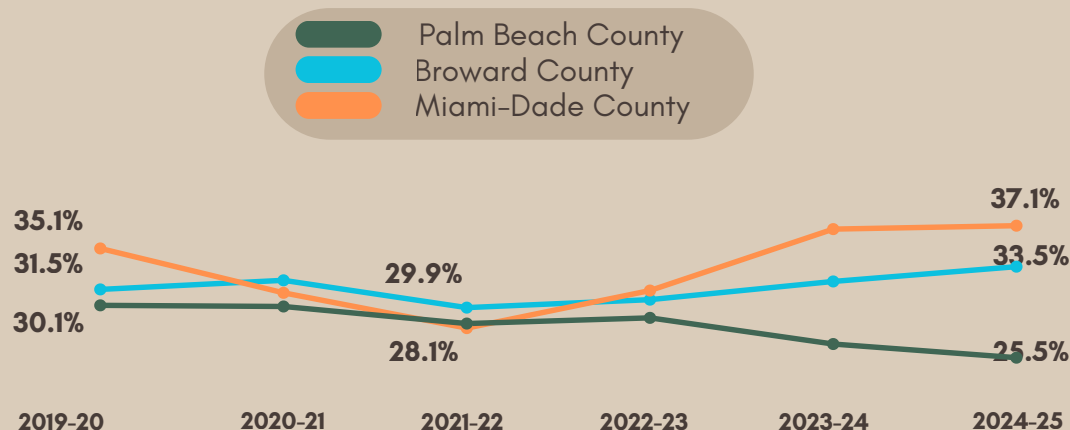
Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties have large areas that are governed and serviced by the counties, rather than a city government. Approximately 40% of the populations of these counties live in unincorporated areas.

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 pay-go, and non-tax revenues tied to activity (airports, ports, utilities).

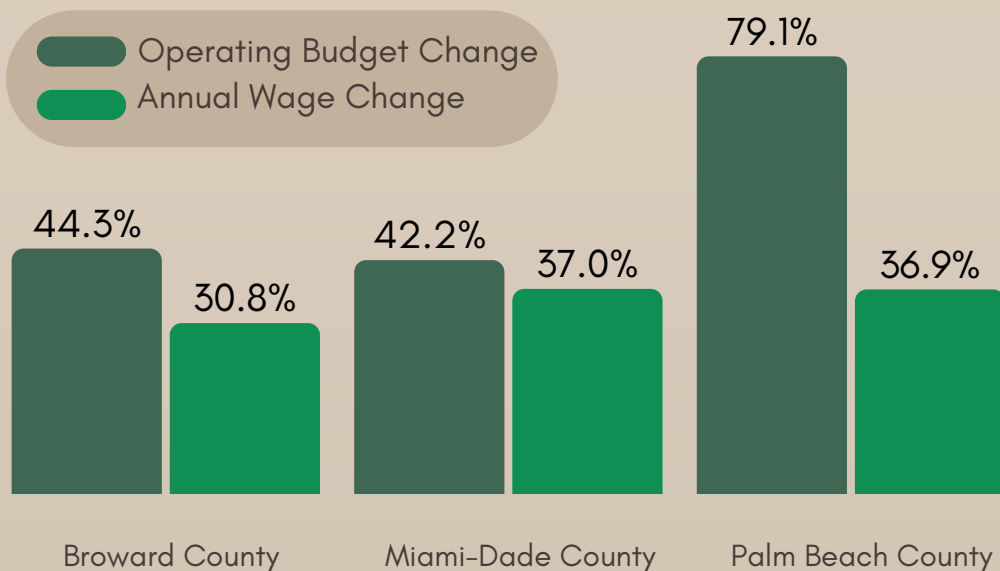


Property Tax as Percentage of Operating Budget, FY20 - FY25



Miami-Dade County is the most property tax-dependent, while Palm Beach's reliance on property taxes has decreased.

Budget Increases vs. Resident Income Changes 2020-2025



Budget growth outpaced wage growth in every county. The gap between public spending and personal earnings was the largest in Palm Beach County.