

Board Bulletin

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Jail Overcrowding Update

As of Thursday, January 11, there are currently forty-six (46) inmates being housed out-of-county due to overcrowding in the jail facility. Below please find a summary of the monthly charges the County has incurred for housing inmates out-of-county due to overcrowding in FY 2023-2024.

Please note, some inmates are sent to the Central Prison in Raleigh for "safe-keeping" or medical reasons. These inmates have been excluded from the out-of-county expense data below, given Stanly County budgets for these inmates that require "safe-keeping" or special medical attention on an annual basis.

Month	Out-of-County Charges		
July 2023	\$23,030		
August 2023	\$13,860		
September 2023	\$8,610		
October 2023	\$6,510		
November 2023	\$39,145		
December 2023	No Bills Received as of 1/11/24		
TOTAL (FYTD)	\$91,155		

As context, below please find a chart with the total inmates booked into the Jail facility, average daily population and average length of stay between July and December the past six (6) fiscal years.

Fiscal Year (July-Dec.)	Total Booked	Avg. Daily Population	Avg. Length of Stay (days)
FY 2018-2019	1,540	131.9	16.1
FY 2019-2020	1,309	148.9	23.1
FY 2020-2021	733	123.5	31.2
FY 2021-2022	792	159.5*	37.8*
FY 2022-2023	655	147.9*	42.5*
FY 2023-2024	698	137.7*	36.4*

^{*} Only includes those housed in the Stanly County jail, not those sent out-of-county due to overcrowding.

FY 23-24 Sales Tax Summary

Sales tax revenue for October (January 2024 report) was \$193,851 (13%) more than September (December 2023 report). Statewide sales tax revenue increased by 1.9% in October as compared to September 2023.

Sales tax revenue for October 2023 was \$223,399 (16%) higher than the same revenue source in October 2022. Stanly County's year-over-year sales tax increase of 16% significantly exceeds the statewide year-over-year increase of 1.5% during the month of October.

Property Tax Collections Update

As of December 31 the real property tax collection rate was 85.91%. This rate is 2.86 percentage points higher than the reported rate at the end of December 2022.

Below please find the December 2023 real property tax collection rate in comparison to the same time period the prior four (4) fiscal years:



