

FINANCIAL STATE OF IRVINE

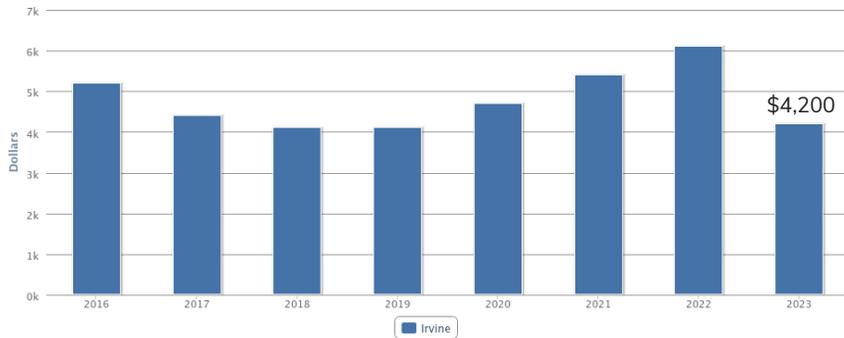


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MONEY AVAILABLE TO PAY FUTURE BILLS

 **\$4,200**
TAXPAYER SURPLUS™

Irvine’s financial condition worsened, but based on our analysis of its audited financial report for fiscal year 2023, it still had \$510.7 million available to cover future bills, resulting in a Taxpayer Surplus™ of \$4,200. Even with this downturn, the city earned a “B” grade from Truth in Accounting and maintained its status as a Sunshine City.

Taxpayer Surplus (Burden)™



Irvine’s financial condition weakened, though the city maintained sufficient funds to meet its obligations, including pension liabilities. The decline was primarily due to an increase in its net pension liability, measured using year-old data when investments experienced unrealized losses and a reduction in the interest rate used to estimate the funds that need to be set aside now to pay promised benefits.

The use of outdated pension data clouded the city’s financial condition and contradicts the principle that financial statements should reflect finances at a specific point in time. On a positive note, sales tax revenues rose 12.2% to \$94.2 million, and property tax revenue grew 6.5% to \$90.8 million, driven by increased consumer spending and rising property values.

The data included in this report is derived from Irvine’s 2023 audited Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and retirement plans’ reports. To compare prior years and other states’ and cities’ financial, demographic, and economic information, go to Data-Z.org.

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 **B**
FINANCIAL GRADE

 **3 out of 75**
RANKING

FINANCIAL FACTS

- Irvine had \$1.1 billion available to pay \$636.3 million worth of bills.
- The outcome was a \$510.7 million surplus, which breaks down to \$4,200 per taxpayer.
- Based on outdated pension data, Irvine’s financial condition weakened, but the city had sufficient resources to meet long-term obligations.

The City’s Assets Exceeded Its Bills

Total Assets	\$4,420,064,000
Minus: Capital Assets	-\$1,965,007,000
Restricted Assets	-\$1,308,030,000
Assets Available to Pay Bills	\$1,147,027,000
Minus: Total Bills*	-\$636,344,000
Money available to pay future bills	\$510,683,000
Each taxpayer’s share of this surplus	\$4,200

*Breakdown of Total Bills

Bonds	\$333,668,000
Other Liabilities	\$145,471,000
Minus: Debt Related to Capital Assets	-\$20,765,000
Unfunded Pension Benefits	\$168,966,000
Unfunded Retiree Health Care Benefits	\$9,004,000
Total Bills	\$636,344,000

Grade:	Bottom line:
B	Irvine had more than enough money to pay its outstanding bills and received a “B” grade. A “B” grade is given to governments with a Taxpayer Surplus between \$1 and \$9,999.

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