

# 1st Quarter 2025 Financial Report

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# 2025 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report

The 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report for Commerce City provides an unaudited overview of the General Fund and Capital Expenditures Fund and compares how revenues and expenditures performed in comparison to budget. Overall, this data is trending as expected. Revenues and expenditures from 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025 are also compared to 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2024.

The report also provides highlights of the major capital projects under construction within the City.



# The Economy

**Inflation** - The Denver-Aurora-Lakewood area continues a healthy disinflationary (reduction in the rate of inflation) path thanks to low energy inflation and an influx of housing supply that alleviates rent prices, with Consumer Price Index (CPI) growth at 2.3% in January. In comparison, U.S. CPI at the federal level remains elevated at 2.8% growth in February year-over-year due to higher shelter and energy inflation.

**Consumer Spending** - U.S. retail sales in 2024 grew by 3.0% over 2023 levels, while Colorado's growth lagged at just 1.3% growth over the prior year. National consumer spending remained strong in 2024 due to sustained services demand and a surprising resurgence in durable goods consumption.





# Labor and Wages

**Labor Market** - The labor market continues to moderate in Colorado and the U.S. The Governor's Office of State Planning & Budgeting (OSP) expects the Colorado and U.S. unemployment rates to rise slightly in 2025 to 4.5% and 4.2% respectively and remain at similar rates in the outyears.

**Wages and Income** - State and national salary and wage growth is expected to remain higher than previously expected in 2025 due to tighter labor market expectations and then stabilize at similar growth rates in 2026 and 2027 in a slightly slower job growth environment.





# Discussion & Questions