

# Fiscal Stress Monitoring System

Upcoming School District Release

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# Fiscal Stress Monitoring System

## Agenda

- Fiscal Stress Monitoring System 101
- Upcoming Score Release
- 2021/2022 Preliminary Results and 2022/2023 Risks
- Resources – How We Can Help
- Q & A



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# Fiscal Stress Monitoring System 101

## Purpose

- To identify local governments and school districts in fiscal stress or susceptible to fiscal stress
- To identify for school district officials the need to take action in a timely manner to improve financial trends
- [System Basics](#)



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# Fiscal Stress Monitoring System 101

Fiscal Stress Score

Environmental Stress Score



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# Fiscal Stress Score

Financial Indicators	Fiscal Stress Financial Indicators	Maximum Points
1	Unassigned Fund Balance as a Percentage (%) of Gross Expenditures	25
2	Total Fund Balance as a Percentage (%) of Gross Expenditures	25
3	Operating Deficits	20
4	Cash Ratio - Cash and Investments as a Percentage (%) of Current Liabilities	10
5	Cash as a Percentage (%) of Monthly Gross Expenditures	10
6	% Change in Short-Term Cash-Flow Debt Issuance	10
		<b>100</b>

Classification	Point Range (Out of 100 total pts)
Significant	65 - 100
Moderate	45 - 64.9
Susceptible	25 - 44.9
No Designation	0 - 24.9

Financial indicators 1 through 5 only use data from the General (A) Fund, but indicator 6 looks for short term cash-flow debt in all funds.



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# Environmental Stress Score

Indicators	Fiscal Stress Environmental Indicators	Maximum Points
1	Percentage of Economically Disadvantaged Students	25
2	Student to Teacher Ratio	15
3	Turnover Rate of All Teachers	15
4	Percent Change in Property Value	15
5	Budget Vote Approval Percent	15
6	Percent of English Language Learners	15
		<b>100</b>

Environmental Stress Classification	Point Range (Out of 100 total pts)
Significant	60 - 100
Moderate	45 - 59.9
Susceptible	30 - 44.9
No Designation	0 - 29.9



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# Fiscal Stress Monitoring System

## Upcoming Release for School Districts

### Communication Emails

- School Districts in Fiscal Stress – already sent
- All School Districts – just prior to release



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## Key Takeaways

- Be Prepared
- Environmental Stress Score Reminder
- OSC's Website Resources



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School Districts SY 2021-22

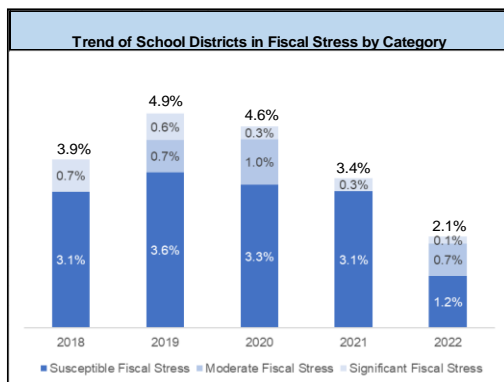
Preliminary Results



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## Fiscal Stress Trends



Source: OSC, preliminary data.

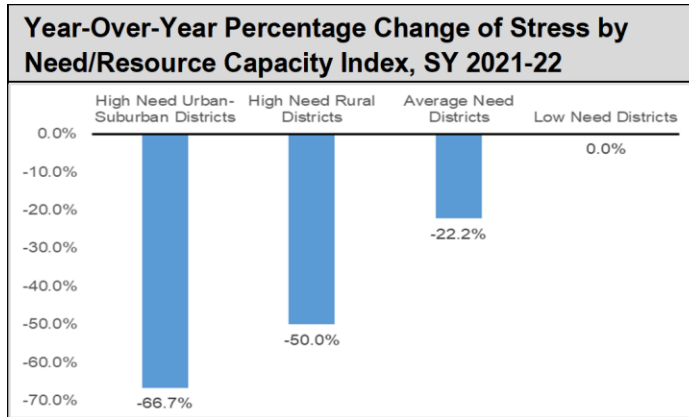
- The fewest districts in fiscal stress in the last five years
- Fewer school districts in significant or susceptible fiscal stress
- More school districts in moderate fiscal stress than 2021



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# Fiscal Stress and District Wealth

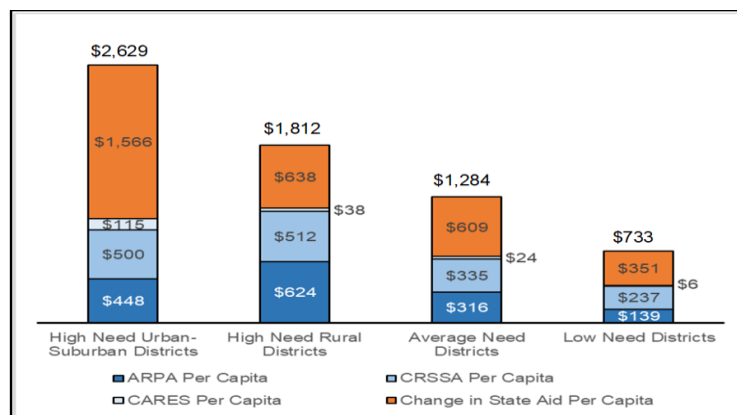


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# Federal and State Aid Impacts on SY 2021-22

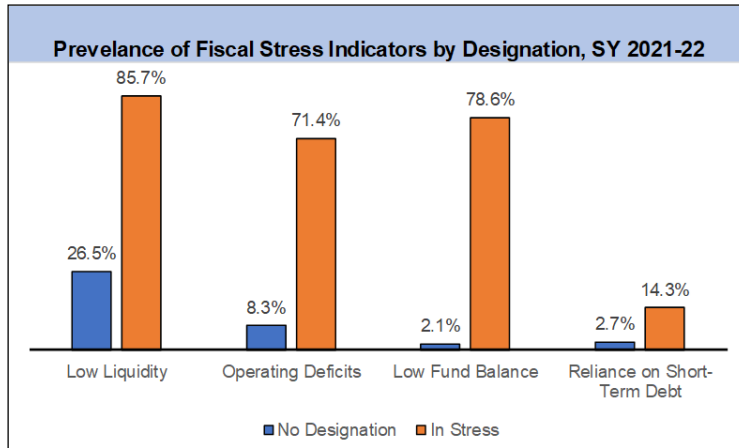


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# Fiscal Stress Indicators

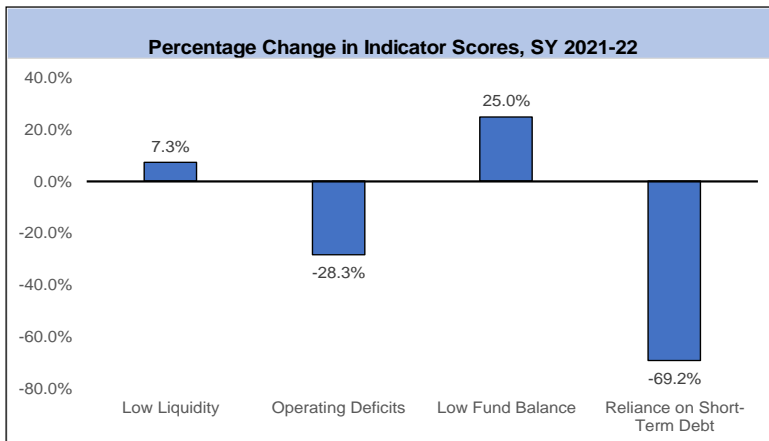


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# Indicator Trends

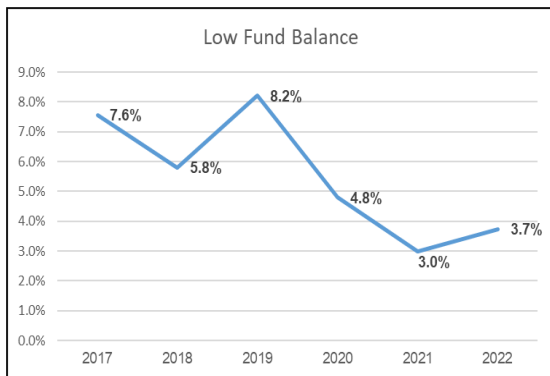


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## Low Fund Balance



Source: OSC, preliminary data.

- Increase from 3.0 percent to 3.7 percent from 2021 to 2022
- Still lower than peak in 2019 of 8.2 percent



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## Potential SY 2022-23 Risks

- CARES Act, CRRSA and ARPA funding are temporary.
- Commitment from NYS to fully fund foundation aid is non-binding on future legislatures.
- As always, fluctuations in the economy are uncertain.



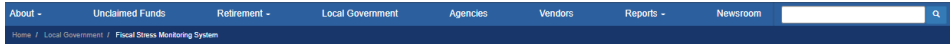
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## [Fiscal Stress Monitoring System Webpage](#)



### Fiscal Stress Monitoring System

State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli created an early warning system for communities and school districts with fiscal problems. Alerting everyone to potential problems gives local officials and taxpayers the opportunity to be more proactive. Read the [System Basics](#) document to learn more.  
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# Resources

## [Financial Toolkit for Local Officials](#)



Local government and school district leaders are faced with unprecedented challenges including simultaneously managing public health responses and the budgetary impacts of financial crises. LOSA has many resources that can be useful to local officials as they deal with revenue disruption and rising demands for services. On this page we have provided links to guidance, tools, training and reports available on the Division's web pages to assist you.

- [Is My Municipality In Fiscal Stress](#)
- [Addressing a Current Budget Deficit](#)
- [Budgeting in Future Years](#)
- [Cash Flow Management Strategies](#)



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## [Self-Assessment Tool](#) Demonstration

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Fiscal Year Ending	Class	Local Government School District Name	County	Stress Designation	Region	Fiscal Scores			Environmental Score	Self-Assessment Tool (.xls)
						Current Year	1 Year Prior	2 Years Prior		
2021	Town	Adams	Jefferson	No Designation	North Country	0	0	0	6.7	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Village	Adams	Jefferson	No Designation	North Country	9.6	5	22.1	40	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Town	Addison	Steuben	No Designation	Southern Tier	0	0	0	30	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Village	Addison	Steuben	Moderate	Southern Tier	61.7	53.8	22.5	30	Download <b>A</b>
2021	School	Addison	Steuben	No Designation	Southern Tier	3.3	0	0	8.3	Download <b>A</b>
2021	School	Adirondack	Oneida	No Designation	Mohawk Valley	0	16.7	13.3	23.3	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Town	Afton	Chenango	No Designation	Southern Tier	3.3	0	0	40	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Village	Afton	Chenango	No Designation	Southern Tier	0	0	0	53.3	Download <b>A</b>
2021	School	Afton	Chenango	No Designation	Southern Tier	0	0	-	10	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Village	Albion	Rockland	No Designation	Mid-Hudson	6.7	10	6.7	6.7	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Village	Akron	Erie	No Designation	Western New York	0	0	0	3.3	Download <b>A</b>
2021	School	Akron	Erie	No Designation	Western New York	0	0	0	5	Download <b>A</b>
2021	Town	Alabama	Genesee	No Designation	Finger Lakes	3.3	6.7	6.7	23.3	Download <b>A</b>
2021	County	Albany	Albany	No Designation	Capital District	12.9	43.3	19.2	13.3	Download <b>A</b>



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