Quarterly Economic Summary

Santa Fe County

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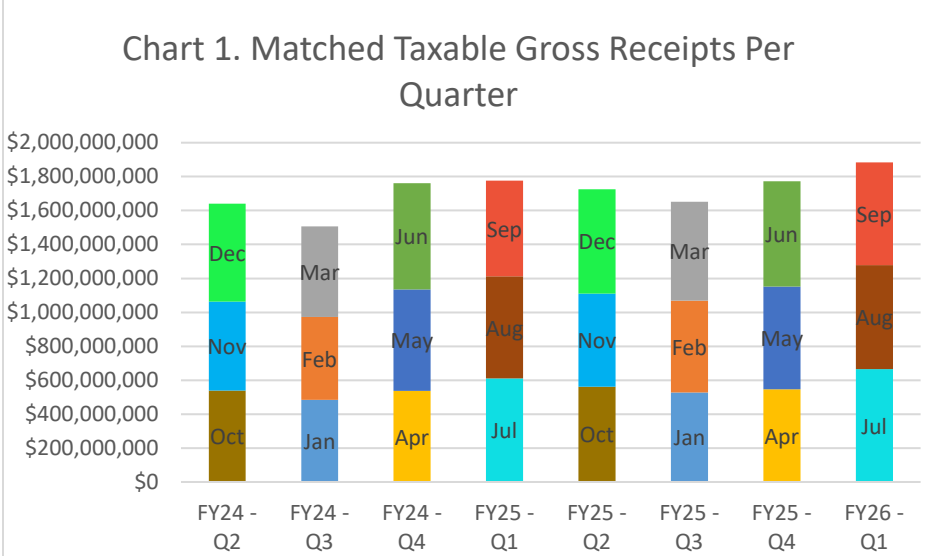

In the first quarter of FY26, 25 out of 33 counties reported positive year-over-year (YOY) economic growth compared to Q1 FY25, with a statewide 5.8% increase in matched taxable gross receipts (MTGR). Growth was observed across most industry sectors, led by construction. In Q4 FY 25, employment and average wages in New Mexico increased YOY, while the number of establishments declined.

Santa Fe County's MTGR increased by nearly $110.9M, or 6.3%, from Q4 FY25 to Q1 FY26, as seen in Chart 1. The amount reported during Q1 FY26 ($1.9B) was $168.6M larger than the eight-quarter average ($1.7B). As seen in Chart 2, the largest industry as a percentage of MTGR was the retail trade industry, which accounted for 25% of the total MTGR during Q1 FY26. Last quarter, the industry accounted for 26%.

Matched Taxable Gross Receipts (MTGR) provide the most accurate tax data for assessing underlying economic activity. The data collection process involves matching tax payments with reported receipts for each taxpayer by industry.

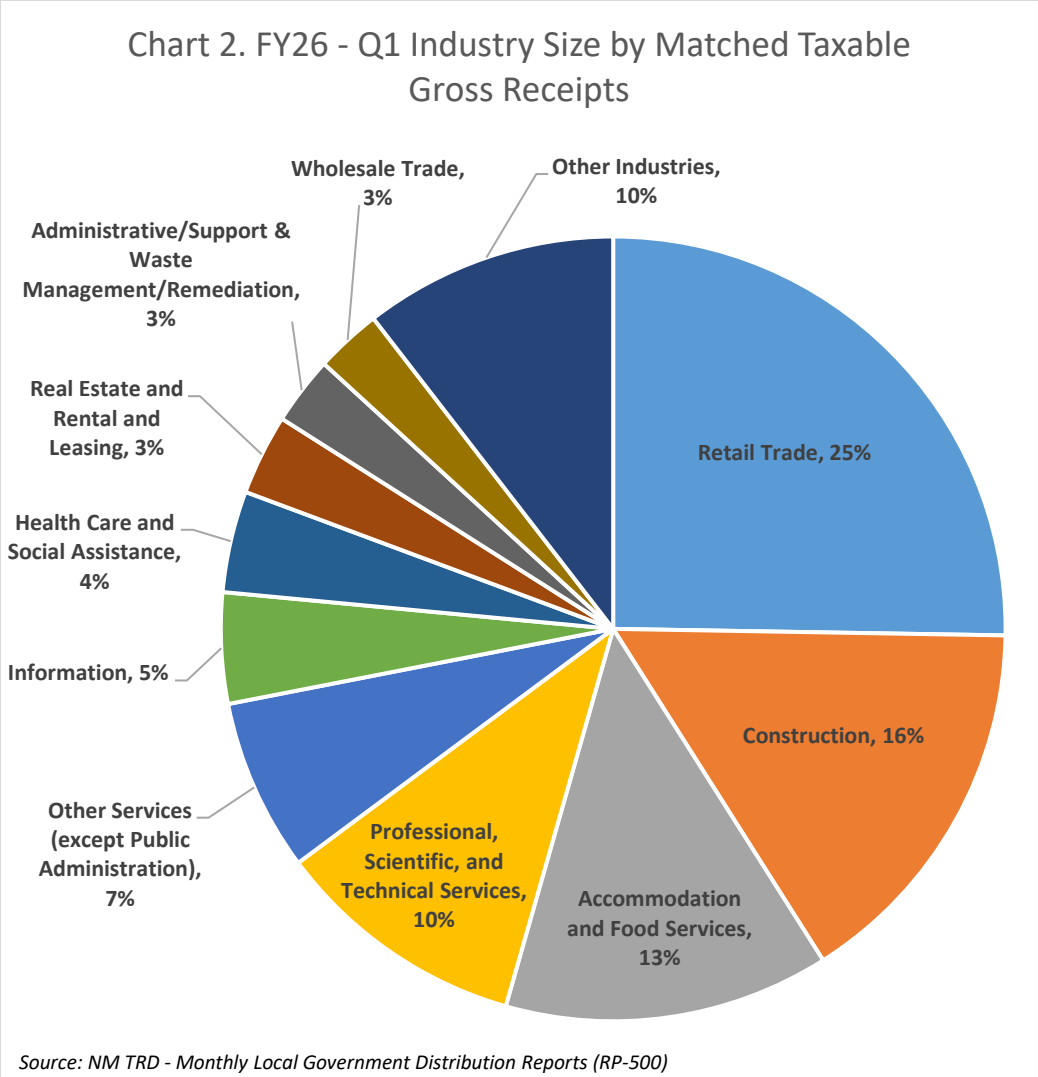

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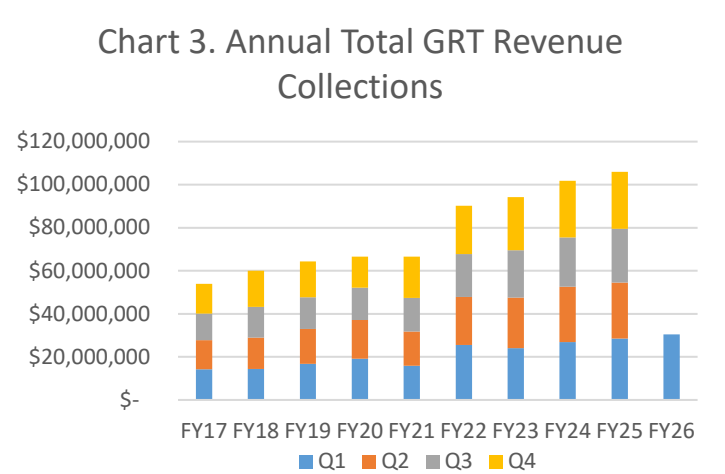
Table 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts by Industry

Industries	FY25 - Q1	FY26 - Q1	Growth	Year over year Change
Accommodation and Food Services	$ 253,560,170	$ 252,387,586	$ (1,172,584)	0%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	$ 50,899,978	$ 52,951,726	$ 2,051,747	4%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	$ 3,708,368	$ 4,331,413	$ 623,045	17%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	$ 19,848,672	$ 20,316,807	$ 468,135	2%
Construction	$ 254,155,755	$ 296,476,253	$ 42,320,498	17%
Educational Services	$ 4,644,016	$ 5,521,521	$ 877,505	19%
Finance and Insurance	$ 15,213,492	$ 17,583,778	$ 2,370,286	16%
Health Care and Social Assistance	$ 71,268,177	$ 78,663,173	$ 7,394,997	10%
Information	$ 76,883,831	$ 85,979,189	$ 9,095,358	12%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	$ 272,448	$ 5,085,456	$ 4,813,008	1767%
Manufacturing	$ 34,469,808	$ 41,424,708	$ 6,954,900	20%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	$ 506,662	$ 698,386	$ 191,724	38%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	$ 133,088,991	$ 133,726,739	$ 637,748	0%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	$ 190,721,552	$ 196,082,955	$ 5,361,403	3%
Public Administration	$ 508,861	$ 479,187	$ (29,674)	-6%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	$ 56,078,108	$ 62,541,891	$ 6,463,783	12%
Retail Trade	$ 454,552,093	$ 475,700,229	$ 21,148,136	5%
Transportation and Warehousing	$ 9,239,846	$ 9,365,932	$ 126,085	1%
Unclassified Establishments	$ 39,317,466	$ 43,819,897	$ 4,502,431	11%
Utilities	$ 42,975,175	$ 48,468,058	$ 5,492,883	13%
Wholesale Trade	$ 64,097,836	$ 51,243,465	$ (12,854,372)	-20%
All Industries	**$ 1,776,525,245**	**$ 1,883,089,782**	**$ 106,564,538**	**6%**

Source: NM TRD - Monthly Local Government Distribution Reports (RP-500) and EDD Calculations

Table 1 shows that all but 3 industries reported a YOY increase. The largest increase came from the construction industry, which posted a YOY increase of $42.3M. The largest decline came from the wholesale trade industry, which posted a YOY decrease of $12.9M.

Quarterly gross receipts tax (GRT) collections during Q1 FY26 ($30.4M), as seen in Chart 4, show an increase of $4M, or 15%, compared to Q4 FY25. The amount collected during Q1 FY26 is $4M larger than the eight-quarter average ($26.4M).



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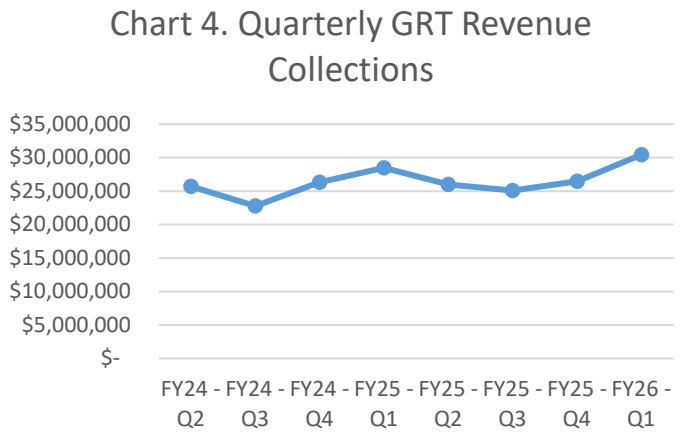

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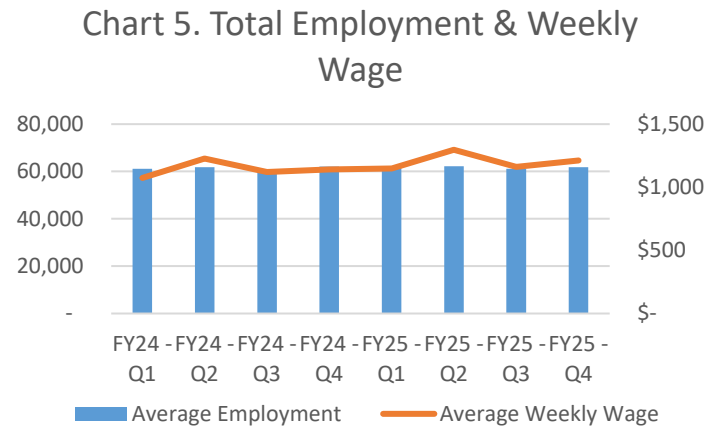

Source: NM DWS - Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

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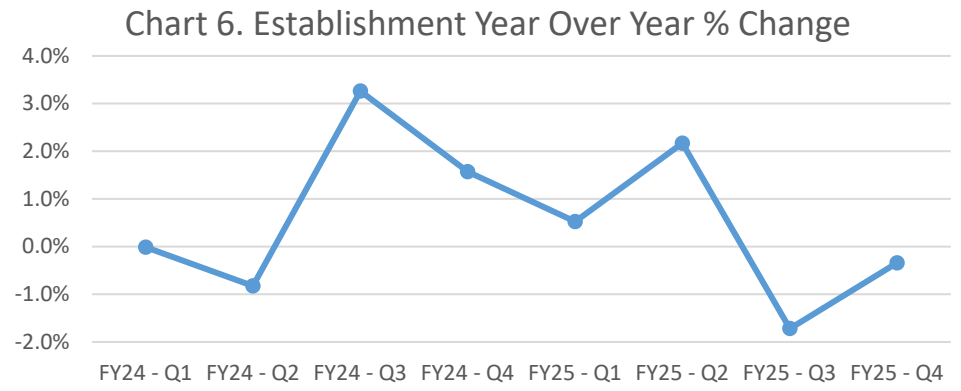

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An **establishment**, as defined by the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) and referenced in Chart 6, is an economic unit, such as a farm, factory, or store, located at a single physical address and engaged in one type of economic activity.

The **Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)**, used in Charts 5-6 and Table 2, produces comprehensive data on the number of establishments, monthly employment, and quarterly wages for workers covered by state unemployment insurance (UI) laws and federal workers covered by the Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) program. These data are aggregated to many different levels, starting at the 6-digit NAICS industry level, to higher industry levels (NAICS industry groups, sectors, and supersectors), and to higher geographic levels (MSA, state, and national).

Data are based on information reported by New Mexico employers, covering 97% of nonfarm wage and salary workers. Data are published every quarter. Considered the gold standard for its reliability of industry data, the QCEW data are the most complete universe of monthly employment and quarterly wage information by detailed industry.

Table 2. FY25 - Q4 Employment Data and Establishments by Industry

Industry	Average Employment	YOY Change in Average Employment	Average Weekly Wage	YOY change in Average Weekly Wage	Number of Establishments	YOY Change in Establishments
Accommodation and Food Services	10,010	-6.4%	$ 674	4.3%	466	-2.1%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	2,050	-9.1%	$ 986	11.7%	393	-0.5%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	261	-3.3%	$ 747	3.9%	45	-4.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2,324	-3.4%	$ 1,112	-0.7%	182	-2.2%
Construction	3,388	6.0%	$ 1,126	4.7%	542	1.7%
Educational Services	4,526	-3.7%	$ 1,336	12.4%	197	-1.5%
Finance and Insurance	1,409	-1.6%	$ 2,043	5.0%	310	0.3%
Health Care and Social Assistance	8,982	2.9%	$ 1,364	7.2%	877	5.4%
Information	950	-0.2%	$ 1,873	15.9%	253	2.0%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	320	6.7%	$ 1,817	8.1%	67	9.8%
Manufacturing	771	-5.0%	$ 983	5.1%	126	-8.0%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	35	-2.8%	$ 2,455	8.1%	12	0.0%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,645	-2.5%	$ 1,123	2.9%	627	-0.6%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	3,049	2.2%	$ 1,700	-6.2%	1,108	-3.2%
Public Administration	9,854	6.6%	$ 1,657	3.9%	181	-0.5%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	748	-11.4%	$ 1,162	3.3%	293	-3.9%
Retail Trade	8,384	0.8%	$ 837	7.9%	750	0.5%
Transportation and Warehousing	1,008	-7.2%	$ 1,090	8.1%	73	-6.4%
Utilities	243	1.3%	$ 1,749	7.4%	24	4.3%
Wholesale Trade	856	-6.9%	$ 1,443	0.2%	180	-1.6%
All Industries	**61,814**	**-0.5%**	**$ 1,211**	**6.1%**	**6,706**	**-0.3%**

*Source: NM DWS - Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages and EDD Calculations *Some data may be withheld to avoid disclosure of confidential information.*

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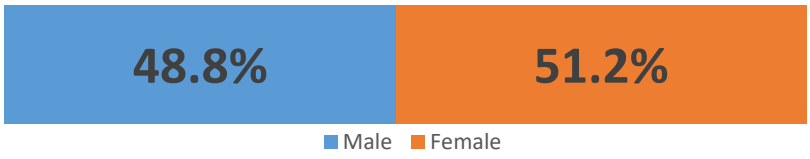
Population

155,175

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - American Community Survey (ACS) 2023, 5-year estimates

Population Sex



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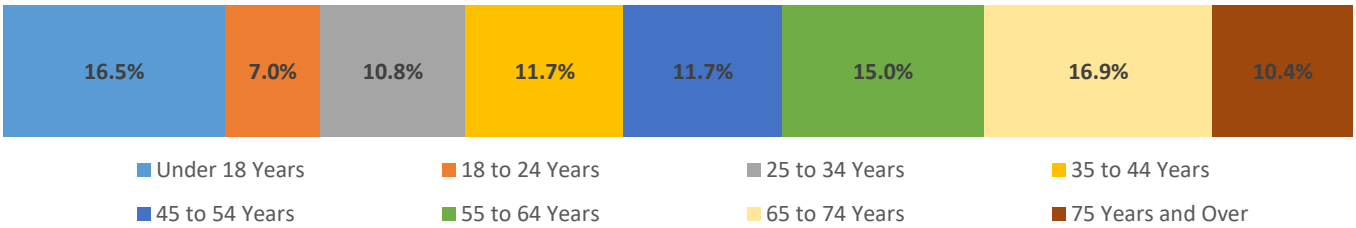
Population Age



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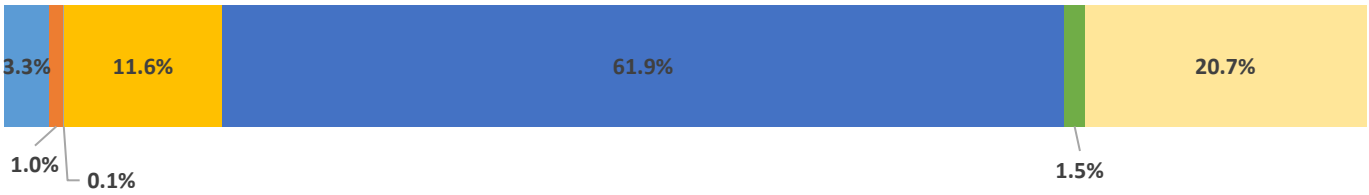
Race



	Percent
Native American	3.3%
Black or African American	1.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%
Some Other Race	11.6%
White	61.9%
Asian	1.5%
Two or More Races	20.7%

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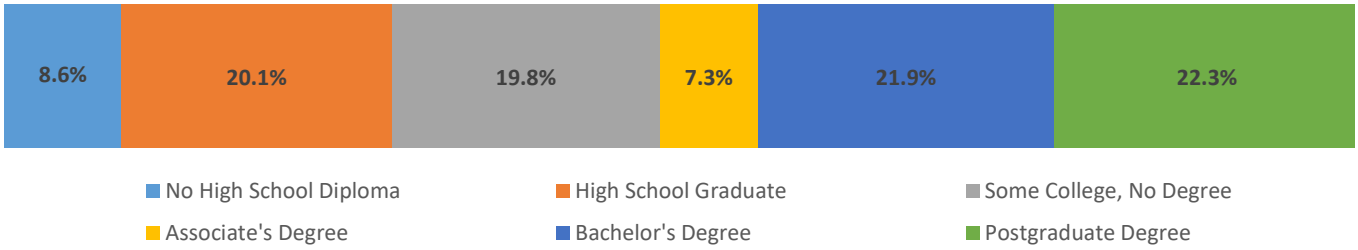
Educational Attainment, Age 25-64



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