Quarterly Economic Summary

Valencia County

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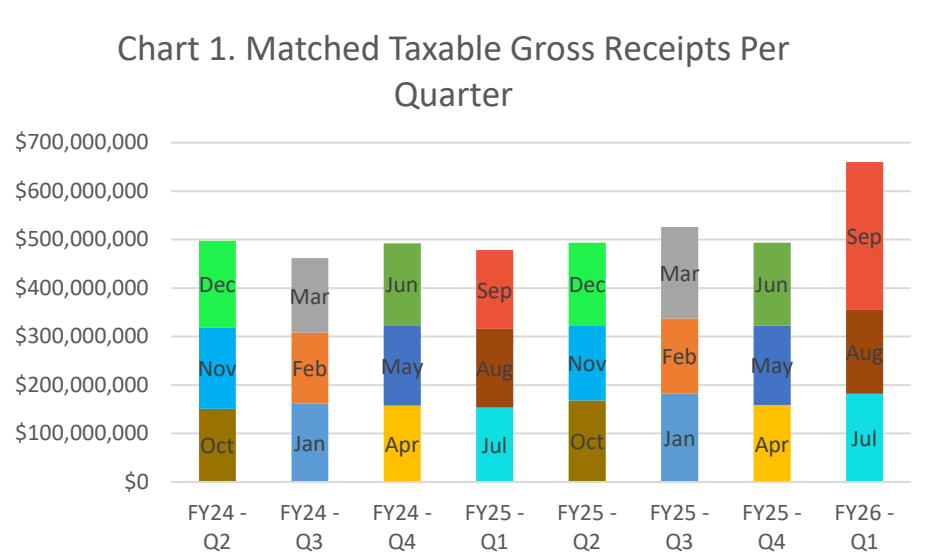

In the first quarter of FY26, 25 out of 33 counties reported positive year-over-year (YOY) economic growth compared to Q1 FY25, with a statewide 5.8% increase in matched taxable gross receipts (MTGR). Growth was observed across most industry sectors, led by construction. In Q4 FY 25, employment and average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

Valencia County's MTGR increased by $166.1M, or 33.7%, from Q4 FY25 to Q1 FY26, as seen in Chart 1. The amount reported during Q1 FY26 ($659.8M) was $146.8M larger than the eight-quarter average ($512.9M). As seen in Chart 2, the largest industry as a percentage of MTGR was the construction industry, which accounted for 39% of the total MTGR during Q1 FY26. Last quarter, the industry accounted for 30%.

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.

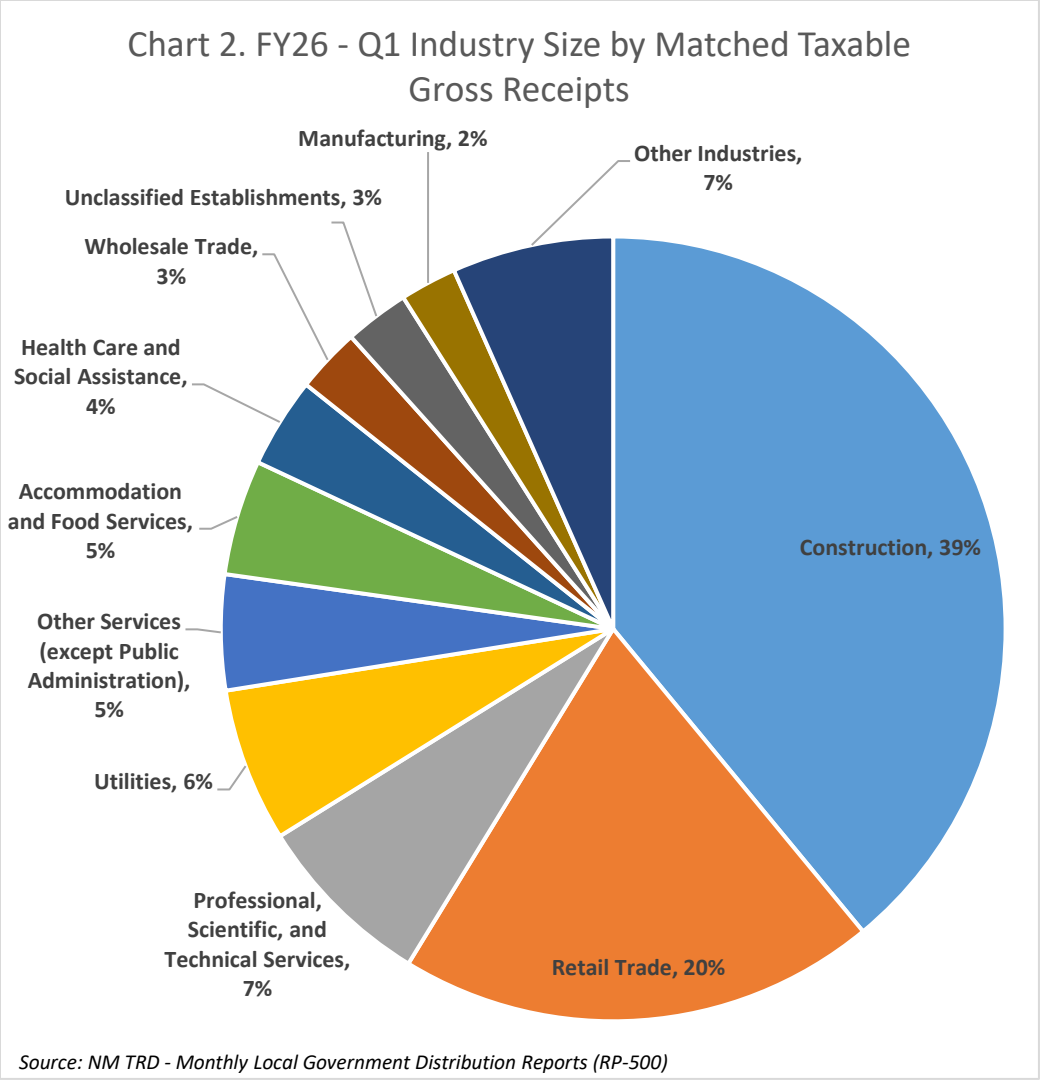

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Table 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts by Industry

Industries	FY25 - Q1	FY26 - Q1	Growth	Year over year Change
Accommodation and Food Services	$ 30,253,024	$ 31,312,581	$ 1,059,558	4%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	$ 10,451,976	$ 11,352,110	$ 900,134	9%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	$ 1,119,384	$ 1,019,770	$ (99,614)	-9%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	$ 765,309	$ 832,575	$ 67,267	9%
Construction	$ 144,638,088	$ 257,363,772	$ 112,725,684	78%
Educational Services	$ 619,449	$ 803,910	$ 184,462	30%
Finance and Insurance	$ 1,542,996	$ 2,056,864	$ 513,867	33%
Health Care and Social Assistance	$ 16,724,540	$ 24,521,686	$ 7,797,146	47%
Information	$ 12,260,537	$ 12,476,895	$ 216,359	2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	$ 192,123	$ 275,726	$ 83,603	44%
Manufacturing	$ 11,586,174	$ 15,388,190	$ 3,802,015	33%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	$ 585,070	$ 437,490	$ (147,580)	-25%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	$ 31,570,643	$ 31,332,018	$ (238,625)	-1%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	$ 20,110,228	$ 48,836,349	$ 28,726,122	143%
Public Administration	$ 26,549	$ 35,691	$ 9,142	34%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	$ 9,463,917	$ 11,752,096	$ 2,288,178	24%
Retail Trade	$ 120,846,109	$ 130,130,419	$ 9,284,310	8%
Transportation and Warehousing	$ 2,962,125	$ 2,843,868	$ (118,257)	-4%
Unclassified Establishments	$ 9,685,054	$ 17,521,262	$ 7,836,208	81%
Utilities	$ 31,468,577	$ 41,830,727	$ 10,362,150	33%
Wholesale Trade	$ 20,331,621	$ 17,560,853	$ (2,770,768)	-14%
All Industries	**$ 478,299,079**	**$ 659,775,278**	**$ 181,476,199**	**38%**

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

Table 1 shows that all but 5 industries reported a YOY increase. The largest increase came from the construction industry, which posted a YOY increase of $112.7M. The largest decline came from the wholesale trade industry, which posted a YOY decrease of $2.8M.

Quarterly gross receipts tax (GRT) collections during Q1 FY26 ($11.4M), as seen in Chart 4, show an increase of $4.7M, or 70.5%, compared to Q4 FY25. The amount collected during Q1 FY26 is also $3.8M larger than the eight-quarter average ($7.6M).

Chart 3. Annual Total GRT Revenue Collections

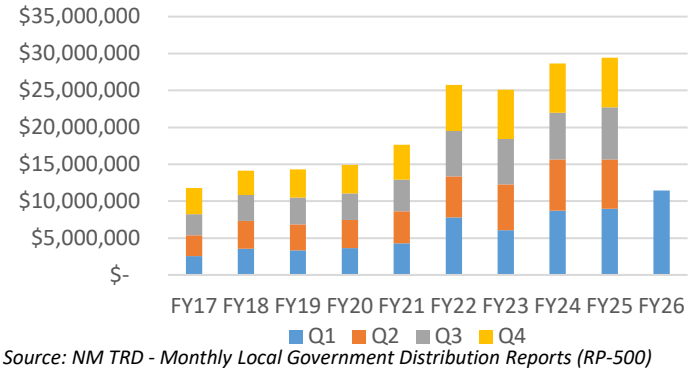

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Chart 4. Quarterly GRT Revenue Collections

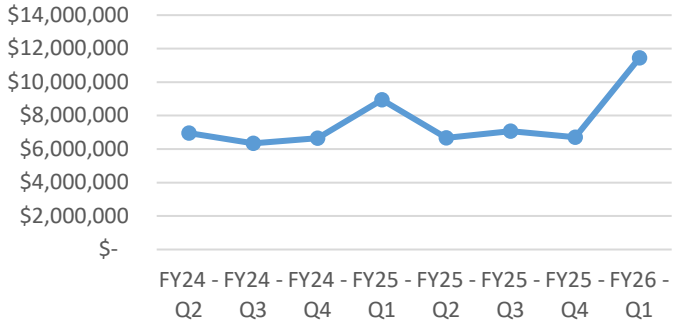

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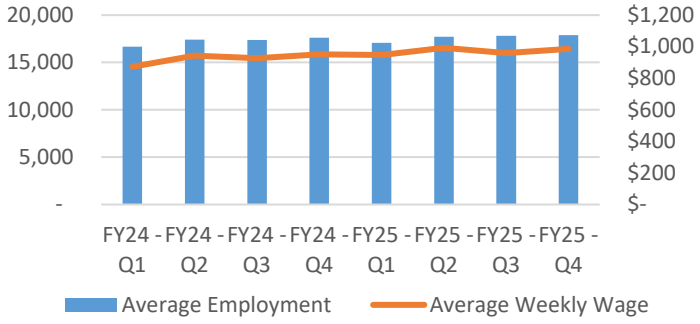
Chart 5. Total Employment & Weekly Wage



Source: NM DWS - Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

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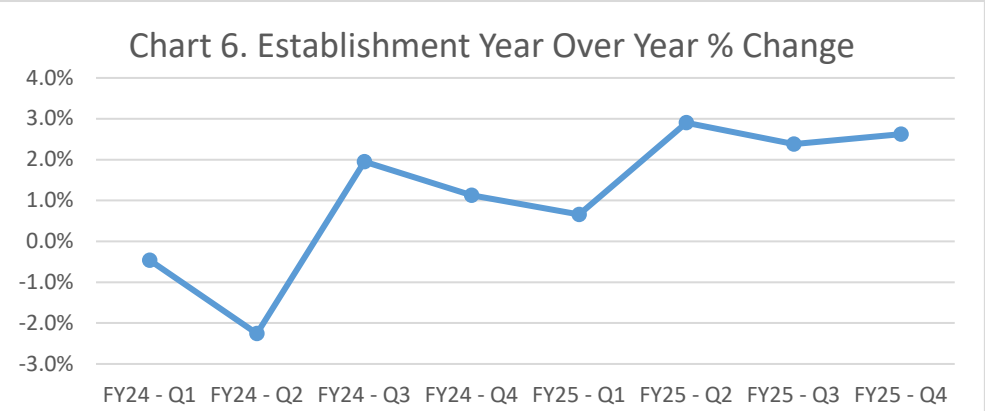

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An **establishment**, as defined by the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) and referenced in Chart 6, is an economic unit, such as a farm, factory, or store, located at a single physical address and engaged in one type of economic activity.

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	1,627	0.4%	$ 442	5.2%	100	0.0%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	432	-2.5%	$ 916	-1.3%	79	2.6%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	148	10.4%	$ 703	-8.5%	18	-5.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	131	1.6%	$ 542	13.6%	14	7.7%
Construction	1,983	-4.0%	$ 1,377	2.5%	199	-2.0%
Educational Services	2,237	1.1%	$ 1,333	4.1%	38	2.7%
Finance and Insurance	217	1.4%	$ 1,089	15.2%	70	7.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	3,567	3.8%	$ 740	5.6%	392	10.4%
Information	202	-10.2%	$ 3,367	13.1%	25	-3.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	69	13.1%	$ 1,469	-3.8%	9	12.5%
Manufacturing	794	1.7%	$ 1,275	14.8%	39	-4.9%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	22	-15.4%	$ 1,630	7.8%	6	20.0%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	341	17.2%	$ 735	-6.4%	82	9.3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	408	3.0%	$ 1,363	2.3%	121	-2.4%
Public Administration	1,081	6.3%	$ 1,396	4.0%	73	-1.4%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	157	33.1%	$ 564	-4.2%	48	2.1%
Retail Trade	2,779	1.3%	$ 634	-1.4%	154	-3.8%
Transportation and Warehousing	1,400	-1.1%	$ 1,001	6.4%	56	3.7%
Utilities	147	-3.9%	$ 1,183	16.4%	11	-21.4%
Wholesale Trade	159	6.7%	$ 1,285	10.5%	31	10.7%
All Industries	**17,901**	**1.5%**	**$ 986**	**3.7%**	**1,565**	**2.6%**

*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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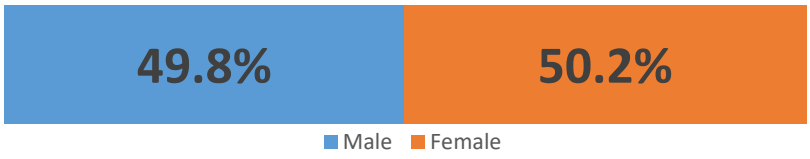
Population

77,382

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

Population Sex



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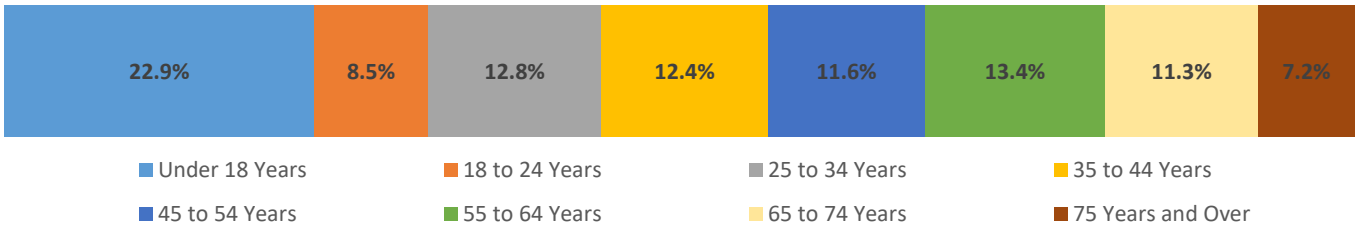
Population Age



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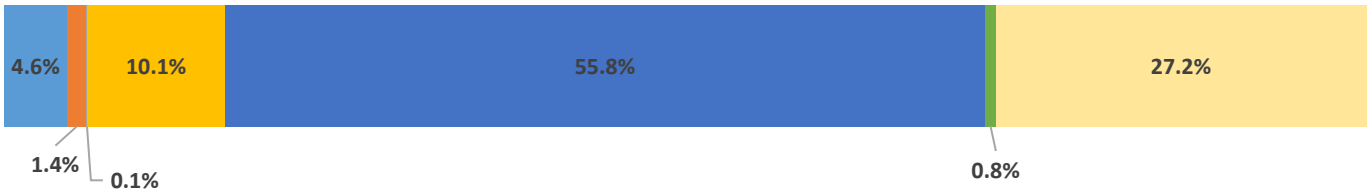
Race



	Percent
Native American	4.6%
Black or African American	1.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%
Some Other Race	10.1%
White	55.8%
Asian	0.8%
Two or More Races	27.2%

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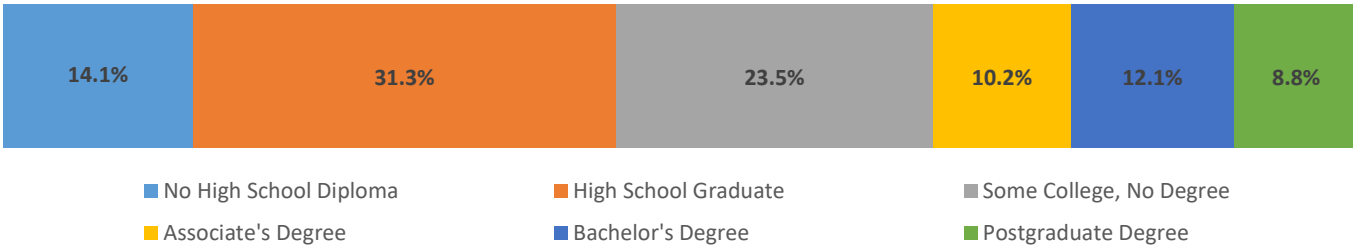
Educational Attainment, Age 25-64



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