

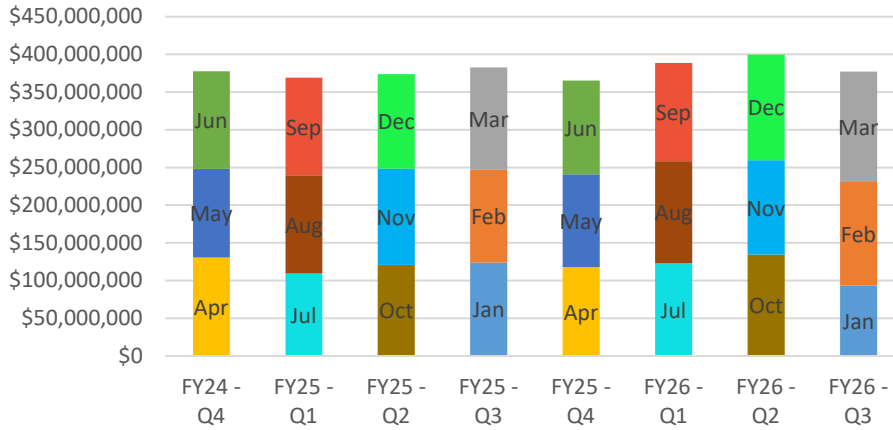
Quarterly Economic Summary

Curry County

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Chart 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts Per Quarter

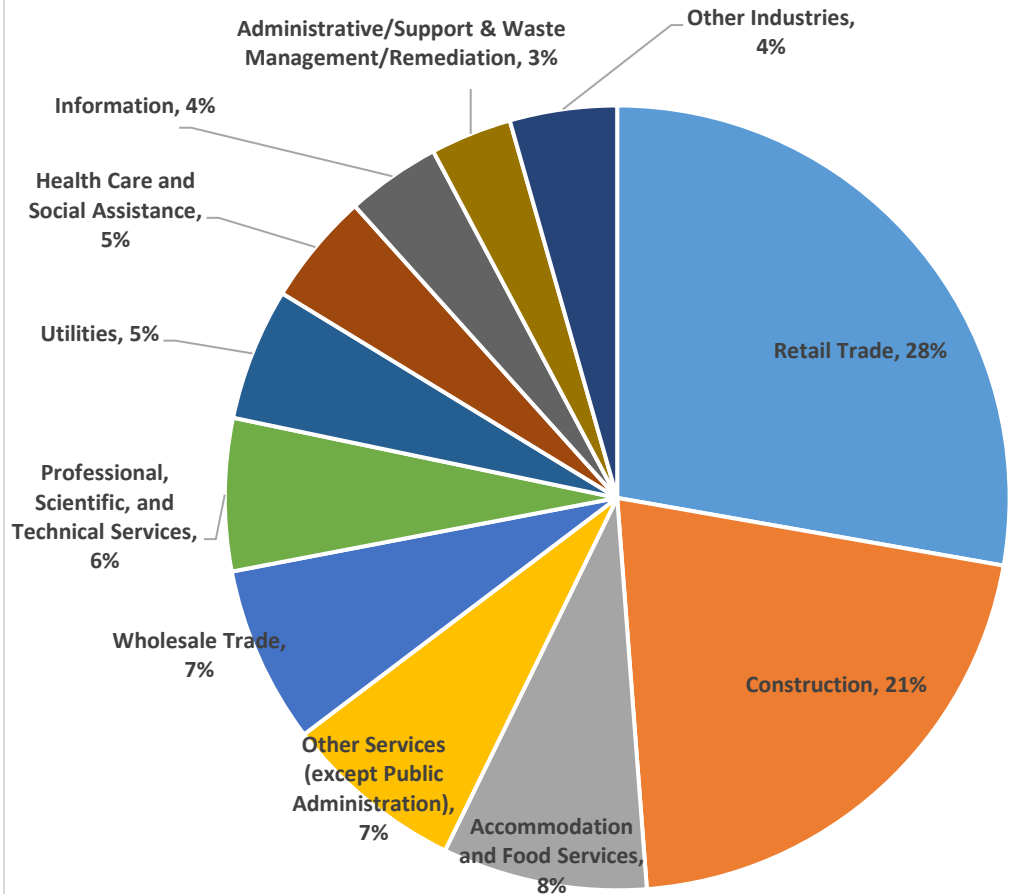


Source: NM TRD - Monthly Local Government Distribution Reports (RP-500)

In the third quarter of FY26, 19 out of 33 counties reported positive year-over-year (YOY) economic growth compared to Q3 FY25, with a statewide 2.5% increase in matched taxable gross receipts (MTGR). Growth was observed across most industry sectors, led by construction and retail trade. In Q2 FY26, average employment in New Mexico slightly declined YOY, while average weekly wages and the number of establishments increased.

Curry County's MTGR decreased by \$22.7M, or 5.7%, from Q2 FY26 to Q3 FY26, as shown in Chart 1. The amount reported during Q3 FY26 (\$377.1M) was also \$2.1M lower than the eight-quarter average (\$379.2M). As shown in Chart 2, the largest industry as a percentage of MTGR was the retail trade industry, which accounted for 28% of the total MTGR during Q3 FY26. This was a slight decrease from the previous quarter, when it accounted for 29%.

Chart 2. FY26 - Q3 Industry Size by Matched Taxable Gross Receipts



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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

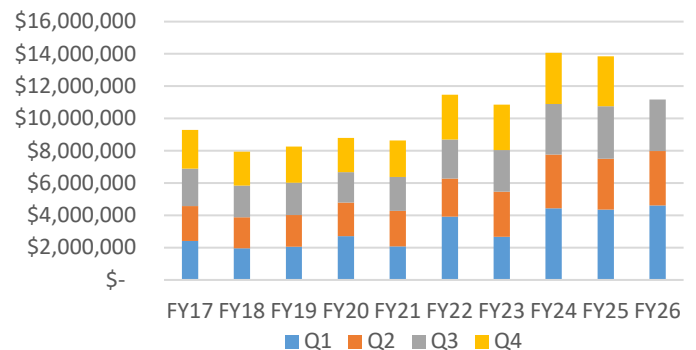
Industries	FY25 - Q3	FY26 - Q3	Growth	Year over year Change
Accommodation and Food Services	\$ 31,582,500	\$ 31,798,259	\$ 215,759	1%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	\$ 9,155,119	\$ 12,632,615	\$ 3,477,496	38%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	\$ 740,568	\$ 661,942	\$ (78,627)	-11%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$ 819,069	\$ 1,148,330	\$ 329,262	40%
Construction	\$ 77,183,437	\$ 79,292,802	\$ 2,109,365	3%
Educational Services	\$ 457,696	\$ 706,389	\$ 248,693	54%
Finance and Insurance	\$ 2,008,464	\$ 1,515,682	\$ (492,781)	-25%
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$ 15,688,612	\$ 17,427,810	\$ 1,739,199	11%
Information	\$ 11,393,823	\$ 14,659,877	\$ 3,266,054	29%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	\$ 13,609	\$ 29,028	\$ 15,419	113%
Manufacturing	\$ 9,654,760	\$ (12,148,951)	\$ (21,803,711)	-226%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	\$ 27,664	\$ 14,067	\$ (13,598)	-49%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	\$ 34,009,130	\$ 28,184,917	\$ (5,824,213)	-17%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	\$ 21,991,609	\$ 23,689,659	\$ 1,698,050	8%
Public Administration	\$ 56,831	\$ 1,604,773	\$ 1,547,942	2724%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	\$ 7,083,316	\$ 6,811,848	\$ (271,468)	-4%
Retail Trade	\$ 99,533,168	\$ 104,665,748	\$ 5,132,580	5%
Transportation and Warehousing	\$ 4,034,393	\$ 4,530,247	\$ 495,854	12%
Unclassified Establishments	\$ 7,451,933	\$ 11,767,897	\$ 4,315,963	58%
Utilities	\$ 23,135,577	\$ 20,539,441	\$ (2,596,137)	-11%
Wholesale Trade	\$ 26,337,457	\$ 27,485,568	\$ 1,148,111	4%
All Industries	\$ 382,488,344	\$ 377,125,554	\$ (5,362,790)	-1%

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

Table 1 shows that all but 7 industries reported a YOY increase in MTGR. The largest increase came from the retail trade industry, which posted a YOY increase of \$5.1M. The manufacturing industry shows a negative MTGR in Q3 FY26. This could be due to amended tax filings with NM TRD.

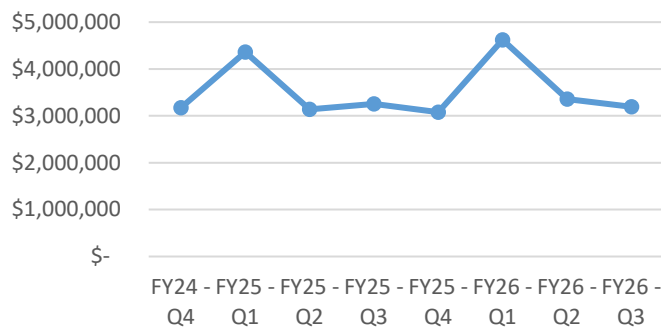
Quarterly gross receipts tax (GRT) collections during Q3 FY26 (\$3.2M), as shown in Chart 4, decreased by \$164.9K, or 4.9%, compared to Q2 FY26. While average employment in Q2 FY26 decreased by 1.2% YOY, average weekly wages increased by \$62, or 6.6% YOY (Chart 5).

Chart 3. Annual Total GRT Revenue Collections



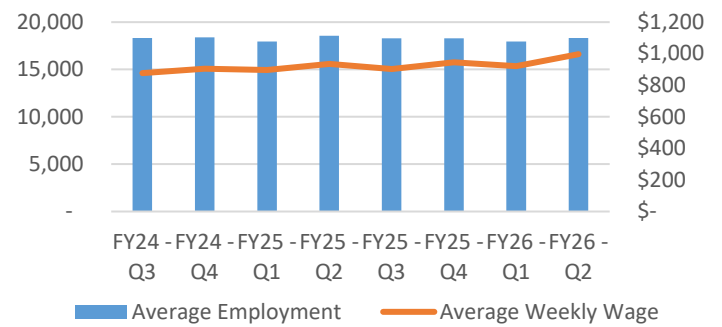
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Chart 4. Quarterly GRT Revenue Collections



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Chart 5. Total Employment & Weekly Wage

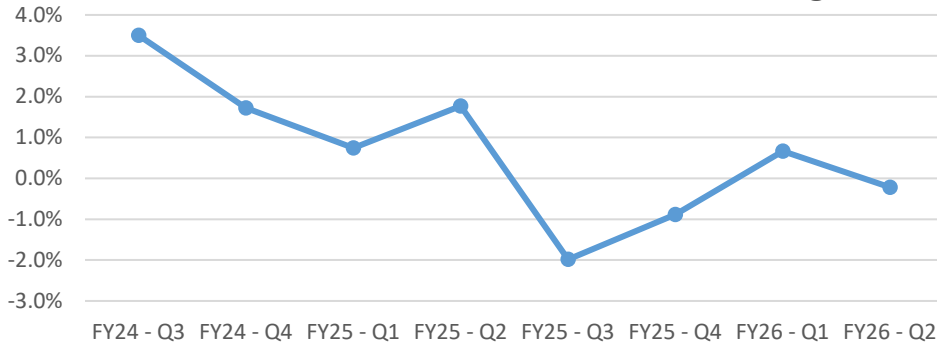


Source: NM DWS - Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

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Chart 6. Establishment Year Over Year % Change



Source: NM DWS - Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages and EDD Calculations

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. FY26 - Q2 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	1,836	-6.8%	\$ 427	4.1%	95	-4.0%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	551	1.5%	\$ 898	-1.3%	82	1.2%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	1,423	-3.6%	\$ 987	8.0%	73	-5.2%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	285	17.8%	\$ 455	-4.8%	18	0.0%
Construction	1,138	2.5%	\$ 1,156	6.7%	129	4.9%
Educational Services	1,896	0.3%	\$ 1,070	14.1%	15	-6.3%
Finance and Insurance	347	-3.1%	\$ 1,493	6.6%	70	4.5%
Health Care and Social Assistance	3,788	1.9%	\$ 1,059	9.1%	226	6.1%
Information	*	*	*	*	29	20.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	209	1.0%	\$ 1,645	0.2%	7	0.0%
Manufacturing	780	-0.1%	\$ 1,151	-3.6%	31	-8.8%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	*	*	*	*	4	0.0%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	445	-1.5%	\$ 815	3.4%	88	-2.2%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	454	-7.0%	\$ 1,399	-7.7%	116	-10.1%
Public Administration	993	-8.5%	\$ 1,499	5.0%	44	0.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	171	-2.8%	\$ 757	5.0%	50	2.0%
Retail Trade	2,434	-0.3%	\$ 695	9.4%	176	-1.7%
Transportation and Warehousing	762	-3.8%	\$ 1,210	5.5%	57	-3.4%
Utilities	255	4.5%	\$ 1,955	13.5%	11	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	468	-5.6%	\$ 1,123	16.9%	54	0.0%
All Industries	18,331	-1.2%	\$ 997	6.6%	1,375	-0.2%

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

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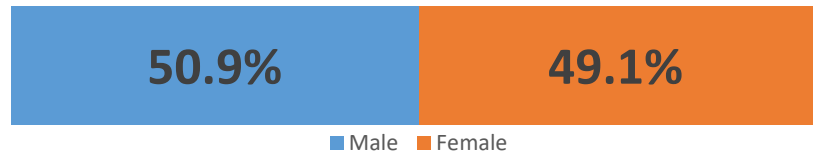
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Population

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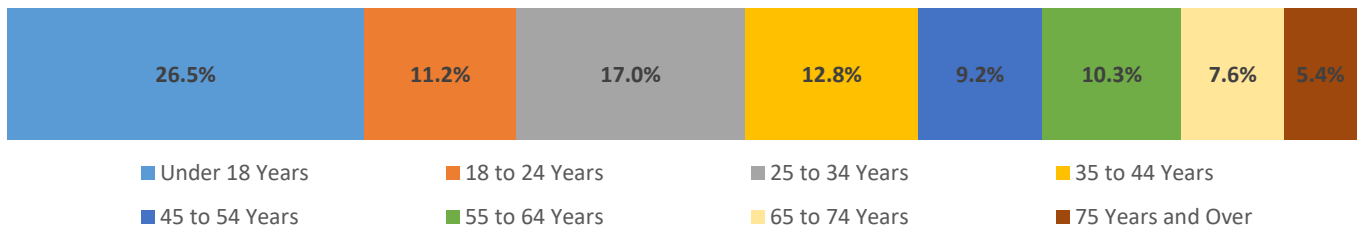
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Population Sex



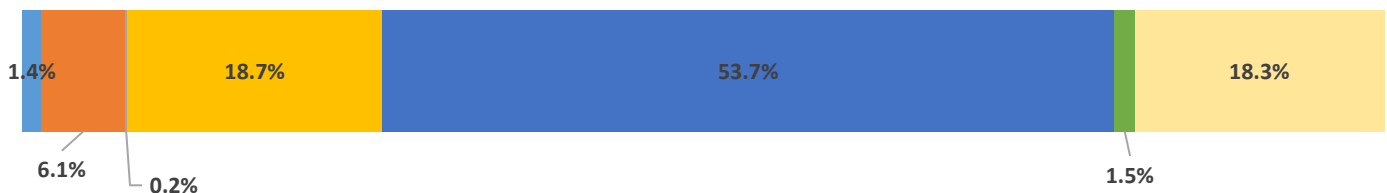
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Population Age



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Race

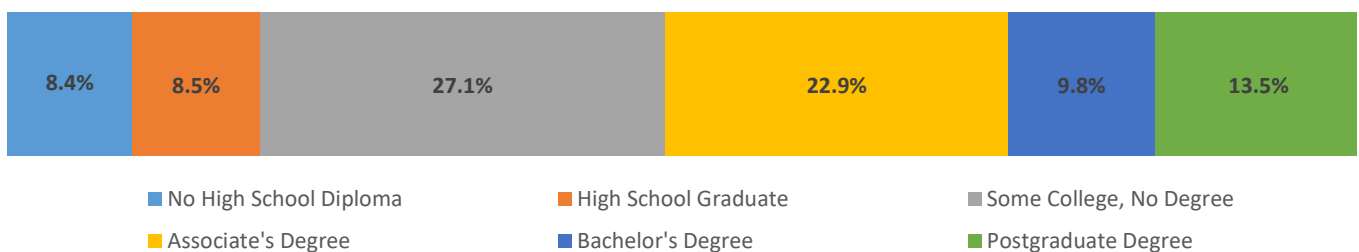


Percent

Native American	1.4%
Black or African American	6.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.2%
Some Other Race	18.7%
White	53.7%
Asian	1.5%
Two or More Races	18.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - ACS 2024, 5-year estimates

Educational Attainment, Age 25-64



Source: U.S. Census Bureau - ACS 2024, 5-year estimates