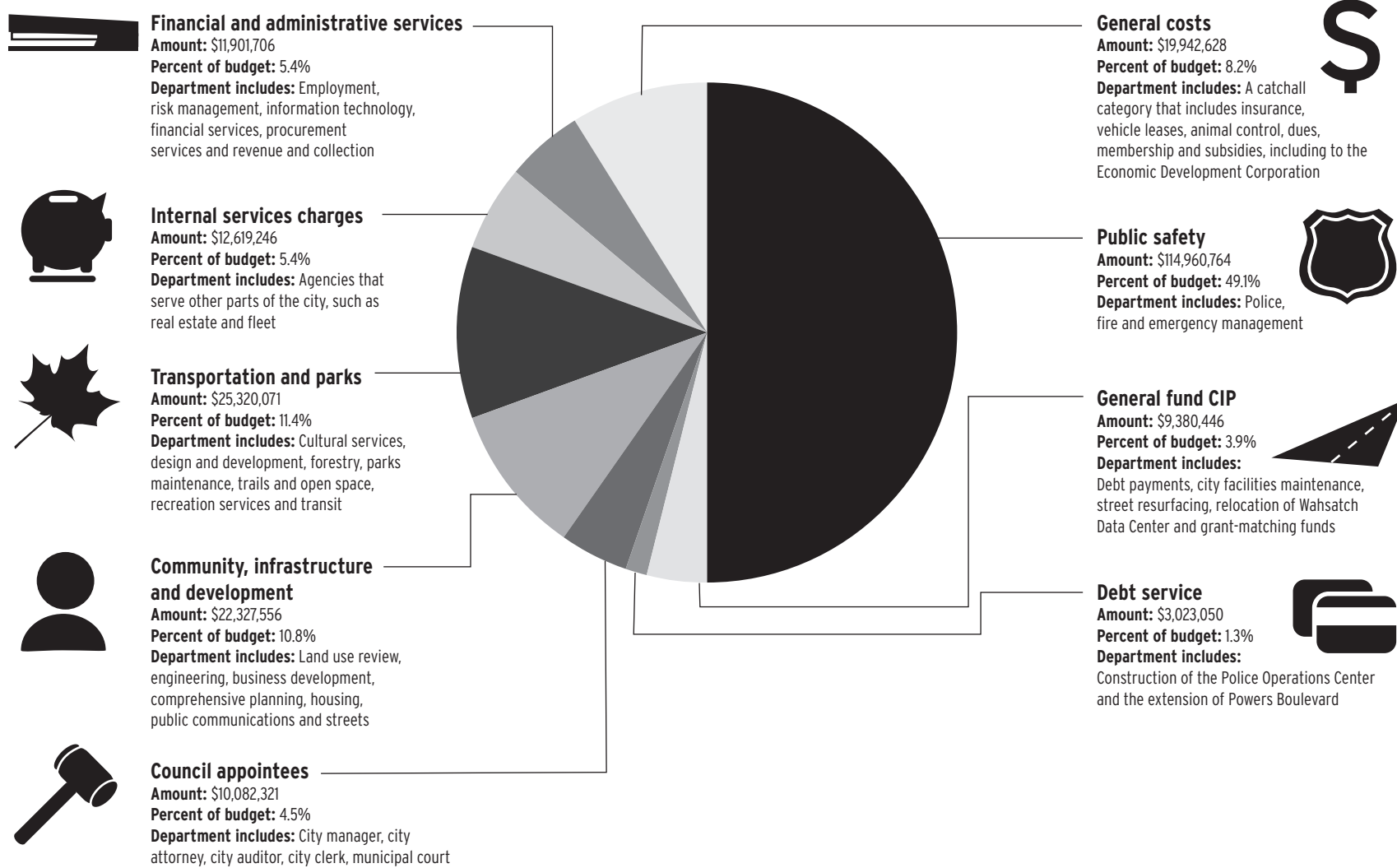


Where your money goes

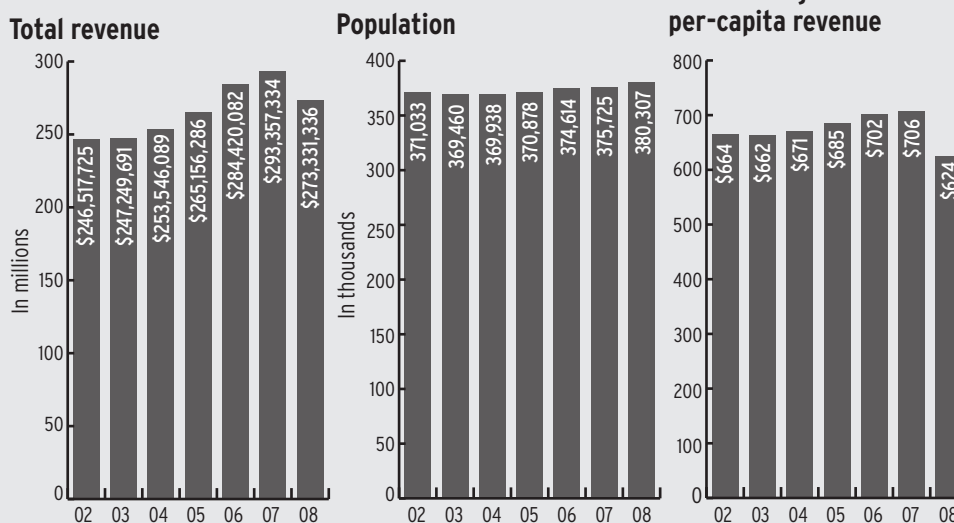
The city's general fund pays for day-to-day operations. Below is the 2009 budget.



SOURCE: Colorado Springs 2010 budget

Colorado Springs revenue

There's more money coming in, and more people using city services. Throw in rising prices, and the money the city government gets per person has gone down.



Total revenues includes taxes (about two-thirds of the total), license and permit fees, grants from other governments and a few other items.

SOURCES: Colorado Springs Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Gazette analysis

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