

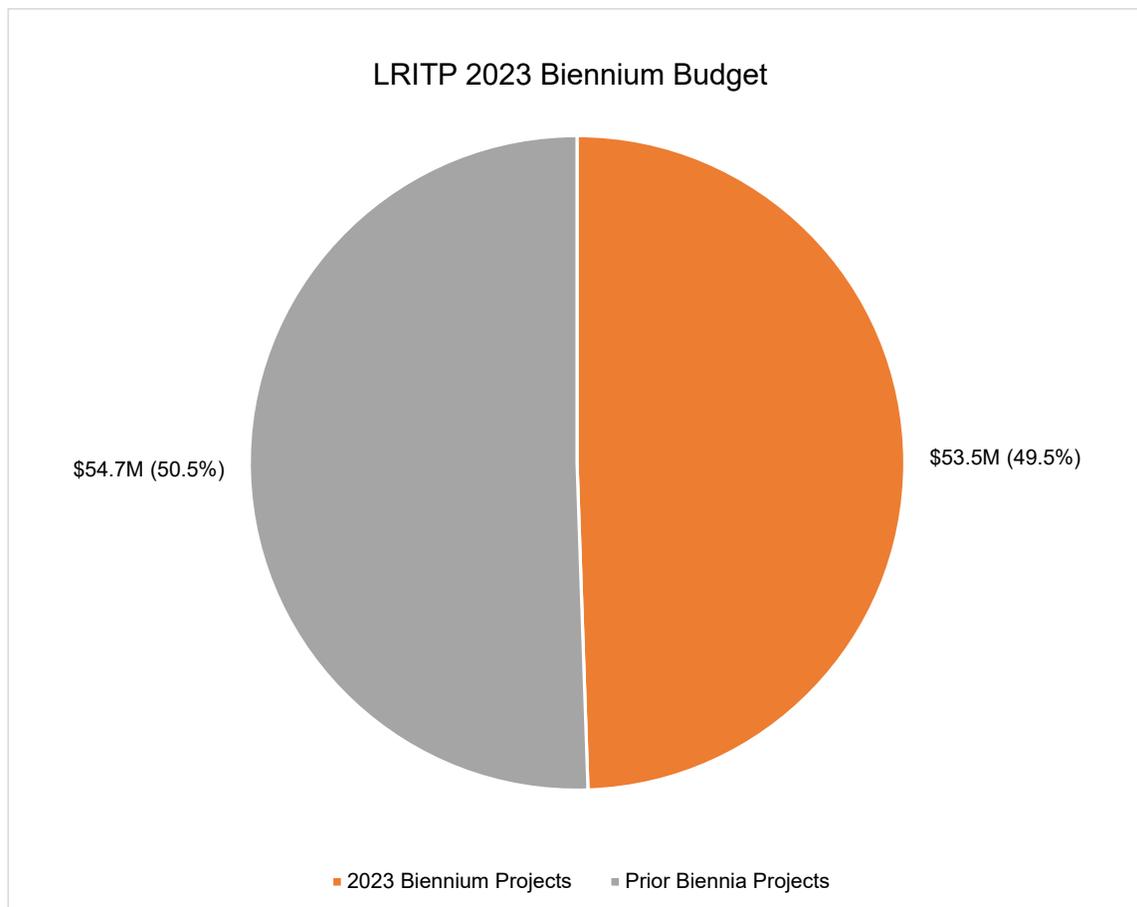
LONG-RANGE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The Long-Range Information Technology Program (LRITP) provides a comprehensive method for funding large information technology (IT) investments under a single program. The LRITP consolidates all major IT projects in one appropriation bill and defines major IT investments as capital projects. All executive branch projects included in the LRITP are administered by the Department of Administration, State Information Technology Services Division (SITSD).

BUDGET & EXPENDITURES

The following chart shows the budget established for LRITP for the current biennium.



There was \$53.5 million appropriated under HB 10 for the following five LRITP projects in the 2023 biennium:

Department of Administration

1. MT Cybersecurity Enhancement Project (SITSD) – This project, funded with \$500,000 of general fund transferred into the LRITP capital project fund, is to facilitate the tracking of the location of the state’s data, determining what type of data is in each cloud, and implementing a Cloud Access Security Broker

(CASB) to serve as a policy enforcement point. This will allow SITSD to identify all the state's data in every cloud service and ensure security policies are enforced based on data classification and regulatory requirements.

2. Heating, Ventilation, and Air-Conditioning (HVAC) Systems Network and Monitoring (General Services Division) – This project, funded with \$500,000 in state special revenue funds, is to upgrade capitol complex building systems by upgrading outdated controllers and wiring, resolving programming issues, implementing an alarm management system for the HVAC systems, and upgrading utility analytics.

Department of Labor and Industry

3. Status, Tax Accounting, Audit, and Rating System (STAARS) Version Upgrade – This project, funded with \$5.0 million of federal funds, will move STAARS to a newer version of the vendor software.
4. Unemployment Insurance Benefits System Replacement – This project, funded with \$45.0 million of federal funds, is for the replacement of the legacy unemployment benefits system due to age of system and risks associated with future lack of support for an Oracle-based system.

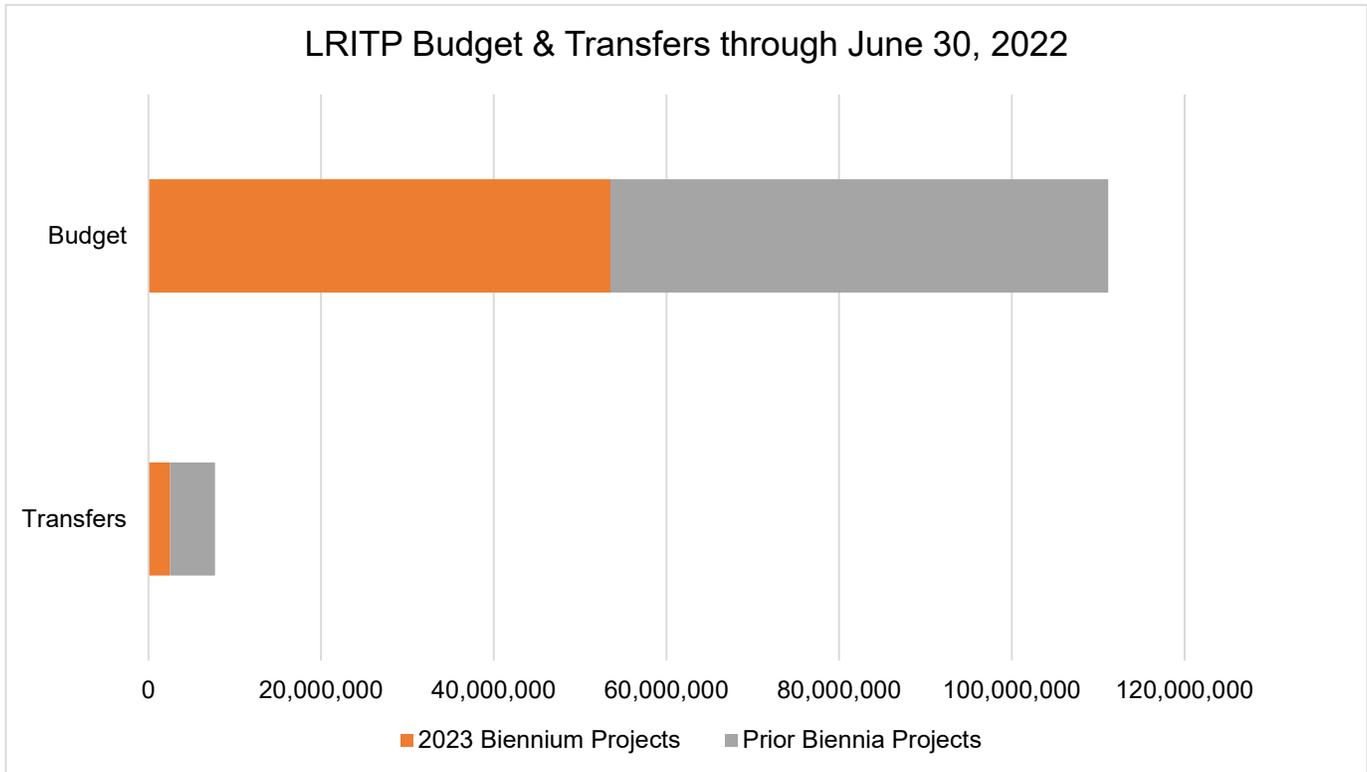
Department of Transportation

5. Federal Billing System– This project, funded with \$2.5 million in state special revenue funds, is an increase to the federal billing system project initially funded in the 2019 session. Costs were increased with the renegotiation of the initial contract. The project will implement internal controls to ensure that federal awards are used in accordance with applicable federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal award instrument.

For the 2023 biennium projects, \$50.0 million or 93.5% of the 2023 projects budget is funded with federal funds, specifically for the two Department of Labor and Industry projects.

The budget for projects authorized in prior biennia is approximately \$54.7million. Federal funds provide \$41.0 million of that budget, with \$29.1 million budgeted for a project under the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

SITSD does not directly expend the authority for the LRITP but rather transfers the authority to agencies for expenditure on their projects. The following chart shows the authority described above, as well, as the transfers that occurred in FY 2022 for agency expenditure.



LRITP Budget and Transfers through June 30, 2022				
Item	Appropriations HB 10	Transferred to Agencies for Expenditure	Balance	% Expended
2023 Biennium Projects	53,500,000	2,500,000	51,000,000	4.7%
Prior Biennia Projects	54,651,299	5,212,895	49,438,404	9.5%
Total Appropriations/Expenditures	108,151,299	7,712,895	100,438,404	7.1%

From 2023 biennium authority, SITSD transferred \$2.5 million to the Department of Transportation for the federal billing system project. The remaining authority of \$51.0 million was continued in FY 2023.

For prior biennia project authority, approximately \$5.2 million of authority was transferred to agencies for those projects. This included \$1.8 million for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks' ExploreMT automated licensing system. It also included about \$1.8 million of authority for Department of Transportation's federal billing system from the original appropriation in HB 10 from the 2019 legislative session.

For additional detail about SITSD's projects and expenditures, SITSD has a dashboard available: <https://lfcreports.mt.gov/>. The Project Search tab displays projects by name, agency, and phase, and clicking on the information icon will bring up additional details for each project, including budget, expenditures, and status.