

# Miscellaneous Statistic Information

Date settled	1752
Date of charter adopted	March 1, 1858
Form of government	Council - Manager
Number of employees	1,993
Elections:	
Number of registered voters	56,204
Number of votes cast in:	
Last general election (11/5/02)	21,285
Last municipal election (5/7/03)	14,272
Area in square miles	29.9
Facilities and services:	
Miles of streets	402
Number of street lights	11,585
Public recreation facilities:	
Number of community centers	8
Parks	3 (1 park leased)
Park acreage	402
Number of golf courses	2
Number of swimming pools	2 (outdoors)
Number of tennis courts	31
Fire protection:	
Number of stations	8
Number of employees	242
Number of calls answered	16,289
Police protection:	
Number of stations	1
Number of employees	314
Vehicular patrol units	235
Number of criminal arrests	10,506
Number of traffic summons	17,006
Number of parking violations	8,698
Sewage system:	
Miles of sanitary sewers	437
Miles of storm sewers	107
Number of service connections	31,590
Water system:	
Miles of water mains	625
Number of service connections	31,150
Number of fire hydrants	2,521
Number of treatment plants	1
Daily average consumption in gallons	17.74 MGD
Maximum daily capacity of plant in gallons	32.0 MGD

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Facilities and services not included in the reporting entity:

Education:

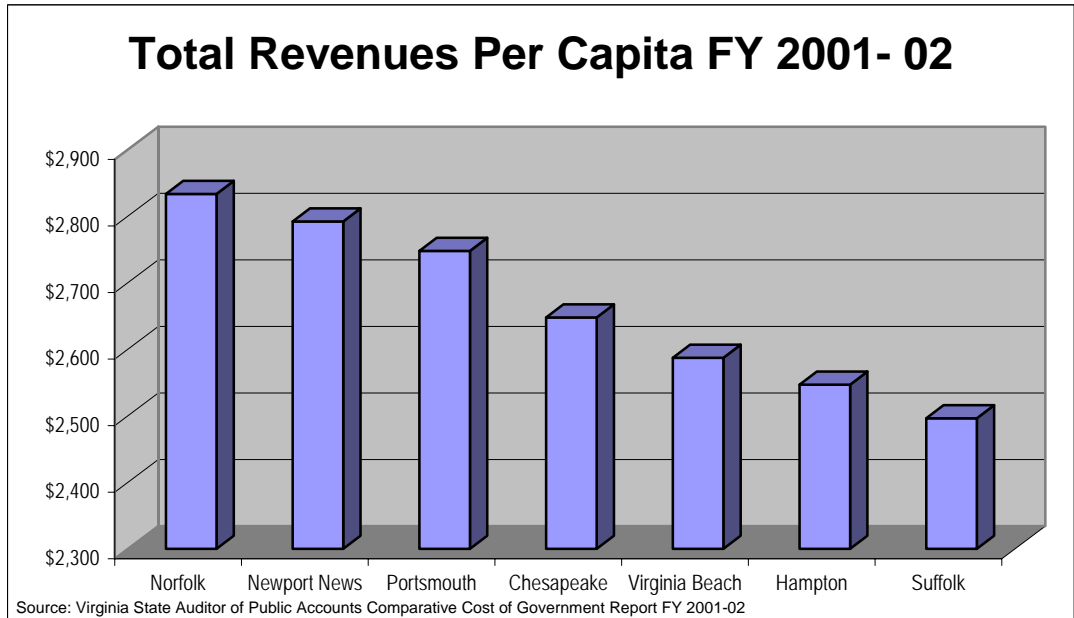
Number of elementary schools	16
Number of elementary school instructors	403
Number of middle schools	4
Number of middle school instructors	127
Number of high schools	3
Number of high school instructors	270
Number of special centers	3
Number of special center instructors	24

Hospitals:

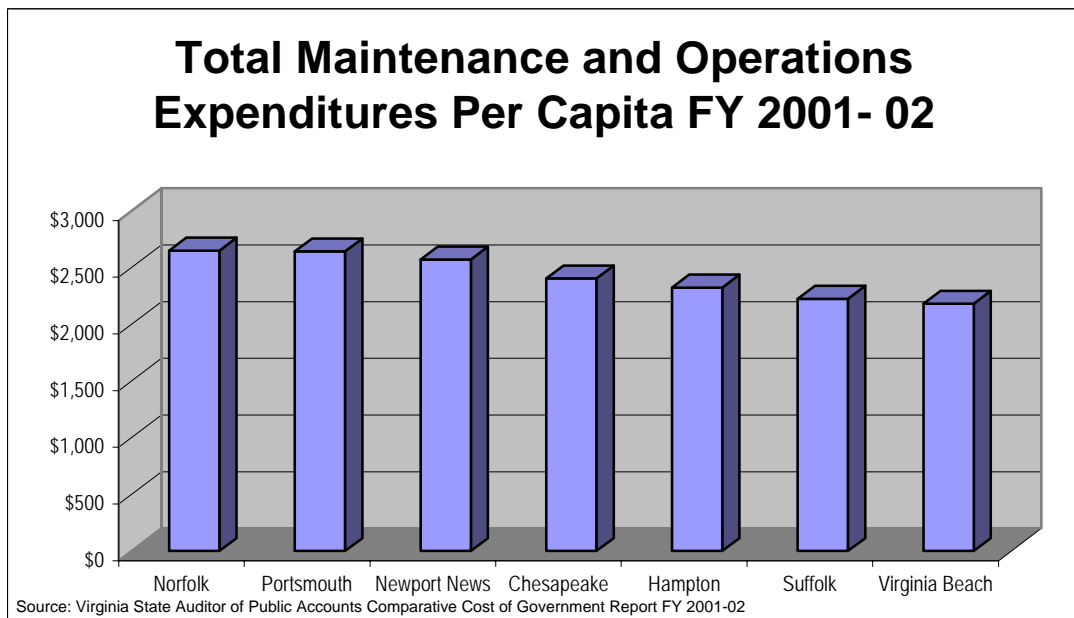
Number of hospitals	2
Number of patient beds	921

## Comparative Analysis

With respect to revenues, expenditures and debt levels, this section compares the City of Portsmouth to other local cities. All data has been obtained utilizing the Virginia State Auditor of Public Accounts Comparative Cost of Government Report FY 2001-02.

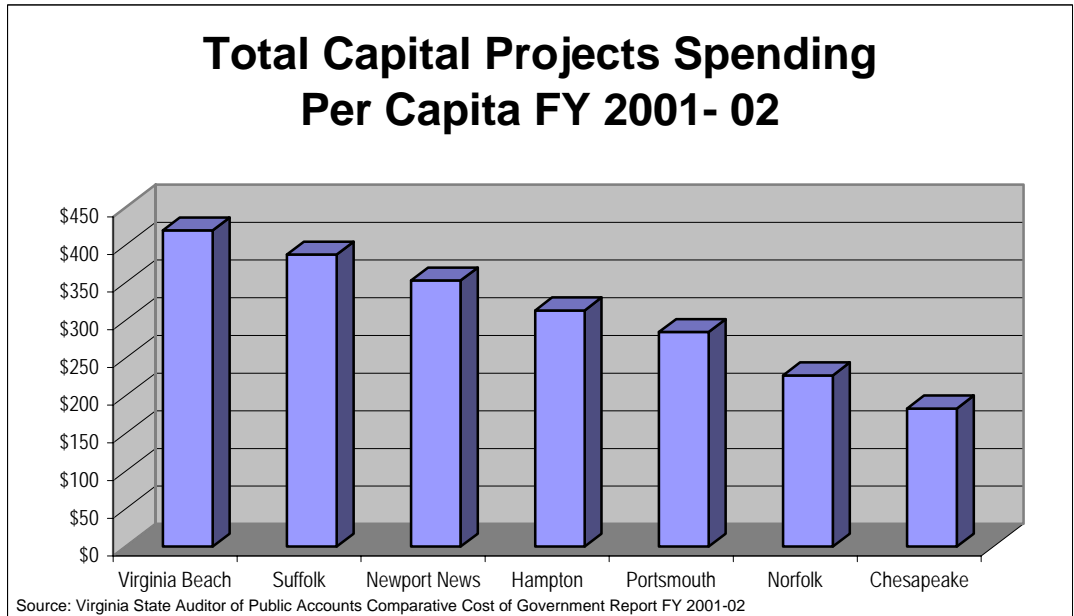


The above graph illustrates municipality revenues. At \$2,748 per capita, Portsmouth generates the third largest revenue base and is only 3% behind Norfolk. Comparatively, Suffolk has 14% less total revenue per capita than Norfolk.

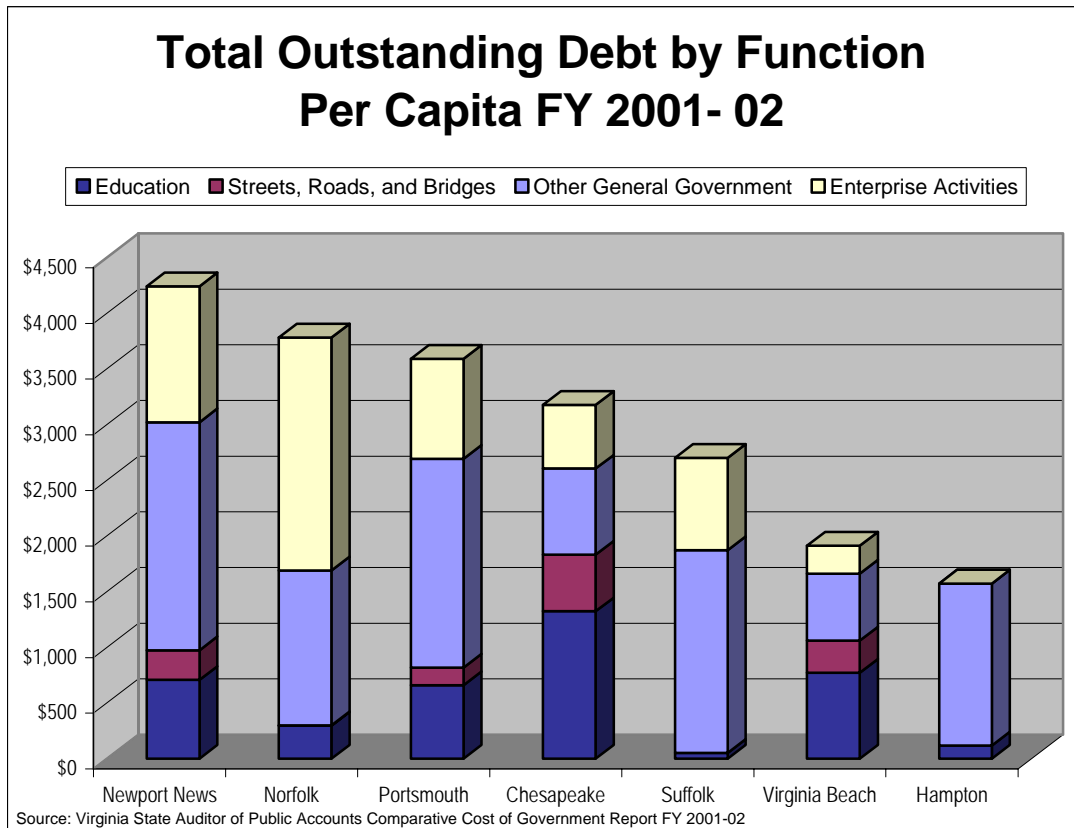


Portsmouth's total maintenance and operations expenditure (on a per capita basis) is approximately the same as Norfolk. While comparatively this is the highest, there is little difference (18%) between the highest and the lowest.

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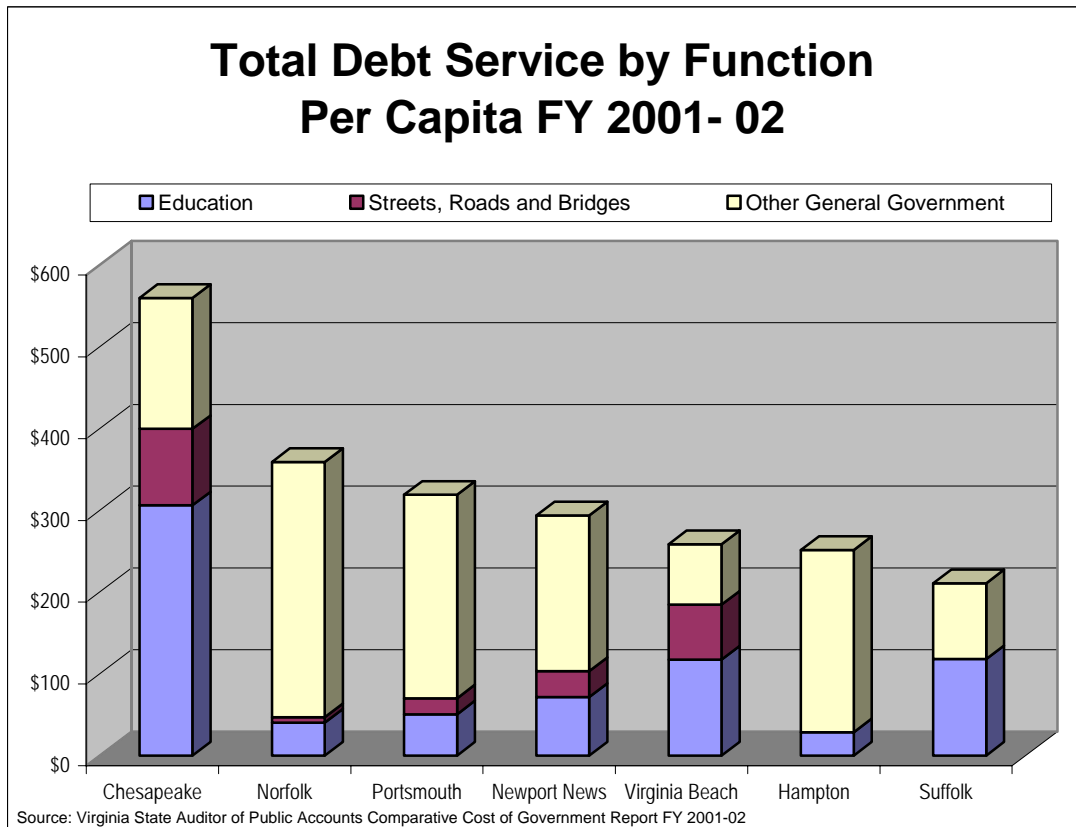


On a per capita basis for general government capital projects, Portsmouth ranks third lowest for total spending. Portsmouth spends 32% less than Virginia Beach and 55% more than Chesapeake.



In measuring outstanding debt, Portsmouth is ranked third largest. Portsmouth lags slightly behind Newport News and Norfolk and has 55% more debt than Hampton. Most of Portsmouth's debt is issued for use in general government activities, but the largest specific portion is Enterprise Activities.

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With a total debt service level of \$319 per citizen, Portsmouth ranks third highest in the region. The debt level is similar to Norfolk and Newport News and 43% less than Chesapeake.