



April 17, 2024

VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
Senate President
415 South Beretania Street
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
415 South Beretania Street
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

RE: Single Audit of the State of Hawai'i

Dear President Kouchi and Speaker Saiki:

The single audit of the State of Hawai'i for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was issued on March 27, 2024. The Office of the Auditor retained Accuity LLP to perform the single audit. For your information, we are attaching a copy of the two-page Auditor's Summary of the single audit report.

You may view the single audit report and Auditor's Summary on our website at:

https://files.hawaii.gov/auditor/Reports/2023_Audit/SOH_SA_FY2023.pdf; and

https://files.hawaii.gov/auditor/Reports/2023_Audit/SingleAudit_Summary_2023.pdf.

If you have any questions about the report, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

Leslie H. Kondo
State Auditor

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Attachment

ec/attach (Auditor's Summary only): Members of the Senate

Members of the House of Representatives
Carol Taniguchi, Senate Chief Clerk
Brian Takeshita, House Chief Clerk

Auditor's Summary

Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance Programs of the State of Hawai'i

Financial Statements, Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023



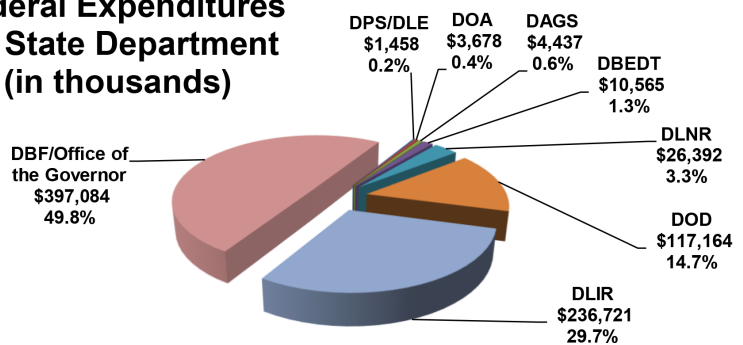
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THE PRIMARY PURPOSE of the State Single Audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, was to comply with Title 2, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance), which established audit requirements for state and local governmental units that receive federal awards. The State Single Audit was conducted by Accuity LLP.

About the Report

Single audits provide assurance to the federal government that state agencies and programs receiving federal funds are expending those funds properly. This report includes the total federal expenditures and findings related to departments that are included in the State of Hawai'i Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance Programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. For the departments included in the report that receive federal monies, federal expenditures totaled approximately \$797 million. Other departments' federal expenditures and findings are reported in their individual single audit reports. For the audits procured by the Office of the Auditor, those reports are available through the Office of the Auditor's website.

Federal Expenditures by State Department (in thousands)



- DLIR** Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
- DBF** Department of Budget and Finance
- DPS** Department of Public Safety
- DLE** Department of Law Enforcement
- DOA** Department of Agriculture
- DAGS** Department of Accounting and General Services
- DBEDT** Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
- DLNR** Department of Land and Natural Resources
- DOD** Department of Defense

Auditors' Report on Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

THE AUDITORS IDENTIFIED three significant deficiencies in internal controls over financial reporting that are required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. The significant deficiencies are described on pages 18-22 of the report.

Auditors' Report on Compliance with Major Federal Programs

THE AUDITORS EXPRESSED A QUALIFIED OPINION on certain major programs and identified three material weaknesses and eight significant deficiencies over compliance with major federal programs that are required to be reported in accordance with the *Uniform Guidance*. These findings are described in a Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs that can be found on pages 23-34 of the report. A table with the number and type of findings by department can be found below.

A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Classification of Findings

DEPARTMENTS	FINANCIAL REPORTING		FEDERAL PROGRAM COMPLIANCE		TOTALS
	Material Weakness	Significant Deficiency	Material Weakness	Significant Deficiency	
Accounting and General Services	-	3	-	1	4
Labor and Industrial Relations	-	-	3	2	5
Defense	-	-	-	1	1
Land and Natural Resources	-	-	-	4	4
TOTAL	0	3	3	8	14



Link to the complete report:

Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance Programs

https://files.hawaii.gov/auditor/Reports/2023_Audit/SOH_SA_FY2023.pdf