



Financial Document	Description / Relevance	Further Resources
<b>Pre-Budget Consultations</b>	The Ministry of Finance conducts pre-budget consultations with stakeholders across the province to determine what policy ideas should be included in the budget.	See if the <a href="#">Ministry of Finance</a> is currently inviting submissions.
<b>The Budget</b>	The budget is a financial roadmap that identifies the government's policy priorities for the coming year.	<p>The Ontario Legislative Library publishes a <a href="#">Budget Overview</a> every year.</p> <p>The FAO provides an independent projection of the Ontario government's fiscal position through its <a href="#">Economic and Budget Outlook</a> reports.</p>
<b>Expenditure Estimates</b>	The Expenditure Estimates are the government's yearly formal request to the Legislature to approve the spending of taxpayer money.	View Ontario's <a href="#">Expenditure Estimates</a> .
<b>Quarterly Update</b>	The <i>Fiscal Sustainability, Transparency and Accountability Act (FSTAA)</i> requires the government to publish the Q1 Finances Report by August 15, the Fall Economic Statement by November 15, and the Q3 Finances Report by February 15.	<p>Learn more about <a href="#">Quarterly Financial Updates</a>.</p> <p>For independent, non-partisan analysis of government spending, check out the FAOs quarterly <a href="#">Expenditure Monitor Reports</a>.</p>
<b>Fall Economic Statement (FES)</b>	The Fall Economic Statement (FES) is a mid-year update of the provinces economic outlook and fiscal plan that also highlights any new key initiatives the government made since the budget.	<p>The Ontario Legislative Library publishes an <a href="#">overview of the FES</a> every year.</p> <p>View the FAOs <a href="#">Economic and Budget Outlook</a> reports.</p>
<b>Public Accounts</b>	Public Accounts is a retrospective document that compares Ontario's performance in the past fiscal year to its aimed performance as stated in the budget.	<p>View the <a href="#">Public Accounts of Ontario</a>.</p> <p>For more audits of Government Programs, visit the <a href="#">Auditor General of Ontario's website</a>.</p>