Outstanding Debt

The District maintained its high underlying credit ratings of AA from Standard and Poor's Corporation and Aa1 from Moody's Investor Service, Inc. The District's bonds qualify for the AAA State's Permanent School Fund Guarantee. These ratings result in lower debt issuance costs for the District.

At fiscal year end, the District had total debt outstanding of \$1.3 billion versus \$1.4 billion in prior year. Most of the District's debt is for bonded debt, all of which is considered to be direct tax supported debt. The District defeased \$4.7 million of the 2014 Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2014.

More detailed information about the District's outstanding debt is presented in Note 8 to the financial statements.

OUTSTANDING DEBT

(in thousands)

	Governmental Activities					
						Increase
		2023		2022		(Decrease)
Bonds Payable	\$	1,131,880	\$	1,185,950	\$	(54,070)
Bond Premiums		161,920		169,325		(7,405)
Accreted interest		4,951		4,863		88
Lease liability		3		1,464		(1,461)
SBITA liability		995		-		995
Accrued Service Benefits		41		144		(103)
Notes Payable		-		29		(29)
Total	\$	1,299,790	\$	1,361,775	\$	(61,985)