MONTHLY REPORT OF STATE SALES AND USE TAX GROSS COLLECTIONS AND GROSS RETAIL SALES
Data are compiled from reports and remittances made by taxpayers, and are classified according to sales and use tax registration numbers. Detail data from this report may not be directly comparable to that in reports for other months because of corrections in registration numbers affecting collections and gross retail sales within the business, county, and city classifications, and changes in the sales and use tax law. NO county sales and use taxes are included in this report.

TABLE 1. STATE SALES AND USE TAX: GROSS COLLECTIONS AND GROSS RETAIL SALES BY COUNTIES
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| County |  | Gross Collections* | Gross |  | County | Gross Collections* |  |  | GrossRetail Sales** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Retail Sales** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alamance | \$ | 3,086,761 | \$ | 108,478,489 | Macon | \$ | 729,808 | \$ | 25,618,689 |
| Alexander |  | 373,099 |  | 16,685,228 | Madison |  | 136,922 |  | 7,391,418 |
| Alleghany |  | 129,038 |  | 5,330,844 | Martin |  | 419,281 |  | 15,034,443 |
| Anson |  | 310,730 |  | 11,852,146 | McDowell |  | 537,056 |  | 27,394,891 |
| Ashe |  | 401,250 |  | 16,257,557 | Mecklenburg |  | 35,294,604 |  | 1,209,704,059 |
| Avery |  | 485,586 |  | 17,695,874 | Mitchell |  | 324,579 |  | 10,468,956 |
| Beaufort |  | 869,485 |  | 32,047,178 | Montgomery |  | 388,595 |  | 18,130,813 |
| Bertie |  | 99,249 |  | 5,646,900 | Moore |  | 1,846,344 |  | 71,673,858 |
| Bladen |  | 494,410 |  | 25,568,069 | Nash |  | 2,536,215 |  | 101,687,043 |
| Brunswick |  | 1,910,177 |  | 70,525,568 | New Hanover |  | 6,679,690 |  | 243,110,663 |
| Buncombe |  | 7,572,102 |  | 246,016,553 | Northampton |  | 91,886 |  | 3,841,354 |
| Burke |  | 1,262,967 |  | 79,476,312 | Onslow |  | 2,669,460 |  | 88,648,799 |
| Cabarrus |  | 4,181,487 |  | 158,208,672 | Orange |  | 2,690,506 |  | 101,172,566 |
| Caldwell |  | 1,197,926 |  | 51,570,284 | Pamlico |  | 126,138 |  | 4,442,619 |
| Camden |  | 73,029 |  | 2,323,056 | Pasquotank |  | 907,505 |  | 34,613,927 |
| Carteret |  | 1,592,778 |  | 53,723,173 | Pender |  | 337,633 |  | 16,744,975 |
| Caswell |  | 90,569 |  | 4,618,631 | Perquimans |  | 96,645 |  | 3,743,746 |
| Catawba |  | 4,915,135 |  | 193,743,584 | Person |  | 637,396 |  | 24,277,695 |
| Chatham |  | 676,966 |  | 27,642,988 | Pitt |  | 4,003,141 |  | 143,633,986 |
| Cherokee |  | 652,047 |  | 28,163,148 | Polk |  | 178,856 |  | 7,344,270 |
| Chowan |  | 183,476 |  | 8,314,460 | Randolph |  | 2,025,962 |  | 78,650,800 |
| Clay |  | 113,319 |  | 7,920,394 | Richmond |  | 882,823 |  | 29,903,931 |
| Cleveland |  | 1,684,986 |  | 67,036,866 | Robeson |  | 2,034,219 |  | 70,650,787 |
| Columbus |  | 976,902 |  | 38,341,189 | Rockingham |  | 1,132,929 |  | 47,833,673 |
| Craven |  | 1,989,886 |  | 74,965,802 | Rowan |  | 2,246,082 |  | 81,263,310 |
| Cumberland |  | 8,030,374 |  | 244,421,406 | Rutherford |  | 1,090,147 |  | 36,926,849 |
| Currituck |  | 277,111 |  | 13,507,826 | Sampson |  | 907,508 |  | 36,995,141 |
| Dare |  | 1,379,235 |  | 44,099,436 | Scotland |  | 727,817 |  | 25,543,867 |
| Davidson |  | 2,376,717 |  | 97,136,033 | Stanly |  | 1,277,100 |  | 47,737,925 |
| Davie |  | 482,772 |  | 24,762,855 | Stokes |  | 349,338 |  | 14,825,746 |
| Duplin |  | 608,996 |  | 24,792,077 | Surry |  | 1,604,050 |  | 66,239,036 |
| Durham |  | 10,785,868 |  | 368,722,167 | Swain |  | 106,269 |  | 4,928,064 |
| Edgecombe |  | 803,812 |  | 30,918,930 | Transylvania |  | 472,907 |  | 17,095,374 |
| Forsyth |  | 11,532,376 |  | 439,002,072 | Tyrrell |  | 31,413 |  | 1,278,686 |
| Franklin |  | 627,183 |  | 23,547,172 | Union |  | 2,664,485 |  | 106,762,997 |
| Gaston |  | 4,547,749 |  | 170,565,479 | Vance |  | 1,020,180 |  | 40,569,326 |
| Gates |  | 36,385 |  | 3,578,474 | Wake |  | 27,652,716 |  | 992,156,647 |
| Graham |  | 67,206 |  | 2,806,313 | Warren |  | 131,842 |  | 6,755,075 |
| Granville |  | 590,634 |  | 28,074,032 | Washington |  | 149,959 |  | 7,545,187 |
| Greene |  | 101,203 |  | 4,904,043 | Watauga |  | 1,495,893 |  | 46,162,690 |
| Guilford |  | 15,434,666 |  | 622,618,730 | Wayne |  | 2,619,105 |  | 84,151,156 |
| Halifax |  | 1,098,770 |  | 51,146,400 | Wilkes |  | 1,316,962 |  | 64,744,633 |
| Harnett |  | 1,253,412 |  | 46,329,105 | Wilson |  | 2,023,849 |  | 78,010,794 |
| Haywood |  | 1,107,532 |  | 39,852,510 | Yadkin |  | 429,338 |  | 18,076,132 |
| Henderson |  | 2,227,197 |  | 93,926,554 | Yancey |  | 200,168 |  | 6,747,744 |
| Hertford |  | 667,741 |  | 24,459,177 | Foreign |  | 45,293,834 |  | 1,729,918,489 |
| Hoke |  | 206,344 |  | 8,900,601 | Utility services, |  |  |  |  |
| Hyde |  | 51,294 |  | 1,781,825 | satellite, \& liquor |  | 55,900,441 |  | *** |
| Iredell |  | 3,511,200 |  | 136,617,760 | 8\% Hwy. use tax |  | 1,630,890 |  | *** |
| Jackson |  | 589,851 |  | 19,226,875 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Johnston |  | 2,597,791 |  | 104,188,690 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jones |  | 89,759 |  | 3,287,280 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lee |  | 1,467,137 |  | 56,125,423 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lenoir |  | 1,540,979 |  | 62,480,275 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lincoln |  | 1,033,316 |  | 41,489,394 | TOTALS | \$ | 328,498,457 | \$ | 10,085,574,708 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albemarle | \$ | 829,461 | \$ | 31,217,119 | Kings Mountain | \$ | 227,068 |  | 8,002,138 |
| Apex |  | 644,724 |  | 25,975,336 | Kinston |  | 1,262,921 |  | 51,019,407 |
| Archdale |  | 130,486 |  | 6,928,261 | Knightdale |  | 288,045 |  | 10,120,472 |
| Asheboro |  | 1,004,922 |  | 36,001,497 | Laurinburg |  | 582,081 |  | 20,788,958 |
| Asheville |  | 5,931,859 |  | 179,098,103 | Lenoir |  | 757,842 |  | 32,214,069 |
| Belmont |  | 258,811 |  | 18,574,808 | Lewisville |  | 74,029 |  | 4,260,293 |
| Bessemer City |  | 66,896 |  | 2,338,648 | Lexington |  | 1,010,073 |  | 37,130,977 |
| Black Mountain |  | 167,095 |  | 8,340,679 | Lincolnton |  | 528,745 |  | 19,011,512 |
| Boone |  | 1,034,821 |  | 34,053,314 | Lumberton |  | 1,282,531 |  | 39,974,453 |
| Brevard |  | 375,256 |  | 12,814,854 | Matthews |  | 1,601,252 |  | 47,738,238 |
| Burlington |  | 2,199,686 |  | 71,752,190 | Mebane |  | 260,931 |  | 12,595,297 |
| Carrboro |  | 247,407 |  | 9,398,714 | Mint Hill |  | 105,266 |  | 6,292,024 |
| Cary |  | 4,038,794 |  | 161,799,544 | Monroe |  | 1,570,109 |  | 66,592,810 |
| Chapel Hill |  | 1,788,374 |  | 67,709,070 | Mooresville |  | 1,293,150 |  | 46,401,352 |
| Charlotte |  | 27,053,181 |  | 954,780,950 | Morehead City |  | 897,456 |  | 26,413,966 |
| Cherryville |  | 123,952 |  | 5,453,004 | Morganton |  | 817,344 |  | 54,092,471 |
| Clayton |  | 342,196 |  | 15,711,869 | Morrisville |  | 365,861 |  | 15,282,114 |
| Clemmons |  | 274,714 |  | 12,577,566 | Mt. Airy |  | 921,057 |  | 35,860,324 |
| Clinton |  | 581,183 |  | 21,808,842 | Mt. Holly |  | 81,267 |  | 3,265,543 |
| Concord |  | 2,427,002 |  | 101,206,377 | New Bern |  | 1,432,508 |  | 45,303,182 |
| Conover |  | 257,350 |  | 14,105,052 | Newton |  | 238,150 |  | 9,561,660 |
| Cornelius |  | 477,112 |  | 19,197,558 | Oak Island |  | 7,248 |  | 160,335 |
| Davidson |  | 69,324 |  | 2,835,590 | Oxford |  | 344,609 |  | 13,969,085 |
| Dunn |  | 747,481 |  | 23,564,397 | Pinehurst |  | 194,690 |  | 12,023,975 |
| Durham |  | 9,501,704 |  | 313,574,919 | Raleigh |  | 17,607,228 |  | 588,882,215 |
| Eden |  | 355,384 |  | 12,853,478 | Reidsville |  | 372,798 |  | 18,287,724 |
| Edenton |  | 157,252 |  | 7,500,731 | Roanoke Rapids |  | 660,123 |  | 26,863,866 |
| Elizabeth City |  | 827,335 |  | 27,356,826 | Rockingham |  | 666,293 |  | 19,627,115 |
| Elon |  | 26,903 |  | 906,726 | Rocky Mount |  | 2,220,639 |  | 81,478,242 |
| Fayetteville |  | 6,523,458 |  | 198,870,687 | Roxboro |  | 529,132 |  | 17,970,606 |
| Forest City |  | 441,530 |  | 15,795,104 | Salisbury |  | 1,443,035 |  | 48,604,028 |
| Fuquay-Varina |  | 440,309 |  | 15,137,994 | Sanford |  | 1,269,812 |  | 48,033,828 |
| Garner |  | 1,171,967 |  | 37,290,361 | Selma |  | 228,806 |  | 9,173,598 |
| Gastonia |  | 3,381,072 |  | 110,456,718 | Shelby |  | 865,876 |  | 38,965,839 |
| Goldsboro |  | 2,072,085 |  | 62,864,788 | Siler City |  | 345,858 |  | 11,248,983 |
| Graham |  | 237,678 |  | 11,111,740 | Smithfield |  | 903,762 |  | 34,455,537 |
| Greensboro |  | 11,453,341 |  | 444,637,596 | Southern Pines |  | 807,384 |  | 25,088,811 |
| Greenville |  | 3,085,953 |  | 111,161,061 | Spring Lake |  | 286,518 |  | 7,756,324 |
| Hamlet |  | 66,805 |  | 3,957,526 | Statesville |  | 1,620,412 |  | 65,104,659 |
| Havelock |  | 213,185 |  | 8,095,453 | Summerfield |  | 24,052 |  | 1,394,446 |
| Henderson |  | 812,101 |  | 29,784,141 | Tarboro |  | 333,991 |  | 10,283,550 |
| Hendersonville |  | 1,362,363 |  | 48,157,782 | Thomasville |  | 707,962 |  | 29,814,439 |
| Hickory |  | 3,806,172 |  | 137,053,703 | Trinity |  | 7,786 |  | 191,695 |
| High Point |  | 2,441,267 |  | 99,702,803 | Wake Forest |  | 532,548 |  | 19,632,452 |
| Hillsborough |  | 381,194 |  | 16,044,021 | Washington |  | 560,112 |  | 19,054,870 |
| Holly Springs |  | 54,073 |  | 2,309,775 | Waynesville |  | 555,659 |  | 18,837,801 |
| Hope Mills |  | 323,384 |  | 9,670,061 | Weddington |  | 39,652 |  | 1,639,724 |
| Huntersville |  | 978,621 |  | 29,755,195 | Whiteville |  | 633,211 |  | 21,798,064 |
| Indian Trail |  | 210,439 |  | 7,571,239 | Williamston |  | 305,318 |  | 10,262,255 |
| Jacksonville |  | 2,157,597 |  | 67,822,486 | Wilmington |  | 5,366,162 |  | 190,710,322 |
| Kannapolis |  | 778,283 |  | 26,072,965 | Wilson |  | 1,754,245 |  | 59,039,527 |
| Kernersville |  | 830,109 |  | 35,903,841 | Winston-Salem |  | 8,602,804 |  | 329,953,298 |
| Kill Devil Hills |  | 243,496 |  | 6,912,989 |  |  |  |  |  |
| King |  | 138,940 |  | 7,605,991 | TOTALS | \$ | 170,941,497 | \$ | 6,115,410,515 |

${ }^{1}$ Estimated population as of April 1, 2000, prepared by the U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

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## TABLE 3. STATE SALES AND USE TAX: GROSS COLLECTIONS AND GROSS RETAIL SALES BY TYPES OF BUSINESSES

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    *** Sales not presently tabulated.

