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

March 2003 Report

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Country	Gross	Gross	Country	Gross		Gross		
County	Collections*	Retail Sales**	County	Collections*		Retail Sales**		
Alamance	\$ 3,086,761	\$ 108,478,489	Macon	\$ 729,808	\$	25,618,689		
Alexander	373,099		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		Orange	2,690,506		101,172,566		
Caldwell	1,197,926		Pamlico	126,138		4,442,619		
Camden	73,029		Pasquotank	907,505		34,613,927		
Carteret	1,592,778		Pender	337,633		16,744,975		
Caswell	90,569		Perquimans	96,645		3,743,746		
Catawba	4,915,135		Person	637,396		24,277,695		
Chatham	676,966		Pitt	4,003,141		143,633,986		
Cherokee	652,047		Polk	178,856		7,344,270		
Chowan	183,476	8,314,460	Randolph	2,025,962		78,650,800		
Clay	113,319		Richmond	882,823		29,903,931		
Cleveland	1,684,986		Robeson	2,034,219		70,650,787		
Columbus	976,902		Rockingham	1,132,929		47,833,673		
Craven	1,989,886		Rowan	2,246,082		81,263,310		
Cumberland	8,030,374		Rutherford	1,090,147		36,926,849		
Currituck	277,111	13,507,826	Sampson	907,508		36,995,141		
Dare	1,379,235		Scotland	727,817				
Davidson	2,376,717		Stanly			25,543,867		
Davidson	482,772		Stokes	1,277,100 349,338		47,737,925 14,825,746		
Duplin	608,996		Surry	1,604,050		66,239,036		
Durham	10,785,868		Swain	106,269		4,928,064		
Edgecombe	803,812		Transylvania	472,907		17,095,374		
Forsyth	11,532,376		Tyrrell	31,413		1,278,686		
Franklin	627,183		Union	2,664,485		106,762,997		
Gaston	4,547,749		Vance	1,020,180		40,569,326		
Gates	36,385		Wake	27,652,716		992,156,647		
Graham	67,206		Warren	131,842		6,755,075		
Granville	590,634		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		satellite, & liquor	55,900,441		***		
Iredell	3,511,200		8% Hwy. use tax	1,630,890		***		
Jackson	589,851		•					
Johnston	2,597,791	104,188,690						
Jones	89,759							
Lee	1,467,137							
Lenoir	1,540,979							
Lincoln	1,033,316		TOTALS	\$ 328,498,457	\$	10,085,574,708		

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TABLE 2. STATE SALES AND USE TAX: GROSS COLLECTIONS AND GROSS RETAIL SALES BY CITIES WITH POPULATION IN EXCESS OF $5,000^1$

March 2003 Report

	Gross	Gross	*	Gross	Gross
City	Collections*	Retail Sales**	City	Collections*	Retail Sales**
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
Clayton	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
		137,053,703	Trinity	7,786	
Hickory	3,806,172				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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March 2003 Report									
		Gross		Gross			Gross		Gross
Type of business		Collections*		Retail Sales**	Type of business		Collections*		Retail Sales**
1%, 2% and 3% Tax Group	\$	5,318,531	¢	436,725,480	Lumber & Building Material Group - 4.5%	\$	30,742,487	•	848,816,007
001 Manufactured homes - 2%	Ψ	712,217	Ψ	35,405,358	601 Sheet metal shops; steel fabricators	Ψ	1,266,323	Ψ	41,493,266
002 Airplanes, boats, etc 3%		772,393		24,866,780	602 Building hardware and machine stores		186,369		8,119,265
009 Farm, mill, laundry machinery; fuel to		112,373		24,000,700	603 Building material dealers		19,550,765		506,425,226
farmers, manufacturers, laundries;					604 Cabinet shops		1,023,547		28,218,362
other - 1%		3,833,921		376,453,342	605 Electrical, plumbing and heating		1,023,517		20,210,302
other 170		3,033,721		370,133,312	supply dealers		7,672,471		228,783,664
Apparel Group - 4.5%	\$	8,817,767	\$	208,124,393	606 Monument and tombstone dealers		32,662		1,684,822
101 Boot and shoe stores	Ψ	1,932,704	Ψ	43,325,424	607 Others		389,058		16,459,019
102 Clothing stores		5,836,620		133,662,324	608 Storm window and door dealers		621,292		17,632,383
103 Furriers		8,584		219,258	ooo Storm window and door dearers		021,272		17,032,303
104 Haberdasheries		26,612		598,347	Unclassified Group - 4.5%	\$	83,682,394	\$	2,830,393,501
105 Millinery shops		9,956		228,063	701 Beauty and barber shops and	Ψ	05,002,574	Ψ	2,030,373,301
106 Shoe repair shops		152,514		3,542,337	supply dealers		815,528		24,884,270
107 Others		850,776		26,548,640	702 Bookstores, school supply stores		2,219,738		60,028,215
107 Others		030,770		20,540,040	703 Newsstands		402,452		9,699,369
Automotive Group - 4.5%	\$	17,101,539	¢	1,331,579,730	704 Coal, wood, fuel oil, and bottled		402,432		7,077,307
201 Motor vehicle dealers	Ψ	3,017,322	Ψ	608,361,808	gas dealers		3,212,309		149,552,750
202 Service stations		1,852,093		116,905,998	705 Feed stores, millers, hatcheries		188,719		8,667,223
203 Garages		1,590,571		72,995,741	705 Feed stores, filmers, flateneries 706 Florists and nurseries		1,269,015		36,663,961
204 Motorcycle and bicycle dealers		536,121		23,259,447	700 Fiorists and nurseries 707 Airplane dealers		540,955		20,254,183
205 Automotive supply stores				200,652,691	•				
• • •		5,037,314		, ,	708 Hotels, motels, cottage rentals, etc.		6,886,826		162,911,489
206 Others		509,527		25,671,070	709 Office machine and supply dealers		7,691,753		263,989,968
207 Oil and petroleum products dealers		2,601,235		183,769,952	710 Funeral homes		839,105		25,886,897
208 Tire dealers, recappers and repairers		1,716,915		73,483,976	711 Others		49,070,876		1,642,107,269
209 Manufactured home (mobile home) dealer	S	240,440		26,479,047	712 Photographers, artists, photofinishers		1,367,583		39,793,627
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Food Group - 4.5%	\$	51,508,680	\$	1,990,589,534	engravers, etc.		2,391,086		139,375,192
301 Bakeries		277,252		8,850,524	714 Laundries, dry cleaners, etc.		1,062,347		26,407,106
302 Candy and confectionery stores		119,979		3,560,020	715 Hospitals, physicians, veterinarians, etc.		2,084,872		64,574,973
303 Dairies and dairy bars		232,718		6,291,761	716 Boat and marine supply dealers		308,064		14,878,899
304 Grocery stores, meat markets, etc.		17,315,728		1,189,541,836	717 Pet, hobby and craft shops		1,302,820		38,910,805
305 Vending machine operators; drink stands		1,952,184		49,719,372	718 Chemical, janitorial supplies and paper				
306 Restaurants, cafeterias, grills,					products dealers		1,673,853		80,344,226
snack bars, etc.		30,419,510		696,271,444	719 Machine shops; locksmiths, etc.		354,494		21,463,079
307 Others		214,271		10,169,394					
308 Taverns, nightclubs, etc.		977,038		26,185,183					
Furniture Group - 4.5%	\$	12,864,027	\$	352,005,299					
401 Furniture stores		4,972,787		142,807,523	Total Retail Sales and Use Group	\$	270,967,125	\$	10,085,574,708
402 Household appliance dealers and									
repair services		3,681,755		91,681,200	Utility Services, Satellite and Liquor -				
403 Musical merchandise dealers		660,063		17,124,593	2.83%, 3%, 5% and 6%	\$	55,900,441		***
404 Industrial, office and store furniture									
and fixture dealers		680,382		21,271,907	8% Hwy. Use Tax - Motor Vehicle Leasing	\$	1,630,890		***
405 Others		239,359		7,005,097					
406 Awning and venetian blind dealers		91,850		2,441,484					
407 Antique dealers; interior decorators		984,126		24,745,660					
408 Upholstery shops; floor covering dealers		1,553,706		44,927,835					
					Grand Total - All Groups	\$	328,498,457	\$	10,085,574,708
General Merchandise Group - 4.5%	\$	60,931,700	\$	2,087,340,764					
501 Department stores		6,090,112		148,400,384					
502 Drugstores; drug and medical					* Gross collections reported during the month	of l	March 2003 inc	cludi	ng
supply houses		3,858,062		402,106,978	collections of penalties, interest, and sales	and	use tax.		
503 Dry goods stores; fabric and yarn shops		323,163		9,360,568	-				
504 Farm implement and supply stores		1,149,041		50,470,358	** Amounts shown are total taxable and nonta	xab!	le sales reporte	d on	sales
505 Discount stores; general stores		24,427,365		627,750,883	and use tax returns. Data reflect sales in Fe	brua	ary 2003.		
506 Hardware stores		1,740,223		48,019,222		-24			
507 Jewelry stores; watch and clock		, ,		-, ,	*** Sales not presently tabulated.				
repair shops		1,674,956		42,381,444	1 ,				
508 Leather and leather goods stores		36,596		870,598					
509 Industrial machinery and supply dealers		3,217,249		137,209,771	Monthly sales and use tax reports are not co	mn	arable to mont	hlv	renorts for
		305,496		7,409,671	periods prior to February 2002. Effective O				
510 Secondhand goods stores; flea markets 511 Sporting goods stores; toy shops		2,263,291		61,035,102	state sales and use tax rate increased from 4			_	
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39,365,637

18,705,738

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9,895,714 1,074,119

438,376

796,542

1,253,960

512 Variety stores; 5 & 10 specialty stores

515 Pawn shops; army surplus stores, etc.

517 Gift and novelty shops; coin dealers

516 Road building equipment and supply dealers

514 Paint, wallpaper, and glass stores

513 Others

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