TABLE 24. GROSS INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX COLLECTIONS BY TYPE OF PAYMENT

	Withholding payments												Final			Total individual income	
	Quarterly			Monthly			Accelerated			Estimated			[returns & assessments]			tax gross collections	
	Quarterly	%	Annual	Monthly	%	Annual	Accelerated	%	Annual	Estimated	%	Annual	Final	%	Annual	Total	Annual
Fiscal	payments	of	%	payments	of	%	payments	of	%	payments	of	%	payments	of	%	payments	%
year	[\$]	total	change	[\$]	total	change	[\$]	total	change	[\$]	total	change	[\$]	total	change	[\$]	change
1990-91	192,739,065	4.7%	-8.1%	1,891,442,278	46.2%	-34.7%	1,187,455,956	29.0%	100.0%	471,724,009	11.5%	-7.9%	354,629,248	8.7%	-11.1%	4,097,990,558	2.0%
1991-92	191,343,403	4.5%	-0.7%	354,951,100	8.4%	-81.2%	2,790,985,335	66.3%	135.0%	491,631,761	11.7%	4.2%	380,239,696	9.0%	7.2%	4,209,151,297	2.7%
1992-93	205,716,347	4.5%	7.5%	375,954,593	8.2%	5.9%	3,046,355,669	66.5%	9.1%	572,940,256	12.5%	16.5%	380,164,995	8.3%	0.0%	4,581,131,864	8.8%
1993-94	219,361,047	4.5%	6.6%	400,349,912	8.1%	6.5%	3,335,039,140	67.7%	9.5%	580,307,383	11.8%	1.3%	392,302,122	8.0%	3.2%	4,927,359,602	7.6%
1994-95	222,383,060	4.1%	1.4%	416,962,682	7.8%	4.1%	3,660,104,518	68.3%	9.7%	621,999,733	11.6%	7.2%	438,227,631	8.2%	11.7%	5,359,677,624	8.8%
1995-96	237,591,726	4.1%	6.8%	415,092,795	7.2%	-0.4%	3,915,632,302	67.9%	7.0%	675,537,679	11.7%	8.6%	520,744,681	9.0%	18.8%	5,764,599,183	7.6%
1996-97	291,630,335	4.6%	22.7%	458,018,779	7.2%	10.3%	4,171,750,920	65.7%	6.5%	792,178,770	12.5%	17.3%	639,981,330	10.1%	22.9%	6,353,560,136	10.2%
1997-98	339,505,906	4.8%	16.4%	486,836,857	6.8%	6.3%	4,549,750,231	63.8%	9.1%	946,046,839	13.3%	19.4%	804,487,913	11.3%	25.7%	7,126,627,746	12.2%
1998-99	386,155,608	5.0%	13.7%	559,275,845	7.2%	14.9%	4,937,213,785	63.3%	8.5%	1,020,970,246	13.1%	7.9%	891,304,737	11.4%	10.8%	7,794,920,222	9.4%
1999-00	412,458,504	5.0%	6.8%	592,699,461	7.1%	6.0%	5,293,436,732	63.6%	7.2%	1,060,882,141	12.8%	3.9%	957,040,217	11.5%	7.4%	8,316,517,056	6.7%
2000-01	445,143,363	5.0%	7.9%	643,784,519	7.2%	8.6%	5,621,970,976	63.3%	6.2%	1,104,543,056	12.4%	4.1%	1,070,238,600	12.0%	11.8%	8,885,680,514	6.8%
2001-02	393,555,815	4.6%	-11.6%	666,738,025	7.7%	3.6%	5,762,522,176	66.8%	2.5%	938,690,138	10.9%	-15.0%	862,881,558	10.0%	-19.4%	8,624,387,711	-2.9%
2002-03	256,463,211	3.0%	-34.8%	634,478,675	7.4%	-4.8%	5,970,051,356	70.0%	3.6%	871,328,434	10.2%	-7.2%	801,599,302	9.4%	-7.1%	8,533,920,978	-1.0%
2003-04	214,187,783	2.4%	-16.5%	666,744,805	7.4%	5.1%	6,307,899,117	70.2%	5.7%	875,048,942	9.7%	0.4%	921,085,858	10.3%	14.9%	8,984,966,504	5.3%
2004-05	223,142,639	2.2%	4.2%	723,036,384	7.3%	8.4%	6,666,346,489	67.0%	5.7%	1,036,789,406	10.4%	18.5%	1,304,231,335	13.1%	41.6%	9,953,546,252	10.8%

Detail may not add to totals due to rounding.

The 1987 General Assembly amended G.S.105-163.6(c1) to require employers withholding an average of \$500 or more of income each month (previously \$3,000 or more) to file and pay the amounts withheld on a monthly basis. The change in the threshold was effective for taxes withheld on or after January 1, 1988.

The 1989 General Assembly rewrote G.S.105-163.15 to increase from 80% to 90% the percentage of an individual's income tax liability that must be paid through withholding and estimated income tax to avoid the penalty for underpayment of estimated income tax. The increase in percentage was effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1990.

The 1990 General Assembly rewrote G.S.105-163.1 to adopt the federal definition of wages subject to income tax withholding and to require employers who average withholding income tax of \$2,000 or more per month (accelerated filers) to file withholding tax reports and remit the tax in accordance with federal guidelines. (Effective <u>January 1, 1991</u>) In an attempt to simplify the payment of withheld taxes, the Internal Revenue Service adopted new regulations effective <u>January 1, 1993</u>, requiring accelerated filers to pay the withheld taxes semi-weekly instead of every three banking days. (Employers were not required to adopt the new system until January 1, 1994.)

Effective <u>January 1, 2002</u>, G.S. 105-163.6(b) was amended to require an employer who withholds an average of less than \$250 of State income taxes from wages each month to file a return and pay the taxes on a quarterly basis; G.S. 105-163.6(c) was amended to require an employer who withholds an average of at least \$250 but less than \$2,000 from wages each month to file a return and pay the taxes on a monthly basis. The amendments lowered the threshold for distinguishing quarterly filers from monthly filers from \$500 to \$250; approximately 70,000 taxpayers were converted from quarterly filers to monthly filers.

## 2004-05 Voluntary Compliance Program

Limited amnesty was granted as result of a court case to corporate and individual taxpayers who had engaged either in tax strategies causing income that would otherwise be taxable in North Carolina to be shifted out-of-state, or in other tax shelters eliminating or minimizing their tax burden. Individual income tax collections include \$51,229,050 attributable to this program.