

TABLE 35B. SALES AND USE TAX REFUNDS ISSUED TO NONPROFIT ENTITY CLAIMANTS: ANNUAL REFUNDS OF \$100,001 OR MORE BY TYPE OF CLAIMANT BY FISCAL YEAR

[Refunds are combined State and local taxes and may cover multiple semiannual claims]

Nonprofit Entity Type	Fiscal year 2003-04				Fiscal year 2004-05				Fiscal year 2005-06				Fiscal year 2006-07				Fiscal year 2007-08			
	Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued	
	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total
Hospitals and medical accommodations	85	52.1%	165,334,188	75.9%	87	46.0%	192,820,322	74.9%	84	45.2%	218,960,776	76.3%	77	41.8%	213,403,836	76.9%	81	43.1%	195,557,648	78.4%
Educational institutions:																				
Collegiate institutions	15	9.2%	39,792,494	18.3%	24	12.7%	49,624,545	19.3%	26	14.0%	48,522,414	16.9%	27	14.7%	45,589,406	16.4%	27	14.4%	36,243,729	14.5%
Elementary, secondary institutions	8	4.9%	1,463,994	0.7%	11	5.8%	2,274,013	0.9%	6	3.2%	1,091,641	0.4%	7	3.8%	1,325,592	0.5%	8	4.3%	1,374,928	0.6%
Churches and other religious institutions	12	7.4%	2,299,304	1.1%	15	7.9%	2,710,671	1.1%	22	11.8%	5,852,296	2.0%	17	9.2%	3,904,682	1.4%	19	10.1%	4,199,828	1.7%
Charitable and other institutions	21	12.9%	5,096,678	2.3%	30	15.9%	6,774,471	2.6%	28	15.1%	7,658,259	2.7%	32	17.4%	8,037,225	2.9%	29	15.4%	6,745,371	2.7%
Retirement/convalescent facilities (includes adult care and skilled nursing facilities)	22	13.5%	3,949,407	1.8%	22	11.6%	3,276,563	1.3%	20	10.8%	4,876,823	1.7%	24	13.0%	5,072,427	1.8%	24	12.8%	5,202,672	2.1%
Total	163	100.0%	217,936,065	100.0%	189	100.0%	257,480,586	100.0%	186	100.0%	286,962,209	100.0%	184	100.0%	277,333,168	100.0%	188	100.0%	249,324,176	100.0%

Nonprofit Entity Type	Fiscal year 2008-09				Fiscal year 2009-10				Fiscal year 2010-11				Fiscal year 2011-12				Fiscal year 2012-13			
	Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued	
	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total
Hospitals and medical accommodations	83	42.8%	231,074,534	79.9%	73	47.4%	159,758,501	75.2%	93	37.2%	309,194,643	81.2%	73	42.7%	204,976,725	80.8%	70	36.3%	227,175,164	79.8%
Educational institutions:																				
Collegiate institutions	28	14.4%	38,265,853	13.2%	20	13.0%	37,144,579	17.5%	33	13.2%	41,731,906	11.0%	20	11.7%	28,415,744	11.2%	26	13.5%	34,362,285	12.1%
Elementary, secondary institutions	16	8.2%	2,478,955	0.9%	7	4.5%	1,011,316	0.5%	15	6.0%	3,009,623	0.8%	9	5.3%	1,815,019	0.7%	11	5.7%	1,637,245	0.6%
Churches and other religious institutions	15	7.7%	2,615,262	0.9%	17	11.0%	2,987,854	1.4%	26	10.4%	4,446,191	1.2%	15	8.8%	2,999,676	1.2%	16	8.3%	2,451,570	0.9%
Charitable and other institutions	34	17.5%	10,446,998	3.6%	26	16.9%	9,340,656	4.4%	56	22.4%	15,526,401	4.1%	36	21.1%	11,044,840	4.4%	39	20.2%	12,533,486	4.4%
Retirement/convalescent facilities (includes adult care and skilled nursing facilities)	18	9.3%	4,323,835	1.5%	11	7.1%	2,126,495	1.0%	27	10.8%	6,738,258	1.8%	18	10.5%	4,384,480	1.7%	31	16.1%	6,624,447	2.3%
Total	194	100.0%	289,205,437	100.0%	154	100.0%	212,369,400	100.0%	250	100.0%	380,647,023	100.0%	171	100.0%	253,636,484	100.0%	193	100.0%	284,784,197	100.0%

Nonprofit Entity Type	Fiscal year 2013-14				Fiscal year 2014-15				Fiscal year 2015-16			
	Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued		Claimants		Refunds issued	
	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total
Hospitals and medical accommodations	73	33.6%	283,661,255	79.9%	79	38.5%	213,241,196	78.2%	75	34.1%	240,831,871	78.4%
Educational institutions:												
Collegiate institutions	29	13.4%	40,791,372	11.5%	24	11.7%	37,308,093	13.7%	36	16.4%	42,303,844	13.8%
Elementary, secondary institutions	18	8.3%	3,444,289	1.0%	14	6.8%	2,671,591	1.0%	19	8.6%	3,111,354	1.0%
Churches and other religious institutions	22	10.1%	4,288,508	1.2%	19	9.3%	3,442,025	1.3%	20	9.1%	3,524,851	1.1%
Charitable and other institutions	44	20.3%	14,978,901	4.2%	38	18.5%	9,815,460	3.6%	43	19.5%	11,094,052	3.6%
Retirement/convalescent facilities (includes adult care and skilled nursing facilities)	31	14.3%	7,677,806	2.2%	31	15.1%	6,162,648	2.3%	27	12.3%	6,126,659	2.0%
Total	217	100.0%	354,842,131	100.0%	205	100.0%	272,641,014	100.0%	220	100.0%	306,992,630	100.0%

Detail may not add to totals due to rounding. Refunds reflect actual payments to taxpayers and exclude any refundable amounts credited to taxpayer accounts to offset future or existing tax liability.

§ 105-164.14(b) provides for semiannual refunds to nonprofit entities of sales and use taxes paid on direct purchases of tangible personal property and certain services for use in conducting their nonprofit operations [sales and use tax liability indirectly incurred by a nonprofit entity either through reimbursement to an authorized person of the entity for the purchase of tangible personal property, or on building materials, supplies, fixtures, and equipment that become a part of or annexed to any building or structure that is owned or leased by the nonprofit entity and is being erected, altered, or repaired for use by the nonprofit entity for carrying on its nonprofit activities is considered a sales or use tax liability incurred on direct purchases by the nonprofit entity].

SL 2013-316, s. 3.4.(b) provides that the aggregate annual refund of State sales and use tax allowed an entity under this subsection for a fiscal year may not exceed \$31,700,000 and that the aggregate annual refund of local sales and use tax allowed an entity under this subsection for a fiscal year may not exceed \$13,300,000 (effective July 1, 2014 and applies to purchases made on or after that date).

Refunds do not include sales tax paid on taxable sales made by nonprofit organizations and institutions. Refunds allowed under this section do not apply to purchases of electricity, telecommunications service, ancillary service, piped natural gas, video programming, or a prepaid meal plan.

The following nonprofit entities are allowed a refund under § 105-164.14(b):

- nonprofit hospitals (includes hospitals and medical accommodations operated by an authority or public hospital described in Article 2 of § 131E).
[nonprofit and public hospitals are allowed a refund of tax paid on items subject to the general State rate of sales and use tax including over-the-counter drugs; a for-profit hospital may only receive a refund of tax paid on over-the-counter drugs.]
- an organization that is exempt from income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the IRC and is not classified in any of the following major group areas of the National Taxonomy of Exempt Entities: Community Improvement and Capacity Building, Public and Societal Benefit, or Mutual and Membership Benefit.
- certain volunteer fire departments and volunteer EMS squads that are exempt from income tax under the IRC.
- an organization that is a single member LLC that is disregarded for income tax purposes and meets certain conditions.
- a qualified retirement facility whose property is excluded from property tax under § 105-278.6A.
- a university affiliated nonprofit organization that procures, designs, constructs, or provides facilities to, or for use by, a constituent institution of the UNC system.

Number of claimants reflects the number of nonprofit entities to which at least one refund check issuance related financial transaction occurred during the period July 1 through June 30, and does not reflect the number of claims filed. Claims for refund are filed semiannually. The claim for refund of sales and use taxes paid during the first semiannual period (January 1 through June 30) is due to be filed by October 15th of the same year; the claim for refund for the second semiannual period (July 1 through December 31) is due to be filed by April 15th of the following year. Claims for refund may be filed within three (3) years after the due date of the same year. The data in the above tables generally reflect refunds for sales and use taxes paid by nonprofit entities during the calendar year preceding the fiscal year ended (year shown).

