City of Glendale Sales Tax Update

First Quarter Receipts for Fourth Quarter Sales (Oct-Dec 2009)

## Glendale In Brief

Fourth quarter receipts were 8.4\% below the same sales period one year earlier.
Consistent with most areas of the state, department store, specialty store, auto lease, most types of restaurants, electronics/appliance stores and light industrial/printer categories showed declines. Tax refunds following a state audit exaggerated the auto lease drop. In addition, a retroactive accounting adjustment reduced the size of the countywide use tax pool; the takeaway cut pool allocations for all cities in Los Angeles County.
Receipts from new motor vehicle dealers, family apparel stores, grocery stores with liquor, women's apparel and service station groups increased. New business additions added to family apparel proceeds whereas fuel prices in excess of last year's comparative lows led to higher service stations results.
Excluding payment aberrations all of Los Angeles County was down $8 \%$; statewide sales dropped $6.7 \%$.

## Sales Tax by Major Business Group



Top 25 Producers
In Alphabetical Order

Allen Gwynn Chevrolet
Apple Computer
Bob Smith Toyota
Calstar Mercedes
CVS Pharmacy
Financial Services Vehicle Trust

Forever 21
Glendale Mitsubishi
Glendale Nissan Infiniti
Home Depot
JC Penney
Kwik/Al Sal Oil

Leos All Star
Lexus of Glendale
Macys
Marshalls
Nordstrom
Pacific BMW
Ralphs
Sears
Star Ford Lincoln Mercury
Target
Toyota Motor Credit
Toyota of Glendale
Vons

| REVENUE COMPARISON |  |  |
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| Three Quarters - Fiscal Year To Date |  |  |
|  | 2008-09 | 2009-10 |
| Point-of-Sale | \$20,462,609 | \$17,893,351 |
| County Pool | 2,249,620 | 1,865,476 |
| State Pool | 8,733 | 17,253 |
| Gross Receipts | \$22,720,962 | \$19,776,080 |
| Less Triple Flip* | \$(5,680,241) | \$(4,944,020) |
| *Reimbursed from county compensation fund |  |  |

## California Overall

Local allocations for sales occurring October through December were $6.7 \%$ lower than last year's holiday quarter after adjusting for accounting aberrations.
All regions experienced declines. The largest reductions were in building and construction materials and business equipment and supplies. Shoppers generally favored discount stores and value-oriented apparel to traditional department stores and specialty shops. However, a few high end chains also posted gains. A rise in new car sales was offset by declining revenues from auto leases and continuing drops in sales of RVs, boats and motorcycles. The quarter's largest statewide increases were from value oriented family apparel and from rising service station prices.

## Short Term Recovery Projected

Most economists and trade analysts are cautiously optimistic that there will be recovery over the next two or three quarters. Stabilization of home prices and the recovering stock market have made the still employed more confident about making purchases that were avoided during the bottom of the recession. Lower prices have also stretched the discretionary income available to make those purchases.
They see banks beginning to lend again while the restocking of depleted inventories is stimulating industrial production. Other factors adding to the optimism are increased demands for American exports, renewed spending on technology and software and a recent uptick in California's entertainment industry.

## The Budget Conundrum

There is general agreement that the current recovery is fragile and that California will trail the nation. However, there is sharp disagreement on its durability. Most analysts believe that as long as the current demand for exports continues, the other previously cited factors will sustain a slow recovery.

Others argue that a second dip in the recession is likely. They maintain that the current recovery is a "bubble" created by unsustainable tax cuts, federal stimulus spending, low interest loans and modification programs that mask and only delay inevitable foreclosures. Further, the pending resetting of large numbers of adjustable rate home mortgages and need to refinance $\$ 500$ billion in commercial loans is being ignored. Until we suffer the consequences from those losses they say, the end of federal bailouts will simply send us back into a recession. Both sides express concerns about the sufficiency of future job opportunities.

## Recovery and Sales Tax

It will be slow, spotty and uncertain. Gains from value priced consumer goods, technology, medical focused industries and higher fuel prices are expected. The increase from incentive driven car sales should continue for another quarter or two.
The outlook for a recovery from building and construction materials remains pessimistic while restaurants and other categories are expected to be flat or decline further.

## SALES Per CAPITA



## Revenue by Business Group

 Glendale This Quarter

## Glendale Top 15 Business Types

|  | Glendale |  | County | HdL State |
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| Business Type | Q4 '09* | Change | Change | Change |
| New Motor Vehicle Dealers | $\$ 947.2$ | $9.3 \%$ | $-2.9 \%$ | $1.0 \%$ |
| Department Stores | 659.9 | $-11.9 \%$ | $-16.0 \%$ | $-21.0 \%$ |
| Family Apparel | 458.9 | $2.6 \%$ | $7.3 \%$ | $9.4 \%$ |
| Service Stations | 378.9 | $16.4 \%$ | $7.9 \%$ | $7.0 \%$ |
| Restaurants No Alcohol | 336.3 | $-8.1 \%$ | $-3.6 \%$ | $-2.3 \%$ |
| Auto Lease | 239.5 | $-29.4 \%$ | $-36.6 \%$ | $-47.4 \%$ |
| Grocery Stores Liquor | 232.4 | $5.1 \%$ | $10.4 \%$ | $2.1 \%$ |
| Specialty Stores | 231.6 | $-12.6 \%$ | $-9.3 \%$ | $-6.0 \%$ |
| Restaurants Liquor | 228.9 | $-8.5 \%$ | $-2.1 \%$ | $0.3 \%$ |
| Women's Apparel | 228.4 | $3.0 \%$ | $-2.5 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| Electronics/Appliance Stores | 195.4 | $-5.2 \%$ | $-5.3 \%$ | $-2.6 \%$ |
| Discount Dept Stores | - CONFIDENTIAL | $2.6 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |  |
| Lumber/Building Materials | 155.3 | $-6.6 \%$ | $1.3 \%$ | $-0.5 \%$ |
| Light Industrial/Printers | 122.0 | $-28.6 \%$ | $-23.6 \%$ | $-24.3 \%$ |
| Home Furnishings | 104.4 | $-1.6 \%$ | $-9.2 \%$ | $-7.2 \%$ |
| Total All Accounts | $\$ 6,220.0$ | $-7.3 \%$ | $-5.3 \%$ | $-5.9 \%$ |
| County \& State Pool Allocation | 593.6 | $-19.1 \%$ |  |  |
| Gross Receipts | $\$ 6,813.6$ | $-8.4 \%$ |  | $* / n 20 u s a n d s$ |

