



City of Lompoc Sales Tax *Update*

Second Quarter Receipts for First Quarter Sales (January - March 2015)

Lompoc In Brief

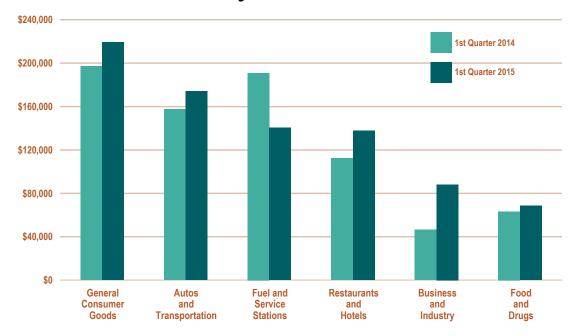
Receipts for Lompoc's January through March sales were 6.9% higher than the same quarter one year ago. Actual sales activity was up 1.3% when reporting aberrations were factored out.

Onetime accounting adjustments inflated results from the business and industry sector. The city experienced a strong sales quarter for general consumer goods and casual dining restaurants.

The gains were partially offset by lower fuel prices at the pump that reduced returns from fuel and service stations.

Adjusted for aberrations, taxable sales for all of Santa Barbara County increased 4.2% over the comparable time period, while the Central Coast region as a whole was up 3.0%.

SALES TAX BY MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP



Top 25 Producers

In Alphabetical Order

Albertsons	Robertson Dental
Circle K	Lab
Conserv Fuel	Rockettown Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram
Den Mat	Ross
Home Depot	Stuarts Valero Mart
Jaspers	Sunbelt Rentals
JB Dewar	Sunset Auto Center
Lompoc Honda	Taco Bell
Marshalls	Tesoro West Coast
McDonalds	Toyota of Lompoc
Pacific Coast RV	Valero Corner Store
Pommersville	Vons
Automotive/	
Sunshine Market	Vons Gas
Gas	Walmart

REVENUE COMPARISON

Four Quarters - Fiscal Year To Date

	2013-14	2014-15	
Point-of-Sale	\$3,570,349	\$3,810,538	
County Pool	481,935	524,393	
State Pool	2,420	2,517	
Gross Receipts	\$4,054,704	\$4,337,448	
Less Triple Flip*	\$(1,013,676)	\$(1,084,362)	
*Reimbursed from county compensation fund			

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California as a Whole

Local one cent tax receipts from sales occurring January through March rose 3.65% over 2014's comparable quarter after adjusting for reporting anomalies.

An exceptionally strong quarter for auto sales/leases and restaurants was the primary contributor to the overall increase. A rise in building-construction materials was also a factor although much of this growth came from specific office and sports facility projects in Northern California.

Gains from sales of general consumer goods were primarily in value priced clothing, home furnishings and specialty retail which includes pet supplies and cosmetics. Online shopping involving goods shipped from out of state continues to shift a major portion of the growth in general consumer goods to the countywide pools.

The statewide gains were largely offset by a 21% decline in receipts from fuel and service stations.

Tax on Services

The Board of Equalization has released an estimate that levying sales and use tax on services would raise over \$122.5 billion in state and local revenues or enough to lower the overall tax rate to under 4%.

Originally imposed in 1933 as a 2 ½% tax with only three exemptions, the legislature has gradually exempted more and more goods from the sales tax while raising rates to compensate for the corresponding revenue loss. This and the state's shift from a manufacturing to service economy has created the nation's highest sales tax rate on the narrowest basket of goods.

Although more discussion is needed, there is interest in expanding the sales tax to services and lowering the rate to make the tax less regressive and more competitive while providing greater flexibility in the development of local tax bases.

Tax on Jet Fuel

The Federal Aviation Administration has ruled that sales taxes on jet fuel must only be used for airport and aviation programs. The rule applies to taxes levied after 1987 but is unclear as to transactions tax districts, Proposition 172 revenues, or revenues collected by jurisdictions without airports. Clarification will not be available until FAA review and approval of a plan that has to be submitted by the state Department of Finance by December 8, 2015.

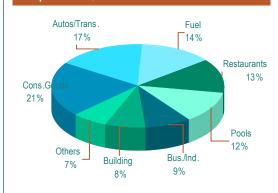
Tax on Marijuana

A pilot study for more effective tracking and collection of sales taxes on medical cannabis is underway in the central and northern California districts. Because current registration policy allows a "decline to state" to avoid self-incrimination, the precise number of cannabis retailers is unknown. BOE findings are expected by November 2015.

SALES PER CAPITA



REVENUE BY BUSINESS GROUP Lompoc This Quarter



LOMPOC TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES **HdL State** Lompoc **Business Type** Q1 '15 Change Change 11,847 Auto Repair Shops 9.5% 7.0% Automotive Supply Stores 23,234 8.3% 5.2% **Casual Dining** 65,341 27.4% 5.5% **Discount Dept Stores** - CONFIDENTIAL -4.2% Electronics/Appliance Stores 9.2% 16,804 -0.4% Family Apparel 32,929 9.4% 9.8% **Grocery Stores Liquor** 33,742 11.3% 5.1% Lumber/Building Materials — CONFIDENTIAL -2.9% Medical/Biotech 43,140 73.3% 5.2% **New Motor Vehicle Dealers** 115,245 1.5% 11.1% - CONFIDENTIAL Petroleum Prod/Equipment -18.0% Quick-Service Restaurants 13.6% 62,000 10.6% Repair Shop/Equip. Rentals 13,349 -0.9% 1.2% Service Stations 124,009 -21.0% -21.9% 16.3% Wineries 12.038 17.3% **Total All Accounts** \$905,647 8.5% County & State Pool Allocation \$125,149 -3.4% -7.5% 1.1% **Gross Receipts** \$1,030,796 6.9% -7.5% 3.3%