

Fourth Quarter Receipts for Third Quarter Sales (July - September 2015)

## West Covina In Brief

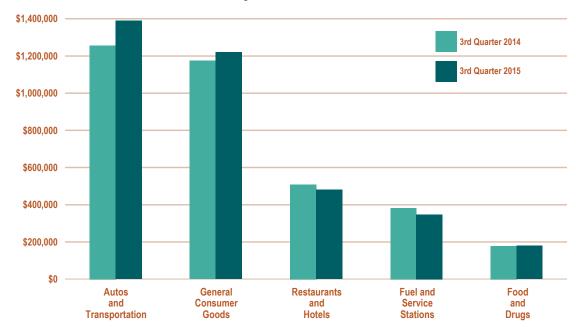
West Covina's receipts from July through September were 2.4% above 2014's third quarter sales. Excluding reporting aberrations, actual sales were up 4.6%.

New business additions, especially in the autos and transportation group, generated most of the guarter increase. Gains in specialty store, home furnishings and shoe store categories did most to lift the general consumer goods comparison. In dollar terms the food and drug category showed modest improvements.

Slack oil prices continued to reduce tax receipts from the fuel and service station group by keeping per gallon fuel prices low. Onetime negative accounting adjustments exaggerated business and industry declines; net of those changes, the group was still down but far less than the raw data showed. Reporting aberrations that inflated hotel and restaurant receipts in the comparison quarter caused the apparent decline in that segment.

Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Los Angeles County grew 2.6% over the comparable time period; the Southern California region was up 3.6%.

### SALES TAX BY MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP



### Top 25 Producers

Norm Reeves Honda

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Arco	Penske Mercedes Benz
Ashley Furniture	
Audi West Covina	Penske Toyota Scion
Best Buy	Premier Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
Chevron	Reynolds Buick
Crestview Cadillac	Ross
Daimler Trust	Sears
Ford	Stater Bros
Grand Stop	_
Home Depot	Target
	United Oil
JC Penney	Walmart
Macys	West Covina Nissan
Nordstrom Rack	

### REVENUE COMPARISON

Two Quarters - Fiscal Year To Date

2014-15	2015-16
\$7,179,782	\$7,676,152
837,401	960,685
5,170	4,013
\$8,022,353	\$8,640,850
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#### **Statewide Results**

The local share of sales and use tax revenues from the summer sales quarter were up 2.4% over last year's comparable quarter after adjusting for payment aberrations.

New and used auto sales and leases continued to exhibit solid gains and were the primary contributor to the quarter's statewide growth. The countywide allocation pools were the second largest contributors to the overall gain, boosted by increased online sales activity. The state's travel and tourism industry contributed to a robust increase in receipts from restaurants and hotels. Recovering building and construction activity was also significant with an 8.6% increase over the comparison period.

Gains in most other segments were relatively modest while receipts from fuel and service stations declined for the fourth consecutive quarter.

Overall performance was similar throughout most regions of the state, however the effect of lower fuel prices significantly dampened results in portions of the San Joaquin Valley.

# Online Retail Sales Continue to Outpace Brick & Mortar Stores

Fourth quarter tax results will not be available until March but preliminary reports indicate holiday purchases from some brick and mortar stores are flat or down from 2014, while the volume of online shopping has set new records.

Although stores are not in danger of disappearing, the trend has many retail chains considering long-term plans for smaller "showroom" units with less square footage, employees, and in-store inventory.

HdL's statewide sales tax database for the first three quarters of 2015 shows that online orders for general consumer goods rose 17.6% over the first three quarters of 2014, while the overall sales gains at brick and mortar stores grew a modest 2.2%.

#### New Restrictions on Tax Sharing Agreements

Tax rebates are subject to additional restrictions and reporting requirements in 2016.

Newly adopted Government Code Section 53084.5 prohibits tax sharing agreements that reduce another agency's sales tax if the business generating the tax continues to maintain a physical presence in the losing agency's jurisdiction.

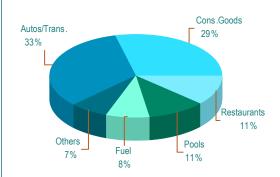
The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has also adopted new requirements outlined in GASB Statement 77 for detailed disclosure of rebates in government financial reports.

The rule issued on August 14, 2015 by GASB will require state and local governments to disclose the amount of property, sales, and income taxes that have been waived or rebated under tax abatement agreements with companies or other taxpayers. The requirements of Statement 77 are effective for financial statements with periods beginning after December 15, 2015.

### SALES PER CAPITA



# REVENUE BY BUSINESS GROUP West Covina This Quarter



#### WEST COVINA TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES \*In thousands of dollars **HdL State West Covina** County **Business Type** Q3 '15\* Change Change Change **Auto Lease** 130.7 9.6% 18.1% 25.6% **Casual Dining** 230.2 -8.5% 7.7% 5.6% **Department Stores** 2224 0.4% -0.1% -0.6% **Discount Dept Stores** — CONFIDENTIAL — 2.5% 2.1% Electronics/Appliance Stores -0.2% 165.2 4.0% 3.9% Family Apparel 159.6 -2.2% 3.1% 2.2% **Grocery Stores Liquor** 100.3 -0.7% 6.5% 3.8% 19.6% Home Furnishings 68.8 4.8% 5.1% Lumber/Building Materials - CONFIDENTIAL -7.8% 6.7% **New Motor Vehicle Dealers** 1,170.6 10.2% 7.6% 8.2% **Quick-Service Restaurants** 178.9 -5.3% 4.9% 6.7% Service Stations -9.1% -9.2% 347.5 -11.8% **Shoe Stores** 63.6 8.8% 4.9% 3.7% **Specialty Stores** 119.6 16.0% 9.6% 5.7% Women's Apparel 58.0 -2.1% 0.3% -1.0% **Total All Accounts** 2.3% 2.3% 2.3% 3,734.6 County & State Pool Allocation 448.7 3.2% 3.2% 3.5% **Gross Receipts** 4,183.3 2.4% 2.4% 2.4%