



# City of Red Bluff Sales Tax Update

Third Quarter Receipts for Second Quarter Sales (April - June 2015)

# Red Bluff In Brief

Red Bluff's receipts from April through June were 8.8% above 2014's second quarter receipts. Excluding reporting aberrations, actual sales were up 5.5%.

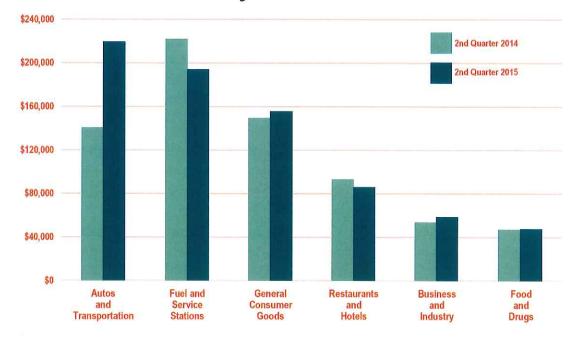
Sales gains from multiple business categories in the autos and transportation, building and construction and business and industry groups were responsible for most of the quarterly increase though general consumer goods and food and drugs results were also up. Reporting aberrations that temporarily reduced autos and transportation results a year earlier inflated the comparison for that group. Conversely, onetime accounting adjustments, caused the business and industry increase to be understated.

Lower prices at the pump once again cut fuel and service station totals. Restaurant and hotel totals were down, but adjusted for reporting aberrations that inflated yearago amounts, restaurant sales were actually up.

Revenues from the newly-approved Measure D quarter-cent tax totaled \$192,054.

Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Tehama County grew 0.6% over the comparable time period; the Far North region was up 3.8%.

# SALES TAX BY MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP



## Top 25 Producers

McDonalds

More for Less Gas

One Stop Gas & Food Adobe Minimart Pneumatic Arco AM PM Conveying & Dollar General Manufacturing Exxon Food Mart Raleys Red Bluff AM PM Food Maxx Red Bluff Chrysler **Growney Motors** Buick/GMC Dodge Jeep Ram Helibro - Helicopter Red Bluff Shell Purchase Riverside Landscape Home Depot & Masonry Taco Bell Les Schwab Tire Center **Tesoro West Coast** Main Street Chevron Tractor Supply

Valero Gas

Walmart

## REVENUE COMPARISON

	2013-14	<b>2014-15</b> \$3,278,993	
Point-of-Sale	\$3,003,748		
<b>County Pool</b>	329,158	353,402	
State Pool	2,039	2,142	
Gross Receipts	\$3,334,945	\$3,634,537	
Cty/Cnty Share	(333,495)	(363,454)	
Net Receipts	\$3,001,451 \$3,271		
Less Triple Flip*	\$(750,363)	\$(817,771)	
Measure D	\$0	\$192,218	

\*Reimbursed from county compensation fund



#### Statewide Sales Tax Trends

Excluding accounting aberrations, the local one cent share of statewide sales occurring April through June was 3.4% higher than the comparable quarter of 2014.

Receipts from the countywide use tax allocation pools accounted for the largest portion of the increase reflecting a continuing shift in consumer preferences from brick and mortar stores to online shopping for merchandise shipped from out of state.

Sales and leases of new cars continued to post impressive gains as did contractor supplies and restaurants. Overall gains were offset by a 17.1% decline in receipts from service stations and petroleum related industries.

#### The Remaining Fiscal Year

The state's unemployment rate continues to decline and real disposable income is expected to grow 2.5% to 3.0% in the second half of 2015. This improvement in incomes coupled with easy credit conditions should stimulate an increase in housing starts as well as capital investment in equipment, alternate energy and technology.

The auto industry is anticipating continuing strong sales until tapering to more sustainable levels in 2016-2017. Building and construction, the only retail segment yet to return to pre-recession levels, is gaining momentum in several regions and is expected to account for 10% of sales tax growth in the second half of the fiscal year.

Restaurant sales continue to rise although there are some concerns that the strong dollar may impact sales in areas that cater to tourists from abroad. Gains from consumer goods are expected to be modest with the strong dollar cutting prices of imported goods and an ongoing shift in consumer spending from tangible goods to services, entertainment and other non-taxable purchases.

Gasoline prices remain well below the previous year due to a worldwide glut

of oil. Barring unexpected supply or refinery disruptions, prices are expected to trend lower through the first half of 2015-16 but begin rebounding in the second half.

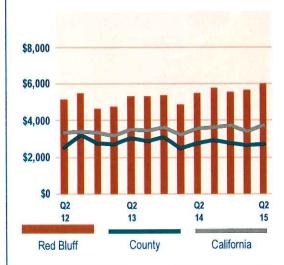
#### **Internet Sales Tax Proposal**

HR 2775 (The Remote Transaction Parity Act) is a new proposal by Representative Jason Chaffetz (R-Utah) authorizing states to require remote sellers without physical presence in their state to collect state and local sales tax from in-state buyers.

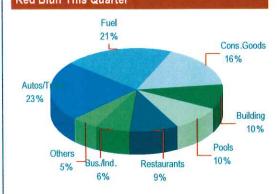
The bill currently has 52 sponsors and attempts to address objections to elements of the Marketplace Fairness Act that preceded it. The proposal provides for a three year phase in for small businesses, prohibits auditing remote sellers with annual sales under \$5 million, and requires states to provide software to enable remote sellers to collect and remit their tax.

The Board of Equalization estimates that local governments in California currently lose approximately \$44 per capita in uncollected sales and use tax on e-commerce purchases.

### SALES PER CAPITA



# REVENUE BY BUSINESS GROUP Red Bluff This Quarter



### RED BLUFF TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES

	Red	Red Bluff		HdL State
Business Type	Q2 '15	Change	Change	Change
Aircraft Sales & Service	— CONFI	— CONFIDENTIAL —		-15.2%
Auto Repair Shops	13,333	21.4%	8.2%	7.2%
Automotive Supply Stores	25,304	4.8%	7.4%	5.5%
Casual Dining	42,853	8.0%	8.0%	6.5%
Discount Dept Stores	— CONFI	— CONFIDENTIAL —		0.0%
Drug Stores	10,161	0.3%	-12.2%	-8.0%
Electronics/Appliance Stores	12,159	16.0%	28.8%	-1.6%
Garden/Agricultural Supplies	28,619	-1.7%	-7.9%	7.7%
Grocery Stores Liquor	- CONFIDENTIAL -		2.0%	3,4%
Heavy Industrial	- CONFIDENTIAL -		45.1%	10.2%
Lumber/Building Materials	- CONFIDENTIAL -		15.6%	4.5%
New Motor Vehicle Dealers	- CONFIDENTIAL -		23.3%	9.3%
Quick-Service Restaurants	39,655	-21.0%	-11.5%	9.1%
Service Stations	189,055	-12.6%	-14.4%	-11.7%
Variety Stores	- CONFIDENTIAL -		20.4%	6.3%
Total All Accounts	853,951	8.8%	-1.4%	2.8%
County & State Pool Allocation	90,269	9.0%	-1.2%	11.8%
Gross Receipts	944,219	8.8%	-1.4%	3.8%
City/County Share	(94,422)	-8.8%		
Net Receipts	849,798	8.8%		