City of Saint Helena

Sales Period: April 2011 - March 2012

Summary

News from Sales Tax Quarter

- •The California New Car Dealers Assocation (CNCDA) reports that new light vehicle registrations in the First Quarter of 2012 are up 17.7% versus a year earlier, higher than the 13.3% increase nationally.
- •The California Department of Finance reports that multi-family building has been the only source of improvement in residential construction. For the First Quarter of 2012 the number of multi-family permits was up almost 25% over last year compared to only a 1% increase in permits for single family homes.
- Nationwide Retail Sales in the First Quarter of 2012 increased by 6.5% versus a year earlier according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

News from Today

- Although retail spending decreased nationally by 0.2% in May, the national figure for the first five months of 2012 is up from last year by 5.3%. The largest gains were in Building Materials and Supplies (11.1%), Home Furnishings (9.4%) and Motor Vehicle Sales and Parts (8.7%). (U.S. Census Bureau)
- •The current average retail price of gasoline is 18 cents, (4.7%), above the \$3.61 per gallon price that California saw at the beginning of the year. (California Gas Prices)
- •The California Department of Finance reports that after gains in the second half of 2011, non-farm employment growth dropped from an average monthly gain of 37,000 jobs during the last five months of 2011 to 19,000 on average during the First Quarter of 2012.

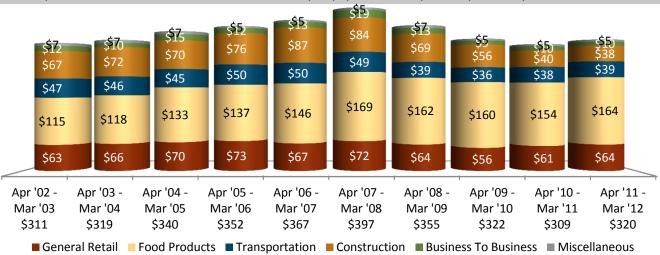
	Quarter-Over-Quarter			Year-Over-Year		
	Jan - Mar 2011 to Jan - Mar 2012			Apr- Mar 2011 to Apr - Mar 2012		
	City of Saint Helena	S.F. Bay Area	Statewide	City of Saint Helena	S.F. Bay Area	Statewide
Total	3.7%	8.4%	7.3%	4.4%	7.6%	7.6%
General Retail	33.3%	5.7%	4.9%	6.9%	5.3%	4.9%
Food Products	-1.8%	7.8%	7.4%	7.0%	7.0%	6.4%
Transportation	-15.1%	11.4%	11.2%	1.7%	13.9%	14.4%
Construction	21.1%	9.0%	4.5%	-4.1%	7.2%	4.6%
Business To Business	-4.6%	9.5%	8.1%	-5.6%	5.9%	6.9%
Restaurants	9.4%	8.9%	7.6%	6.1%	7.8%	6.7%
Food Processing Eqp	-11.2%	11.4%	10.0%	10.5%	10.9%	5.7%
Bldg.Matls-Retail	25.5%	3.7%	-0.5%	8.5%	2.6%	-1.4%
Food Markets	7.5%	4.0%	6.5%	5.6%	4.4%	5.7%
Florist/Nursery	27.8%	13.2%	6.3%	-5.3%	4.9%	3.9%
Miscellaneous Retail	12.8%	2.0%	1.9%	7.4%	4.2%	3.4%
Service Stations	8.6%	11.9%	9.6%	12.3%	20.6%	19.2%
Auto Sales - New	-41.0%	12.6%	14.6%	-11.3%	10.8%	12.7%
Apparel Stores	20.9%	9.7%	8.3%	-0.2%	8.9%	8.5%
Furniture/Appliance	168.9%	13.2%	9.5%	77.5%	4.9%	4.8%
Bldg.Matls-Whsle	9.7%	15.3%	10.5%	-33.1%	12.7%	12.2%
Auto Parts/Repair	10.8%	5.1%	6.9%	8.8%	4.0%	6.1%
Liquor Stores	-16.8%	7.2%	6.8%	-13.4%	4.8%	6.4%
Miscellaneous Other	71.2%	6.0%	0.5%	6.6%	-1.6%	0.6%

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City of Saint Helena's annualized sales tax divided by its population as reported by State Department of Finance



Sales Tax Capture & Leakage Analysis

