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## Quarterly Sales Tax Report

## for the Period Ending

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## Alameda

## In Brief

Alameda's receipts from January through March were $37.5 \%$ above the first sales period in 2016. Excluding reporting aberrations, actual sales were up 13.9\%.
A misallocated payment that depressed prior year returns and a positive accounting adjustment in the current year inflated business and industry results and were the major cause of the discrepancy between cash receipts and local sales activity. Nonetheless, overall business to business sales were very strong during the quarter.
As a result of the payment anomalies noted above, the City's allocation from the countywide use tax pool increased $38.7 \%$. Multiple newly opened eateries helped boost the restaurant group as all dining categories posted higher sales.
A new home furnishings outlet was mainly responsible for the gain in general consumer goods as various retail categories had mixed results. Service station sales were up 11.0\% due to retail gas prices continuing to rise in the first quarter. Higher contractors' sales lifted building and construction.
Convenience store payment aberrations lowered food and drugs; grocery store sales were flat.
Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Alameda County grew $4.5 \%$ over the comparable time period; the Bay Area was up 1.9\%.

## Sales Tax by Major Business Group



Tor 25 Producers
In Alphabetical Order

| ABB Concise | Officemax |
| :--- | :--- |
| Alameda Electrical | Penumbra |
| $\quad$ Distributors | Pottery Barn Outlet |
| Alameda Sushi | Ross |
| House | Safeway |
| Arco AM PM | Safeway Fuel |
| Bed Bath \& Beyond | Standard Process |
| Chevron | Northern |
| CVS Pharmacy | California |
| In N Out Burgers | Target |
| Kohls | TJ Maxx |
| La Penca Azul | Trader Joes |
| McDonald's | Walgreens |
| Nob Hill Fuel | Webster 76 |
| North Face |  |

REVENUE COMPARISON
Three Quarters - Fiscal Year To Date

|  | 2015-16 | 2016-17 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Point-of-Sale | $\$ 6,253,070$ | $\$ 7,108,992$ |
| County Pool | 996,528 | $1,165,246$ |
| State Pool | 4,376 | 6,562 |
| Gross Receipts | $\$ 7,253,975$ | $\$ 8,280,799$ |
| Cty/Cnty Share | $(362,699)$ | $(414,040)$ |
| Net Receipts | $\$ 6,891,276$ | $\$ 7,866,759$ |
| Less Triple Flip* | $\$(1,274,852)$ | $\$ 0$ |
|  |  |  |
| *Reimbursed from county compensation fund |  |  |

## Statewide Results

Local tax receipts from January through March sales were $2.1 \%$ higher than the first quarter of 2016 after factoring for accounting anomalies.

Rising fuel prices, auto sales, county use tax pool allocations and dining out added most to the overall gain. Some general consumer goods and B2B sales were flat or down.

This quarter reflects the start of an anticipated leveling off of future tax revenues. After seven years of recovery, analysts are reporting an end to the previous pent-up demand for autos. Demand for new cars will ease due to more buyers tied to longterm loans and a glut of used cars coming off lease.

Price competition and store closures have reduced tax receipts from consumer goods. Business investment remains strong but much of the growth is for non-taxable items such as cloud computing and large data solutions. Declines in foreign tourist visits and lower costs of eating at home are expected to slow the growth in restaurant sales.

## New Sales Tax Organization

As of July 1, the operating divisions responsible for allocation of tax revenues other than property, insurance and alcoholic beverages will shift from the State Board of Equalization (BOE) to the Governor's new Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

The BOE was first established by constitutional amendment in 1879 to oversee property tax assessment practices by all counties in the state. It eventually became responsible for other tax revenues including sales, insurance, corporate franchise and special fees.
In 2011, HdL detected discrepancies in the BOE's allocation of public safety revenues which led to the recovery of over $\$ 124$ million in revenues for counties. Subsequent audits by the State

Controller and State Department of Finance revealed further shortcomings. The result was the passage of budget trailer bill SB86/AB102 that reduces the BOE to its previous constitutionally defined functions.

The BOE is also empowered to hear appeals and disputes over tax assessments including sales/use, personal income and corporate taxes and is the only elected Tax Board in the United States that hears tax disputes. Effective January 1, 2018, that function will be turned over to a new Office of Tax Appeals (OTA) composed of panels of administrative law judges appointed by the Governor with locations in Sacramento, Fresno and Los Angeles.
For functions other than the appeal process, this is primarily a reshuffling of existing personnel so the change will have little impact on local agencies. However, the issue of local government's ability to provide input regarding future policy and regulation changes that impact revenues remains under discussion. HdL will share more about the BOE transition as details become available in the weeks ahead.

## SALES PER CAPITA



Revenue By Business Group Alameda This Quarter


## alameda Top 15 Business Types

| *In thousands of dollars | Alameda |  | County | HdL State |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Business Type | Q1 '17* | Change | Change | Change |
| Boats/Motorcycles | 44.4 | -7.9\% | -11.7\% | 1.0\% |
| Business Services | 34.6 | -15.7\% | 35.1\% | 16.8\% |
| Casual Dining | 252.0 | 14.7\% | 0.5\% | 0.3\% |
| Discount Dept Stores | - CONF | ENTIAL - | 3.3\% | 1.6\% |
| Drug Stores | - CONF | ENTIAL - | -2.5\% | -2.5\% |
| Family Apparel | 72.2 | -4.5\% | 1.4\% | 0.8\% |
| Fast-Casual Restaurants | 46.4 | 20.7\% | 1.4\% | 8.9\% |
| Fulfilment Centers | - CONF | ENTIAL - | 74.0\% | 1.6\% |
| Grocery Stores | 90.3 | 0.2\% | -0.3\% | 0.5\% |
| Home Furnishings | 45.7 | 10.3\% | -0.6\% | -1.9\% |
| Medical/Biotech | - CONF | ENTIAL - | 58.3\% | -0.2\% |
| Plumbing/Electrical Supplies | - CONF | ENTIAL - | 15.7\% | -1.5\% |
| Quick-Service Restaurants | 126.7 | 9.6\% | 5.4\% | 4.6\% |
| Service Stations | 200.8 | 7.7\% | 12.5\% | 9.9\% |
| Specialty Stores | 61.9 | 8.9\% | 1.8\% | 0.2\% |
| Total All Accounts | 2,220.3 | 37.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.8\% |
| County \& State Pool Allocation | 373.9 | 40.4\% | 4.4\% | 2.9\% |
| Gross Receipts | 2,594.2 | 37.5\% | 2.3\% | 1.9\% |
| City/County Share | (129.7) | -37.5\% |  |  |
| Net Receipts | 2,464.5 | 37.5\% |  |  |


| Major Industry Group | Count | 1Q17 | 1 Q16 | \$ Change | \% Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Business and Industry | 643 | 755,908 | 256,288 | 499,620 | 194.9\% |
| Restaurants and Hotels | 310 | 476,652 | 416,509 | 60,144 | 14.4\% |
| General Consumer Goods | 1,721 | 409,987 | 383,171 | 26,816 | 7.0\% |
| State and County Pools | - | 373,898 | 266,277 | 107,620 | 40.4\% |
| Fuel and Service Stations | 21 | 201,186 | 183,974 | 17,212 | 9.4\% |
| Food and Drugs | 96 | 182,573 | 184,531 | $(1,958)$ | -1.1\% |
| Autos and Transportation | 119 | 114,207 | 115,427 | $(1,220)$ | -1.1\% |
| Building and Construction | 71 | 78,959 | 72,261 | 6,698 | 9.3\% |
| Transfers \& Unidentified | 4 | 819 | 7,738 | $(6,919)$ | -89.4\% |
| Total | 2,985 | 2,594,189 | 1,886,177 | 708,012 | 37.5\% |

1Q16 Compared To 1Q17



Sales Tax by Major Industry Group


Agency Trend

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$2,800K |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alameda |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$2,600K |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 Quarter Trend: +19.9\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$2,200K |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$2,000K |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$1,800K |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$1,600K |  |
|  | 1Q | 2Q | 3Q | 4Q | 1Q | 2Q | 3Q | 4Q | 1Q | 2Q | 3Q | 4Q | Q |  |
|  | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |  |  |

 ADJUSTED FOR CITY OF ALAMEDA
PER CAPITA SALES TAX SURPLUS/GAP COMPARISON - 4 QUARTERS ENDING 1Q 2017


The above graph compares per capita sales tax generated from targeted retail categories against countywide averages. A retail surplus suggests the community is capturing its local market for that category of goods plus attracting shoppers from outside the jurisdiction. A retail gap suggests the possibility that residents may have a greater demand for products in the specific category than is being satisfied by local businesses. The information is provided only as a starting point in identifying potential sources of sales tax loss and should not automatically be interpreted as an expansion or leveraging opportunity without more detailed analysis and assessment.

ALAMEDA COUNTY ALL AGENCIES
SALES TAX TRENDS FOR ALL AGENCIES - 1Q 2017 SALES
Agency allocations reflect "point of sale" receipts

| Agency Name | Count | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Current Year* } \\ \text { 1Q } 2017 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Prior Year* } \\ & 102016 \end{aligned}$ $\qquad$ | Share of County Pool | Actual Receipts \% Change | Adjusted* <br> \% Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fremont | 5,589 | 9,972,187 | 9,381,814 | 15.9\% | + 6.3\% | + 11.8\% |
| Alameda | 2,985 | 2,220,291 | 1,619,899 | 3.5\% | + 37.1\% | + 9.6\% |
| Piedmont | 216 | 36,017 | 38,788 | 0.1\% | - 7.1\% | + 8.9\% |
| Union City | 1,306 | 2,089,398 | 1,940,488 | 3.3\% | + 7.7\% | + 6.1\% |
| Pleasanton | 3,669 | 4,917,554 | 4,317,477 | 7.8\% | + 13.9\% | + 5.1\% |
| Albany | 544 | 536,027 | 527,054 | 0.9\% | + 1.7\% | + 4.5\% |
| Livermore | 2,895 | 4,888,877 | 5,613,340 | 7.8\% | - 12.9\% | + 4.1\% |
| Oakland | 13,459 | 10,976,207 | 10,504,899 | 17.5\% | + 4.5\% | + 4.0\% |
| San Leandro | 2,710 | 5,964,122 | 5,939,572 | 9.5\% | + 0.4\% | + 2.8\% |
| Newark | 1,420 | 2,490,615 | 2,508,000 | 4.0\% | - 0.7\% | + 1.0\% |
| Alameda Co. Uninc | 2,522 | 1,810,043 | 2,501,806 | 2.9\% | - 27.7\% | + 0.6\% |
| Dublin | 1,446 | 4,138,138 | 4,023,753 | 6.6\% | + 2.8\% | + 0.2\% |
| Emeryville | 892 | 1,806,517 | 1,680,171 | 2.9\% | + 7.5\% | - 0.9\% |
| Hayward | 4,739 | 7,397,100 | 7,097,440 | 11.8\% | + 4.2\% | - 1.5\% |
| Berkeley | 4,826 | 3,532,765 | 3,893,027 | 5.6\% | - 9.3\% | - 2.6\% |
| Totals | 49,218 | 62,775,857 | 61,587,530 | 100.0\% | + 1.9\% | + 3.7\% |
| Alameda Pool | 13,428 | 10,480,884 | 10,164,319 |  | + 3.1\% | + 8.6\% |

COMPANIES ADJUSTED FOR ECONOMIC DATA

| Alameda |
| :--- |
| Count: 2,985 |
| Oakland |
| Count: 13,459 |
| San Leandro |
| Count: 2,710 |
| El Cerrito |
| Count: 680 |
| Berkeley |
| Count: 4,826 |
| Hayward |
| Count: 4,739 |
| Union City |
| Count: 1,306 |

Per Capita Sales


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## Hdleit city to state comparison 1Q 2017

## City of Alameda



HdL Client Database Statewide Totals



[^0]:    Periods shown reflect the period in which the sales occurred - Point of Sale

