

COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION FUND REVENUE REPORT April 2023

Summary

Commonwealth Transportation Fund (CTF) revenues fell by 5.3 percent in April

Motor Fuels Tax

Motor fuels taxes increased by 14.8 percent in April.

The Energy Information Administration forecasts that retail gasoline prices will average around \$3.40 per gallon (gal) during the summer 2023 driving season (April–September), a 20% decrease from the summer of 2022. Regional summer gasoline prices range from near \$3.00/gal on the Gulf Coast to about \$4.30/gal on the West Coast.

Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax

Motor vehicle sales tax collections fell by 8.1 percent.

New-vehicle sales stumbled again in March. The SAAR of new vehicle sales came in at 14.8 million slightly lower than in February. Rising vehicle production is contributing to higher inventory levels at dealerships, though a significant percentage of vehicles are still being pre-sold. Meanwhile, not seasonally adjusted average transaction prices remain near their all-time highs. There has been a consistent increase in vehicle discounts, though they remain below their pre-pandemic average.

State Retail Sales Tax

The transportation portion of the state retail sales tax declined by 6.5 percent in April.

Motor Vehicle Licenses

Motor vehicle registration fee collections dropped by 42.5 percent in April.

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Commonwealth Transportation Fund
Summary Statement of Selected Revenue Estimates & Collections
For the Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023
(Dollars in Thousands)

Revenue	FY 2023 Estimate	As a % of Total Fund	April			Year-To-Date			% Annual Growth Required By Estimate
			FY 2023	FY 2022	% Change	FY 2023	FY 2022	% Change	
Motor Fuel Taxes	\$1,431,900	17.00	\$110,786	\$96,474	14.8	\$1,205,414	\$1,057,477	14.0	11.2
Insurance Premiums Tax	202,496	2.40	0	0	-	202,496	180,657	12.1	12.1
Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax	1,198,000	14.23	95,537	103,924	(8.1)	1,035,264	1,036,632	(0.1)	(4.1)
State Sales and Use Tax	1,349,200	16.03	117,409	125,634	(6.5)	1,186,244	1,101,543	7.7	(1.4)
Motor Vehicle License Fees	236,600	2.81	12,791	22,240	(42.5)	160,585	189,648	(15.3)	2.4
Highway Use Fee	59,700	0.71	5,117	4,697	8.9	47,355	44,933	5.4	11.0
International Registration Plan	124,200	1.47	5,045	16,190	(68.8)	89,310	97,340	(8.2)	4.6
Recordation Tax	81,000	0.96	3,742	6,803	(45.0)	42,675	67,370	(36.7)	(0.7)
Interest Earnings	5,700	0.07	6,787	268	#	12,389	1,699	629.2	234.9
Misc. Taxes, Fees, and Revenues	17,200	0.20	1,412	2,392	(41.0)	16,250	18,008	(9.8)	(19.1)
Total State Taxes and Fees	<u>\$4,705,996</u>	<u>55.88</u>	<u>\$358,626</u>	<u>\$378,622</u>	<u>(5.3)</u>	<u>\$3,997,982</u>	<u>\$3,795,307</u>	<u>5.3</u>	<u>2.4</u>

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COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION FUND									
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Recordation Tax	81,000	0.96	3,742	6,803	(45.0)	42,675	67,370	(36.7)	(0.7)
Total Commonwealth Transportation Fund	\$4,683,096	55.61	\$350,427	\$375,962	(6.8)	\$3,969,343	\$3,775,600	5.1	2.4
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING FUND									
Misc. Taxes, Fees, and Revenues	\$17,200	0.20	\$1,412	\$2,392	(41.0)	\$16,250	\$18,008	(9.8)	(19.1)
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	553,272	6.58	5,511	3,698	49.0	569,151	420,999	35.2	29.7
Federal Grants and Contracts	0	0.00	1,470	4,145	(64.5)	20,509	10,431	96.6	(100.0)
Transfer (to) / from Transportation Trust Fund	63,329	0.75	0	0	-	45,000	(201,969)	122.3	127.0
Total Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund	\$633,801	7.53	\$8,393	\$10,235	(18.0)	\$650,910	\$247,469	163.0	178.3
TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND									
Interest Earnings	\$5,700	0.07	\$6,787	\$268	#	\$12,389	\$1,699	629.2	234.9
Federal Grants and Contracts	1,746,997	20.74	34,304	39,836	(13.9)	1,319,632	1,190,457	10.9	35.7
Receipts from Cities/Counties	1,002,622	11.90	40,561	56,445	(28.1)	329,501	572,733	(42.5)	49.1
Toll Revenues	73,840	0.88	11,891	10,979	8.3	49,193	29,942	64.3	107.2
Miscellaneous Revenues	338,311	4.02	7,607	6,329	20.2	201,056	370,730	(45.8)	(16.8)
Transfer (to) / from Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund	(63,329)	(0.75)	0	0	-	(45,000)	201,969	(122.3)	(127.0)
Total Transportation Trust Fund	\$3,104,141	36.86	\$101,150	\$113,857	(11.2)	\$1,866,771	\$2,367,530	(21.2)	17.7
TOTAL COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION FUND, HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING FUND, AND TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND									
	\$8,421,038	100.00	\$459,970	\$500,054	(8.0)	\$6,487,024	\$6,390,599	1.5	13.2

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