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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governor Janet T. Mills

Members, Legislative Council

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

FROM: Commissioner Kirsten LC Figueroa

Department of Administrative and Financial Services

DATE: February 20, 2020

SUBJECT: Revenues – January 2020

January General Fund revenues were over budget by \$22.1 million or 5.6 percent. For the first seven months of the fiscal year General Fund revenues are over budget by \$27.9 million or 1.2 percent. Compared to the first seven months of last fiscal year, fiscal year 2020 General Fund revenues are up by 4.9 percent (\$112.1 million). Adjusted for the increase in revenue sharing, fiscal year 2020 General Fund revenues have increased by 5.9 percent compared to the same period last fiscal year.

December taxable sales (January revenue) increased 7.5 percent over last year. For the month, sales and use and service provider taxes, combined, were \$1.6 million over budget. Consumer sales increased by 8.5 percent over a year ago, with all business categories except building supply (-3.0 percent) and restaurants (-0.7 percent) exhibiting positive year-over-year growth. Other retail sales grew by 37.4 percent buoyed by the marketplace facilitators bill that became effective October 1, 2019. Auto/transportation posted year-over-year growth of 3.1 percent, slower than the 5.4 percent growth recorded for the calendar year. Lodging sales increased by 4.2 percent in December, and 10.1 percent for calendar year 2019. Business operating sales growth continued to be solid in December increasing by 5.7 percent over last December.

Individual income tax receipts were over budget in January by \$12.2 million (5.6 percent). Withholding was over budget for the month by \$6.7 million and is up 6.1 percent fiscal year-to-date. The final estimated payment for 2019 was due January 15th and was \$6.2 million over budget (+8.1 percent).

January's estimated payment increased 8.4 percent over last year, making the combined Dec/Jan estimated payment up 9.25 percent compared the same period a year ago. For tax year 2019 estimated payments increased a very good 11.2 percent. Refunds in January reflecting initial 2019 tax filings were on budget.

Corporate income tax receipts were under budget in January by \$1.2 million. For the fiscal year corporate income tax is under budget by \$0.9 million or -0.8 percent. Total corporate income tax revenue is 12.1 percent (\$16.2 million) below fiscal year 2019 receipts through the first seven months of the fiscal year.

Sales and Use Taxes

Revenue was \$1.7 million over budget for the month (1.2 percent) and is now \$3.0 million over budget year-to-date. Fiscal year 2020 revenue is \$67.4 million or 7.0 percent over fiscal year 2019 collections.

Taxable Sales

Total taxable sales for the month of December (January revenue) were 7.5 percent higher than December 2018. The annual rate of change, excluding utilities, was 6.6 percent. Building supply sales decreased 3.0 percent for the month and were up 1.9 percent for the last 12 months. Sales of taxable items in food stores were up 4.2 percent for the month and up 3.9 percent for the year. General merchandise sales (primarily sales of goods sold in large department and discount stores) were up 2.2 percent for the month and up 3.9 percent for the year. Sales in other retail stores such as jewelry, drug, sporting goods, book, antique, pet, photo, toy, and craft stores were up 37.4 percent for the month and up 18.5 percent for the year. Auto/transportation sector sales were up 3.1 percent for the month and 5.4 percent for the year. Sales of meals and other prepared foods were down 0.7 percent for the month and up 4.6 percent for the year. Lodging sales were up 4.2 percent for the month and up 10.1 percent for the year. Business operating sales (primarily use tax paid by businesses) increased 5.7 percent for the month and were up 7.1 percent for the year.

Service Provider Tax

Revenue was very close to budget for the month and for the fiscal year. Revenue is \$2.0 million or 5.5 percent under prior fiscal year collections.

Individual Income Tax

Revenue was \$12.2 million or 5.6 percent over budget for the month. For the fiscal year, individual income tax receipts are \$7.3 million over budget (0.7 percent). Compared to the first seven months of fiscal year 2019 withholding payments are up 6.1 percent, estimated payments are up 9.3 percent, and final payments are up 7.0 percent.

Corporate Income Tax

Revenue was under budget for the month by \$1.2 million, bringing the year-to-date negative variance to \$0.9 million or -0.8 percent. Compared to last fiscal year corporate income tax revenue is \$16.2 million lower or -12.1 percent. Year-to-date, final payments are down 2.6 percent and estimated payments are down 12.2 percent.

Cigarette and Tobacco Taxes

Cigarette and tobacco products tax revenue was \$3.7 million under budget for the month, bringing the year-to-date variance to -\$0.6 million. Compared to the same seventh-month period last year, cigarette and tobacco tax revenue is up 2.7 percent.

Insurance Companies Taxes

The Insurance Companies Tax was under budget for the month by \$0.1 million and is \$0.2 million over budget for the fiscal year.

Estate Tax

The estate tax was \$2.8 million over budget for the month and is now \$2.9 million over budget year-to-date. Estate tax receipts are \$13.7 million higher than last fiscal year.

Property Tax Relief Programs

Refunds for the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement (BETR) and Business Equipment Tax Exemption (BETE) programs were under budget in January by \$8.7 million. For the fiscal year, property tax relief payments are under budget by \$10.4 million. BETR payments are the primary reason for the shortfall and are believed to be a timing issue because of a delay in processing of returns.

Municipal Revenue Sharing

Revenue sharing was on budget in January. For the first seven months of the fiscal year revenue sharing is \$0.6 million over budget.

Lottery

Lottery revenues were over budget for the month by \$0.3 million or 7.5 percent. For the first seven months of the fiscal year lottery revenues are \$3.1 million over budget (9.1 percent).

Other Revenues

Other Revenues were under budget for the month of January by \$0.2 million and are now under budget for the fiscal year by \$0.2 million.

Highway Fund

Motor fuel excise tax receipts were under budget in January by \$1.5 million. The Highway Fund, in total, was over budget for the month by \$0.2 million. For the fiscal year, motor fuel excise tax revenues are under budget by \$2.3 million (1.6 percent) and total Highway Fund receipts are over budget by \$1.1 million (0.5 percent). For the first seven months of the fiscal year motor fuel excise tax receipts are down 0.1 percent.

Maine Economy

The Maine Consensus Economic Forecasting Commission (CEFC) convened on January 30, 2020, to review and revise its forecast through 2023 and to additionally forecast through 2025. The CEFC modified the employment growth rate modestly by 0.1 percentage points in 2019, 2020 and 2022 to 0.9%, 0.5%, and 0.1%, and 0.2 percentage points in 2021 to 0.2%, with growth stagnating at 0% in the years 2023-2025.

The CEFC made upward revisions of 0.1 percentage points to the forecasts for total personal income growth in 2019, 2021, and 2022 (to 4.7%, 4.0%, and 3.7%, respectively) and forecast 3.5% growth for 2024 and 2025. All major components of personal income were left unchanged for 2019 through 2023. Wage and salary income growth was forecast to grow by 3.2% in 2024 and 2025.

Overall, the primary sources of concern for the CEFC were slowing population growth and an aging workforce but the Commission remains cautiously optimistic for growth in the near term. Additionally, the CEFC intends to monitor the effects the tight labor market is having on in-migration and changes in labor force participation. The Revenue Forecasting Committee is scheduled to meet on February 28th.

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STATE OF MAINE Exhibit I

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund For the Seventh Month Ended January 31, 2020 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 Comparison to Budget

	_		Mo			_	Fiscal Year to Date									
		Actual		Budget	C	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		Actual		Budget		Variance ver(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		otal Budgeted Fiscal Year ding 6/30/2020
Sales and Use Tax	\$	146,955,175	\$	145,275,196	\$	1,679,979	1.2 %	\$ 1	,024,766,647	\$ 1	1,021,874,154	\$	2,892,493	0.3 %	\$	1,603,738,944
Service Provider Tax		4,729,526		4,825,654		(96,128)	(2.0)%		33,899,892		33,987,031		(87,139)	(0.3)%		58,524,000
Individual Income Tax		230,311,127		218,100,000		12,211,127	5.6 %	1	,101,855,408	1	1,094,542,561		7,312,847	0.7 %		1,790,503,500
Corporate Income Tax		15,822,705		17,000,000		(1,177,295)	(6.9)%		117,251,384		118,172,400		(921,016)	(0.8)%		217,460,000
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax		8,420,668		12,139,237		(3,718,569)	(30.6)%		81,451,779		82,081,020		(629,241)	(0.8)%		141,621,642
Insurance Companies Tax		(50,697)		62,643		(113,340)	(180.9)%		13,911,961		13,747,789		164,172	1.2 %		75,950,000
Estate Tax		3,313,826		500,000		2,813,826	562.8 %		16,790,668		13,886,439		2,904,229	20.9 %		16,450,000
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties		1,712,152		1,107,354		604,798	54.6 %		7,030,793		6,698,220		332,573	5.0 %		12,459,191
Income from Investments		1,124,283		897,928		226,355	25.2 %		7,417,745		7,022,919		394,826	5.6 %		10,803,680
Transfer from Lottery Commission		4,715,297		4,387,419		327,878	7.5 %		36,786,494		33,708,084		3,078,410	9.1 %		57,000,000
Transfers for Tax Relief Programs		(6,993,619)		(15,700,000)		8,706,381	55.5 %		(52,561,011)		(62,924,835)		10,363,824	16.5 %		(75,315,000)
Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing		(9,336,413)		(9,333,631)		(2,782)	- %		(66,528,831)		(67,080,991)		552,160	0.8 %		(110,933,772)
Other Taxes and Fees		11,927,316		11,088,414		838,902	7.6 %		78,282,891		76,588,143		1,694,748	2.2 %		136,772,575
Other Revenues		3,421,805		3,642,001		(220,196)	(6.0)%		(5,215,758)		(5,034,447)		(181,311)	(3.6)%		22,005,734
Total Collected	\$	416,073,149	\$	393,992,215	\$	22,080,934	5.6 %	\$ 2	2,395,140,064	\$ 2	2,367,268,487	\$	27,871,577	1.2 %	\$	3,957,040,494

NOTES:

- (1) Included in the above is \$9,336,413 for the month and \$66,528,831 year to date, that was set aside for Revenue Sharing with cities and towns.
- (2) Figures reflect estimates of the Maine State Revenue Forcasting Committee approved in December 2019, laws enacted through the end of the 129th Legislature, 1st Regular Session for all laws and any emergency laws.
- (3) This report has been prepared from preliminary month end figures and is subject to change.

STATE OF MAINE Exhibit II

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Seventh Month Ended January 31, 2020 and 2019
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 and 2019
Comparison to To Prior Year

			Me	onth			Fiscal Year to Date								
	Current Year		Prior Year		Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	Current Year	Prior Year	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)					
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 146,955,175	5 \$	136,684,965	\$	10,270,210	7.5 %	\$ 1,024,766,647	\$ 957,323,817	\$ 67,442,830	7.0 %					
Service Provider Tax	4,729,520	5	4,915,549		(186,023)	(3.8)%	33,899,892	35,868,459	(1,968,567)	(5.5)%					
Individual Income Tax	230,311,127	7	208,531,981		21,779,146	10.4 %	1,101,855,408	1,035,978,671	65,876,737	6.4 %					
Corporate Income Tax	15,822,705	5	7,822,292		8,000,413	102.3 %	117,251,384	133,445,801	(16,194,417)	(12.1)%					
Cigarette and Tobacco Tax	8,420,668	3	11,625,976		(3,205,308)	(27.6)%	81,451,779	79,293,582	2,158,197	2.7 %					
Insurance Companies Tax	(50,69)	7)	147,776		(198,473)	(134.3)%	13,911,961	13,317,706	594,255	4.5 %					
Estate Tax	3,313,820	5	654,633		2,659,192	406.2 %	16,790,668	3,117,202	13,673,466	438.6 %					
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	1,712,152	2	1,321,709		390,443	29.5 %	7,030,793	8,848,944	(1,818,150)	(20.5)%					
Income from Investments	1,124,283	3	1,032,431		91,852	8.9 %	7,417,745	5,235,425	2,182,319	41.7 %					
Transfer from Lottery Commission	4,715,297	7	3,594,659		1,120,638	31.2 %	36,786,494	37,537,543	(751,049)	(2.0)%					
Transfers for Tax Relief Programs	(6,993,619	9)	(6,593,359)		(400,260)	(6.1)%	(52,561,011)	(57,983,274)	5,422,263	9.4 %					
Transfer to Municipal Revenue Sharing	(9,336,413	3)	(6,037,194)		(3,299,219)	(54.6)%	(66,528,831)	(42,609,081)	(23,919,749)	(56.1)%					
Other Taxes and Fees	11,927,310	5	12,296,919		(369,603)	(3.0)%	78,282,891	84,564,336	(6,281,445)	(7.4)%					
Other Revenues	3,421,805	5	2,802,207		619,598	22.1 %	(5,215,758)	(10,947,421)	5,731,663	52.4 %					
Total Collected	\$ 416,073,149	\$	378,800,543	\$	37,272,606	9.8 %	\$ 2,395,140,064	\$ 2,282,991,710	\$ 112,148,354	4.9 %					

STATE OF MAINE Exhibit III

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund For the Seventh Month Ended January 31, 2020 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 All Other Comparison to Budget

1	Month								Fiscal Year to Date							
		Actual		Budget		Variance ver(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		Actual		Budget		Variance ver(Under)	Percent Over(Under)		otal Budgeted Fiscal Year ding 6/30/2020
Detail of Other Taxes & Fees 0100s All Others 0300s Aeronautical Gas Tax 0400s Alcohol Excise Tax 0700s Corporation Taxes 0800s Public Utilities 1000s Banking Taxes 1100s Alcoholic Beverages 1200s Amusements Tax 1300s Harness Racing Pari-mutuel 1400s Business Taxes 1500s Motor Vehicle Licenses 1700s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	\$	491,355 22,064 1,381,387 565,805 	\$	1,635,549 23,080 1,391,672 414,797 	\$	(1,144,194) (1,016) (10,285) 151,008 - 587,076 296,406 - 262,627 201,837 (13,403) 483,219	(70.0)% (4.4)% (0.7)% 36.4 % 20.8 % 57.4 % 41.9 % 24.6 % (2.5)% 21.5 %	\$	19,842,457 170,224 11,329,953 3,535,738 99,724 16,453,010 4,491,341 5,000 5,361,372 2,568,958 10,550,988	\$	21,171,194 172,143 9,741,704 3,041,970 (136,606) 16,495,328 3,623,521 105,000 5,118,165 3,757,952 2,989,352 9,983,039	\$	(1,328,737) (1,919) 1,588,249 493,768 236,330 (42,318) 867,820 (100,000) 243,207 (370,576) (420,394) 567,949	(6.3)% (1.1)% 16.3 % 16.2 % 173.0 % (0.3)% 23.9 % (95.2)% 4.8 % (9.9)% (14.1)%	\$	31,829,972 278,509 16,700,115 10,938,649 6,000,000 27,891,990 5,881,038 110,000 8,722,005 7,502,808 4,265,577 15,986,716
1900s Other Licenses	_	64,413		38,785		25,628	66.1 %		486,751		525,381		(38,630)	(7.4)%		665,196
Total Other Taxes & Fees Detail of Other Revenues 2200s Federal Revenues	\$	11,927,316	\$ \$	11,088,414		838,902 (11,250)	7.6 %	\$	78,282,891 35,350	\$ \$	76,588,143 78,750		1,694,748 (43,400)	(55.1)%	\$ \$	136,772,575
2300s County Revenues 2400s Revenues from Cities and Towns 2500s Revenues from Private Sources 2600s Current Service Charges 2700s Transfers from (to) Other Funds 2800s Sales of Property & Equipment		1,395 20,224 1,392,730 2,006,205 1,251		23,166 149,473 1,656,477 1,801,635		(21,771) (129,249) (263,747) 204,570 1,251	- % (94.0)% (86.5)% (15.9)% 11.4 %		91,484 961,822 15,869,268 (22,267,513) 93,832		162,162 1,349,229 14,344,644 (21,032,838) 63,606		(70,678) (387,407) 1,524,624 (1,234,675) 30,226	(43.6)% (28.7)% 10.6 % (5.9)% 47.5 %		277,996 1,970,800 25,627,353 (6,150,115) 144,700
Total Other Revenues	\$	3,421,805	\$	3,642,001	\$	(220,196)	(6.0)%	\$	(5,215,758)	\$	(5,034,447)	\$	(181,311)	(3.6)%	\$	22,005,734

STATE OF MAINE Exhibit IV

Undedicated Revenues - General Fund
For the Seventh Month Ended January 31, 2020 and 2019
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 and 2019
All Other Comparison to To Prior Year

,	_	Month								Fiscal Year to Date							
	Current Year]	Prior Year	(Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)	C	Current Year		Prior Year	C	Variance Over(Under)	Percent Over(Under)			
Detail of Other Taxes & Fees 0100s All Others 0300s Aeronautical Gas Tax 0400s Alcohol Excise Tax 0700s Corporation Taxes 0800s Public Utilities 1000s Banking Taxes 1100s Alcoholic Beverages 1200s Amusements Tax 1300s Harness Racing Pari-mutuel 1400s Business Taxes 1500s Motor Vehicle Licenses 1700s Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	\$	491,355 22,064 1,381,387 565,805 - 3,406,410 812,822 5,000 889,603 1,023,802 531,827 2,732,829	\$	1,754,840 22,795 1,333,361 473,248 - 3,156,900 603,535 - 613,628 1,478,387 488,732 2,239,609	\$	(1,263,485) (731) 48,026 92,557 - 249,510 209,287 5,000 275,974 (454,584) 43,095 493,220	(72.0)% (3.2)% 3.6 % 19.6 % 7.9 % 34.7 % - % 45.0 % (30.7)% 8.8 % 22.0 %	\$	19,842,457 170,224 11,329,953 3,535,738 99,724 16,453,010 4,491,341 5,000 5,361,372 3,387,376 2,568,958 10,550,988	\$	26,007,122 170,494 12,027,055 2,426,552 - 16,645,350 3,368,390 - 4,883,036 5,610,505 2,480,474 10,460,383	\$	(6,164,665) (270) (697,102) 1,109,187 99,724 (192,340) 1,122,951 5,000 478,336 (2,223,129) 88,483 90,605	(23.7)% (0.2)% (5.8)% 45.7 % (1.2)% 33.3 % - % (39.6)% (39.6)% 0.9 %			
1900s Other Licenses Total Other Taxes & Fees	\$	64,413	\$	131,886	\$	(369,603)	(51.2)%	\$	486,751 78,282,891	\$	484,975 84,564,336	\$	(6,281,445)	(7.4)%			
Detail of Other Revenues 2200s Federal Revenues 2300s County Revenues 2400s Revenues from Cities and Towns 2500s Revenues from Private Sources 2600s Current Service Charges 2700s Transfers from (to) Other Funds 2800s Sales of Property & Equipment	\$	1,395 20,224 1,392,730 2,006,205 1,251	\$	37,760 - 142,781 2,171,388 450,141 138	\$	(37,760) - 1,395 (122,557) (778,658) 1,556,064 1,113	(100.0)% - % (85.8)% (35.9)% 345.7 % 805.2 %	\$	35,350 - 91,484 961,822 15,869,268 (22,267,513) 93,832	\$	74,199 - 95,505 889,949 15,494,462 (27,596,523) 94,987	\$	(38,849) - (4,021) 71,872 374,806 5,329,009 (1,155)	(52.4)% - % (4.2)% 8.1 % 2.4 % 19.3 % (1.2)%			
Total Other Revenues	\$	3,421,805	\$	2,802,207	\$	619,598	22.1 %	\$	(5,215,758)	\$	(10,947,421)	\$	5,731,663	52.4 %			

STATE OF MAINE

Earnings on Investments

Total Collected

All Other

Undedicated Revenues - Highway Fund For the Seventh Month Ended January 31, 2020 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 Comparison to Budget

Total Budgeted Fiscal Year Variance Percent Variance Percent Ending 6/30/2020 Actual Budget Over(Under) Over(Under) Actual Budget Over(Under) Over(Under) Fuel Taxes 17,631,058 19,111,796 (1,480,738) (7.7)% 141,126,494 143,463,612 (2,337,118) (1.6)% 235,076,450 Motor Vehicle Registration & Fees Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees 10,069,050 8,604,089 1,464,961 17.0 % 55,653,798 52,574,834 3,078,964 5.9 % 91,541,913 249,208 216,876 32,332 14.9 % 2,158,797 2,168,126 (9,329)(0.4)% 3,202,500 Miscellaneous Taxes & Fees 88,099 91,202 (3,103)(3.4)% 781,121 759,136 21,985 2.9 % 1,368,729 286.1 % Fines, Forfeits & Penalties 103,227 26,735 76,492 520,526 443,908 76,618 17.3 % 606,412

(178.6)%

38.0 %

209,090

0.7 % \$ 209,819,968 \$ 208,740,475 \$

9,370,142

(36,686)

133,619

186,876

Fiscal Year to Date

278,846

9,052,013

(69,756)

318,129

1,079,493

(25.0)%

3.5 %

0.5 % \$

417,260

12,222,250

344,435,514

Month

20,545

28,422,632 \$

351,389

Exhibit V

NOTE: This report has been prepared from preliminary month end figures and is subject to change.

(16,141)

485,008

28,609,508 \$

STATE OF MAINE

Undedicated Revenues - Highway Fund For the Seventh Month Ended January 31, 2020 and 2019 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 and 2019 Comparison to To Prior Year

Month Fiscal Year to Date Variance Percent Variance Percent Current Year Prior Year Over(Under) Over(Under) Current Year Prior Year Over(Under) Over(Under) Fuel Taxes 17,631,058 19,123,020 (1,491,963) (7.8)% 141,126,494 141,303,945 (177,451) (0.1)% Motor Vehicle Registration & Fees Motor Vehicle Inspection Fees 10,069,050 9,530,904 538,146 5.6 % 55,653,798 53,533,428 2,120,370 4.0 % 249,208 259,729 (10,521)(4.1)% 2,158,797 2,080,040 78,757 3.8 % Miscellaneous Taxes & Fees 88,099 103,683 (15,585)(15.0)% 781,121 848,434 (67,314)(7.9)% Fines, Forfeits & Penalties 103,227 26,735 76,493 286.1 % 520,526 375,665 144,861 38.6 % Earnings on Investments (16,141)46,177 (62,318)(135.0)% 209,090 350,895 (141,805)(40.4)% All Other 260,361 86.3 % 12.1 % 485,008 224,648 9,370,142 8,356,508 1,013,634 (2.5)% Total Collected 28,609,508 \$ 29,350,609 \$ (741,100) \$ 209,819,968 \$ 206,848,915 \$ 2,971,053 1.4 % Exhibit VI

Maine Revenue Services Taxable Sales by Sector In Thousands of Dollars

	December'19	% Ch.	December'18	% Ch.	December'17	Average Last 3 Mos. Vs. Last Yr. % Change	Moving Total Last 12 Mos. Vs. Prior % Change
Building Supply	\$227,724.2	-3.0%	\$234,699.8	3.5%	\$226,665.8	1.0%	1.9%
Food Store	\$217,237.3	4.2%	\$208,565.4	2.2%	\$204,144.7	6.1%	3.9%
General Merchandise	\$427,283.3	2.2%	\$418,101.9	-5.5%	\$442,206.0	2.2%	3.9%
Other Retail	\$513,012.1	37.4%	\$373,432.5	17.1%	\$318,866.8	32.6%	18.5%
Auto/Transportation	\$428,515.2	3.1%	\$415,613.4	5.7%	\$393,074.2	6.0%	5.4%
Restaurant	\$220,865.9	-0.7%	\$222,473.5	8.8%	\$204,539.9	5.4%	4.6%
Lodging	\$40,351.8	4.2%	\$38,726.3	6.7%	\$36,301.6	9.9%	10.1%
Consumer Sales	\$2,074,989.7	8.5%	\$1,911,612.9	4.7%	\$1,825,798.8	9.0%	6.5%
Business Operating	\$291,623.9	5.7%	\$275,922.5	4.2%	\$264,737.5	6.4%	7.1%
Total	\$2,366,613.6	8.2%	\$2,187,535.4	4.6%	\$2,090,536.3	8.7%	6.6%
Utilities	\$128,366.6	-3.6%	\$133,195.9	7.3%	\$124,171.0		
Total plus Utilities	\$2,494,980.2	7.5%	\$2,320,731.3	4.8%	\$2,214,707.3		
	Nov-Dec 2019	% Ch.	Nov-Dec 2018				
Building Supply	\$468,667	0.6%	\$465,994				
Food Store	\$415,812	7.3%	\$387,540				
General Merchandise	\$771,883	2.1%	\$756,374				
Other Retail	\$845,680	33.0%	\$635,678				
Auto/Transportation	\$862,832	6.1%	\$812,968				
Restaurant	\$424,300	4.2%	\$407,014				
Lodging	\$79,457	8.4%	\$73,296				
Consumer Sales	\$3,868,631	9.3%	\$3,538,863				
Business Operating	\$501,942	5.2%	\$477,317				
Total	\$4,370,573	8.8%	\$4,016,181				
Utilities	\$222,954	-9.0%	\$245,116				
Total plus Utilities	\$4,593,527	7.8%	\$4,261,297				

Taxable sales for return processed by the 12th day of the second month following the end of the reporting period. For example, December 2018 sales are the sales processed through February 12th 2019.