

Q2 2016



Beverly Hills Sales Tax *Update*

Third Quarter Receipts for Second Quarter Sales (April - June 2016)

Beverly Hills In Brief

Beverly Hills' receipts from April through June were 9.0% above 2015's second quarter amounts but after factoring out reporting aberrations, actual sales were up 0.5%.

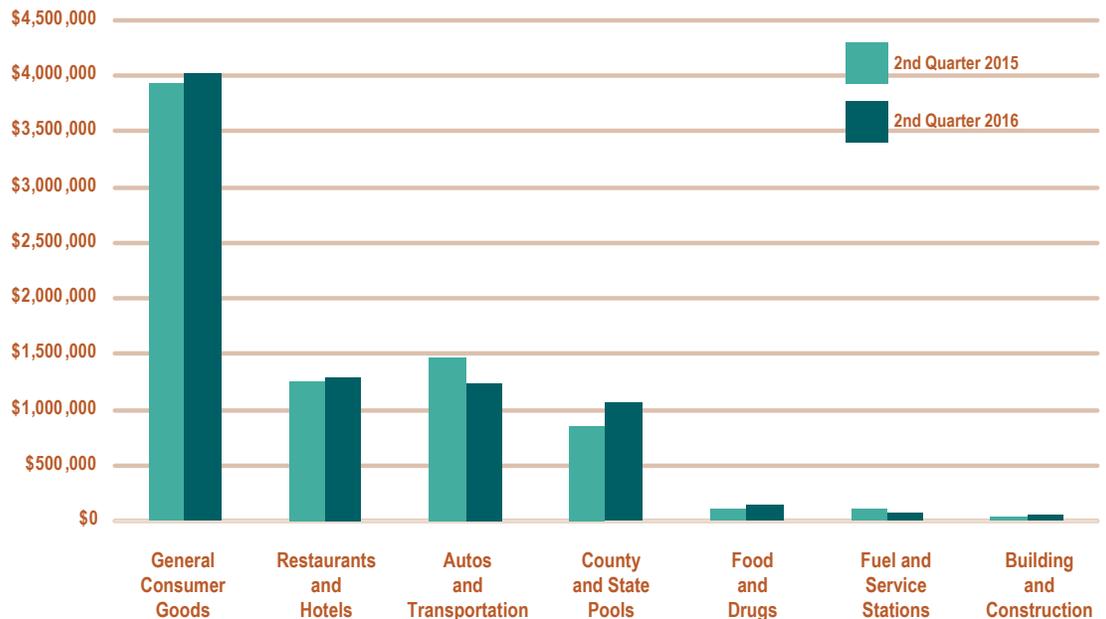
The disparity between cash receipts and actual sales was mainly due to an erroneous takeaway in the business and industry category that temporarily lowered revenues in the comparison quarter. The error has since been corrected.

Moderate gains among the general consumer goods, restaurants and hotels, food-drugs and building-construction segments were largely offset by declines in the autos-transportation and fuel-service station groups. Net of accounting adjustments, results from the business and industry group were also down for the period as use tax payments and onetime sales events in the comparison period were not repeated.

Quarterly totals were also helped by an unusually large increase in the City's countywide use tax pool allocation; the jump was partly due to a large retroactive correction.

Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Los Angeles County grew 1.1% over the comparable time period; the Southern California region was up 1.6%.

SALES TAX BY MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP



TOP 25 PRODUCERS

IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

Audi Beverly Hills	Louis Vuitton
Barneys	Mastros Steakhouse
Beverly Hills Hotel	McLaren Beverly Hills
Beverly Hilton Hotel	Mercedes Benz of Beverly Hills
Beverly Wilshire Hotel	Neiman Marcus
Cartier	Porsche Leasing
Chanel	Saks Fifth Ave
Christian Dior	Tom Ford
Daimler Trust	Tory Burch
Ferrari of Beverly Hills	Toyota Lease Trust
Gucci	XIV Karats
Hermes	Yves Saint Laurent
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REVENUE COMPARISON

One Quarter – Fiscal Year To Date

	2015-16	2016-17
Point-of-Sale	\$6,557,774	\$7,025,399
County Pool	852,978	1,054,587
State Pool	5,520	2,464
Gross Receipts	\$7,416,272	\$8,082,450
Less Triple Flip*	\$(1,854,068)	\$0

*Reimbursed from county compensation fund

California Overall

Statewide local sales and use tax receipts were up 1.9% over last year's spring quarter after adjusting for payment aberrations.

The largest gains were for building supplies, restaurants, utility/energy projects and countywide use tax pool allocations. Tax revenues from general consumer goods and business investment categories rose slightly while auto sales leveled off.

Interest In Tax Reform Grows

With modest growth in sales and use taxes, agencies are increasingly reliant on local transaction tax initiatives to cover growing infrastructure and employee retirement costs. As of October 1, there are 210 active add-on tax districts with dozens more proposed for the upcoming November and April ballots.

The Bradley-Burns 1% local sales tax structure has not kept pace with social and economic changes occurring since the tax was first implemented in 1933. Technology and globalization are reducing the cost of goods while spending is shifting away from taxable merchandise to non-taxed experiences, social networking and services. Growing outlays for housing and health care are also cutting family resources available for discretionary spending. Tax-exempt digital downloads and a growing list of legislative exemptions have compounded the problem.

California has the nation's highest sales tax rate, reaching 10% in some jurisdictions. This rate, however, is applied to the smallest basket of taxable goods. A basic principle of sound tax policy is to have the lowest rate applied to the broadest possible basket of goods. California's opposite approach leads to revenue volatility and causes the state and local governments to be more vulnerable to economic downturns.

The State Controller, several legislators and some newspaper editorials have suggested a fresh look at the state's tax structure and a few ideas for reform have been proposed, including:

Expand the Base / Lower the Rate:

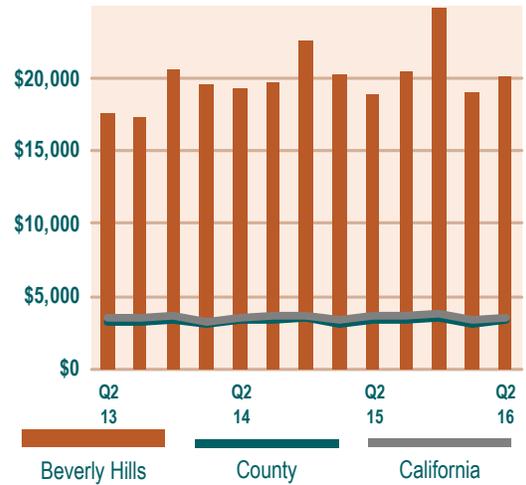
Eliminate much of the \$11.5 billion in exemptions adopted since the tax was first implemented and expand the base to include the digital goods and services commonly taxed in other states. This would allow a lower, less regressive tax that is more competitive nationally and would expand local options for economic development.

Allocate to Place of Consumption:

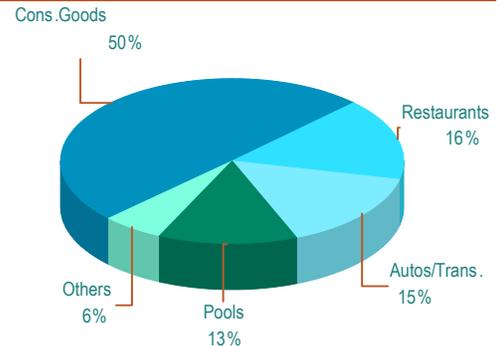
Converting to destination sourcing, already in use in the state's transactions and use tax districts, would maintain the allocation of local sales tax to the jurisdiction where stores, restaurants and other carryout businesses are located, but return the tax for online and catalog sales to the jurisdiction of the buyer that paid the tax. One outcome of this proposal would be the redirection of tax revenues to local agencies that are currently being shared with business owners and corporations as an inducement to move order desks to their jurisdictions.

Tax reform will not be easy. However, failing to reach agreement on a simpler, less regressive tax structure that adapts this century's economy could make California a long-term "loser" in competing with states with lower overall tax rates.

SALES PER CAPITA



REVENUE BY BUSINESS GROUP
Beverly Hills This Quarter



BEVERLY HILLS TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES

Business Type	*In thousands of dollars			
	Beverly Hills Q2 '16*	Beverly Hills Change	County Change	HdL State Change
Auto Lease	458.1	2.8%	16.5%	20.6%
Casual Dining	228.3	8.9%	6.4%	4.1%
Department Stores	— CONFIDENTIAL —	—	-0.9%	-4.3%
Family Apparel	1,002.2	2.0%	3.6%	4.4%
Fine Dining	484.5	-4.4%	10.4%	12.4%
Home Furnishings	131.4	-9.4%	8.0%	1.2%
Hotels-Liquor	427.1	9.4%	10.1%	8.1%
Jewelry Stores	457.6	-0.1%	2.8%	0.1%
Men's Apparel	118.3	-6.9%	-2.0%	0.8%
New Motor Vehicle Dealers	729.3	-24.7%	-0.6%	2.7%
Quick-Service Restaurants	108.0	-3.9%	6.1%	6.7%
Service Stations	65.1	-38.6%	-20.5%	-19.2%
Shoe Stores	125.1	-10.1%	6.0%	6.3%
Specialty Stores	275.6	3.4%	-0.2%	3.1%
Women's Apparel	495.7	11.8%	4.0%	1.7%
Total All Accounts	7,025.4	7.1%	0.1%	-0.6%
County & State Pool Allocation	1,057.1	23.1%	15.1%	15.2%
Gross Receipts	8,082.5	9.0%	1.9%	1.4%