

TABLE 37A. STATE SALES AND USE TAX: RETAIL TAXABLE SALES* BY COUNTY

[§ 105 ARTICLE 5.]

County	1998-1999 [\$]	1999-2000 [\$]	2000-2001 [\$]	2001-2002 [\$]	2002-2003 [\$]	2003-2004 [\$]	2004-2005 [\$]	2005-2006 [\$]	2006-2007 [\$]	2007-2008 [\$]	2008-2009 [\$]	2009-2010 [\$]	2010-2011 [\$]	2011-2012 [\$]	2012-2013 [\$]
Alamance.....	1,092,194,642	972,061,126	995,815,910	994,006,912	994,635,915	1,085,793,270	1,136,328,338	1,221,228,232	1,371,732,692	1,460,915,191	1,431,415,494	1,364,993,245	1,513,529,921	1,651,538,169	1,664,282,111
Alexander.....	114,963,500	88,210,530	91,927,693	93,834,392	100,789,619	106,252,871	112,345,641	113,359,558	120,900,919	109,685,529	103,765,887	129,010,547	137,708,236	151,308,794	151,905,603
Alleghany.....	54,519,057	44,974,992	42,962,298	41,279,603	43,545,462	49,180,987	55,663,907	63,306,657	69,402,351	72,774,229	60,510,135	57,945,285	62,358,969	61,905,458	58,282,301
Anson.....	92,059,659	77,832,231	80,608,609	84,168,084	86,808,755	90,568,185	94,102,253	101,219,840	99,859,146	97,694,916	95,373,473	100,467,909	105,215,203	109,715,760	111,277,912
Ashe.....	117,233,775	100,970,889	94,736,382	108,818,663	125,669,624	136,175,447	139,062,806	144,083,775	169,008,430	174,508,475	163,812,846	171,210,126	179,253,238	186,616,709	180,561,624
Avery.....	138,379,338	124,969,874	126,704,380	125,844,500	126,940,757	130,643,330	137,068,082	149,738,290	174,488,124	179,331,785	154,840,320	175,429,674	178,465,907	176,832,450	179,786,863
Beaufort.....	308,959,194	282,588,062	271,959,140	290,146,135	320,794,819	350,084,808	409,329,441	396,446,176	348,375,928	369,122,801	352,590,504	367,511,894	370,216,394	403,097,199	382,584,652
Bertie.....	36,886,714	30,243,697	28,928,434	27,489,459	30,242,988	35,925,635	40,378,851	51,480,904	37,340,887	36,533,313	36,536,032	58,334,501	61,433,073	64,021,627	69,449,385
Bladen.....	133,926,080	102,326,235	108,722,813	129,901,942	176,804,780	187,515,233	189,075,957	172,713,659	129,292,417	115,832,832	117,526,070	158,926,263	164,781,914	176,785,791	183,032,657
Brunswick.....	575,181,950	527,285,544	535,956,070	598,767,437	659,958,092	721,917,399	785,429,586	860,893,602	950,971,544	948,556,453	906,375,513	953,091,346	991,119,126	1,057,757,262	1,133,037,050
Buncombe.....	2,346,286,869	2,147,829,805	2,178,328,952	2,251,770,969	2,335,867,282	2,490,648,409	2,726,861,150	2,966,135,312	3,336,213,094	3,283,356,807	2,995,665,910	2,954,277,382	3,125,296,879	3,308,421,583	3,632,106,651
Burke.....	459,195,403	388,444,697	391,236,845	376,341,444	377,458,589	417,232,440	415,741,224	426,335,792	440,709,350	452,819,814	426,163,516	469,839,746	495,244,199	508,365,527	534,678,370
Cabarrus.....	976,331,321	1,046,007,432	1,141,130,997	1,232,859,273	1,322,499,175	1,421,666,277	1,559,740,296	1,703,326,212	1,882,429,350	1,860,287,556	1,823,993,530	2,007,249,054	2,062,851,155	2,301,711,988	2,446,413,119
Caldwell.....	420,616,248	360,771,980	355,996,046	358,204,395	362,424,599	387,616,946	391,254,488	430,606,255	445,692,952	438,405,042	437,609,845	447,996,421	483,933,455	469,168,229	469,168,229
Camden.....	13,982,711	13,767,411	15,866,955	16,213,287	22,735,000	22,329,341	24,018,136	36,950,934	37,055,727	39,116,907	33,328,256	46,360,498	51,509,036	50,730,114	49,972,023
Carteret.....	625,485,039	560,701,308	552,823,152	570,190,645	612,932,293	682,740,535	721,829,657	795,428,515	861,840,613	828,361,303	798,250,755	810,347,610	810,592,085	867,503,174	857,547,296
Caswell.....	36,224,517	27,448,751	28,404,579	27,798,871	33,789,816	31,399,677	33,746,266	31,552,919	31,160,921	30,535,395	29,818,221	43,047,487	49,632,178	58,157,431	50,936,103
Catawba.....	1,569,187,070	1,417,932,296	1,468,672,902	1,439,424,114	1,457,755,563	1,553,169,688	1,618,268,373	1,736,263,594	1,850,868,445	1,839,418,898	1,654,738,905	1,660,259,697	1,717,114,313	1,762,264,001	1,752,062,177
Chatham.....	203,443,313	169,242,724	180,217,689	195,632,101	209,775,780	232,666,150	242,288,764	242,699,770	301,018,001	307,741,498	287,773,659	341,656,165	363,077,777	375,860,796	393,381,994
Cherokee.....	194,082,767	171,291,747	176,472,705	190,974,957	207,948,853	217,238,247	236,813,971	268,686,627	291,424,320	256,882,089	244,123,605	214,472,262	215,083,977	218,913,114	215,389,901
Chowan.....	74,130,854	59,257,714	59,474,554	61,592,325	63,375,548	73,605,006	74,041,353	79,325,644	83,169,546	78,265,718	70,724,228	90,019,652	94,155,344	98,658,950	97,456,191
Clay.....	36,277,582	32,824,707	33,532,649	38,549,110	39,542,672	46,227,728	52,638,202	57,760,842	55,333,629	54,506,721	49,372,543	57,892,738	56,036,046	58,054,621	57,443,201
Cleveland.....	653,722,708	597,634,427	537,824,174	532,257,337	557,551,231	585,418,057	619,246,577	634,066,040	645,727,594	646,936,707	650,672,398	586,748,928	649,266,537	703,081,677	707,780,764
Columbus.....	318,180,420	269,556,361	256,770,432	250,807,339	265,055,188	289,500,029	310,985,381	311,958,976	318,165,603	306,652,751	306,095,881	304,077,117	308,320,732	315,389,239	331,528,369
Craven.....	601,884,896	535,948,053	528,731,514	532,714,671	570,063,711	639,432,401	684,286,712	755,395,398	792,671,587	768,577,137	807,830,025	840,507,069	816,041,254	887,252,910	859,023,029
Cumberland.....	2,179,616,096	1,938,131,913	1,908,739,549	1,921,576,472	2,010,866,645	2,248,348,862	2,382,813,850	2,504,743,152	2,746,626,602	2,751,850,877	2,844,376,173	3,240,731,656	3,375,817,327	3,531,570,536	3,558,501,388
Currituck.....	141,830,933	139,508,999	150,178,401	156,798,031	178,993,613	201,273,474	208,179,843	228,954,596	226,911,313	231,268,668	226,417,237	318,747,965	332,514,827	376,757,269	394,657,890
Dare.....	762,631,508	730,347,892	802,912,672	890,505,006	969,489,163	1,045,838,579	1,100,188,571	1,145,151,538	1,192,336,774	1,187,337,919	1,170,561,923	1,052,642,348	1,099,298,494	1,159,528,701	1,190,941,000
Davidson.....	822,526,721	706,473,413	708,170,534	683,628,215	689,499,322	792,190,530	848,086,470	885,217,922	927,742,446	904,633,216	856,982,637	812,388,439	839,389,131	898,086,758	893,655,499
Davie.....	154,003,389	138,219,444	151,923,383	144,542,478	133,887,311	144,056,200	157,934,400	182,678,828	209,337,216	206,838,656	206,971,057	210,322,952	207,532,431	219,485,417	256,859,516
Duplin.....	216,959,905	191,821,255	189,150,477	183,724,416	195,880,659	214,727,730	238,475,473	255,440,754	240,828,153	235,488,371	245,613,104	267,312,696	285,930,599	309,621,179	329,440,506
Durham.....	2,266,065,414	2,353,430,596	2,416,859,512	2,744,391,742	3,264,252,824	3,300,569,344	3,522,774,760	3,707,313,563	3,796,970,577	3,703,207,039	3,630,249,377	4,022,517,616	4,163,245,973	4,434,078,534	4,902,628,024
Edgecombe.....	255,879,343	224,263,810	217,793,793	217,947,530	236,284,006	251,654,935	260,079,685	258,816,676	280,633,447	289,770,386	290,315,007	278,474,186	298,854,174	322,439,533	295,862,936
Forsyth.....	3,349,972,416	3,101,591,348	3,104,453,194	3,190,632,623	3,421,313,908	3,647,370,228	3,875,626,628	4,054,063,810	4,204,006,597	4,232,988,891	3,848,268,051	3,726,843,936	3,920,362,498	4,119,672,960	4,087,882,705
Franklin.....	184,992,501	166,334,194	163,431,987	177,020,570	181,675,242	219,843,806	246,610,995	292,908,507	313,513,495	289,280,601	258,538,015	235,419,539	240,853,230	265,002,487	274,328,495
Gaston.....	1,337,800,787	1,171,692,881	1,150,749,544	1,173,437,265	1,234,341,653	1,297,161,698	1,368,331,778	1,364,581,828	1,489,186,428	1,471,940,645	1,403,855,458	1,429,391,421	1,481,728,743	1,623,797,583	1,586,516,806
Gates.....	21,683,214	14,514,752	13,064,482	12,504,167	12,738,802	14,858,685	17,216,084	16,834,908	14,186,882	15,044,544	15,440,984	22,454,230	22,906,918	24,437,298	26,773,298
Graham.....	29,540,108	22,628,526	22,893,017	25,038,696	26,469,728	32,518,223	33,356,479	38,366,542	42,691,401	42,960,478	38,422,626	42,693,185	43,500,477	48,573,970	52,080,215
Granville.....	190,632,292	160,363,664	163,795,789	165,276,291	176,265,166	196,763,574	201,855,848	219,515,432	216,125,048	202,409,479	205,760,716	233,606,179	234,782,070	247,796,008	256,717,964
Greene.....	40,860,853	31,964,462	34,154,153	30,591,572	31,585,971	35,862,818	38,975,047	39,722,010	42,797,432	40,322,270	38,123,937	47,552,272	50,440,874	57,307,232	53,470,289
Guilford.....	5,416,528,719	5,105,373,480	5,183,368,131	4,891,262,805	4,983,000,613	5,222,003,563	5,566,847,264	5,669,770,204	5,990,461,537	6,078,010,779	5,590,367,752	5,033,481,813	5,360,355,128	5,639,379,892	5,645,035,166
Halifax.....	344,010,738	300,993,204	287,673,216	276,910,100	292,214,060	319,607,600	342,111,785	341,271,436	343,624,112	333,695,023	342,669,578	363,512,589	368,108,214	405,991,287	406,222,818
Harnett.....	405,267,352	342,397,036	345,355,569	340,457,294	352,486,576	398,388,213	456,689,851	485,805,882	547,360,897	503,286,228	489,167,287	515,689,932	536,764,468	564,710,410	589,696,285
Haywood.....	427,454,530	368,448,249	379,903,143	389,902,819	396,362,196	438,309,008	443,396,832	485,930,182	538,500,941	549,879,484	489,719,216	519,812,261	518,290,311	540,735,522	560,682,305
Henderson.....	627,606,930	576,528,421	588,060,764	612,309,279	702,329,531	756,398,761	779,669,736	796,570,464	918,711,089	844,955,661	778,897,590	774,661,627	788,189,300	805,743,548	881,868,200
Hertford.....	179,479,899	176,491,368	171,401,786	153,394,320	159,809,952	173,581,484	188,624,217	190,179,548	175,753,267	153,955,373	157,700,619	156,627,704	175,887,675	194,621,923	192,873,792
Hoke.....	58,562,749	45,308,228	44,763,071	47,337,657	58,010,688	63,278,025	71,655,889	79,977,243	72,323,432	69,529,990	69,814,321	110,61			

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Johnston.....	773,219,915	717,481,672	724,804,726	718,469,008	777,357,126	938,295,046	1,026,163,000	1,051,015,148	1,135,891,639	1,101,195,577	1,037,738,950	1,123,806,656	1,158,171,151	1,226,528,835	1,269,711,827
Jones.....	19,782,139	19,286,245	21,952,419	22,435,475	22,778,221	29,727,260	26,916,007	25,612,158	25,238,538	24,243,541	23,484,183	29,531,352	28,868,381	32,619,483	28,604,677
Lee.....	476,777,728	420,968,921	433,174,666	418,034,148	436,817,701	495,048,050	535,581,727	549,045,067	560,699,200	555,700,527	512,834,756	510,600,556	568,921,206	615,902,897	612,030,784
Lenoir.....	478,365,235	451,953,937	430,349,356	459,395,658	452,434,223	479,956,117	490,309,133	543,042,028	491,160,300	484,845,748	457,801,972	462,332,491	462,001,599	493,184,939	475,880,806
Lincoln.....	355,959,528	323,586,670	318,642,539	327,708,248	331,340,537	369,363,091	402,639,056	425,978,421	466,573,073	466,138,732	439,194,737	446,132,046	451,111,944	474,170,558	481,712,707
Macon.....	294,791,559	283,990,262	287,291,963	292,466,288	306,775,146	333,698,965	361,048,975	391,014,756	425,799,972	417,454,350	370,448,466	352,257,278	351,005,709	364,317,096	380,588,020
Madison.....	41,024,599	33,323,629	35,304,055	37,143,875	41,326,510	39,295,693	41,681,169	48,831,300	54,728,489	55,014,784	54,482,636	70,008,035	70,914,100	75,032,396	77,980,332
Martin.....	143,446,867	121,646,027	116,714,481	157,647,928	124,564,930	133,900,577	122,816,570	128,396,051	135,922,732	151,868,561	163,910,298	174,104,890	176,101,795	193,541,044	182,854,461
McDowell.....	205,125,941	165,703,947	159,323,845	158,735,994	161,480,838	177,112,381	202,887,959	216,592,725	237,168,391	243,209,446	236,529,412	244,051,224	248,385,595	281,250,189	271,353,329
Mecklenburg.....	10,378,372,938	9,969,686,469	10,229,875,417	9,885,534,402	10,148,949,555	10,989,373,456	11,883,552,607	13,357,308,426	14,078,512,749	14,178,740,492	12,476,582,833	13,259,834,567	13,689,815,041	14,853,835,526	15,561,579,637
Mitchell.....	86,335,107	84,187,408	101,219,871	101,085,544	103,835,144	107,410,984	114,559,650	112,062,985	125,253,729	118,461,903	118,565,190	117,617,266	122,216,781	130,085,562	122,249,020
Montgomery....	119,299,221	103,067,470	113,988,290	116,150,422	116,284,971	121,825,842	142,974,706	130,805,864	125,733,950	112,835,132	105,085,544	120,849,694	118,701,312	124,455,334	133,776,188
Moore.....	661,601,427	594,932,409	578,528,841	570,798,600	591,714,555	639,591,388	691,730,175	749,383,341	830,853,109	804,634,136	743,499,477	849,424,339	893,991,000	928,085,654	955,312,120
Nash.....	903,366,164	843,808,472	809,724,423	762,691,594	751,036,764	809,869,124	825,768,596	881,827,186	905,246,300	881,919,599	817,540,894	869,004,703	868,253,556	906,710,215	875,986,229
New Hanover....	2,074,807,521	1,985,069,436	2,044,613,974	2,053,033,105	2,178,949,702	2,389,654,209	2,628,372,138	2,853,598,823	2,948,192,206	2,850,749,201	2,572,742,760	2,619,260,826	2,849,562,321	3,159,001,174	3,254,485,249
Northampton...	40,599,848	35,927,964	37,549,229	37,767,355	33,704,218	39,777,433	36,288,229	44,930,501	39,849,043	40,087,673	36,355,302	58,849,064	62,466,903	66,153,690	78,928,248
Onslow.....	795,819,968	712,808,104	726,220,413	746,041,525	806,180,674	968,075,133	1,060,768,138	1,127,700,627	1,237,477,858	1,234,626,495	1,298,671,543	1,513,485,900	1,639,522,858	1,817,064,412	1,875,368,357
Orange.....	755,764,748	692,581,479	718,071,020	742,453,428	794,904,808	816,361,724	843,358,966	907,564,371	948,302,963	971,591,672	926,654,246	987,769,036	1,017,355,198	1,058,416,058	1,175,757,132
Pamlico.....	47,597,262	35,911,733	35,637,394	35,471,744	36,545,773	40,392,160	46,232,045	53,482,827	51,316,918	61,552,850	63,136,239	60,098,820	67,630,142	65,378,484	65,323,398
Pasquotank.....	308,798,185	281,209,007	287,213,406	280,755,093	288,148,629	337,252,760	342,428,567	378,214,943	400,255,668	385,822,798	366,059,597	362,760,685	366,958,373	391,643,663	430,289,252
Pender.....	143,545,171	112,729,415	114,097,935	118,751,023	138,643,695	162,357,496	182,083,393	227,022,142	244,815,739	241,845,086	217,794,180	243,046,719	263,642,919	286,409,398	294,332,860
Perquimans.....	28,460,804	20,171,554	21,224,514	21,722,166	27,307,709	31,624,866	31,608,643	36,179,470	43,974,481	45,728,042	36,055,807	41,252,194	41,614,880	42,395,352	46,836,157
Person.....	199,561,806	170,505,815	175,128,993	191,072,121	208,020,765	224,603,736	240,877,235	242,209,229	256,113,937	263,994,529	249,868,842	237,649,499	241,928,067	264,587,934	255,022,405
Pitt.....	1,266,720,845	1,151,970,416	1,118,920,750	1,091,013,272	1,219,718,434	1,401,329,625	1,409,873,564	1,408,644,133	1,478,571,030	1,496,873,481	1,399,853,185	1,646,586,461	1,763,283,579	1,817,942,598	1,846,032,936
Polk.....	62,843,843	49,324,617	50,490,831	54,274,123	54,202,692	57,625,737	60,699,383	67,547,190	69,609,526	73,837,960	64,258,284	78,536,847	78,322,874	82,759,130	83,701,243
Randolph.....	670,353,664	601,404,349	625,715,633	609,579,656	623,281,452	679,963,710	692,123,117	703,700,516	750,691,583	740,271,133	738,027,142	760,370,545	837,190,250	862,773,395	859,980,550
Richmond.....	268,231,154	230,479,674	229,053,917	225,247,724	226,391,583	234,401,837	261,190,446	253,927,492	252,916,203	254,838,005	259,981,351	286,548,286	291,367,239	317,536,062	295,340,084
Robeson.....	623,120,585	530,015,774	540,516,990	551,688,796	571,900,941	605,410,092	639,597,089	663,351,320	720,297,140	685,427,894	706,875,459	751,805,952	783,055,223	835,941,100	842,155,118
Rockingham....	488,585,548	384,563,035	375,941,585	388,582,472	379,678,052	392,865,241	419,102,331	451,117,768	488,795,146	475,692,199	490,435,682	525,837,123	550,150,383	581,701,778	553,367,632
Rowan.....	772,691,672	693,222,693	681,065,670	683,754,759	690,358,540	690,736,247	749,358,278	743,233,646	769,912,511	776,412,362	739,262,679	820,836,291	920,565,043	975,239,011	941,331,657
Rutherford.....	359,682,763	311,450,509	325,387,028	318,515,190	331,354,357	356,981,294	362,018,253	376,427,180	396,327,926	382,867,026	378,481,817	455,993,741	455,142,754	529,910,354	449,728,791
Sampson.....	301,826,550	274,844,446	264,736,201	264,231,593	264,916,547	303,813,402	324,030,470	337,644,734	321,390,360	296,153,112	277,599,642	333,868,899	351,460,317	374,151,086	368,012,673
Scotland.....	242,115,213	198,999,011	192,195,852	188,365,314	213,524,687	243,828,187	266,849,733	265,364,620	265,847,608	254,693,120	249,872,724	250,371,029	237,641,197	241,813,048	233,585,340
Stanly.....	429,795,867	371,094,362	364,988,236	372,153,558	377,285,826	383,214,641	440,591,357	445,341,280	483,625,795	469,252,901	450,132,309	419,411,542	424,512,833	428,662,909	440,842,258
Stokes.....	115,943,261	97,264,941	96,600,612	103,343,735	130,813,237	163,578,932	238,915,434	238,746,745	160,047,602	124,028,213	124,954,131	142,467,728	149,401,022	155,523,302	162,966,174
Surry.....	607,016,074	530,306,090	552,013,376	529,259,475	509,136,641	537,780,767	586,930,869	625,647,657	665,544,823	628,510,252	628,813,121	682,998,365	699,984,179	707,477,045	725,513,765
Swain.....	56,664,109	46,468,171	46,119,793	47,327,196	48,741,974	52,372,195	54,949,196	62,223,783	71,207,114	76,986,883	76,867,665	94,250,088	89,998,464	93,184,299	90,696,809
Transylvania....	186,636,012	169,863,635	165,334,276	168,234,576	178,930,879	189,985,611	216,532,089	241,981,498	279,763,444	275,484,365	244,217,577	226,619,021	229,029,669	231,744,884	247,935,128
Tyrrell.....	12,731,571	10,309,349	8,934,475	9,873,606	9,862,219	10,251,201	10,343,382	12,034,601	12,222,504	12,207,911	11,431,046	15,244,920	14,157,963	17,758,634	18,128,519
Union.....	846,567,603	784,128,654	817,300,769	784,283,718	790,675,656	857,934,950	948,609,697	1,099,352,201	1,217,491,262	1,200,307,872	1,162,890,543	1,076,852,195	1,122,433,771	1,197,951,434	1,321,781,178
Vance.....	335,173,353	284,616,243	288,734,453	289,727,197	294,956,462	307,191,933	316,484,738	320,187,079	353,848,256	318,977,635	311,212,307	362,911,094	345,642,236	363,236,147	353,364,450
Wake.....	7,750,309,770	7,366,438,003	7,621,053,057	7,415,744,539	7,898,112,419	8,830,921,322	9,345,043,177	10,323,329,461	11,262,239,398	11,339,906,108	10,378,048,804	9,949,833,702	10,208,890,575	10,850,823,393	11,411,806,624
Warren.....	50,121,151	39,954,705	40,383,360	41,616,695	42,183,631	43,723,156	41,442,182	46,472,125	48,780,719	54,745,601	51,161,396	56,345,520	60,886,164	68,481,661	67,851,428
Washington....	51,514,766	41,349,777	42,287,214	42,752,277	43,552,972	48,278,277	48,256,392	48,408,540	48,016,024	49,628,004	53,622,428	64,628,577	70,073,664	71,404,074	69,225,957
Watauga.....	500,345,962	487,938,177	493,503,127	487,907,230	505,367,152	541,255,101	573,689,355	612,938,830	665,012,583	670,742,733	613,875,789	606,519,777	611,846,387	629,686,939	633,572,655
Wayne.....	849,292,055	775,288,282	756,640,737	747,360,292	760,937,041	842,106,422	882,194,050	936,581,406	988,941,515	957,052,672	956,525,116	857,517,872	902,226,600	1,020,586,270	976,874,673
Wilkes.....	425,044,258	376,902,657	376,831,524	385,211,079	387,297,711	411,271,102	416,800,275	409,587,885	427,145,685	418,517,254	378,916,187	414,520,173	432,657,505	478,406,827	477,045,774
Wilson.....	621,312,213	591,464,298	608,100,473	584,163,372	602,766,401	60									

TABLE 37A. -Continued

Data are by-product data compiled during the processing of reports and remittances filed by taxpayers required to register for, collect, and remit sales and use taxes, and are classified according to sales and use tax registration numbers.

*This series reports retail taxable sales instead of gross retail sales (taxable and nontaxable sales) reported in the *Statistical Abstract* 2004 through 2006 editions. In fiscal year 2005-06, the Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement required a change in information reporting requirements such that not all taxpayers report gross retail sales.

Amounts shown are taxable sales computed from tax remittances reported on sales and use tax returns filed during the period July 1 through June 30 of a given year by merchants. Taxable retail sales derived from utility services are not tabulated by county and are not included. Beginning midway during the 2001-02 fiscal year, taxable sales computed from use tax generated from the general State rate are included in retail taxable sales amounts. Prior to 2001-02, taxable sales were not computed on reported use tax and are not included in retail taxable sales amounts.

Changes in general sales tax rate:

Effective October 16, 2001, the rate increased from 4% to 4.5%; effective December 1, 2006, the rate decreased to 4.25%; effective October 1, 2008, the rate increased to 4.5%; effective September 1, 2009, the rate increased from 4.5% to 5.5%; effective October 1, 2009, the rate increased to 5.75%; effective July 1, 2011, the State general rate decreased from 5.75% to 4.75% as result of the expiration of a temporary additional 1% State sales and use tax rate that had been in effect since September 1, 2009.

Changes in sales tax rate applicable to purchases of food for home consumption:

Effective January 1, 1997, the State rate applicable to food purchased for home consumption was reduced from 4% to 3%. Effective July 1, 1998, the State rate applicable to food purchased for home consumption was repealed. Effective May 1, 1999, the 2% State rate applicable to food purchased for home consumption was repealed. Effective July 1, 2003, all sales of soft drinks (fountain, those sold for home consumption, and vending) were made subject to both the State and local rates. [Prior to this date, soft drinks sold for home consumption were not taxable at the State level.] Effective January 1, 2004, sales of closed container soft drinks sold through vending machines were made subject to a partial exemption; only fifty percent (50%) of the sales price of closed container soft drinks sold through vending machines is taxable and subject to both the State and local rates under § 105-164.13(50). Effective January 1, 2004, candy was exempted from the State tax and subject to only the 2% local tax. [Candy sold through vending machines is taxed at fifty percent (50%) of the sales price and is subject to both the State and local rates under § 105-164.13(50).] Effective October 1, 2005, all sales of candy are subject to the combined State and local tax rate (taxation of candy sold through vending machines remains unchanged). Effective October 1, 2007, bakery thrift store sales of bread, rolls, and buns became exempt from the State sales tax. Effective January 1, 2009, bakery items sold without eating utensils by an artisan bakery were exempted from the State sales tax.

Changes in State 1% and 3% rates in 2005-06:

Effective January 1, 2006, sales of railway cars, locomotives, and mobile classrooms and offices became taxable at the general State rate and applicable local rates (previously taxed at the State 3% rate with a \$1,500 maximum tax per article). Various farm items and fuel used for farming and commercial laundry operations were exempted from taxation (previously taxed at the 1% State sales tax rate). Additionally, various types of machinery (farm, telephone company property, laundry, freezer plant, and broadcasting) and various types of equipment (tobacco, air courier, and flight training) along with farm storage facilities and farm containers were exempted from the 1% State rate with an \$80 maximum tax per article. Concurrently, manufacturing machinery and fuel and qualifying recycling facility equipment were exempted from the State sales tax and made subject to the new privilege tax levied under Article 5F (refer to *Table 45*). Effective July 1, 2006, sales of certain commercial logging machinery and related attachments, repair parts, lubricants, and fuel used to operate logging machinery were exempted from taxation. (Items were previously subject to the 1% sales or use tax or 1% privilege tax as appropriate.)

Unallocated:

Fiscal year 2001-02 does not include retail taxable sales computed on \$74,989,019 in payments that were unassignable to specific counties due to legislative changes affecting payment and return due dates.