

TABLE 35A. SALES AND USE TAX REFUNDS ISSUED TO NONPROFIT ENTITY CLAIMANTS BY SIZE OF ANNUAL REFUND BY FISCAL YEAR

[Refunds are combined State and local taxes and may cover multiple semiannual claims]

Size of Refund: Class interval denotes the sum of all refunds issued to a claimant during a fiscal year	Fiscal year 2003-04					Fiscal year 2004-05					Fiscal year 2005-06					Fiscal year 2006-07				
	Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued		
	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]
<=\$2,000	6,184	64.6%	4,370,099	1.7%	707	5,947	61.7%	4,388,221	1.5%	738	5,698	60.2%	4,184,006	1.3%	734	5,574	60.3%	4,200,118	1.3%	754
\$2,001 - \$4,000	1,313	13.7%	3,707,905	1.4%	2,824	1,359	14.1%	3,855,427	1.3%	2,837	1,402	14.8%	3,961,869	1.2%	2,826	1,384	15.0%	3,919,160	1.2%	2,832
\$4,001 - \$6,000	531	5.5%	2,573,057	1.0%	4,846	578	6.0%	2,846,869	1.0%	4,925	598	6.3%	2,938,369	0.9%	4,914	581	6.3%	2,840,920	0.9%	4,890
\$6,001 - \$8,000	278	2.9%	1,927,498	0.7%	6,933	372	3.9%	2,572,954	0.9%	6,917	372	3.9%	2,579,785	0.8%	6,935	334	3.6%	2,289,525	0.7%	6,855
\$8,001 - \$10,000	211	2.2%	1,885,906	0.7%	8,938	193	2.0%	1,731,938	0.6%	8,974	219	2.3%	1,973,017	0.6%	9,009	212	2.3%	1,902,581	0.6%	8,974
\$10,001 - \$50,000	761	8.0%	16,020,770	6.2%	21,052	886	9.2%	17,999,637	6.0%	20,316	837	8.8%	17,638,177	5.3%	21,073	843	9.1%	17,715,049	5.5%	21,014
\$50,001 - \$100,000	127	1.3%	8,851,079	3.4%	69,694	120	1.2%	8,190,351	2.7%	68,253	147	1.6%	10,310,240	3.1%	70,138	139	1.5%	9,554,994	3.0%	68,741
\$100,001 - \$500,000	109	1.1%	24,192,123	9.4%	221,946	130	1.3%	25,340,491	8.5%	194,927	118	1.2%	23,486,648	7.1%	199,039	118	1.3%	24,884,214	7.8%	210,883
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	20	0.2%	13,682,039	5.3%	684,102	22	0.2%	15,661,775	5.2%	711,899	26	0.3%	18,216,058	5.5%	700,618	24	0.3%	16,693,467	5.2%	695,561
\$1,000,001 or more	34	0.4%	180,061,902	70.0%	5,295,938	37	0.4%	216,478,319	72.4%	5,850,765	42	0.4%	245,259,502	74.2%	5,839,512	42	0.5%	235,755,487	73.7%	5,613,226
Total	9,568	100.0%	257,272,378	100.0%	26,889	9,644	100.0%	299,065,983	100.0%	31,011	9,459	100.0%	330,547,671	100.0%	34,945	9,251	100.0%	319,755,516	100.0%	34,564

Size of Refund: Class interval denotes the sum of all refunds issued to a claimant during a fiscal year	Fiscal year 2007-08					Fiscal year 2008-09					Fiscal year 2009-10					Fiscal year 2010-11				
	Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued		
	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]
<=\$2,000	5,470	59.6%	4,042,078	1.4%	739	5,517	59.2%	4,118,279	1.2%	746	5,341	60.8%	3,855,710	1.5%	722	4,963	55.9%	3,827,904	0.9%	771
\$2,001 - \$4,000	1,409	15.3%	3,982,788	1.4%	2,827	1,364	14.6%	3,878,974	1.2%	2,844	1,294	14.7%	3,661,715	1.5%	2,830	1,365	15.4%	3,862,803	0.9%	2,830
\$4,001 - \$6,000	561	6.1%	2,738,175	0.9%	4,881	648	7.0%	3,164,915	0.9%	4,884	593	6.8%	2,890,463	1.1%	4,874	637	7.2%	3,103,894	0.7%	4,873
\$6,001 - \$8,000	349	3.8%	2,405,537	0.8%	6,893	359	3.9%	2,476,135	0.7%	6,897	311	3.5%	2,154,171	0.9%	6,927	348	3.9%	2,399,942	0.6%	6,896
\$8,001 - \$10,000	224	2.4%	1,997,848	0.7%	8,919	222	2.4%	1,970,029	0.6%	8,874	207	2.4%	1,848,115	0.7%	8,928	221	2.5%	1,966,639	0.5%	8,899
\$10,001 - \$50,000	834	9.1%	17,536,385	6.0%	21,027	866	9.3%	18,736,631	5.6%	21,636	754	8.6%	15,561,689	6.2%	20,639	928	10.5%	19,468,534	4.6%	20,979
\$50,001 - \$100,000	149	1.6%	10,487,406	3.6%	70,385	151	1.6%	10,307,368	3.1%	68,261	129	1.5%	9,016,568	3.6%	69,896	162	1.8%	11,487,919	2.7%	70,913
\$100,001 - \$500,000	124	1.4%	25,243,587	8.6%	203,577	127	1.4%	24,860,446	7.4%	195,752	104	1.2%	22,558,452	9.0%	216,908	174	2.0%	35,094,463	8.2%	201,692
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	26	0.3%	18,475,931	6.3%	710,613	27	0.3%	19,262,005	5.8%	713,408	16	0.2%	11,340,851	4.5%	708,803	26	0.3%	17,682,621	4.1%	680,101
\$1,000,001 or more	38	0.4%	205,604,658	70.3%	5,410,649	40	0.4%	245,082,986	73.4%	6,127,075	34	0.4%	178,470,097	71.0%	5,249,120	50	0.6%	327,869,939	76.8%	6,557,399
Total	9,184	100.0%	292,514,392	100.0%	31,850	9,321	100.0%	333,857,768	100.0%	35,818	8,783	100.0%	251,357,831	100.0%	28,619	8,874	100.0%	426,764,659	100.0%	48,092

Size of Refund: Class interval denotes the sum of all refunds issued to a claimant during a fiscal year	Fiscal year 2011-12					Fiscal year 2012-13					Fiscal year 2013-14					Fiscal year 2014-15				
	Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued			Claimants		Refunds issued		
	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]	#	% of total	Amount [\$]	% of total	Avg per claimant [\$]
<=\$2,000	4,873	57.6%	3,690,407	1.2%	757	4,985	58.1%	3,765,814	1.2%	755	4,827	57.5%	3,657,052	0.9%	758	4,446	55.1%	3,435,701	1.1%	773
\$2,001 - \$4,000	1,329	15.7%	3,780,182	1.3%	2,844	1,376	16.0%	3,922,208	1.2%	2,850	1,245	14.8%	3,566,484	0.9%	2,865	1,316	16.3%	3,717,130	1.2%	2,825
\$4,001 - \$6,000	572	6.8%	2,802,392	0.9%	4,899	592	6.9%	2,917,797	0.9%	4,929	583	6.9%	2,834,798	0.7%	4,862	591	7.3%	2,884,296	0.9%	4,880
\$6,001 - \$8,000	349	4.1%	2,412,608	0.8%	6,913	291	3.4%	2,007,872	0.6%	6,900	332	4.0%	2,281,641	0.6%	6,872	323	4.0%	2,238,304	0.7%	6,930
\$8,001 - \$10,000	205	2.4%	1,834,907	0.6%	8,951	218	2.5%	1,950,887	0.6%	8,949	210	2.5%	1,866,945	0.5%	8,890	214	2.7%	1,904,935	0.6%	8,902
\$10,001 - \$50,000	820	9.7%	17,439,918	5.9%	21,268	788	9.2%	16,586,953	5.1%	21,049	813	9.7%	17,282,943	4.3%	21,258	816	10.1%	17,091,149	5.4%	20,945
\$50,001 - \$100,000	141	1.7%	9,879,190	3.3%	70,065	138	1.6%	9,738,292	3.0%	70,567	172	2.0%	11,815,625	3.0%	68,695	151	1.9%	10,658,941	3.4%	70,589
\$100,001 - \$500,000	110	1.3%	23,249,467	7.9%	211,359	133	1.5%	26,035,582	8.0%	195,756	146	1.7%	29,159,246	7.3%	199,721	153	1.9%	33,101,375	10.5%	216,349
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	26	0.3%	18,812,226	6.4%	723,547	14	0.2%	10,391,526	3.2%	742,252	23	0.3%	16,363,533	4.1%	711,458	17	0.2%	12,273,999	3.9%	722,000
\$1,000,001 or more	35	0.4%	211,574,791	71.6%	6,044,994	46	0.5%	248,357,089	76.3%	5,399,067	48	0.6%	309,319,351	77.7%	6,444,153	35	0.4%	227,265,640	72.2%	6,493,304
Total	8,460	100.0%	295,476,088	100.0%	34,926	8,581	100.0%	325,674,019	100.0%	37,953	8,399	100.0%	398,147,619	100.0%	47,404	8,062	100.0%	314,571,469	100.0%	39,019

Detail may not add to totals due to rounding. Refunds reflect actual payments to taxpayers and exclude any refundable amounts credited to taxpayer accounts to offset future or existing tax liability.

§ 105-164.14(b) provides for semiannual refunds to nonprofit entities of sales and use taxes paid on direct purchases of tangible personal property and certain services for use in conducting their nonprofit operations [sales and use tax liability indirectly incurred by a nonprofit entity either through reimbursement to an authorized person of the entity for the purchase of tangible personal property, or on building materials, supplies, fixtures, and equipment that become a part of or annexed to any building or structure that is owned or leased by the nonprofit entity and is being erected, altered, or repaired for use by the nonprofit entity for carrying on its nonprofit activities is considered a sales or use tax liability incurred on direct purchases by the nonprofit entity].

SL 2013-316, s. 3.4.(b) provides that the aggregate annual refund of State sales and use tax allowed an entity under this subsection for a fiscal year may not exceed \$31,700,000 and that the aggregate annual refund of local sales and use tax allowed an entity under this subsection for a fiscal year may not exceed \$13,300,000 (effective July 1, 2014 and applies to purchases made on or after that date).

Refunds do not include sales tax paid on taxable sales made by nonprofit organizations and institutions.

The following nonprofit entities are allowed a refund under § 105-164.14(b):

- nonprofit hospitals (includes hospitals and medical accommodations operated by an authority or public hospital described in Article 2 of § 131E).  
[nonprofit and public hospitals are allowed a refund of tax paid on items subject to the general State rate of sales and use tax including over-the-counter drugs; a for-profit hospital may only receive a refund of tax paid on over-the-counter drugs.]
- an organization that is exempt from income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the IRC and is not classified in any of the following major group areas of the National Taxonomy of Exempt Entities: Community Improvement and Capacity Building, Public and Societal Benefit, or Mutual and Membership Benefit.
- certain volunteer fire departments and volunteer EMS squads that are exempt from income tax under the IRC.
- an organization that is a single member LLC that is disregarded for income tax purposes and meets certain conditions.
- a qualified retirement facility whose property is excluded from property tax under § 105-278.6A.
- a university affiliated nonprofit organization that procures, designs, constructs, or provides facilities to, or for use by, a constituent institution of the UNC system.

Number of claimants reflects the number of nonprofit entities to which at least one refund check issuance related financial transaction occurred during the period July 1 through June 30, and does not reflect the number of claims filed. Claims for refund are filed semiannually. The claim for refund of sales and use taxes paid during the first semiannual period (January 1 through June 30) is due to be filed by October 15th of the same year; the claim for refund for the second semiannual period (July 1 through December 31) is due to be filed by April 15th of the following year. Claims for refund may be filed within three (3) years after the due date of the same year; The data in the above tables generally reflect refunds for sales and use taxes paid by nonprofit entities during the calendar year preceding the fiscal year ended (year shown).

**Figure 35A.1 Annual Sales and Use Tax Refunds Issued to Nonprofit Entities By Size of Refund By Fiscal Year**  
[Refunds include State and local taxes]

