

TABLE 38. STATE SALES AND USE TAX: GROSS RETAIL SALES REPORTED BY COUNTY

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County	1989-1990 [\$1,000s]	1990-1991 [\$1,000s]	1991-1992 [\$1,000s]	1992-1993 [\$1,000s]	1993-1994 [\$1,000s]	1994-1995 [\$1,000s]	1995-1996 [\$1,000s]	1996-1997 [\$1,000s]	Year-over-year % change						
									91/90	92/91	93/92	94/93	95/94	96/95	97/96
Alamance.....	1,067,660	1,000,548	1,011,485	1,070,864	1,163,728	1,253,479	1,377,551	1,492,400	-6.3%	1.1%	5.9%	8.7%	7.7%	9.9%	8.3%
Alexander.....	107,063	114,793	119,380	123,953	121,904	130,061	145,028	155,214	7.2%	4.0%	3.8%	-1.7%	6.7%	11.5%	7.0%
Alleghany.....	46,127	47,683	46,168	47,246	49,268	56,432	56,605	60,537	3.4%	-3.2%	2.3%	4.3%	14.5%	0.3%	6.9%
Anson.....	110,563	105,359	106,002	105,916	111,255	114,608	121,670	131,597	-4.7%	0.6%	-0.1%	5.0%	3.0%	6.2%	8.2%
Ashe.....	127,932	120,244	119,571	125,510	139,993	143,564	150,835	171,394	-6.0%	-0.6%	5.0%	11.5%	2.6%	5.1%	13.6%
Avery.....	107,369	106,489	108,705	114,694	130,389	139,403	152,313	170,942	-0.8%	2.1%	5.5%	13.7%	6.9%	9.3%	12.2%
Beaufort.....	333,998	327,764	320,662	342,602	364,489	377,785	396,506	427,570	-1.9%	-2.2%	6.8%	6.4%	3.6%	5.0%	7.8%
Bertie.....	62,792	65,774	63,499	66,904	72,101	69,774	72,622	73,077	4.7%	-3.5%	5.4%	7.8%	-3.2%	4.1%	0.6%
Bladen.....	164,355	167,042	163,611	179,082	186,973	199,148	208,863	218,330	1.6%	-2.1%	9.5%	4.4%	6.5%	4.9%	4.5%
Brunswick.....	339,802	353,491	367,797	402,067	457,592	504,798	560,328	622,389	4.0%	4.0%	9.3%	13.8%	10.3%	11.0%	11.1%
Buncombe.....	1,830,494	1,823,433	1,880,765	2,025,115	2,311,741	2,529,695	2,738,660	2,898,788	-0.4%	3.1%	7.7%	14.2%	9.4%	8.3%	5.8%
Burke.....	441,007	433,728	453,605	487,079	519,369	569,807	608,037	643,082	-1.7%	4.6%	7.4%	6.6%	9.7%	6.7%	5.8%
Cabarrus.....	691,732	699,834	727,966	772,914	883,790	987,801	1,075,812	1,169,359	1.2%	4.0%	6.2%	14.3%	11.8%	8.9%	8.7%
Caldwell.....	456,532	432,789	441,291	473,076	520,800	559,687	591,287	614,079	-5.2%	2.0%	7.2%	10.1%	7.5%	5.6%	3.9%
Camden.....	14,102	15,036	13,725	16,182	16,962	17,738	18,060	21,365	6.6%	-8.7%	17.9%	4.8%	4.6%	1.8%	18.3%
Carteret.....	457,743	461,755	479,076	514,777	573,294	630,435	662,010	709,586	0.9%	3.8%	7.5%	11.4%	10.0%	5.0%	7.2%
Caswell.....	36,837	38,533	38,113	38,336	41,864	46,263	51,496	57,287	4.6%	-1.1%	0.6%	9.2%	10.5%	11.3%	11.2%
Catawba.....	1,362,681	1,301,265	1,355,617	1,467,124	1,663,873	1,830,623	1,936,810	2,063,389	-4.5%	4.2%	8.2%	13.4%	10.0%	5.8%	6.5%
Chatham.....	186,055	199,404	230,662	243,362	259,683	284,349	318,366	356,621	7.2%	15.7%	5.5%	6.7%	9.5%	12.0%	12.0%
Cherokee.....	136,725	132,411	136,894	151,708	175,485	220,135	244,115	266,723	-3.2%	3.4%	10.8%	15.7%	25.4%	10.9%	9.3%
Chowan.....	86,089	80,792	81,670	84,321	92,838	102,515	99,137	105,939	-6.2%	1.1%	3.2%	10.1%	10.4%	-3.3%	6.9%
Clay.....	25,841	26,207	30,889	35,595	37,510	40,184	40,003	45,866	1.4%	17.9%	15.2%	5.4%	7.1%	-0.4%	14.7%
Cleveland.....	692,297	675,163	692,310	720,002	809,593	894,118	935,986	1,026,730	-2.5%	2.5%	4.0%	12.4%	10.4%	4.7%	9.7%
Columbus.....	327,577	324,035	324,672	345,075	357,708	380,022	418,723	453,271	-1.1%	0.2%	6.3%	3.7%	6.2%	10.2%	8.3%
Craven.....	558,266	554,103	578,196	606,122	666,413	699,939	729,092	779,300	-0.7%	4.3%	4.8%	9.9%	5.0%	4.2%	6.9%
Cumberland.....	1,890,482	1,797,922	1,975,382	2,159,904	2,344,069	2,514,060	2,670,468	2,856,078	-4.9%	9.9%	9.3%	8.5%	7.3%	6.2%	7.0%
Currituck.....	88,729	81,693	90,426	102,242	117,774	139,514	147,785	164,118	-7.9%	10.7%	13.1%	15.2%	18.5%	5.9%	11.1%
Dare.....	456,290	463,833	473,837	508,862	580,368	643,334	676,520	715,815	1.7%	2.2%	7.4%	14.1%	10.8%	5.2%	5.8%
Davidson.....	786,047	828,621	865,136	948,887	946,763	1,009,522	1,066,520	1,151,388	5.4%	4.4%	9.7%	-0.2%	6.6%	5.6%	8.0%
Davie.....	177,333	171,071	176,983	184,959	184,449	197,061	205,696	226,378	-3.5%	3.5%	4.5%	-0.3%	6.8%	4.4%	10.1%
Duplin.....	210,363	209,330	222,735	230,765	239,318	260,942	333,200	466,786	-0.5%	6.4%	3.6%	3.7%	9.0%	27.7%	40.1%
Durham.....	1,663,216	1,695,664	1,744,493	1,918,310	2,112,720	2,373,627	2,580,145	2,725,364	2.0%	2.9%	10.0%	10.1%	12.3%	8.7%	5.6%
Edgecombe.....	345,005	397,366	395,337	361,391	330,362	366,846	399,938	462,524	15.2%	-0.5%	-8.6%	-8.6%	11.0%	9.0%	15.6%
Forsyth.....	3,299,817	3,214,643	3,415,059	3,664,056	3,957,672	4,421,978	4,719,601	5,050,244	-2.6%	6.2%	7.3%	8.0%	11.7%	6.7%	7.0%
Franklin.....	155,132	146,565	145,239	158,620	175,690	198,069	212,080	234,632	-5.5%	-0.9%	9.2%	10.8%	12.7%	7.1%	10.6%
Gaston.....	1,377,115	1,344,040	1,374,262	1,457,042	1,576,886	1,752,540	1,881,257	1,934,128	-2.4%	2.2%	6.0%	8.2%	11.1%	7.3%	2.8%
Gates.....	35,309	35,171	38,636	41,592	43,685	47,131	47,272	50,811	-0.4%	9.9%	7.7%	5.0%	7.9%	0.3%	7.5%
Graham.....	28,422	27,750	30,148	34,743	34,623	33,301	35,280	36,298	-2.4%	8.6%	15.2%	-0.3%	-3.8%	5.9%	2.9%
Granville.....	178,625	190,907	197,024	213,441	224,106	235,844	251,814	282,826	6.9%	3.2%	8.3%	5.0%	5.2%	6.8%	12.3%
Greene.....	52,276	46,349	45,932	49,228	50,621	55,440	61,412	76,973	#####	-0.9%	7.2%	2.8%	9.5%	10.8%	25.3%
Guilford.....	5,216,685	5,102,864	5,274,010	5,707,616	6,407,038	7,144,204	7,515,663	7,937,678	-2.2%	3.4%	8.2%	12.3%	11.5%	5.2%	5.6%
Halifax.....	393,466	401,899	407,715	416,024	426,148	465,299	499,857	527,559	2.1%	1.4%	2.0%	2.4%	9.2%	7.4%	5.5%
Harnett.....	362,384	355,744	376,030	413,245	437,981	461,113	489,882	526,804	-1.8%	5.7%	9.9%	6.0%	5.3%	6.2%	7.5%
Haywood.....	380,012	377,003	402,546	419,214	450,348	475,365	517,175	565,693	-0.8%	6.8%	4.1%	7.4%	5.6%	8.8%	9.4%
Henderson.....	597,083	556,295	603,684	608,916	664,921	705,633	737,578	854,905	-6.8%	8.5%	0.9%	9.2%	6.1%	4.5%	15.9%
Hertford.....	204,101	195,621	188,348	186,800	205,933	214,226	240,316	240,295	-4.2%	-3.7%	-0.8%	10.2%	4.0%	12.2%	0.0%
Hoke.....	62,275	63,469	66,454	72,104	79,418	87,011	89,373	93,831	1.9%	4.7%	8.5%	10.1%	9.5%	2.7%	5.0%
Hyde.....	29,659	29,198	28,595	29,100	32,260	32,723	34,567	35,468	-1.6%	-2.1%	1.8%	10.9%	1.4%	5.6%	2.6%
Iredell.....	872,971	862,385	902,975	966,656	1,111,791	1,242,027	1,365,508	1,492,322	-1.2%	4.7%	7.1%	15.0%	11.7%	9.9%	9.3%
Jackson.....	180,837	184,952	198,740	208,399	169,120	188,712	206,421	248,406	2.3%	7.5%	4.9%	#####	11.6%	9.4%	20.3%

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Johnston.....	622,751	588,301	644,835	684,749	772,255	812,653	917,623	1,030,242	-5.5%	9.6%	6.2%	12.8%	5.2%	12.9%	12.3%
Jones.....	38,009	38,989	39,445	42,531	41,849	35,214	26,738	28,255	2.6%	1.2%	7.8%	-1.6%	#####	#####	5.7%
Lee.....	428,333	393,037	427,893	470,198	502,893	562,285	574,287	651,221	-8.2%	8.9%	9.9%	7.0%	11.8%	2.1%	13.4%
Lenoir.....	498,573	507,180	527,962	558,724	628,639	688,163	744,207	790,546	1.7%	4.1%	5.8%	12.5%	9.5%	8.1%	6.2%
Lincoln.....	286,356	270,556	274,371	289,548	321,598	344,709	387,373	427,871	-5.5%	1.4%	5.5%	11.1%	7.2%	12.4%	10.5%
Macon.....	200,369	205,810	217,333	229,489	246,606	270,025	290,246	308,573	2.7%	5.6%	5.6%	7.5%	9.5%	7.5%	6.3%
Madison.....	49,970	50,971	53,087	54,062	59,504	59,962	59,978	67,308	2.0%	4.2%	1.8%	10.1%	0.8%	0.0%	12.2%
Martin.....	157,937	162,168	172,761	181,268	184,670	201,817	217,133	217,164	2.7%	6.5%	4.9%	1.9%	9.3%	7.6%	0.0%
McDowell.....	202,626	198,356	209,590	225,557	244,215	264,055	285,441	334,952	-2.1%	5.7%	7.6%	8.3%	8.1%	8.1%	17.3%
Mecklenburg....	8,845,616	8,584,648	8,515,428	9,315,495	10,386,860	11,357,291	12,796,551	14,852,942	-3.0%	-0.8%	9.4%	11.5%	9.3%	12.7%	16.1%
Mitchell.....	104,411	103,382	98,252	101,124	108,477	106,624	111,293	124,902	-1.0%	-5.0%	2.9%	7.3%	-1.7%	4.4%	12.2%
Montgomery....	134,355	126,264	119,321	143,633	164,546	175,917	181,766	196,367	-6.0%	-5.5%	20.4%	14.6%	6.9%	3.3%	8.0%
Moore.....	484,000	464,969	506,784	557,703	609,214	673,652	706,360	795,673	-3.9%	9.0%	10.0%	9.2%	10.6%	4.9%	12.6%
Nash.....	891,124	866,500	900,485	963,878	1,036,442	1,140,571	1,282,557	1,425,316	-2.8%	3.9%	7.0%	7.5%	10.0%	12.4%	11.1%
New Hanover....	1,596,553	1,631,853	1,672,888	1,742,043	1,949,193	2,196,565	2,401,271	2,762,887	2.2%	2.5%	4.1%	11.9%	12.7%	9.3%	15.1%
Northampton...	55,982	54,347	53,468	54,092	56,887	63,434	64,651	67,083	-2.9%	-1.6%	1.2%	5.2%	11.5%	1.9%	3.8%
Onslow.....	640,676	624,251	680,165	705,545	763,771	829,665	906,618	1,026,603	-2.6%	9.0%	3.7%	8.3%	8.6%	9.3%	13.2%
Orange.....	640,662	640,743	638,895	698,037	770,782	846,809	867,152	931,514	0.0%	-0.3%	9.3%	10.4%	9.9%	2.4%	7.4%
Pamlico.....	42,404	43,819	43,242	47,519	50,197	51,684	56,901	62,396	3.3%	-1.3%	9.9%	5.6%	3.0%	10.1%	9.7%
Pasquotank.....	292,752	279,392	291,470	300,964	316,031	336,712	354,880	394,964	-4.6%	4.3%	3.3%	5.0%	6.5%	5.4%	11.3%
Pender.....	101,288	105,320	111,527	125,676	147,820	156,243	170,079	208,116	4.0%	5.9%	12.7%	17.6%	5.7%	8.9%	22.4%
Perquimans.....	31,604	30,435	30,367	30,967	35,980	40,558	43,104	45,332	-3.7%	-0.2%	2.0%	16.2%	12.7%	6.3%	5.2%
Person.....	178,379	179,171	186,044	196,958	225,002	240,862	255,524	287,503	0.4%	3.8%	5.9%	14.2%	7.0%	6.1%	12.5%
Pitt.....	960,024	886,750	924,524	987,563	1,155,921	1,294,650	1,420,060	1,592,361	-7.6%	4.3%	6.8%	17.0%	12.0%	9.7%	12.1%
Polk.....	58,196	58,671	60,761	64,130	72,867	82,205	86,285	91,310	0.8%	3.6%	5.5%	13.6%	12.8%	5.0%	5.8%
Randolph.....	616,560	622,547	665,693	708,077	780,576	811,082	863,709	906,154	1.0%	6.9%	6.4%	10.2%	3.9%	6.5%	4.9%
Richmond.....	291,217	268,341	272,538	301,151	310,172	334,058	346,640	381,906	-7.9%	1.6%	10.5%	3.0%	7.7%	3.8%	10.2%
Robeson.....	657,603	631,243	656,486	708,419	765,605	830,430	882,062	900,460	-4.0%	4.0%	7.9%	8.1%	8.5%	6.2%	2.1%
Rockingham....	490,283	470,349	483,457	518,099	541,890	573,544	597,975	642,615	-4.1%	2.8%	7.2%	4.6%	5.8%	4.3%	7.5%
Rowan.....	772,561	718,172	747,299	766,818	787,989	841,719	884,521	968,459	-7.0%	4.1%	2.6%	2.8%	6.8%	5.1%	9.5%
Rutherford.....	489,955	472,776	478,049	463,041	487,351	475,536	472,179	485,052	-3.5%	1.1%	-3.1%	5.3%	-2.4%	-0.7%	2.7%
Sampson.....	273,523	260,389	292,202	318,940	365,397	397,945	414,463	482,633	-4.8%	12.2%	9.2%	14.6%	8.9%	4.2%	16.4%
Scotland.....	237,042	230,674	236,086	249,653	262,175	282,938	303,205	324,109	-2.7%	2.3%	5.7%	5.0%	7.9%	7.2%	6.9%
Stanly.....	396,025	383,614	380,467	400,419	438,899	481,751	490,929	517,133	-3.1%	-0.8%	5.2%	9.6%	9.8%	1.9%	5.3%
Stokes.....	118,944	119,084	119,883	124,734	131,854	148,633	149,099	159,069	0.1%	0.7%	4.0%	5.7%	12.7%	0.3%	6.7%
Surry.....	602,759	590,776	595,020	637,470	697,623	722,385	754,760	830,504	-2.0%	0.7%	7.1%	9.4%	3.5%	4.5%	10.0%
Swain.....	56,280	52,974	52,003	51,561	55,631	60,243	64,483	67,839	-5.9%	-1.8%	-0.8%	7.9%	8.3%	7.0%	5.2%
Transylvania....	138,427	130,295	141,692	160,978	174,901	184,329	207,930	217,180	-5.9%	8.7%	13.6%	8.6%	5.4%	12.8%	4.4%
Tyrrell.....	18,112	17,764	15,004	16,638	18,587	18,634	20,336	18,710	-1.9%	#####	10.9%	11.7%	0.3%	9.1%	-8.0%
Union.....	699,105	646,475	675,161	758,924	778,787	867,530	991,135	1,101,801	-7.5%	4.4%	12.4%	2.6%	11.4%	14.2%	11.2%
Vance.....	301,545	294,213	289,047	327,549	357,387	375,096	417,894	460,598	-2.4%	-1.8%	13.3%	9.1%	5.0%	11.4%	10.2%
Wake.....	5,251,140	5,182,233	5,287,644	5,968,509	6,663,017	7,649,497	8,440,787	9,669,936	-1.3%	2.0%	12.9%	11.6%	14.8%	10.3%	14.6%
Warren.....	58,613	56,796	53,832	51,923	56,808	59,963	61,644	65,701	-3.1%	-5.2%	-3.5%	9.4%	5.6%	2.8%	6.6%
Washington....	75,848	74,170	81,548	84,574	90,607	89,554	92,045	92,795	-2.2%	9.9%	3.7%	7.1%	-1.2%	2.8%	0.8%
Watauga.....	352,244	353,498	370,294	392,775	434,118	464,453	524,196	567,525	0.4%	4.8%	6.1%	10.5%	7.0%	12.9%	8.3%
Wayne.....	840,779	848,777	842,424	886,989	985,194	1,064,187	1,060,402	1,115,542	1.0%	-0.7%	5.3%	11.1%	8.0%	-0.4%	5.2%
Wilkes.....	393,621	395,793	404,297	412,135	469,840	494,254	505,455	519,815	0.6%	2.1%	1.9%	14.0%	5.2%	2.3%	2.8%
Wilson.....	739,415	670,843	662,108	672,468	720,266	769,135	843,964	903,786	-9.3%	-1.3%	1.6%	7.1%	6.8%	9.7%	7.1%
Yadkin.....	141,811	134,037	140,153	141,503	151,716	165,517	172,545	200,617	-5.5%	4.6%	1.0%	7.2%	9.1%	4.2%	16.3%
Yancey.....	64,962	65,968	76,570	77,565	83,340	87,570	89,771	96,968	1.5%	16.1%	1.3%	7.4%	5.1%	2.5%	8.0%
Unallocated.....	4,254,402	4,862,977	5,170,559	5,630,136	5,935,042	7,462,220	11,797,414	17,947,485	14.3%	6.3%	8.9%	5.4%	25.7%	58.1%	52.1%
Statewide totals	64,691,006	64,038,693	66,122,475	71,224,237	78,029,668	86,592,403	97,352,867	112,057,953	-1.0%	3.3%	7.7%	9.6%	11.0%	12.4%	15.1%

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Alamance.....	1,492,400	1,535,421	1,609,891	1,620,578	1,712,542	1,628,027	1,599,676	1,685,160	2.9%	4.9%	0.7%	5.7%	-4.9%	-1.7%	5.3%
Alexander.....	155,214	163,335	176,204	175,231	201,236	199,897	214,625	219,479	5.2%	7.9%	-0.6%	14.8%	-0.7%	7.4%	2.3%
Alleghany.....	60,537	64,861	68,919	69,659	70,339	64,728	68,793	75,918	7.1%	6.3%	1.1%	1.0%	-8.0%	6.3%	10.4%
Anson.....	131,597	134,308	131,085	143,147	150,374	152,263	158,091	171,517	2.1%	-2.4%	9.2%	5.0%	1.3%	3.8%	8.5%
Ash.....	171,394	184,067	173,806	170,268	184,810	227,249	227,636	240,853	7.4%	-5.6%	-2.0%	8.5%	23.0%	0.2%	5.8%
Avery.....	170,942	181,330	178,969	181,329	195,216	189,411	193,009	194,181	6.1%	-1.3%	1.3%	7.7%	-3.0%	1.9%	0.6%
Beaufort.....	427,570	417,990	447,962	459,962	464,156	474,159	514,154	533,862	-2.2%	7.2%	2.7%	0.9%	2.2%	8.4%	3.8%
Bertie.....	73,077	70,787	73,082	76,625	76,700	72,119	75,823	85,683	-3.1%	3.2%	4.8%	0.1%	-6.0%	5.1%	13.0%
Bladen.....	218,330	234,635	251,541	255,746	265,112	267,435	297,147	326,091	7.5%	7.2%	1.7%	3.7%	0.9%	11.1%	9.7%
Brunswick.....	622,389	681,491	729,195	779,889	826,683	882,559	953,953	1,019,505	9.5%	7.0%	7.0%	6.0%	6.8%	8.1%	6.9%
Buncombe.....	2,898,788	3,081,052	3,211,541	3,244,934	3,385,178	3,431,309	3,429,967	3,648,144	6.3%	4.2%	1.0%	4.3%	1.4%	0.0%	6.4%
Burke.....	643,082	677,341	696,509	704,203	769,605	727,377	720,954	761,380	5.3%	2.8%	1.1%	9.3%	-5.5%	-0.9%	5.6%
Cabarrus.....	1,169,359	1,287,733	1,459,804	1,747,743	1,903,125	2,035,626	2,181,850	2,326,552	10.1%	13.4%	19.7%	8.9%	7.0%	7.2%	6.6%
Caldwell.....	614,079	626,774	665,936	690,378	703,610	651,553	661,407	656,191	2.1%	6.2%	3.7%	1.9%	-7.4%	1.5%	-0.8%
Camden.....	21,365	20,818	21,676	23,433	27,648	26,784	45,929	35,718	-2.6%	4.1%	8.1%	18.0%	-3.1%	71.5%	#####
Carteret.....	709,586	743,756	766,640	778,265	784,225	812,703	883,303	944,749	4.8%	3.1%	1.5%	0.8%	3.6%	8.7%	7.0%
Caswell.....	57,287	60,975	64,985	68,147	72,386	60,830	69,246	65,489	6.4%	6.6%	4.9%	6.2%	#####	13.8%	-5.4%
Catawba.....	2,063,389	2,165,884	2,279,471	2,319,595	2,453,110	2,299,791	2,349,653	2,556,151	5.0%	5.2%	1.8%	5.8%	-6.3%	2.2%	8.8%
Chatham.....	356,621	341,704	367,416	358,915	387,676	384,114	377,080	407,649	-4.2%	7.5%	-2.3%	8.0%	-0.9%	-1.8%	8.1%
Cherokee.....	266,723	302,025	326,713	342,396	343,083	349,041	378,915	367,387	13.2%	8.2%	4.8%	0.2%	1.7%	8.6%	-3.0%
Chowan.....	105,939	108,890	107,004	110,226	117,844	116,085	116,854	134,010	2.8%	-1.7%	3.0%	6.9%	-1.5%	0.7%	14.7%
Clay.....	45,866	45,565	65,021	74,536	83,199	100,300	114,527	129,153	-0.7%	42.7%	14.6%	11.6%	20.6%	14.2%	12.8%
Cleveland.....	1,026,730	1,105,270	1,102,928	1,101,193	1,038,790	960,671	955,158	969,690	7.6%	-0.2%	-0.2%	-5.7%	-7.5%	-0.6%	1.5%
Columbus.....	453,271	455,158	471,744	461,471	460,561	443,735	457,420	512,767	0.4%	3.6%	-2.2%	-0.2%	-3.7%	3.1%	12.1%
Craven.....	779,300	804,973	839,600	887,336	930,509	900,390	976,058	1,063,605	3.3%	4.3%	5.7%	4.9%	-3.2%	8.4%	9.0%
Cumberland.....	2,856,078	2,852,575	2,909,513	3,018,719	3,023,363	2,974,131	3,017,710	3,351,729	-0.1%	2.0%	3.8%	0.2%	-1.6%	1.5%	11.1%
Currituck.....	164,118	181,040	197,588	235,342	264,097	257,153	278,447	290,888	10.3%	9.1%	19.1%	12.2%	-2.6%	8.3%	4.5%
Dare.....	715,815	800,062	869,838	929,860	1,029,650	1,119,273	1,229,180	1,303,383	11.8%	8.7%	6.9%	10.0%	8.7%	9.8%	6.0%
Davidson.....	1,151,388	1,265,289	1,331,327	1,323,658	1,304,522	1,252,384	1,279,069	1,393,849	9.9%	5.2%	-0.6%	-1.4%	-4.0%	2.1%	9.0%
Davie.....	226,378	240,489	268,890	276,983	302,239	264,670	264,526	265,467	6.2%	11.8%	3.0%	9.1%	#####	-0.1%	0.4%
Duplin.....	466,786	330,493	302,213	317,643	320,310	339,195	333,228	369,927	#####	-8.6%	5.1%	0.8%	5.9%	-1.8%	11.0%
Durham.....	2,725,364	2,969,822	3,167,577	3,455,668	3,688,799	4,057,352	4,597,853	4,646,891	9.0%	6.7%	9.1%	6.7%	10.0%	13.3%	1.1%
Edgecombe.....	462,524	463,539	447,493	439,816	414,918	388,141	395,838	437,200	0.2%	-3.5%	-1.7%	-5.7%	-6.5%	2.0%	10.4%
Forsyth.....	5,050,244	5,286,343	5,299,606	5,315,588	5,494,698	5,487,579	5,690,504	5,886,010	4.7%	0.3%	0.3%	3.4%	-0.1%	3.7%	3.4%
Franklin.....	234,632	258,263	299,302	301,263	290,829	294,106	295,218	343,357	10.1%	15.9%	0.7%	-3.5%	1.1%	0.4%	16.3%
Gaston.....	1,934,128	2,009,809	2,076,328	2,090,693	2,158,528	2,041,756	2,157,602	2,160,274	3.9%	3.3%	0.7%	3.2%	-5.4%	5.7%	0.1%
Gates.....	50,811	51,278	48,895	43,555	38,388	36,801	38,114	39,503	0.9%	-4.6%	#####	#####	-4.1%	3.6%	3.6%
Graham.....	36,298	37,055	37,340	35,481	39,776	40,679	44,455	51,045	2.1%	0.8%	-5.0%	12.1%	2.3%	9.3%	14.8%
Granville.....	282,826	291,606	331,636	331,052	348,125	354,378	376,442	404,147	3.1%	13.7%	-0.2%	5.2%	1.8%	6.2%	7.4%
Greene.....	76,973	59,018	58,003	56,734	57,631	50,110	52,294	55,268	#####	-1.7%	-2.2%	1.6%	#####	4.4%	5.7%
Guilford.....	7,937,678	8,628,148	9,271,941	9,243,741	9,371,295	8,545,992	8,493,801	8,760,037	8.7%	7.5%	-0.3%	1.4%	-8.8%	-0.6%	3.1%
Halifax.....	527,559	514,217	503,870	502,095	503,259	510,255	585,993	628,330	-2.5%	-2.0%	-0.4%	0.2%	1.4%	14.8%	7.2%
Harnett.....	526,804	508,613	526,701	546,428	567,328	549,335	598,200	673,834	-3.5%	3.6%	3.7%	3.8%	-3.2%	8.9%	12.6%
Haywood.....	565,693	612,036	655,735	622,025	614,882	620,573	645,580	737,708	8.2%	7.1%	-5.1%	-1.1%	0.9%	4.0%	14.3%
Henderson.....	854,905	892,452	877,376	932,309	978,504	1,011,573	1,141,059	1,234,268	4.4%	-1.7%	6.3%	5.0%	3.4%	12.8%	8.2%
Hertford.....	240,295	248,460	251,884	292,567	304,290	253,346	262,377	296,840	3.4%	1.4%	16.2%	4.0%	#####	3.6%	13.1%
Hoke.....	93,831	86,661	89,959	89,322	86,881	95,603	111,022	120,968	-7.6%	3.8%	-0.7%	-2.7%	10.0%	16.1%	9.0%
Hyde.....	35,468	40,529	42,399	42,734	48,843	51,139	49,882	48,538	14.3%	4.6%	0.8%	14.3%	4.7%	-2.5%	-2.7%
Iredell.....	1,492,322	1,650,093	1,766,993	1,710,150	1,759,104	1,677,426	1,821,225	2,079,578	10.6%	7.1%	-3.2%	2.9%	-4.6%	8.6%	14.2%
Jackson.....	248,406	266,270	273,638	303,301	319,532	320,017	338,855	358,478	7.2%	2.8%	10.8%	5.4%	0.2%	5.9%	5.8%

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Johnston.....	1,030,242	1,106,176	1,186,297	1,234,633	1,305,467	1,247,372	1,312,537	1,485,066	7.4%	7.2%	4.1%	5.7%	-4.5%	5.2%	13.1%
Jones.....	28,255	31,061	30,805	32,140	33,810	32,534	34,155	39,718	9.9%	-0.8%	4.3%	5.2%	-3.8%	5.0%	16.3%
Lee.....	651,221	683,177	722,227	737,116	717,726	664,529	679,955	760,414	4.9%	5.7%	2.1%	-2.6%	-7.4%	2.3%	11.8%
Lenoir.....	790,546	775,348	781,517	770,936	779,131	839,117	862,766	921,306	-1.9%	0.8%	-1.4%	1.1%	7.7%	2.8%	6.8%
Lincoln.....	427,871	476,652	513,840	552,566	548,780	553,686	580,582	647,848	11.4%	7.8%	7.5%	-0.7%	0.9%	4.9%	11.6%
Macon.....	308,573	339,733	356,135	390,105	415,766	421,660	445,300	489,373	10.1%	4.8%	9.5%	6.6%	1.4%	5.6%	9.9%
Madison.....	67,308	63,378	66,949	67,597	80,388	87,326	97,457	86,773	-5.8%	5.6%	1.0%	18.9%	8.6%	11.6%	#####
Martin.....	217,164	203,990	205,955	189,615	193,348	223,488	194,464	213,116	-6.1%	1.0%	-7.9%	2.0%	15.6%	#####	9.6%
McDowell.....	334,952	352,545	395,789	402,555	379,427	366,510	382,685	416,415	5.3%	12.3%	1.7%	-5.7%	-3.4%	4.4%	8.8%
Mecklenburg....	14,852,942	15,474,469	16,757,604	16,807,018	16,483,706	15,372,033	15,568,250	16,757,123	4.2%	8.3%	0.3%	-1.9%	-6.7%	1.3%	7.6%
Mitchell.....	124,902	120,392	119,990	142,463	171,517	169,176	174,988	199,082	-3.6%	-0.3%	18.7%	20.4%	-1.4%	3.4%	13.8%
Montgomery....	196,367	195,400	218,721	239,949	265,740	272,476	253,421	275,382	-0.5%	11.9%	9.7%	10.7%	2.5%	-7.0%	8.7%
Moore.....	795,673	858,742	915,578	942,642	969,169	968,038	972,647	1,064,382	7.9%	6.6%	3.0%	2.8%	-0.1%	0.5%	9.4%
Nash.....	1,425,316	1,429,888	1,375,821	1,394,730	1,426,101	1,336,504	1,335,532	1,437,142	0.3%	-3.8%	1.4%	2.2%	-6.3%	-0.1%	7.6%
New Hanover....	2,762,887	2,795,146	3,013,925	3,118,861	3,313,441	3,183,187	3,239,363	3,507,966	1.2%	7.8%	3.5%	6.2%	-3.9%	1.8%	8.3%
Northampton...	67,083	66,876	66,361	63,905	68,776	63,213	52,521	58,137	-9.3%	9.0%	-3.7%	7.6%	-8.1%	#####	10.7%
Onslow.....	1,026,603	1,030,573	1,051,341	1,055,500	1,073,255	1,101,168	1,190,439	1,377,248	0.4%	2.0%	0.4%	1.7%	2.6%	8.1%	15.7%
Orange.....	931,514	977,264	1,067,357	1,088,702	1,215,465	1,256,005	1,353,834	1,375,934	4.9%	9.2%	2.0%	11.6%	3.3%	7.8%	1.6%
Pamlico.....	62,396	65,362	65,685	63,728	65,301	62,723	59,828	61,641	4.8%	0.5%	-3.0%	2.5%	-3.9%	-4.6%	3.0%
Pasquotank....	394,964	415,170	436,366	462,764	488,703	474,038	488,633	548,378	5.1%	5.1%	6.0%	5.6%	-3.0%	3.1%	12.2%
Pender.....	208,116	231,216	242,216	238,436	237,452	246,350	263,565	291,638	11.1%	4.8%	-1.6%	-0.4%	3.7%	7.0%	10.7%
Perquimans....	45,332	43,315	39,953	37,941	38,928	40,408	48,039	55,089	-4.4%	-7.8%	-5.0%	2.6%	3.8%	18.9%	14.7%
Person.....	287,503	296,922	300,698	311,172	333,125	333,840	342,494	363,007	3.3%	1.3%	3.5%	7.1%	0.2%	2.6%	6.0%
Pitt.....	1,592,361	1,740,916	1,864,247	1,944,493	1,977,292	1,855,754	1,914,226	2,147,535	9.3%	7.1%	4.3%	1.7%	-6.1%	3.2%	12.2%
Polk.....	91,310	94,845	99,923	100,871	113,638	113,513	108,878	114,816	3.9%	5.4%	0.9%	12.7%	-0.1%	-4.1%	5.5%
Randolph.....	906,154	961,899	1,041,955	1,044,671	1,059,867	1,039,610	1,029,001	1,130,616	6.2%	8.3%	0.3%	1.5%	-1.9%	-1.0%	9.9%
Richmond.....	381,906	384,310	386,679	385,737	390,475	369,883	355,463	369,137	0.6%	0.6%	-0.2%	1.2%	-5.3%	-3.9%	3.8%
Robeson.....	900,460	912,217	910,796	883,763	895,939	867,397	878,320	939,834	1.3%	-0.2%	-3.0%	1.4%	-3.2%	1.3%	7.0%
Rockingham....	642,615	704,811	766,027	733,568	739,590	699,748	663,118	666,175	9.7%	8.7%	-4.2%	0.8%	-5.4%	-5.2%	0.5%
Rowan.....	968,459	1,056,147	1,077,265	1,092,306	1,081,784	1,081,266	1,115,349	1,124,463	9.1%	2.0%	1.4%	-1.0%	0.0%	3.2%	0.8%
Rutherford.....	485,052	483,081	492,286	488,498	526,427	504,945	508,751	550,435	-0.4%	1.9%	-0.8%	7.8%	-4.1%	0.8%	8.2%
Sampson.....	482,633	497,056	463,830	468,882	495,746	529,632	513,422	587,919	3.0%	-6.7%	1.1%	5.7%	6.8%	-3.1%	14.5%
Scotland.....	324,109	331,413	339,896	298,835	299,675	287,783	323,605	360,977	2.3%	2.6%	#####	0.3%	-4.0%	12.4%	11.5%
Stanly.....	517,133	548,028	591,763	626,456	624,247	623,469	619,978	643,828	6.0%	8.0%	5.9%	-0.4%	-0.1%	-0.6%	3.8%
Stokes.....	159,069	161,158	159,629	164,863	172,571	174,994	211,817	241,000	1.3%	-0.9%	3.3%	4.7%	1.4%	21.0%	13.8%
Surry.....	830,504	859,532	886,362	924,288	976,509	906,735	905,054	943,604	3.5%	3.1%	4.3%	5.6%	-7.1%	-0.2%	4.3%
Swain.....	67,839	68,447	77,924	105,290	117,440	83,849	79,023	84,291	0.9%	13.8%	35.1%	11.5%	#####	-5.8%	6.7%
Transylvania....	217,180	225,368	243,577	248,357	257,285	248,973	263,949	280,849	3.8%	8.1%	2.0%	3.6%	-3.2%	6.0%	6.4%
Tyrrell.....	18,710	19,284	21,383	17,693	19,205	18,584	17,550	18,981	3.1%	10.9%	#####	8.5%	-3.2%	-5.6%	8.2%
Union.....	1,101,801	1,113,199	1,207,718	1,287,192	1,368,711	1,403,190	1,425,656	1,456,782	1.0%	8.5%	6.6%	6.3%	2.5%	1.6%	2.2%
Vance.....	460,598	480,512	490,774	511,372	525,607	516,582	512,734	522,331	4.3%	2.1%	4.2%	2.8%	-1.7%	-0.7%	1.9%
Wake.....	9,669,936	10,318,840	11,535,942	11,613,684	12,546,177	12,017,561	12,401,836	13,420,477	6.7%	11.8%	0.7%	8.0%	-4.2%	3.2%	8.2%
Warren.....	65,701	69,236	70,875	72,946	77,163	74,343	78,784	85,724	5.4%	2.4%	2.9%	5.8%	-3.7%	6.0%	8.8%
Washington....	92,795	89,600	86,387	86,217	92,537	96,534	93,043	105,125	-3.4%	-3.6%	-0.2%	7.3%	4.3%	-3.6%	13.0%
Watauga.....	567,525	626,189	671,514	682,605	702,419	651,853	670,772	744,365	10.3%	7.2%	1.7%	2.9%	-7.2%	2.9%	11.0%
Wayne.....	1,115,542	1,141,734	1,152,733	1,154,274	1,124,616	1,118,253	1,136,987	1,202,501	2.3%	1.0%	0.1%	-2.6%	-0.6%	1.7%	5.8%
Wilkes.....	519,815	555,374	602,590	687,540	712,249	707,871	716,349	714,836	6.8%	8.5%	14.1%	3.6%	-0.6%	1.2%	-0.2%
Wilson.....	903,786	952,802	974,088	1,011,119	1,018,014	987,394	1,061,728	1,146,685	5.4%	2.2%	3.8%	0.7%	-3.0%	7.5%	8.0%
Yadkin.....	200,617	216,190	211,539	208,769	206,623	211,815	224,267	215,755	7.8%	-2.2%	-1.3%	-1.0%	2.5%	5.9%	-3.8%
Yancey.....	96,968	106,777	107,865	103,807	104,157	105,792	99,284	109,475	10.1%	1.0%	-3.8%	0.3%	1.6%	-6.2%	10.3%
Unallocated.....	17,947,485	17,976,146	21,592,951	21,898,558	22,408,363	20,592,478	22,700,009	22,682,809	0.2%	20.1%	1.4%	2.3%	-8.1%	10.2%	-0.1%
Statewide totals	112,057,953	116,762,211	126,253,339	128,493,660	132,176,353	127,256,302	132,682,106	140,111,903	4.2%	8.1%	1.8%	2.9%	-3.7%	4.3%	5.6%

n/a not applicable

Detail may not add to totals due to rounding.

TABLE 38 . - 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.

Amounts shown are taxable and nontaxable sales reported on sales and use tax returns filed during the period July 1 through June 30 of a given year by merchants.

Collections and sales from a prior month are shown for the month that the tax is remitted.

Gross 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 gross retail sales amounts. Prior to 2001-02, taxable sales were not computed on reported use tax and are not included in gross retail sales amounts.

Figure 38.1  
Gross Retail Sales in North Carolina 1989-90 Through 2003-04

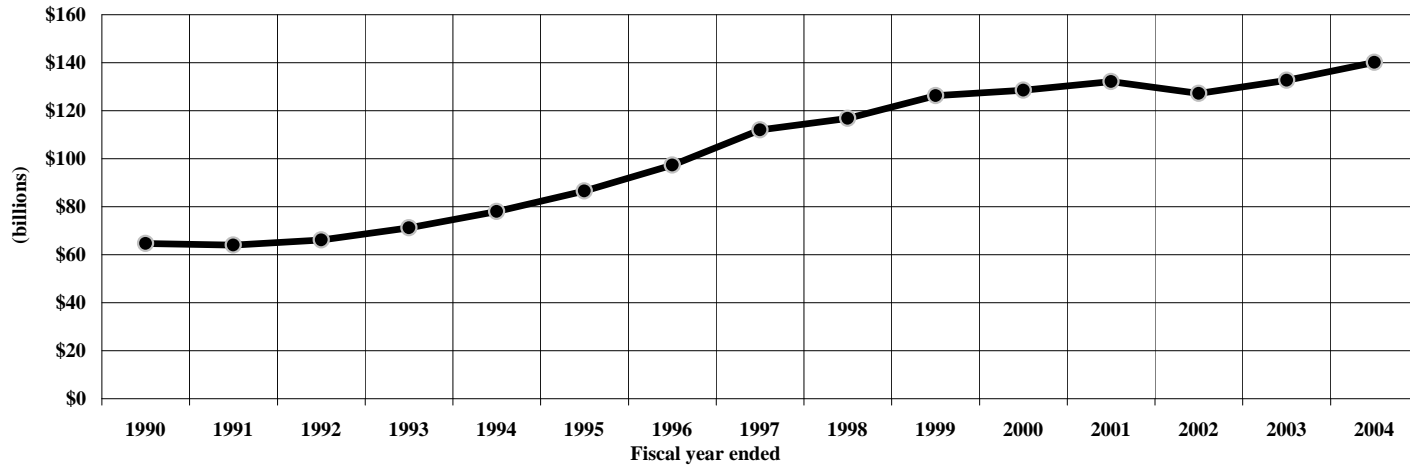


Figure 38.2  
Gross Retail Sales in North Carolina: % Change from Preceding Year

