

**Financial Services Department
2026 Sales & Use Tax Report
July 2026**

This report reflects Sales Tax revenue for consumer activity through July 2026, remitted to the Colorado Department of Revenue in collection period August 2026, and received by El Paso County in September 2026.

Use Tax Revenues are for activity in August 2026, and collection is in that same period.

The El Paso County Sales and Use Tax rate is 1.23%, consisting of a 1.0% General Fund Sales and Use Tax and a 0.23% Public Safety Sales Tax.

The **1.0% General Fund Sales and Use Taxes** are unrestricted funds used to support essential County services, including but not limited to, human services, health services, facilities, road maintenance, and park maintenance.

The **0.23% Public Safety Sales and Use Taxes** are used to directly fund urgent public safety needs to serve residents in El Paso County and are restricted for Law Enforcement, Emergency Response, and Criminal Justice needs.

Tax revenues for this reporting period are as follows:

- 1.0% Sales and Use Tax General Fund: **\$15,108,060**
- 0.23% Public Safety Sales and Use Tax (PST): **\$3,484,340**

For this reporting period:

- Combined Sales and Use Tax: up 0.89% when comparing July 2026 to July 2025, and up 4.01% cumulative year-to-date
- Sales Tax: up 1.62% when comparing July 2026 to July 2025, and up 5.29% year-to-date
- Use Tax: up 62.54% when comparing August 2026 to August 2025 and down 3.90% year-to-date

Sales Tax revenue by industry code. Key industry performance includes:

- Retail Trade: up 2.55% for July 2026 compared to July 2025
- Food Services: down 0.33% for July 2026 compared to July 2025
- Accommodations: down 1.22% for July 2026 compared to July 2025
- Wholesale Trade: up 1.86% for July 2026 compared to July 2025

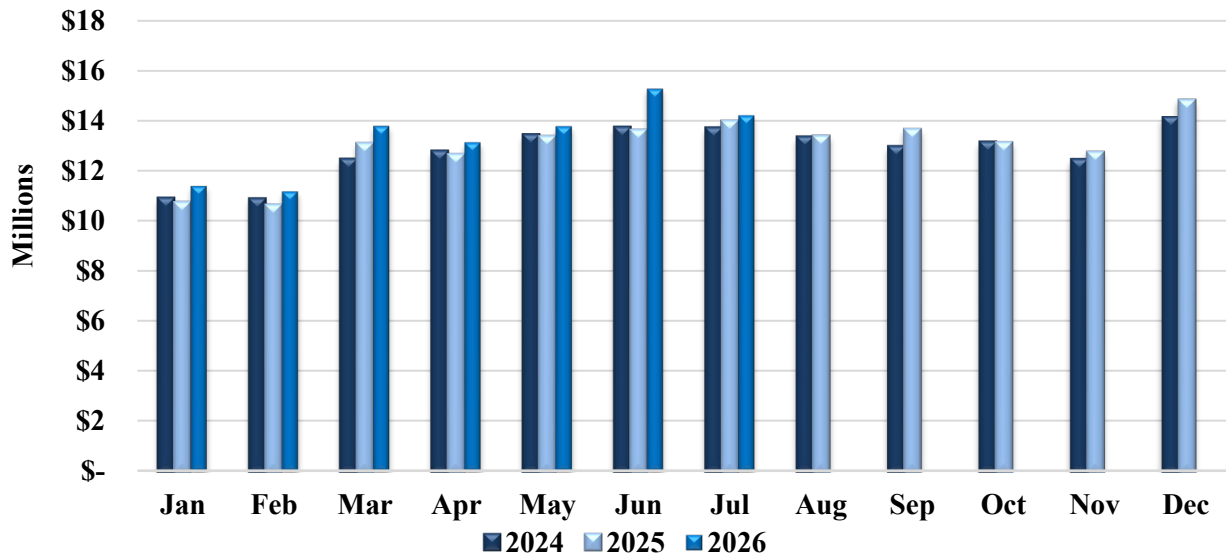
Use Tax revenues are primarily driven by Building Materials and Motor Vehicle activity:

- Purchase of Construction and Building Materials collected by the Pikes Peak Regional Building Department: down 287.11% for August 2026 compared to August 2025 and down 12.09% year-to-date
- Purchase of Vehicles collected by Clerk and Recorder: up 5.59% in August 2026 compared to August 2025 and down 0.20% year-to-date

Budget-to-Actual comparison charts are provided

Historical Sales Tax on Retail Sales | July 2026

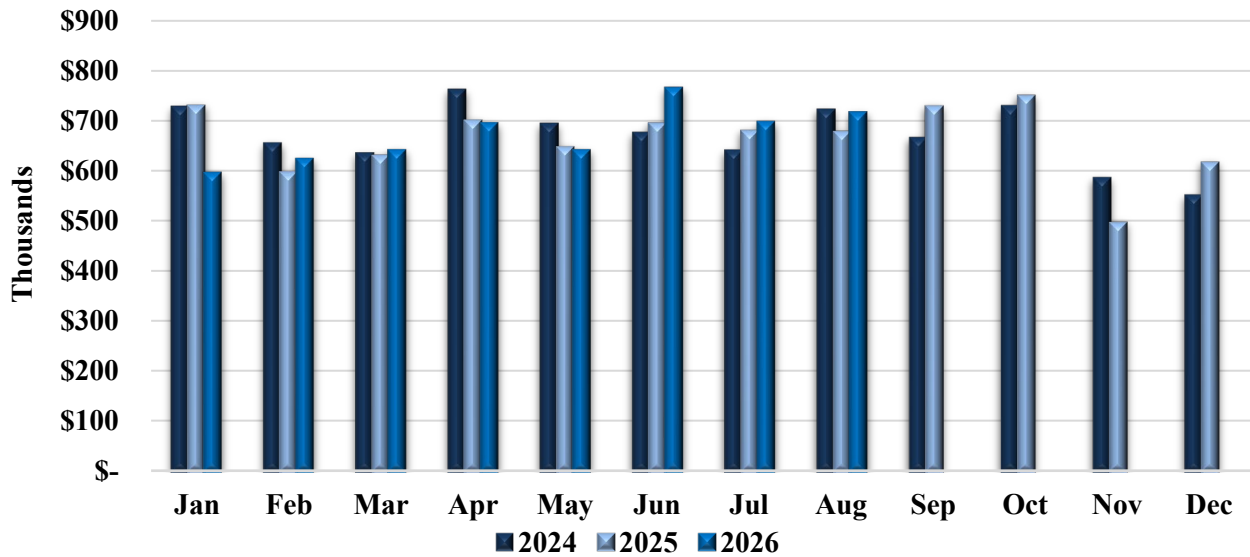
Collected by Colorado Department of Revenue



	2024	2025	2026	% Chg '24 to '25	\$ Chg '25 to '26	% Chg '25 to '26	Cumulative % Chg '25 to '26
Jan	10,889,845	10,729,778	11,385,976	(1.47%)	656,198	6.12%	6.12%
Feb	10,861,791	10,630,283	11,167,702	(2.13%)	537,418	5.06%	5.59%
Mar	12,435,936	13,075,113	13,783,269	5.14%	708,156	5.42%	5.52%
Apr	12,762,549	12,638,884	13,124,600	(0.97%)	485,716	3.84%	5.07%
May	13,410,532	13,365,621	13,768,372	(0.33%)	402,751	3.01%	4.62%
Jun	13,710,492	13,619,027	15,262,725	(0.67%)	1,643,698	12.07%	5.99%
Jul	13,686,078	13,978,332	14,205,071	2.14%	226,739	1.62%	5.29%
Aug	13,315,670	13,375,542		0.45%			
Sep	12,940,867	13,641,949		5.42%			
Oct	13,120,868	13,119,067		(0.01%)			
Nov	12,419,496	12,730,287		2.50%			
Dec	14,105,012	14,807,260		4.98%			
Total	153,659,137	155,711,142	92,697,713	1.34%	4,660,676		5.29%

Historical Use Tax on Automobiles | August 2026

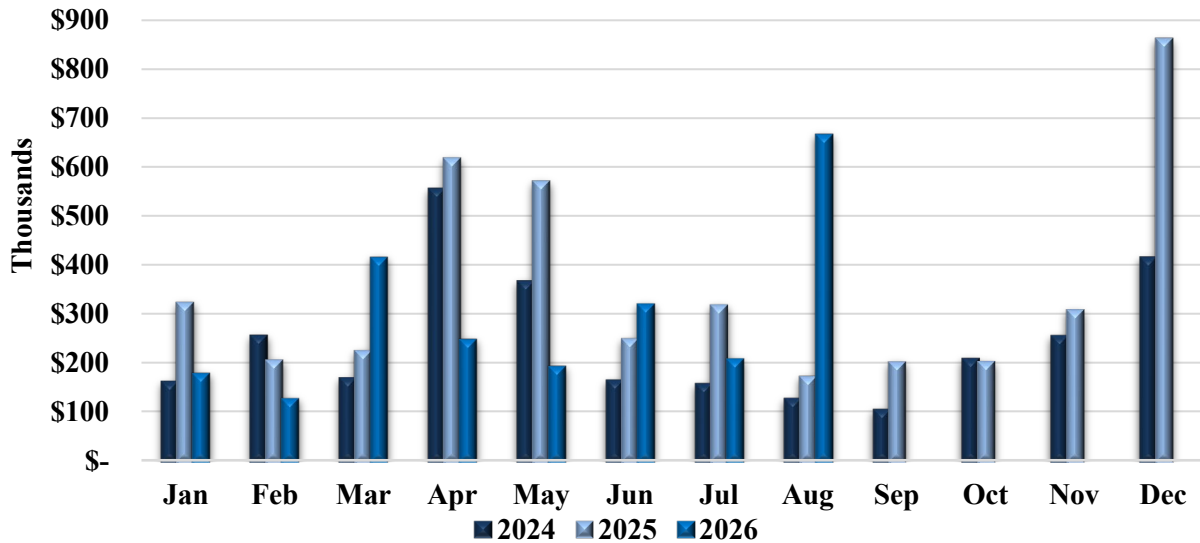
Collected by Clerk and Recorder



	2024	2025	2026	% Chg '24 to '25	\$ Chg '25 to '26	% Chg '25 to '26	Cumulative % Chg '25 to '26
Jan	725,945	728,707	594,385	0.38%	(134,322)	(18.43%)	(18.43%)
Feb	653,187	596,492	621,750	(8.68%)	25,258	4.23%	(8.23%)
Mar	633,317	629,615	638,969	(0.58%)	9,353	1.49%	(5.10%)
Apr	760,264	699,660	692,982	(7.97%)	(6,679)	(0.95%)	(4.01%)
May	692,591	646,251	638,973	(6.69%)	(7,278)	(1.13%)	(3.44%)
Jun	674,506	693,785	763,420	2.86%	69,635	10.04%	(1.10%)
Jul	639,156	679,077	695,763	6.25%	16,685	2.46%	(0.59%)
Aug	720,741	676,719	714,537	(6.11%)	37,818	5.59%	0.20%
Sep	664,131	727,283		9.51%			
Oct	727,472	748,361		2.87%			
Nov	584,358	495,850		(15.15%)			
Dec	549,521	615,593		12.02%			
Total	8,025,188	7,937,394	5,360,778	(1.09%)	10,470		0.20%

Historical Use Tax on Construction Materials | August 2026

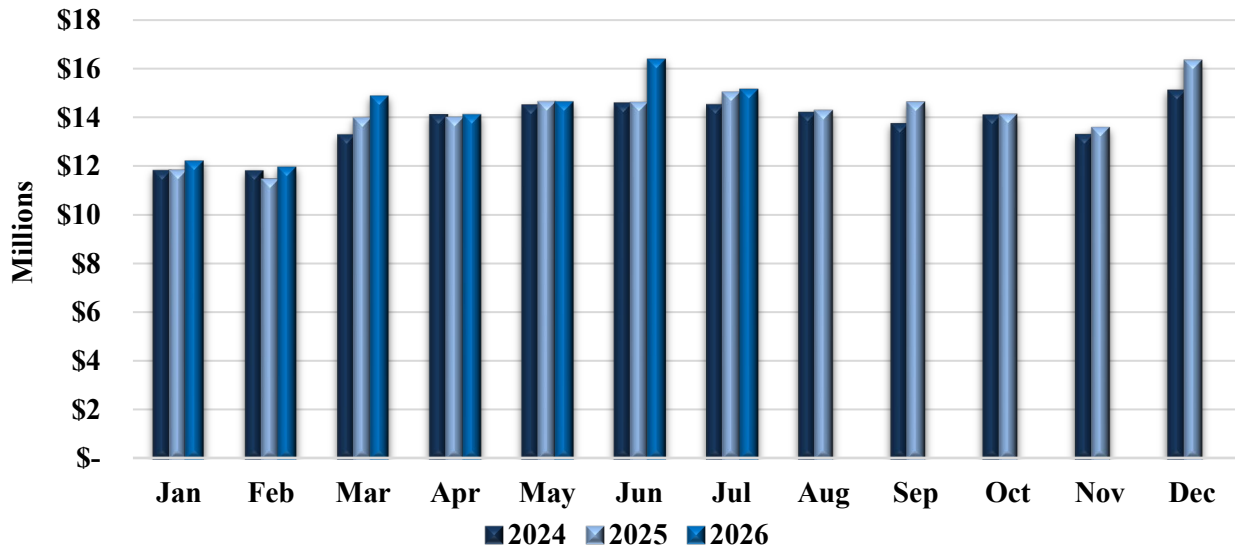
Collected by Pikes Peak Regional Building Department and EPC



	2024	2025	2026	% Chg '24 to '25	\$ Chg '25 to '26	% Chg '25 to '26	Cumulative % Chg '25 to '26
Jan	161,251	322,361	178,357	99.91%	(144,003)	(44.67%)	(44.67%)
Feb	254,966	204,734	126,173	(19.70%)	(78,561)	(38.37%)	(42.22%)
Mar	168,381	223,751	414,105	32.88%	190,354	85.07%	(4.29%)
Apr	552,947	616,900	247,698	11.57%	(369,203)	(59.85%)	(29.35%)
May	365,040	569,215	192,744	55.93%	(376,471)	(66.14%)	(40.16%)
Jun	163,782	248,024	319,767	51.44%	71,744	28.93%	(32.32%)
Jul	156,247	317,022	207,227	102.90%	(109,795)	(34.63%)	(32.61%)
Aug	126,231	171,599	664,278	35.94%	492,679	287.11%	(12.09%)
Sep	104,221	200,984		92.84%			
Oct	207,845	201,746		(2.93%)			
Nov	254,265	307,164		20.80%			
Dec	413,471	859,858		107.96%			
Total	2,928,645	4,243,357	2,350,349	44.89%	(323,256)		(12.09%)

Historical Sales and Use Tax Collections | July 2026

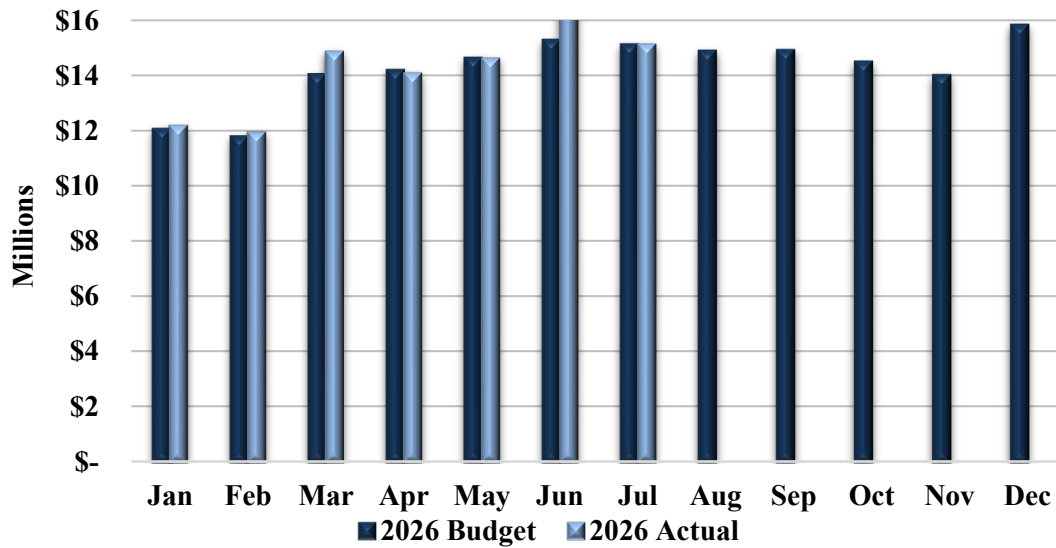
All Components



	2024	2025	2026	% Chg '24 to '25	\$ Chg '25 to '26	% Chg '25 to '26	Cumulative % Chg '25 to '26
Jan	11,777,041	11,780,846	12,158,718	0.03%	377,873	3.21%	3.21%
Feb	11,769,945	11,431,509	11,915,624	(2.88%)	484,115	4.23%	3.71%
Mar	13,237,634	13,928,480	14,836,343	5.22%	907,864	6.52%	4.77%
Apr	14,075,761	13,955,444	14,065,279	(0.85%)	109,835	0.79%	3.68%
May	14,468,163	14,581,087	14,600,089	0.78%	19,002	0.13%	2.89%
Jun	14,548,779	14,560,836	16,345,912	0.08%	1,785,076	12.26%	4.59%
Jul	14,481,480	14,974,431	15,108,060	3.40%	133,629	0.89%	4.01%
Aug	14,162,642	14,223,860		0.43%			
Sep	13,709,219	14,570,216		6.28%			
Oct	14,056,185	14,069,173		0.09%			
Nov	13,258,118	13,533,300		2.08%			
Dec	15,068,004	16,282,710		8.06%			
Total	164,612,970	167,891,892	99,030,025	1.99%	3,817,393		4.01%

Sales and Use Tax – Budget to Actual Comparison | July 2026

All Components



	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	\$ Variance Budget to Actual	% Variance Budget to Actual	Cumulative % Variance
Jan	12,033,262	12,158,718	125,456	1.04%	1.04%
Feb	11,769,174	11,915,624	146,450	1.24%	1.14%
Mar	14,011,766	14,836,343	824,577	5.88%	2.90%
Apr	14,162,845	14,065,279	(97,565)	(0.69%)	1.92%
May	14,612,711	14,600,089	(12,622)	(0.09%)	1.48%
Jun	15,256,854	16,345,912	1,089,058	7.14%	2.54%
Jul	15,097,849	15,108,060	10,210	0.07%	2.15%
Aug	14,861,797				
Sep	14,887,983				
Oct	14,468,962				
Nov	13,978,811				
Dec	15,806,085				
Total	170,948,099	99,030,025	2,085,565		2.15%

2026 Annual Sales and Use Tax Budget

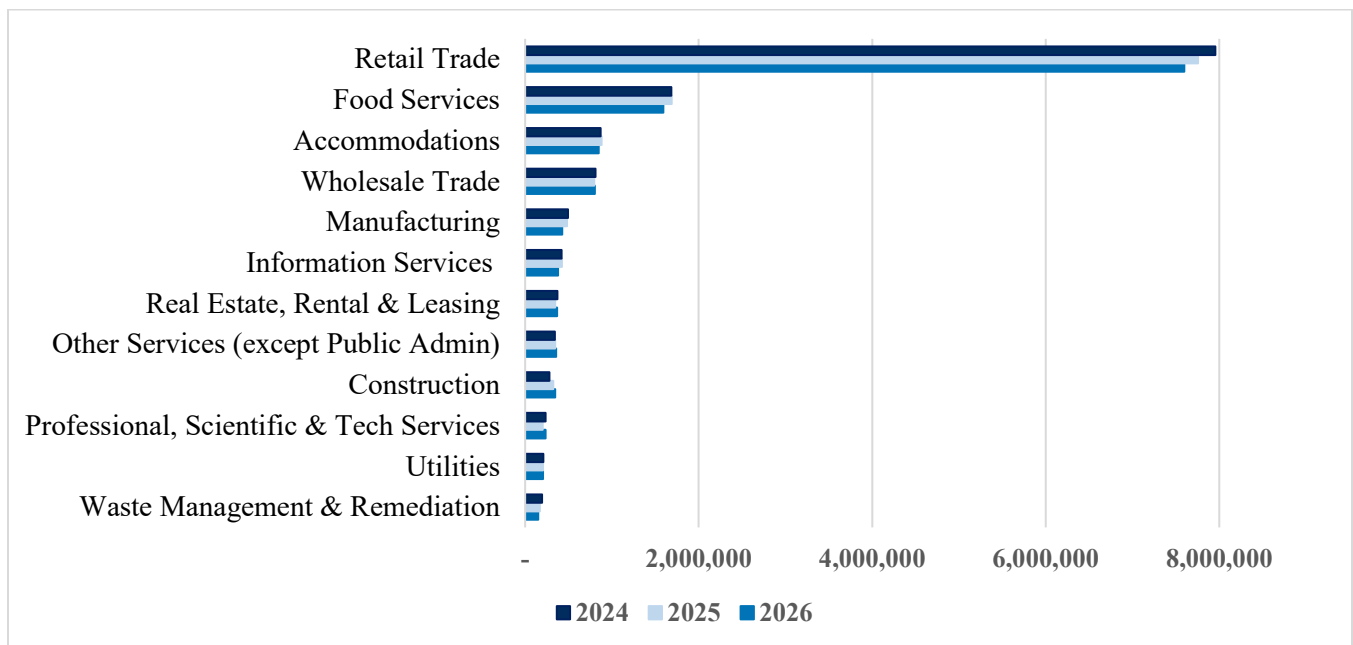
By Industry Code

<u>Industry Codes</u>	<u>2026 Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Retail Trade	91,660,300	53.619%
Food Services	17,994,517	10.526%
Wholesale Trade	9,499,696	5.557%
Accommodations	6,655,665	3.893%
Manufacturing	5,635,746	3.297%
Information (Magazines, News Papers, Etc)	4,864,785	2.846%
Other Services (except Public Admin)	4,056,761	2.373%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	3,912,430	2.289%
Construction	3,425,487	2.004%
Utilities	2,733,651	1.599%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	2,715,950	1.589%
Waste Management & Remediation	1,823,033	1.066%
Mining	994,018	0.581%
Transportation & Warehousing	735,167	0.430%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	674,252	0.394%
Finance & Insurance	444,415	0.260%
Health Care & Social Assistance	164,214	0.096%
Educational Services	160,975	0.094%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	86,107	0.050%
Public Administration	77,866	0.046%
NAICS Non-Specified	-	0.000%
Sales Tax Total	158,315,034	92.61%
Automobiles	8,684,163	5.080%
Building Materials	3,948,901	2.310%
Use Tax Total	12,633,064	7.39%
Grand Total	170,948,099	100.00%

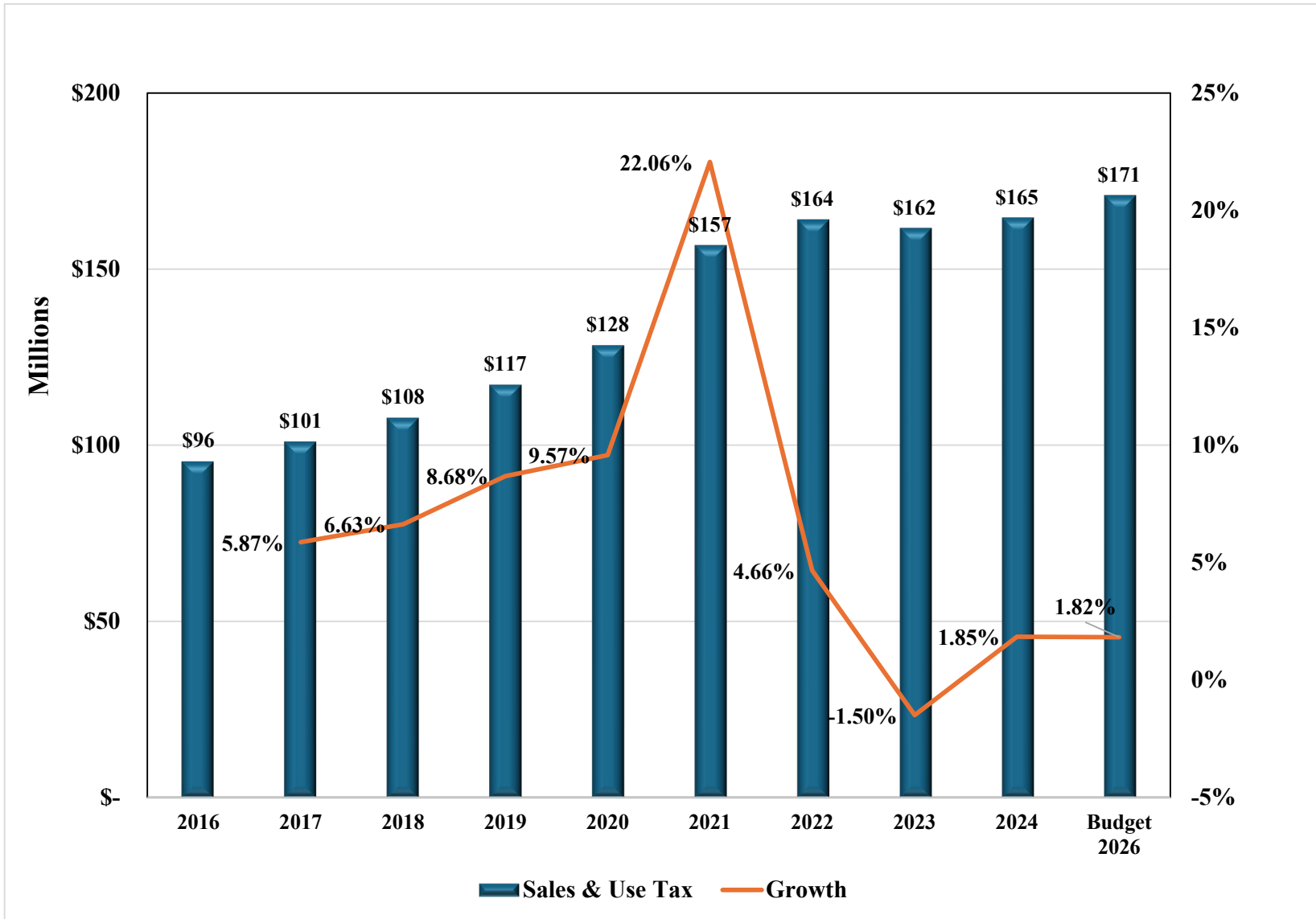
Historical Comparison Sales Tax Collections | July 2026

By Industry Code

NAICS Code Description	2024	2025	2026	% Chg '24 to '25	\$ Chg '25 to '26	% Chg '25 to '26	Cumulative % Change
Retail Trade	7,595,863	7,755,709	7,953,652	2.10%	197,944	2.55%	5.22%
Food Services	1,591,720	1,689,134	1,683,522	6.12%	(5,611)	(0.33%)	2.81%
Wholesale Trade	804,325	797,283	812,106	(0.88%)	14,823	1.86%	7.12%
Accommodations	849,753	879,899	869,583	3.55%	(10,316)	(1.17%)	2.31%
Information Services	381,022	422,569	421,198	10.90%	(1,370)	(0.32%)	7.08%
Manufacturing	427,974	484,709	492,935	13.26%	8,225	1.70%	6.97%
Other Services (except Public Admin)	358,872	347,171	344,529	(3.26%)	(2,642)	(0.76%)	3.76%
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing	369,644	347,469	371,065	(6.00%)	23,597	6.79%	3.20%
Construction	347,806	324,573	278,550	(6.68%)	(46,022)	(14.18%)	(3.49%)
Professional, Scientific & Tech Services	237,659	203,656	235,149	(14.31%)	31,494	15.46%	13.65%
Utilities	206,389	204,534	209,649	(0.90%)	5,115	2.50%	6.94%
Waste Management & Remediation	151,832	168,045	194,009	10.68%	25,965	15.45%	31.28%
Transportation & Warehousing	70,390	87,175	83,343	23.85%	(3,832)	(4.40%)	10.59%
Finance & Insurance	42,617	39,568	49,341	(7.16%)	9,774	24.70%	15.36%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	72,817	67,237	77,741	(7.66%)	10,504	15.62%	14.00%
Mining	109,160	87,560	60,168	(19.79%)	(27,392)	(31.28%)	(10.03%)
Educational Services	39,450	41,819	40,288	6.01%	(1,531)	(3.66%)	9.53%
Health Care & Social Assistance	11,689	13,453	12,845	15.09%	(608)	(4.52%)	22.21%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	9,375	8,023	7,794	(14.42%)	(228)	(2.85%)	14.15%
Public Administration	6,247	7,393	7,601	18.35%	208	2.82%	(5.16%)
NAICS Non-Specified	1,477	1,355	0	0.00%	(1,355)	0.00%	(369.79%)
	13,686,078	13,978,332	14,205,071	2.14%	226,739	1.62%	5.29%

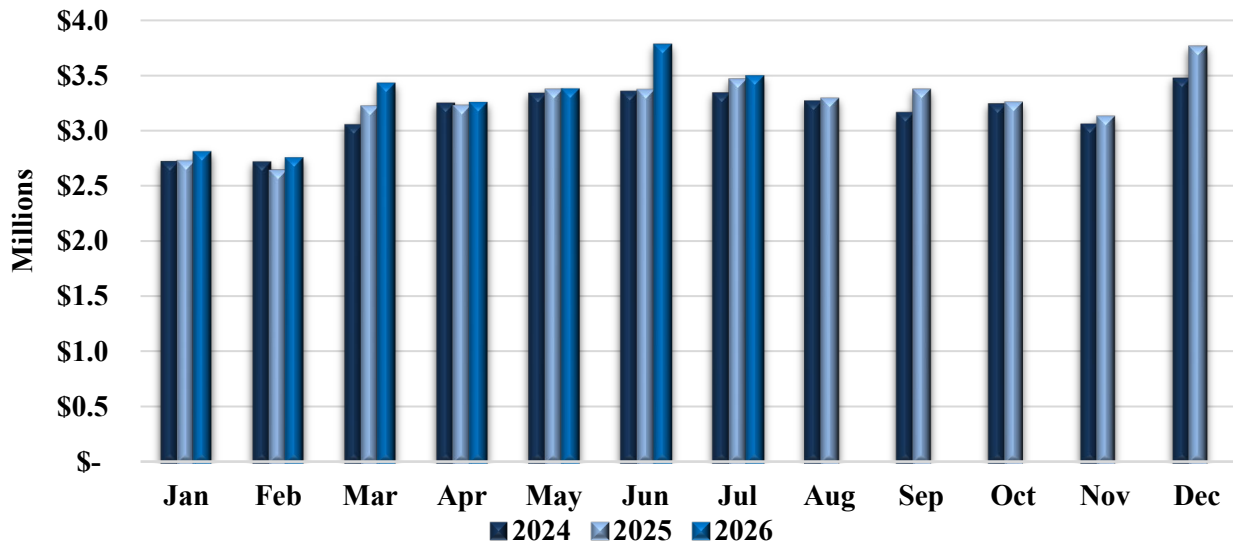


Historical Sales and Use Tax Collections by Year *All Components*



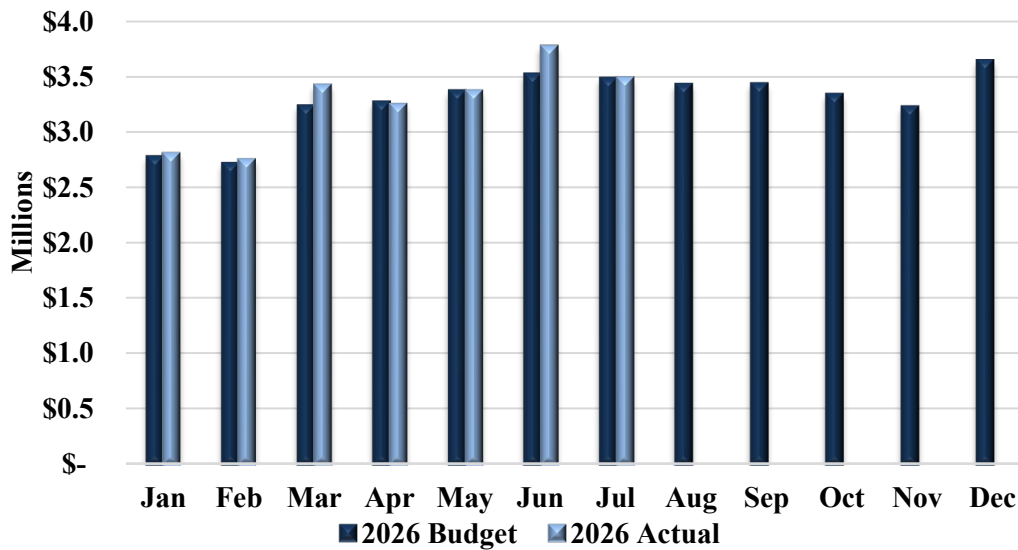
Historical Sales and Use Tax - Public Safety 0.23% | July 2026

All Components



	2024	2025	2026	% Chg '24 to '25	\$ Chg '25 to '26	% Chg '25 to '26	Cumulative % Chg '25 to '26
Jan	2,708,670	2,714,592	2,801,061	0.22%	86,469	3.19%	3.19%
Feb	2,707,057	2,632,895	2,745,235	(2.74%)	112,340	4.27%	3.72%
Mar	3,044,612	3,208,167	3,417,981	5.37%	209,814	6.54%	4.77%
Apr	3,237,390	3,215,818	3,243,761	(0.67%)	27,943	0.87%	3.71%
May	3,327,632	3,360,687	3,365,451	0.99%	4,764	0.14%	2.92%
Jun	3,346,162	3,355,951	3,768,582	0.29%	412,631	12.30%	4.62%
Jul	3,330,697	3,453,598	3,484,340	3.69%	30,741	0.89%	4.03%
Aug	3,257,369	3,279,847		0.69%			
Sep	3,153,046	3,360,229		6.57%			
Oct	3,232,913	3,244,455		0.36%			
Nov	3,049,316	3,116,588		2.21%			
Dec	3,465,595	3,749,569		8.19%			
Total	37,860,457	38,692,397	22,826,411	2.20%	884,702		4.03%

Sales & Use Tax-Public Safety 0.23%
Budget to Actual Comparison | July 2026
All Components



	2026 Budget	2026 Actual	\$ Variance Budget to Actual	% Variance Budget to Actual	Cumulative % Variance
Jan	2,772,399	2,801,061	28,662	1.03%	1.03%
Feb	2,711,555	2,745,235	33,681	1.24%	1.14%
Mar	3,228,236	3,417,981	189,745	5.88%	2.89%
Apr	3,263,044	3,243,761	(19,283)	(0.59%)	1.94%
May	3,366,690	3,365,451	(1,240)	(0.04%)	1.51%
Jun	3,515,098	3,768,582	253,485	7.21%	2.57%
Jul	3,478,464	3,484,340	5,876	0.17%	2.20%
Aug	3,424,078				
Sep	3,430,112				
Oct	3,333,572				
Nov	3,220,643				
Dec	3,641,637				
Total	39,385,528	22,826,411	490,926		2.20%