# COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION FUND REVENUE REPORT October 2025

## <u>Summary</u>

Commonwealth Transportation Fund (CTF) revenues increased by 4.7 percent (\$20.2 million) in October compared to the same month last year. This increase is primarily attributable to increased Motor Fuels Tax and the State Sales and Use Tax collections.

#### Motor Fuels Tax

Motor fuels taxes collections increased 11.5 percent in October compared to the same month last year.

The West Texas Intermediate Spot Crude Oil Price average decreased to \$60.89 per barrel in October from \$63.96 in September. The Energy Information Administration's (EIA) forecast for crude oil prices suggests that the price, as measured by the Brent Crude Oil Index, will decrease in 2026 to \$55 per barrel from an average of \$65 per barrel in 2025, a decrease of 15.4 percent. This reduction will be caused by a planned increase in oil production from the U.S. and OPEC+ countries.

Real average price of a gallon of regular fuel decreased to \$3.06 in October. The EIA estimates that the increased supply of crude oil will drive the average price of a gallon of gas to approximately \$3.00 next year, down from an expected \$3.10 average price for 2025.

#### Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax

Motor vehicle sales tax collections increased by 5.1 percent in October.

Total U.S. light vehicle sales decreased to 15.3 million units in October 2025.

New light-vehicle sales increased 2.7 percent in October month over month, with three more selling day than September, but decreased 3.6 percent year over year compared to last October. The average transaction price (ATP) for a new vehicle decreased 0.4 percent compared to September's record high ATP. According to the Manheim Used Vehicle Value Index, prices were down 2.0 percent month-over-month in October, which is flat compared to this month last year.

According to Cox Automotive, 74,835 new electric vehicles were sold during October, which denotes a decrease of 48.9 percent from September, and a 30.3 percent year-over-year decrease from this month last year. Used EV sales totaled 31,610 for the month, a 20.4 percent decrease from September, but still a year-over-year increase of 36.2 percent

over October of last year. The average transaction price for a new electric vehicle increased 1.6 percent this month compared to September, and increased 2.3 percent compared to October 2024. The average transaction price of a used electric vehicle increased 8.6 percent month-over-month but decreased 0.7 percent year-over-year. This month marks the beginning of an adjustment period in the electric vehicle market with the effects of the sunset for electric vehicle credits and manufacturer responses starting to play out.

#### State Retail Sales Tax

The transportation portion of state retail sales tax collections increased by 6.1 percent in October.

#### Motor Vehicle Licenses

Motor vehicle registration fee collections decreased 19.1 percent in October.

### **Commonwealth of Virginia/Department of Accounts**

### **Commonwealth Transportation Fund**

#### **Summary Statement of Selected Revenue Estimates & Collections**

# For the Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026

(Dollars in Thousands)

% Annual

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		As a %		October		•	Year-To-Date		Growth
	FY 2026	of Total			%			%	Required
Revenue	Estimate	Fund	FY 2026	FY 2025	Change	FY 2026	FY 2025	Change	By Estimate
Motor Fuel Taxes	\$1,640,200	19.67	\$139,537	\$125,092	11.5	\$589,937	\$538,602	9.5	4.1
Insurance Premiums Tax	256,704	3.08	8,643	17,816	(51.5)	200,609	194,458	3.2	12.3
Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax	1,298,200	15.56	118,416	112,650	5.1	482,645	469,835	2.7	(2.5)
State Sales and Use Tax	1,477,000	17.71	123,877	116,787	6.1	497,876	466,929	6.6	4.6
Motor Vehicle License Fees	222,400	2.67	17,782	21,987	(19.1)	80,313	82,276	(2.4)	(1.6)
Highway Use Fee	104,700	1.25	7,711	8,312	(7.2)	33,668	29,331	14.8	24.8
International Registration Plan	115,900	1.39	11,739	7,439	57.8	36,927	36,470	1.3	(0.6)
Recordation Tax	63,600	0.76	5,632	5,152	9.3	22,350	19,630	13.9	6.2
Interest Earnings	32,900	0.39	15,696	13,718	14.4	15,876	14,006	13.4	(39.8)
Misc. Taxes, Fees, and Revenues	18,900	0.23	2,281	2,174	4.9	7,828	7,699	1.7	(16.2)
Total State Taxes and Fees	\$5,230,504	62.71	\$451,314	\$431,127	4.7	\$1,968,029	\$1,859,236	5.9	2.3

<sup>#</sup> Percentage is greater than or equal to 1,000%.

#### Commonwealth of Virginia/Department of Accounts Commonwealth Transportation Fund Statement of Revenue Estimates & Collections For the Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026 (Dollars in Thousands)

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Revenue	FY 2026 Estimate	As a % of Total Fund	October			Year-To-Date			% Ailitual Growth
					%			%	Required By Est
			FY 2026	FY 2025	Change	FY 2026	FY 2025	Change	
COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION FUND									
Motor Vehicle Fuels Taxes									
(Includes Aviation & Road Taxes)	\$1,640,200	19.67	\$139,537	\$125,092	11.5	\$589,937	\$538,602	9.5	4.1
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(Includes Rental Tax)	1,298,200	15.56	118,416	112,650	5.1	482,645	469,835	2.7	(2.5)
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Recordation Tax	63,600	0.76	5,632	5,152	9.3	22,350	19,630	13.9	6.2
Total Commonwealth Transportation Fund	\$5,178,704	62.09	\$433,337	\$415,235	4.4	\$1,944,325	\$1,837,531	5.8	2.9
HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE									
AND OPERATING FUND									
Misc. Taxes, Fees, and Revenues	\$18,900	0.23	\$2,281	\$2,174	4.9	\$7,828	\$7,699	1.7	(16.2)
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	302,212	3.62	3,251	62,114	(94.8)	317,351	302,351	5.0	(38.8)
Federal Grants and Contracts	0	0.00	4,965	6,868	(27.7)	16,988	19,211	(11.6)	(100.0
Transfer (to) / from Transportation	U	0.00	4,903	0,000	(21.1)	10,900	19,211	(11.0)	(100.0
Trust Fund	532,639	6.39	0	0		133,000	127,000	4.7	1.1
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Operating Fund	\$853,751	10.24	\$10,497	\$71,156	(85.2)	\$475,167	\$456,261	4.1	(22.9)
TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND									
Interest Earnings	\$32,900	0.39	\$15,696	\$13,718	14.4	\$15,876	\$14,006	13.4	(39.8)
Federal Grants and Contracts	1,657,155	19.87	122,638	176,336	(30.5)	891,052	732,376	21.7	21.7
Receipts from Cities/Counties	1,044,700	12.53	88,061	36,167	143.5	277,967	169,229	64.3	77.6
Toll Revenues	92,526	1.11	5,015	5,269	(4.8)	19,096	18,715	2.0	42.2
Miscellaneous Revenues	13,467	0.16	13,613	51,043	(73.3)	189,722	205,377	(7.6)	(96.6)
Transfer (to) / from Highway					, ,			` ,	, ,
Maintenance and Operating Fund	(532,639)	(6.39)	0	0	-	(133,000)	(127,000)	(4.7)	(1.1)
Total Transportation Trust Fund	\$2,308,109	27.67	\$245,023	\$282,533	(13.3)	\$1,260,713	\$1,012,703	24.5	19.1
TOTAL COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION	I								
FUND, HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND									
OPERATING FUND, AND TRANSPORTATION									
TRUST FUND	\$8,340,564	100.00	\$688,857	\$768,924	(10.4)	\$3,680,205	\$3,306,495	11.3	3.2

<sup>#</sup> Percentage is greater than or equal to 1,000%.