

# COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION FUND REVENUE REPORT

## January 2007

### Summary

Revenue collections increased by 7.9 percent in January. Most of the monthly increase was attributable to strong retail sales tax collections and interest earnings. On a year-to-date basis, growth is up 3.6 percent, ahead of the forecast of 0.5 percent growth.

### Motor Fuels Tax

Motor Fuels Tax collections increased by 2.2 percent in January. Annual collections through the first seven months of fiscal year 2007 are down 1.5 percent, slightly behind the 1.0 percent decline projected in the official forecast.

### Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax

Motor vehicle sales tax collections increased by 3.0 percent in January. Through the first seven months of the fiscal year, motor vehicle sales tax collections are down 2.6 percent, slightly lagging the annual forecast of a 1.7 percent drop.

U.S. vehicle sales have remained stronger so far this year than had been expected despite deteriorating consumer fundamentals such as rising debt service burdens, recently rebounding gasoline prices, and weakening employment trends. Despite the fairly positive January figure, national vehicle sales are expected to sink to 16.1 million units in 2007.

### State Retail Sales Tax

The transportation portion of retail sales tax increased by 10.2 percent in January. Collections in this source are up 15.0 percent in fiscal year 2007 mainly due to the fiscal year 2006 termination of the Accelerated Sales Tax program.

### Motor Vehicle Licenses

Motor Vehicle Registrations declined by 1.4 percent in January. Collections of \$13.4 million were slightly lower than the \$13.5 million collected last January. Motor vehicle license receipts are up 1.3 percent for the year.

**Commonwealth of Virginia/Department of Accounts**  
**Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund and Transportation Trust Fund Revenues**  
**Summary Statement of Selected Revenue Estimates & Collections**  
**For the Fiscal Years 2006 and 2007**  
**(Dollars in Thousands)**

Revenue	FY 2007 Estimate	As a % of Total Fund	January			Year-To-Date			% Annual Growth Required By Estimate
			FY 2007	FY 2006	% Change	FY 2007	FY 2006	Change	
Motor Fuel Taxes	\$861,600	22.46	\$71,277	\$69,734	2.2	\$441,674	\$448,445	(1.5)	(1.0)
Priority Transportation Fund	20,000	0.52	2,000	2,000	0.0	10,000	10,000	0.0	0.0
Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax	618,300	16.12	50,684	49,188	3.0	359,831	369,473	(2.6)	(1.7)
State Sales and Use Tax	508,700	13.26	57,749	52,423	10.2	313,941	273,089	15.0	6.8
Motor Vehicle License Fees	170,400	4.44	13,358	13,542	(1.4)	95,865	94,643	1.3	0.6
International Registration Plan	62,400	1.63	6,614	4,162	58.9	27,463	19,286	42.4	3.0
Interest Earnings	33,800	0.88	12,148	6,994	73.7	24,571	14,219	72.8	(12.5)
Misc. Taxes, Fees, and Revenues (a)	12,700	0.33	1,093	1,223	(10.6)	6,996	6,520	7.3	5.9
<b>Total State Taxes and Fees (a)</b>	<b>\$2,287,900</b>	<b>59.64</b>	<b>\$214,923</b>	<b>\$199,266</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>\$1,280,341</b>	<b>\$1,235,675</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>

# Percentage is greater than or equal to 1,000%.

(a) Certain Fiscal Year 2007 year-to-date and Fiscal Year 2006 monthly and year-to-date amounts have been reclassified. Refer to (a) on page 5 for additional information.

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Statement of Revenue Estimates & Collections  
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Revenue	FY 2007 Estimate	As a % of Total Fund	January			Year-To-Date			% Annual Growth Required By Est
			FY 2007	FY 2006	% Change	FY 2007	FY 2006	% Change	
<b>HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING FUND:</b>									
Motor Fuel Taxes (Includes Road Tax)	\$743,300	19.38	\$59,770	\$60,827	(1.7)	\$381,828	\$389,615	(2.0)	(1.2)
Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax	381,900	9.95	31,426	30,437	3.2	222,557	228,390	(2.6)	(2.1)
Motor Vehicle License Fees	149,200	3.89	11,668	11,881	(1.8)	83,632	82,937	0.8	0.6
International Registration Plan	62,400	1.63	6,614	4,162	58.9	27,463	19,286	42.4	3.0
Misc. Taxes, Fees, and Revenues (a)	12,700	0.33	1,093	1,223	(10.6)	6,996	6,520	7.3	5.9
<b>Total State Taxes and Fees</b>	<b>\$1,349,500</b>	<b>35.18</b>	<b>\$110,571</b>	<b>\$108,530</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>\$722,476</b>	<b>\$726,748</b>	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>(1.0)</b>
<b>Other Revenues:</b>									
Federal Grants and Contracts	\$0	0.00	\$1,574	\$2,371	(33.6)	\$14,578	\$20,729	(29.7)	(100.0)
Miscellaneous Revenues (a)	10,600	0.27	1,502	1,060	41.7	10,451	14,699	(28.9)	(50.8)
Transfer (to) / from Transportation Trust Fund	286,303	7.46	0	0	-	239,144	186,199	28.4	53.8
<b>Total Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund</b>	<b>\$1,646,403</b>	<b>42.91</b>	<b>\$113,647</b>	<b>\$111,961</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>\$986,649</b>	<b>\$948,375</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>2.4</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND:</b>									
Motor Fuel Taxes (Includes Aviation & Road Taxes)	\$118,300	3.08	\$11,507	\$8,907	29.2	\$59,846	\$58,830	1.7	(0.1)
Priority Transportation Fund	20,000	0.52	2,000	2,000	0.0	10,000	10,000	0.0	0.0
Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax (Includes Rental Tax)	236,400	6.17	19,258	18,751	2.7	137,274	141,083	(2.7)	(0.9)
State Sales and Use Tax	508,700	13.26	57,749	52,423	10.2	313,941	273,089	15.0	6.8
Motor Vehicle License Fees	21,200	0.55	1,690	1,661	1.7	12,233	11,706	4.5	0.6
Interest Earnings	33,800	0.88	12,148	6,994	73.7	24,571	14,219	72.8	(12.5)
<b>Total State Taxes and Fees</b>	<b>\$938,400</b>	<b>24.46</b>	<b>\$104,352</b>	<b>\$90,736</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>\$557,865</b>	<b>\$508,927</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>2.8</b>
<b>Other Revenues:</b>									
Federal Grants and Contracts	\$1,354,852	35.32	\$40,604	\$28,331	43.3	\$381,982	\$285,623	33.7	181.8
Receipts from Cities/Counties (a)	69,303	1.81	6,356	9,756	(34.9)	35,304	29,846	18.3	46.4
Toll Revenues (Includes Route 28)	96,447	2.51	6,864	11,030	(37.8)	55,809	64,704	(13.7)	(15.0)
Miscellaneous Revenues	17,391	0.45	1,153	732	57.5	11,530	9,724	18.6	(21.0)
<b>Total Other Revenues</b>	<b>\$1,537,993</b>	<b>40.09</b>	<b>\$54,977</b>	<b>\$49,849</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>\$484,625</b>	<b>\$389,897</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>131.8</b>
Transfer (to) / from Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund	(\$286,303)	(7.46)	\$0	\$0	-	(\$239,144)	(\$186,199)	(28.4)	(53.8)
<b>Total Transportation Trust Fund</b>	<b>\$2,190,090</b>	<b>57.09</b>	<b>\$159,329</b>	<b>\$140,585</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>\$803,346</b>	<b>\$712,625</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>57.5</b>
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING AND TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND</b>									
	<b>\$3,836,493</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>\$272,976</b>	<b>\$252,546</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>\$1,789,995</b>	<b>\$1,661,000</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>27.9</b>

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(a) A new line, "Miscellaneous Revenues", was added to the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund Revenue Forecast. A portion of the amounts previously reported in "Miscellaneous Taxes, Fees, and Revenues" and "Receipts from Cities/Counties" were reclassified to "Miscellaneous Revenues." In order to provide comparable data, the Fiscal Year 2007 and Fiscal Year 2006 monthly and year-to-date amounts were likewise reclassified.