



Monthly Revenue Release

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Montpelier, VT - Secretary of Administration Justin Johnson Releases Vermont's Revenue Results for February of 2016 General Fund and Education Fund ahead of target while Transportation Fund lags slightly.

February is the eighth month of FY 2016. The fiscal year revenue targets were adopted by the Vermont Emergency Board on January 19, 2016.

General Fund (GF) revenues for the month of February finished \$16.34 million above target largely resulting from a slow down in Personal Income Tax refunding due to concerns over taxpayer fraud. Personal Income refunds were \$23.6 million lower than projected. The General Fund would have been -\$7.26 below its monthly target despite positive performance in Sales and Use and Rooms and Meals. Personal Income totaled \$31.42 million, +\$20.76 million above target (or +194.75%) while Sales and Use totaled \$18.20 million, +\$0.28 million above target and Rooms and Meals totaled \$12.35 million, +\$0.37 million above target. Net Corporate Income Tax was \$-1.34 million (-\$2.29 million or -241.26%) below projection and the Insurance Premium Tax was \$21.33 million (-\$3.09 million, or -12.65%) below projection. The cumulative GF revenues total of \$914.02 million are above the Y-T-D target of \$898.98 million by \$15.04 million, or 1.67%. Y-T-D February revenue receipts for FY 2016 exceed the prior year (FY 2015) results by +\$45.43 million, or +5.23%.

The Transportation Fund (TF) non-dedicated receipts for February of \$16.58 million missed the monthly target by -\$1.32 million (-7.39%), resulting in cumulative year to date receipts of \$165.59 million vs. a target of \$167.75 (-\$2.16 million or -1.29%). The low performance in February was driven primarily by the underperformance of the Gas Tax, \$4.64 million vs. a target of \$5.94 million, or -\$1.3 million. Compared to the prior fiscal year (FY 2015) the current cumulative results for TF are +\$2.19, or +1.34% ahead.

The Education Fund (EF) receipts for February were \$16.58 million, \$3.27 million (+24.53%) above the monthly target of \$13.32 million, driven largely by the positive impact of the exceptionally large Powerball jackpot in January of this year. The EF cumulative results through February stand at \$127.39 million vs. a target of \$126.97 million. Y-T-D revenues remain ahead of the prior fiscal year (FY 2015) by +\$4.97 million, or +4.06%

Secretary Johnson said, "Protecting Vermont tax payers against fraudulent refund activity is our priority and the slowdown in processing of refunds is reflected in our large February surplus. We are pleased our consumption taxes came in on target for the month and we will continue to monitor the Corporate and Insurance Premium taxes as we progress through the year."

State of Vermont Revenue, by Major Fund Month: Feb-16 vs. Consensus Revenue Forecast Target FY: 2016 Preliminary

General Fund By Major Element (In Millions)*					Fiscal YTD				Prior Fiscal YTD		
Tax Component	Month				Target	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
	Target	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change							
Personal Income	10.66	31.42	20.76	194.75%	456.33	478.60	22.27	4.88%	425.99	52.61	12.35%
Sales & Use	17.92	18.20	0.28	1.56%	170.32	167.37	-2.95	-1.73%	164.55	2.82	1.71%
Corporate	0.95	-1.34	-2.29	-241.26%	54.33	56.08	1.75	3.22%	59.38	-3.30	-5.56%
Meals & Room	11.98	12.35	0.37	3.09%	106.57	106.56	-0.01	-0.01%	103.07	3.49	3.39%
Insurance Premium	24.42	21.33	-3.09	-12.65%	42.34	39.34	-3.00	-7.09%	41.46	-2.12	-5.11%
Inheritance & Estate	1.88	1.08	-0.80	-42.45%	12.43	9.64	-2.79	-22.45%	8.19	1.45	17.70%
Real Prop. Transfer	0.64	1.00	0.36	55.94%	7.86	8.03	0.17	2.16%	7.30	0.73	10.00%
Other	4.39	5.14	0.75	16.99%	48.80	48.40	-0.40	-0.82%	58.65	-10.25	-17.48%
Total	72.84	89.18	16.34	22.43%	898.98	914.02	15.04	1.67%	868.59	45.43	5.23%

*Differences due to rounding

Transportation Fund By Major Element (In Millions)*					Fiscal YTD				Prior Fiscal YTD		
Tax Component	Month				Target	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
	Target	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change							
Gasoline	5.94	4.64	-1.30	-21.95%	53.05	52.07	-0.98	-1.85%	51.58	0.49	0.95%
Diesel Fuel	1.21	1.16	-0.05	-4.13%	12.50	12.35	-0.15	-1.20%	12.01	0.34	2.83%
MV Purchase & Use	3.86	3.93	0.07	1.89%	41.61	41.03	-0.58	-1.39%	40.06	0.97	2.42%
Motor Vehicle Fees	5.30	5.43	0.13	2.45%	48.67	48.13	-0.54	-1.11%	47.37	0.76	1.60%
Other	1.59	1.42	-0.17	-10.75%	11.92	12.01	0.09	0.76%	12.38	-0.37	-2.99%
Total	17.90	16.58	-1.32	-7.39%	167.75	165.59	-2.16	-1.29%	163.40	2.19	1.34%

Note:

TIB Fuel											
Fees/Gasoline	0.90	0.76	-0.14	-15.35%	8.97	8.87	-0.10	-1.09%	13.18	-4.31	-32.70%
TIB Fuel Fees/Diesel	0.14	0.13	-0.01	-8.63%	1.32	1.27	-0.05	-3.72%	1.32	-0.05	-3.86%

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Education Fund By Major Element (In Millions)*					Fiscal YTD				Prior Fiscal YTD		
Component	Month				Target	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change
	Target	Revenue	\$ Change	% Change							
Sales & Use	9.65	9.80	0.15	1.53%	91.71	90.12	-1.59	-1.73%	88.60	1.52	1.72%
MV Purchase & Use	1.93	1.97	0.04	1.92%	20.80	20.52	-0.29	-1.39%	20.03	0.48	2.42%
Lottery Transfer	1.72	4.82	3.10	180.00%	14.38	16.68	2.30	15.99%	13.76	2.92	21.22%
Investment Income	0.02	0.00	-0.02	-88.24%	0.08	0.07	-0.01	-12.50%	0.03	0.04	133.33%
Total	13.32	16.58	3.27	24.53%	126.97	127.39	0.41	0.33%	122.42	4.97	4.06%

*Differences due to rounding

**Comparative Statement of Revenues
General Fund
As of February 29, 2016**

	<u>Total to Date Last Year</u>	<u>Total to Date This Year</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Taxes			
Personal Income Tax	425,994,139	478,606,839	12.4%
Sales & Use Tax	164,546,694	167,369,259	1.7%
Corporate Income Tax	59,381,520	56,078,136	-5.6%
Meals & Rooms Tax	103,067,320	106,558,070	3.4%
Liquor & Wine Tax	12,205,346	12,313,640	0.9%
Insurance Premium	41,460,851	39,339,067	-5.1%
Telephone Gross Receipts	152,424	156,980	3.0%
Telephone Property Tax	4,183,991	1,458,972	-65.1%
Beverage Tax	4,580,198	4,659,398	1.7%
Electric Generating	9,406,325	0	-100.0%
Inheritance & Estate Tax	8,193,761	9,643,390	17.7%
Real Property Transfer Tax	7,296,980	8,030,167	10.0%
Bank Franchise Tax	8,216,849	7,810,966	-4.9%
All Other Taxes	1,168,461	1,399,138	19.7%
Total Taxes	<u>849,854,860</u>	<u>893,424,022</u>	<u>5.1%</u>
Other Revenues			
Business Licenses	787,590	765,925	-2.8%
Fees	13,929,701	14,519,159	4.2%
Services	753,265	1,540,009	104.4%
Fines, Forfeits & Penalties	2,277,492	2,410,841	5.9%
Interest, Prem	200,809	314,534	56.6%
Special Assessments	0	0	0.0%
All Other Revenues	789,988	1,047,637	32.6%
Total Other Revenues	<u>18,738,846</u>	<u>20,598,105</u>	<u>9.9%</u>
Total General Fund	<u><u>868,593,706</u></u>	<u><u>914,022,128</u></u>	<u><u>5.2%</u></u>

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**Comparative Statement of Revenues
Transportation Fund
As of February 29, 2016**

	<u>Total to Date Last Year</u>	<u>Total to Date This Year</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Non-Dedicated			
Taxes			
Gasoline	51,579,555	52,068,132	0.9%
Diesel Fuel	12,010,835	12,353,142	2.8%
MV Purchase & Use	40,064,399	41,030,482	2.4%
Total Taxes	103,654,789	105,451,756	1.7%
Other Revenues			
Motor Vehicle Fees	47,373,828	48,128,698	1.6%
Other	12,376,866	12,012,453	-2.9%
Total Other Revenues	59,750,693	60,141,151	0.7%
Total Non-Dedicated	163,405,482	165,592,907	1.3%
Dedicated			
Federal Aid	242,895,539	188,197,550	-22.5%
Infrastructure Bond Fund Revenue	14,498,637	10,139,610	-30.1%
Transportation Impact Fee	0	47,941	100.0%
Other	1,673,015	1,950,919	16.6%
Total Dedicated	259,067,191	200,336,020	-22.7%
Total Transportation Fund	422,472,673	365,928,927	-13.4%

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State of Vermont
Comparative Statement of Revenues
Education Fund
As of February 29, 2016

	<u>Total to Date</u> <u>Last Year</u>	<u>Total to Date</u> <u>This Year</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Non-Dedicated			
Estimated Revenues:			
Sales & Use Tax	88,601,430	90,121,909	1.7%
Purchase & Use Tax	20,034,517	20,515,241	2.4%
Lottery Transfer	13,764,775	16,675,874	21.1%
Investment Income	31,077	68,544	120.6%
Total estimated revenues	<u>122,431,798</u>	<u>127,381,568</u>	<u>4.0%</u>
Other Revenues:			
Education Property Taxes	83,289,943	85,754,756	3.0%
Electric Energy Educ Prop Tax	0	0	0.0%
Uniform Capacity Tax	407,195	406,588	-0.1%
Medicaid Reimbursement	0	0	0.0%
All Other Revenues	0	0	0.0%
Total other revenues	<u>83,697,139</u>	<u>86,161,344</u>	<u>2.9%</u>
Total Education Fund	<u><u>206,128,937</u></u>	<u><u>213,542,912</u></u>	<u><u>3.6%</u></u>

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