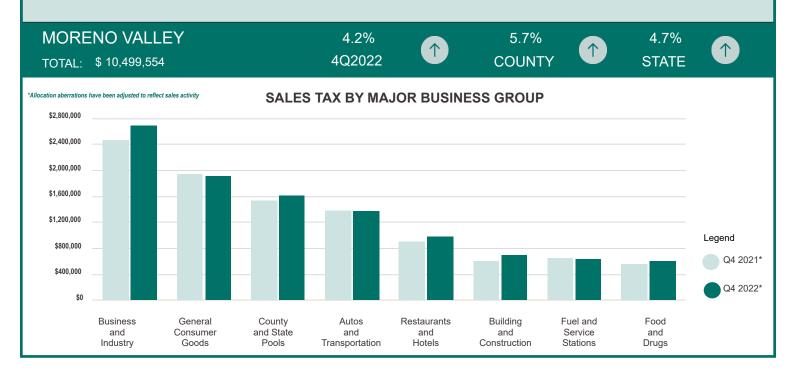
CITY OF MORENO VALLEY

SALES TAX UPDATE

4Q 2022 (OCTOBER - DECEMBER)







CITY OF MORENO VALLEY HIGHLIGHTS

through December were 2.7% above the fourth sales period in 2021. Excluding reporting aberrations, actual sales were up 4.2%.

The largest sector, business-industry, continued to experience solid growth also helping to propel countywide pool receipts. This helped to offset some of the weaker sales in other groups as pricing pressures for food and energy coupled with the actions taken by Fed policy makers may have cooled consumer demand.

Whether it was eating out at a sit-down restaurant to celebrate the holiday season or enjoy the convenience of take-out or delivery from a quick service option, patrons boosted receipts even with rising menu prices. Recent reports indicate some slowdown may

Moreno Valley's receipts from October be forthcoming as customers evaluate the frequency with which they dine out or select more reasonably priced menu items.

> After record levels seen earlier in the year, prices at the pump have declined for lower fuel-service station sales and less demand is anticipated in calendar year 2023. Auto sales reported lower results as new motor vehicle sales couldn't match the record levels posted last year. Shoppers moved away from general consumer goods purchases as priorities shifted to travel or paying for essentials.

> Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Riverside County grew 5.7% over the comparable time period; the Southern California region was up 5.1%.



TOP 25 PRODUCERS

Amazon Com Services

Amazon MFA

Car Pros Kia Moreno Valley

Chevron

Circle K

Costco

Deckers Outdoor

Food 4 Less

Harbor Freight Tools

Home Depot

Hyundai of Moreno

Valley

Lowes

Macy's

Moss Bros Buick GMC

Moss Bros Chevrolet

Moss Bros Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram Fiat

Moss Bros Honda

Moss Bros Toyota Robertsons Ready Mix

Ross

Stater Bros

Target

TJ Maxx/Home Goods Volkswagen of Moreno

Valley

Walmart Supercenter

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STATEWIDE RESULTS

California's local one cent sales and use tax receipts for sales during the months of October through December were 4.7% higher than the same quarter one year ago after adjusting for accounting anomalies. A holiday shopping quarter, the most consequential sales period of the year, experienced solid results which lifted revenue to local agencies across the State.

Overall, general consumer goods growth was up a meager 1.8%, in large part from merchants also selling gas as prices remained elevated over last year. Otherwise, many brick and mortar retailers experienced mixed results as the phenomenal prior year activity made for an extremely difficult comparison. This was especially true for jewelry stores receipts which had soared tremendously after the pandemic as consumers diversified readily available cash into other assets.

Commuters and seasonal travelers were again burdened with gas prices above \$5 per gallon in most of the State, leaving fuelservice stations 10% higher than a year ago. However, this trend did not distract from spending at local restaurants and hotels. Increased menu prices and returnto-office workplaces enhanced gains, with the Bay Area experiencing it's greatest amount of post-pandemic rebound.

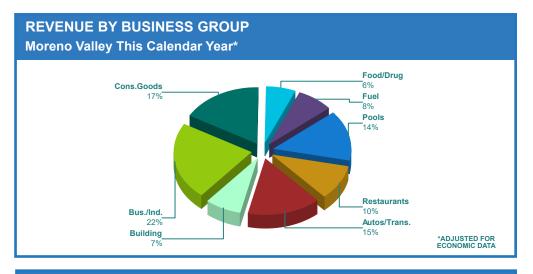
Although inventory shortages negatively impacted unit sales and leasing activity throughout 2022, year-end returns by new car dealers, especially high-end luxury and electronic/hybrid brands, sustained autotransportation sector gains. In contrast, rising interest rates and higher gas prices pulled trailer-RV revenues lower. Steady housing demand and pend up construction projects delayed by supply chain interruptions have contractors contributing the majority of growth within the building-construction sector.

With rising interest rates tempering selling activity, property owners are still likely to maintain home improvement spending.

Use taxes remitted via the countywide pools rose a scant 0.3%. While national ecommerce spending behaviors climbed upward again, expansion of more in-state fulfilment centers plus retailers using existing locations to deliver goods tied to online orders shifted taxes away from pools. The offsetting effect was these dollars being directed to local agency's coffers where the goods resided. This evolving trend is anticipated to persistently weaken taxes coming from the pools in the near term.

Looking back, calendar year 2022 exhibited a 9.5% surge in tax receipts compared to 2021. Each of the eight major tax categories all reported greater returns. Most influential was inflation that drove up prices on everything from normal daily purchases to vehicles. Secondarily, all-time peak global crude oil costs had fuel seller's payments skyrocketing.

Heading into 2023, additional interest rate hikes along with consumer sentiment waning about the economy foretells minimal change coming from California's taxable sales in the months ahead.



TOP NON-CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS TYPES **HdL State** County Moreno Valley **Business Type** Change Change Q4 '22* Change **Fulfillment Centers** 2,516.2 10.0% 13.4% 10.5% 🚹 -3.0% 🕡 12.5% New Motor Vehicle Dealers 1,064.6 5.0% Service Stations 634.7 -3.0% 4.2% 7.6% Quick-Service Restaurants 507.9 5.8% 5.0% 5.7% -0.7% 🕡 **Building Materials** 462.8 0.9% 2.1% 1 Casual Dining 354.1 14.3% 4.5% 8.1% **Grocery Stores** 335.9 12.5% 8.2% 6.2% -0.9% **-1.0% ** Family Apparel 246.2 -10.2% Department Stores 168.6 -14.4% -6.5% -6.3% 🕕 Specialty Stores 119.8 11.2% 1.5% 2.2% 1 *In thousands of dollars *Allocation aberrations have been adjusted to reflect sales activity