

Second Quarter Receipts for First Quarter Sales (January - March 2020)

# San Clemente In Brief

San Clemente's receipts from January through March were 19.7% below the first sales period in 2019. Excluding reporting aberrations, actual sales were down 3.5%.

The COVID-19 pandemic began impacting sales tax revenue during the first quarter of 2020 with the biggest blow coming in the last two weeks in March. Sales tax deferrals and payment plan orders signed by Governor Newsom furthered impaired cash flow to local governments.

Receipts from general consumer goods slid downward as shoppers were sidelined due to Safe at Home orders. Revenue from restaurants-hotels dipped as in-person dining establishments shuttered their doors.

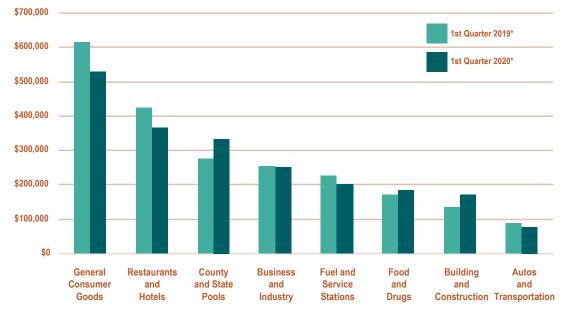
Totals from fuel-service stations plummeted as the price of a barrel of oil dropped to historic lows.

A misallocated payment caused a temporary increase in sales from building-construction. Revenue from food-drugs remained steady.

The City's share of the countywide use tax pool increased 12.4% when compared to the same period in the prior year.

Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Orange County declined 4.4% over the comparable time period; the Southern California region was down 4.1%.

# SALES TAX BY MAJOR BUSINESS GROUP



\*Allocation aberrations have been adjusted to reflect sales activity

# Top 25 Producers

In Alphabetical Order

Solutions

Lowes

76 McDonalds Aggregate Nicks San Clemente Machinery Nike Factory Store Specialists Ralphs Albertsons San Clemente Shell Arco SEHI Computer Chevron Products Circle K Sprouts Farmers **CVS Pharmacy** Market **Fishermans** Stater Bros Restaurant **Target** Home Goods TJ Maxx Knitec United Oil La Terra Building Walmart

YT Industries

### REVENUE COMPARISON

Three Quarters – Fiscal Year To Date (Q3 to Q1)

	2018-19	2019-20	
Point-of-Sale	\$6,854,982	\$6,045,072	
County Pool	950,557	1,099,998	
State Pool	3,549	3,349	
Gross Receipts	\$7,809,088	\$7,148,418	



#### **Statewide Results**

With stay at home/non-essential business restrictions in place during the last two weeks of the quarter, local one cent tax revenues for the state overall, were 18.8% lower than January to March of 2019. Taxpayer relief programs accounted for much of the decline with receipts down roughly 3.1% after factoring for payment deferrals and other accounting anomalies.

Severe drops in auto sales, general consumer goods, service stations and restaurants were largely offset by new revenue from implementation of the Wayfair v. South Dakota decision that now requires out-of-state retailers to collect and remit Californian's sales and use tax. Other offsets included a surge in online shopping that boosted receipts from the county use tax allocation pools and from online retailers who maintain and ship their inventory from within California.

The food/drug sector also showed strong gains as did many home supply, dollar and discount stores that remained open during the shutdown.

#### **New Challenges & Opportunities**

Current indicators suggest that overall tax receipts for the April thru June sales period will bottom out at 27% below the second quarter of 2019. The speed of the rebound in sales activity will be dependent on the availability of adequate testing, treatment therapies and ultimately a vaccine. Until then, physical distancing, COVID-19 protocols and supply chain disruptions will create limitations on some operating capacities and the return to work of all employees. Health fears, discounts and liquidation sales may also keep sales tax revenues below pre-pandemic levels until solutions are in place.

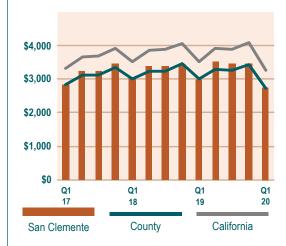
Regardless of when full recovery does occur, reports are that some elements of the economy will be permanently altered. Generation of future tax revenues may require rethinking of local economic strategies.

Over expansion, excessive debt and consumer shifts to online shopping were already resulting in bankruptcies with estimates of up to 25,000 brick -and-mortar store closings by the end of 2020. "Touch and feel" shopping is not going away but retailers see an evolution where in-store shopping is more leisure/recreational oriented with smaller stores offering more show-rooming and delivery/pick-up services. The smaller footprints and lifestyle emphasis offer opportunities to reinstate downtowns and neighborhood centers as economic/social gathering places.

The Pandemic's capture of new online customers and the growing trend of manufacturers and entrepreneurs with new concepts to bypass physical stores and sell directly to the consumer also expands options for agencies without large market populations to generate sales tax through industrial development.

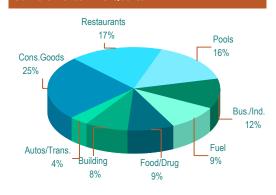
Finally, the Pandemic's disruption of supply chains has also accelerated growing dissatisfaction with overseas arrangements and some reshoring will occur which offers opportunities to leverage a city's existing business base to attract compatible support industries.

#### SALES PER CAPITA\*



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# REVENUE BY BUSINESS GROUP San Clemente This Quarter\*



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## SAN CLEMENTE TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES\*\*

*In thousands of dollars	San C	San Clemente		HdL State
Business Type	Q1 '20*	Change	Change	Change
Building Materials	— CONF	— CONFIDENTIAL —		3.0%
Casual Dining	197.3	-14.0%	-18.8%	-18.8%
Contractors	45.2	135.6%	-10.7%	3.2%
Discount Dept Stores	— CONF	— CONFIDENTIAL —		3.2%
Electronics/Appliance Stores	52.6	6.7%	-13.6%	-18.0%
Family Apparel	69.1	-32.1%	-15.6%	-21.1%
Fast-Casual Restaurants	53.6	-8.8%	-11.5%	-9.9%
Grocery Stores	128.7	11.4%	11.7%	11.8%
Heavy Industrial	38.8	-7.7%	-0.3%	-6.4%
Home Furnishings	37.2	-8.7%	-12.1%	-12.9%
Office Equipment	— CONF	— CONFIDENTIAL —		-6.4%
Quick-Service Restaurants	71.9	-16.2%	-5.5%	-8.5%
Service Stations	199.9	-11.8%	-12.4%	-9.5%
Shoe Stores	48.3	-23.7%	-21.6%	-25.5%
Specialty Stores	47.0	-10.6%	-13.0%	-10.1%
Total All Accounts	1,780.4	-7.0%	-9.9%	-7.3%
County & State Pool Allocation	334.6	20.9%	21.5%	22.4%
Gross Receipts	2,115.0	-3.5%	-4.4%	-3.0%

<sup>\*\*</sup> Accounting aberrations such as late payments, fund transfers, and audit adjustments have been adjusted to reflect the quarter in which the sales occurred.