CITY OF SEAL BEACH SALES TAX UPDATE 4Q 2021 (OCTOBER - DECEMBER)



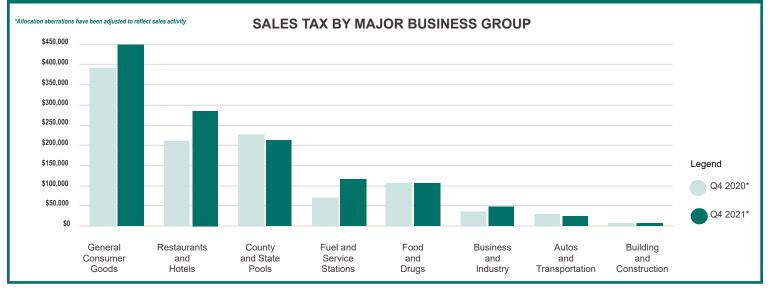
15.6%

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SEAL BEACH

TOTAL: \$1,252,070



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4Q2021

Measure BB TOTAL: \$1,619,593 12.4%



CITY OF SEAL BEACH HIGHLIGHTS

Seal Beach's receipts from October through December were 18.6% above the fourth sales period in 2020. Excluding reporting aberrations, actual sales were up 15.6%.

Most of the business types within the restaurants & hotels industry have fully recovered. As a result, strong results were realized from casual and quick service restaurants. The City experienced a rebound in its largest sector, general consumer goods, including family and women's apparel and home furnishings.

The fuel and service stations sector has seen upward pressure on sales due to an ongoing increase in consumption and demand for fuel. Receipts from business & industry were also up.

Returns from the state and county pools, autos & transportation, and food & drugs were down, which partially offset the overall gain.

The City's Transaction and Use Tax Measure BB generated 129.6% of the Bradley Burns amount led by a solid performance from autos & transportation.

Net of aberrations, taxable sales for all of Orange County grew 15.3% over the comparable time period; the Southern California region was up 17.4%.

TOP 25 PRODUCERS

76 Bed Bath & Beyond Burlington California Pizza Kitchen Chevron Chick Fil A **CVS** Pharmacy **Energy Tubulars** Home Goods In N Out Burger Kobe Japanese Steakhouse Kohls Marshalls Mobil Old Ranch Country Club

15.3%

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Original Parts Group Pavilions Petsmart Ralphs Roger Dunn Golf Shops Seal Beach Spaghettini Target Ulta Beauty Walts Wharf



STATEWIDE RESULTS

California's local one cent sales and use tax receipts for sales during the months of October through December were 15% 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, and the strong result was a boon to local agencies across the State. Consumers spent freely as the economy continued its rebound from the pandemic and as robust labor demand reduced unemployment and drove up wages.

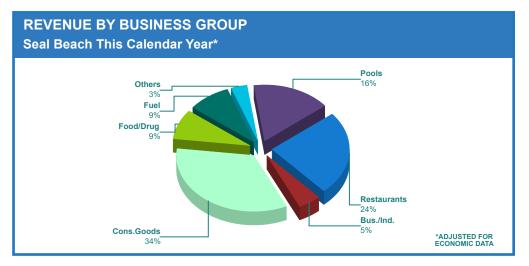
Brick and mortar retailers did exceptionally well as many shoppers returned to physical stores rather than shopping online as the COVID crisis waned. This was especially true for traditional department stores that have long been among the weakest categories in retail. Discount department stores, particularly those selling gas, family and women's apparel and jewelry merchants also experienced strong sales. Many retailers are now generating revenue that is nearly as much, or even higher, than pre-pandemic levels.

Sales by new and used car dealers were also much higher than a year ago. The inventory shortage has resulted in higher prices that have more than offset the decline in unit volume in terms of revenue generation for most dealerships. Restaurants and hotels were only moderately lower than last quarter, with both periods being the highest in the State's history. Increased menu prices coupled with robust demand to dine out are largely responsible for these gains. These are impressive results for a sector that does not yet include the positive impact that will occur later this year as international travel steadily increases at major airports. Conference business, an important revenue component for many hotels, is also still in the early stages of recovery.

Building material suppliers and contractors were steady as growing residential and commercial property values boosted demand, particularly in the Southern California, Sacramento and San Joaquin Valley regions. Although anticipated interest rate increases by the Federal Reserve could dampen the short-term outlook for this sector, industry experts believe limited selling activity will inspire increased upgrades and improvements by existing owners. With demand remaining tight and calls for more affordable housing throughout the state, the long-term outlook remains positive.

The fourth quarter, the final sales period of calendar year 2021, exhibited a 20% rebound

in tax receipts compared to calendar year 2020. General consumer goods, restaurants, fuel and auto-transportation industries were the largest contributors to this improvement. However, the future growth rate for statewide sales tax revenue is expected to slow markedly. Retail activity has now moved past the easy year-over-year comparison quarters in 2021 versus the depths of the pandemic bottom the year before. Additional headwinds going into 2022 include surging inflation, a dramatic jump in the global price of crude oil due to Russia's war in Ukraine and corresponding monetary tightening by the Federal Reserve. This is expected to result in weakening consumer sentiment and continued, but decelerating, sales tax growth into 2023.



TOP NON-CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS TYPES

Seal Beach Business Type	Q4 '21*	Change	County Change	HdL State Change
Casual Dining	154.1	53.1% 🕥	56.8% 🕥	66.5% 🔿
Service Stations	97.6	40.1%	69.4%	53.7%
Family Apparel	76.4	26.5%	31.7% 🚹	27.3%
Quick-Service Restaurants	68.9	7.0%	11.4% 🚹	12.1%
Home Furnishings	61.9	9.7% 🕥	8.8%	6.3%
Specialty Stores	37.6	8.3%	17.3% 🚹	18.8%
Sporting Goods/Bike Stores	36.2	2.3% 🕥	6.7%	1.5%
Women's Apparel	29.8	47.1% 🚹	50.0%	41.5%
Fast-Casual Restaurants	24.4	10.9%	15.3% 🚹	16.0%
Electronics/Appliance Stores	19.1	13.5%	10.7%	8.7%
*Allocation aberrations have been adjusted to reflect sales activity			*In thousands of dollars	