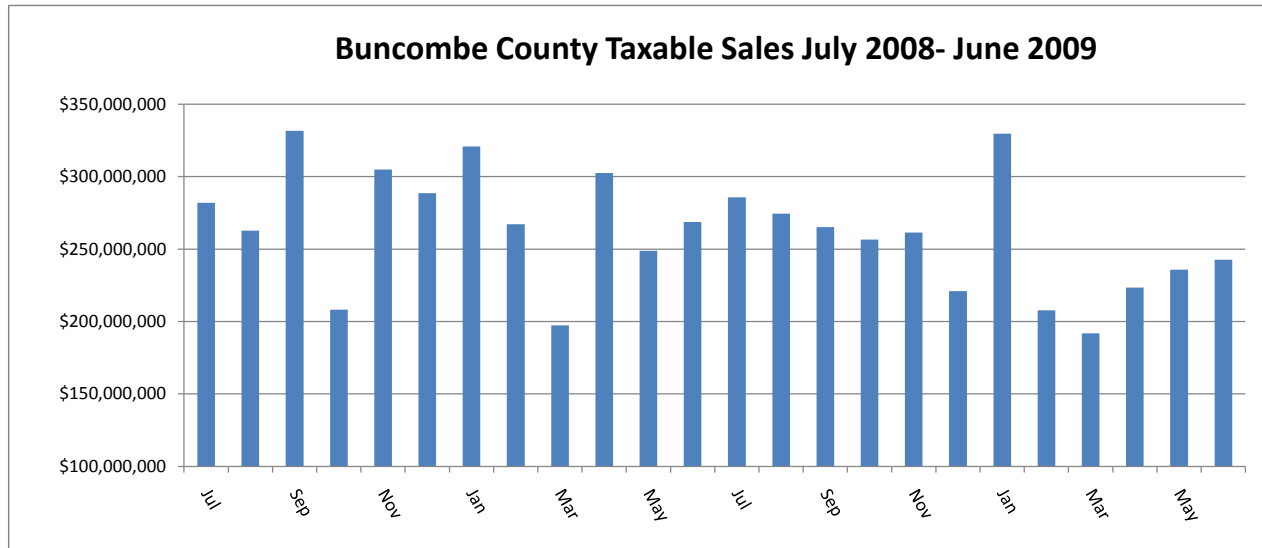


Taxable Sales

Compiled by the *Asheville Metro Business Research Center*



Fiscal Year - Buncombe County	
'98/'99	\$ 3,211,541,498
'99/'00	\$ 3,244,933,551
'00/'01	\$ 3,385,178,057
'01/'02	\$ 3,431,308,897
'02/'03*	\$ 3,429,967,246
'03/'04*	\$ 3,648,143,729
'04/'05*	\$ 4,123,101,836
'05/'06**	\$ 2,966,135,312
'06/'07**	\$ 3,336,213,094
'07/'08**	\$ 3,283,356,807
'08/'09**	\$ 2,995,665,910

*Not comparable to fiscal year reports prior to 2002-03:
Gross retail sales reflect taxable sales computed on the combined total of sales and use taxes.

** Not Comparable to fiscal year reports prior to 2005-06

Source:

www.dor.state.nc.us/publications/fiscalyearsales.html

Major Business Group - Buncombe County	
Fiscal Year 2008-09	2,995,665,910
1% Tax	14,206
2% and 3% Tax	3,433,825
Apparel	197,508,509
Automotive	120,548,249
Food	754,449,913
Furniture	131,290,999
General merchandise	718,533,635
Lumber and building material	386,132,199
Unclassified	683,754,375

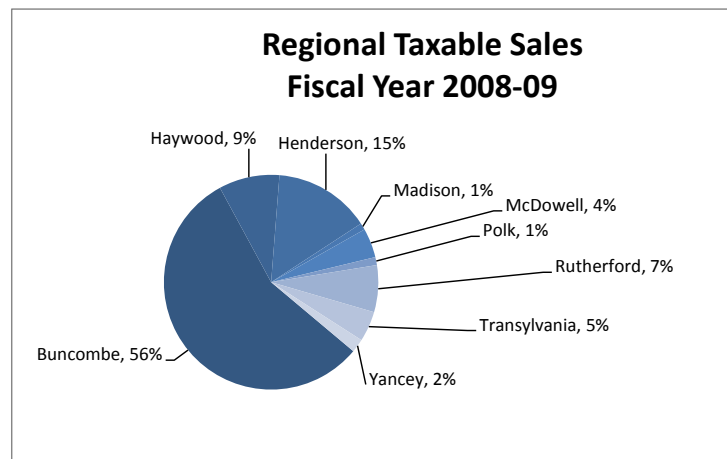
Nine County	% Regional Sales
Region	FY 08-09
Buncombe	56%
Haywood	9%
Henderson	15%
Madison	1%
McDowell	4%
Polk	1%
Rutherford	7%
Transylvania	5%
Yancey	2%

Source: North Carolina Department of Revenue

Updated: 03/10

Note: Retail Sales versus Taxable Sales:

In Fiscal Year 2005-06 the Streamlined Sales Tax Agreement required a change in the Sales & Use Tax return so that not all taxpayers report Gross Retail Sales. Beginning with the report for July 2005, the North Carolina Department of Revenue reports only Gross Collections and Taxable Sales.



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