

**TAXABLE SALES BY BUSINESS GROUP**

For the Fiscal Years 2016-2025

*(Dollars in Thousands)*

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
General merchandise	\$ 71,467,777	\$ 68,776,131	\$ 66,291,925	\$ 62,226,026	\$ 56,410,899
Food	41,266,446	40,402,946	38,416,024	35,303,794	30,564,158
Lumber & building material	27,594,530	28,525,081	28,736,679	26,325,703	22,441,929
Automotive	14,225,662	13,947,249	13,536,016	12,090,992	11,018,415
3% and 4.75% tax group (1)	882,732	930,364	972,905	910,727	839,260
Furniture	6,005,075	6,172,865	6,441,201	6,201,915	5,757,054
Apparel	8,563,608	8,409,690	8,448,251	8,216,790	7,025,959
Unclassified	72,166,388	69,070,692	65,990,901	59,892,202	50,815,780
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 242,172,218</b>	<b>\$ 236,235,018</b>	<b>\$ 228,833,902</b>	<b>\$ 211,168,149</b>	<b>\$ 184,873,454</b>
General State Sales Tax Rate	4.75%	4.75%	4.75%	4.75%	4.75%

Source: North Carolina Department of Revenue

Table 8

2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
\$ 45,601,205	\$ 41,960,513	\$ 38,965,273	\$ 38,193,321	\$ 35,258,344
29,256,742	29,981,154	28,318,061	27,164,722	26,204,343
19,048,555	18,383,205	16,500,032	15,426,794	13,635,227
9,837,130	9,691,420	9,098,884	9,058,317	7,667,914
705,394	647,756	588,128	541,143	479,938
5,050,850	5,182,589	4,914,916	4,778,592	4,372,666
5,620,937	6,018,989	5,700,497	5,648,766	5,414,102
44,629,147	44,693,250	41,113,549	38,358,149	35,124,312
<u>\$ 159,749,960</u>	<u>\$ 156,558,876</u>	<u>\$ 145,199,340</u>	<u>\$ 139,169,804</u>	<u>\$ 128,156,846</u>
4.75%	4.75%	4.75%	4.75%	4.75%

(1) 3% and 4.75% tax group includes manufactured homes, airplanes, boats, and modular homes. In fiscal year 2016, airplanes sold or purchased at retail for use was subject to a 3% tax rate from July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015 and a 4.75% tax rate beginning October 1, 2015. In the fiscal years prior to 2015, some manufactured homes were included in the 2% tax group and some modular homes were included in the 2.5% tax group.