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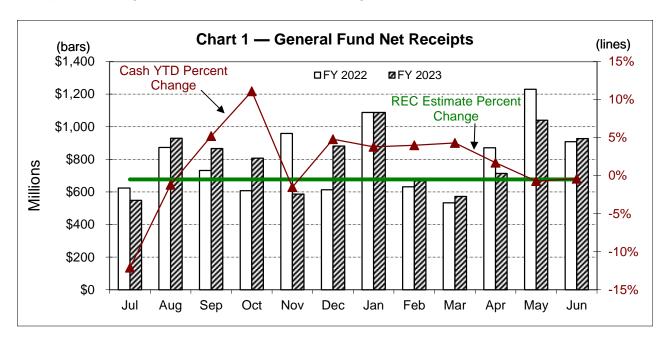
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# Monthly General Fund Revenue Receipts Through June 30, 2023

The attached spreadsheet presents FY 2023 General Fund total net receipts with comparable figures for actual FY 2022. The figures can be compared to the FY 2023 estimate of \$9.621 billion as set by the Revenue Estimating Conference (REC) on March 10, 2023. The FY 2023 estimate is a projected decrease of \$52.4 million (-0.5%) compared to FY 2022 actual receipts (excluding transfers). The next REC meeting has not been scheduled.



#### **Overview of Current Situation**

June 2023 net General Fund revenue, as reported in the State accounting system, includes the following items of impact:

The Department of Revenue instituted a new revenue deposit process that began November 15, 2021. Due to this new process, as of the end of June 2023, \$114.9 million (fiscal year basis) remains in a deposit suspense account for FY 2023. In addition to deposits for personal income tax and sales/use tax revenue, the suspense account has also received

deposits of motor fuel tax, which are not to be included in State General Fund revenues. At a future date, the Department of Revenue will transfer deposits for motor fuel tax from the deposit suspense account and thereby remove those deposits from State General Fund revenue. Also, at a future date, the Department of Revenue will transfer deposits of personal income tax and sales/use tax revenue categories to properly reflect the source of the revenue. This affects year-to-date and month-to-month comparisons.

- Beginning July 1, 2022, the Department of Revenue implemented Senate File 2367 (2022 Department of Revenue Tax Administration Act), which moves most remitters to a monthly schedule for sales, use, and excise tax remittance. Previously, these taxes were remitted twice a month, monthly, quarterly, or annually. A twice-a-month remitter would remit taxes collected from May 1 through May 15 on May 25 and taxes collected from May 16 through May 31 on June 10. Monthly remitters would remit May taxes on June 20. Under the changes in SF 2367, taxes collected May 1 through May 31, 2023, were to be remitted June 30, 2023 (on or before the last day of the month following the collection of the tax by the remitter). Given that lowa automatically moves tax due dates that fall on weekends to the next working day, the move to a monthly due date of the last day of each month significantly increases the monthly variability shown in General Fund tax receipts.
- Beginning January 1, 2023, House File 2317 (2022 Income Tax Rate Reduction and Exemptions Act) reduces Iowa individual income tax rates and the number of tax brackets annually beginning with tax year (TY) 2023 until a single tax bracket/rate is established in TY 2026. Additionally, all retirement income is exempt from the State individual income tax effective January 1, 2023. These changes affect month-to-month and year-to-date comparisons for income tax.

Without adjusting for the above items of impact, June 2023 net General Fund revenue was \$19.5 million (2.1%) above the June 2022 net revenue level.

### **Fiscal Year Growth**

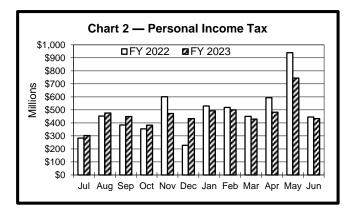
The following table converts year-to-date receipts from a cash year basis to a fiscal year basis.

Fis	scal Year-to-I	Date, Gross Rece	ipts Net of	Refunds. Dollars	in Millions	<b>5.</b>	
		Y 2022	•	FY 2023	\$ D	% Dif	
Net Individual Income	\$	4,656.3	\$	4,322.4	\$	-333.9	-7.2%
Net Sales/Use		2,938.4		2,932.0		-6.4	-0.2%
Net Corporate		812.0		853.1		41.1	5.1%
Net Franchise		63.8		67.7		3.9	6.1%
Net Inheritance		74.7		73.8		-0.9	-1.2%
Net Insurance & Other Taxes		218.8		398.7		179.9	82.2%
Other Revenue		333.5		404.1		70.6	21.2%
Net Revenue	\$	9,097.5	\$	9,051.8	\$	-45.7	-0.5%

### **Revenue Categories**

Personal Income Tax receipts received in June 2023 were impacted by the suspense account revenue process and income tax law changes. Personal income tax receipts totaled \$433.5 million, a decrease of \$11.3 million (-2.5%) compared to June 2022.

The FY 2023 REC personal income tax estimate of \$5.634 billion represents a projected decrease of 2.5% compared to actual FY 2022. Through June 2023,

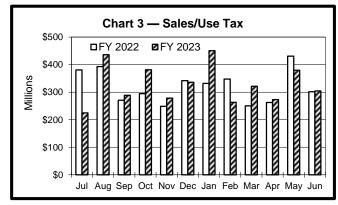


personal income tax receipts decreased 3.1%. By subcategory, withholding payments decreased \$55.5 million, estimated payments decreased \$33.5 million, and payments with returns decreased \$91.8 million. **Chart 2** compares FY 2022 and FY 2023 monthly personal income tax receipts.

**Sales/Use Tax** receipts received in June 2023 were impacted by the suspense account revenue process and changes to tax due dates. Sales/use tax receipts totaled \$304.5 million, an increase of \$2.8 million (0.9%) compared to June 2022.

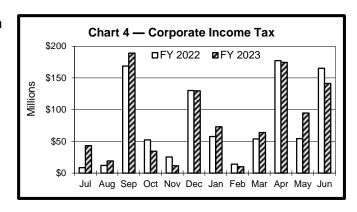
The REC estimate for FY 2023 sales/use tax receipts is \$3.720 billion, a projected decrease of 3.5% compared to actual FY 2022. Through June 2023, sales/use tax receipts increased 2.2%. **Chart 3** compares

FY 2022 and FY 2023 monthly sales/use tax receipts.



Corporate Income Tax receipts received in June 2023 totaled \$141.2 million, a decrease of \$23.9 million (-14.5%) compared to June 2022.

The REC estimate for FY 2023 corporate income tax revenue is \$961.0 million, a projected increase of 4.6% compared to actual FY 2022. Through June 2023, corporate income tax receipts increased 7.1%. **Chart 4** compares FY 2022 and FY 2023 monthly corporate income tax receipts.



**Other Tax** receipts received in June 2023, including suspense account revenue transfers completed in June and any pending suspense account revenue transfers, totaled \$153.9 million, an increase of \$77.2 million compared to June 2022.

The REC estimate for FY 2023 other tax revenue is \$584.8 million, an increase of \$181.4 million (45.0%) compared to actual FY 2022. Through June 2023, other tax receipts increased 39.7%.

**Other Receipts** (nontax receipts) received in June 2023 totaled \$43.3 million, an increase of \$12.5 million (40.6%) compared to June 2022.

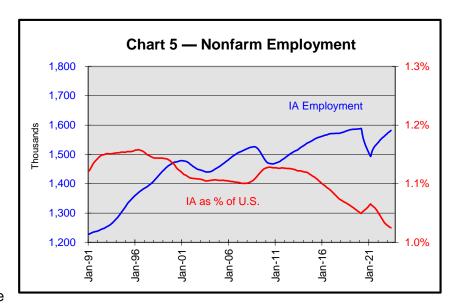
The REC estimate for FY 2023 other receipts revenue is \$420.0 million, a projected increase of 15.2% compared to actual FY 2022. Through June 2023, other receipts increased 17.6%.

**Tax Refunds** issued in June 2023 totaled \$90.2 million, an increase of \$21.8 million compared to June 2022. In addition to regular refunds, school infrastructure refunds totaled \$58.2 million, an increase of \$16.0 million compared to June 2022.

## **Status of the Economy**

lowa Nonfarm Employment was reported at 1,606,900 for the month of May 2023 (not seasonally adjusted), 31,100 (2.0%) higher than May 2022.

lowa's 12-month average nonfarm employment is presented as the blue line on **Chart 5**. Iowa's average nonfarm employment peaked in February 2020 at 1,588,000. This figure is 61,700 above the previous prerecession peak that occurred in October 2008. The current 12-month average

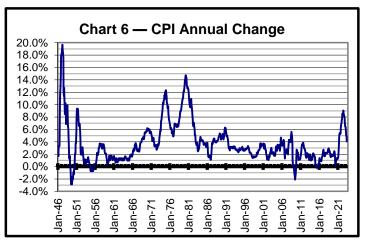


reading is 1,581,800, resulting in an annual average lowa nonfarm employment level that is 6,200 below the February 2020 peak.

The red line on **Chart 5** presents lowa nonfarm employment as a percentage of U.S. nonfarm employment. Iowa's share of U.S. nonfarm employment decreased noticeably from 1999 through 2002, decreased at a much slower pace from 2002 through 2007, and increased from January 2008 through June 2010. Since 2010, Iowa's percentage of U.S. employment has declined as the percentage growth in U.S. employment exceeded the percentage growth in Iowa employment. Iowa's percentage of U.S. employment has decreased the last 26 months and is currently at its lowest level in the history of the indicator.

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) through May 2023 was 304.1 (1983/84=100). Consumer prices increased in May 2023 (not seasonally adjusted), and the annual rate of inflation decreased to 4.1%.

Core CPI, an inflation measure excluding food and energy expenditures, increased 0.4% in May 2023 and increased 5.3% year over year. This is the 26th consecutive month in which the core inflation rate has been above 2.0% year over year. For the two components



excluded from the core inflation rate, energy prices decreased 11.7% and food prices increased 6.6% year over year.

Further information can be found on the Fiscal Services Division webpages related to <u>State General Fund Daily Receipts</u> and other <u>lowa Economic Trends</u>.

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GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS								ESTIMATED GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS					
July 1 through June 30 (in millions of dollars)								(in millions of dollars)					
Dollars may not	t add due	to rounding. P	ercenta	ages calculated us	sing rounded numbers.			FY 2022 Act	ual Com	pared to FY 2023 RE	C Estimate		
					Year-to-Date	June		FY 2022		FY 2023	Projected		
		FY 2022		FY 2023	% Change	% Change		Actual		Estimate	% Change		
Personal Income Tax	\$	5,780.1	\$	5,599.3	-3.1%	-2.5%	\$	5,780.1	\$	5,634.4	-2.59		
Sales/Use Tax		3,853.7		3,937.2	2.2%	0.9%		3,853.7		3,720.3	-3.59		
Corporate Income Tax		918.9		984.1	7.1%	-14.5%		919.0		961.0	4.69		
Inheritance Tax		97.7		93.6	-4.2%	13.2%		97.7		93.4	-4.49		
Insurance Premium Tax		151.0		174.4	15.5%	-45.7%		151.0		157.5	4.39		
Beer/Liquor Tax		13.7		13.3	-2.9%	7.7%		13.6		12.8	-5.99		
Franchise Tax		72.4		92.5	27.8%	99.0%		72.4		64.1	-11.59		
Miscellaneous Tax		68.7		190.0	176.6%	14,916.7%		68.7		257.0	274.19		
Total Gross Taxes	\$	10,956.1	\$	11,084.3	1.2%	4.5%	\$	10,956.2	\$	10,900.5	-0.5		
Institutional Payments	\$	11.7	\$	13.3	13.7%	11.8%	\$	11.6	\$	10.0	-13.89		
Liquor Profits		152.8	•	150.5	-1.5%	21.9%	'	152.9	·	151.5	-0.9		
Interest		3.6		70.3	1,852.8%	1,060.0%		3.6		79.4	2105.6		
Fees		30.7		29.7	-3.3%	-9.1%		30.7		28.6	-6.8		
Judicial Revenue		88.2		89.2	1.1%	3.2%		88.2		88.4	0.2		
Miscellaneous Receipts		77.6		75.8	-2.3%	102.3%		77.5		62.1	-19.9		
Total Gross Receipts	\$	11,320.7	\$	11,513.1	1.7%	5.6%	\$	11,320.7	\$	11,320.5	0.0		
Accrued Revenue — Net								-47.2		145.2			
Tax Refunds		-1,043.0		-1,177.4	12.9%	31.9%		-1,028.8		-1,095.0	6.4		
School Infrast. Refunds		-607.3		-707.9	16.6%	37.9%		-571.3		-749.7	31.2		
TOTAL NET RECEIPTS	\$	9,670.4	\$	9,627.8	-0.4%	2.1%	\$	9,673.4	\$	9,621.0	-0.5		