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GENERAL FUND

General Fund collections of \$2,109.0 million for the month of December were \$156.6 million, or 6.9%, below the official estimate. Fiscal year 2008-09 collections of \$11,157.7 million were below the official estimate by \$814.5 million, or 6.8%.

- Total Corporation Tax collections of \$547.4 million for the month of December were \$14.8 million, or 2.8%, above estimate. Year-to-date collections are \$134.7 million, or 9.0%, below estimate.
- Sales and Use Tax (SUT) revenues of \$638.1 million were \$66.7 million, or 9.5%, below estimate. Year-to-date collections are \$182.6 million, or 4.2%, below estimate.
- Total Personal Income Tax (PIT) collections of \$734.3 million for the month of December were \$58.1 million, or 7.3%, below estimate. Year-to-date collections are \$134.7 million, or 2.9%, below estimate.
- Realty Transfer Tax (RTT) revenues of \$21.3 million were \$14.8 million, or 41.0%, below estimate. Year-to-date collections are \$42.5 million, or 19.2%, below estimate.
- Total Inheritance Tax collections for the month of December were \$56.2 million, or 22.3%, below estimate. Year-to-date collections are \$40.4 million, or 9.5%, below estimate.
- Other tax revenue including Cigarette, Malt Beverage, Liquor, and other miscellaneous tax collections totaled \$95.2 million for the month of December.
- Nontax revenue collections for the month of December fell below the official estimate by \$13.4 million. Year-to-date collections are \$266.6 million below estimate.

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MOTOR LICENSE AND GAMING FUNDS

Motor License Fund collections of \$177.0 million in December were \$12.6 million, or 7.7%, above the official estimate. Fiscal year 2008-09 collections totaled \$1,212.4 million and were \$99.9 million, or 7.6%, below the official estimate.

The State Gaming Fund collected \$45.3 million in December. Fiscal year-to-date collections for the Fund total \$287.3 million.

REVENUE RECEIPTS FOR SELECTED SPECIAL FUNDS

(\$ thousands)

FUND NAME	December 2008	December 2007	December 2006	YTD 2008-09	YTD 2007-08	YTD 2006-07
Lottery ¹	134,788	115,771	121,627	707,519	822,946	687,013
Public Transportation Assistance	6,680	6,812	6,885	93,116	95,605	93,816
Game Commission	6,847	6,256	6,695	35,688	39,370	42,531
Fish	114	675	679	5,018	7,989	7,547
Racing	1,360	1,666	1,003	6,208	7,028	6,125
Banking	1,119	433	641	8,225	8,955	8,602
Fire Insurance	0	0	124	113	2,027	1,236
Municipal Pension	68	76	90	2,499	4,001	4,932
Highway/Bridge ²	6,689	9,299	10,483	51,239	53,552	48,126
State Gaming	45,301	29,332	6,087	287,310	459,039	108,936
Economic Development & Tourism	6,612	4,212	856	42,079	30,157	1,262
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¹ Excludes field paid prizes, commissions, and expenses. ² Restricted receipts account within the Motor License Fund.

REFUNDS OF TAXES ¹ (\$ thousands)									
	December 2008	December 2007	December 2006	YTD 2008-09	YTD 2007-08	YTD 2006-07			
General Fund:	189,542	61,958	162,428	553,435	464,612	465,220			
Corporation Taxes	151,566	42,584	136,858	382,984	302,700	326,893			
Sales and Use Tax	11,349	10,190	13,535	47,501	57,118	51,587			
Employer Tax	857	778	678	5,039	5,642	5,512			
Personal Income Tax	23,900	7,208	9,596	107,475	88,386	69,043			
Miscellaneous	1,870	1,198	1,760	10,435	10,766	12,186			
Motor License Fund:	1,741	988	1,746	4,958	5,613	6,359			
¹ Refund numbers reflect amounts recorded by the Department of Revenue in the executive authorizations for refunds.									

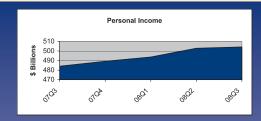


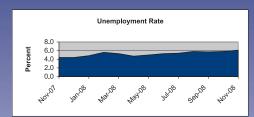


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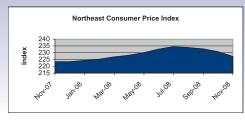
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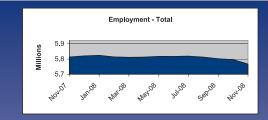
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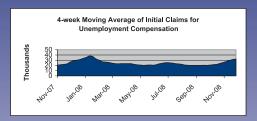


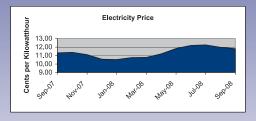


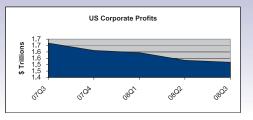












Data Source:

Personal Income and US Corporate Profits: US Bureau of Economic Analysis Employment, Unemployment, Consumer Price Index: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Housing Permits: US Census Bureau

Electricity: Energy Information Administration Initial Claims: PA Department of Labor and Industry

Notes:

Data is seasonally adjusted, except for Initial Claims, Housing Permits, Consumer Price Index, and Electricity. All data is Pennsylvania specific, except for Consumer Price Index, which is for PA, NJ, NY, CT, RI, MA, VT, NH, and ME, and Corporate Profits, which is for the US.





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GENERAL FUND GROWTH (\$ thousands)

REVENUE SOURCES	December 2008	December 2007	Growth	YTD 2008-09	YTD 2007-08	Growth
TOTAL - GENERAL FUND	2,108,965	2,235,197	-5.6%	11,157,697	11,693,354	-4.6%
TOTAL - TAX REVENUE	2,092,434	2,206,760	-5.2%	11,265,058	11,477,431	-1.9%
TOTAL - Corporation Taxes	547,433	553,176	-1.0%	1,363,117	1,540,255	-11.5%
Accelerated Deposits	386	7,013	-94.5%	1,436	64	
Corporate Net Income	383,775	376,759	1.9%	940,265	1,026,737	-8.4%
Capital Stock & Franchise	156,404	154,712	1.1%	393,545	462,620	-14.9%
Selective Business Total	6,868	14,692	-53.3%	27,871	50,834	-45.2%
Gross Receipts	4,412	7,230	-39.0%	13,146	25,775	-49.0%
Utility Property	34	86	-60.6%	1,805	2,366	-23.7%
Insurance Premiums	1,306	85		2,789	1,503	85.6%
Financial Institutions	736	6,160	-88.1%	6,655	16,916	-60.7%
Other	380	1,131	-66.4%	3,475	4,274	-18.7%
TOTAL - Consumption Taxes	730,277	768,715	-5.0%	4,746,712	4,817,175	-1.5%
Sales and Use	638,081	679,423	-6.1%	4,214,132	4,288,373	-1.7%
Non-Motor Vehicle	571,786	598,052	-4.4%	3,723,615	3,723,484	0.0%
Motor Vehicle	66,294	81,371	-18.5%	490,517	564,889	-13.2%
Cigarette	66,926	64,930	3.1%	401,435	402,131	-0.2%
Malt Beverage	1,935	1,642	17.9%	13,674	13,972	-2.1%
Liquor	23,335	22,720	2.7%	117,470	112,699	4.2%
TOTAL - Other Taxes	814,724	884,869	-7.9%	5,155,230	5,120,001	0.7%
Personal Income	734,278	797,612	-7.9%	4,583,605	4,471,095	2.5%
Withholding	617,752	689,576	-10.4%	3,866,685	3,790,712	2.0%
Non-Withholding	116,526	108,036	7.9%	716,919	680,383	5.4%
Realty Transfer	21,307	24,203	-12.0%	178,538	245,593	-27.3%
Inheritance	56,175	57,975	-3.1%	386,762	397,225	-2.6%
Minor and Repealed	2,964	5,079	-41.6%	6,324	6,088	3.9%
TOTAL - NONTAX REVENUE	16,531	28,437	-41.9%	(107,362)	215,923	-149.7%
Liquor Store Profits	0	0		0	0	
Licenses, Fees & Misc. Total	15,230	19,437	-21.6%	(117,683)	184,632	-163.7%
Licenses and Fees	20,273	6,107	232.0%	49,958	37,302	33.9%
Miscellaneous	(5,043)	13,330	-137.8%	(167,641)	147,330	-213.8%
Fines, Penalties & Interest Total	1,301	9,000	-85.5%	10,321	31,291	-67.0%
FP&I On Taxes	1,156	8,850	-86.9%	8,512	20,862	-59.2%
FP&I Other	145	150	-3.4%	1,809	10,429	-82.7%





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GENERAL FUND COMPARISON OF ACTUAL TO ESTIMATE - DECEMBER 2008 (\$ thousands)

	December	December	Difference		YTD	YTD	Diffe	erence
REVENUE SOURCES	Actual	Estimated	Amount	Percent	Actual	Estimated	Amount	Percent
TOTAL - GENERAL FUND	2,108,965	2,265,600	(156,635)	-6.9%	11,157,697	11,972,200	(814,503)	-6.8%
TOTAL - TAX REVENUE	2,092,434	2,235,700	(143,266)	-6.4%	11,265,058	11,813,000	(547,942)	-4.6%
TOTAL - Corporation Taxes	547,433	532,600	14,833	2.8%	1,363,117	1,497,800	(134,683)	-9.0%
Accelerated Deposits	386	0	386		1,436	0	1,436	
Corporate Net Income	383,775	376,700	7,075	1.9%	940,265	1,017,300	(77,035)	-7.6%
Capital Stock & Franchise	156,404	146,600	9,804	6.7%	393,545	453,000	(59,455)	-13.1%
Selective Business Total	6,868	9,300	(2,432)	-26.2%	27,871	27,500	371	1.3%
Gross Receipts	4,412	1,900	2,512	132.2%	13,146	8,500	4,646	54.7%
Utility Property	34	0	34		1,805	2,300	(495)	-21.5%
Insurance Premiums	1,306	700	606	86.5%	2,789	3,300	(511)	-15.5%
Financial Institutions	736	5,700	(4,964)	-87.1%	6,655	9,400	(2,745)	-29.2%
Other	380	1,000	(620)	-62.0%	3,475	4,000	(525)	-13.1%
TOTAL - Consumption Taxes	730,277	800,200	(69,923)	-8.7%	4,746,712	4,945,300	(198,588)	-4.0%
Sales and Use	638,081	704,800	(66,719)	-9.5%	4,214,132	4,396,700	(182,568)	-4.2%
Non-Motor Vehicle	571,786	625,100	(53,314)	-8.5%	3,723,615	3,846,000	(122,385)	-3.2%
Motor Vehicle	66,294	79,700	(13,406)	-16.8%	490,517	550,700	(60,183)	-10.9%
Cigarette	66,926	67,300	(374)	-0.6%	401,435	408,000	(6,565)	-1.6%
Malt Beverage	1,935	2,000	(65)	-3.2%	13,674	13,700	(26)	-0.2%
Liquor	23,335	26,100	(2,765)	-10.6%	117,470	126,900	(9,430)	-7.4%
TOTAL - Other Taxes	814,724	902,900	(88,176)	-9.8%	5,155,230	5,369,900	(214,670)	-4.0%
Personal Income	734,278	792,400	(58,122)	-7.3%	4,583,605	4,718,300	(134,695)	-2.9%
Withholding	617,752	649,600	(31,848)	-4.9%	3,866,685	3,959,000	(92,315)	-2.3%
Non-Withholding	116,526	142,800	(26,274)	-18.4%	716,919	759,300	(42,381)	-5.6%
Realty Transfer	21,307	36,100	(14,793)	-41.0%	178,538	221,000	(42,462)	-19.2%
Inheritance	56,175	72,300	(16,125)	-22.3%	386,762	427,200	(40,438)	-9.5%
Minor and Repealed	2,964	2,100	864	41.1%	6,324	3,400	2,924	86.0%
TOTAL - NONTAX REVENUE	16,531	29,900	(13,369)	-44.7%	(107,362)	159,200	(266,562)	-167.4%
Liquor Store Profits	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Licenses, Fees & Misc. Total	15,230	25,400	(10,170)	-40.0%	(117,683)	143,200	(260,883)	-182.2%
Licenses and Fees	20,273	6,600	13,673	207.2%	49,958	38,200	11,78	30.8%
Miscellaneous	(5,043)	18,800	(23,843)	-126.8%	(167,641)	105,000	(272,641)	-259.7%
Fines, Penalties & Interest To	otal 1,301	4,500	(3,199)	-71.1%	10,321	16,000	(5,679)	-35.5%
FP&I On Taxes	1,156	4,100	(2,944)	-71.8%	8,512	14,200	(5,688)	-40.1%
FP&I Other	145	400	(255)	-63.8%	1,809	1,800	9	0.5%





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MOTOR LICENSE FUND GROWTH (\$ thousands)

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REVENUE SOURCES	December 2008	December 2007	Growth	YTD 2008	YTD 2007	Growth
TOTAL - MOTOR LICENSE FUND	176,995	160,282	10.4%	1,212,385	1,251,060	-3.1%
TOTAL - Liquid Fuels Taxes	95,110	99,617	-4.5%	576,433	632,717	-8.9%
Liquid Fuels	44,459	37,668	18.0%	238,118	295,203	-19.3%
Fuels	10,279	14,683	-30.0%	79,295	82,656	-4.1%
Motor Carriers/IFTA	6,834	7,113	-3.9%	19,271	18,292	5.4%
Alternative Fuels	24	11	122.5%	111	533	-79.1%
Oil Company Franchise	33,514	40,142	-16.5%	239,638	236,033	1.5%
Total - Licenses and Fees	89,462	52,694	69.8%	410,823	387,075	6.1%
Special Hauling Permits	1,431	1,679	-14.8%	11,008	10,800	1.9%
Registrations Other States-IRP	34,313	10,011	242.8%	54,550	26,744	104.0%
Operators Licenses	5,024	4,219	19.1%	31,059	30,597	1.5%
Vehicle Registrations & Titling	45,947	34,136	34.6%	298,044	302,783	-1.6%
Miscellaneous Collections	2,746	2,649	3.7%	16,163	16,151	0.1%
Total - Other Motor Receipts	(7,578)	7,971	-195.1%	225,129	231,268	-2.7%
Gross Receipts	0	0		3	0	
Aeronautics Fines	0	0		0	0	
Vehicle Code Fines	4,046	4,308	-6.1%	25,115	25,114	0.0%
Miscellaneous - Treasury	(11,361)	5,978	-290.0%	(58,827)	48,541	-221.2%
Miscellaneous - Transportation	2,520	762	230.7%	13,481	11,881	13.5%
Miscellaneous - General Services	57	21	172.2%	860	201	327.9%
Miscellaneous - Revenue	0	0		(39)	0	
Vehicle Code Fines Clearing Acct.	(2,840)	(3,098)	8.3%	(5,464)	(4,581)	-19.3%
PA Turnpike Commission	0	0		250,000	150,000	66.7%
Justice Collections	0	0		0	112	-100.0%

MOTOR LICENSE FUND COMPARISON OF ACTUAL TO ESTIMATE - DECEMBER 2008

(\$ thousands)

	December	December	Difference		YTD	YTD	Diffe	rence
REVENUE SOURCES	Actual	Estimated	Amount	Percent	Actual	Estimated	Amount	Percent
TOTAL - MOTOR LICENSE FUND	176,995	164,400	12,595	7.7%	1,212,385	1,312,245	(99,860)	-7.6%
TOTAL - Liquid Fuels Taxes	95,110	98,270	(3,160)	-3.2%	576,433	596,235	(19,802)	-3.3%
Liquid Fuels	44,459	47,730	(3,271)	-6.9%	238,118	261,815	(23,697)	-9.1%
Fuels	10,279	13,610	(3,331)	-24.5%	79,295	83,590	(4,295)	-5.1%
Motor Carriers/IFTA	6,834	5,930	904	15.2%	19,271	17,730	1,541	8.7%
Alternative Fuels	24	10	14	144.7%	111	100	11	11.3%
Oil Company Franchise	33,514	30,990	2,524	8.1%	239,638	233,000	6,638	2.8%
TOTAL - Licenses and Fees	89,462	56,590	32,872	58.1%	410,823	406,600	4,223	1.0%
TOTAL - Other Motor Receip	ts (7,578)	9,540	(17,118)	-179.4%	225,129	309,410	(84,281)	-27.2%