

**FY2020 City/Town Sales Subject to Sales Tax Comparisons**  
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**City/Town Sales Subject to Sales Tax by NAICS Category\***

Category	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020
Total	\$815,947,756	\$816,995,348	\$826,955,829
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	N/D	N/D	N/D
Mining, Quarrying, Oil and Gas Extraction	N/D	N/D	N/D
Utilities	N/D	N/D	N/D
Construction	\$12,474,860	\$11,730,062	\$14,504,199
Manufacturing	\$7,713,099	\$8,207,255	\$9,563,678
Wholesale Trade	\$34,736,602	\$37,706,408	\$44,651,320
Retail Trade	\$567,016,876	\$556,936,360	\$567,504,282
Transportation and Warehousing	\$204,101	\$261,677	\$214,686
Information	\$29,516,264	\$30,326,297	\$25,434,420
Finance and Insurance	\$114,767	\$106,131	\$70,523
Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing	\$9,679,715	\$10,776,738	\$8,369,413
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	\$2,921,129	\$2,470,871	\$2,308,538
Management of Companies and Enterprises	N/D	N/D	N/D
Admin & Support, Waste Mgt, and Remediation Services	\$4,401,173	\$3,647,826	\$4,602,186
Educational Services	N/D	N/D	N/D
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$0	\$0	\$0
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$944,083	\$835,868	\$577,352
Accommodations and Food Services	\$103,440,876	\$109,548,497	\$105,832,700
Other Services (except Public Administration)	\$25,479,831	\$26,887,590	\$27,169,786
Public Administration	N/D	N/D	N/D

Category	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020
Total Retail Pull Factor	1.93	1.89	1.88
Population**	24,272	24,083	24,171
Per Capita Income***	\$38,498	\$40,717	\$41,370
Retail Population Trade Area Capture	46,863	48,107	46,201
Diversions	\$9,763,544	\$9,675,160	\$9,579,190

\*Retail sales data from the Mississippi Department of Revenue.

\*\*City/town population data was estimated from 5-year estimates of the 2015—2019 American Community Survey estimates.

\*\*\*Per capita income estimates are for the city/town primary county and estimated from Bureau of Economic Analysis estimates and the Woods & Poole proprietary dataset.

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## Data Key

Retail Sales data (total and by sector) were obtained from the Mississippi Department of Revenue Annual Reports for the Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020.

The Total Retail Pull Factor is calculated as the Trade Area Capture divided by the city/town population. If the Total Retail Pull Factor is equal to or greater than 1.0, this suggests that the city/town is attracting customers from outside its geographic boundaries to spend retail dollars. If the Total Retail Pull Factor is less than 1.0, then this suggests that the city/town is losing shoppers to other geographic areas, thus causing a leakage of trade dollars.

A value of “N/A” for a particular value indicates that this value could not be calculated given the available data.

A value of “N/D” for a particular value indicates that the data was not disclosed in the Department of Revenue’s Annual Report due primarily either to no activity in that sector occurring in the city/town or to confidentiality concerns.

Trade Area Capture estimates the number of shoppers that the city/town serves. It is calculated by multiplying the actual retail sales for the city/town by the per capita retail sales for the state adjusted by income level. If the Trade Area Capture is larger than the population of the city/town, then the city/town is attracting outside shoppers. If the Trade Area Capture is smaller than the city/town, then the city/town is losing shoppers to other geographic areas.

A portion (18.5 percent) of the total sales taxes (except for taxes collected from public utilities and transportation charges) collected from business activities within the boundaries of a municipal corporation will be transferred to the municipal corporation for use in that municipality’s general budget. Data were obtained from various issues of the Mississippi Department of Revenue Annual Report. <http://www.dor.ms.gov/info/stats/main.html>

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