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## GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS SURGE IN APRIL ROAD FUND RECEIPTS SET MONTHLY RECORD General Fund receipts increased 59.1 percent, Year-to date up 10.8 percent Road Fund receipts increased 59.9 percent, Year-to date up 5.5 percent

**FRANKFORT, KY - (Monday, May 10, 2021)** - The Office of State Budget Director reported today that April's General Fund receipts increased significantly over April 2020 receipts due to large sales tax collections and timing issues for income tax receipts. The comparisons to April 2020 are heavily affected by the substantial declines in tax collections at the onset of the pandemic last year. Collections rose 59.1 percent, or \$506.6 million, to \$1,363.6 million, compared to \$857.0 million received during April 2020. Consumption-related receipts last year were greatly reduced because of the COVID-19 mitigation actions taken to prevent infections while income taxes were delayed due to the extension of the filing deadlines. Receipts have grown 10.8 percent for the first 10 months of FY21.

The enacted budget calls for revenue growth of 1.2 percent for the current fiscal year. A significant revenue surplus for FY21 is expected since revenues are now estimated to grow by 6.3 percent. The Office of State Budget Director recently released an interim revenue estimate that forecasts a revenue surplus of \$586.4 million for FY21.

Road Fund receipts for April totaled \$162.6 million, an all-time monthly high amount, eclipsing the \$145.6 million in collections from March of 2019. Revenues grew 59.9 percent increase over April 2020 levels. Year-to-date receipts for FY21 have grown 5.5 percent.

State Budget Director John Hicks was pleased with the broad-based gains in all major accounts in the General Fund, especially the sales tax and withholding collections. "The income taxes grew by large amounts, primarily due to the low base of comparison with April 2020 when the filing deadlines for final returns and declaration payments were extended until July 15, 2020. Compared to April 2019, both the individual income tax and the business taxes receipts were lower despite the robust growth in withholding in April 2021. Sales taxes, however, surpassed all-time records for monthly collections. Sales and use tax collections were \$486.5 million, \$37 million more than the previous record set in January 2021. Strong receipts in consumption taxes can be partially attributable to Federal stimulus payments, pent up demand, and poor weather in February. Broadly speaking, the robust revenue performance in April is consistent with the strong fourth-quarter growth that was projected in the recent unofficial revenue estimates released on April 30, 2021."

Among the major accounts:

- Sales and use tax receipts reached an all-time monthly high of \$486.5 million. Year-to-date collections have grown 9.5 percent.
- Corporation income and Limited Liability Entity tax (LLET) receipts rose \$138.6 million, or 266.0 percent in April and have increased 57.7 percent year-to-date. The large percentage growth in April stems from the fact that corporation filing deadlines for tax year 2020 were not pushed back to May like the individual returns, so the net returns category of the corporation income tax and the LLET grew by a combined \$94.7 million.
- Individual income tax collections grew 48.0 percent, or \$173.6 million in April as all components of the tax saw significant increases. While there are substantial timing differences due to the extension of the income tax filing deadlines last year and this year, withholding continued a strong performance by growing 17.6 percent over last April and 5.3 percent year-to-date. Through 10 months, individual income tax receipts have increased 9.1 percent.
- Property tax collections grew 78.1 percent, or \$13.5 million for the month. Receipts are up 6.9 percent year-to-date.
- Cigarette tax receipts increased 26.7 percent in April but have fallen 0.9 percent year-to-date.
- Coal severance tax receipts rose 9.3 percent to \$4.5 million but are down 10.5 percent year-todate.

Like the General Fund, Road Fund receipts saw a significant increase in April. April's collections of \$162.6 million was an all-time monthly high, \$60.9 million more than collected last April. Year-to-date collections have grown by 5.5 percent. The April usage tax collections on motor vehicle sales were \$64.7 million compared to \$19.8 million last April, which experienced a 60 percent decline due to COVID-19. The \$64.7 million is an all-time monthly high and reflects a 13 percent increase over March 2021 collections. Year-to-date, motor vehicle usage tax receipts are up 20.5 percent over last year. Motor

fuels tax receipts broke a series of 13 consecutive months of declines over the prior year with a 14.7 percent increase over last April and a 17.6 percent increase over the prior month.

The official Road Fund revenue estimate call for revenues to increase 5.8 percent for the fiscal year. Based on year-to-date tax collections, revenues must increase 7.4 percent for the remainder of the year to meet the estimate. The recently released interim revenue estimate calls for Road Fund revenues to increase 6.6 percent in FY21 which would result in a budget surplus of \$12.1 million.

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## KENTUCKY STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE <u>1. GENERAL FUND REVENUE</u>

	APRIL	APRIL		JULY THROUGH APRIL		
	2021	2020	<u>% Change</u>	FY 2021	FY 2020	<u>% Change</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$1,363,568,478	\$857,049,764	59.1%	\$10,386,931,369	\$9,375,384,673	10.8%
Tax Receipts	\$1,324,862,808	\$830,051,789	59.6%	\$10,047,343,957	\$9,063,066,913	10.9%
Sales and Gross Receipts	\$547,272,811	\$387,225,249	41.3%	\$4,426,109,282	\$4,054,041,888	9.2%
Beer Consumption	531,147	499,194	6.4%	5,156,316	5,133,735	0.4%
Beer Wholesale	4,775,935	4,954,985	-3.6%	51,804,745	50,743,710	2.1%
Cigarette	31,276,131	24,680,486	26.7%	290,109,464	292,646,873	-0.9%
Distilled Spirits Case Sales	18,748	16,471	13.8%	167,291	148,765	12.5%
Distilled Spirits Consumption	1,650,305	1,471,542	12.1%	14,553,226	13,105,752	11.0%
Distilled Spirits Wholesale	5,975,521	4,801,940	24.4%	51,826,381	44,648,265	16.1%
Insurance Premium	115,661	354,413	-67.4%	120,432,497	113,319,024	6.3%
Pari-Mutuel	4,233,210	30,404	13823.1%	23,783,183	14,905,334	59.6%
Race Track Admission	0	0	40 70/	9,915	143,685	-93.1%
Sales and Use	486,488,622	340,860,472 293,165	42.7% 5.0%	3,754,476,601	3,427,415,358	9.5% 9.0%
Wine Consumption Wine Wholesale	307,849	1,511,722		2,914,555	2,674,521	
	1,743,301		15.3%	16,641,352	14,705,905	13.2%
Telecommunications Tax	5,897,078	5,847,784	0.8% 123.9%	61,337,066	56,180,763	9.2% 80.5%
Other Tobacco Products	4,259,278	1,902,251		32,889,802	18,222,861	
Floor Stock Tax	24	420	-94.3%	6,889	47,336	-85.4%
License and Privilege	\$8,052,846	\$553,532	1354.8%	\$117,344,832	\$124,508,697	-5.8%
Alc. Bev. License Suspension	33,100	7,750	327.1%	140,350	240,500	-41.6%
Corporation License	6,697	996	572.4%	194,307	38,649	402.7%
Corporation Organization	240	4,660	-94.8%	29,782	60,992	-51.2%
Occupational Licenses	35,316	14,621	141.5%	164,148	116,602	40.8%
Race Track License	0	0		235,191	242,717	-3.1%
Bank Franchise Tax	7,712,845	498,224	1448.1%	115,794,349	122,600,207	-5.6%
Driver License Fees	264,648	27,281	870.1%	786,705	1,209,029	-34.9%
Natural Resources	\$7,208,356	\$6,071,849	18.7%	\$69,301,935	\$76,790,110	-9.8%
Coal Severance	4,507,959	4,124,633	9.3%	46,778,657	52,264,760	-10.5%
Oil Production	588,331	279,744	110.3%	3,251,442	4,412,779	-26.3%
Minerals Severance	1,712,785	1,328,673	28.9%	16,864,543	16,178,250	4.2%
Natural Gas Severance	399,281	338,798	17.9%	2,407,293	3,934,321	-38.8%
Income	\$726,072,861	\$413,790,866	75.5%	\$4,723,518,573	\$4,140,239,144	14.1%
Corporation	141,852,471	23,987,444	491.4%	434,851,794	243,611,818	78.5%
Individual	535,300,129	361,662,730	48.0%	4,055,800,757	3,716,696,714	9.1%
Limited Liability Entity	48,920,262	28,140,692	73.8%	232,866,022	179,930,612	29.4%
Property	\$30,848,836	\$17.318.003	78.1%	\$654,146,895	\$612,000,443	6.9%
Building & Loan Association	0	0		51,057	(192,854)	
General - Real	3,141,230	2,574,643	22.0%	315,172,085	300,857,922	4.8%
General - Tangible	29,143,005	18,209,179	60.0%	255,998,745	231,773,331	10.5%
Omitted & Delinguent	(4,797,616)	(4,976,538)		10,102,229	8,129,939	24.3%
Public Service	3,357,813	1,508,398	122.6%	70,279,055	69,187,547	1.6%
Other	4,403	2,321	89.7%	2,543,724	2,244,558	13.3%
Inheritance Tax	\$3,716,327	\$3,373,569	10.2%	\$46,515,399	\$38,952,954	19.4%
Miscellaneous	\$1,690,771	\$1,718,720	-1.6%	\$10,407,042	\$16,533,678	-37.1%
Legal Process	976,059	824,656	18.4%	8,183,543	10,702,923	-23.5%
T. V. A. In Lieu Payments	714,650	832,214	-14.1%	1,823,152	4,992,694	-63.5%
Other	63	61,850	-99.9%	400,346	838,061	-52.2%
Nontax Receipts	\$38,556,414	\$26,462,496	45.7%	\$321,247,809	\$294,587,122	9.1%
Departmental Fees	1,150,784	1,925,288	-40.2%	8,627,592	11,856,260	-27.2%
PSC Assessment Fee	0	0		14,344,982	13,071,422	9.7%
Fines & Forfeitures	1,686,820	1,399,867	20.5%	9,893,821	14,484,584	-31.7%
Income on Investments	(48,773)	(36,875)		(663,401)	(6,141,646)	
Lottery	25,000,000	22,000,000	13.6%	231,104,545	223,363,344	3.5%
Miscellaneous	10,767,584	1,174,216	817.0%	57,940,271	37,953,158	52.7%
Redeposit of State Funds	\$149,256	\$535,479	-72.1%	\$18,339,602	\$17,730,638	3.4%

## 2. ROAD FUND REVENUE

	APRIL	APRIL	JULY THROUGH APRIL				
	2021	2020	<u>% Change</u>	FY 2021	FY 2020	<u>% Change</u>	
TOTAL STATE ROAD FUND	\$162,562,169	\$101,692,138	59.9%	\$1,338,248,716	\$1,268,603,960	5.5%	
Tax Receipts-	\$159,166,709	\$98,221,785	62.0%	\$1,314,871,605	\$1,239,310,451	6.1%	
Sales and Gross Receipts	\$129,121,868	\$75,953,513	70.0%	\$1,118,378,318	\$1,056,809,561	5.8%	
Motor Fuels Taxes	64,376,951	56,114,521	14.7%	613,173,414	637,411,551	-3.8%	
Motor Vehicle Usage	64,744,917	19,838,992	226.4%	505,204,904	419,398,010	20.5%	
License and Privilege	\$30,044,841	\$22,268,271	34.9%	\$196,493,287	\$182,500,890	7.7%	
Motor Vehicles	17,389,807	12,254,167	41.9%	94,670,271	89,585,338	5.7%	
Motor Vehicle Operators	2,583,305	843,038	206.4%	17,972,393	12,881,929	39.5%	
Weight Distance	8,642,119	6,008,773	43.8%	70,795,403	69,545,193	1.8%	
Truck Decal Fees	29,800	34,320	-13.2%	99,820	54,100	84.5%	
Other Special Fees	1,399,809	3,127,974	-55.2%	12,955,400	10,434,330	24.2%	
Nontax Receipts	\$3,325,657	\$3,457,484	-3.8%	\$23,013,481	\$28,821,311	-20.2%	
Departmental Fees	2,745,457	2,438,861	12.6%	18,658,377	18,353,009	1.7%	
In Lieu of Traffic Fines	22,470	14,325	56.9%	168,765	265,462	-36.4%	
Income on Investments	198,186	525,921	-62.3%	99,810	6,260,629	-98.4%	
Miscellaneous	359,544	478,377	-24.8%	4,086,529	3,942,211	3.7%	
Redeposit of State Funds	\$69,802	\$12,870	442.4%	\$363,629	\$472,198	-23.0%	

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