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## **February General Revenue Collections Show Impact of Winter Storms**

**OKLAHOMA CITY** – General Revenue Fund collections for the month of February were affected by Oklahoma’s harsh winter weather as collections dipped below those of the prior year and estimate, State Treasurer Scott Meacham reported today.

Preliminary reports show General Revenue Fund collections for February totaled \$304.8 million. That amount was:

- \$ 9.3 million or 3 percent below the prior year; and
- \$ 5.8 million or 1.9 percent below the estimate.

Collections from two of the four major tax categories, sales tax and motor vehicle taxes, exceeded the prior year by \$8.3 million and were above the estimate by a total of \$5.4 million. However, collections from income taxes and gross production taxes were below the prior year by \$22.8 million and below the estimate by \$18.1 million.

Meacham said gross production taxes continue to lag due to lower energy prices. The decline in income tax collections, he said, is found in one area – payroll withholding.

“Withholding payments from Oklahoma employers were \$24 million lower than the same month last year,” Meacham said.

“The Tax Commission has identified four factors to help account for the reduction,” he said. “First, withholding by Oklahoma’s large retailers was off substantially attributable to bad weather and closed stores in mid to late January. Also, while we hope to see long-term positive economic impact, the Tax Commission estimates the income tax cut approved last year reduced collections by \$17.9 million for the month.

“In addition, the federal government remitted \$2 million less in payroll taxes in February than in January and, finally; this is the first month we had with Kerr McGee no longer paying withholding taxes in Oklahoma.”

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Net income tax collections produced \$44.8 million, which was \$19.6 million or 30.4 percent below the prior year and \$10.4 million or 18.9 percent below the estimate. Net income tax collections include personal income taxes and corporate income taxes less refunds paid for the month.

The state sales tax produced \$116.5 million for the month, which was \$7.8 million or 7.2 percent above the prior year and \$3.6 million or 3.2 percent above the estimate.

The gross production tax on oil and natural gas yielded \$61.4 million for the month, which was \$3.2 million or 5 percent below the prior year and \$7.7 million or 11.1 percent below the estimate.

Motor vehicle taxes produced \$18.9 million, which was \$0.5 million or 2.9 percent above the prior year and \$1.8 million or 10.6 percent above the estimate.

Investment of state funds by Treasurer Meacham produced \$14.9 million for the month. That was \$4.2 million or 39.7 percent more than the previous year.

Other revenue, which includes the Treasurer's investment earnings, produced \$63.2 million for the month of February. This was \$5.2 million or 9 percent above the prior year and \$6.9 million or 12.3 percent above the estimate.

For the fiscal year to date, collections continue to exceed the prior year and estimate. Total General Revenue collections for the first eight months of the fiscal year were \$3.7 billion. That is \$175.6 million or 5 percent above the prior year and \$107.5 million or 3 percent above the estimate.

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# General Revenue Comparisons With Prior Year

## CHART I

PRELIMINARY

### MONTHLY COMPARISON

**SUMMARY February 2007**

(In \$ millions)	FY-06 Actual	FY-07 Actual	Variance From Prior Year	
	February 2006	February 2007	\$	%
Net Income Tax	64.4	44.8	-19.6	-30.4%
Gross Production	64.7	61.4	-3.2	-5.0%
Sales Tax	108.6	116.5	7.8	7.2%
Motor Vehicle	18.3	18.9	0.5	2.9%
<b>Subtotal: Major Taxes</b>	<b>256.0</b>	<b>241.6</b>	<b>-14.5</b>	<b>-5.7%</b>
Other Sources (1)	58.0	63.2	5.2	9.0%
<b>TOTAL GEN REVENUE</b>	<b>314.0</b>	<b>304.8</b>	<b>-9.3</b>	<b>-3.0%</b>
Less 1-time receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Recurring Rev. (2)	314.0	304.8	-9.3	-3.0%

PRELIMINARY

### 8 MONTH YEAR TO DATE

**SUMMARY February 2007**

(In \$ millions)	FY-06 Actual	FY-07 Actual	Variance From Prior Year	
	Thru February 2006	Thru February 2007	\$	%
Net Income Tax	1,594.6	1,676.4	81.8	5.1%
Gross Production	452.9	384.0	-68.9	-15.2%
Sales Tax	956.5	1,012.0	55.5	5.8%
Motor Vehicle	149.1	162.1	12.9	8.7%
<b>Subtotal: Major Taxes</b>	<b>3,153.3</b>	<b>3,234.5</b>	<b>81.3</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
Other Sources (1)	388.7	483.0	94.3	24.3%
<b>TOTAL GEN REVENUE</b>	<b>3,541.9</b>	<b>3,717.5</b>	<b>175.6</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
Less 1-time receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Recurring Rev. (2)	3,541.9	3,717.5	175.6	5.0%

*(1) Other sources revenue estimated pending final accounting.*

*(2) Recurring revenue after subtracting one-time funds.*

*Details may not sum due to rounding.*

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# General Revenue Comparisons With Estimate

## CHART II

PRELIMINARY

### MONTHLY COMPARISON

SUMMARY February 2007

(In \$ millions)	FY-07 Estimate	FY-07 Actual	Variance From Estimate	
	February 2007	February 2007	\$	%
Net Income Tax	55.2	44.8	-10.4	-18.9%
Gross Production	69.1	61.4	-7.7	-11.1%
Sales Tax	112.9	116.5	3.6	3.2%
Motor Vehicle	17.0	18.9	1.8	10.6%
<b>Subtotal: Major Taxes</b>	<b>254.3</b>	<b>241.6</b>	<b>-12.7</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>
Other Sources (1)	56.3	63.2	6.9	12.3%
<b>TOTAL GEN REVENUE</b>	<b>310.5</b>	<b>304.8</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>
Less 1-time receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Recurring Rev. (2)	310.5	304.8	-5.8	-1.9%

PRELIMINARY

### 8 MONTH YEAR TO DATE

SUMMARY February 2007

(In \$ millions)	FY-07 Estimate	FY-07 Actual	Variance From Estimate	
	Thru February 2007	Thru February 2007	\$	%
Net Income Tax	1,596.1	1,676.4	80.4	5.0%
Gross Production	466.5	384.0	-82.5	-17.7%
Sales Tax	986.3	1,012.0	25.7	2.6%
Motor Vehicle	144.8	162.1	17.3	11.9%
<b>Subtotal: Major Taxes</b>	<b>3,193.7</b>	<b>3,234.5</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
Other Sources (1)	416.3	483.0	66.7	16.0%
<b>TOTAL GEN REVENUE</b>	<b>3,610.0</b>	<b>3,717.5</b>	<b>107.5</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
Less 1-time receipts	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Recurring Rev. (2)	3,610.0	3,717.5	107.5	3.0%

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