



# Iowa Department of **REVENUE**

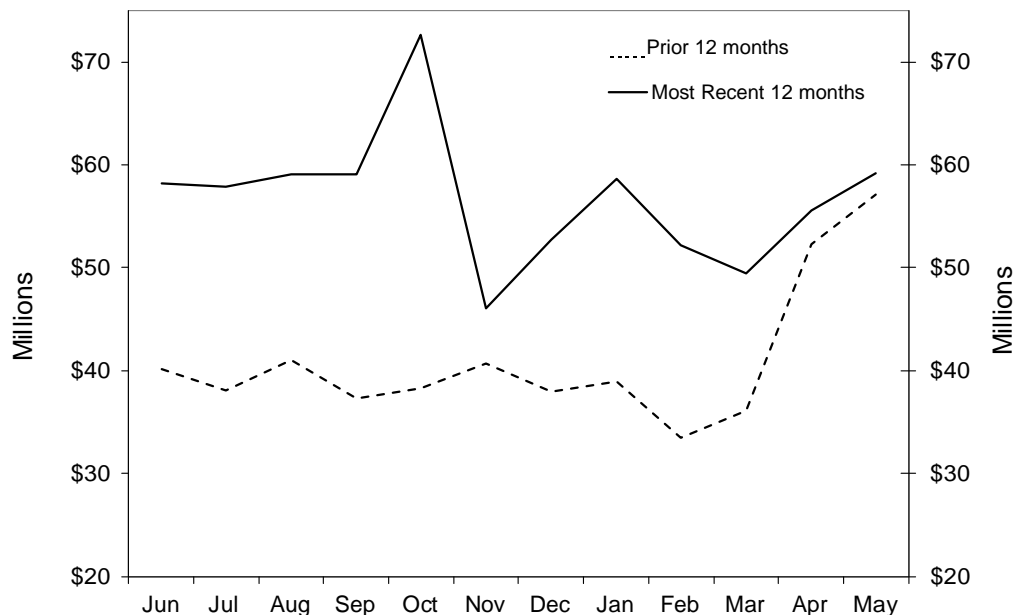
## Fuel Tax Monthly Report for May 2016

The Iowa Fuel Tax Monthly Report presents the gross gallons of fuel delivered by Iowa licensed Suppliers, Blenders, Importers, Restrictive Suppliers, and Liquefied Petroleum Gas/Compressed Natural Gas Dealers and Users. The report is published on the Motor Fuel monthly reports page of the [Iowa Department of Revenue website](#). Each month's report is available no later than the last working day of the month following the tax reporting period it covers. For example, information for the tax period June 1 through June 30, which is reported to the Department of Revenue during the reporting period July 1 to July 31, is contained in the July Monthly Report.

Page 3 of the report shows monthly collections for ten fuel types as well as collections from prior tax periods reported as accounts receivable. Fiscal Year-To-Date and Prior Fiscal Year-To-Date collections, refunds and credits, and collections less refunds and credits are also provided. While refund claims can be filed throughout the year, credits are claimed once annually on income tax returns.

Figure 1 compares monthly net collections across the last 24 months. Since April 2015, year-over-year growth in net collections has reflected tax rate increases that became effective in March 2015. Because these higher tax rates were effective for collections beginning in April 2015, the year-over-year growth in net collections as of April 2016 is a result of increased consumption during the period. Net collections were \$59.2 million in May 2016, 4 percent higher than in May 2015.

**Figure 1. Iowa Monthly Fuel Tax Collections Less Refunds and Credits:  
Most Recent 12 Months Compared to Prior 12 Months for May 2016**



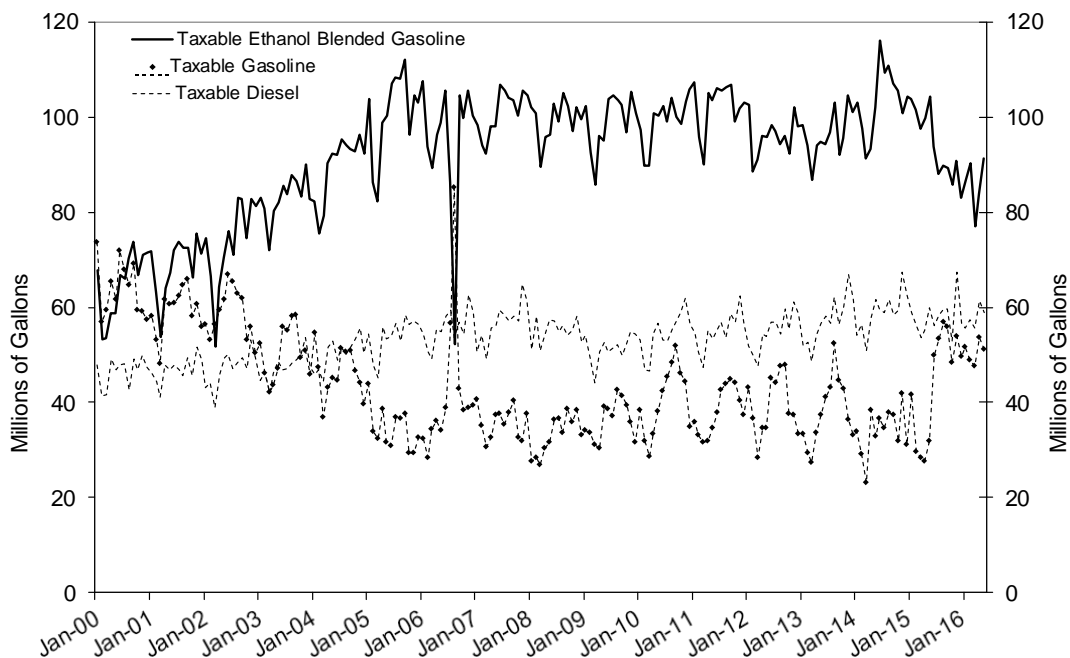
Source: Iowa Department of Revenue

Page 4 of the report shows gross gallons and taxable gallons by fuel type. Exported gallons account for most of the difference between gross and taxable amounts since Iowa exports well over half of the ethanol blended gasoline produced in the state. Though infrequent, the number of taxable gallons may be reported in a month other than that for which taxes are remitted.

Collections and gallon amounts contained in this report are from the Supplier/Terminal or “Rack” level, not the retail level. Further blending of products may occur throughout the fuel distribution chain. This is the case for most E85 (gasoline blended with 70 to 85 percent ethanol) gallons, so the gallons reported for this fuel type are far below the number of retail gallons sold in Iowa.

In 2000, taxable sales of ethanol blended gasoline and gasoline were roughly equal. As Figure 2 shows, demand shifted over the next six years to ethanol blended gasoline, except for August 2006 when a temporary price change drove a brief reversal in demand. Between 2005 and early 2015, ethanol blended gasoline accounted for a monthly average of 73 percent of taxable gallons of motor fuel. Since June 2015, the average percentage of taxable gallons reported as ethanol blended gasoline has fallen to 63 percent, reflecting a change in the manner in which the types of taxable gallons are reported by suppliers. Year-to-year comparisons of ethanol blended gasoline’s share of total taxable gallons should be made with attention to this limitation.

**Figure 2. Iowa Monthly Taxable Ethanol Blended Gasoline, Gasoline, and Diesel Gallons: January 2000 – May 2016**



Source: Iowa Department of Revenue

The report also shows a breakdown of the refund dollar amounts by claim type for the month. Refunds are claimed against taxes paid on fuel that is used for non-taxable purposes, such as agricultural or commercial non-highway uses. Refunds are also claimed for excess tax on blended fuel and denaturing alcohol. The excess tax on blended fuel refund results when a blender purchases gasoline taxed at 30.8 cents per gallon and collects tax on the resulting ethanol blended gasoline at 29.3 cents per gallon. Therefore, the additional 1.5 cents paid on the gasoline is eligible for refund; similarly for the 3 cent gap between taxes on diesel and B11 or higher blends. The denaturing alcohol refund applies when the denaturant (gasoline) taxed at 30.8 cents per gallon is blended with food grade alcohol to produce ethanol. When a refund of Iowa fuel tax is granted for non-taxable usage, those gallons become subject to Iowa sales tax, unless a sales tax exemption applies. Sales tax collected on those gallons is included at the bottom of the final page of the monthly report.

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**MOTOR FUEL**

Detailed Collections	Gasoline	Ethanol Blended Gasoline	E85	Aviation Gasoline	
		\$16,458,753	\$27,969,361	\$138,514	\$8,435
<b>Collections</b>	Total Remitted	\$44,575,063			
<b>Permit Refunds</b>	Total Refunded	<u>\$3,627,044</u>			
<b>Collections Less Permit Refunds</b>		<b>Current Month</b> \$40,948,019	<b>Fiscal YTD</b> \$423,328,488	<b>Prior FYTD</b> \$297,269,850	<b>Change</b> 42.41%

**SPECIAL FUEL**

Detailed Collections		Aviation Jet	Diesel	B11 or Higher	
			\$133,525	\$19,111,466	\$839,882
<b>Collections</b>	Total Remitted	\$20,084,873			
<b>Permit Refunds</b>	Total Refunded	<u>\$1,511,383</u>			
<b>Collections Less Permit Refunds</b>		<b>Current Month</b> \$18,573,490	<b>Fiscal YTD</b> \$201,465,268	<b>Prior FYTD</b> \$155,809,092	<b>Change</b> 29.30%

**LPG, LNG, & CNG**

Detailed Collections		LPG	LNG	CNG	
			\$21,540	\$0	\$139,987
<b>Collections</b>	Total Remitted	\$161,527			
<b>Permit Refunds</b>	Total Refunded	<u>\$463</u>			
<b>Collections Less Permit Refunds</b>		<b>Current Month</b> \$161,064	<b>Fiscal YTD</b> \$880,903	<b>Prior FYTD</b> \$377,529	<b>Change</b> 133.33%

**MISC. & ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Detailed Collections		Miscellaneous	Accounts Receivable	
			\$0	\$8,279
<b>Collections</b>	Total Remitted	<u>\$8,279</u>		
<b>Misc. &amp; Account Receivable</b>		<b>Current Month</b> \$8,279	<b>Fiscal YTD</b> \$68,970	<b>Prior FYTD</b> \$343,836

**TOTAL**

<b>Collections</b>		<b>Current Month</b> \$64,829,742	<b>Fiscal YTD</b> \$677,298,322	<b>Prior FYTD</b> \$482,992,134	<b>Change</b> 40.23%
<b>Refunds</b>					
<b>Permit Refunds Including Interest</b>		\$5,138,968			
<b>Motor Fuel Individual/Corporate Credits</b>		<u>\$511,229</u>			
<b>Total Refunds and Credits</b>		\$5,650,197	\$55,031,565	\$31,848,401	72.79%
<b>Collections Less Permit Refunds and Credits</b>		\$59,179,546	\$622,266,758	\$451,143,733	37.93%

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**MOTOR FUEL GALLONS SUMMARY**

	<b>Gasoline</b>	<b>Ethanol Blended Gasoline</b>	<b>E85</b>	<b>Aviation Gas</b>	<b>Motor Fuel Total</b>
Gross Gallons Received	58,704,171	256,937,677	640,584	101,692	316,384,124
Exported Gallons	6,781,735	164,226,671	184,030	0	171,192,436
Distribution Allowance	829,001	1,447,727	3,887	712	2,281,327
Total Taxable Gallons	51,093,435	91,263,279	452,667	100,980	142,910,361
Remitted	\$16,458,753	\$27,969,361	\$138,514	\$8,435	\$44,575,063

**SPECIAL FUEL GALLONS SUMMARY**

	<b>Aviation Jet</b>	<b>Diesel</b>	<b>B11 or Higher</b>	<b>Special Fuel Total</b>
Gross Gallons Received	2,902,245	66,155,808	15,487,098	84,545,151
Exported Gallons	327,863	9,458,390	12,759,922	22,546,175
Distribution Allowance	17,435	393,580	1,159	412,174
Total Taxable Gallons	2,556,947	56,303,838	2,726,017	61,586,802
Remitted	\$133,525	\$19,111,466	\$839,882	\$20,084,873

**LPG, LNG, & CNG GALLONS SUMMARY**

	<b>LPG</b>	<b>LNG</b>	<b>CNG</b>
Total Taxable Gallons	40,985	0	451,575
Remitted	\$21,540	\$0	\$139,987

**REFUND SUMMARY****DOLLARS**

<b>Number of Claims</b>	<b>Permit Type</b>	<b>Motor Fuel</b>	<b>Special Fuel</b>	<b>LPG &amp; CNG</b>	<b>Interest Paid</b>	<b>Total</b>
19	Agricultural	817	26,814	0	0	27,631
6	Federal Government	7,138	1,800	175	0	9,114
11	State Government	104,265	161,292	0	0	265,557
133	Other Political	189,830	80,082	0	0	269,911
0	Urban Transit	0	0	0	0	0
0	Regional Transit	0	0	0	0	0
1	Native American	4,816	288	0	0	5,104
0	Contract Carrier	0	0	0	0	0
0	Commercial Fisherman	0	0	0	0	0
0	Home Heating	0	0	0	0	0
2	Extract of Nat'l Deposits	923	0	0	0	923
49	Denaturing Alcohol	2,172,558	0	0	77	2,172,635
105	Commercial	87,600	337,244	288	0	425,131
0	Refund Agent	0	0	0	0	0
7	Transport Diversions	807,148	36,517	0	0	843,665
0	Casualty Losses	0	0	0	0	0
2	Special Fuel Blending	0	1,046	0	0	1,046
24	Excess Tax on Blended Fuel	251,950	866,301	0	0	1,118,250
359	<b>TOTALS</b>	\$3,627,044	\$1,511,383	\$463	\$77	\$5,138,968

**GALLONS USED IN A MANNER EXEMPT FROM FUEL TAX**

**Sales Tax** \$80,240