

Iowa Department of **REVENUE**

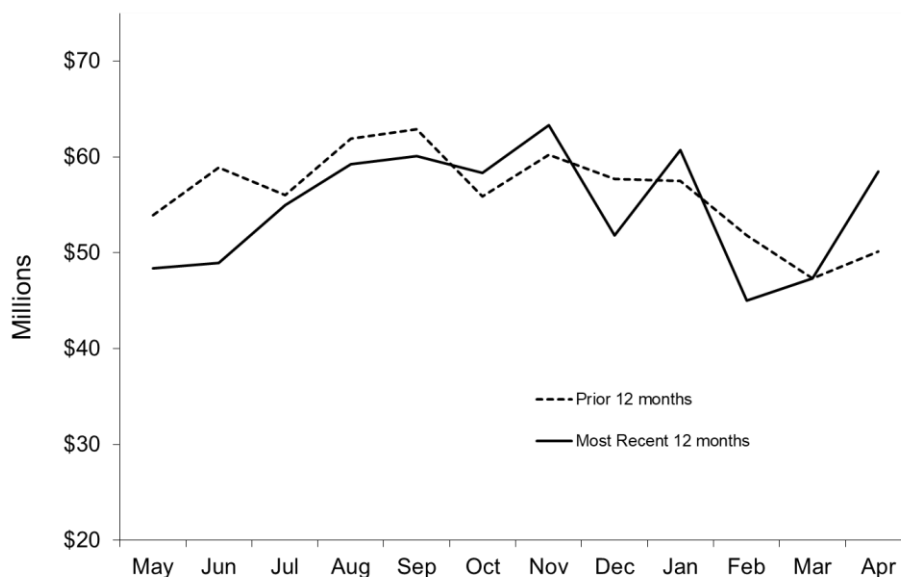
Fuel Tax Monthly Report for April 2021

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.

Page 3 of the report shows monthly collections for ten fuel types and collections from prior tax periods reported as accounts receivable. Fiscal Year-To-Date and Prior Fiscal Year-To-Date collections, refunds, 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. In April 2021, collections were 16.6 percent higher than April of last year. Year-over-year motor fuel net collections increased by 19.2 percent and collections on diesel increased by 12.4 percent. Monthly collections were higher than prior year numbers in five of the last twelve months. Because the number of taxable gallons may be reported in a month other than that for which taxes are remitted, net collections do not necessarily reflect the number of taxable gallons sold in the month. In April 2021, taxable gallons of motor fuel were 5.9 percent higher than in the previous April; taxable gallons of diesel were 6.9 percent higher than in the prior April. The downturn earlier this year reflected impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, economic lockdown, and reduction in travel.

**Figure 1. Iowa Monthly Fuel Tax Collections Less Refunds and Credits:
Most Recent 12 Months Compared to Prior 12 Months for April 2021**



Source: Iowa Department of Revenue

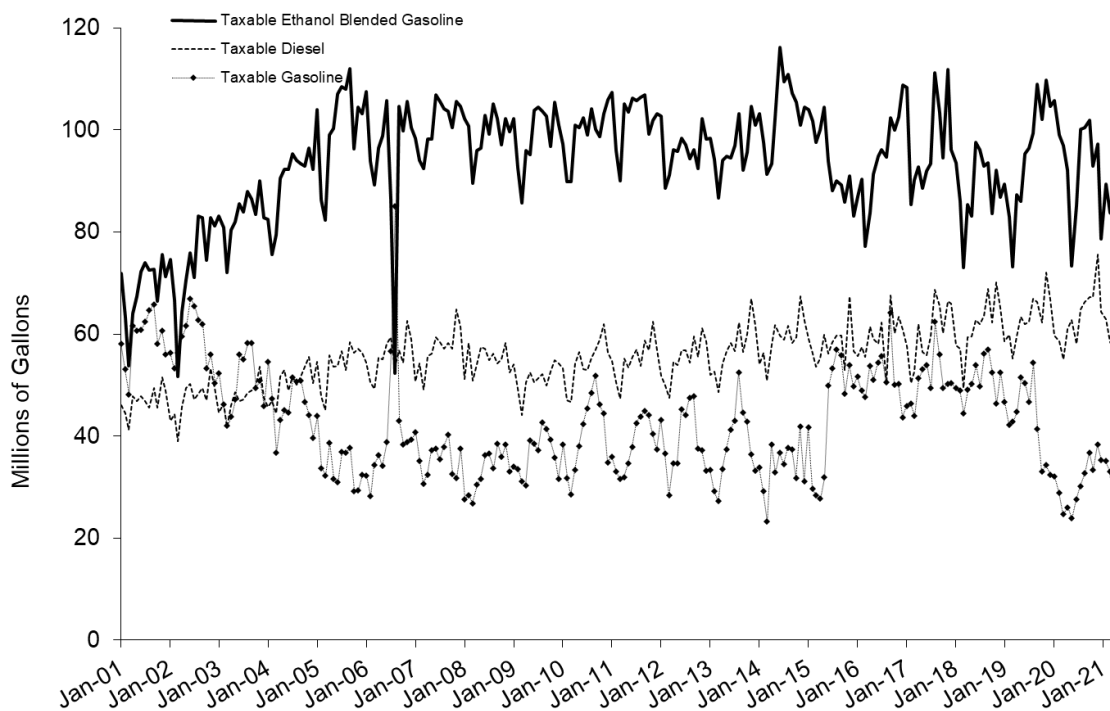
Collections and gallon amounts contained in this report are from the Supplier/Terminal or "Rack" level, not the retail level. Further blending of products may occur along the fuel distribution chain. This is the case for most E15 or Higher (gasoline blended with 15 percent of ethanol or higher percentages)

gallons, so the gallons reported for this fuel type are far below the number of retail gallons sold in Iowa.

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.

In 2001, taxable sales of ethanol blended gasoline and gasoline were roughly equal. As Figure 2 shows, demand shifted over the next five years to ethanol blended gasoline, except for September 2006 when a temporary price change drove a brief reversal. Between 2005 and early 2015, ethanol blended gasoline accounted for a monthly average of 73 percent of taxable gallons of motor fuel. For the period since June 2015, the monthly average percentage of taxable gallons reported as ethanol blended gasoline is 67.4 percent, reflecting a change in the manner in which the types of taxable gallons are reported by suppliers. Comparisons of ethanol blended gasoline's share of total taxable gallons over time should be made with attention to this limitation. In April 2021, gallons of ethanol blended gasoline represented 77.0 percent of motor fuel taxable gallons.

Figure 2. Iowa Monthly Taxable Ethanol Blended Gasoline, Gasoline, and Diesel Gallons: January 2001 – April 2021



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 30.0 cents per gallon and collects tax on the resulting ethanol blended gasoline at 24.0 cents per gallon. Therefore, the additional 6.0 cents paid on the gasoline is eligible for refund; similarly for the 2.4 cent gap between taxes on diesel and B11 or higher blends. The denaturing alcohol refund applies when the denaturant (gasoline) taxed at 30.0 cents per gallon is blended with food grade alcohol to produce ethanol blended gasoline E15 or Higher. 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	E10 to E14	E15 or Higher	Aviation Gasoline	
	\$9,132,862	\$30,377,302	\$906,018	\$16,360	
Collections	Total Remitted	\$40,432,542			
Permit Refunds	Total Refunded	<u>\$2,707,570</u>			
		Current Month	Fiscal YTD	Prior FYTD	Change
Collections Less Permit Refunds		\$37,724,972	\$358,831,262	\$370,533,887	-3.16%

SPECIAL FUEL

Detailed Collections	Aviation Jet	Diesel	B11 or Higher		
	\$168,717	\$20,195,284	\$2,017,007		
Collections	Total Remitted	\$22,381,008			
Permit Refunds	Total Refunded	<u>\$940,045</u>			
		Current Month	Fiscal YTD	Prior FYTD	Change
Collections Less Permit Refunds		\$21,440,963	\$200,398,305	\$190,655,791	5.11%

LPG, LNG, & CNG

Detailed Collections	LPG	LNG	CNG		
	\$18,961	\$0	\$48,843		
Collections	Total Remitted	\$67,804			
Permit Refunds	Total Refunded	<u>\$36,002</u>			
		Current Month	Fiscal YTD	Prior FYTD	Change
Collections Less Permit Refunds		\$31,802	\$676,327	\$730,994	-7.48%

MISC. & ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Detailed Collections	Miscellaneous	Accounts Receivable			
	\$0	\$7,014			
Collections	Total Remitted	<u>\$7,014</u>			
		Current Month	Fiscal YTD	Prior FYTD	Change
Misc. & Account Receivable		\$7,014	\$2,201,777	\$2,496,683	-11.81%

TOTAL

Collections	Current Month	Fiscal YTD	Prior FYTD	Change
	\$62,888,368	\$600,256,907	\$609,357,769	-1.49%
Refunds				
Permit Refunds Including Interest	\$3,683,835			
Motor Fuel Individual/Corporate Credits	<u>\$755,536</u>			
Total Refunds and Credits	\$4,439,371	\$41,087,670	\$48,023,189	-14.44%
Collections Less Permit Refunds and Credits	\$58,448,996	\$559,169,236	\$561,334,580	-0.39%

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MOTOR FUEL GALLONS SUMMARY

	Gasoline	E10 to E14	E15 or Higher	Aviation Gas	Motor Fuel Total
Gross Gallons Received	33,559,188	251,427,706	3,921,193	199,056	289,107,143
Exported Gallons	4,333,985	153,457,723	283,664	3,000	158,078,372
Distribution Allowance	467,650	1,561,447	56,185	2,039	2,087,321
Total Taxable Gallons	28,757,553	96,408,536	3,581,344	194,017	128,941,450
Remitted	\$9,132,862	\$30,377,302	\$906,018	\$16,360	\$40,432,542

SPECIAL FUEL GALLONS SUMMARY

	Aviation Jet	Diesel	B11 or Higher	Special Fuel Total
Gross Gallons Received	4,884,908	73,049,671	19,482,887	97,417,466
Exported Gallons	1,662,178	13,809,079	13,107,094	28,578,351
Distribution Allowance	21,546	407,085	18,665	447,296
Total Taxable Gallons	3,201,184	58,833,507	6,357,128	68,391,819
Remitted	\$168,717	\$20,195,284	\$2,017,007	\$22,381,008

LPG, LNG, & CNG GALLONS SUMMARY

	LPG	LNG	CNG
Total Taxable Gallons	71,180	0	157,557
Remitted	\$18,961	\$0	\$48,843

REFUND SUMMARY**DOLLARS**

Number of Claims	Permit Type	Motor Fuel	Special Fuel	LPG & CNG	Interest Paid	Total
12	Agricultural	2,247	3,908	0	0	6,155
4	Federal Government	186,737	25,939	0	0	212,675
12	State Government	122,229	8,279	0	0	130,507
160	Other Political	209,339	64,555	69	0	273,963
0	Urban Transit	0	0	0	0	0
0	Regional Transit	0	0	0	0	0
0	Native American	0	0	0	0	0
0	Contract Carrier	0	0	0	0	0
0	Commercial Fisherman	0	0	0	0	0
0	Home Heating	0	0	0	0	0
0	Extract of Nat'l Deposits	0	0	0	0	0
38	Denaturing Alcohol	1,545,724	0	0	0	1,545,724
89	Commercial	68,157	350,702	35,933	219	455,010
0	Refund Agent	0	0	0	0	0
24	Transport Diversions	43,897	103,740	0	0	147,638
0	Casualty Losses	0	0	0	0	0
0	Special Fuel Blending	0	0	0	0	0
15	Excess Tax on Blended Fuel	529,240	382,922	0	0	912,162
354	TOTALS	\$2,707,570	\$940,045	\$36,002	\$219	\$3,683,835

GALLONS USED IN A MANNER EXEMPT FROM FUEL TAX

Sales Tax \$154,506