

# Quarterly Economic Summary

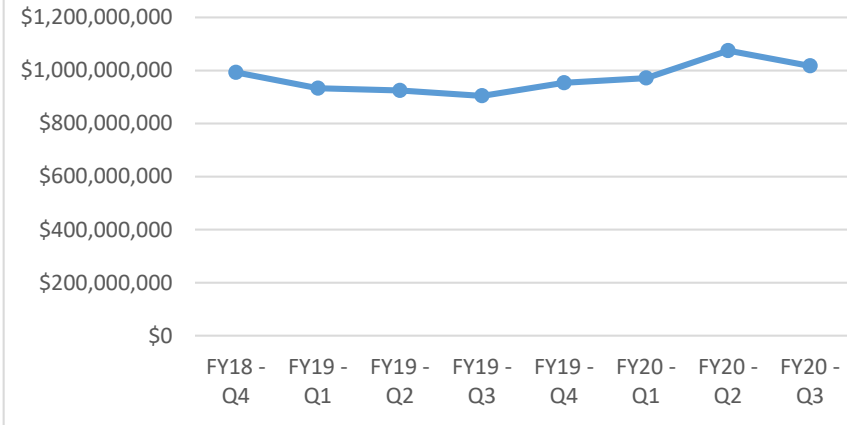
## Doña Ana County

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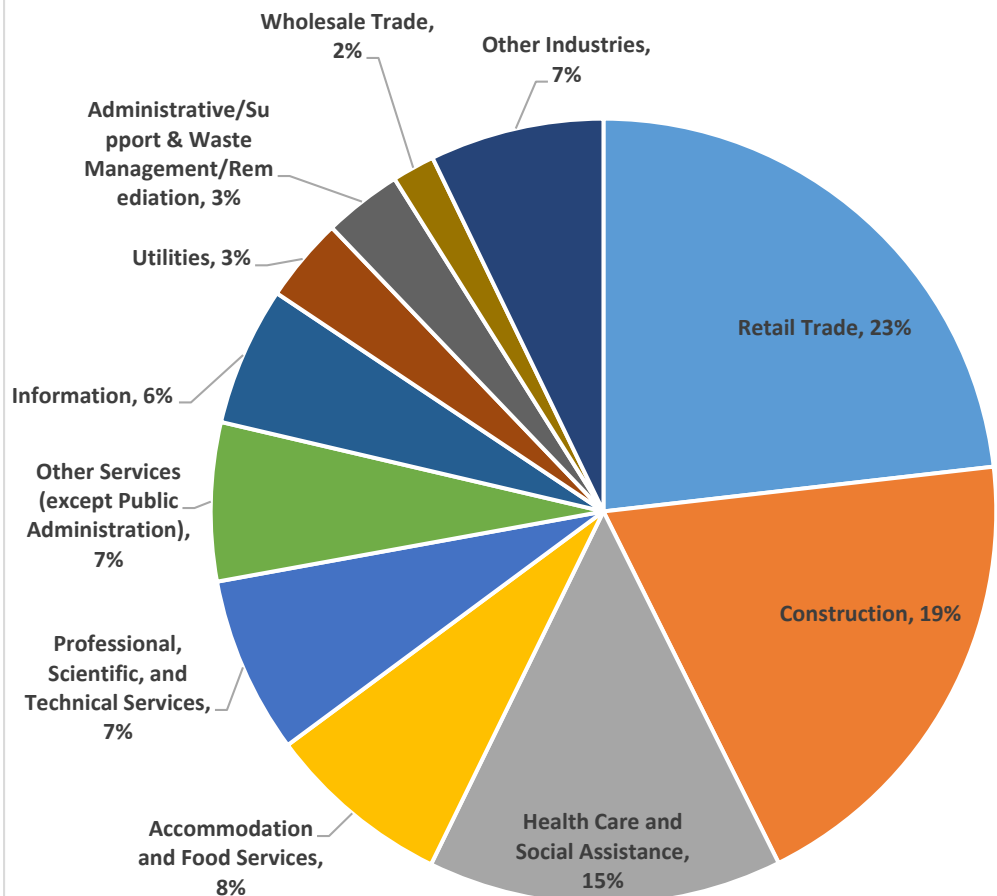
Chart 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts Per Quarter



Due to the necessity of the statewide business closure, which went into effect on March 24<sup>th</sup>, and the health and economic effects COVID-19 had since early March, matched taxable gross receipts and revenue collections may have declined in the third quarter of FY20. Most of the gross receipts tax decline is due to COVID-19 and the loss in business revenue, but potential delays in taxpayer reporting may add to the level of decline seen in the quarter. It is anticipated that the next quarter will have greater declines.

Doña Ana County has seen its matched taxable gross receipts (MTGR) remain nearly stable over the last eight quarters, as seen in Chart 1. Even though there was a 5% decrease in MTGR from Q2 to Q3 in FY20, Q3 still represents the second largest quarter for MTGR in Doña Ana County, dating back to FY08. Table 1, on the next page, highlights the increase seen between Q3 FY19 and Q3 FY20 with a year over year growth of nearly \$113M. The largest

Chart 2. FY20 - Q3 Industry Size by Matched Taxable Gross Receipts



**Matched Taxable Gross Receipts (MTGR)** is the best tax data available to show underlying economic activity. It matches a tax payment with reported receipts for each taxpayer, by industry.

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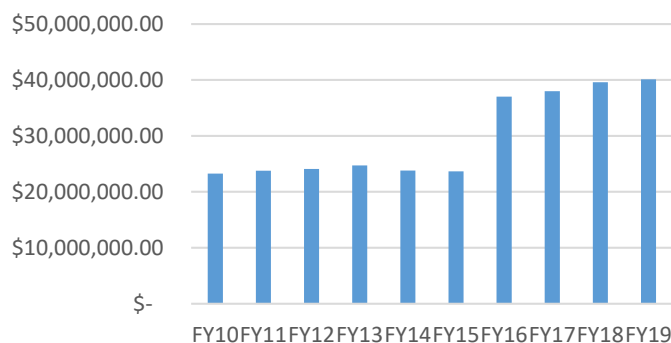
**Table 1. Matched Taxable Gross Receipts by Industry**

Industries	FY19 - Q3	FY20 - Q3	Growth	Year over year Change
Accommodation and Food Services	\$ 85,143,337	\$ 77,595,024	\$ (7,548,312)	-9%
Administrative/Support & Waste Management/Remediation	\$ 31,448,943	\$ 32,789,641	\$ 1,340,698	4%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	\$ 1,581,993	\$ 2,463,302	\$ 881,309	56%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	\$ 6,331,567	\$ 5,207,166	\$ (1,124,401)	-18%
Construction	\$ 128,773,605	\$ 197,935,376	\$ 69,161,771	54%
Educational Services	\$ 9,546,345	\$ 13,638,109	\$ 4,091,763	43%
Finance and Insurance	\$ 6,723,660	\$ 6,706,609	\$ (17,051)	0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$ 134,673,819	\$ 148,405,781	\$ 13,731,963	10%
Information	\$ 55,940,794	\$ 58,145,647	\$ 2,204,854	4%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	\$ 1,139,294	\$ 664,369	\$ (474,925)	-42%
Manufacturing	\$ 12,121,009	\$ 15,309,042	\$ 3,188,034	26%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	\$ 879,928	\$ 670,842	\$ (209,086)	-24%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	\$ 64,177,459	\$ 66,310,849	\$ 2,133,391	3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	\$ 52,662,279	\$ 74,019,168	\$ 21,356,888	41%
Public Administration	\$ -	\$ 20,157	\$ 20,157	N/A
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	\$ 14,313,976	\$ 15,667,256	\$ 1,353,279	9%
Retail Trade	\$ 236,406,265	\$ 235,770,320	\$ (635,944)	0%
Transportation and Warehousing	\$ 6,124,517	\$ 7,118,607	\$ 994,090	16%
Unclassified Establishments	\$ 4,321,685	\$ 5,442,331	\$ 1,120,646	26%
Utilities	\$ 36,093,960	\$ 35,334,080	\$ (759,879)	-2%
Wholesale Trade	\$ 15,832,443	\$ 17,907,544	\$ 2,075,101	13%
<b>All Industries</b>	<b>\$ 904,236,876</b>	<b>\$ 1,017,121,221</b>	<b>\$ 112,884,345</b>	<b>12%</b>

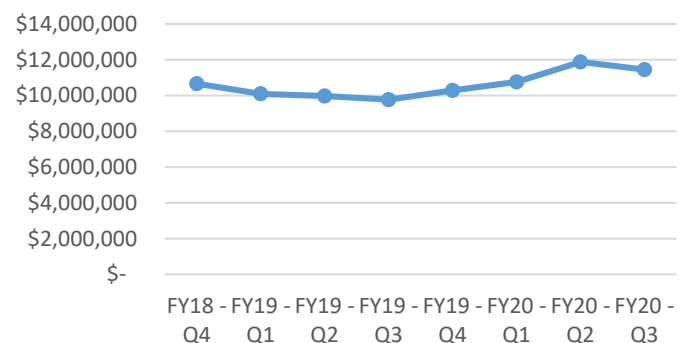
contributor to this growth came from the construction industry, which saw a \$69M increase. Gross receipts tax (GRT) revenue collections decreased by \$429K from Q2 to Q3 FY20, as seen in Chart 4. This decrease follows an all-time high in GRT revenue collections for Doña Ana (\$11.9M), seen in Q2 FY20. Though collections decreased in Q3, they are the second highest collections on record (\$11.4M).

HB6, passed in 2019, made widespread tax changes within New Mexico. One notable change is the conversion to destination-based sourcing that will begin after a two-year delay. During this delay, local governments will receive a distribution that is a portion of \$2M each month. The portion distributed will be based on what the population of each county is to the total population of all counties, as per the most recent decennial census.

**Chart 3. Annual Total GRT Revenue Collections**



**Chart 4. Quarterly GRT Revenue Collections**



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Chart 5. Quarterly Average Total Employment & Weekly Wage

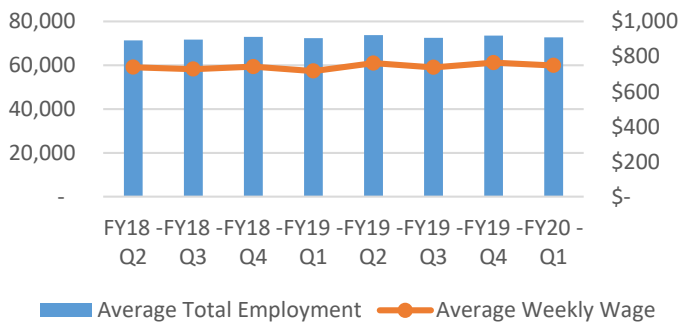


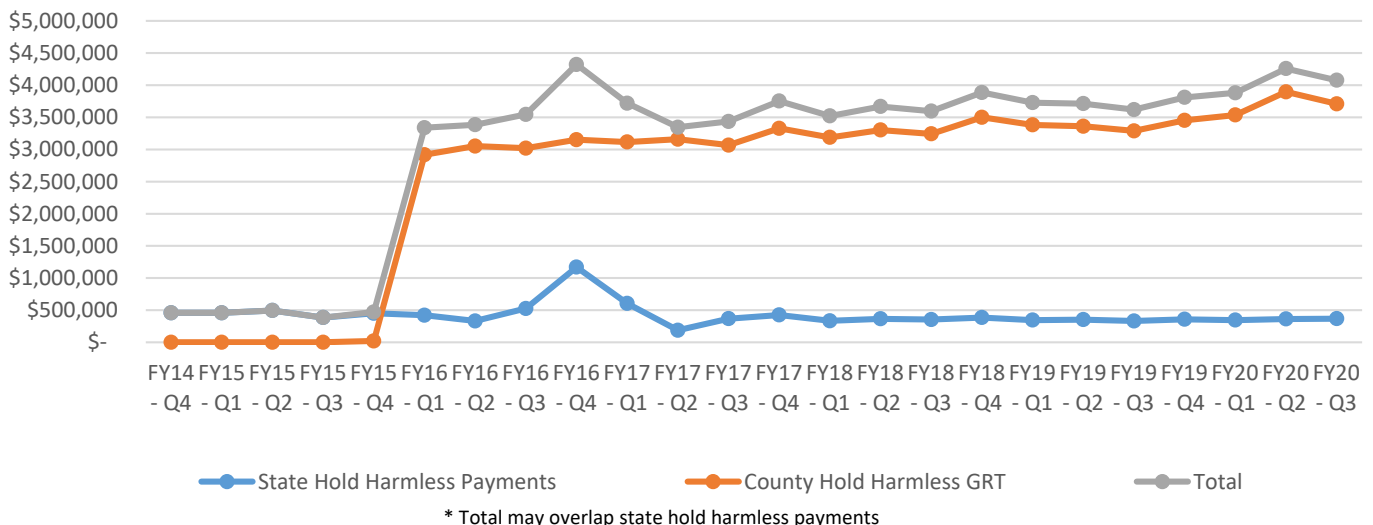
Chart 6. Quarterly Initial Unemployment Claims



The state makes “hold harmless” payments to local governments equal to the tax revenue that would have been generated if the state had not enacted deductions for food and healthcare practitioner services. These payments will be gradually phased out by 2029, but local governments were able to enact up to three 1/8% GRT increments to offset this loss. These GRT increments were repealed and consolidated in 2019 with a number of other restricted local options under the unrestricted countywide local option with an increased rate cap.

A significant unexplained increase in **Initial Unemployment Claims** can be an early indicator of an incoming economic downturn. Explained increases commonly include seasonal job fluctuations, government shutdowns resulting in mass employee furloughs and the closing of a major regional facility. The major uptick in the initial unemployment claims is directly tied to the COVID-19 outbreak and the subsequent closure of “non-essential” businesses. These businesses tend to be a major component of the workforce. As the stay at home order stays in effect, it is likely that the initial unemployment claims will continue to increase as the economy shifts to handle the unprecedented changes.

Chart 7. County Hold Harmless Revenue



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