

#### **GOVERNOR YOUNGKIN'S PROPOSED 2024-2026 BUDGET**

**Economic Outlook and Revenue Forecast** 

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### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

FISCAL YEAR 2023 YEAR-IN-REVIEW

FISCAL YEAR 2024 YEAR-TO-DATE REVENUE COLLECTIONS

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK AND REVENUE FORECAST

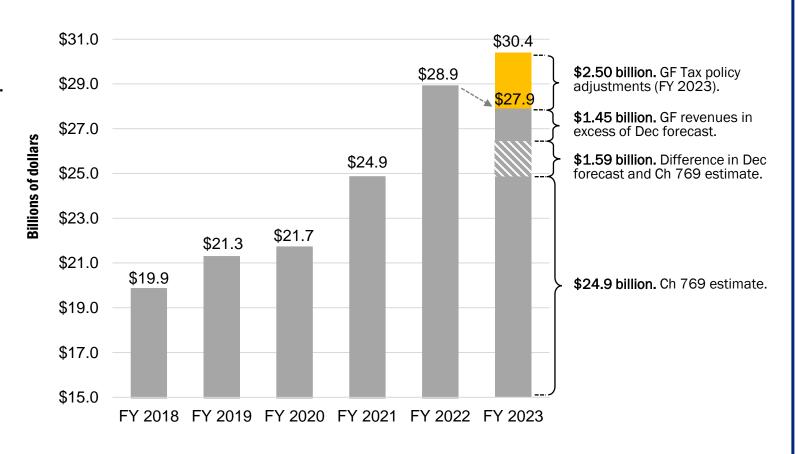
#### **SUMMARY**

- FY 2023 general fund revenue collections proved resilient despite increasing interest rates and persistently high inflation, exceeding the December 2022 forecast by \$1.5 billion.
- With concerns about macroeconomic risks and uncertainty around Pass-Through Entity Tax (PTET) refund liabilities, a prudent revenue outlook for FY 2024 was incorporated in the amended budget adopted in September (Chapter 1).
- Through November, FY 2024 collections have exceeded expectations. Compared to the forecast assumed in the current appropriations act, year-to-date revenues are ahead of projections by \$1.0 billion. However, two-thirds of this amount comes from volatile, and harder to project, nonwithholding revenues and refunds.
- Accounting for YTD revenues in excess of the forecast and based on the advice of the Joint Advisory Board of Economists (JABE) and the Governor's Advisory Council on Revenue Estimates (GACRE), the revised December FY 2024 forecast adds \$1.36 billion in additional GF revenues while maintaining a cautious outlook for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- The forecast for the 2024-26 biennium retains this prudent outlook by incorporating a mild recession, while providing for responsible tax relief and tax reform, and a structurally balanced budget.

# LAST FISCAL YEAR, GENERAL FUND REVENUES EXCEEDED THE FORECAST BY A WIDE MARGIN

#### FY 2023 GF Revenues:

- \$1.0 billion below FY 2022 actuals (-3.5%).
- \$1.5 billion above FY 2022 actuals (+5.1%), adjusted for policy actions.
- \$3.0 billion higher than the Chapter 769 official estimate.
- \$1.5 billion greater than the December forecast.



Excludes GF transfers.

# ADJUSTING FOR POLICY IMPACTS, GF REVENUES ARE UP 5.6 PERCENT YEAR-TO-DATE (YTD) COMPARED TO 2023 RESULTS

#### **FY 2024 General Fund Revenue Growth**

Compared to FY 2023 (GF dollars in millions)

	<u>Unadjusted</u>				<u>Adjusted</u>			
	Novemb	er	Year-To-Da	ate	November		Year-to	o-Date
Withholding	59.7	4.4%	109.8	1.7%	59.7	4.4%	287.6	4.5%
Sales and Use Tax	(16.0)	-4.0%	(12.0)	-0.6%	6.5	1.6%	40.1	2.0%
Corporate Income Tax	15.0	72.2%	135.0	26.4%	15.0	72.2%	135.0	26.4%
Subtotal	58.6	3.3%	232.8	2.6%	81.2	4.6%	462.7	5.2%
Refunds	(180.0)	257.4%	324.8	-24.7%	(40.1)	64.9%	(185.4)	55.2%
Non-Withholding	13.4	13.1%	92.5	7.0%	13.4	13.1%	94.3	7.2%
Interest Income	80.5	222.8%	278.4	225.5%	80.5	222.8%	278.4	225.5%
All Other	(16.1)	-10.4%	(54.7)	<u>-10.9%</u>	(16.1)	-10.4%	(54.7)	-10.9%
Total	(43.6)	-2.2%	873.8	9.1%	118.8	5.9%	595.5	5.6%

- Unadjusted general fund revenues were down 2.2 percent year-over-year in November and are up 9.1 percent fiscal year-to-date.
- Adjusting for policy actions, general fund revenues were up 5.9 percent in November and are up 5.6 percent year-to-date.
- Revenue sources closely aligned with underlying economic growth withholding, sales tax and corporate income tax were up 4.6 percent in November and are up 5.2 percent year-over-year through November 30, on an adjusted basis.

# FISCAL YEAR 2024 YTD RECEIPTS EXCEED CHAPTER 1 PROJECTIONS BY 11.1 PERCENT AND 3.8 PERCENT EXCLUDING NONWITHHOLDING AND REFUNDS

#### **FY 2024 General Fund Revenues**

Compared to Chapter 1 Projections (GF dollars in millions)

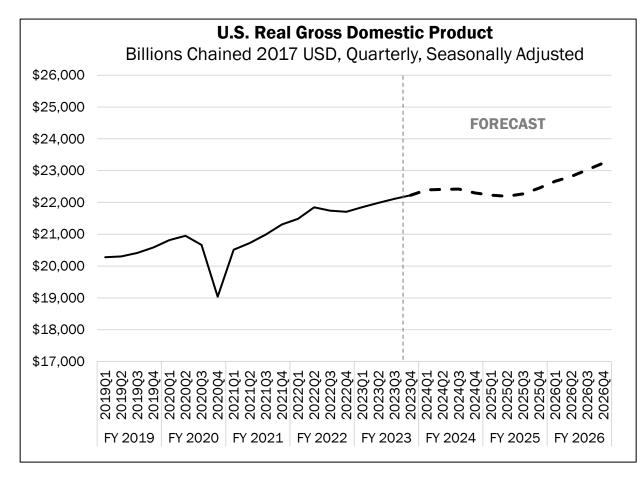
Unadjusted Revenues to Forecast							
	Chapte	r 1 Forecast FY	<u>/TD</u>				
SOURCE, \$ Mil	Projected	Variance \$	Variance %				
Withholding	\$6,379.7	\$176.1	2.8%				
Non-withholding	1,012.2	394.1	38.9%				
Refunds	(1,271.8)	283.0	-22.3%				
Net Individual Income	\$6,120.1	\$853.2	13.9%				
Sales and Use Tax	1,939.2	36.0	1.9%				
Corporate Income Tax	506.9	140.4	27.7%				
Interest Income	370.4	31.5	8.5%				
Total GF Revenues	\$9,397.5	\$1,045.5	11.1%				
Total, Excl. NWH and Refunds	\$9,657.1	\$368.4	3.8%				

- Excluding non-withholding collections and refunds, which continue to be distorted by PTET-related activity, year-to-date GF collections
  are ahead of the Chapter 1 forecast by \$368.4 million (3.8 percent).
- On a year-to-date basis, withholding collections are 2.8 percent above projections and corporate income tax collections are 27.7 percent higher than projected.
- Year-to-date, refunds are less than projected, primarily due to lower-than-expected PTET-related refunds to-date.

#### **DOWNSIDE RISKS SUPPORT A CAUTIOUS OUTLOOK**

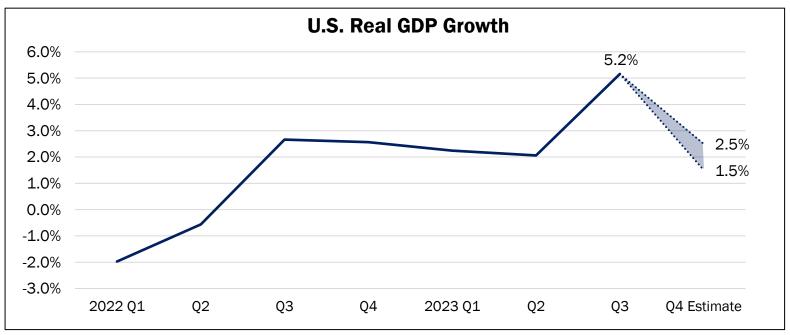
- The economy has shown remarkable resilience despite higher interest rates. Third quarter real GDP rose by a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.2 percent (3.0 percent Q3/Q3). Current estimates are more than two percent in the fourth quarter.
- The Governor's proposed budget anticipates a mild three-quarter recession beginning in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2024, consistent with the GACRE consensus outlook for a mild recession.
- The conservative outlook provides for the existence of downside economic risks that have the potential to impact state tax collections. Among these are:
  - The temporary budget deal in Congress splits the deadline for passing full-year appropriations bills to two dates –
     January 19 and February 2 raising concerns about the risk of an extended federal government shutdown.
  - Continuing impact of high interest rates.
  - Declines in European and Asian economies will hurt U.S. exports and corporate earnings.
  - Escalating conflict in the middle east and OPEC+ oil production cuts could drive significantly higher energy prices.
  - The real estate crisis in China and the resulting impact on financial markets and the broader global economy.
  - Spend down of consumers' pandemic savings and the resumption of student loan repayments will impact consumer spending and likely dampen economic growth further.
- Slowing employment, wage, and spending growth, decelerating price inflation, and recent upticks in unemployment are consistent with our outlook of an economy that may be heading toward a recession.

# THE FORECAST ASSUMES A MILD, THREE-QUARTER RECESSION BEGINNING IN THE 4TH QUARTER OF FY 2024



- The forecast assumes that the combination of a federal government shutdown, elevated inflation and interest rates, reduced credit accessibility, and rising geopolitical tensions cause the economy to fall into a recession in the second quarter of CY 2024 (fourth quarter of FY 2024).
- The recession lasts through the fourth quarter of CY 2024 (second quarter of FY 2025), with a peak to trough decline of 1.0 percent in GDP.

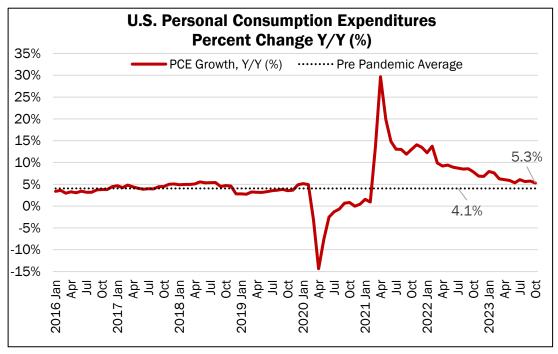
### REAL GDP GREW MORE THAN EXPECTED IN Q3, WHILE CURRENT Q4 ESTIMATES ARE MORE MODERATE

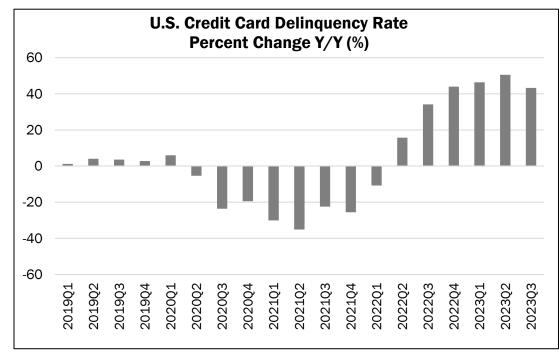


Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis, Secretary of Finance staff estimates.

- Real GDP growth in Q3 was revised higher to a 5.2 percent seasonally adjusted annual rate.
- Current quarter estimates are pointing towards slower growth, The NY Fed "Nowcast" currently estimates Q4 GDP growth at 2.2 percent.
- Personal consumption is still the major driver of growth.

# GROWTH IN CONSUMER SPENDING IS TRENDING DOWN, RISING CREDIT CARD DELINQUENCIES IS A CONCERN



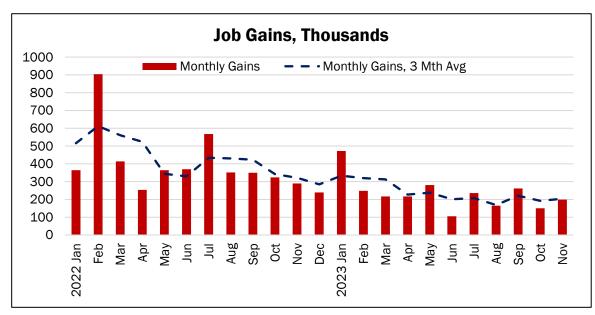


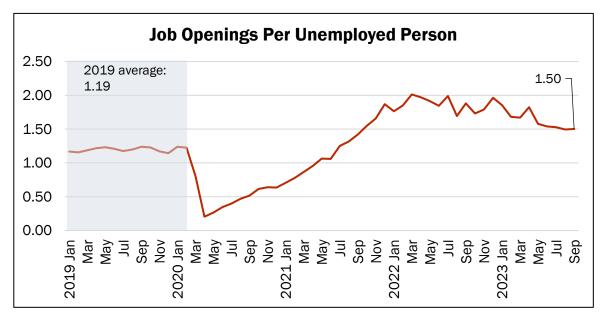
Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

- Consumer spending rose 0.2 percent in October, the slowest increase since May. Spending growth has been extraordinarily high since 2021, however the growth rate has been steadily slowing, approaching the pre-pandemic trend.
- Credit card delinquency rates are on the rise, suggesting that growth in spending may begin to soften as pandemic savings are spent down.

#### **U.S. JOB GROWTH CONTINUES TO DECELERATE**

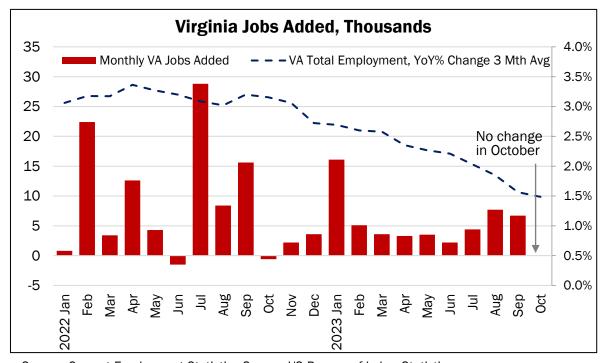


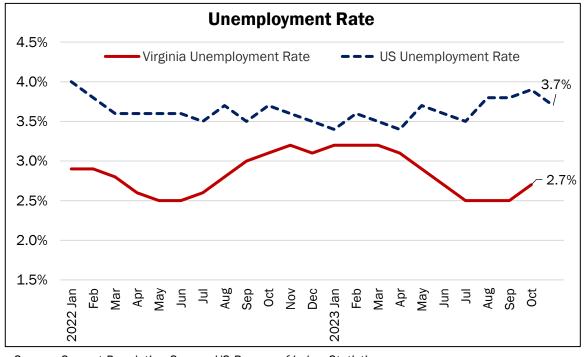


Sources: US BLS. Unless otherwise noted economic data is presented on a calendar year basis.

- U.S. nonfarm payrolls increased 199,000 in November. Payroll gains for September and October were revised down by a total of 35,000. The end of the auto workers' strike led to a 28,000 job gain in the manufacturing sector. Food service continues to grow with over 40,000 jobs added. Retail trade however declined by 38,000 jobs.
- Job openings per unemployed person has remained essentially flat since July. The Federal Reserve has specifically mentioned this as an indicator labor supply is still below demand.

### VIRGINIA UNEMPLOYMENT RATE TICKED UP IN OCTOBER AS THE PACE OF JOB GROWTH CONTINUES TO SLOW



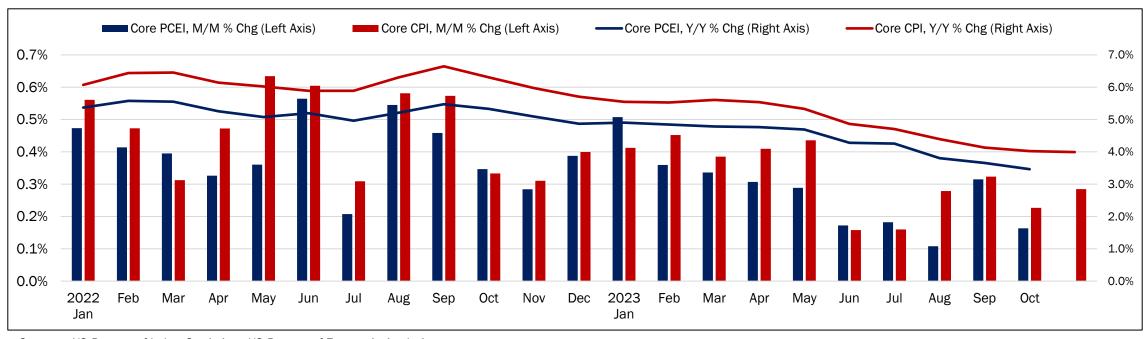


Source: Current Employment Statistics Survey, US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Source: Current Population Survey, US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

- In October, Virginia's nonagricultural employment, from the monthly establishment survey, remained unchanged at 4.16 million. Private sector employment increased by 3,700 while government employment decreased by 3,700. The three-month average year-over-year growth in Virginia employment continued to slow, measuring 1.5 percent in October.
- Virginia's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in October increased by 0.2 percentage points to 2.7 percent, 0.4 percentage points below the rate from a year ago.

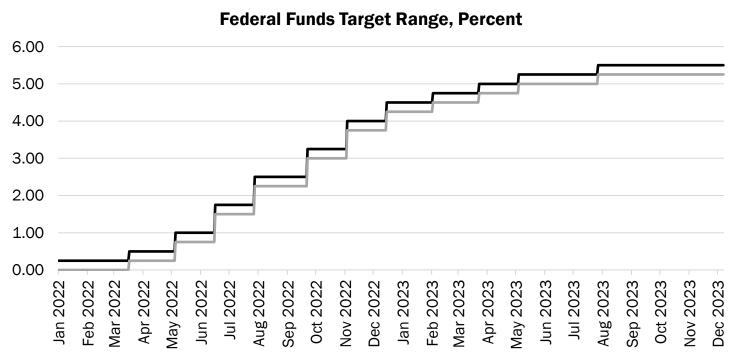
# CORE INFLATION MEASURES CONTINUE DOWNWARD TREND, BUT REMAIN ELEVATED



Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics , US Bureau of Economic Analysis.

- In November, CPI was up 3.1% from a year ago.
- Core CPI, which excludes food and energy, indicates inflationary trends were essentially unchanged in November. Core CPI is up 4.0 percent over the last 12 months. The major cost increases consumers are facing is shelter, as nearly 70 percent of the increase in the CPI basket in November was in rent or rent equivalents. Shelter CPI is up 6.5 percent over the last 12 months.
- The twelve-month change in Core Personal Consumption Expenditure Price Index (Core PCE), the Federal Reserve's preferred inflation measure, declined to 3.5 percent in October, though it is still well above the Fed's two-percent target.

# THE FED HELD INTEREST RATES STEADY AT THE DECEMBER MEETING



Source: Federal Reserve of St. Louis, Federal Reserve Board.

• The Federal Reserve held rates steady at their December 12-13 meeting and acknowledged that inflation had improved more quickly than anticipated.

# \$1.36 BILLION INCREASE IN DECEMBER FY 2024 FORECAST REFLECTS STRONGER THAN EXPECTED YTD RESULTS AND A MILD RECESSION BEGINNING IN Q4 OF FY2024

#### **Composition of the December Revenue Forecast**

Fiscal Year 2024 (GF dollars in millions)

	FY 2023 (Actual)	FY 2024
General Fund Revenues: Chapter 1	\$27,909.9	\$26,369.3
General Fund Revenues: GACRE		\$27,697.7
Increase/(Decrease) Over Chapter 1: GACRE		\$1,328.4
Post-GACRE Adjustments:		
Economic Outlook Adjustments		\$ -
General Fund Revenues After Economic Adjustments		\$27,697.7
Recognize Revenues from Offshore Wind Agreement		\$35.0
General Fund Revenues: December		\$27,732.6
Increase Over Chapter 1: December		\$1,363.3

Totals may not sum due to rounding. Excludes GF transfers.

### VIRGINIA'S JOB GROWTH HAS REBOUNDED BUT WE CONTINUE TO TRAIL IN TERMS OF OTHER ECONOMIC INDICATORS

- 230,000 new jobs created since January 2022.
- Domestic migration for Virginia continues to be negative but has reduced from 9-year average of 15,000 to 6,900 in 2023.
- Competitor states to our south (NC, TN, SC, GA, FL, TX) continue to account for 58 percent of positive domestic migration.
- Lower unemployment rate in Virginia is problematic for current and prospective employers we must grow our workforce.
- Significant state tax reform is underway nationally and regionally, focused on attracting and retaining companies and workers by lowering the cost of living and 26 states reduced PIT between 2021 and 2023.
- As our U.S. economy has evolved, so too have tax policies to reflect the growing digital economy.
- Virginia has the narrowest services sales tax base of all our competitor states.
- Virginia will fall further behind the competition without real action.

# VIRGINIA'S GROWTH SIGNIFICANTLY LAGS COMPETITOR STATES THAT HAVE MORE COMPETITIVE TAX STRUCTURES

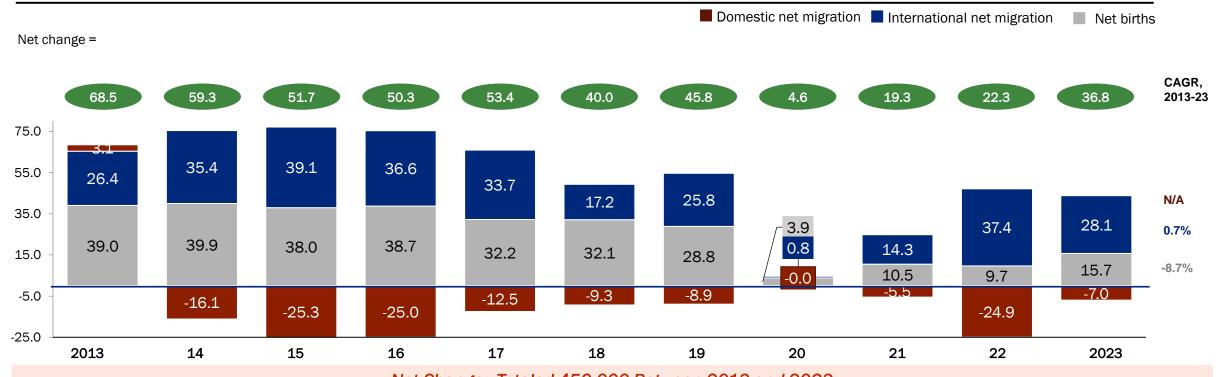
	2013-2023							
State	Job Growth Population Growth		AGI Growth (\$ in millions)	GDP Growth	Cumulative Domestic Migration			
Virginia	12.6%	5.6%	(\$10,832)	18.3%	(134,618)			
North Carolina	18.0%	10.0%	\$22,202	26.5%	667,679			
Florida	25.8%	15.6%	\$151,351	44.7%	1,812,202			
Georgia	18.3%	10.6%	\$5,565	34.8%	413,387			
South Carolina	18.6%	12.7%	\$21,186	31.3%	541,491			
Texas	21.9%	15.2%	\$38,450	29.4%	1,400,065			
Tennessee	14.7%	9.7%	\$14,749	34.0%	409,226			
U.S. Average	N/A	6.0%	N/A	24.9%	N/A			

Source: Ernst & Young, Tax Foundation, BLS, BEA, U.S. Census.

Note: GDP Growth numbers 2013-2022.

# VIRGINIA HAS EXPERIENCED NEGATIVE DOMESTIC NET MIGRATION EACH OF THE PAST 10 YEARS TOTALING 134,500

Virginia's population growth drivers, 2012-2023, Thousands



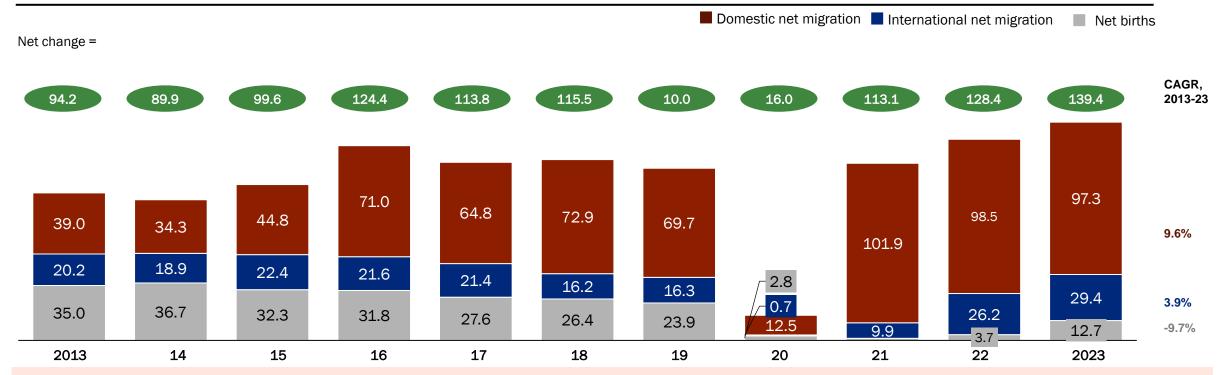
Net Changes Totaled 450,000 Between 2013 and 2023

Source: U.S. Census PEP Survey, 2023.

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding. Excludes residual changes in population and impacts of decennial re-survey.

# BY COMPARISON, N.C. HAS EXPERIENCED POSITIVE DOMESTIC NET MIGRATION TOTALING 667,000 OVER THE SAME 10 YEARS

North Carolina's population growth drivers, 2012-2023, Thousands



Net Changes Totaled 1.1 Million Between 2013 and 2023

Source: U.S. Census PEP Survey, 2023.

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding. Excludes residual changes in population and impacts of decennial re-survey.

### HISTORY OF NORTH CAROLINA TAX REFORMS

- Focused on decreases in personal income and corporate tax rates and increases in the standard deduction
- Partially offset by expansions of the sales tax base.

Year of reform	Taxes covered	Major changes	
2022	Individual	Individual - Drop rate to 4.5% in 2024 with further drops scheduled, reaching 2.49% in 2030	
2021	Corporate Sales Individual	Corporate - Phases out corporate tax beginning in 2025 - Simplifies corporate franchise tax Individual - Lowers rate from 5.25% to 4.99% in 2022 - Increase standard deduction, child deduction - Re-enacts or expands certain credits	
2017	Individual Corporate	Individual Reduce rate in 2019 from 5.499% to 5.25% Increase standard deduction from \$17,500 to \$20,000 Corporate Reduce rate from 3 to 2.5% in 2019 Reduce franchise tax for S corporations	
2015	Individual Sales	Individual Reduced rate from 5.75% to 5.499% Increased standard deduction from \$15,000 to \$15,500 for married filers Sales Expand base to include service contracts	
2013	Individual Corporate Sales	Individual -Flattened brackets to 5.8% for all taxpayers (compared to prior top rate of 7.75%) -Increased standard deduction and repealed personal exemption -Reduced number of tax expenditures Corporate -Reduced rate from 6.9% to 5% -Option to reduce rate further if revenue targets met Sales -Eliminate 2 tax holidays -Expand base	Source: Ernst & Young analysis.

### TAX MODERNIZATION PLAN SAVES TAXPAYERS \$1 BILLION OVER THE BIENNIUM AND WILL SPUR ECONOMIC GROWTH

#### **Tax Policy Adjustments**

2024-2026 Biennium (GF dollars in millions)

Tax Policy	FY 2025	FY 2026	2024-26 Biennium
Reduce Individual Rates by 12% (5.10%, 4.40%, 2.65%, and 1.75%)	(\$1,118.9)	(\$2,339.8)	(\$3,458.7)
Increase Statewide Sales Tax Rate by 0.9 Percentage Points	\$520.1	\$1,299.3	\$1,819.4
Expand Sales Tax Base to "New Economy" Products*	\$203.4	\$510.7	\$714.0
Expand EITC from 20% to 25% of Federal Credit	\$ -	(\$29.0)	(\$29.0)
Double Dealer Discount	(\$10.1)	(\$25.2)	(\$35.3)
Increase Annual Cap on EISTC from \$25.0 to \$30.0 million	(\$5.0)	(\$5.0)	(\$10.0)
Total General Fund Revenue Impact	(\$410.5)	(\$589.0)	(\$999.5)

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<sup>\*</sup>General fund, excluding transfers.

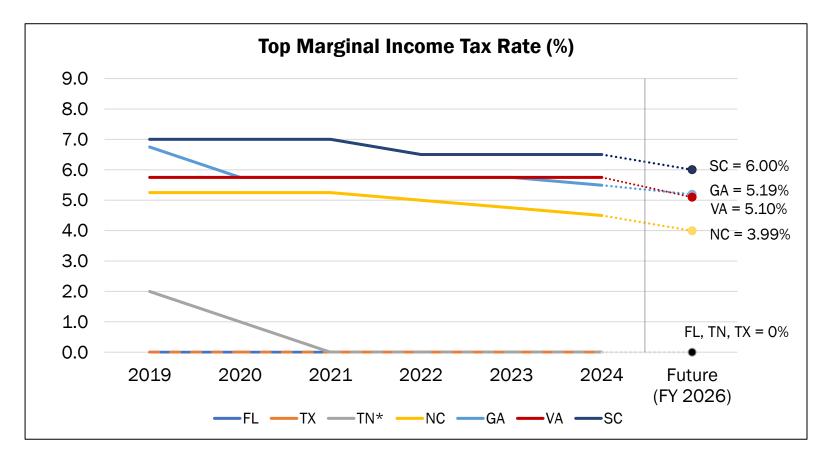
#### **SUMMARY OF TAX POLICY CHANGES**

• Individual income tax rates: reduced by approximately 12 percent across all tax brackets:

Reduced Tax Rates						
<u>Bracket</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	Percent Reduction			
\$0 - \$3,000	2%	1.75%	-13%			
\$3,000 - \$5,000	3%	2.65%	-12%			
\$5,000 -\$17,000	5%	4.40%	-12%			
\$17,001+	5.75%	5.10%	-11%			
Average Reduction			-12%			

- Statewide sales tax rate: increased by 0.9 percentage points.
- **Expand the sales tax base:** to include "New Economy" services (e.g. digital downloads, streaming music and videos, computer services, etc.).
- Expand the non-refundable Virginia Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC): from 20 percent to 25 percent of the federal EITC.
- **Double the dealer discount:** that applies to qualifying retail sales and use tax dealers as compensation for accounting for and remitting the sales tax.
- Increase the annual cap on the Education Improvement Scholarship Tax Credit: from \$25.0 to \$30.0 million.

# VIRGINIA'S TOP MARGINAL INCOME TAX RATE IS AMONG THE HIGHEST OF OUR COMPETITOR STATES



- Several of our competitor states have no income tax at all.
- Several of our competitor states will see further rate reductions in the next few years when certain triggers are met.

# VIRGINIA HAS THE LOWEST COMBINED STATE AND LOCAL AVERAGE SALES TAX RATE AND THE NARROWEST SERVICES SALES TAX BASE AMONG PEER STATES

State	State sales tax rate	Avg local sales rate	Combined S&L rate	% services spending in sales tax base
Virginia*	4.30%	1.47%	5.77%	13%
North Carolina	4.75%	2.25%	7.00%	24%
Florida	6.00%	1.02%	7.02%	23%
Georgia	4.00%	3.39%	7.39%	22%
South Carolina	6.00%	1.50%	7.50%	21%
Texas	6.25%	1.95%	8.20%	19%
Tennessee	7.00%	2.55%	9.55%	23%

Source: Tax Foundation, State & Local Sales Tax Rates as of July 1, 2023. Nikhita Airi and Frank Sammartino, "How Broad are State Sales Taxes?", Brookings Tax Policy Center, 2018.

- Sales taxes do not apply to food purchased for human consumption and essential personal hygiene products.
- An estimated 12.5 percent of Virginia sales subject to the retail sales and use tax is attributable to non-residents.

#### SALES TAX MODERNIZATION: "NEW ECONOMY" PRODUCTS

Service	# states taxing	VA Current	VA Proposed	FL	GA	NC	sc	TN	тх
Digital downloads	32	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable	Taxable*	Taxable	Exempt**	Taxable	Taxable
Software application services***	19	Exempt	Taxable	Exempt	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable	Taxable	Exempt
Computer-related services	27	Exempt	Taxable	Exempt	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable	Taxable	Taxable
Website hosting and design****	8	Exempt	Taxable	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable
Data storage****	9	Exempt	Taxable	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	No Specific Guidance	Taxable	Taxable
Streaming music & video	33	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable	Taxable	Taxable

Source: Ernst & Young; : CCH Multistate Sales Tax Guide, Thomson Reuters Sales/Use Tax State Charts as of 30 October 2023.

<sup>\*</sup> Georgia provides an exemption for software downloads, while other digital downloads are taxable.

<sup>\*\*</sup> South Carolina taxes software downloads but provides an exemption for other digital downloads.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Software application services includes states that tax Software as a Service (SaaS)

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup> Website hosting and design includes states that tax Platform as a Service (PaaS)

<sup>\*\*\*\*\*</sup> Data Storage includes states that tax Infrastructure as a Service (laaS)

#### **NEW ECONOMY PRODUCTS**

#### Digital personal property

- Digital products delivered electronically that the purchaser owns or has the ability to continually access without having to pay an additional subscription or usage fee to the seller after paying the initial purchase price, including:
  - Software
  - Digital audio and audiovisual products
  - Reading Materials
  - Other data or applications

#### > Software application services

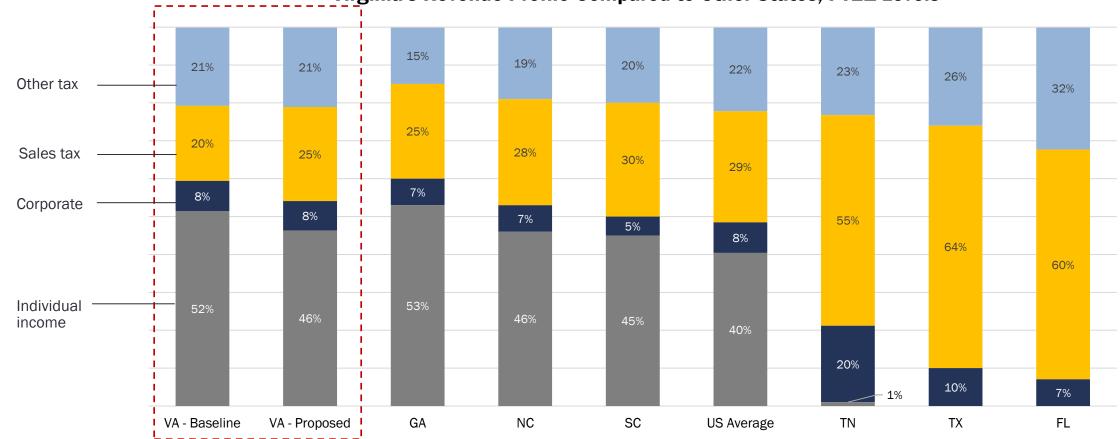
- Custom software application design and development services
- Customization and integration of packaged software
- Application service provisioning
- Website hosting and design
- Data storage
- > Streaming services
  - Examples: Netflix or Hulu

#### > Computer-related services

- Application service provisioning
- Collocation services
- Computer systems design and development services
- Computer systems design services
- Computer systems integration services
- Customization and integration of packaged software
- Database design and development services
- IT infrastructure and network management services
- IT technical support services
- Network design and development services, except security
- Network security design and development services
- Other data processing or IT infrastructure provisioning services
- Video and audio streaming infrastructure provisioning services, except content streaming distribution services
- Website design and development services

### TAX MODERNIZATION REDUCES VA'S RELIANCE ON THE INCOME TAX, MAKING THE TAX STRUCTURE MORE SIMILAR TO COMPETITOR STATES

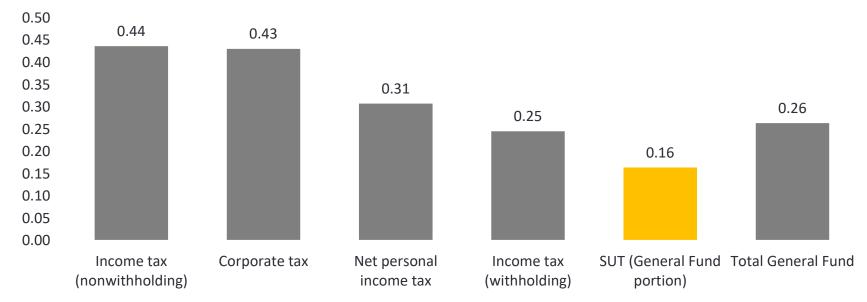




Source: Ernst & Young; U.S. Census Bureau, Quarterly Summary of State and Local Government Tax Revenue (FY21), VA Dept of Taxation.

# THE SALES TAX IS A MORE STABLE SOURCE OF REVENUE THAN OTHER MAJOR SOURCES

**Coefficient of variation across revenue streams in Virginia (FY 2002-2022)** 



Note: The coefficient of variation is calculated as the standard deviation divided by the mean. It was calculated using data covering fiscal years 2002-2022 in Virginia. Total sales tax revenue, for which data is readily available from 2012-2022 has the same CV as the general fund portion.

Data Source: Ernst & Young; Virginia Department of Taxation, "The Economic Outlook and Revenue Forecast through Fiscal Year 2026."

- The sales tax is historically a stable source of revenue, exhibiting less volatility relative to other sources.
- Supplanting other tax streams adds stability and diversity to Virginia's revenue collections.
- The coefficient of variation is a measure of volatility, showing the extent of variability relative to the average.

### **SAVES A TYPICAL VIRGINIA FAMILY...**







Category	Single Parent	Young Individual	Middle-Class Family
AGI	\$35,000	\$50,000	\$75,000
Filing Status	Single	Single	Married
Children	1	None	2
Claims standard deduction?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Estimated Tax Savings*	(\$141)	(\$151)	(\$243)

<sup>\*</sup>Based on Ernst & Young households' calculations. The estimated tax savings includes the estimated impact of income tax and the sales and use tax changes. Sales tax does not account for the regional taxes.

# DECEMBER GENERAL FUND REVENUE FORECAST FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025-26

#### **Composition of the December Revenue Forecast**

2024-2026 Biennium (GF dollars in millions)

	FY 2025	FY 2026	2024-26 Biennium
General Fund Revenues: GACRE	\$28,531.9	\$30,385.9	\$58,917.8
Post-GACRE Adjustments:			
Economic Outlook Adjustments	\$ -	(\$150.0)	(\$150.0)
General Fund Revenues After Economic Adjustments	\$28,531.9	\$30,235.9	\$58,767.8
Policy Adjustments	(\$410.5)	(\$589.0)	(\$999.5)
General Fund Revenues: December	\$28,121.4	\$29,646.9	\$57,768.3

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Following the advice of GACRE, the fiscal year 2026 revenue estimate was reduced by \$150.0 million.

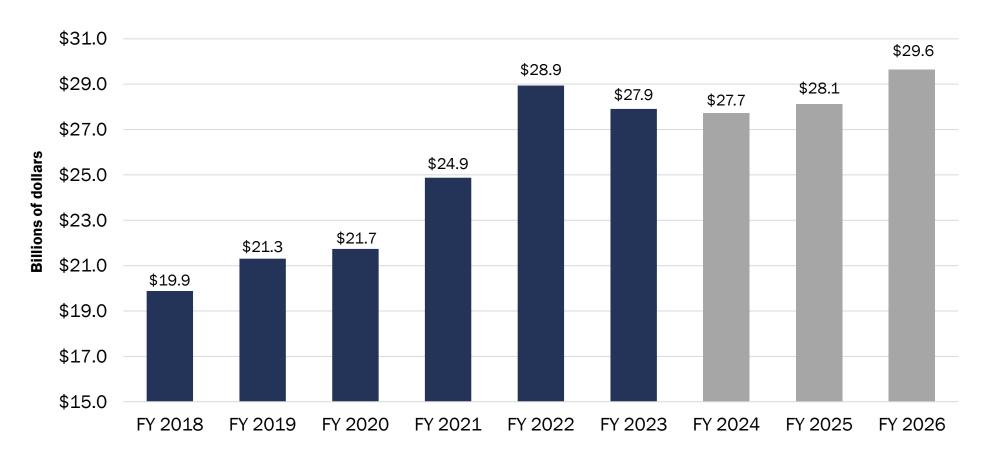
## SUMMARY OF DECEMBER REVENUE FORECAST FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024-2026

#### **December General Fund Forecast by Major Source**

(GF dollars in millions)

	FY 2023	FY 2024		FY 2	FY 2025		026
		December	% Growth	December	% Growth	December	% Growth
	Actual	Forecast	Over FY23	Forecast	Over FY24	Forecast	Over FY25
REVENUE (\$ mil.)			_				_
Withholding	\$15,957.2	\$16,038.5	0.5%	\$15,958.1	-0.5%	\$16,102.0	0.9%
Nonwithholding	6,629.2	5,813.8	-12.3%	5,397.0	-7.2%	5,225.8	-3.2%
Refunds	(3,602.8)	(3,336.2)	-7.4%	(3,254.6)	-2.4%	(3,027.7)	-7.0%
Sales & Use Tax	4,734.6	4,515.8	-4.6%	5,400.9	19.6%	6,664.5	23.4%
Corporate Income	2,031.1	2,213.5	9.0%	2,063.8	-6.8%	2,161.3	4.7%
All Other Sources	2,160.6	2,487.3	15.1%	2,556.3	2.8%	2,520.9	-1.4%
TOTAL GF REVENUES	\$27,909.9	\$27,732.6	-0.6%	\$28,121.4	1.4%	\$29,646.9	5.4%
Total Transfers	815.6	(50.4)	-106.2%	1,744.0	-3560.3%	1,073.2	-38.5%
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	\$28,725.5	\$27,682.2	-3.6%	\$29,865.4	7.9%	\$30,720.1	2.9%

# FISCAL YEAR 2024-26 REVENUE FORECAST COMPARED TO PRIOR YEARS



Excludes GF transfers.

#### LONGER-TERM OUTLOOK CONFIRMS STRUCTURAL BALANCE

- Va. Code §§ 2.2-1503 and 2.2-1503.1 require the Governor to prepare a long-term revenue forecast (annually) and a six-year financial plan (biennially).
- The Governor asked the Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) to update the six-year plan to take into account the December Post-GACRE forecast and proposed spending and tax policies in HB/SB 29 and HB/SB 30.
- Among other things, the spending projections include the continuation of Chapter 1, 2023 Special Session I amounts, ongoing costs of the Right Help Right Now initiative, increases in Medicaid, Children's Services Act, and other forecast items, as well as pay increases for public school teachers, state employees, and other state supported local employees.
- Results indicate continued structural balance through FY 2030.

### LONGER-TERM OUTLOOK CONFIRMS STRUCTURAL BALANCE

GENERAL FUND RESOURCES	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Prior Year Balance	\$1,449.6	\$2,353.8	\$0.6	\$8.7	\$442.6	\$1,176.8	\$2,133.0
Revenue							
Net Individual Income Tax	18,516.1	18,100.5	18,300.1	\$19,237.1	\$19,803.9	\$20,237.4	\$21,050.2
Sales and Use Tax	4,515.8	5,400.9	6,664.5	\$7,021.1	\$7,413.0	\$7,678.1	\$7,931.5
Corporate Income Tax	2,213.5	2,063.8	2,161.3	\$2,267.1	\$2,386.0	\$2,491.3	\$2,599.7
All Other Sources	2,487.3	2,556.2	2,521.0	\$2,504.6	\$2,545.7	\$2,580.6	\$2,609.6
Total Revenue	27,732.6	28,121.4	29,646.9	31,029.9	32,148.6	32,987.5	34,191.0
Adjustments to Balance	\$4,315.7	(\$0.5)	(\$0.5)	(\$0.5)	(\$0.5)	(\$0.5)	(\$0.5)
Transfers	(50.4)	1,744.0	1,073.2	1,088.1	1,157.0	1,145.5	1,199.1
Total General Fund Resources	\$33,447.5	\$32,218.7	\$30,720.2	\$32,126.2	\$33,747.7	\$35,309.3	\$37,522.5
GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Legislative Appropriation (FY 24) / Base Budgets	\$31,083.7	\$28,835.3	\$28,835.3	\$28,835.3	\$28,835.3	\$28,835.3	\$28,835.3
Base Adjustments	0.0	(611.5)	(611.5)	(611.5)	(611.5)	(611.5)	(611.5)
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Chapter 1 Continuation	0.0	1,304.0	1,177.9	1,232.4	1,232.4	1,232.4	1,232.4
Other Amendments	(392.5)	1,304.0 1,773.6	1,177.9 1,309.8	1,232.4 2,027.3	1,232.4 2,914.6	1,232.4 3,520.0	1,232.4 4,341.0
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Other Amendments	(392.5)	1,773.6	1,309.8	2,027.3	2,914.6	3,520.0	4,341.0
Other Amendments Total Operating	(392.5) \$30,691.1	1,773.6 <b>\$31,301.5</b>	1,309.8 <b>\$30,711.5</b>	2,027.3 <b>\$31,483.6</b>	2,914.6 <b>\$32,370.9</b>	3,520.0 <b>\$32,976.3</b>	4,341.0 <b>\$33,797.2</b>
Other Amendments  Total Operating  Capital Outlay	(392.5) \$30,691.1 \$402.7	1,773.6 <b>\$31,301.5</b> \$916.6	1,309.8 <b>\$30,711.5</b> \$0.0	2,027.3 <b>\$31,483.6</b> \$200.0	2,914.6 <b>\$32,370.9</b> \$200.0	3,520.0 <b>\$32,976.3</b> \$200.0	4,341.0 <b>\$33,797.2</b> \$200.0
Other Amendments  Total Operating  Capital Outlay  Total GF Appropriation	(392.5) \$30,691.1 \$402.7	1,773.6 <b>\$31,301.5</b> \$916.6	1,309.8 <b>\$30,711.5</b> \$0.0	2,027.3 <b>\$31,483.6</b> \$200.0	2,914.6 <b>\$32,370.9</b> \$200.0	3,520.0 <b>\$32,976.3</b> \$200.0	4,341.0 <b>\$33,797.2</b> \$200.0
Other Amendments  Total Operating Capital Outlay  Total GF Appropriation  GF BALANCE (RESOURCES LESS APPROPRIATION)	(392.5) \$30,691.1 \$402.7 \$31,093.8	1,773.6 \$31,301.5 \$916.6 \$32,218.1	1,309.8 <b>\$30,711.5</b> \$0.0 <b>\$30,711.5</b>	2,027.3 \$31,483.6 \$200.0 \$31,683.6	2,914.6 \$32,370.9 \$200.0 \$32,570.9	3,520.0 <b>\$32,976.3</b> \$200.0 <b>\$33,176.3</b>	4,341.0 <b>\$33,797.2</b> \$200.0 <b>\$33,997.2</b>

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