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## **Gasoline Consumption in California Rises Nearly 1% as Economy Picks Up Increase is the First Since 2005-06 Fiscal Year**

Sacramento – California’s gasoline consumption rose 0.9 percent during fiscal year 2013-14, the first increase in eight fiscal years, since 2005-06 -- offering another sign of an improving economy -- according to data released by the California State Board of Equalization (BOE). During fiscal year 2013-14, diesel consumption rose 3.7 percent, reversing a 0.2 percent decline in 2012-13.

“The increase in gasoline consumption illustrates that more people are back to work, and hopefully taking holiday road trips because they can afford it now, hopefully this will translate into lower taxes,” BOE Chairman Jerome E. Horton said.

In the fiscal year 2013-14, Californians consumed 14.574 billion gallons of gasoline, a 0.9 percent increase from 14.444 billion used in fiscal year 2012-13. California’s average price of gasoline was \$3.92 per gallon in the fiscal year 2013-14, which is a decline of 2.5 percent from the average price of gasoline of \$4.02 in fiscal year 2012-13. In fiscal year 2013-14, BOE gasoline revenue estimates for excise and sales and use taxes came in at \$1.651 billion for sales tax and \$5.759 billion for excise tax.

Diesel consumption increased 3.7 percent in fiscal year 2013-14 when Californians consumed 2.752 billion gallons of diesel compared to 2.651 billion consumed in fiscal year 2012-13. California’s average price of diesel fuel in fiscal year 2013-14 was \$4.12, which is a 1.4 percent decrease from the average price of \$4.18 for diesel in fiscal year 2012-13. In fiscal year 2013-14, BOE’s estimated diesel fuel revenues for excise and sales and use taxes came in at \$866 million for sales tax and \$304 million for excise tax.

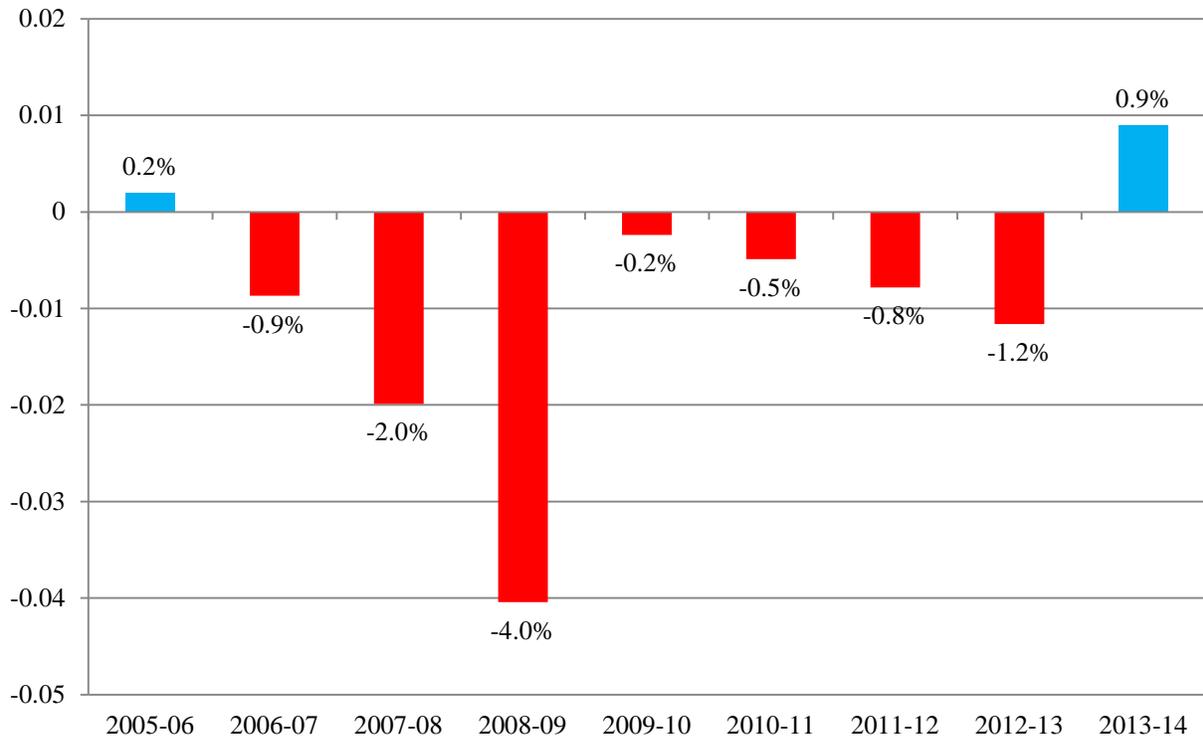
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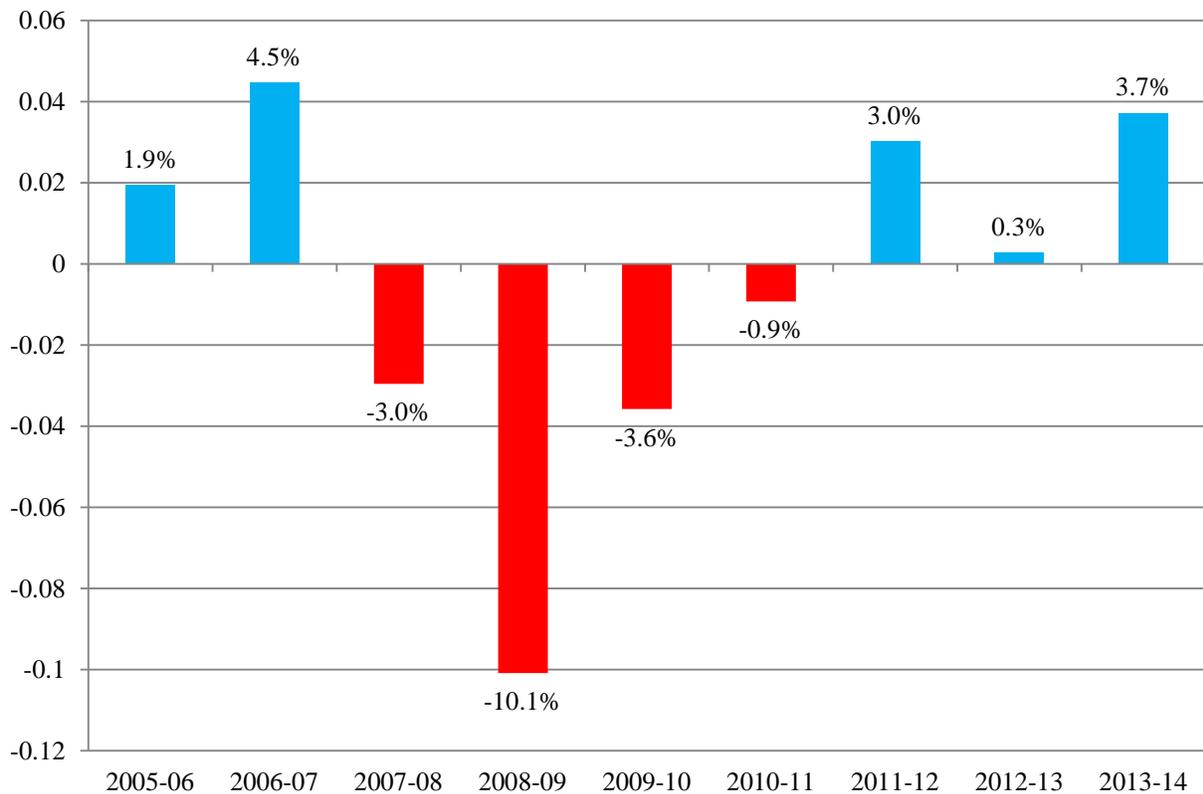
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***Editor’s Note: The two charts below compare fiscal year gasoline and diesel consumption.***

## Fiscal Year Gasoline Consumption Comparisons



## Fiscal Year Diesel Consumption Comparisons



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Elected in 2014, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization's Legislative Committee Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects \$56 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit [www.taxes.ca.gov](http://www.taxes.ca.gov).

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