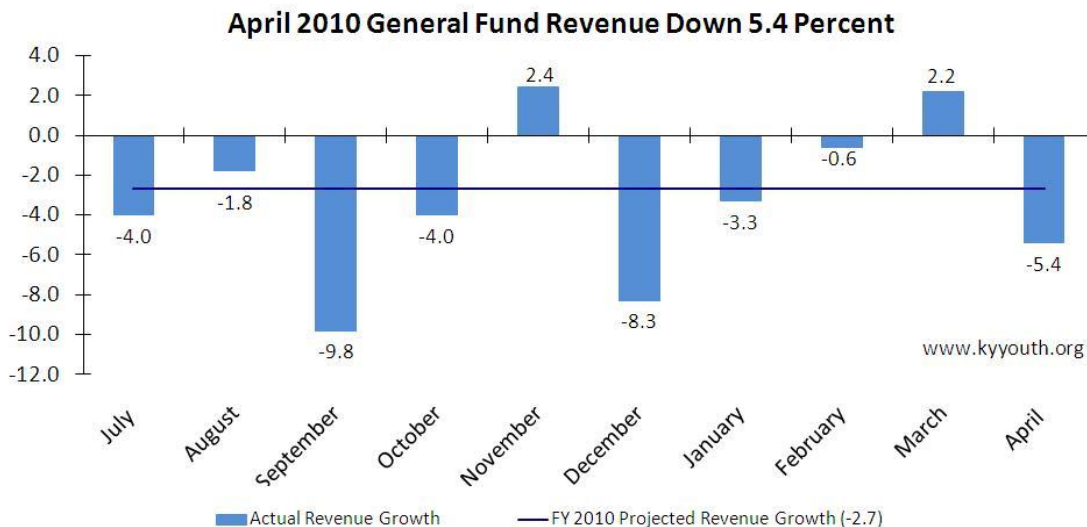


### April General Fund Receipts Dropped 5.4 Percent

Revenues Must Increase 1.8 percent to Meet Revised Projections for FY 2010

A significant decrease in individual income tax receipts contributed to decline of 5.4 percent in the April General Fund revenue receipts compared to April 2009. April marks the 14<sup>th</sup> of the last 16 months where revenue has failed to grow. Receipts are down 3.6 percent for the first ten months of the fiscal year. In December 2009, the Consensus Forecasting Group estimated a 2.7 percent decline for the entire year. To offset months when losses were more than 2.7 percent, revenues must increase 1.8 percent before June 30, 2010 to meet the projection.



SOURCE: Office of the State Budget Director, "General Fund and Road Fund Receipts for April 2010" Available: <http://www.osbd.ky.gov/NR/rdonlyres/11ABCDE6-CBBB-45EF-AAB4-8E0E00F6FB0/0/1004TaxReceipt.pdf>

Combined, sales taxes and income taxes make up approximately 75 percent of General Fund revenues. Sales and use tax revenue is up 8.5 percent for the month of April, and down 3.0 percent for the year. Individual income tax collections decreased 13.6 percent in April, but are down 6.5 percent for the year.

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