Accounts Receivable

Executive Summary

The Code of Virginia § 2.2-4800 et seq. requires the Department of Accounts, along with the Office of the Attorney General, to report oversee. on. and monitor the Commonwealth's accounts receivable In order to carry out this program. responsibility, DOA has issued policies and procedures on accounting, collecting. reporting, and writing off accounts receivable. In addition, DOA provides technical assistance to agencies and institutions and uses statistical analyses and audit reports to monitor the ongoing effectiveness of agencies in managing their accounts receivable.

In an effort to present more meaningful information, DOA continues to exclude data from the tables (except for the final table on past due receivables) from the Department of Taxation, consisting largely of statutory assessments and non-filers assessments, and the circuit and district courts, which report judgments and fines with extremely low collection statistics.

Commonwealth agencies and institutions reported adjusted gross receivables of \$4.53

billion at March 31, 2022, with \$2.32 billion considered collectible. Receivables over 60 days past due as of March 31, 2022, totaled \$1.54 billion. Of that amount, \$33.0 million was placed with private collection agencies, \$45.7 million was placed with the Division of Debt Collection and \$1.5 billion was retained in-house for additional collection efforts.

It is important to note that the adjusted state receivables largely consist of unemployment taxes, tuition and fees, and billings for several indigent care programs, which present numerous special challenges in collection. "Trade receivables" typical of the private sector, which are generated by billings for the provision of goods and/or services, make up only a small portion of the state's receivables.

Further, the majority of the significant outstanding receivable balances have statutory or other restrictions specifying the distribution of any collections. The collection of the outstanding receivable balances would not provide additional resources to fund the Commonwealth's operations.



As of March 31, 2022, agencies expected to collect \$2.32 billion (51 percent) of the \$4.53 billion adjusted gross receivables. About 1 percent is due to the General Fund, primarily

for benefit recoveries. The balance, which contains Medicaid penalties that are no longer revertible, is due to several non-general funds.

Collectible Receivables by Fund

Not Including Circuit Courts, District Courts, or Department of Taxation

As of March 31, 2022

Fund	Source	 Amount	Percent
General Fund	Medicaid - Current Recoveries	\$ 8,832,374	50%
1%	Social Services	3,395,678	19%
	Labor and Industry Inspections	1,671,985	10%
	Military Affairs	1,236,436	7%
	Department of Corrections	897,005	5%
	Other	 1,271,274	7%
	Subtotal	17,304,752	99%
	Agency to Agency Receivables	187,843	1%
	Total General Fund Collectible	\$ 17,492,595	100%
Nongeneral Funds	Higher Education	\$ 490,931,357	21%
99%	Unemployment Taxes *	448,988,863	19%
	Child Support Enforcement	286,357,637	12%
	Hospital	277,680,283	12%
	Transportation	168,306,950	7%
	Enterprise	91,804,095	4%
	Medicaid - Dedicated Penalty Fees	37,201,757	2%
	Federal Government	54,077,619	2%
	DBHDS Patient Services	10,408,693	1%
	Medicaid - Federal Reimbursements	7,298,521	1%
	Other	 122,423,592	5%
	Subtotal	1,995,479,367	87%
	Agency to Agency Receivables	309,534,263	13%
	Total Nongeneral Fund Collectible	\$ 2,305,013,630	100%
All Funds	Grand Total	\$ 2,322,506,225	100%

*Note: The Virginia Employment Commission provides Unemployment Taxes Information.



Summary of Receivables by Source

Not counting Taxation and the Courts, ten agencies account for 86 percent of the Commonwealth's adjusted gross and 79 percent of the adjusted collectible accounts receivable balances.

Accounts Receivable Summary Not Including Circuit Courts, District Courts, or Department of Taxation As of March 31, 2022

Agency		Gross	-	Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts	Collectible		
VIRGINIA EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION	\$	1,183,131,905	\$	(727,553,749)	\$	455,578,156	
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA MEDICAL CENTER	+	1,194,687,266	\$	(833,593,280)	\$	361,093,986	
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES		854,073,720	\$	(493,469,880)	\$	360,603,840	
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION		154,501,543	\$	(5,065,877)	\$	149,435,666	
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA - ACADEMIC DIV		119,520,414	\$	(2,738,422)	\$	116,781,992	
VPI & STATE UNIVERSITY		117,290,303	\$	(1,826,688)	\$	115,463,615	
VIRGINIA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AGENCY		73,024,281	\$	-	\$	73,024,281	
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY		79,708,122	\$	(10,348,639)	\$	69,359,483	
VIRGINIA LOTTERY		68,555,470	\$	-	\$	68,555,470	
VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY		71,204,118	\$	(4,548,495)	\$	66,655,623	
Total	\$	3,915,697,142	\$	(2,079,145,030)	\$	1,836,552,112	
All Other Agencies		612,548,368		(126,594,255)		485,954,113	
Grand Total	\$	4,528,245,510	\$	(2,205,739,285)	\$	2,322,506,225	

In addition to internal administrative collection efforts, agencies have three other collection tools available to them. These are computerized matching and debt setoff programs at the Departments of Taxation, Lottery and Accounts, private collection agencies, and the Attorney General's Division of Debt Collection.

DOA requires state agencies and institutions to use the computerized matching and debt setoff programs for receivables that are 30 days or more past due. DOA also requires the use of private collection agencies on delinquent accounts that are 60 days or more past due which are not sent to the Attorney General's Division of Debt Collection. The Office of the Attorney General requires state agencies and institutions to send accounts of \$3,000 or more and 60 days or more past due to the Division of Debt Collection.

These additional collection tools recovered \$29.1 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2022. The Division of Debt Collection contributed \$2.2 million. Private collection agencies collected \$4.2 million, and the debt setoff programs (Tax, Comptroller's and Lottery) collected \$22.7 million.

Private collection agencies returned \$48.3 million of accounts to agencies, and the Division of Debt Collection discharged \$151,067 of accounts and returned \$8.0 million of accounts to agencies.

Collectible Receivables Over 60 Days Past Due

Not Including Circuit Courts, District Courts or the Department of Taxation As of March 31, 2022

	With							
		Total Over	Collection		With Attorney		Retained by	
Agency	60 Days		Agency		General		State Agency	
Virginia Employment Commission	\$	722,725,178	\$	0	\$	14,217,013	\$	708,508,165
Department of Social Services		289,955,055		4,946		50,328		289,899,781
University of Virginia Medical Center		207,885,157		21,301,009		14,271		186,569,877
Department of Medical Assistance Services		108,521,462		346,792		5,994,381		102,180,289
Virginia Department of Transportation		49,097,645		2,119,569		15,369,699		31,608,377
George Mason University		24,884,659		2,674,789		0		22,209,870
Virginia Community College System-Central Office		18,393,518		936,436		0		17,457,082
University of Virginia		15,136,926		20,475		44,247		15,072,204
Old Dominion University		13,812,175		0		0		13,812,175
Department of Behavioral Health								
and Developmental Services		13,150,389		0		0		13,150,389
TOTAL	\$	1,463,562,164	\$	27,404,016	\$	35,689,939	\$	1,400,468,209
All Other Agencies		77,808,603		5,640,990		9,984,987		62,182,626
TOTAL OVER 60 DAYS	\$	1,541,370,767	\$	33,045,006	\$	45,674,926	\$	1,462,650,835
Uncollectible Amounts Placed for Collection.								
Including Accounts Written Off		4,034,896,947		232,485,209		221,602,092		3,580,809,646
TOTAL COLLECTION EFFORTS	\$	5,576,267,714	\$	265,530,215	\$	267,277,018	\$	5,043,460,481

Note: The additional amounts retained by agencies are placed for collection with several debt setoff collection programs



Comptroller's Debt Setoff (CDS) Program

CDS is one of the debt setoff programs used by agencies to collect past due accounts receivable owed to the State, primarily by businesses and individuals acting in a business capacity. Under CDS, a payment made by the State to the debtor may be withheld, in full or in part, to satisfy the debt owed to the State. CDS collected a total of \$12.3 million in FY 2022. Please note the amount reported is before any refunds.

Receivable Trend Data

One way to measure an agency's effectiveness at collecting its accounts receivable is to look at how efficient collection procedures are on accounts that are more than 60 days past due. The following table looks at trend percentages of

receivables over 60 days past due as a percentage of gross receivables for the agencies with the largest amounts over 60 days past due.

		Compa	rative
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Agency	3/31/22	3/31/21	3/31/20
Department of Medical Assistance Services	90%	95%	23%
Virginia Employment Commission	61%	22%	22%
Old Dominion University	41%	36%	61%
Department of Behavioral Health			
and Developmental Services	36%	52%	49%
Department of Social Services	34%	31%	34%
Department of Transportation	32%	31%	32%
George Mason University	31%	26%	23%
Virginia Community College System - Central Office	30%	31%	24%
University of Virginia Medical Center	17%	19%	3%
University of Virginia - Academic Division	13%	8%	13%
Statewide Average - All Agencies	34%	25%	19%

Percentage of Gross Receivables Over 60 Days Past Due

Another way to measure agency debt collection effectiveness is to compare amounts collected to amounts billed. The table below presents trend percentages for the ten agencies with the highest collectible accounts receivable balances. In total, these ten agencies are responsible for 79 percent of the Commonwealth's collectible receivables balances, as adjusted to exclude the Department of Taxation and the circuit and district courts. Percentages over 100 percent indicate the collection of prior balances as well as current billings. In evaluating these percentages, it is important to understand that the percentages may fluctuate based on how the different agencies conduct their business and the cycles that those businesses typically follow.

The statewide average of 100 percent indicates that for every dollar billed during the quarter ended March 31, 2022, the state collected one dollar. This rate is the five percent higher than last year and six percent lower than two years ago.

Collections as a Percentage of Billings

		Compa	arative
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Agency	3/31/22	3/31/21	3/31/20
Virginia Commonwealth University	296%	192%	398%
University of Virginia - Academic Division	243%	270%	289%
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	242%	205%	244%
Department of Transportation	117%	107%	97%
Virginia Lottery	111%	97%	104%
Department of Social Services	107%	95%	102%
Virginia Information Technologies Agency	102%	102%	107%
George Mason University	97%	93%	92%
Virginia Employment Commission	25%	80%	28%
University of Virginia Medical Center	24%	24%	26%
Statewide Average - All Agencies	100%	95%	106%

The following individual accounts receivable narratives describe agency collection programs and related trend information:

Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)

DMAS is responsible for overseeing service delivery to eligible recipients, and reviewing and auditing the providers of a variety of federally and State funded health care programs. These programs include Medicaid, Family Access to Medical Insurance Security (FAMIS), and State and Local Hospitalization (SLH) programs.

DMAS' collectible accounts receivable of \$53.3 million at March 31, 2022, is a \$12 million decrease over the \$65.3 million reported at March 31, 2021. Over the same period, total past due receivables of \$114.9 million have decreased by \$28.2 million from \$143.1 million.

University of Virginia Medical Center (UVAH)

UVAH provides primary and specialty health care for Central Virginia by operating a 684bed hospital, a School of Medicine, and over 20 research centers. The majority of its receivables consist of Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements and payments from third party insurers.

UVAH collectible receivables of \$361.1 million at March 31, 2022, was a \$36.1 million increase from the \$325 million reported the previous year. Past due receivables increased \$35.0 million to \$417.2 million over the previous year.

Virginia Employment Commission (VEC)

VEC is responsible for paying unemployment insurance benefits to workers who have become unemployed. VEC also provides employment assistance for job seekers and analyzes and reports on a variety of labor market information.

VEC collectible receivables were \$455.6 million at March 31, 2022, a decrease of \$178.3 million from the previous year. Total past due receivables were \$805.2 million, a \$599.5 million increase over last year. VEC collects employer tax receivables in-house. The Attorney General's Office is involved in contested cases. Unemployment benefit overpayments to individuals are referred to private collections agencies after in-house efforts have produced no results and when debtors have left the state.

Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA)

VITA is the state's central information technologies provider. VITA operates the information technology infrastructure for much of State government, providing both hardware and services. VITA also procures hardware and software for agencies and institutions of higher education.

VITA reported collectible receivables at March 31, 2022, of \$73.0 million, which is an increase of \$6.4 million reported in the previous year. Most of these receivables are due from other state agencies. As of March 31, 2022, \$1.8 million was over 60 days past due, an increase of \$800,135 from the previous year.

Virginia Lottery (VAL)

The Virginia Lottery is an independent agency responsible for operating the state's lottery gaming, including the sale and profits from scratch and draw game tickets. The Virginia Lottery actively participates in national and regional games including Mega Millions, Powerball, and Cash 4 Life. Retail merchants who sell the Virginia Lottery games are covered by surety bonds and deposit Lottery receipts into bank accounts approved by the State Treasurer.

At March 31, 2022, the Virginia Lottery reported net receivables of \$68.6 million, a \$15.1 million decrease from the previous year. Billings decreased by \$67.1 million and collections decreased by \$35.6 million during the March 31, 2022 quarter when compared to the March 31, 2021 quarter. At March 31, 2022, the Virginia Lottery had \$232,857 that was over 60 days past due. The total amount owed is covered by surety bonds.

Department of Education (DOE)

Education acts as the pass-through agency for state and federal education funds and determines the allocation of funds to local school divisions under the Direct Aid to Public Education Program. Localities file expenditure reimbursement requests with the Department who then reviews the claims for accuracy and correctness. Eligible expenditures under federal grants are paid by DOE, which then draws down the money from the U. S. Department of Education. At March 31, 2022, DOE did not have any receivables due from the Federal government under Direct Aid to Public Education.

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VPISU/ID)

VPISU/ID is one of the Commonwealth's largest universities and one of two land grant institutions in the state. At March 31, 2022, the University reported net collectible receivables of \$115.5 million, a decrease of \$10.8 million over the prior year. At the same time, total past due receivables of \$23.5 million decreased by \$8.2 million over the prior year.

The University uses a variety of collection methods to encourage payments. At March 31, 2022, VPISU/ID had \$3.3 million of accounts over 60 days past due. Of that amount, \$969,727 was placed with private collection agencies, and \$2.3 million was subject to additional in-house efforts.

Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS)

DBHDS operates 13 facilities around the State to treat patients. These facilities account for nearly all of the department's receivables, consisting primarily of fees due for patient care. DBHDS bills third party insurers and patient assistance programs such as Medicare and Medicaid whenever they are available. In other cases, the Department looks to responsible family members and tangible real and personal property for payment. When property is located, a lien is filed in the local courts so that when estates are liquidated, DBHDS can recover some of the costs involved in a patient's care. At March 31, 2022, DBHDS reported collectible receivables of \$10.4 million, a \$1.4 million increase over the previous year. \$16.9 million was past due, with \$13.2 million being over 60 days past due. Total past due receivables decreased by \$16.6 million over the year, and accounts over 60 days past due decreased by \$10.2 million. At March 31, 2022, the Department had a total of \$33.4 million of accounts placed with the Attorney General and \$1.6 million listed in Taxation's Debt Setoff Programs.

Department of Transportation (VDOT)

Depending upon how a particular road construction project is funded, VDOT receives payments from a variety of sources. These include the federal government, local government units, and for damage repairs, responsible parties or their insurers. The majority of VDOT receivables stem from these sources.

At March 31, 2022, VDOT reported \$149.4 million of collectible receivables, a decrease of \$7.7 million from the prior year. VDOT also reported \$84.1 million total past due and \$49.1 million being over 60 days past due. Past due receivables increased by \$14.6 million over the year, while receivables over 60 days past due decreased by \$2.1 million. VDOT reports that the large majority of the accounts over 60 days past due continue to be amounts owed by cities, counties and towns participating are on long-term that construction projects with the department.

VDOT reported placing \$15.4 million of their accounts over 60 days past due with the Attorney General's Division of Debt Collection.

Department of Social Services (DSS)

Social Services provides financial assistance to eligible individuals and families through 120 local departments of social services. The assistance programs include the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid, Food Stamps, and Community Services Block Grants. In addition to the assistance programs, DSS is the federally mandated state agency to provide child support enforcement assistance. Child support paid for children receiving money from an assistance program is required to be paid to reimburse the federal and state funds which provide the assistance. Overpayments of assistance benefits from ineligible participants must also be repaid to the originating funds. Receivables due from the Federal government usually are the Federal share of assistance payments and allowable cost recoveries made through the local offices during the preceding month.

At March 31, 2022, DSS reported end gross receivables of \$854.1 million, an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$493.5 million and collectible receivables of \$360.6 million. Past due receivables totaled \$294.5 million, of which \$290 million was over 60 days past due.

Of these amounts, the Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE) was responsible for \$751.8 million (88 percent) of the gross receivables, \$465.4 million (94 percent) of the allowance for doubtful accounts and \$286.4 million (79 percent) of the collectible receivables.

From March 31, 2021 to March 31, 2022, end gross receivables decreased by \$46 million and collectible receivables decreased by \$56.4 million. Total past due receivables increased by \$8.4 million and receivables over 60 days past due increased by \$8.2 million.

Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT)

DRPT is responsible for overseeing Virginia's railroads, providing funding and project resources for public transportation, and researching feasible alternatives for commuters. DRPT works closely with VDOT, the railroads, local governments, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and the Federal Transit Authority.

At March 31, 2022, DRPT had gross and net receivables of \$14.9 million. The majority of this money is due via an interagency transfer from VDOT. DRPT reported \$960,922 past due receivables at March 31, 2022.

Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)

VCU, based in Richmond, offers 238 degree and certificate programs through VCU's 11 schools and three colleges to over 29,000 students. VCU is designated as a research university with very high research activity by the Carnegie Foundation. A broad array of university-approved centers and institutes of excellence, involving faculty from multiple disciplines in public policy, biotechnology and health care discoveries, supports the University's research mission.

At March 31, 2022, VCU had \$66.7 million of collectible receivables, a \$49.3 million decrease from March 31, 2021. Total past due accounts were \$9.4 million, a \$5.3 million decrease from March 31, 2021. Accounts over 60 days past due (\$7.7 million) decreased by \$2.9 million from the prior year. Billings decreased at March 31, 2022 by \$39.3 million to \$109.9 million and collections increased by \$39.3 million to \$325.2 million for the March 31, 2022 quarter, when compared to the March 31, 2021 quarter. The following table is prepared to present the March 31, 2022, aging information in conformity with the provisions of the *Code of Virginia* § 2.2-603.E.(ii).

Taxation and the Circuit and District Courts accounted for 62 percent (\$3.3 billion) of the

Commonwealth's total \$5.3 billion past due accounts receivable on March 31, 2022. Another 18 agencies accounted for 37 percent (\$2 billion), leaving 67 other agencies to comprise the last one percent at \$50 million.

Agencies with the Largest Volume of Past Due Receivables

Agency		Total Past Due	1 to 180 Days Past Due	18	1 to 365 Days Past Due	 Over One Year
Department of Taxation	\$	2,343,300,076	252,363,366		192,796,282	1,898,140,428
Localities' Circuit and District Courts		939,876,621	46,192,141		43,493,812	850,190,668
Total - Taxation Assessments and						
Court Fines and Fees		3,283,176,697	298,555,507		236,290,094	2,748,331,096
All Other Large Dollar Agencies:						
VIRGINIA EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION		805,201,348	376,245,770		123,676,974	305,278,604
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA MEDICAL CENTER		417,185,392	320,992,195		51,167,604	45,025,593
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES		294,515,745	14,052,009		14,087,213	266,376,523
DEPT OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES		114,885,263	16,219,189		12,177,855	86,488,219
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION		84,138,251	44,134,032		2,019,838	37,984,381
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA - ACADEMIC DIV		41,919,342	36,508,657		3,699,460	1,711,225
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY		33,027,653	20,625,211		6,420,797	5,981,645
VA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYS-SYSTEM OFFICE		28,586,828	26,212,449		1,598,229	776,150
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES		25,746,146	25,603,080		125,012	18,054
VPI & STATE UNIVERSITY		23,490,771	22,434,549		594,082	462,140
DEPT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH &						
DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES		16,860,412	13,357,127		11,794	3,491,491
OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY		15,079,486	9,615,420		4,658,951	805,115
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES		10,080,513	4,473,166		1,130,809	4,476,538
VIRGINIA INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES AGENCY		9,891,048	9,158,892		478,408	253,748
VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY		9,370,161	4,552,086		388,143	4,429,932
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY		8,201,390	(598,859)		433,451	8,366,798
VA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION		6,789,628	2,330,495		1,636,070	2,823,063
DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE		5,793,770	1,334,772		270,430	4,188,568
Total - Largest Dollar Volume Agencies	\$	1,950,763,147	\$ 947,250,240	\$	224,575,120	\$ 778,937,787
All Other Agencies		49,881,777	29,768,087		7,099,688	13,014,002
Grand Total Past Due Receivables	\$	5,283,821,621	\$ 1,275,573,834	\$	467,964,902	\$ 3,540,282,885

As of March 31, 2022

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