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	BASE YEAR	LAST YEAR	THIS YEAR	% Change		
ECONOMIC INDICATORS*	1996	2016	2017	2016-2017		
Taxable Spending – Sept (Per Sales Tax Rebate)	\$139,638,227	\$256,529,101	\$354,387,699	38.1%		
Taxable Spending – 3 rd Quarter	\$434,713,814	\$838,483,617	\$1,081,833,589	29.0%		
Taxable Spending – YTD	\$1,316,831,010	\$2,722,253,515	\$2,923,296,973	7.4%		
Dollars Spent on Auto Purchases – September	\$15,111,840	\$45,247,300	\$52,388,778	15.8%		
Dollars Spent on Auto Purchases – 3 rd Quarter	\$45,031,305	\$132,715,350	\$169,826,082	28.0%		
Dollars Spent on Auto Purchases – YTD	\$131,833,023	\$382,096,796	\$485,503,639	27.1%		
Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts – Quarter	\$4,959,417	\$16,564,516	\$23,770,975	43.5%		
Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts – YTD	\$13,900,941	\$53,732,967	\$56,500,500	5.2%		
Airline Boardings – September	44,654	38,302	40,175	4.9%		
Airline Boardings – 3 rd Quarter	139,473	115,456	129,233	11.9%		
Airline Boardings – YTD	410,035	345,223	380,419	10.2%		
Value All Building Permits – September	\$5,306,944	\$26,285,246	\$14,905,176	-43.3%		
Value All Building Permits – 3 rd Quarter	\$31,242,225	\$102,314,982	\$89,699,633	-12.3%		
Value All Building Permits – YTD	\$111,976,961	\$233,065,323	\$243,143,404	4.3%		
Permits for New Homes – September	20	32	44	37.5%		
Permits for New Homes – 3 rd Quarter	67	157	198	26.1%		
Permits for New Homes – YTD	229	449	652	45.2%		
Sales of Existing Homes – September	154	195	239	22.6%		
Sales of Existing Homes – 3 rd Quarter	494	600	726	21.0%		
Sales of Existing Homes – YTD	1,269	1,594	2,114	32.6%		
Average Home Sale Price – September	\$91,380	\$269,987	\$310,728	15.1%		
Average Home Sales Price – 3 rd Quarter	\$87,151	\$283,640	\$305,588	7.7%		
Average Home Sale Price – YTD	\$85,381	\$274,263	\$293,593	7.0%		
Home Sales Dollar Volume – September	\$22,536,093	\$54,005,526	\$74,263,914	37.5%		
Home Sales Dollar Volume – 3 rd Quarter	\$69,139,849	\$174,873,961	\$222,357,663	27.2%		
Home Sales Dollar Volume – YTD	\$175,305,290	\$450,862,261	\$625,803,012	38.8%		
EMPLOYMENT						
Wage and Salary Employment – September	53,900	86,800	89,100	2.6%		
Wage and Salary Employment – 3 rd Quarter	53,535	86,565	88,635	2.4%		
Wage and Salary Employment – YTD Avg	53,055	87,300	88,100	0.9%		
Unemployment Rate – September	4.3	4.6	2.8	-39.1%		
Unemployment Rate – 3 rd Quarter	4.7	4.7	3.1	-35.2%		
Unemployment Rate – YTD Average	4.8	4.5	3.5	-21.8%		
INDEX - September (Base = 100 January 1996)	104.8	192.2	207.4	7.9%		

* With the exception of the average home sale price, all economic indicators expressed in dollar form above are adjusted for inflation by restating prior periods in current dollars.