

Take a look at the items that were subject to excise taxes during the Great Depression. Which ones are still subject to excise taxes today?

Figure A

Federal Excise Taxes, Fiscal Year 1933

Money amounts are in whole dollars

Excise Tax	Receipts in FY 1933	In effect FY 200
Total	247,751,425	N/A
Gasoline.....	124,929,412	Yes
Electric energy.....	28,562,739	No
Lubricating oils.....	16,232,925	No
Tires and inner tubes.....	14,980,085	Yes ¹
Other automobiles and motorcycles.....	12,573,922	Yes ²
Toilet preparations, etc.....	9,602,539	No
Articles made of fur.....	7,546,274	No
Brewers' wort, malt, grape concentrate, etc.....	5,707,905	No
Soft drinks.....	4,186,447	No
Candy and chewing gum.....	4,150,228	No
Parts or accessories for automobiles.....	3,597,276	No
Jewelry.....	3,068,494	No
Matches.....	2,871,992	No
Sporting goods.....	2,701,680	Yes ³
Radio sets, phonograph records, etc.....	2,206,763	No
Mechanical refrigerators.....	2,111,869	No
Automobile trucks.....	1,654,040	Yes ⁴
Firearms, shells and cartridges.....	896,833	Yes
Cameras and lenses.....	170,002	No

¹Limited to heavy tires.

²Limited to luxury cars and "gas guzzlers."

³Limited to bows, arrows, and fishing equipment.

⁴Limited to heavy trucks and trailers.