

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
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State of Rhode Island Monthly Meal and Beverage Report
FY 2014 Local 1.0 Percent Collections February 2014

Beginning in June 2010, the Rhode Island Department of Revenue will issue a monthly report on the collection and distribution of the local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax. The report is meant to be descriptive and does not purport to project or assess the collection of the local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax. The report provides data by municipality on the month-to-month, year-over-year, and fiscal year-to-date-over-fiscal year-to-date collections. A discussion of the municipalities with the largest and smallest percentage and nominal changes in these three measures will be included in the body of the report.

Anomalies in the Data

In June 2012, the Division of Taxation experienced a delay in processing and reconciling the meal and beverage tax data. An unknown number of July 2012 meal and beverage tax returns may have been included in the meal and beverage tax data for June 2012. As a result, the July 2012 monthly meal and beverage tax data may have been understated. Insufficient information was available to estimate the amount of July 2012 meal and beverage tax data that may have been included in the June 2012 meal and beverage tax data. This processing delay may affect the prior year's fiscal-year-to-date total.

In September 2013, an error was discovered relating to the local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections in Newport affecting both the fiscal year-to-date and the monthly collections. A taxpayer was discovered to have incorrectly paid sales tax receipts as a monthly meal and beverage tax payment in June 2013. As a result, the June 2013 meal and beverage tax receipts were overstated. In July 2013, the June 2013 error was corrected and the receipts transferred to sales tax. The same taxpayer, however, incorrectly paid sales tax receipts as a monthly meal and beverage tax payment in July 2013. The result was that the July 2013 Newport receipts were potentially understated due to the correction of the misposting error and potentially overstated due to the posting error occurring that month. Finally in September 2013, the money was

transferred to sales tax receipts, which understates the September 2013 meal and beverage tax collections for Newport. As a consequence, these processing issues ultimately affected the City of Newport's fiscal year-to-date total local meal and beverage tax collections in both FY 2013 and FY 2014 and the July 2013 and September 2013 Newport monthly local meal and beverage tax collections receipts.

Analysis of Month-to-Month Collections

On a statewide basis, February 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.45 million or 3.4 percent less than the \$1.50 million collected in January 2014. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and January 2014 were: Foster, 419.4 percent; Hopkinton, 35.8 percent; Barrington, 27.9 percent; Jamestown, 22.0 percent; and South Kingstown, 12.5 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and January 2014 were: Cranston, -21.6 percent; Little Compton, -15.0 percent; Smithfield, -14.3 percent; East Greenwich, -14.1 percent; and Charlestown, -11.3 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and January 2014 were: South Kingstown, \$5,638; Johnston, \$3,858; Pawtucket, \$3,673; North Kingstown, \$3,046; and Barrington, \$2,190. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and January 2014 were: Cranston, -\$29,506; Smithfield, -\$7,745; East Providence, -\$5,754; East Greenwich, -\$5,227; and Providence, -\$3,818.

Analysis of Year-over-Year Collections by Month

On a statewide basis, February 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.45 million or 4.8 percent more than the \$1.38 million collected in February 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and February 2013 were: Foster, 77.7 percent; Charlestown, 34.5 percent; North Smithfield, 33.2 percent; West Greenwich, 32.6 percent; and South Kingstown, 28.9 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and February 2013 were: Scituate, -45.0 percent; Hopkinton, -33.4 percent; Gloucester, -22.5 percent; East Greenwich, -21.0 percent; and North Providence, -17.1 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and February 2013 were: Providence, \$29,207; South Kingstown, \$11,363; Warwick, \$6,960; Lincoln, \$6,823; and Pawtucket, \$5,995. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between February 2014 and February 2013 were: Cranston, -\$12,854; East Greenwich, -\$8,438; North Providence, -\$4,265; Scituate -\$3,518; and Narragansett, -\$2,382.

Analysis of Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through February

On a statewide basis, fiscal year-to-date February 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$14.54 million or 5.5 percent more than the \$13.79 million collected through fiscal year-to-date February 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date February 2014 and fiscal year-to-date February 2013 were: North Smithfield, 22.9 percent; West Greenwich, 20.7 percent; Charlestown, 20.6 percent; New Shoreham, 15.8 percent; and Central Falls, 13.6 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date February 2014 and fiscal year-to-date February 2013 were: North Providence, -11.8 percent; Little Compton, -11.3 percent; Hopkinton, -8.3 percent; Burrillville, -4.3 percent; and Woonsocket, -3.8 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date February 2014 and fiscal year-to-date February 2013 were: Providence, \$144,939; Warwick, \$126,650; Lincoln, \$54,269; Smithfield, \$46,529; and Cranston, \$46,441. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date February 2014 and fiscal year-to-date February 2013 were: North Providence, -\$26,877; Newport, -\$15,308; Woonsocket, -\$12,084; Burrillville, -\$5,395; and Little Compton, -\$3,291.



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Month-to-Month Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Month-to-Month			
	February 2014	January 2014	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 10,024	\$ 7,835	27.9%	\$ 2,190
BRISTOL	19,724	21,616	-8.8%	(1,892)
BURRILLVILLE	12,526	12,549	-0.2%	(24)
CENTRAL FALLS	8,619	8,075	6.7%	544
CHARLESTOWN	5,067	5,711	-11.3%	(644)
COVENTRY	26,164	28,264	-7.4%	(2,100)
CRANSTON	107,364	136,870	-21.6%	(29,506)
CUMBERLAND	28,616	29,275	-2.3%	(659)
EAST GREENWICH	31,728	36,955	-14.1%	(5,227)
EAST PROVIDENCE	60,879	66,633	-8.6%	(5,754)
EXETER	5,693	6,143	-7.3%	(450)
FOSTER	924	178	419.4%	746
GLOCESTER	4,554	4,986	-8.7%	(432)
HOPKINTON	2,855	2,103	35.8%	752
JAMESTOWN	3,184	2,610	22.0%	574
JOHNSTON	38,327	34,469	11.2%	3,858
LINCOLN	56,077	58,092	-3.5%	(2,015)
LITTLE COMPTON	1,054	1,241	-15.0%	(186)
MIDDLETOWN	32,312	32,554	-0.7%	(242)
NARRAGANSETT	18,507	20,452	-9.5%	(1,946)
NEWPORT	69,341	69,429	-0.1%	(87)
NEW SHOREHAM	923	983	-6.1%	(60)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	31,922	28,876	10.6%	3,046
NORTH PROVIDENCE	20,729	23,185	-10.6%	(2,456)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	18,008	18,617	-3.3%	(609)
PAWTUCKET	49,678	46,005	8.0%	3,673
PORTSMOUTH	8,397	8,874	-5.4%	(477)
PROVIDENCE	355,753	359,571	-1.1%	(3,818)
RICHMOND	7,456	7,445	0.1%	11
SCITUATE	4,303	4,657	-7.6%	(354)
SMITHFIELD	46,407	54,152	-14.3%	(7,745)
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	50,618	44,980	12.5%	5,638
TIVERTON	11,323	11,153	1.5%	170
WARREN	17,430	17,434	0.0%	(4)
WARWICK	182,498	184,125	-0.9%	(1,628)
WESTERLY	32,647	35,690	-8.5%	(3,043)
WEST GREENWICH	8,297	8,986	-7.7%	(689)
WEST WARWICK	22,603	22,227	1.7%	375
WOONSOCKET	36,232	36,758	-1.4%	(526)
Total	\$ 1,448,762	\$ 1,499,759	-3.4%	\$ (50,996)

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Year-over-Year Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Year-over-Year			
	February 2014	February 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 10,024	\$ 9,692	3.4%	\$ 333
BRISTOL	19,724	16,560	19.1%	3,165
BURRILLVILLE	12,526	11,575	8.2%	951
CENTRAL FALLS	8,619	7,071	21.9%	1,548
CHARLESTOWN	5,067	3,767	34.5%	1,299
COVENTRY	26,164	24,421	7.1%	1,743
CRANSTON	107,364	120,219	-10.7%	(12,854)
CUMBERLAND	28,616	27,533	3.9%	1,083
EAST GREENWICH	31,728	40,166	-21.0%	(8,438)
EAST PROVIDENCE	60,879	58,514	4.0%	2,365
EXETER	5,693	5,035	13.1%	659
FOSTER	924	520	77.7%	404
GLOCESTER	4,554	5,873	-22.5%	(1,319)
HOPKINTON	2,855	4,289	-33.4%	(1,434)
JAMESTOWN	3,184	2,755	15.6%	429
JOHNSTON	38,327	34,324	11.7%	4,003
LINCOLN	56,077	49,255	13.9%	6,823
LITTLE COMPTON	1,054	1,183	-10.9%	(128)
MIDDLETOWN	32,312	33,799	-4.4%	(1,487)
NARRAGANSETT	18,507	20,888	-11.4%	(2,382)
NEWPORT	69,341	66,097	4.9%	3,244
NEW SHOREHAM	923	1,094	-15.7%	(172)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	31,922	28,795	10.9%	3,127
NORTH PROVIDENCE	20,729	24,994	-17.1%	(4,265)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	18,008	13,517	33.2%	4,491
PAWTUCKET	49,678	43,682	13.7%	5,995
PORTSMOUTH	8,397	10,081	-16.7%	(1,684)
PROVIDENCE	355,753	326,546	8.9%	29,207
RICHMOND	7,456	6,984	6.8%	472
SCITUATE	4,303	7,821	-45.0%	(3,518)
SMITHFIELD	46,407	41,780	11.1%	4,627
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	50,618	39,254	28.9%	11,363
TIVERTON	11,323	10,060	12.6%	1,263
WARREN	17,430	15,358	13.5%	2,072
WARWICK	182,498	175,538	4.0%	6,960
WESTERLY	32,647	29,089	12.2%	3,559
WEST GREENWICH	8,297	6,258	32.6%	2,039
WEST WARWICK	22,603	20,634	9.5%	1,969
WOONSOCKET	36,232	36,803	-1.6%	(571)
Total	\$ 1,448,762	\$ 1,381,823	4.8%	\$ 66,940

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Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Fiscal Year-to-Date			
	February 2014	February 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 97,094	\$ 87,217	11.3%	\$ 9,877
BRISTOL	233,438	216,231	8.0%	17,207
BURRILLVILLE	120,506	125,902	-4.3%	(5,395)
CENTRAL FALLS	68,700	60,465	13.6%	8,235
CHARLESTOWN	85,317	70,758	20.6%	14,559
COVENTRY	240,880	224,809	7.1%	16,071
CRANSTON	1,005,680	959,240	4.8%	46,441
CUMBERLAND	257,536	246,456	4.5%	11,080
EAST GREENWICH	344,546	326,091	5.7%	18,455
EAST PROVIDENCE	546,537	523,390	4.4%	23,147
EXETER	53,768	50,427	6.6%	3,341
FOSTER	9,516	8,729	9.0%	787
GLOCESTER	47,604	48,308	-1.5%	(704)
HOPKINTON	29,553	32,217	-8.3%	(2,664)
JAMESTOWN	53,902	52,669	2.3%	1,233
JOHNSTON	308,160	294,933	4.5%	13,227
LINCOLN	490,697	436,429	12.4%	54,269
LITTLE COMPTON	25,870	29,161	-11.3%	(3,291)
MIDDLETOWN	423,788	389,288	8.9%	34,499
NARRAGANSETT	352,631	330,571	6.7%	22,060
NEWPORT	1,204,847	1,220,155	-1.3%	(15,308)
NEW SHOREHAM	227,921	196,903	15.8%	31,018
NORTH KINGSTOWN	297,801	300,562	-0.9%	(2,761)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	201,694	228,571	-11.8%	(26,877)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	149,170	121,354	22.9%	27,816
PAWTUCKET	446,894	407,275	9.7%	39,620
PORTSMOUTH	112,265	111,642	0.6%	624
PROVIDENCE	3,090,423	2,945,485	4.9%	144,939
RICHMOND	78,322	79,881	-2.0%	(1,560)
SCITUATE	42,441	39,711	6.9%	2,730
SMITHFIELD	420,153	373,625	12.5%	46,529
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	454,075	420,824	7.9%	33,252
TIVERTON	129,648	120,603	7.5%	9,045
WARREN	165,056	145,997	13.1%	19,059
WARWICK	1,618,706	1,492,056	8.5%	126,650
WESTERLY	514,755	486,190	5.9%	28,566
WEST GREENWICH	80,213	66,448	20.7%	13,764
WEST WARWICK	210,271	200,510	4.9%	9,762
WOONSOCKET	302,411	314,495	-3.8%	(12,084)
Total	\$ 14,542,790	\$ 13,785,577	5.5%	\$ 757,212