

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 March 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, March 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.76 million or 21.3 percent more than the \$1.45 million collected in February 2014. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and February 2014 were: New Shoreham, 91.4 percent; Hopkinton, 85.0 percent; Portsmouth, 49.0 percent; East Greenwich, 44.0 percent; and Narragansett, 40.1 percent. The only community with a percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and February 2014 was Foster, -37.1 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and February 2014 were: Providence, \$56,315; Cranston, \$40,366; Warwick, \$35,945; Newport, \$22,607; and East Providence, \$14,879. The only community with a nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and February 2014 was Foster, \$(343).

Analysis of Year-over-Year Collections by Month


On a statewide basis, March 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.76 million or 4.7 percent more than the \$1.68 million collected in March 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and March 2013 were: Hopkinton, 51.8 percent; Charlestown, 37.2 percent; West Greenwich, 28.7 percent; Jamestown, 24.7 percent; and Cranston, 23.5 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and March 2013 were: Foster, -38.5 percent; New Shoreham, -19.2 percent; Richmond and Woonsocket, -12.8 percent; and Middletown, -9.3 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and March 2013 were: Cranston, \$28,128; Warwick, \$16,770; Pawtucket, \$11,736; East Providence, \$6,430; and East Greenwich, \$5,939. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between March 2014 and March 2013 were: Woonsocket, \$(6,066); Middletown, \$(4,349); Newport, \$(2,788); Westerly, \$(2,581); and Bristol, \$(1,648).

Analysis of Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through March

On a statewide basis, fiscal year-to-date March 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$16.30 million or 5.4 percent more than the \$15.47 million collected through fiscal year-to-date March 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date March 2014 and fiscal year-to-date March 2013 were: Charlestown, 21.6 percent; West Greenwich, 21.6 percent; North Smithfield, 18.8 percent; New Shoreham, 15.4 percent; and Central Falls, 14.6 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date March 2014 and fiscal year-to-date March 2013 were: North Providence, -11.0 percent; Little Compton, -10.8 percent; Woonsocket, -5.0 percent; Burrillville, -3.8 percent; and Richmond, -3.1 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date March 2014 and fiscal year-to-date March 2013 were: Providence, \$150,332; Warwick, \$143,420; Cranston, \$74,569; Lincoln, \$57,926; and Pawtucket, \$51,355. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date March 2014 and fiscal year-to-date March 2013 were: North Providence, \$(28,502); Woonsocket, \$(18,150); Newport, \$(18,096); Burrillville, \$(5,413); and Little Compton, \$(3,269).


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Month-to-Month Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Month-to-Month			
	March 2014	February 2014	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 12,429	\$ 10,024	24.0%	\$ 2,404
BRISTOL	21,015	19,724	6.5%	1,290
BURRILLVILLE	16,417	12,526	31.1%	3,891
CENTRAL FALLS	10,154	8,619	17.8%	1,536
CHARLESTOWN	6,230	5,067	23.0%	1,164
COVENTRY	29,993	26,164	14.6%	3,829
CRANSTON	147,730	107,364	37.6%	40,366
CUMBERLAND	33,276	28,616	16.3%	4,660
EAST GREENWICH	45,690	31,728	44.0%	13,963
EAST PROVIDENCE	75,758	60,879	24.4%	14,879
EXETER	6,467	5,693	13.6%	774
FOSTER	581	924	-37.1%	(343)
GLOCESTER	5,999	4,554	31.7%	1,445
HOPKINTON	5,283	2,855	85.0%	2,427
JAMESTOWN	4,238	3,184	33.1%	1,054
JOHNSTON	41,141	38,327	7.3%	2,814
LINCOLN	66,282	56,077	18.2%	10,204
LITTLE COMPTON	1,224	1,054	16.1%	170
MIDDLETOWN	42,577	32,312	31.8%	10,265
NARRAGANSETT	25,936	18,507	40.1%	7,430
NEWPORT	91,948	69,341	32.6%	22,607
NEW SHOREHAM	1,765	923	91.4%	843
NORTH KINGSTOWN	35,463	31,922	11.1%	3,541
NORTH PROVIDENCE	28,158	20,729	35.8%	7,428
NORTH SMITHFIELD	19,207	18,008	6.7%	1,199
PAWTUCKET	64,023	49,678	28.9%	14,345
PORTSMOUTH	12,509	8,397	49.0%	4,112
PROVIDENCE	412,068	355,753	15.8%	56,315
RICHMOND	8,302	7,456	11.4%	846
SCITUATE	5,402	4,303	25.5%	1,099
SMITHFIELD	53,397	46,407	15.1%	6,990
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	56,424	50,618	11.5%	5,806
TIVERTON	12,908	11,323	14.0%	1,586
WARREN	18,767	17,430	7.7%	1,336
WARWICK	218,443	182,498	19.7%	35,945
WESTERLY	39,356	32,647	20.5%	6,709
WEST GREENWICH	10,311	8,297	24.3%	2,014
WEST WARWICK	29,744	22,603	31.6%	7,141
WOONSOCKET	41,387	36,232	14.2%	5,155
Total	\$ 1,758,004	\$ 1,448,762	21.3%	\$ 309,242

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Year-over-Year Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Year-over-Year			
	March 2014	March 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 12,429	\$ 12,188	2.0%	\$ 241
BRISTOL	21,015	22,663	-7.3%	(1,648)
BURRILLVILLE	16,417	16,435	-0.1%	(18)
CENTRAL FALLS	10,154	8,362	21.4%	1,792
CHARLESTOWN	6,230	4,542	37.2%	1,688
COVENTRY	29,993	31,463	-4.7%	(1,469)
CRANSTON	147,730	119,601	23.5%	28,128
CUMBERLAND	33,276	33,341	-0.2%	(64)
EAST GREENWICH	45,690	39,752	14.9%	5,939
EAST PROVIDENCE	75,758	69,328	9.3%	6,430
EXETER	6,467	5,896	9.7%	571
FOSTER	581	944	-38.5%	(363)
GLOCESTER	5,999	5,357	12.0%	642
HOPKINTON	5,283	3,480	51.8%	1,802
JAMESTOWN	4,238	3,398	24.7%	840
JOHNSTON	41,141	40,696	1.1%	445
LINCOLN	66,282	62,624	5.8%	3,658
LITTLE COMPTON	1,224	1,202	1.9%	22
MIDDLETOWN	42,577	46,926	-9.3%	(4,349)
NARRAGANSETT	25,936	27,072	-4.2%	(1,136)
NEWPORT	91,948	94,737	-2.9%	(2,788)
NEW SHOREHAM	1,765	2,184	-19.2%	(418)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	35,463	34,422	3.0%	1,041
NORTH PROVIDENCE	28,158	29,783	-5.5%	(1,625)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	19,207	20,330	-5.5%	(1,123)
PAWTUCKET	64,023	52,287	22.4%	11,736
PORTSMOUTH	12,509	11,824	5.8%	686
PROVIDENCE	412,068	406,675	1.3%	5,393
RICHMOND	8,302	9,521	-12.8%	(1,219)
SCITUATE	5,402	5,128	5.3%	274
SMITHFIELD	53,397	49,000	9.0%	4,398
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	56,424	50,652	11.4%	5,772
TIVERTON	12,908	13,358	-3.4%	(450)
WARREN	18,767	17,766	5.6%	1,001
WARWICK	218,443	201,674	8.3%	16,770
WESTERLY	39,356	41,936	-6.2%	(2,581)
WEST GREENWICH	10,311	8,010	28.7%	2,301
WEST WARWICK	29,744	27,715	7.3%	2,028
WOONSOCKET	41,387	47,453	-12.8%	(6,066)
Total	\$ 1,758,004	\$ 1,679,723	4.7%	\$ 78,282

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Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Fiscal Year-to-Date			
	March 2014	March 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 109,523	\$ 99,406	10.2%	\$ 10,117
BRISTOL	254,453	238,894	6.5%	15,559
BURRILLVILLE	136,923	142,337	-3.8%	(5,413)
CENTRAL FALLS	78,855	68,828	14.6%	10,027
CHARLESTOWN	91,547	75,300	21.6%	16,247
COVENTRY	270,873	256,272	5.7%	14,602
CRANSTON	1,153,410	1,078,841	6.9%	74,569
CUMBERLAND	290,813	279,797	3.9%	11,016
EAST GREENWICH	390,237	365,843	6.7%	24,394
EAST PROVIDENCE	622,295	592,718	5.0%	29,577
EXETER	60,235	56,323	6.9%	3,912
FOSTER	10,097	9,673	4.4%	424
GLOCESTER	53,603	53,666	-0.1%	(62)
HOPKINTON	34,835	35,697	-2.4%	(862)
JAMESTOWN	58,140	56,067	3.7%	2,073
JOHNSTON	349,301	335,628	4.1%	13,673
LINCOLN	556,979	499,052	11.6%	57,926
LITTLE COMPTON	27,094	30,363	-10.8%	(3,269)
MIDDLETOWN	466,365	436,214	6.9%	30,150
NARRAGANSETT	378,567	357,643	5.9%	20,924
NEWPORT	1,296,795	1,314,891	-1.4%	(18,096)
NEW SHOREHAM	229,686	199,087	15.4%	30,599
NORTH KINGSTOWN	333,264	334,984	-0.5%	(1,720)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	229,851	258,354	-11.0%	(28,502)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	168,377	141,684	18.8%	26,692
PAWTUCKET	510,917	459,561	11.2%	51,355
PORTSMOUTH	124,775	123,465	1.1%	1,309
PROVIDENCE	3,502,491	3,352,159	4.5%	150,332
RICHMOND	86,624	89,402	-3.1%	(2,778)
SCITUATE	47,843	44,839	6.7%	3,004
SMITHFIELD	473,551	422,624	12.1%	50,927
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	510,499	471,475	8.3%	39,024
TIVERTON	142,556	133,961	6.4%	8,595
WARREN	183,822	163,762	12.2%	20,060
WARWICK	1,837,150	1,693,730	8.5%	143,420
WESTERLY	554,111	528,126	4.9%	25,985
WEST GREENWICH	90,523	74,458	21.6%	16,065
WEST WARWICK	240,015	228,225	5.2%	11,790
WOONSOCKET	343,798	361,948	-5.0%	(18,150)
Total	\$ 16,300,794	\$ 15,465,300	5.4%	\$ 835,494