

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 January 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, January 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.50 million or 8.7 percent less than the \$1.64 million collected in December 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and December 2013 were: West Greenwich, 17.2 percent; North Smithfield, 10.3 percent; Cranston, 9.4 percent; Smithfield, 3.7 percent; and Woonsocket, 3.6 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and December 2013 were: Foster, -84.7 percent; Barrington, -52.9 percent; Jamestown, -47.1 percent; New Shoreham, -40.2 percent; and Hopkinton, -34.9 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and December 2013 were: Cranston, \$11,705; Smithfield, \$1,935; North Smithfield, \$1,746; West Greenwich, \$1,319; and Woonsocket, \$1,269. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and December 2013 were: Providence, -\$37,012; Newport, -\$24,405; Warwick, -\$20,116; Barrington, -\$8,784; and Middletown, -\$7,518.

Analysis of Year-over-Year Collections by Month

On a statewide basis, January 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.50 million or 0.6 percent less than the \$1.51 million collected in January 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and January 2013 were: Charlestown, 122.9 percent; West Greenwich, 36.6 percent; Smithfield, 29.4 percent; North Smithfield, 23.8 percent; and Bristol, 21.7 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and January 2013 were: Foster, -63.2 percent; New Shoreham, -36.3 percent; Little Compton, -33.3 percent; Barrington, -26.7 percent; and Hopkinton, -23.1 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and January 2013 were: Cranston, \$17,831; Warwick, \$17,045; Smithfield, \$12,293; East Providence, \$5,607; and Lincoln, \$4,373. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between January 2014 and January 2013 were: Providence, -\$46,200; North Providence, -\$5,669; West Warwick, -\$5,600; Westerly -\$3,779; and Cumberland, -\$3,342.

Analysis of Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through January

On a statewide basis, fiscal year-to-date January 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$13.09 million or 5.6 percent more than the \$12.40 million collected through fiscal year-to-date January 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date January 2014 and fiscal year-to-date January 2013 were: North Smithfield, 21.6 percent; Charlestown, 19.8 percent; Scituate, 19.6 percent; West Greenwich, 19.5 percent; and New Shoreham, 15.9 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date January 2014 and fiscal year-to-date January 2013 were: Little Compton, -11.3 percent; North Providence, -11.1 percent; Burrillville, -5.6 percent; Hopkinton, -4.4 percent; and Woonsocket, -4.1 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date January 2014 and fiscal year-to-date January 2013 were: Warwick, \$119,690; Providence, \$115,731; Cranston, \$59,295; Lincoln, \$47,446; and Smithfield, \$41,902. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date January 2014 and fiscal year-to-date January 2013 were: North Providence, -\$22,612; Newport, -\$18,552; Woonsocket, -\$11,513; Burrillville, -\$6,346; and North Kingstown, -\$5,889.



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Month-to-Month Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Month-to-Month			
	January 2014	December 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 7,835	\$ 16,619	-52.9%	\$ (8,784)
BRISTOL	21,616	24,835	-13.0%	(3,219)
BURRILLVILLE	12,549	13,051	-3.8%	(501)
CENTRAL FALLS	8,075	8,272	-2.4%	(198)
CHARLESTOWN	5,711	7,233	-21.0%	(1,522)
COVENTRY	28,264	30,049	-5.9%	(1,785)
CRANSTON	136,870	125,164	9.4%	11,705
CUMBERLAND	29,275	33,064	-11.5%	(3,788)
EAST GREENWICH	36,955	40,409	-8.5%	(3,454)
EAST PROVIDENCE	66,633	65,596	1.6%	1,037
EXETER	6,143	7,446	-17.5%	(1,303)
FOSTER	178	1,165	-84.7%	(987)
GLOCESTER	4,986	5,115	-2.5%	(128)
HOPKINTON	2,103	3,230	-34.9%	(1,127)
JAMESTOWN	2,610	4,932	-47.1%	(2,322)
JOHNSTON	34,469	38,135	-9.6%	(3,666)
LINCOLN	58,092	61,254	-5.2%	(3,161)
LITTLE COMPTON	1,241	1,445	-14.1%	(204)
MIDDLETOWN	32,554	40,073	-18.8%	(7,518)
NARRAGANSETT	20,452	25,475	-19.7%	(5,023)
NEWPORT	69,429	93,833	-26.0%	(24,405)
NEW SHOREHAM	983	1,643	-40.2%	(661)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	28,876	35,982	-19.8%	(7,107)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	23,185	26,382	-12.1%	(3,197)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	18,617	16,871	10.3%	1,746
PAWTUCKET	46,005	46,359	-0.8%	(354)
PORTSMOUTH	8,874	10,624	-16.5%	(1,750)
PROVIDENCE	359,571	396,583	-9.3%	(37,012)
RICHMOND	7,445	8,666	-14.1%	(1,221)
SCITUATE	4,657	4,624	0.7%	33
SMITHFIELD	54,152	52,217	3.7%	1,935
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	44,980	45,696	-1.6%	(716)
TIVERTON	11,153	14,045	-20.6%	(2,892)
WARREN	17,434	20,162	-13.5%	(2,728)
WARWICK	184,125	204,241	-9.8%	(20,116)
WESTERLY	35,690	42,167	-15.4%	(6,477)
WEST GREENWICH	8,986	7,667	17.2%	1,319
WEST WARWICK	22,227	26,308	-15.5%	(4,081)
WOONSOCKET	36,758	35,489	3.6%	1,269
Total	\$ 1,499,759	\$ 1,642,122	-8.7%	\$ (142,364)

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Year-over-Year Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Year-over-Year			
	January 2014	January 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 7,835	\$ 10,690	-26.7%	\$ (2,855)
BRISTOL	21,616	17,762	21.7%	3,854
BURRILLVILLE	12,549	15,318	-18.1%	(2,769)
CENTRAL FALLS	8,075	8,637	-6.5%	(562)
CHARLESTOWN	5,711	2,562	122.9%	3,149
COVENTRY	28,264	29,223	-3.3%	(959)
CRANSTON	136,870	119,039	15.0%	17,831
CUMBERLAND	29,275	32,618	-10.2%	(3,342)
EAST GREENWICH	36,955	35,701	3.5%	1,255
EAST PROVIDENCE	66,633	61,025	9.2%	5,607
EXETER	6,143	6,295	-2.4%	(152)
FOSTER	178	483	-63.2%	(305)
GLOCESTER	4,986	4,744	5.1%	243
HOPKINTON	2,103	2,736	-23.1%	(633)
JAMESTOWN	2,610	2,816	-7.3%	(207)
JOHNSTON	34,469	35,877	-3.9%	(1,408)
LINCOLN	58,092	53,720	8.1%	4,373
LITTLE COMPTON	1,241	1,860	-33.3%	(619)
MIDDLETOWN	32,554	35,307	-7.8%	(2,753)
NARRAGANSETT	20,452	19,167	6.7%	1,286
NEWPORT	69,429	68,897	0.8%	532
NEW SHOREHAM	983	1,542	-36.3%	(559)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	28,876	31,623	-8.7%	(2,748)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	23,185	28,855	-19.6%	(5,669)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	18,617	15,033	23.8%	3,584
PAWTUCKET	46,005	48,536	-5.2%	(2,531)
PORTSMOUTH	8,874	9,817	-9.6%	(943)
PROVIDENCE	359,571	405,771	-11.4%	(46,200)
RICHMOND	7,445	8,528	-12.7%	(1,083)
SCITUATE	4,657	3,838	21.3%	819
SMITHFIELD	54,152	41,860	29.4%	12,293
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	44,980	40,610	10.8%	4,370
TIVERTON	11,153	11,898	-6.3%	(745)
WARREN	17,434	16,388	6.4%	1,046
WARWICK	184,125	167,080	10.2%	17,045
WESTERLY	35,690	39,469	-9.6%	(3,779)
WEST GREENWICH	8,986	6,578	36.6%	2,407
WEST WARWICK	22,227	27,827	-20.1%	(5,600)
WOONSOCKET	36,758	39,063	-5.9%	(2,305)
Total	\$ 1,499,759	\$ 1,508,790	-0.6%	\$ (9,031)

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY MEAL AND BEVERAGE REPORT
Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Fiscal Year-to-Date			
	January 2014	January 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 87,070	\$ 77,526	12.3%	\$ 9,544
BRISTOL	213,714	199,671	7.0%	14,042
BURRILLVILLE	107,981	114,327	-5.6%	(6,346)
CENTRAL FALLS	60,081	53,394	12.5%	6,687
CHARLESTOWN	80,250	66,991	19.8%	13,260
COVENTRY	214,716	200,388	7.2%	14,328
CRANSTON	898,316	839,021	7.1%	59,295
CUMBERLAND	228,920	218,923	4.6%	9,997
EAST GREENWICH	312,819	285,925	9.4%	26,893
EAST PROVIDENCE	485,658	464,876	4.5%	20,782
EXETER	48,075	45,392	5.9%	2,682
FOSTER	8,592	8,210	4.7%	383
GLOCESTER	43,050	42,436	1.4%	614
HOPKINTON	26,698	27,928	-4.4%	(1,230)
JAMESTOWN	50,718	49,914	1.6%	804
JOHNSTON	269,833	260,608	3.5%	9,225
LINCOLN	434,620	387,174	12.3%	47,446
LITTLE COMPTON	24,816	27,979	-11.3%	(3,163)
MIDDLETOWN	391,475	355,489	10.1%	35,986
NARRAGANSETT	334,124	309,683	7.9%	24,442
NEWPORT	1,135,506	1,154,057	-1.6%	(18,552)
NEW SHOREHAM	226,999	195,809	15.9%	31,189
NORTH KINGSTOWN	265,879	271,767	-2.2%	(5,889)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	180,965	203,577	-11.1%	(22,612)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	131,162	107,837	21.6%	23,325
PAWTUCKET	397,217	363,592	9.2%	33,624
PORTSMOUTH	103,868	101,561	2.3%	2,308
PROVIDENCE	2,734,670	2,618,939	4.4%	115,731
RICHMOND	70,866	72,898	-2.8%	(2,032)
SCITUATE	38,138	31,890	19.6%	6,248
SMITHFIELD	373,746	331,844	12.6%	41,902
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	403,457	381,569	5.7%	21,888
TIVERTON	118,325	110,543	7.0%	7,782
WARREN	147,626	130,639	13.0%	16,987
WARWICK	1,436,208	1,316,518	9.1%	119,690
WESTERLY	482,108	457,101	5.5%	25,007
WEST GREENWICH	71,915	60,190	19.5%	11,725
WEST WARWICK	187,669	179,876	4.3%	7,793
WOONSOCKET	266,179	277,692	-4.1%	(11,513)
Total	\$ 13,094,027	\$ 12,403,755	5.6%	\$ 690,273