

*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 June 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, June 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$2.19 million or 5.9 percent more than the \$2.07 million collected in May 2014. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and May 2014 were: New Shoreham, 205.4 percent; Little Compton, 96.0 percent; Narragansett, 61.2 percent; Middletown, 48.4 percent; and Westerly, 41.2 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and May 2014 were: Foster, -23.5 percent; North Providence, -17.2 percent; Hopkinton, -14.9 percent; Providence, -13.4 percent; and Portsmouth, -10.8 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and May 2014 were: Newport, \$43,250; New Shoreham, \$27,000; Westerly, \$26,311; Middletown, \$26,072; and Narragansett, \$25,975. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and May 2014 were: Providence, \$(60,233); Lincoln, \$(5,644); North Providence, \$(5,487); Johnston, \$(2,921); and Smithfield, \$(2,358).

### **Analysis of Year-over-Year Collections by Month**

On a statewide basis, June 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$2.19 million or 0.9 percent less than the \$2.21 million collected in June 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and June 2013 were: Little Compton, 27.6 percent; Middletown, 23.5 percent; East Greenwich, 15.1 percent; West Greenwich, 13.6 percent; and Barrington, 12.9 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and June 2013 were: Hopkinton, -26.4 percent; Newport, -22.8 percent; Foster, -19.0 percent; Johnston, -11.0 percent; and Burrillville, -10.9 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and June 2013 were: Middletown, \$15,214; Warwick, \$11,518; East Greenwich, \$7,957; South Kingstown, \$6,517; and Pawtucket, \$6,223. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between June 2014 and June 2013 were: Newport, \$(69,823); Johnston, \$(5,155); Lincoln, \$(3,135); Burrillville, \$(2,089); and Cranston, \$(1,974).

### Analysis of Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through June

On a statewide basis, fiscal year-to-date June 2014 local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$22.3 million or 4.6 percent more than the \$21.4 million collected through fiscal year-to-date June 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date June 2014 and fiscal year-to-date June 2013 were: West Greenwich, 20.1 percent; Charlestown, 18.3 percent; North Smithfield, 17.2 percent; Central Falls, 14.3 percent; and Smithfield, 11.7 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date June 2014 and fiscal year-to-date June 2013 were: North Providence, -9.6 percent; Hopkinton, -5.5 percent; Scituate, -5.1 percent; Woonsocket, -3.7 percent; and Little Compton, -3.4 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date June 2014 and fiscal year-to-date June 2013 were: Providence, \$188,436; Warwick, \$164,529; Lincoln, \$71,165; Cranston, \$69,587; and Smithfield, \$67,817. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date June 2014 and fiscal year-to-date June 2013 were: Newport, \$(61,466); North Providence, \$(33,531); Woonsocket, \$(18,194); Burrillville, \$(5,786); and Scituate, \$(3,457).



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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY MEAL AND BEVERAGE REPORT**  
**Month-to-Month Collections**

MUNICIPALITY	Month-to-Month			
	June 2014	May 2014	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 13,848	\$ 13,537	2.3%	\$ 312
BRISTOL	35,668	37,302	-4.4%	(1,634)
BURRILLVILLE	17,106	18,260	-6.3%	(1,154)
CENTRAL FALLS	10,259	10,031	2.3%	228
CHARLESTOWN	15,951	13,399	19.0%	2,552
COVENTRY	34,817	32,309	7.8%	2,508
CRANSTON	142,423	138,752	2.6%	3,671
CUMBERLAND	37,556	36,442	3.1%	1,114
EAST GREENWICH	60,575	50,118	20.9%	10,457
EAST PROVIDENCE	78,748	77,291	1.9%	1,456
EXETER	8,163	7,849	4.0%	314
FOSTER	1,777	2,322	-23.5%	(545)
GLOCESTER	6,542	6,235	4.9%	307
HOPKINTON	4,274	5,020	-14.9%	(745)
JAMESTOWN	10,235	7,729	32.4%	2,505
JOHNSTON	41,896	44,817	-6.5%	(2,921)
LINCOLN	64,630	70,274	-8.0%	(5,644)
LITTLE COMPTON	5,485	2,799	96.0%	2,686
MIDDLETOWN	79,959	53,887	48.4%	26,072
NARRAGANSETT	68,425	42,450	61.2%	25,975
NEWPORT	236,902	193,652	22.3%	43,250
NEW SHOREHAM	40,143	13,143	205.4%	27,000
NORTH KINGSTOWN	50,927	45,949	10.8%	4,978
NORTH PROVIDENCE	26,381	31,868	-17.2%	(5,487)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	20,255	21,429	-5.5%	(1,175)
PAWTUCKET	73,825	63,446	16.4%	10,379
PORTSMOUTH	17,911	20,088	-10.8%	(2,177)
PROVIDENCE	389,150	449,383	-13.4%	(60,233)
RICHMOND	11,093	11,978	-7.4%	(886)
SCITUATE	5,262	5,819	-9.6%	(557)
SMITHFIELD	56,946	59,304	-4.0%	(2,358)
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	71,107	66,463	7.0%	4,643
TIVERTON	22,067	19,007	16.1%	3,059
WARREN	22,585	24,048	-6.1%	(1,463)
WARWICK	237,716	224,291	6.0%	13,425
WESTERLY	90,114	63,802	41.2%	26,311
WEST GREENWICH	12,715	12,076	5.3%	639
WEST WARWICK	27,133	29,115	-6.8%	(1,983)
WOONSOCKET	41,237	43,181	-4.5%	(1,945)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,191,804</b>	<b>\$ 2,068,866</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>\$ 122,937</b>

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY MEAL AND BEVERAGE REPORT**  
**Year-over-Year Collections**

MUNICIPALITY	Year-over-Year			
	June 2014	June 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 13,848	\$ 12,271	12.9%	\$ 1,577
BRISTOL	35,668	32,364	10.2%	3,304
BURRILLVILLE	17,106	19,195	-10.9%	(2,089)
CENTRAL FALLS	10,259	10,206	0.5%	52
CHARLESTOWN	15,951	15,935	0.1%	16
COVENTRY	34,817	34,282	1.6%	535
CRANSTON	142,423	144,397	-1.4%	(1,974)
CUMBERLAND	37,556	36,487	2.9%	1,069
EAST GREENWICH	60,575	52,619	15.1%	7,957
EAST PROVIDENCE	78,748	76,579	2.8%	2,168
EXETER	8,163	7,510	8.7%	652
FOSTER	1,777	2,193	-19.0%	(416)
GLOCESTER	6,542	6,860	-4.6%	(318)
HOPKINTON	4,274	5,805	-26.4%	(1,531)
JAMESTOWN	10,235	11,410	-10.3%	(1,175)
JOHNSTON	41,896	47,050	-11.0%	(5,155)
LINCOLN	64,630	67,764	-4.6%	(3,135)
LITTLE COMPTON	5,485	4,299	27.6%	1,186
MIDDLETOWN	79,959	64,745	23.5%	15,214
NARRAGANSETT	68,425	66,054	3.6%	2,371
NEWPORT	236,902	306,725	-22.8%	(69,823)
NEW SHOREHAM	40,143	41,441	-3.1%	(1,298)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	50,927	51,151	-0.4%	(224)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	26,381	28,002	-5.8%	(1,621)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	20,255	20,469	-1.0%	(215)
PAWTUCKET	73,825	67,602	9.2%	6,223
PORTSMOUTH	17,911	18,119	-1.1%	(208)
PROVIDENCE	389,150	391,051	-0.5%	(1,902)
RICHMOND	11,093	11,702	-5.2%	(609)
SCITUATE	5,262	5,665	-7.1%	(403)
SMITHFIELD	56,946	56,306	1.1%	641
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	71,107	64,590	10.1%	6,517
TIVERTON	22,067	20,716	6.5%	1,350
WARREN	22,585	20,513	10.1%	2,072
WARWICK	237,716	226,199	5.1%	11,518
WESTERLY	90,114	84,299	6.9%	5,815
WEST GREENWICH	12,715	11,190	13.6%	1,525
WEST WARWICK	27,133	28,795	-5.8%	(1,663)
WOONSOCKET	41,237	39,962	3.2%	1,275
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,191,804</b>	<b>\$ 2,212,526</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	<b>\$ (20,722)</b>

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

MUNICIPALITY	Fiscal Year-to-Date			
	June 2014	June 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 150,289	\$ 137,483	9.3%	\$ 12,806
BRISTOL	349,976	333,801	4.8%	16,175
BURRILLVILLE	188,267	194,053	-3.0%	(5,786)
CENTRAL FALLS	108,588	95,042	14.3%	13,546
CHARLESTOWN	129,269	109,250	18.3%	20,019
COVENTRY	369,572	353,161	4.6%	16,411
CRANSTON	1,565,772	1,496,186	4.7%	69,587
CUMBERLAND	398,311	387,440	2.8%	10,871
EAST GREENWICH	542,163	505,899	7.2%	36,264
EAST PROVIDENCE	850,141	815,946	4.2%	34,195
EXETER	82,729	77,753	6.4%	4,975
FOSTER	15,555	14,837	4.8%	718
GLOCESTER	72,882	72,985	-0.1%	(103)
HOPKINTON	48,816	51,648	-5.5%	(2,833)
JAMESTOWN	82,430	77,397	6.5%	5,033
JOHNSTON	477,395	464,676	2.7%	12,719
LINCOLN	752,037	680,872	10.5%	71,165
LITTLE COMPTON	36,886	38,168	-3.4%	(1,282)
MIDDLETOWN	650,819	601,666	8.2%	49,153
NARRAGANSETT	523,958	500,618	4.7%	23,340
NEWPORT	1,850,957	1,912,423	-3.2%	(61,466)
NEW SHOREHAM	287,318	257,729	11.5%	29,589
NORTH KINGSTOWN	473,098	462,381	2.3%	10,717
NORTH PROVIDENCE	314,626	348,156	-9.6%	(33,531)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	229,300	195,593	17.2%	33,706
PAWTUCKET	707,825	649,192	9.0%	58,632
PORTSMOUTH	175,345	177,469	-1.2%	(2,124)
PROVIDENCE	4,744,243	4,555,807	4.1%	188,436
RICHMOND	121,428	118,985	2.1%	2,443
SCITUATE	63,926	67,382	-5.1%	(3,457)
SMITHFIELD	649,927	582,110	11.7%	67,817
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	705,854	642,828	9.8%	63,025
TIVERTON	199,203	188,622	5.6%	10,581
WARREN	249,162	230,369	8.2%	18,793
WARWICK	2,502,697	2,338,168	7.0%	164,529
WESTERLY	747,540	713,100	4.8%	34,439
WEST GREENWICH	124,809	103,943	20.1%	20,866
WEST WARWICK	321,518	313,596	2.5%	7,922
WOONSOCKET	470,248	488,443	-3.7%	(18,194)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 22,334,876</b>	<b>\$ 21,355,178</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>\$ 979,698</b>