

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
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State of Rhode Island Monthly Meals and Beverage Report
FY 2014 1.0 Percent Local Collections September 2013

Beginning in June 2010, the Rhode Island Department of Revenue will issue a monthly report on the collection and distribution of the 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax. The report is meant to be descriptive and does not purport to project or assess the collection of the 1.0 percent local meals 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 meals and beverage tax data. An unknown number of July 2012 meals and beverage tax returns may have been included in the meals and beverage tax data for June 2012. As a result, the July 2012 monthly meals and beverage tax data may have been understated. Insufficient information was available to estimate the amount of July 2012 meals and beverage tax data that may have been included in the June 2012 meals 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 meals 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, September 2013 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.89 million or 16.3 percent less than the \$2.26 million collected in August 2013. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and August 2013 were: North Providence, 16.9 percent; Bristol, 15.6 percent; Barrington, 9.4 percent; Woonsocket, 6.0 percent; and Warwick, 4.4 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and August 2013 were: New Shoreham, -68.4 percent; Newport, -49.7 percent; Narragansett, -45.3 percent; Little Compton, -44.3 percent; and Jamestown, -31.1 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and August 2013 were: Warwick, \$9,143; Bristol, \$4,173; North Providence, \$4,096; Woonsocket, \$2,085; and Providence, \$1,151. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and August 2013 were: Newport, -\$140,284; New Shoreham, -\$64,500; Narragansett, -\$39,584; Westerly, -\$30,068; and Middletown, -\$19,124.

Analysis of Year-over-Year Collections by Month


On a statewide basis, September 2013 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections totaled \$1.89 million or 1.6 percent less than the \$1.92 million collected in September 2012. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and September 2012 were: North Smithfield, 42.6 percent; Hopkinton, 23.5 percent; Foster, 18.2 percent; Warwick, 18.0 percent; and Scituate, 16.7 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and September 2012 were: Newport, -37.4 percent; Little Compton, -27.8 percent; Jamestown, -17.2 percent; Burrillville, -15.9 percent; and New Shoreham, -12.9 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and September 2012 were: Warwick, \$33,207; Providence, \$17,079; North Smithfield, \$6,166; Westerly, \$5,193; and South Kingstown, \$5,155. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in 1.0 percent local meals and beverage tax collections between September 2013 and September 2012 were: Newport, -\$84,668; Cranston, -\$6,777; Middletown, -\$4,453; New Shoreham, -\$4,409; and Burrillville, -\$3,115.

Analysis of Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through September

On a statewide basis, fiscal year-to-date September 2013 1.0 percent local meal and beverage tax collections totaled \$6.43 million or 7.9 percent more than the \$5.96 million collected through fiscal year-to-date September 2012. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in 1.0 percent local meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date September 2013 and fiscal year-to-date September were: North Smithfield, 27.7 percent; West Greenwich, 27.4 percent; Central Falls, 23.7 percent; Scituate, 23.3 percent; and Foster, 19.1 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in 1.0 percent local meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date September 2013 and fiscal year-to-date September 2012 were: Little Compton, -8.7 percent; Woonsocket, -4.6 percent; Newport, -4.1 percent; Portsmouth, -4.0 percent and Jamestown, -2.2 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in 1.0 percent local meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date September 2013 and fiscal year-to-date September 2012 were: Providence, \$78,624; Warwick, \$78,322; Lincoln, \$28,856; Cranston, \$28,794; and Pawtucket, \$27,838. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in 1.0 percent local meal and beverage tax collections between fiscal year-to-date September 2013 and fiscal year-to-date September 2012 were: Newport, -\$30,472; Woonsocket, -\$5,277; Portsmouth, -\$2,153; Little Compton, -\$1,692; and Jamestown, -\$747.


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Month-to-Month Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Month-to-Month			
	September 2013	August 2013	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 12,478	\$ 11,401	9.4%	\$ 1,077
BRISTOL	31,008	26,835	15.6%	4,173
BURRILLVILLE	16,495	18,259	-9.7%	(1,764)
CENTRAL FALLS	8,611	8,606	0.1%	5
CHARLESTOWN	16,360	16,707	-2.1%	(348)
COVENTRY	31,026	32,616	-4.9%	(1,590)
CRANSTON	119,821	138,501	-13.5%	(18,680)
CUMBERLAND	32,771	35,083	-6.6%	(2,312)
EAST GREENWICH	42,842	55,215	-22.4%	(12,373)
EAST PROVIDENCE	67,915	72,152	-5.9%	(4,236)
EXETER	6,789	7,451	-8.9%	(663)
FOSTER	1,809	1,831	-1.2%	(22)
GLOCESTER	6,423	6,442	-0.3%	(19)
HOPKINTON	4,617	5,698	-19.0%	(1,080)
JAMESTOWN	6,880	9,983	-31.1%	(3,103)
JOHNSTON	38,384	39,344	-2.4%	(960)
LINCOLN	61,517	68,953	-10.8%	(7,437)
LITTLE COMPTON	4,153	7,453	-44.3%	(3,300)
MIDDLETOWN	57,499	76,623	-25.0%	(19,124)
NARRAGANSETT	47,744	87,327	-45.3%	(39,584)
NEWPORT	141,986	282,271	-49.7%	(140,284)
NEW SHOREHAM	29,730	94,230	-68.4%	(64,500)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	40,912	47,752	-14.3%	(6,840)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	28,338	24,242	16.9%	4,096
NORTH SMITHFIELD	20,642	19,901	3.7%	740
PAWTUCKET	54,185	64,362	-15.8%	(10,177)
PORTSMOUTH	16,500	19,510	-15.4%	(3,010)
PROVIDENCE	405,529	404,378	0.3%	1,151
RICHMOND	10,416	13,025	-20.0%	(2,610)
SCITUATE	5,486	6,075	-9.7%	(589)
SMITHFIELD	53,774	54,022	-0.5%	(248)
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	65,133	69,850	-6.8%	(4,718)
TIVERTON	20,809	21,732	-4.2%	(923)
WARREN	20,261	23,940	-15.4%	(3,680)
WARWICK	217,449	208,306	4.4%	9,143
WESTERLY	74,135	104,204	-28.9%	(30,068)
WEST GREENWICH	10,132	13,613	-25.6%	(3,482)
WEST WARWICK	26,320	29,690	-11.4%	(3,370)
WOONSOCKET	37,037	34,952	6.0%	2,085
Total	\$ 1,893,915	\$ 2,262,537	-16.3%	\$ (368,623)

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Year-over-Year Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Year-over-Year			
	September 2013	September 2012	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 12,478	\$ 12,817	-2.6%	\$ (338)
BRISTOL	31,008	33,456	-7.3%	(2,448)
BURRILLVILLE	16,495	19,610	-15.9%	(3,115)
CENTRAL FALLS	8,611	8,471	1.7%	140
CHARLESTOWN	16,360	14,135	15.7%	2,225
COVENTRY	31,026	31,074	-0.2%	(48)
CRANSTON	119,821	126,599	-5.4%	(6,777)
CUMBERLAND	32,771	30,688	6.8%	2,083
EAST GREENWICH	42,842	41,427	3.4%	1,416
EAST PROVIDENCE	67,915	66,734	1.8%	1,182
EXETER	6,789	6,573	3.3%	216
FOSTER	1,809	1,530	18.2%	279
GLOCESTER	6,423	6,564	-2.2%	(142)
HOPKINTON	4,617	3,740	23.5%	877
JAMESTOWN	6,880	8,306	-17.2%	(1,426)
JOHNSTON	38,384	38,824	-1.1%	(441)
LINCOLN	61,517	59,951	2.6%	1,565
LITTLE COMPTON	4,153	5,750	-27.8%	(1,597)
MIDDLETOWN	57,499	61,952	-7.2%	(4,453)
NARRAGANSETT	47,744	49,324	-3.2%	(1,581)
NEWPORT	141,986	226,654	-37.4%	(84,668)
NEW SHOREHAM	29,730	34,139	-12.9%	(4,409)
NORTH KINGSTOWN	40,912	41,081	-0.4%	(169)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	28,338	28,875	-1.9%	(537)
NORTH SMITHFIELD	20,642	14,475	42.6%	6,166
PAWTUCKET	54,185	54,558	-0.7%	(373)
PORTSMOUTH	16,500	16,260	1.5%	239
PROVIDENCE	405,529	388,451	4.4%	17,079
RICHMOND	10,416	11,661	-10.7%	(1,245)
SCITUATE	5,486	4,699	16.7%	787
SMITHFIELD	53,774	48,757	10.3%	5,018
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	65,133	59,978	8.6%	5,155
TIVERTON	20,809	18,629	11.7%	2,180
WARREN	20,261	22,071	-8.2%	(1,811)
WARWICK	217,449	184,242	18.0%	33,207
WESTERLY	74,135	68,942	7.5%	5,193
WEST GREENWICH	10,132	9,162	10.6%	970
WEST WARWICK	26,320	24,057	9.4%	2,263
WOONSOCKET	37,037	39,696	-6.7%	(2,660)
Total	\$ 1,893,915	\$ 1,923,911	-1.6%	\$ (29,996)

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Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

MUNICIPALITY	Fiscal Year-to-Date			
	September 2013	September 2012	Percent Change	Difference
BARRINGTON	\$ 38,138	\$ 34,034	12.1%	\$ 4,104
BRISTOL	109,991	102,226	7.6%	7,765
BURRILLVILLE	50,280	45,038	11.6%	5,242
CENTRAL FALLS	25,290	20,449	23.7%	4,841
CHARLESTOWN	47,505	43,998	8.0%	3,506
COVENTRY	95,372	83,502	14.2%	11,869
CRANSTON	384,222	355,428	8.1%	28,794
CUMBERLAND	99,691	91,768	8.6%	7,922
EAST GREENWICH	150,341	134,626	11.7%	15,716
EAST PROVIDENCE	209,806	195,499	7.3%	14,307
EXETER	21,352	21,027	1.5%	325
FOSTER	5,158	4,332	19.1%	826
GLOCESTER	21,414	18,955	13.0%	2,459
HOPKINTON	14,951	13,943	7.2%	1,008
JAMESTOWN	33,598	34,345	-2.2%	(747)
JOHNSTON	116,786	108,634	7.5%	8,152
LINCOLN	196,355	167,499	17.2%	28,856
LITTLE COMPTON	17,720	19,412	-8.7%	(1,692)
MIDDLETOWN	226,622	205,340	10.4%	21,282
NARRAGANSETT	235,894	212,128	11.2%	23,766
NEWPORT	712,542	743,013	-4.1%	(30,472)
NEW SHOREHAM	210,897	183,580	14.9%	27,318
NORTH KINGSTOWN	130,126	130,603	-0.4%	(477)
NORTH PROVIDENCE	82,517	81,959	0.7%	558
NORTH SMITHFIELD	58,899	46,122	27.7%	12,777
PAWTUCKET	184,921	157,083	17.7%	27,838
PORTSMOUTH	51,490	53,643	-4.0%	(2,153)
PROVIDENCE	1,171,836	1,093,212	7.2%	78,624
RICHMOND	36,580	35,761	2.3%	819
SCITUATE	17,357	14,076	23.3%	3,281
SMITHFIELD	159,428	139,438	14.3%	19,990
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	205,050	190,197	7.8%	14,853
TIVERTON	63,421	56,979	11.3%	6,442
WARREN	69,511	58,732	18.4%	10,778
WARWICK	643,571	565,249	13.9%	78,322
WESTERLY	302,115	275,767	9.6%	26,348
WEST GREENWICH	35,601	27,946	27.4%	7,655
WEST WARWICK	82,121	74,401	10.4%	7,720
WOONSOCKET	110,208	115,485	-4.6%	(5,277)
Total	\$ 6,428,675	\$ 5,955,430	7.9%	\$ 473,245