STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS Governor Gina M. Raimondo



Office of Revenue Analysis

State of Rhode Island Monthly Local Hotel Report FY 2016 Local 1.0 Percent Collections August 2015

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 hotel tax. The report is meant to be descriptive and does not purport to project or assess the collection of the local 1.0 percent hotel 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.

The August 2015 local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections report may include tax receipts generated from the expansion of the local hotel tax base. Effective July 1, 2015, the reselling of lodging by online travel companies, the unlicensed rental of accommodations via internet platforms and other media, and vacation home rentals became subject to the local 1.0 percent hotel tax. At this time, the Office of Revenue Analysis is unable to identify the amount collected from each of these local hotel tax base expansion components. Thus, an unknown amount of local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections attributable to the expansion of the local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections attributable to the expansion of the local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections attributable to the expansion of the local 1.0 percent hotel tax base in future reports.

Analysis of Month-to-Month Collections

On a statewide basis, August 2015 local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections totaled \$548,266 or 2.5 percent more than the \$534,771 collected in July 2015. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and July 2015 were: East Greenwich, 66.7 percent; Newport, 36.8 percent; Narragansett, 10.3 percent; Westerly, 8.8 percent; and West Greenwich, 5.8 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and July 2015.

2015 were: Little Compton, -82.3 percent, Charlestown, -71.2 percent, Bristol, -68.9 percent, Smithfield, -49.9 percent, and Portsmouth, -37.2 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and July 2015 were: Newport, \$45,229; Westerly, \$5,348; Narragansett, \$1,046; South Kingstown, \$343; and West Greenwich, \$309. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and July 2015 were: Providence, \$(13,744), Warwick, \$(7,891), Smithfield, \$(5,123), New Shoreham, \$(3,128), Bristol, \$(2,830).

Analysis of Year-over-Year Collections by Month

On a statewide basis, August 2015 local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections totaled \$548,266 or 4.9 percent more than the \$522,581 collected in August 2014. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and August 2014 were: Cranston, 67.7 percent; North Smithfield, 45.6 percent; Coventry, 21.2 percent; West Warwick, 20.3 percent; and Pawtucket, 17.6 percent. The five communities with the largest percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and August 2014 were: Charlestown, -58.4 percent; Glocester, -37.8 percent, Jamestown, -24.3 percent, Smithfield, -24.2 percent, and Richmond, -17.9 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and August 2014 were: Newport, \$11,976; Westerly, \$5,153; Providence, \$5,131; Warwick, \$2,864; and Middletown, \$1,889. The five communities with the largest nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between August 2015 and August 2014 were: New Shoreham, \$(2,397), Smithfield, \$(1,640), Charlestown, \$(1,592), Jamestown, \$(272); and Portsmouth, \$(71).

Analysis of Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections through August

On a statewide basis, fiscal year-to-date August 2015 local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections totaled \$1.08 million or 13.9 percent more than the \$950,873 collected in fiscal year-to-date August 2014. The five communities with the largest percentage increase in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between fiscal year-to-date August 2015 and fiscal year-to-date August 2014 were: Little Compton, 115.6 percent; Scituate, 94.8 percent; Cranston, 76.8 percent; East Greenwich, 63.8 percent; and North Smithfield, 49.6 percent. The two communities with a percentage decrease in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between fiscal year-to-date August 2015 and fiscal year-to-date August 2014 were: Jamestown, -14.8 percent; and Richmond, -9.3 percent.

The five communities with the largest nominal increase in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between fiscal year-to-date August 2015 and fiscal year-to-date August 2014 were: Newport, \$44,837; Providence, \$28,092; Westerly, \$16,234; Warwick, \$14,016; and Middletown, \$9,117. The two communities with a nominal decrease in local 1.0 percent hotel tax collections between

fiscal year-to-date August 2015 and fiscal year-to-date August 2014 were: Jamestown, \$(293); and Richmond, \$(51).

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RHODE ISLAND 1.0% LOCAL HOTEL TAX REPORT Month-to-Month Collections

	Month-to-Month				
	Percent				
MUNICIPALITY	August 2015	July 2015	Change	Difference	
BARRINGTON	\$ -	\$-	n/a	-	
BRISTOL	1,278	4,107	-68.9%	(2,830)	
BURRILLVILLE	-	-	n/a	-	
CENTRAL FALLS	-	-	n/a	-	
CHARLESTOWN	1,132	3,928	-71.2%	(2,795)	
COVENTRY	5,853	6,233	-6.1%	(380)	
CRANSTON	835	889	-6.1%	(54)	
CUMBERLAND	-	-	n/a	-	
EAST GREENWICH	21	13	66.7%	9	
EAST PROVIDENCE	2,387	2,356	1.3%	31	
EXETER	-	-	n/a	-	
FOSTER	-	-	n/a	-	
GLOCESTER	68	97	-29.8%	(29)	
HOPKINTON	-	-	n/a	-	
JAMESTOWN	848	843	0.6%	5	
JOHNSTON	440	473	-7.0%	(33)	
LINCOLN	4,580	4,795	-4.5%	(216)	
LITTLE COMPTON	10	56	-82.3%	(46)	
MIDDLETOWN	64,087	65,098	-1.6%	(1,011)	
NARRAGANSETT	11,171	10,125	10.3%	1,046	
NEWPORT	168,054	122,825	36.8%	45,229	
NEW SHOREHAM	38,195	41,323	-7.6%	(3,128)	
NORTH KINGSTOWN	5,023	5,181	-3.0%	(158)	
NORTH PROVIDENCE	-	-	n/a	-	
NORTH SMITHFIELD	149	144	3.8%	6	
PAWTUCKET	2,921	3,114	-6.2%	(193)	
PORTSMOUTH	1,523	2,424	-37.2%	(901)	
PROVIDENCE	87,456	101,200	-13.6%	(13,744)	
RICHMOND	232	267	-13.2%	(35)	
SCITUATE	268	348	-22.9%	(79)	
SMITHFIELD	5,135	10,258	-49.9%	(5,123)	
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	11,378	11,036	3.1%	343	
TIVERTON	-	-	n/a	-	
WARREN	-	-	n/a	-	
WARWICK	53,723	61,614	-12.8%	(7,891)	
WESTERLY	65,828	60,480	8.8%	5,348	
WEST GREENWICH	5,649	5,340	5.8%	309	
WEST WARWICK	7,176	7,415	-3.2%	(239)	
WOONSOCKET	2,843	2,788	2.0%	55	
Total	\$ 548,266	\$ 534,771	2.5%		

RHOSE ISLAND 1.0% LOCAL HOTEL TAX REPORT Year-over-Year Collections

	Year-over-Year				
			Percent		
MUNICIPALITY	August 2015	August 2014	Change	Difference	
BARRINGTON	\$ -	\$ -	n/a	-	
BRISTOL	1,278	1,107	15.5%	171	
BURRILLVILLE	-	-	n/a	-	
CENTRAL FALLS	-	-	n/a	-	
CHARLESTOWN	1,132	2,724	-58.4%	(1,592)	
COVENTRY	5,853	4,830	21.2%	1,023	
CRANSTON	835	498	67.7%	337	
CUMBERLAND	-	-	n/a	-	
EAST GREENWICH	21	21	2.4%	1	
EAST PROVIDENCE	2,387	2,421	-1.4%	(34)	
EXETER	-	-	n/a	-	
FOSTER	-	-	n/a	-	
GLOCESTER	68	110	-37.8%	(41)	
HOPKINTON	-	-	n/a	-	
JAMESTOWN	848	1,119	-24.3%	(272)	
JOHNSTON	440	451	-2.3%	(10)	
LINCOLN	4,580	4,295	6.6%	284	
LITTLE COMPTON	10	-	n/a	10	
MIDDLETOWN	64,087	62,198	3.0%	1,889	
NARRAGANSETT	11,171	10,824	3.2%	347	
NEWPORT	168,054	156,078	7.7%	11,976	
NEW SHOREHAM	38,195	40,592	-5.9%	(2,397)	
NORTH KINGSTOWN	5,023	4,937	1.7%	86	
NORTH PROVIDENCE	-	-	n/a	-	
NORTH SMITHFIELD	149	102	45.6%	47	
PAWTUCKET	2,921	2,485	17.6%	436	
PORTSMOUTH	1,523	1,594	-4.5%	(71)	
PROVIDENCE	87,456	82,325	6.2%	5,131	
RICHMOND	232	282	-17.9%	(51)	
SCITUATE	268	316	-15.2%	(48)	
SMITHFIELD	5,135	6,775	-24.2%	(1,640)	
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	11,378	11,011	3.3%	367	
TIVERTON	-	-	n/a	-	
WARREN	-	-	n/a	-	
WARWICK	53,723	50,859	5.6%	2,864	
WESTERLY	65,828	60,676	8.5%	5,153	
WEST GREENWICH	5,649	5,514	2.4%	135	
WEST WARWICK	7,176	5,967	20.3%	1,209	
WOONSOCKET	2,843	2,468	15.2%	375	
Total	\$ 548,266	\$ 522,581	4.9%	\$ 25,684	

RHODE ISLAND 1.0% LOCAL HOTEL TAX REPORT Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

	Fiscal Year-to-Date				
	Percent				
MUNICIPALITY	August 2015	August 2014	Change	Difference	
BARRINGTON	\$ -	\$ -	n/a	-	
BRISTOL	5,385	4,880	10.3%	505	
BURRILLVILLE	-	-	n/a	-	
CENTRAL FALLS	-	-	n/a	-	
CHARLESTOWN	5,060	4,928	2.7%	132	
COVENTRY	12,086	9,503	27.2%	2,583	
CRANSTON	1,725	975	76.8%	749	
CUMBERLAND	-	-	n/a	-	
EAST GREENWICH	34	21	63.8%	13	
EAST PROVIDENCE	4,743	4,658	1.8%	86	
EXETER	-	-	n/a	-	
FOSTER	-	-	n/a	-	
GLOCESTER	165	147	12.6%	18	
HOPKINTON	-	-	n/a	-	
JAMESTOWN	1,691	1,984	-14.8%	(293)	
JOHNSTON	914	822	11.2%	92	
LINCOLN	9,375	8,669	8.1%	706	
LITTLE COMPTON	66	31	115.6%	36	
MIDDLETOWN	129,185	120,068	7.6%	9,117	
NARRAGANSETT	21,296	20,119	5.9%	1,177	
NEWPORT	290,879	246,042	18.2%	44,837	
NEW SHOREHAM	79,518	76,046	4.6%	3,472	
NORTH KINGSTOWN	10,204	9,600	6.3%	604	
NORTH PROVIDENCE	-	-	n/a	-	
NORTH SMITHFIELD	293	196	49.6%	97	
PAWTUCKET	6,035	5,171	16.7%	863	
PORTSMOUTH	3,947	3,044	29.7%	903	
PROVIDENCE	188,656	160,564	17.5%	28,092	
RICHMOND	499	550	-9.3%	(51)	
SCITUATE	616	316	94.8%	300	
SMITHFIELD	15,393	13,122	17.3%	2,271	
SOUTH KINGSTOWN	22,414	20,767	7.9%	1,647	
TIVERTON	-	-	n/a	-	
WARREN	-	-	n/a	-	
WARWICK	115,337	101,321	13.8%	14,016	
WESTERLY	126,308	110,074	14.7%	16,234	
WEST GREENWICH	10,989	10,485	4.8%	504	
WEST WARWICK	14,592	11,655	25.2%	2,937	
WOONSOCKET	5,631	5,112	10.2%	519	
Total	\$ 1,083,037	\$ 950,873	13.9%		