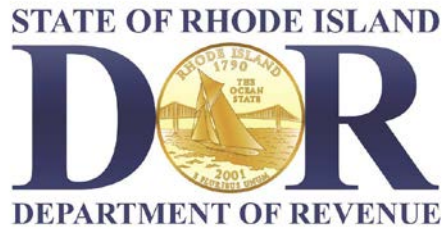


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Office of Revenue Analysis

Cash Collections Report as of April 2016 Summary

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

FY 2016 total general revenue cash collections through April were \$2.9 billion, up \$47.2 million or 1.7 percent over the same period in FY 2015. The breakdown by major revenue components is as follows:

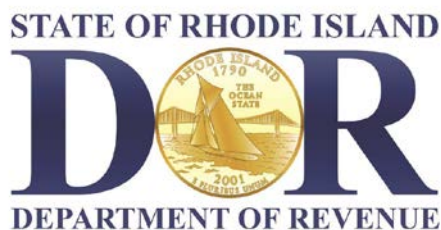
Component	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Personal Income Tax	\$1,055,886,584	\$1,012,878,572	\$ 43,008,012	4.2 %
Sales and Use Taxes	811,076,012	792,428,333	18,647,679	2.4 %
Departmental Receipts	300,208,208	299,389,703	818,505	0.3 %
Lottery Transfer	275,674,100	281,263,470	(5,589,370)	-2.0 %
All Other Revenues	463,722,275	473,373,993	(9,651,718)	-2.0 %
Total General Revenues	\$ 2,906,567,179	\$ 2,859,334,071	\$ 47,233,108	1.7%

Month of April:

April 2016 total general revenue cash collections were \$345.8 million, down \$20.0 million or 5.5 percent from April 2015. The breakdown by major revenue components is as follows:

Component	April 2016	April 2015	Difference	% Change
Personal Income Tax	\$ 184,270,831	\$ 194,824,839	\$(10,554,008)	-5.4 %
Sales and Use Taxes	75,961,116	78,266,124	(2,305,008)	-2.9 %
Departmental Receipts	20,693,663	17,969,215	2,724,448	15.2 %
Lottery Transfer	31,812,869	35,136,859	(3,323,990)	-9.5 %
All Other Revenues	33,082,389	39,576,541	(6,494,152)	-16.4 %
Total General Revenues	\$ 345,820,868	\$ 365,773,578	\$ (19,952,710)	-5.5 %

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State of Rhode Island Cash Collections Report
April 2016 Detail

The Rhode Island Department of Revenue cash collections report is a comprehensive analysis of fiscal year-to-date and monthly cash collections on all revenue sources estimated by the principals of the Revenue Estimating Conference (see Rhode Island General Laws § 35-16-1). *Users of this report should be cautious when comparing year-to-date growth rates for Other Miscellaneous Revenues and Unclaimed Property as the receipt of these revenues occurs at discrete points in time over the course of a fiscal year. Further complicating matters is the fact that the discrete pattern of receipts varies so that payments received do not necessarily occur at the same point in time in each fiscal year.*

The Office of Revenue Analysis has modified the Cash Collections Report to shorten its length without sacrificing any detailed information that might be of interest to users of the report. Specifically, the fiscal year-to-date and monthly cash collections tables that used to appear at the end of the report will now immediately follow the front page cash collections summary tables. Following the fiscal year-to-date and monthly cash collections tables will be presentations and discussions of cash collections that are not contained in or easily discerned from these tables. Thus, the year-to-date and monthly cash flow differences between the two fiscal years, the utilization of Historic Structures Tax Credits by tax type for both the year-to-date and monthly periods, the year-to-date and monthly break down of personal income tax cash collections by component, etc. will be contained in this section of the report.

Much of the verbiage included in previous editions of this report will be missing as the information that was included is readily available from the tables provided in the report. Comments about this new format of the report are welcome and should be addressed to Paul L. Dion, Ph.D. at paul.dion@revenue.ri.gov.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY CASH COLLECTIONS
Fiscal Year To Date

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	FY 2016 YTD April	FY 2015 YTD April	Nominal Difference	Change
<u>Personal Income Tax</u>	\$ 1,055,886,584	\$ 1,012,878,572	\$ 43,008,012	4.2%
<u>General Business Taxes</u>				
Business Corporations	111,932,731	99,846,059	12,086,672	12.1%
Public Utilities Gross Earnings	45,214,986	47,719,934	(2,504,948)	-5.2%
Financial Institutions	8,993,364	16,929,086	(7,935,722)	-46.9%
Insurance Companies	61,612,342	54,424,733	7,187,609	13.2%
Bank Deposits	1,043,018	823,961	219,057	26.6%
Health Care Provider Assessment	36,331,815	36,572,137	(240,322)	-0.7%
<u>Excise Taxes</u>				
Sales and Use	811,076,012	792,428,333	18,647,679	2.4%
Motor Vehicle	31,857,680	40,310,046	(8,452,366)	-21.0%
Motor Carrier Fuel Use	(152,535)	(339,247)	186,712	-55.0%
Cigarettes	118,835,632	113,716,889	5,118,743	4.5%
Alcohol	15,688,813	15,188,341	500,472	3.3%
<u>Other Taxes</u>				
Estate and Transfer	21,977,154	34,368,955	(12,391,801)	-36.1%
Racing and Athletics	843,648	884,329	(40,681)	-4.6%
Realty Transfer	8,647,061	7,468,377	1,178,684	15.8%
Total Taxes	\$ 2,329,788,305	\$ 2,273,220,505	\$ 56,567,800	2.5%
<u>Departmental Receipts</u>				
Licenses and Fees	\$ 248,784,389	\$ 244,988,383	\$ 3,796,006	1.5%
Fines and Penalties	26,186,436	20,693,071	5,493,365	26.5%
Sales and Services	8,915,729	9,212,555	(296,826)	-3.2%
Miscellaneous	16,321,654	24,495,694	(8,174,040)	-33.4%
Total Departmental Receipts	\$ 300,208,208	\$ 299,389,703	\$ 818,505	0.3%
Taxes and Departmentals	\$ 2,629,996,513	\$ 2,572,610,208	\$ 57,386,305	2.2%
<u>Other General Revenue Sources</u>				
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 896,566	\$ 5,460,393	\$ (4,563,827)	-83.6%
Lottery Transfer	275,674,100	281,263,470	(5,589,370)	-2.0%
Unclaimed Property	-	-	-	-
Total Other Sources	\$ 276,570,666	\$ 286,723,863	\$ (10,153,197)	-3.5%
Total General Revenues	\$ 2,906,567,179	\$ 2,859,334,071	\$ 47,233,108	1.7%

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND MONTHLY CASH COLLECTIONS

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Month of April

	FY 2016 Month of April	FY 2015 Month of April	Nominal Difference	% Change
<u>Personal Income Tax</u>	\$ 184,270,831	\$ 194,824,839	\$ (10,554,008)	-5.4%
<u>General Business Taxes</u>				
Business Corporations	6,918,633	13,890,616	(6,971,983)	-50.2%
Public Utilities Gross Earnings	387,225	481,964	(94,739)	-19.7%
Financial Institutions	304,330	(2,069,664)	2,373,994	-114.7%
Insurance Companies	5,601,065	1,286,161	4,314,904	335.5%
Bank Deposits	-	-	-	-
Health Care Provider Assessment	3,578,034	3,733,817	(155,783)	-4.2%
<u>Excise Taxes</u>				
Sales and Use	75,961,116	78,266,124	(2,305,008)	-2.9%
Motor Vehicle	4,202,835	5,845,176	(1,642,341)	-28.1%
Motor Carrier Fuel Use	(74,261)	8,833	(83,094)	-940.7%
Cigarettes	10,260,171	10,530,181	(270,010)	-2.6%
Alcohol	1,727,446	1,455,450	271,996	18.7%
<u>Other Taxes</u>				
Estate and Transfer	(565,405)	3,315,452	(3,880,857)	-117.1%
Racing and Athletics	84,994	100,063	(15,069)	-15.1%
Realty Transfer	656,504	811,907	(155,403)	-19.1%
Total Taxes	\$ 293,313,518	\$ 312,480,919	\$ (19,167,401)	-6.1%
<u>Departmental Receipts</u>				
Licenses and Fees	\$ 9,559,222	\$ 9,705,700	\$ (146,478)	-1.5%
Fines and Penalties	7,552,392	4,684,643	2,867,749	61.2%
Sales and Services	1,177,763	1,265,616	(87,853)	-6.9%
Miscellaneous	2,404,286	2,313,256	91,030	3.9%
Total Departmental Receipts	\$ 20,693,663	\$ 17,969,215	\$ 2,724,448	15.2%
Taxes and Departmentals	\$ 314,007,181	\$ 330,450,134	\$ (16,442,953)	-5.0%
<u>Other General Revenue Sources</u>				
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 818	\$ 186,585	\$ (185,767)	-99.6%
Lottery Transfer	31,812,869	35,136,859	(3,323,990)	-9.5%
Unclaimed Property	-	-	-	-
Total Other Sources	\$ 31,813,687	\$ 35,323,444	\$ (3,509,757)	-9.9%
Total General Revenues	\$ 345,820,868	\$ 365,773,578	\$ (19,952,710)	-5.5%

Cash Flow Differences

Fiscal Year-To-Date through April:

The following cash flow differences between FY 2016 and FY 2015 should be noted:

FY 2016

- Fiscal year-to-date personal income tax refund and adjustment cash collections include \$1.4 million of reimbursed Historic Structures Tax Credits (HSTC) which were recorded in July 2015 but accrued back to FY 2015.
- Fiscal year-to-date personal income tax refund and adjustment cash collections include \$2.0 million of receipts that were moved in October 2015 from business corporations tax to personal income tax to properly record tax payments that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date personal income tax refunds and adjustments cash collections include a transfer of \$389,300 of receipts from business corporations tax cash collections in February 2016 for receipts that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date business corporations tax collections include a transfer of \$(2.0 million) of receipts to personal income tax refunds and adjustments in October 2015 to properly record tax payments that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date business corporations tax cash collections include a transfer of \$(389,300) of receipts from business corporations tax to personal income tax refunds and adjustments in February 2016 for receipts that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date business corporations tax estimated payments cash collections include a transfer of \$(403,840) of receipts from business corporations tax to public utilities gross earnings tax in February 2016 that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date public utilities gross earnings tax cash collections include a transfer of \$403,840 from business corporations tax cash collections in February 2016 that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date public utilities gross earnings tax cash collections include a transfer of \$113,439 from sales and use tax cash collections in February 2016 that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date insurance companies gross premiums tax cash collections include \$4.5 million of reimbursed HSTCs, which were recorded in July 2015 but accrued back to FY 2015.
- The fiscal year-to-date sales and use tax cash collections include a transfer of \$(113,439) of receipts to public utilities gross earnings tax in February 2016 that were incorrectly recorded in prior months.
- Fiscal year-to-date motor vehicle license and registration fees through April include a total of \$1.4 million of funds that were deposited but not recorded in previous months. This includes \$368,841 of funds that were transferred to the Rhode Island Highway Maintenance Account (RHIMA), yielding a net deposit of \$1.1 million.

- Effective July 1, 2015 the real estate conveyance tax was expanded to apply to the transfer of a controlling interest in a limited liability company, corporation, partnership, or other entity that owns real estate in Rhode Island. To date this expansion has generated \$117,757 in real estate conveyance taxes.
- Fiscal year-to-date realty transfer tax cash collections through April include \$229,343 of receipts that are designated for the Housing Resources Commission (HRC) and will be transferred in May 2016.
- For the fiscal year-to-date period through April, hospital licensing fee cash collections are \$4.3 million more than the same period in FY 2015. The increase in hospital licensing fee cash collections is due to an increase in the hospital licensing fee rate from 5.418 percent for FY 2014 to 5.745 percent for FY 2015 and the advancement of the hospital licensing fee base from hospital FY 2012 net patient revenues in FY 2014 to hospital FY 2013 net patient revenues in FY 2015. The prior fiscal year hospital licensing fee is received in July of the current year.
- The miscellaneous revenues component of departmental receipts includes the transfer of \$(4.8 million) of refund and other checks written off by the Office of the Treasurer and the Division of Taxation to unclaimed property in November 2015.
- Miscellaneous departmental receipts include \$484,394 in indirect cost recovery cash collections as a result of the transfer in November 2015 of refund and other check write offs to unclaimed property.
- Miscellaneous departmental receipts include \$215,960 received in July 2015 from a settlement between the Office of the Attorney General and a credit card provider, \$118,609 in July 2015 from a settlement with a mobile telephone provider for placing third-party service charges on consumers' bills, known as "mobile cramming", and \$685,467 in October 2015 from a settlement with a pharmaceutical manufacturer.
- The FY 2016 year-to-date lottery transfer includes receipts of \$1.1 million that were accrued back to FY 2015.

FY 2015

- Fiscal year-to-date personal income tax estimated payments include a large infrequently occurring payment of \$10.0 million received in December 2014.
- Fiscal year-to-date personal income tax final payments include \$665,861 in Historic Structures Tax Credit (HSTC) reimbursements. The reimbursed amount of HSTCs of \$665,861 is less than the fiscal year-to-date HSTCs redemption amount of \$1,388,386, leaving \$776,950 in unreimbursed HSTCs.
- Business corporations taxes include \$5.1 million in refunds disbursed in August 2014 that were accrued to the prior fiscal year.
- Financial institutions tax cash collections through April include \$10.4 million from prior year overpayments that were used for FY 2015 tax payments.
- Fiscal year-to-date insurance companies gross premiums tax receipts do not include \$4.0 million in unreimbursed HSTCs that were reimbursed in July 2015.
- Motor vehicle license and registration fees through April of FY 2015 were greater by \$9.7 million compared to the current fiscal year. This difference is comprised of three

items: operator control license and vehicle registration fees, the rental vehicle surcharge, and mispostings of funds.

- As of July 1, 2014, rental vehicle surcharge cash receipts were no longer deposited as general revenues but rather were deposited in the Rhode Island Highway Maintenance Account (RIHMA). In FY 2015, \$669,142 of rental vehicle surcharge cash receipts were recorded as general revenues since these payments reflected the rental of vehicles prior to July 1, 2014 and accrued back to FY 2014.
- As of July 1, 2015, 25.0 percent of cash receipts collected as motor vehicle license and registration fees are transferred to RIHMA. As a result, FY 2015 motor vehicle license and registration fees cash collections are \$7.8 million more than FY 2016 motor vehicle license and registration fees. It should be noted that the transfer of 25.0 percent of motor vehicle license and registration fees to RIHMA reduced FY 2016 cash receipts by \$10.6 million.
- Motor vehicle license and registration fees through April of FY 2015 include \$1.2 million collected from the IRP Clearinghouse in FY 2010 and FY 2011 that were posted in January 2015.
- Estate and transfer tax cash collections include large payments of \$3.9 million and \$6.1 million received in December 2014 and March 2015 respectively.
- Effective July, 1 2015 the imaging services surcharge and the outpatient healthcare facility surcharge were repealed. In the license and fees component of departmental receipts, imaging services surcharge receipts through April of FY 2015 were \$1,250,817 greater than the same period in FY 2016. Outpatient health care facility surcharge receipts through April of FY 2015 were \$503,071 more than receipts received through April of FY 2016.
- The licenses and fees category of departmental receipts in FY 2015 through April includes \$231,381 in marina dredging tipping fees.
- The fines and penalties category of departmental receipts includes \$334,752 received in FY 2015 through April from participating municipalities for red light camera violations, \$291,764 more than the \$42,988 collected in FY 2016 through April.
- The fiscal year-to-date miscellaneous component of departmental receipts was \$181,686 higher for the Urban Institute Work Strategies grant within the Department of Human Services due to the reclassification of these revenues as restricted receipts in FY 2016.
- In year-to-date FY 2015 miscellaneous departmental receipts, the state hotel tax receipts received were \$2.9 million greater than the same period in FY 2016. Effective July 1, 2015 the state's share and the statewide tourism district's share of the state 5.0 percent hotel tax was transferred from general revenues to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (RICC) for a state level tourism promotion and business attraction campaign.
- Miscellaneous departmental receipts include \$1.1 million received in July 2014 from a settlement between the Office of the Attorney General and a pharmaceutical manufacturer, \$197,962 received in October 2014 and \$178,466 received in January 2015 from settlements with mobile telephone providers for placing third-party service charges on consumers' bills, known as "mobile cramming."

- The FY 2015 year-to-date lottery transfer includes \$270,580 that was accrued back to FY 2014.

The following table displays the differences in cash flows for FY 2016 through April and FY 2015 through April.

Revenue Source	Cash Flow Differences	YTD FY 2016	YTD FY 2015
Personal Income Tax	Late reimbursement of HSTCs	\$1,355,142	\$0
Personal Income Tax	Trnsfr of funds from bus corp tax in Oct 2015	\$2,049,477	\$0
Personal Income Tax	Trnsfr of funds from bus corp tax in Feb 2016	\$389,300	\$0
Personal Income Tax	Large PIT estimated tax payment	\$0	\$10,000,000
Personal Income Tax	Unreimbursed HSTCs	\$0	\$(776,950)
Business Corp. Taxes	Transfer of funds to PIT in Oct 2015	\$(2,049,477)	\$0
Business Corp. Taxes	Transfer of funds to PIT in Feb 2016	\$(389,300)	\$0
Business Corp Taxes	Transfer of funds to public utilities in Feb 2016	\$(403,840)	\$0
Business Corp. Taxes	Refunds accrued to prior fiscal year	\$0	\$(5,121,199)
Public Utilities	Transfer of funds from bus corp tax in Feb 2016	\$403,840	\$0
Public Utilities	Transfer of funds from sales tax in Feb 2016	\$113,439	\$0
Financial Inst. Tax	Prior Year Overpayment used for FY 2015 tax	\$0	\$10,443,786
Ins Gross Premiums Tax	Late reimbursement of HSTCs	\$4,450,735	\$0
Ins Gross Premiums Tax	Unreimbursed HSTCs	\$0	\$(3,970,872)
Sales and Use Tax	Transfer of funds to pub utilities in Feb 2016	\$(113,439)	\$0
Rental Vehicle Surcharge	Prior year accrual	\$0	\$669,142
MV License & Reg Fees	Funds deposited but not recorded until Dec 2015	\$1,106,524	\$0
MV License & Reg Fees	25% transfer to RIHMA a/o 7/1/2016	\$0	\$7,783,222
MV License & Reg Fees	IRP Clearinghouse	\$0	\$1,238,369
Estate/Transfer Taxes	Large, infrequent tax payment	\$0	\$10,004,845
Realty Transfer	Controlling interest transfer tax	\$117,757	\$0
Realty Transfer	Delayed transfer to Housing Resources Comm.	\$229,343	\$0
Departmental Receipts	Hospital licensing fee difference	\$4,314,695	\$0
Departmental Receipts	Imaging services surcharge repeal	\$0	\$1,250,817
Departmental Receipts	Outpatient health care facility surcharge repeal	\$0	\$503,071
Departmental Receipts	Marina Dredging Fees	\$0	\$231,381
Departmental Receipts	Red light camera violations	\$42,988	\$334,752
Departmental Receipts	Transfer of refund checks to Unclaimed Prop.	\$(4,843,938)	\$0

Revenue Source	Cash Flow Differences	YTD FY 2016	YTD FY 2015
Departmental Receipts	Cost recovery from unclaimed property	\$484,394	\$0
Departmental Receipts	Defined contribution acct ICR exemption	\$0	\$?
Departmental Receipts	Davies school lunch program ICR exemption	\$0	\$?
Departmental Receipts	Urban Institute grant receipts	\$0	\$181,686
Departmental Receipts	FY 2016 state hotel tax transfer to RICC	\$0	\$2,896,126
Departmental Receipts	AG settlements/recoveries	\$1,153,182	\$1,553,991
Lottery Transfer	Receipt of prior year revenues	\$1,062,175	\$270,580

Month of April:

The following cash flow differences between April 2016 and April 2015 should be noted:

April 2016

- Effective July 1, 2015 the real estate conveyance tax was expanded to apply to the transfer of a controlling interest in a limited liability company, corporation, partnership, or other entity that owns real estate in Rhode Island. In April 2016, \$17,261 was collected due to this expansion.
- April 2016 realty transfer tax includes \$8,787 of funds designated for the Housing Resources Commission. The amount reflects the difference between the March 2016 transfer that occurred in April 2016 and the April 2016 transfer that will occur in May 2016.

April 2015

- April 2015 personal income tax cash collections do not include HSTCs usage of \$54,425 in April 2015 that were reimbursed in July 2015.
- April 2015 insurance companies gross premiums tax cash collections do not include HSTCs usage of \$230,815 million in April 2015 that were reimbursed in July 2015.
- As of July 1, 2015, 25.0 percent of cash receipts collected as motor vehicle license and registration fees are transferred to RIHMA. As a result, April 2015 motor vehicle license and registration fees cash collections are \$1.6 million more than April 2016 motor vehicle license and registration fees. It should be noted that the transfer of 25.0 percent of motor vehicle license and registration fees to RIHMA reduced April 2016 cash receipts by \$1.4 million.
- Effective July, 1 2015 the imaging services surcharge and the outpatient healthcare facility surcharge were repealed. In license and fees departmental receipts, imaging services surcharge receipts in April of FY 2015 were \$140,736 greater than in April of FY 2016. Outpatient health care facility surcharge receipts in April of FY 2015 were \$35,924 more than receipts received in April of FY 2016.
- Effective July 1, 2015, the Treasury Department's defined contribution account and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Davies national school breakfast

and lunch program account became fully exempt from the 10.0 percent indirect cost recovery charge. At this time, ORA is unable to calculate the impact of this change.

- In miscellaneous departmental receipts, the state hotel tax receipts received in April 2015 were \$157,815 greater than the same period in April 2016. Effective July 1, 2015 the state's share and the statewide tourism district's share of the state 5.0 percent hotel tax was transferred from general revenues to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (RICC) for a state level tourism promotion and business attraction campaign.

The following table displays the differences in cash flows for April 2016 and April 2015.

Revenue Source	Cash Flow Differences	Apr. 2016	Apr. 2015
Personal Income Tax	Unreimbursed HSTCs	\$0	\$(54,425)
Ins. Gross Prem. Tax	Unreimbursed HSTCs	\$0	\$(230,815)
MV License & Reg Fees	25% Transfer to RIHMA a/o 7/1/2016	\$0	\$1,642,341
Realty Transfer	Controlling interest transfer tax	\$17,261	\$0
Realty Transfer	Delayed transfer to Housing Resources Comm.	\$8,787	\$0
Departmental Receipts	Imaging services surcharge repeal	\$0	\$140,736
Departmental Receipts	Outpatient health care facility surcharge repeal	\$0	\$35,924
Departmental Receipts	Defined contribution acct ICR exemption	\$0	\$?
Departmental Receipts	Davies school lunch program ICR exemption	\$0	\$?
Departmental Receipts	FY 2016 state hotel tax transfer to RICC	\$0	\$157,815

Historic Structures Tax Credit Reimbursements:

FY 2016 total Historic Structures Tax Credit redemptions/reimbursements for all taxes through April were \$12.4 million compared to \$2.3 million reimbursed in FY 2015 through April, an increase of 432.9 percent. It should be noted that \$4.7 million of Historic Structures Tax Credits (HSTCs) were redeemed but not reimbursed in FY 2015 through April. Including the amount of redeemed HSTCs that were not reimbursed, the adjusted year-to-date 2016 growth rate in HSTCs is 74.9 percent. In April 2015, \$285,240 of HSTCs were redeemed but not reimbursed compared to \$5.8 million of HSTCs that were redeemed and reimbursed in April 2016. Including the amount of redeemed HSTCs that were not reimbursed in April 2015, the adjusted monthly growth rate for April 2016 in HSTCs is 1,921.8 percent.

The breakdown of the reimbursement of redeemed HSTCs by tax type is shown in the table below:

Tax Type	Year-to-Date		Monthly	
	FY 2016	FY 2015	April 2016	April 2015
Personal Income	\$ 5,177,340	\$ 665,861 [^]	\$1,680,517	\$ 0*
Business Corporations	432,162	823,225	0	0
Financial Institutions	0	0	0	0
Insurance/Non-HMOs	5,723,023	830,611 [†]	\$3,610,048	0**
Insurance/HMOs	476,488	0 [‡]	0	0
Non-Profit Refund	552,082	0	0	0
Total	\$12,361,095	\$ 2,319,698	\$5,767,053	\$ 0

[^] It should be noted that year-to-date \$776,950 of Historic Structures Tax Credits were redeemed against the personal income tax, but these credits were not reimbursed until July 2015.

[†] In FY 2015 year-to-date, \$2,176,672 of Historic Structures Tax Credits were redeemed against the non-health insurance gross premiums tax but not reimbursed until July 2015.

[‡] In FY 2015 year-to-date, \$1,794,200 of Historic Structures Tax Credits were redeemed against the health insurance gross premiums tax but not reimbursed until July 2015.

* In April 2015, \$54,425 of Historic Structures Tax Credits were redeemed against the personal income tax but not reimbursed until July 2015.

** In April 2015, \$230,815 of Historic Structures Tax Credits were redeemed against the non-health insurance gross premiums tax but not reimbursed until July 2015.

Personal Income Tax Cash Collections by Component

The tables below are based on data provided by the Division of Taxation and break down personal income tax cash collections by component on both a fiscal year-to-date and monthly basis. It should be noted that differences may exist between the figures reported by the Division of Taxation and those reported by the Controller due to timing differences in the posting of revenues. For the January through April 2016 period, 343,258 income tax refunds were paid for TY 2015 at an average of \$528.46. For the same period in the prior year, 385,462 income tax refunds were paid for TY 2014 at an average of \$521.16.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Component	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Estimated Payments	\$ 185,225,078	\$ 178,468,948 ^a	\$ 6,756,130	3.8 %
Final Payments *	169,342,645	192,535,859	(23,193,214)	-12.0 %
Refunds/Adjustments	(209,810,202) ^b	(243,572,627)	33,762,425	-13.9 %
Withholding Tax Payments	911,116,008	885,446,392	25,669,616	2.9 %
* Final Payments include Historic Structures Tax Credit reimbursements of \$5,177,340 in year-to-date FY 2016 and \$665,861 in year-to-date FY 2015. It should be noted that the fiscal year-to-date total of \$665,861 for Historic Structures Tax Credit reimbursements in FY 2015 does not include \$776,950 of unreimbursed HSTCs.				
^a Includes a large infrequently occurring estimated payment of \$10.0 million received in December 2014.				
^b Refunds and adjustments include an adjustment of \$1,355,142 for reimbursed FY 2015 HSTCs which were recorded in July 2015 but accrued back to FY 2015. FY 2016 YTD refunds and adjustments also include a transfer of \$2,049,477 received in October 2015 and a transfer of \$389,300 received in February 2016 from business corporations tax revenues due to incorrect posting of payments received.				

Month of April:

Component	April 2016	April 2015	Difference	% Change
Estimated Payments	\$30,543,114	\$ 28,889,543	\$ 1,653,571	5.7 %
Final Payments *	125,936,503	144,450,446	(18,513,943)	-12.8 %
Refunds/Adjustments	(63,446,832)	(61,887,808)	(1,559,024)	2.5 %
Withholding Tax Payments	91,238,046	83,369,028	7,869,018	9.4 %
* Final Payments include \$1,680,517 of Historic Structures Tax Credit (HSTC) reimbursements which were recorded in April 2016. It should be noted that the April 2015 total for HSTC reimbursements does not include \$54,425 of unreimbursed HSTCs.				

Sales and Use Taxes Cash Collections by Component

The tables below are based on data provided by the Division of Taxation and break down sales and use tax cash collections by component on both a fiscal year-to-date and monthly basis. It should be noted that differences may exist between the figures reported by the Division of Taxation and those reported by the Controller due to timing differences in the posting of revenues.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Component	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Net Taxation	\$ 711,345,251	\$ 700,025,537	\$ 11,319,714	1.6 %
Registry Receipts	88,034,901	80,172,582	7,862,319	9.8 %
Providence Place Mall	11,772,958	12,033,230	(260,272)	-2.2 %

Month of April:

Component	April 2016	April 2015	Difference	% Change
Net Taxation	\$ 65,818,582	\$ 67,647,739	\$ (1,829,157)	-2.7 %
Registry Receipts	9,302,963	9,682,774	(379,811)	-3.9 %
Providence Place Mall	998,991	1,084,542	(85,551)	-7.9 %

General Business Taxes

April	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Fiscal YTD	\$ 265.1 Million	\$ 256.3 Million	\$ 8.8 Million	3.4 %
Month	\$ 16.8 Million	\$ 17.3 Million	\$(533,607)	-3.1 %

In general, businesses with Rhode Island tax liabilities make estimated payments of their tax year liabilities in March and June of the fiscal year, with 40.0 percent of the estimated total tax liability due in March and 60.0 percent of the estimated total tax liability due in June. There is one exception to this payment pattern, namely the health care provider assessment, payments of which are made on a monthly basis. Business corporations, or corporate income, tax payments are also received more consistently over the course of the fiscal year due to the varying fiscal years of corporations and the number of filers that are on extension at any given point in time. As a result, both business corporation taxes and health care provider assessments flow more evenly into the general fund over the course of a fiscal year.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

General business taxes collected through April of FY 2016 increased by 3.4 percent over general business taxes collected through April of FY 2015. FY 2016 general business taxes collected through April were \$265.1 million compared to \$256.3 million collected for the same period in FY 2015, an increase of \$8.8 million. It should be noted that insurance companies gross premiums tax cash collections for July 2015 include \$4.5 million of reimbursed Historic Structures Tax Credits (HSTC) which were recorded in July 2015 but accrued back to FY 2015. Fiscal year-to-date through April 2015 insurance companies gross premiums tax cash collections do not include \$4.0 million in unreimbursed HSTCs. It should also be noted that FY 2016 business corporations tax cash collections include \$432,162 in HSTC reimbursements versus \$823,225 received for the same period last year. Year-to-date business corporations tax cash collections are lower by \$2.4 million for revenues transferred to personal income tax cash

collections in October 2015 and February 2016 for previous incorrect deposits. Year-to-date business corporations tax cash collections are lower by \$403,840 for revenues transferred to public utilities gross earnings tax cash collections in February 2016 for previous incorrect deposits. Finally, FY 2016 financial institutions tax cash collections through April were \$9.0 million, a decrease of \$7.9 million or 46.9 percent compared to the same period last year. It should be noted that included in the FY 2015 year-to-date cash collections for financial institutions tax is \$10.4 million from prior year overpayments that were used as FY 2015 tax payments.

Month of April:

General business taxes collected in April 2016 decreased by 3.1 percent compared to general business taxes collected in April 2015. April 2016 general business taxes collected were \$16.8 million compared to \$17.3 million collected during the same period last fiscal year, a decrease of \$533,607. It should be noted that insurance companies gross premiums tax collections in April 2015 does not include \$230,815 in unreimbursed HSTCs. April 2016 financial institutions tax cash collections were \$304,330, an increase of \$2.4 million or 114.7 percent from the \$(2.1 million) collected in April 2015.

Business Corporations Tax Cash Collections by Component:

The tables below are based on data provided by the Division of Taxation and break down business corporation tax cash collections by component on both a fiscal year-to-date and monthly basis. It should be noted that differences may exist between the figures reported by the Division of Taxation and those reported by the Controller due to timing differences in the posting of revenues.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Component	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Estimated Payments	\$ 66,379,664	\$ 61,828,332	\$ 4,551,332	7.4 %
Final Payments *	70,470,170	69,038,693	1,431,477	2.1 %
Refunds/Adjustments	(25,086,586) [^]	(31,065,613) [†]	5,979,027	-19.2 %
* Final Payments include Historic Structures Tax Credit reimbursements of \$432,162 in year-to-date FY 2016 and \$823,225 in year-to-date FY 2015.				
[^] FY 2016 year-to-date refunds and adjustments include a transfer of \$(2,049,477) in October 2015 and a transfer of \$(389,300) in February 2016 to personal income tax revenues due to incorrect posting of payments received. FY 2016 year-to-date refunds and adjustments payments include a transfer of \$(403,840) to public utilities gross earnings tax in February 2016 due to incorrect posting of payments.				
[†] FY 2015 year-to-date refunds and adjustments cash collections include a refund of \$5,121,199 in August 2014 which was accrued to FY 2014.				

Month of April:

Component	April 2016	April 2015	Difference	% Change
Estimated Payments	\$ 3,507,878	\$ 5,229,287	\$ (1,721,409)	-32.9 %
Final Payments	10,498,472	9,954,574	543,898	5.5 %
Refunds/Adjustments	(7,101,516)	(1,295,885)	(5,805,632)	448.0 %

Excise Taxes Other Than the Sales and Use Tax

April	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Fiscal YTD	\$ 166.2 Million	\$ 168.9 Million	\$ (2.6 million)	-1.6 %
Month	\$ 16.1 Million	\$ 17.8 Million	\$ (1.7 million)	-9.7 %

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected in FY 2016 through April decreased by 1.6 percent over excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected through April of FY 2015. FY 2016 excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected through April were \$166.2 million compared to \$168.9 million collected for the same period last fiscal year, a decrease of \$2.6 million. It is important to note that, during the 2014 session, the General Assembly enacted legislation to transfer 25.0 percent of revenues derived from motor vehicle operator license and registration fees from general revenues to the Rhode Island Highway Maintenance Account (RIHMA) effective July 1, 2015. To date, this transfer has totaled \$10.6 million. It should also be noted that YTD 2015 motor vehicle operator license and registration fee cash collections include \$1.2 million collected from the IRP Clearinghouse in FY 2010 and FY 2011 that were deposited in January 2015.

Rhode Island cigarettes tax receipts are comprised of excise taxes collected on the sale of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco (which also includes cigars and pipe tobacco), and a one-time cigarette floor stock tax. The cigarette floor stock tax is imposed only when there is an increase in the excise tax rate on cigarettes. Total cigarette excise tax cash receipts through April of FY 2016 were \$118.8 million, including \$755,969 of cigarette floor stock tax receipts, which is up \$5.1 million, or 4.5 percent, compared to the \$113.7 million collected for the same period last fiscal year. Finally, the change in cigarette sales is determined. Cigarette floor stock tax and other tobacco products tax cash collections are netted out of the cigarettes tax cash receipts data, yielding only cigarette excise tax cash collections. Through April of FY 2016, Rhode Island cigarette sales decreased 2.2 percent compared to the same period last fiscal year.

Month of April:

Excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected in April 2016 decreased 9.7 percent from excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected in April 2015. April 2016 excise taxes other than sales and use taxes collected totaled \$16.1 million compared to \$17.8 million collected in April 2015, a decrease of \$1.7 million. It is important to note that during the 2014 session the

General Assembly enacted legislation to transfer 25.0 percent of revenues derived from motor vehicle license and registration fees from general revenues to the Rhode Island Highway Maintenance Account (RIHMA) effective July 1, 2015. This transfer totaled \$1.4 million in April 2016.

April 2016 cigarette excise tax receipts were \$10.3 million, including no cigarette floor stock tax receipts, a decrease of \$270,010 or 2.6 percent from the \$10.5 million collected in April 2015. After accounting for any cigarette floor stock tax receipts and other tobacco products tax cash collections, the percentage change in Rhode Island cigarette sales is determined. For April 2016, Rhode Island cigarette sales decreased by 10.7 percent compared to April 2015.

Other Taxes

April	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Fiscal YTD	\$ 31.5 Million	\$ 42.7 Million	\$ (11.3 million)	-26.3 %
Month	\$ 176,093	\$ 4.2 Million	\$ (4.1 million)	-95.8 %

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Other taxes collected in FY 2016 through April decreased 26.3 percent from other taxes collected through April of FY 2015. FY 2016 other taxes collected through April were \$31.5 million compared to the \$42.7 million collected in the same period last fiscal year, a decrease of \$11.3 million.

Effective July 1, 2015 the real estate conveyance tax was extended to subject the transfer of a controlling interest in a limited liability company (LLC), corporation, partnership, or other entity that owns real estate in Rhode Island to the real estate conveyance tax. FY 2016 realty transfer taxes collected through April were up \$1.2 million or 15.8 percent compared to the same period last fiscal year. To date, \$117,757 of cash receipts have been received from the extension of the real estate conveyance tax to the transfer of a controlling interest in real estate. It should be noted that fiscal year-to-date realty transfer tax through April includes \$229,343 of receipts designated for the Housing Resources Commission (HRC) that will be transferred in May 2016.

Month of April:

Other taxes collected in April 2016 decreased 95.8 percent over other taxes collected in April 2015. April 2016 other taxes collected totaled \$176,093 million compared to \$4.2 million collected in April 2015, a decrease of \$4.1 million. Realty transfer taxes collected in April were down \$155,403 or 19.1 percent compared to last April. In April 2016, \$17,261 of cash receipts were received from the extension of the real estate conveyance tax to the transfer of a controlling interest in real estate. It should be noted that April 2016 realty transfer tax includes \$8,787 of receipts that are designated for the Housing Resources Commission (HRC). The amount reflects the difference between the March 2016 transfer that occurred in April 2016 and the April 2016 transfer that will occur in May of 2016. April 2016 estate and transfer tax cash collections

totalled \$(565,405), a decrease of \$3.9 million or 117.1 percent from April 2015 cash collections of \$3.3 million.

Departmental Receipts Cash Collections by Component

The tables below are based on data provided by the Controller and break down departmental receipts cash collections by component on both a fiscal year-to-date and monthly basis.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Component	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Licenses and Fees *	\$ 248,784,389	\$ 244,988,383	\$ 3,796,006	1.5 %
Fines and Penalties	26,186,436	20,693,071	5,493,365	26.5 %
Sales and Services	8,915,729	9,212,555	(296,826)	-3.2 %
Miscellaneous	16,321,654	24,495,694	(8,174,040)	-33.4 %
Total	\$ 300,208,208	\$ 299,389,703	\$ 818,505	0.3 %
* Licenses and fees cash collections include hospital licensing fees of \$149,767,744 in year-to-date FY 2016 and \$145,454,149 in year-to-date FY 2015.				

The licenses and fees category of departmental receipts through April of FY 2016 was up 1.5 percent or \$3.8 million over the \$245.0 million collected through April of FY 2015. In the enacted FY 2016 budget, signed into law by Governor Raimondo on June 25, 2015, numerous license fees were eliminated for select occupations and the outpatient health care facility and imaging services surcharges were repealed. Through April, imaging services surcharge fees were down \$1.3 million. Outpatient health care facility surcharge receipts through April of FY 2016 were \$503,071 less than the previous fiscal year. In licenses and fees, the E-911 Wireless surcharge, E-911 Wireline surcharge, E911 prepaid telephone fees, and the GIS and technical fund are down \$916,179 year-to-date through April. It is also important to note that numerous licenses included in the licenses and fees category of departmental receipts are renewed on a biennial or triennial basis, which skews the fiscal year-to-date comparisons.

The fines and penalties category of departmental receipts through April of FY 2016 was up \$5.5 million or 26.5 percent over the \$20.7 million collected through April of FY 2015. All of this increase can be accounted for by cash collections for interest on overdue taxes being up \$4.4 million in FY 2016 through April compared to FY 2015 through April. Cash collections from penalties on overdue taxes for FY 2016 through April are also up by \$966,443 over FY 2015 through April.

FY 2016 miscellaneous departmental receipts through April are down \$8.2 million or 33.4 percent compared to cash collections through April of FY 2015. FY 2016 through April miscellaneous revenues includes the transfer of \$(4.8 million) of refund and other checks written off by the Office of the Treasurer and the Division of Taxation to unclaimed property. Included in the Treasury Department's cost recovery cash collections is the deposit of \$484,394 from the transfer of refund and other check write-offs from the Office of the Treasurer and the Division of

Taxation to unclaimed property in November 2015. Also enacted in the FY 2016 budget, the Urban Institute Work Strategies grant received by the Department of Human Services (DHS) has been transferred from miscellaneous departmental receipts in general revenues to a restricted receipt account. As a result, cash collections for this grant are down \$181,686 compared to the prior fiscal year. During the 2015 session, the General Assembly accepted the Governor's proposal to transfer the state's share and the statewide tourism district's share of the state 5.0 percent hotel tax from general revenues to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (RICC) for a state level tourism promotion and business attraction campaign. Due to this transfer, state hotel tax revenues are down \$2.9 million through April 2016 compared to the same period last fiscal year. FY 2015 miscellaneous departmental receipts include \$1.1 million from a pharmaceutical settlement payment to the Office of the Attorney General that was accrued back to the prior fiscal year and \$376,428 from two settlements with mobile telephone providers for placing third-party service charges on consumers' bills, also known as "mobile cramming."

Month of April:

Component	April 2016	April 2015	Difference	% Change
Licenses and Fees *	\$ 9,559,222	\$ 9,705,700	\$ (146,478)	-1.5 %
Fines and Penalties	7,552,392	4,684,643	2,867,749	61.2 %
Sales and Services	1,177,763	1,265,616	(87,853)	-6.9 %
Miscellaneous	2,404,286	2,313,256	91,030	3.9 %
Total	\$ 20,693,663	\$ 17,969,215	\$ 2,724,448	15.2 %
* Licenses and fees include \$508,779 of hospital licensing fees in April 2016 versus \$248,730 in April 2015.				

Total departmental receipts in April 2016 increased by 15.2 percent compared to total departmental receipts in April 2015. April 2016 total departmental receipts collected were \$20.7 million compared to \$18.0 million collected in April 2015, an increase of \$2.7 million.

The licenses and fees category of departmental receipts for April 2016 was down 1.5 percent or \$146,478 from the \$9.7 million collected in April of 2015. In licenses and fees, the E-911 Wireless surcharge, E-911 Wireline surcharge, E911 prepaid telephone fees, and the GIS and technical fund are down \$226,047 compared to last April. It should be noted that imaging services surcharge fees and outpatient health care facility surcharge fees were repealed as part of the enacted FY 2016 budget. April 2016 imaging services surcharge fees were down \$140,736. Outpatient health care facility surcharge receipts in April 2016 were \$35,924 less than the previous year.

The fines and penalties category of departmental receipts for April 2016 was up 61.2 percent or \$2.9 million from the \$4.7 million collected in April of 2015. Most of this increase is due to interest on overdue taxes for April 2016 being up \$1.9 million over April 2015. Cash collections from penalties on overdue taxes are also up \$544,033 for April 2016 compared to April 2015. Additionally, there is \$120,750 in insurance verification license reinstatement fees that were enacted in August 2015.

FY 2016 miscellaneous departmental receipts in April 2016 are up \$91,030 or 3.9 percent compared to cash collections in April of 2015. The April 2016 cash collections for the drinking water protection fund are up \$397,191 over cash collections in April 2015. Additionally, the April 2016 cash collections from a judiciary cost recovery account are up \$316,288 compared to April 2015. Due to the transfer of the state's share and the statewide tourism district's share of the state 5.0 percent hotel tax from general revenues to the RICC for a state level tourism promotion and business attraction campaign, state hotel tax revenues are down \$157,815 in April 2016 compared to the previous April.

Motor Fuel Tax, Per Penny Yield

April	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Fiscal YTD	\$ 3,681,413	\$ 3,656,541	\$ 24,872	0.7 %
Month	\$ 361,305	\$ 367,872	\$ (6,567)	-1.8 %

In FY 2016, the State's motor fuel tax consists of a \$0.33 per gallon excise tax on the distribution of motor fuel in the State and an additional \$0.01 per gallon surcharge for motor fuel that is delivered to an underground storage tank, while in FY 2015 the same tax rates were \$0.32 per gallon and \$0.01 per gallon respectively. Increased revenues from the increase in the motor fuel excise tax, if any, will be realized in August 2015 and thereafter. No portion of the motor fuel tax is designated as general revenues. The data provided in this section of the report is for informational purposes only.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

The per penny yield of the state's motor fuel tax collected in FY 2016 through April is \$24,872 more than in FY 2015 through April. This represents an increase of 0.7 percent between the two fiscal year-to-date periods. For FY 2016 through April, the per penny yield was \$3.68 million versus \$3.66 million for FY 2015 through April.

Month of April:

The per penny yield of the State's motor fuel tax collected in April 2016 totaled \$361,305, a decrease of \$6,567 or 1.8 percent compared to the \$367,872 collected in April 2015.

Lottery Transfer Cash Collections by Component

The tables below are based on data provided by the Division of Lottery and break down the lottery transfer cash collections by component on both a fiscal year-to-date and monthly basis. It should be noted that slight differences may exist between the figures reported by the Division of Lottery and those reported by the Controller due to timing differences in the posting of revenues. Data on lottery transfer cash collections reflect the prior month's gaming activity.

Fiscal Year-to-Date through April:

Component	FY 2016	FY 2015	Difference	% Change
Traditional Games	\$ 32,009,655	\$ 29,248,783	\$ 2,760,872	9.4 %
Keno	13,796,247	13,267,771	528,476	4.0 %
Twin River VLTs	200,706,117	210,873,237	(10,167,120)	-4.8 %
Twin River Traditional Table Games	11,167,415	9,320,031	1,847,384	19.8 %
Twin River Poker Tables	311,019	0	311,019	n/a
Newport Grand VLTs	20,218,389	19,893,116	325,273	1.6 %

In fiscal year-to-date 2015, Twin River could operate an average maximum of 80 traditional table games through April, ten fewer than the average maximum of 90 traditional table games that could be operated in fiscal year 2016 through April. On December 1, 2015, Twin River began operating 16 poker tables. It should be noted that in order to make space for additional table games and a poker room, Twin River had 265 fewer VLTs operating in fiscal year-to-date 2016 compared to the same period last fiscal year. Both Twin River and Newport Grand VLT cash collections do not reflect unclaimed prizes, distressed communities relief program receipts, or the State's payment to either Newport Grand's or Twin River's marketing program.

Month of April:

Component	Apr. 2016	Apr. 2015	Difference	% Change
Traditional Games	\$ 3,133,654	\$ 3,047,762	\$ 85,892	2.8 %
Keno	1,603,414	1,625,910	(22,496)	-1.4 %
Twin River VLTs	23,537,635	26,907,099	(3,369,464)	-12.5 %
Twin River Traditional Table Games	1,510,559	1,317,325	193,234	14.7 %
Twin River Poker Tables	84,211	0	84,211	n/a
Newport Grand VLTs	2,355,643	2,426,121	(70,478)	-2.9 %

It should be noted that Twin River could operate a maximum of 80 traditional table games for the month reported on in April 2015 versus operating a maximum of 92 traditional table games for the month reported on in April 2016. For the month reported on in April 2016, Twin River operated 16 poker tables. Twin River had 274 fewer VLTs operating for the month reported on in April 2016 compared to the month reported on in April 2015. Both Twin River and Newport Grand VLT cash collections do not reflect unclaimed prizes, distressed communities relief program receipts, or the State's payment to either Newport Grand's or Twin River's marketing program.

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