

ORANGE COUNTY FLORIDA

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ORLANDO, FLORIDA -- County Comptroller Martha Haynie announced today that tourist tax collections (resort tax) received by the County for the hotel collection month of January 2015 were \$18,838,400. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and

motels.

Comptroller Haynie noted that January 2015 collections were 11% higher than January 2014. "As the resort tax continues to exceed our expectations, Orange County can continue its scheduled renovations on the Convention Center while maintaining our reserves and meeting our debt obligations. We can continue to support our hospitality industry. And, we can continue our successful partnership with the City of Orlando, as our community enjoys our wonderful new venues," stated Haynie.

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA ALL SIX CENTS

FISCAL YEAR 2015 (10/1/14-9/30/15)

Monthly Collections			Budget to Actual		
	FY 2015 Budget (1)	FY 2015 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
Hotel Collection Month of January 2015	\$16,660,200	\$18,838,400	\$2,178,200	13.1% up	
			Actual to Actual		
	FY 2014 Actual	FY 2015 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
	\$16,997,000	\$18,838,400	\$1,841,400	10.8% up	
Cumulative Collections			Budget to Actual		
	FY 2015 Budget (1)	FY 2015 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
Hotel Collection Month of January 2015	\$65,428,900	\$72,099,600	\$6,670,700	10.2% up	
			Actual to Actual		
	FY 2014 Actual	FY 2015 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
	\$63,960,100	\$72,099,600	\$8,139,500	12.7% up	

⁽¹⁾ On January 27, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2015 revenue budget by \$10,913,000 or 5.6%.