

ORANGE COUNTY FLORIDA

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## TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ORLANDO, FLORIDA -- County Comptroller Martha Haynie announced today that tourist tax collections (resort tax) received by the County for the hotel collection month of July 2014 were \$16,243,300. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Haynie noted that July 2014 collections were 6% higher than July 2013. "The continuing pace of growth in our tourist taxes is especially good news for Orlando. Orange County agreed in 2007 to retain only the first 2% of annual growth. The City and the venues – Amway Center, Dr. Philips's Performing Arts Center, and the Citrus Bowl – will benefit most from the excitement of our visitors. This is good news for our whole community," stated Haynie.

## TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS

## ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA ALL SIX CENTS

FISCAL YEAR 2014 (10/1/13-9/30/14)

Monthly Collections			Budget to Actual		
	FY 2014 Budget (1)	FY 2014 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
Hotel Collection Month of July 2014	\$15,656,600	\$16,243,300	\$586,700	3.7% up	
			Actual to Actual		
	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage <u>Difference</u>	
	\$15,317,800	\$16,243,300	\$925,500	6.0% up	
Cumulative Collections					
			Budget to Actual		
	FY 2014 <u>Budget (1)</u>	FY 2014 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage <u>Difference</u>	
Hotel Collection Month of July 2014	\$164,937,500	\$172,544,300	\$7,606,800	4.6% up	
			Actual to Actual		
	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Actual	<u>Difference</u>	Percentage Difference	
	\$161,684,400	\$172,544,300	\$10,859,900	6.7% up	

<sup>(1)</sup> On January 28, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2014 revenue budget by \$4,722,700 or 2.5%.