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**ORANGE  
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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 June 2013 were \$17,390,200. Tourist taxes are charged on short-term rentals, mostly hotels and motels.

Comptroller Haynie noted that June 2013 collections were 10% higher than June 2012. "As the community enjoys our busy summer months and resort tax reflects year over year growth, everyone may think the County now has 'extra' cash," Haynie stated. "However, they should remember that Orange County is saving up to pay for more than \$187 million in upgrades and refurbishments to the Orange County Convention Center, while it remains solely responsible for meeting its significant contractual obligations to bondholders, Visit Orlando, and the City of Orlando, among others. We simply cannot risk depleting our reserves without very thoughtful consideration of the longer term impacts."

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TOURIST DEVELOPMENT TAX COLLECTIONS

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

**ALL SIX CENTS**

FISCAL YEAR 2013

**Monthly Collections**

			<u>Budget to Actual</u>	
	<u>FY 2013 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2013 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Hotel Collection Month of June 2013	\$16,395,000	\$17,390,200	\$ 995,200	6.1% up

			<u>Actual to Actual</u>	
	<u>FY 2012 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2013 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$15,824,300	\$17,390,200	\$ 1,565,900	9.9% up

**Cumulative Collections**

			<u>Budget to Actual</u>	
	<u>FY 2013 Budget(1)</u>	<u>FY 2013 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
Thru Hotel Collection Month of June 2013	\$140,404,800	\$146,304,900	\$ 5,900,100	4.2% up

			<u>Actual to Actual</u>	
	<u>FY 2012 Actual</u>	<u>FY 2013 Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percentage Difference</u>
	\$137,280,400	\$146,304,900	\$ 9,024,500	6.6% up

(1) On January 29, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners approved increasing the FY 2013 revenue budget by \$8,701,500 or 5.1%.

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