December 2014 Monthly Lodging Report (Smith Travel Research)

Statewide

- Hotel/motel occupancy increased 5.0% statewide in December 2014 from December 2013.
 - o US occupancy increased 4.8% in December 2014 from December 2013.
 - South Atlantic states occupancy increased 5.6% in December 2014 from December 2013.
- December 2014 room rates (ADR) in North Carolina were up 4.0%.
 - o **Room rates** in the US increased 4.3% from December 2013.
 - **Room rates** in the South Atlantic states increased 5.4% from December 2013.
- Statewide, **RevPAR** was up 9.2% from December of 2013.
 - o US **RevPAR** increased 9.3% from December 2013.
 - South Atlantic **RevPAR** increased 11.4% from December 2013.
- **Room Supply** increased by 0.7% in the state from December 2013 to December 2014.
 - US **room supply** increased 0.9% in December 2014
 - South Atlantic **room supply** was up 1.1% from December 2013 to December 2014.
- **Room Demand** increased 5.8% in the state from December 2013 to December 2014.
 - **Room demand** in the US increased 5.8% in December 2014 from December 2013.
 - **Room demand** in the South Atlantic increased 6.7% in December 2014 from December 2013.
- North Carolina **room revenues** increased 10.0% in December 2014.
 - **Room revenues** in the US increased 10.4% from December 2013 to December 2014.
 - **Room revenues** in the South Atlantic increased 12.6% from December 2013 to December 2014.

Regional

Each of the eight prosperity zones of the state showed increases in occupancy rates for December 2014 from December 2013. Four of the regions had eight percent growth from last December.

○ Western Region +8.1%

- Piedmont Triad Region +3.7%
- Northeast Region +8.1%

- Northwest Region +8.2%
- North Central Region +1.7%
- Southeast Region +8.0%

- Southwest Region +5.7%
- Sandhills Region +2.7%

All eight prosperity zones experienced increased ADR in December 2014. ADR in the Southwest Region increased more than five percent from last December while the North Central Region ADR increased nearly five percent.

- Western Region +4.1%
- Piedmont Triad Region +2.6%
- Northeast Region +2.0%

- Northwest Region +3.7%
- North Central Region +4.9%
- Southeast Region +1.1%

- Southwest Region +5.3%
- Sandhills Region +2.0%
- **RevPAR** was up in each of the eight prosperity zones of the state for December 2014 from December 2013. Four of the regions experienced double-digit growth.
 - Western Region +12.5%
- Piedmont Triad Region +6.4% 0
- Northeast Region +10.3%

- Northwest Region +12.2% 0
- North Central Region +6.6% 0
- Southeast Region +9.2%

- Southwest Region +11.2%
- Sandhills Region +4.8%
- **Room Supply** was up in five of the eight of the zones of the state for December 2014 from December 2013.
 - Western Region -0.6%
- Piedmont Triad Region -0.1%
- Northeast Region 0.0%

- Northwest Region +3.3%
- North Central Region +0.9%
- Southeast Region +2.1%

- Southwest Region +0.6%
- Sandhills Region +1.3%
- **Room Demand** was up in each of the prosperity zones of the state for December 2014 from 2013. The Northwest Region room demand grew nearly twelve percent and the Southeast Region demand grew more than ten percent from last December.
 - Western Region +7.4%
- Piedmont Triad Region +3.6%
- Northeast Region +8.1%

- Northwest Region +11.7% 0
- North Central Region +2.6% 0
- Southeast Region +10.3%

- Southwest Region +6.3%
- Sandhills Region +4.0%
- **Room Revenues** were up in each of the prosperity zones of the state for December 2014 from 2013. Five of the
- Western Region +11.8%
- Piedmont Triad Region +6.3%
- Northeast Region +10.3%

Northwest Region +15.9% 0

regions experienced double-digit revenue growth in December.

- North Central Region +7.6%
- Southeast Region +11.5%

- Southwest Region +11.9%
- Sandhills Region +6.1%

Year End 2014 Lodging Report - Statewide & Competitive State Comparison

- Hotel/motel **occupancy** was up 4.7% statewide from 2013.
 - o The US occupancy is up 3.6% in 2014 from 2013.
 - The South Atlantic states **occupancy** is up 4.8% in 2014 from 2013.
- 2014 **room rates (ADR)** in North Carolina were up 4.4% from 2013.
 - The US **ADR** is up 4.6% in 2014 from 2013.
 - The South Atlantic states **ADR** is up 4.3% in 2014 from 2013.
- Statewide, **RevPAR** was up 9.3% from 2013 to 2014.
 - o Nationally, **RevPAR** is also up 8.3% in 2014 from 2013.
 - The South Atlantic states **RevPAR** is up 9.3% in 2014 from 2013.
- **Room Supply** was up 0.7% in the state from 2013 to 2014.
 - o Nationally, **room supply** is also up 0.9% in 2014 from 2013.
 - The South Atlantic states **room supply** is up 0.6% in 2014 from 2013.
- **Room Demand** was up 5.4% in the state from 2013 to 2014.
 - Nationally, **room demand** is also up 4.5% in 2014 from 2013.
 - The South Atlantic states **room demand** is up 5.4% in 2014 from 2013.
- North Carolina **room revenues** were up 10.1% from 2013 to 2014.
 - Nationally, **room revenues** are also up 9.2% in 2014 from 2013.
 - The South Atlantic states **room revenues** are up 9.9% in 2014 from 2013.

Regional

Occupancy in each of the eight prosperity zones of the state increased from 2013 to 2014. The Southwest Region had the largest growth with more than seven percent.

Western Region +3.3% o Piedmont Triad Region +4.3% Northeast Region +1.5%

O Northwest Region +5.7% ○ North Central Region +5.5% o Southwest Region +7.3% o Sandhills Region +1.8%

ADR in each of the eight prosperity zones increased from 2013 to 2014. The Western and North Central regions

had more than five percent rate growth year-over-year. Northeast Region +3.8%

Western Region +5.5% o Piedmont Triad Region +3.6% Northwest Region +3.1%

 North Central Region +5.4% Southeast Region +2.9%

Southeast Region +2.4%

Southwest Region +4.3% o Sandhills Region +4.5%

RevPAR grew in each of the eight prosperity zones of the state from 2013 to 2014. The North Central and Southwest regions had more than eleven percent growth.

Western Region +8.9% ○ Piedmont Triad Region +8.0%

Northeast Region +5.3% Northwest Region +9.1% o North Central Region +11.3% Southeast Region +5.4%

Southwest Region +11.9% o Sandhills Region +6.4%

Room Supply was up in six of the prosperity zones in 2014 from 2013.

Western Region -0.1% ○ Piedmont Triad Region +0.1% Northeast Region +0.1%

Northwest Region 0.0% ○ North Central Region +0.8% Southeast Region +2.0%

Southwest Region +1.2% o Sandhills Region +0.6%

Room Demand was up in each of the prosperity zones of the state in 2014. The Southwest Region had the largest

growth in demand (+8.6%), followed by the North Central Region (+6.4%). Northeast Region +1.5%

Western Region +3.2% o Piedmont Triad Region +4.4%

○ North Central Region +6.4% Southeast Region +4.5%

Southwest Region +8.6% o Sandhills Region +2.4%

Northwest Region +5.7%

Room Revenues were up in each of the prosperity zones in 2014. Revenues in the Southwest and North Central regions had double-digit growth.

O Western Region +8.8% ○ Piedmont Triad Region +8.1% Northeast Region +5.4%

o Northwest Region +9.1% Southeast Region +7.6% ○ North Central Region +12.1%

Southwest Region +13.3% o Sandhills Region +7.0%

North Carolina Prosperity Zones

Western Region - Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon,

Madison, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania

Northwest Region - Alleghany, Ashe, Alexander, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, McDowell,

Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey

Southwest - Anson, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan,

Stanly, Union

Piedmont-Triad (Central) - Alamance, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Randolph, Rockingham,

Stokes, Surry, Yadkin

North Central - Chatham, Durham, Franklin, Granville, Harnett, Johnston, Lee, Orange, Person,

Vance, Wake, Warren

Sandhills (South Central) - Bladen, Columbus, Cumberland, Hoke, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, Robeson,

Sampson, Scotland

Northeast - Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Halifax,

Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt,

Tyrrell, Washington, Wilson

Southeast - Brunswick, Carteret, Craven, Duplin, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, New Hanover,

Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Wayne