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**United States**  
**Securities and Exchange Commission**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

Current Report  
Pursuant To Section 13 or 15(d) Of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 4, 2018

**RCI HOSPITALITY HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-13992  
(Commission  
file number)

76-0458229  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

10737 Cutten Road  
Houston, Texas 77066  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(281) 397-6730  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d -2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e -4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

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**ITEM 7.01    REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

On December 5, 2018, Eric Langan, our President and Chief Executive Officer, will present at the LD Micro Investor Conference at the Luxe Sunset Boulevard Hotel, located at 11461 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90049. A copy of the presentation slides is included with this current report as Exhibit 99.1, which slides may be used in whole or in part in meetings with investors and analysts.

The furnishing of the attached presentation slides is not an admission as to the materiality of any information therein. The information contained in the slides is summary information that is intended to be considered in the context of more complete information included in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) and other public announcements that we have made and may make from time to time by press release or otherwise. We undertake no duty or obligation to update or revise the information contained in this report, although we may do so from time to time as management believes is appropriate. Any such updating may be made through the filing of other reports or documents with the SEC, through press releases or through other public disclosures. For important information about forward looking statements, see the slide titled “Forward Looking Statements” in Exhibit 99.1 included herewith.

The information in this Item 7.01 “Regulation FD Disclosure” of the current report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and will not be treated as “filed” for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.

**ITEM 9.01    FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

*(d) Exhibits.*

No.	Exhibit
99.1	<a href="#">Presentation Slides - Investor Presentation December 2018</a>

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

RCI HOSPITALITY HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: December 4, 2018

By: /s/ Eric Langan

Eric Langan

President and Chief Executive Officer

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## Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this presentation regarding RCI Hospitality future operating results or performance or business plans or prospects and any other statements not constituting historical fact are "forward-looking statements" subject to the safe harbor created by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Where applicable, words such as "anticipate," "approximate," "believe," "estimated," "expect," "goal," "intent," "outlook," "planned," "potential," "will," "would," and similar expressions, as they relate to the company or its management, have been used to identify such forward-looking statements.

All forward-looking statements reflect only current beliefs and assumptions with respect to future business plans, prospects, decisions and results, and are based on information currently available to the company.

Accordingly, the statements are subject to significant risks, uncertainties and contingencies, which could cause the company's actual operating results, performance or business plans or prospects to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these statements.

Such risks, uncertainties and contingencies include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties associated with our future operational and financial results, operating and managing adult businesses, competitive factors, conditions relevant to real estate transactions, cybersecurity, the timing of the openings of other clubs, the availability of acceptable financing to fund corporate expansion efforts, our dependence on key personnel, the ability to manage operations and the future operational strength of management, and the laws governing the operation of adult entertainment businesses.

Additional factors that could cause the company's results to differ materially from those described in the forward-looking statements are described in forms filed with the SEC from time to time and available at [www.rcihospitality.com](http://www.rcihospitality.com) or on the SEC's internet website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Unless required by law, RCI Hospitality does not undertake any obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

## Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to our financial information presented in accordance with GAAP, management uses certain non-GAAP financial measures, within the meaning of the SEC Regulation G, to clarify and enhance understanding of past performance and prospects for the future. Generally, a non-GAAP financial measure is a numerical measure of a company's operating performance, financial position or cash flows that excludes or includes amounts that are included in or excluded from the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. We monitor non-GAAP financial measures because it describes the operating performance of the company and helps management and investors gauge our ability to generate cash flow, excluding items that management believes are not representative of the ongoing business operations of the company, but are included in the most directly comparable measures calculated and presented in accordance with GAAP. Relative to each of the non-GAAP financial measures, we further set forth our rationale as follows:

**Non-GAAP Operating Income and Non-GAAP Operating Margin.** We exclude from non-GAAP operating income and non-GAAP operating margin amortization of intangibles, impairment of assets, gains or losses on sale of assets, gain on insurance, and settlement of lawsuits. We believe that excluding these items assists investors in evaluating period-over-period changes in our operating income and operating margin without the impact of items that are not a result of our day-to-day business and operations.

**Non-GAAP Net Income and Non-GAAP Net Income per Diluted Share.** We exclude from non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP net income per diluted share amortization of intangibles, impairment of assets, costs and charges related to debt refinancing, income tax expense (benefit), gains or losses on sale of assets, gain on insurance, and settlement of lawsuits, and include the non-GAAP provision for current and deferred income taxes, calculated at 26.5% and 33% effective tax rate of the pre-tax non-GAAP income before taxes for the three and nine months ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, because we believe that excluding and including such items help management and investors better understand our operating activities.

**Adjusted EBITDA.** We exclude from adjusted EBITDA depreciation expense, amortization of intangibles, income tax expense (benefit), net interest expense, impairment of assets, gains or losses on sale of assets, gain on insurance, and settlement of lawsuits because we believe that adjusting for such items helps management and investors better understand operating activities. Adjusted EBITDA provides a core operational performance measurement that compares results without the need to adjust for federal, state and local taxes which have considerable variation between domestic jurisdictions. The results are, therefore, without consideration of financing alternatives of capital employed. We use adjusted EBITDA as one guideline to assess our unleveraged performance return on our investments. Adjusted EBITDA is also the target benchmark for our acquisitions of nightclubs.

**Management also uses non-GAAP cash flow measures such as free cash flow.** Free cash flow is derived from net cash provided by operating activities less maintenance capital expenditures. We use free cash flow as the baseline for the implementation of our capital allocation strategy.

Our Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2018 and our August 9, 2018 news release contain additional details relative to the non-GAAP financial measures and are posted on our website at [www.rcihospitality.com](http://www.rcihospitality.com).

# 1. What We Do

## Overview

- Leader in gentlemen's clubs and sports bars/restaurants
- Founded 1983, IPO and Nasdaq listing in 1995

## Nightclubs

- 39 clubs – some of the industry's best – many in Top 20 US markets
- Major brands: Rick's, Tootsie's, Scarlett's, XTC, Jaguars, Club Onyx

## Bombshells Restaurants

- Fast-growing, sports bar restaurant chain in Texas
- 7<sup>th</sup> location about to open, 3 more in development

## Entertainment Drives Sales

- Clubs: Beautiful female entertainers attract customers
- Bombshells: New generation of sports bars / restaurants

Exchange: Symbol	Revenues (TTM)	Non-GAAP EPS (TTM)*	Cash Dividend	Market Cap (11/29/18)	Shares (6/30/18)	Inside Owners (6/30/18)
Nasdaq: RICK	\$164M	\$2.12	\$0.12/year	\$242M	9.7M	7.5%



\* For GAAP reconciliation, see the company's earnings news releases on the company's website at [www.rclh.com](http://www.rclh.com).



## 2. Great Business

### Strong Cash Generation (FY17)

- High gross profit margin (86%)
- Fast inventory turnover (10x)
- Low maintenance capex (\$1.8M)

### Clubs: Barriers to Entry

- Most municipal licenses tied to physical location
- Few municipalities issue new licenses
- We have acquired ~80% of clubs we own

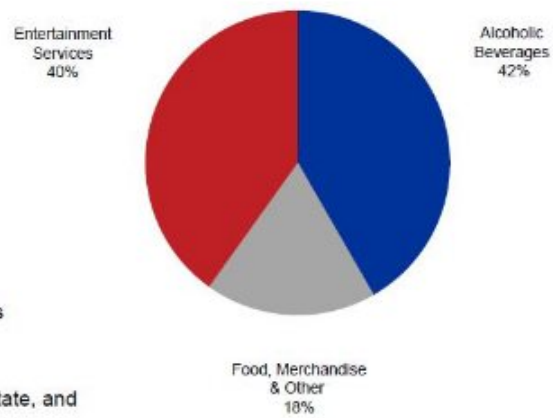
### Bombshells: Competition Helps

- Does well in high traffic areas with other casual dining brands

### Access to Bank Financing

- Growth can be funded through debt, most of which is real estate, and internal cash generation

Total Revenues (FY17)



### 3. Financial Goals (3-5 Years)



## 4. Capital Allocation Strategy

### Key Metric

- Free cash flow (FCF) after-tax yield relative to our market cap

### Buy/Open New Units If...

- We can achieve target cash on cash return of at least 25-33% or
- There is a strategic rationale

### Buy Back Shares If FCF Yield...

- Nears double-digit range
- Exceeds yield of accelerated payment of our highest interest debt (that yield currently 9.24%)

### Current Status

- Initial FY19 FCF target of \$26.0M, up 13% from initial FY18 target
- \$27 share is the point between buying/opening units and buying shares
- Will report final FY18 FCF on 4Q18 concall



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## 5. Nightclubs: Plenty of Room to Grow

### Market

- 2,200 clubs / ~500 meet our qualifications
- While we are one of the largest, market share is < 2%
- Long-term owners interested in selling
- Acquirer of choice: Only public company in the space plus access to bank financing



### Financial Dynamics

- Buy earnings accretive clubs at 3-4x adjusted EBITDA
- Purchase related real estate at market value
- Great track record paying off seller financing from acquisition cash flow

Nightclubs Segment (\$M)	FY17	FY16	Δ
Revenues	\$124.7	\$113.9	9.4%
Operating Income (Non-GAAP)*	\$41.2	\$36.8	12.2%
Operating Margin (Non-GAAP)*	33.1%	32.3%	+81 bps

FY17 reflects: 5.1% SSS growth, 3Q17 acquisitions, and 4Q16 disposition of under-performers

### Our Top Club Brands

	Elegant clubs with restaurants
	High-end, high-energy party club
	Nation's mega club with 74,000 square feet
	High-end clubs for African-American professionals
	Lively BYOB clubs for blue collar patrons and the college crowd
	Lively BYOB clubs for blue collar patrons and the college crowd



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## 6. Nightclubs: Deals Structured for Great Returns

Scarlett's Cabaret Miami	VIP's (Chicago)	Blush (Pittsburgh)
<b>\$25.9M (4x Club Adjusted EBITDA)</b> <b>May 2017</b>	<b>\$6.6M (3.3x Club Adjusted EBITDA)</b> <b>November 2018</b>	<b>\$10M (3.3x Club Adjusted EBITDA)</b> <b>November 2018</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nearby competitors shut down shortly before acquisition</li> <li>Adjusted EBITDA: +\$6.0M</li> <li>Cash Up Front for Club: \$5.4M</li> <li>Seller Financing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$5.0M @ 5%, 1 year balloon</li> <li>\$15.5M @ 8% X 12 years</li> </ul> </li> <li>No real estate</li> <li>Cash on Cash Return: ~111%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One of three clubs in the city; only one with a full liquor license</li> <li>Adjusted EBITDA: ~\$2.0M</li> <li>Cash Up Front for Club: \$2.0M</li> <li>Seller Financing: \$4.5M @ 7% X 6 years</li> <li>Real estate: \$4.0M cash</li> <li>Cash on Cash Return: ~33%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only club downtown; in business 50 years</li> <li>Adjusted EBITDA: ~\$3.0M</li> <li>Cash Up Front for Club: \$2.5M</li> <li>Seller Financing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$2.0M @ 7%, 2 year balloon</li> <li>\$5.5M @ 8% X 10 years</li> </ul> </li> <li>Real estate: \$5.0M cash for 2 buildings, one w/income producing tenants</li> <li>Cash on Cash Return: ~40%</li> </ul>



## 7. Why Bombshells?

### Part of New Generation of More Upscale Sports Bars

- Better quality food, service and experience
- Wide appeal: men, women, families, friends, singles, couples
- Strong community involvement
- Large venues: 8K sq. ft. inside + 2K sq. ft. patio outside
- Big HDTVs, scratch kitchen, free Wi-Fi, USB charging stations, DJs

### Financial Dynamics

- Great margins and fast payback
- Long day: Lunch, happy hour, dinner and late night
- High beverage/food sales ratio: ~60% / 40%
- Focus on company-owned units to build critical mass
- Potential: 80-100 locations (20% owned, 80% franchised)

Bombshells Segment (\$M)	FY17	FY16	Δ
Revenues	\$18.8	\$18.7	0.7%
Operating Income (Non-GAAP)*	\$3.1	\$2.5	22.1%
Operating Margin (Non-GAAP)*	16.4%	13.5%	+286 bps

FY17 reflects 3.5% SSS growth, new unit opened in 4Q17, 4Q16 closure of under-performer



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## 8. Bombshells: Great Returns

### First 5 Locations – Already Paid Back (as of 6/30/18)

- Average unit revenue: \$4.5M TTM
- Average EBITDA margin: 19% TTM
- Total cash invested in all five: \$13.0M
- Total operating cash flow generated: \$12.9M
- No debt; all locations leased except one on already owned property\*\*
- Average annual cash on cash return: 28% (in line with corporate goals)

### Next 5 – Expect Better Cash on Cash Return at Lower Risk

- Acquired raw land for all new locations → Limits downside risk
- Bank financing → Reduces average per unit upfront cash needs
- Selling semi-developed excess parcels → Reduces debt
- Better site selection, design, economies of scale → Improves performance

### After 10 Locations – Business Becomes Self-Funding

- Segment should generate enough capital on its own to fund new locations



### Locations (Open Date)

#### First 5

1. Dallas (Mar 2013)
2. Austin (June 2014)
3. Houston Spring (Sept 2014)
4. Houston Fuqua (Nov 2014)
5. Houston 290 (June 2017)

#### Next 5

6. Houston Pearland (April 2018)
7. Houston I-10 (Dec 2018)
8. Houston US 249 (Jan 2019\*)
9. Houston US 59 (Mar 2019\*)
10. Houston Katy (June 2019\*)

\*current target

## 9. Debt Is Manageable (\$ in millions)

### Long-Term Debt: 87% secured

6.71% Average Weighted Rate	6/30/18	% Total
Secured by Real Estate	\$90.7	68%
Scarlett's Seller Financing	\$17.7	13%
Parent (Includes \$5.4 to buy Scarlett's)	\$11.8	9%
Secured by Other Assets	\$7.9	6%
Texas Comptroller Settlement	\$4.9	4%
Total	\$133.0*	100%

### Highlights

- 68% of debt is real estate that amortizes until ballooned
- Steady decline in occupancy costs even though we have acquired more clubs and real estate
- Total Debt / TTM Adjusted EBITDA = 2.95x
- We like to stay below 3x, but could go to 4x if needed for the right acquisition

### Debt Maturities



### Occupancy Costs



\* Long-Term Debt is \$131.3 million net of loan costs



## 10. Free Cash Flow Scorecard\*

### Starting FY16: Cash is King

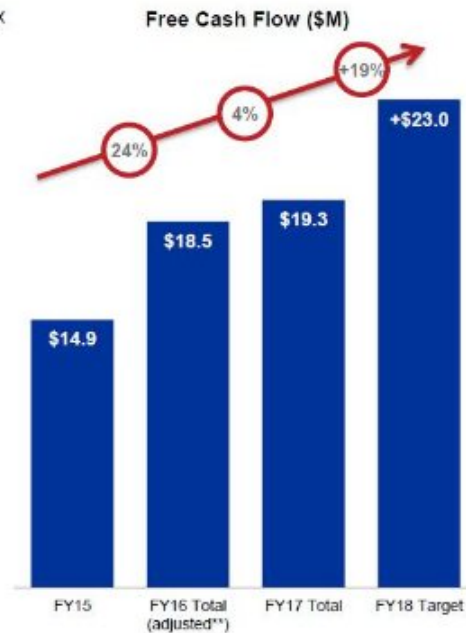
- FCF: Net cash provided by operating activities less maintenance capex
- FY15-17: FCF up 29%, to \$19.3M
- FY18: Targeting +19% growth, to more than \$23.0M

### Reduced FD Shares by 6% (4Q15-3Q17)

- Share Buybacks
  - 1Q16-1Q17: Largest continual buyback in RCI history
  - \$8.4M for 836,766 shares at average \$10.05 each
- Retired All Convertible Debt
  - FY16-17: Paid off \$3.2M
  - No dilutive securities in capital structure

### Initiated Cash Dividend (2Q16)

- \$0.12/ps cash annually
- Paid \$0.03/ps quarterly



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\*\* \$18.5M for FY16 in the chart reflects FCF of \$20.5M less \$2.0M in tax credits.



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## FY18 to Date

\$ In Millions, Except Per Share	3Q18	YoY Change	9M18	YoY Change
Total Revenues	\$42.6	13.9%	\$125.1	18.3%
Nightclubs Segment	\$35.3	8.2%	\$105.9	15.3%
Bombshells Segment	\$7.1	54.4%	\$18.6	39.7%
Non-GAAP Operating Income*	\$10.0	13.0%	\$29.9	30.1%
Non-GAAP Net Income*	\$5.7	26.6%	\$17.1	50.5%
Non-GAAP EPS*	\$0.58	23.9%	\$1.76	51.0%
Free Cash Flow*	\$7.7	17.2%	\$20.6	23.9%
Same-Store Sales (Increase/Decrease)	5.0%	-180 bps	5.5%	+110 bps
Gross Profit Margin	86.2%	+32 bps	86.1%	+44 bps
Non-GAAP Operating Margin*	23.4%	-18 bps	23.9%	+216 bps

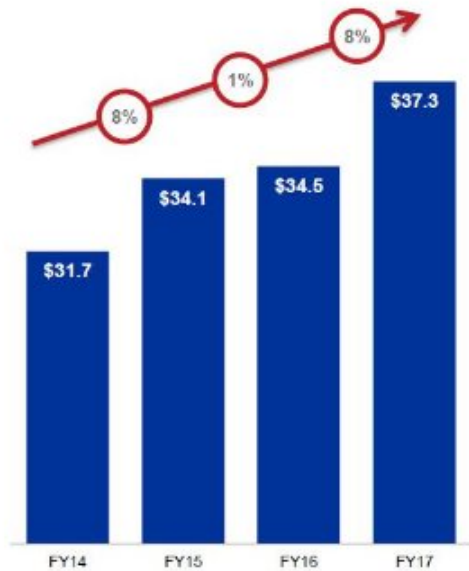


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## Other Financial Metrics (\$ in millions)

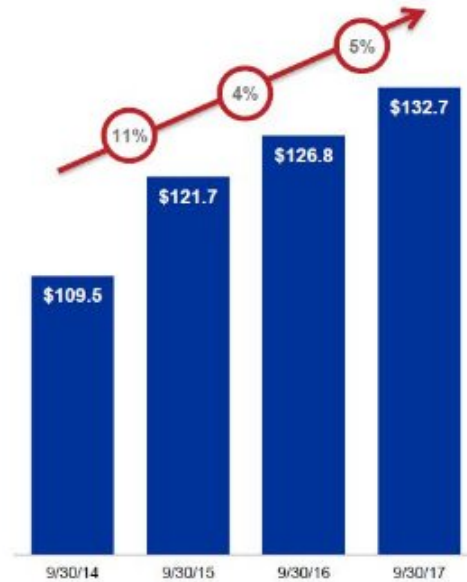
### Adjusted EBITDA\*

- Significantly Improved growth FY16-FY17
- 9M18 vs. 9M17: Up 28% to \$35.4M



### Total RCI Stockholders' Equity

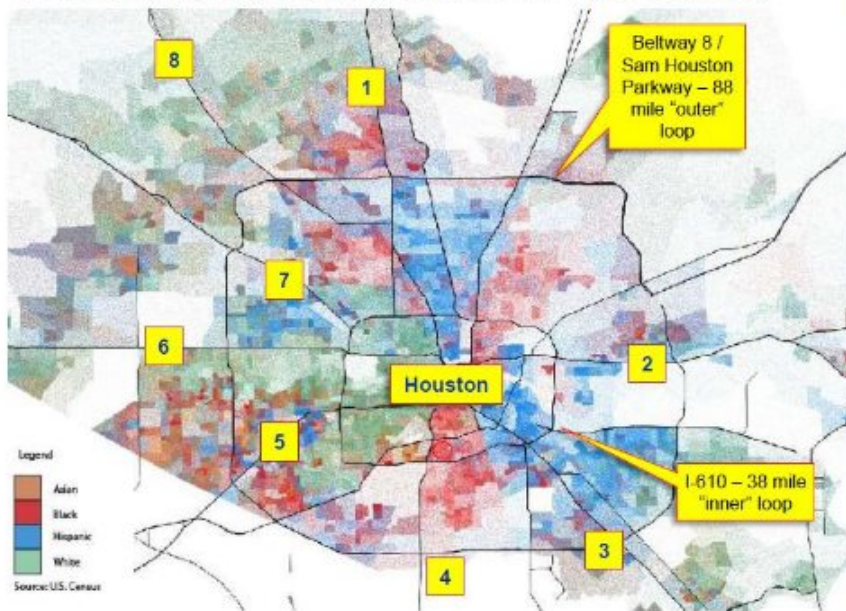
- Significantly Improved growth FY16-FY17
- 6/30/18 vs. 6/30/17: Up 15% to \$156.3M



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# Bombshells Existing & New Houston Units

Locations in Completely Different Residential-Commercial Parts of the City



*X-way driving clockwise to next location*

Key	Location	Open	Miles	Mins
1	Spring	Sep-14	34	38
2	I-10 East	Dec-18	25	17
3	Fuqua	Nov-14	25	20
4	Pearland	Apr-18	23	18
5	US 59	Mar-19	15	10
6	Katy	Jun-19	10	10
7	US 290	Jun-17	28	22
8	US 249	Jan-19	23	18
<b>Total</b>			<b>183</b>	<b>153</b>
<b>Average</b>			<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>

## The Place to Be for Dining Out

- Since 2000, no US major metro region except Dallas-Fort Worth has created more jobs and attracted more people than Houston<sup>1</sup>
- With 2.3M residents, Houston is 4<sup>th</sup> most populous US city and largest in Texas and the South<sup>2</sup>
- Covering 627 square miles, Houston is larger than LA (502), NYC (302) and Chicago (234)<sup>3</sup>
- Houstonians dine out 7 times/week vs. 5.9 for US (Zagat 2018 Survey)<sup>4</sup>

1. <https://www.forbes.com/sites/joelkotkin/2017/03/03/all-houston-does-economically-is-win/#5522s8d83647>  
 2. <https://theculturetrip.com/north-america/usa/texas/articles/10-unique-facts-about-houston-you-didnt-know/>  
 3. Google  
 4. <https://www.houstonpublicmedia.org/articles/news/2018/01/09/200570/houston-leads-nation-in-dining-out/>

## Nightclub Locations

Brand	City	State	Year*
Blush Gentlemen's Club	Pittsburgh	PA	2018
Cabaret East	Fort Worth	TX	2010
Downtown Cabaret	Minneapolis	MN	2011
Foxy's Cabaret	Austin	TX	2015
Hoops Cabaret	New York City	NY	2016
Kappa Men's Club	Kappa	IL	2018
Silver City Cabaret	Dallas	TX	2012
The Seville	Minneapolis	MN	2015
Tootsie's Cabaret	Miami	FL	2008
Vivid Cabaret	New York City	NY	2014
Club Onyx	Charlotte	NC	2006
Club Onyx	Houston	TX	1995
Jaguars Club	Abilene	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	Edinburg	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	El Paso	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	Harlingen	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	Longview	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	Lubbock	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	Odessa	TX	2012
Jaguars Club	Phoenix	AZ	2012

Brand	City	State	Year*
Rick's Cabaret	Austin	TX	2009
Rick's Cabaret	Chicago	IL	2018
Rick's Cabaret	Dallas	TX	2011
Rick's Cabaret	Fort Worth	TX	2007
Rick's Cabaret	Minneapolis	MN	1998
Rick's Cabaret	New York City	NY	2005
Rick's Cabaret	Odessa	TX	2014
Rick's Cabaret	San Antonio	TX	2006
Scarlett's Cabaret Miami	Hallandale Beach	FL	2017
Scarlett's Cabaret St. Louis	Washington Park	IL	2017
Temptations	Beaumont	TX	2013
Temptations	Fort Worth	TX	2011
Temptations	Sulphur	LA	2013
XTC Cabaret	Austin	TX	1996
XTC Cabaret	Dallas	TX	2008
XTC Cabaret	Houston	TX	2006
XTC Cabaret	San Antonio	TX	1998
Studio80 (dance club)	Fort Worth	TX	2013
Studio80 (dance club)	Webster	TX	2017



\* Year acquired or opened by a subsidiary of RCI

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