

Deadline reports that the total taken on Friday by Marvel's The Avengers is in actual fact \$80.5M; not the previously reported estimation of between \$65M and \$67M. This includes the \$18.1M taken at midnight showings and puts the film on track for a record breaking \$175M total through Sunday. This falls slightly short of the past Friday record of \$91M set by Harry Potter And The Deathly Hallows Part 2 but does mean that the Joss Whedon helmed Marvel Studios film will take the record for highest grossing opening weekend ever. It also guarantees that it will have surpassed \$500M by Monday and that doesn't even take into account the fact it opens in China and Russia this weekend too. Colossal \$80.5M dom opening day FRI for #Avengers. Record \$180M wknd possible. Insane! bit.ly/GWw1kT— Gitesh Pandya (@giteshpandya) May 5, 2012 STARRING: Chris Evans as Steve Rogers/Captain America Robert Downey Jr. as Tony Stark/Iron Man Chris

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