



Oregon 2009 Regional Visitor Research Willamette Valley

#### Introduction



- Longwoods International began tracking American travelers in 1985, and has conducted large-scale syndicated visitor research quarterly since 1990.
- It is currently the largest ongoing study ever conducted of American travelers, providing our clients with more reliable data and greater ability to hone in on key market segments of interest.
- This report provides:
  - Estimates of 2009 overnight visitor volume and travel expenditures for Oregon as well as for the Willamette Valley region in particular
  - Strategic intelligence about the Willamette Valley region's overnight travel market including:
    - key sources of business
    - visitor profiling
    - trip characteristics

#### Methodology

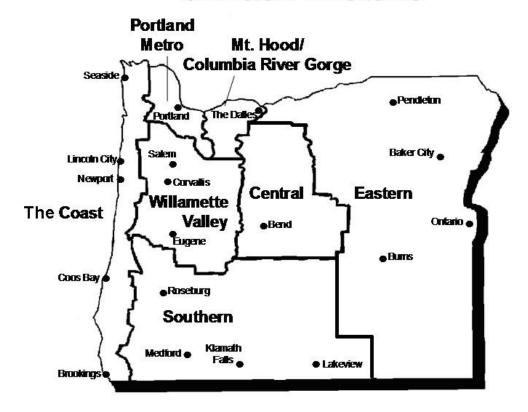


- For each of the 2008 and 2009 travel years, a representative sample of visitors to the Willamette Valley was identified through Travel USA®.
- Respondents who visited Oregon were asked to identify which of the state's 7 tourism regions they spent time in with the aid of a visual map.
- Of the survey sample of 4,682 overnight trips taken to Oregon in 2008 and 2009:
  - 727 included a visit to the Willamette Valley region.
  - Of those, 223 were marketable trips.

#### Map



#### **OREGON REGIONS**



#### Analytical Note



- The results in this report are based on 2 time frames:
  - Market size and structure estimates for the Willamette Valley are reported for the most current travel year (2009), as are all Oregon state norms.
  - To maximize statistical reliability, other Willamette Valley data (trip characteristics and visitor profiles) are based on two years' combined sample from the 2008 and 2009 studies.

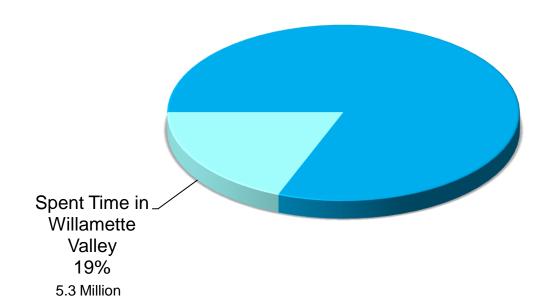


# Travel Market Size & Structure - 2009

#### Size of Willamette Valley's Overnight Travel Market in 2009



#### **Total Overnight Trips to Oregon\* = 27.5 Million**

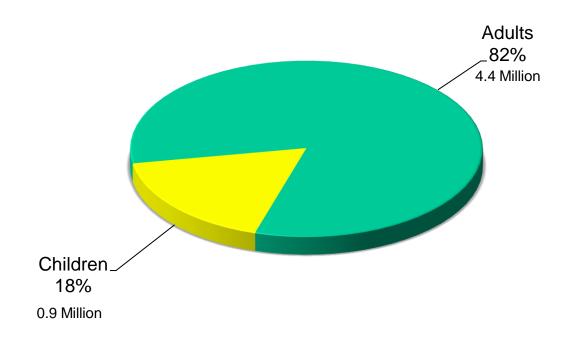


<sup>\*</sup> Includes adults and children

#### Willamette Valley's 2009 Overnight Travel Market — Adults vs. Children

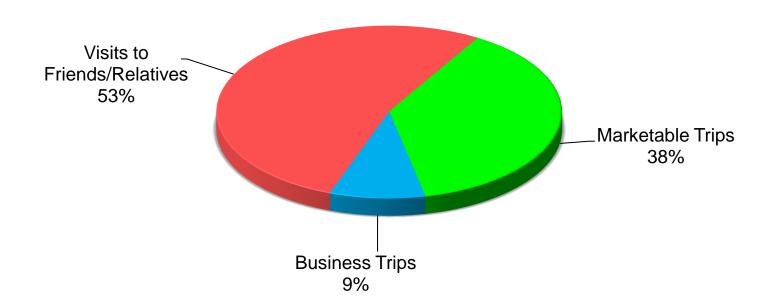


#### **Total Overnight Trips to Willamette Valley = 5.3 Million**



# Willamette Valley's Overnight Travel Market by Trip Purpose

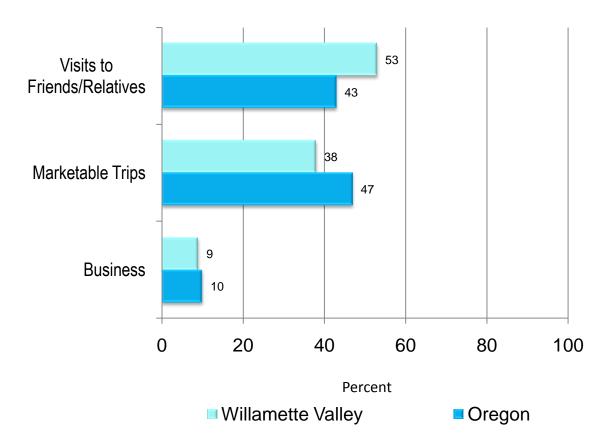




## Purpose of Trip — Willamette Valley vs. Oregon State



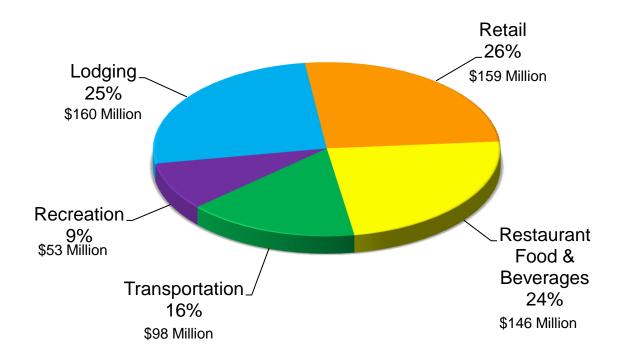
Base: 2009 Overnight Trips



#### 2009 Overnight Spending — by Sector



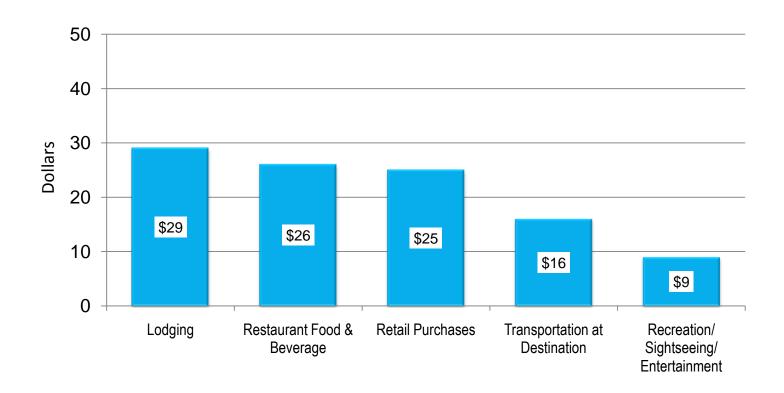
#### **Total Spending in 2009 = \$616 Million**



#### Average Per Person Expenditures on Overnight Trips — By Sector

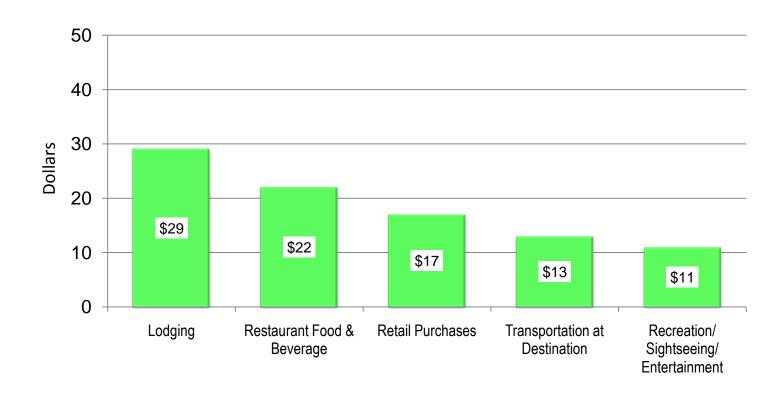


Base: 2009 Overnight Trips



#### Average Per Person Expenditures on Overnight Marketable Trips — By Sector



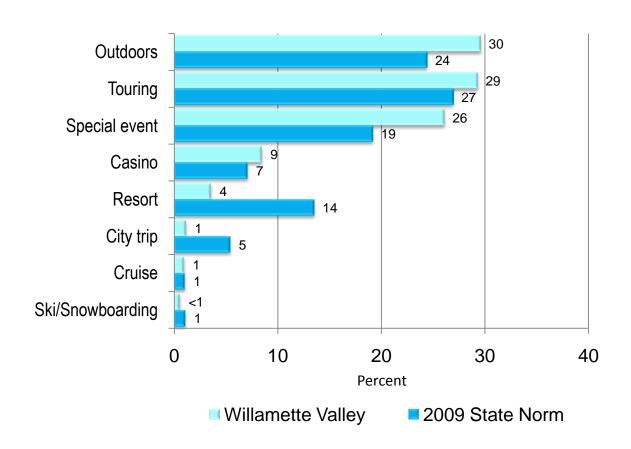




# Marketable Trip Characteristics and Visitor Profile — 2008/2009

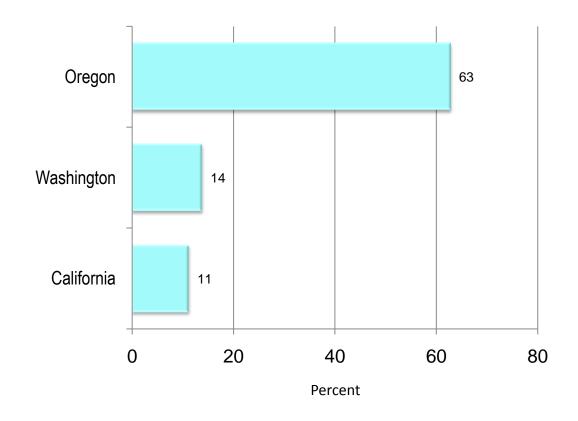
# Main Purpose of Marketable Trip — Oregon vs. National Norm





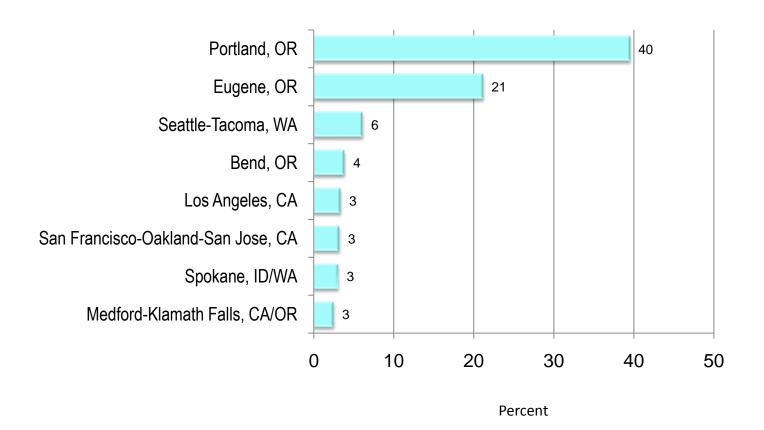
#### State Origin Of Overnight Trip





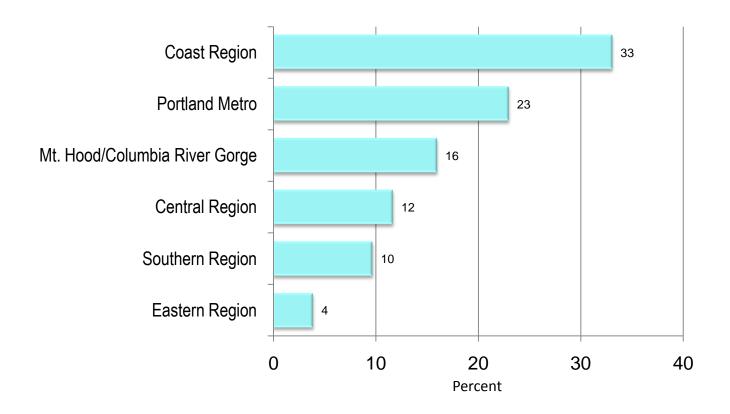
#### DMA Origin Of Overnight Trip





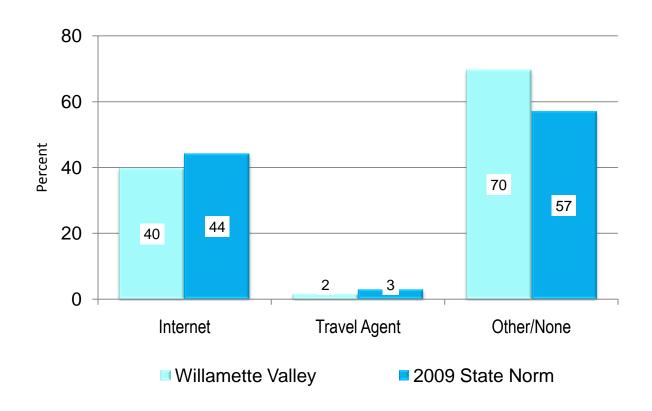
# Other Oregon Regions Visited on Willamette Valley Trip





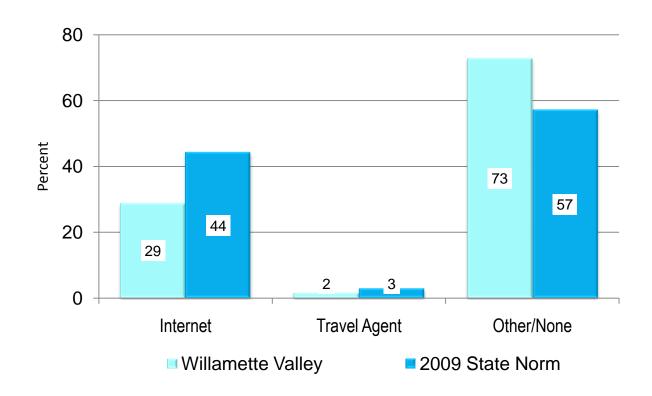
### Method of Planning Trip





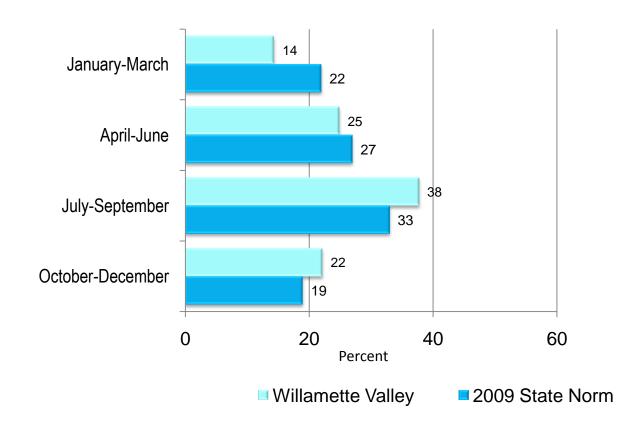
## Method of Booking Trip





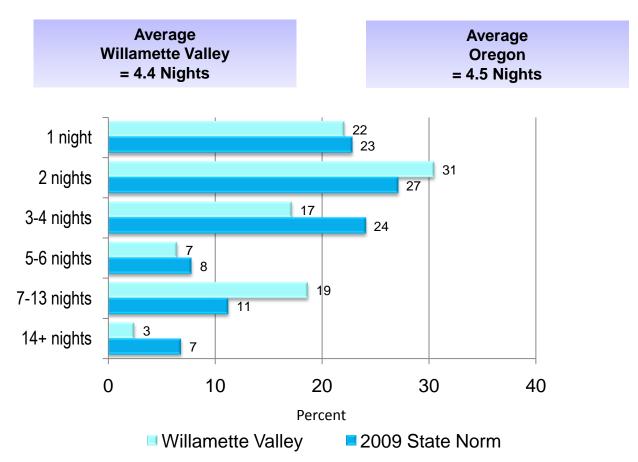
### Season of Trip





#### Total Nights Away on Trip

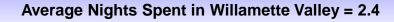


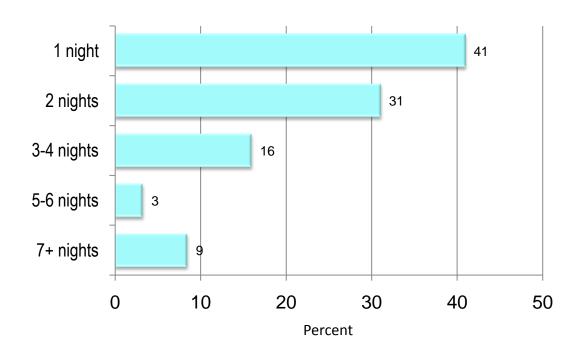


# Number of Nights Spent in Willamette Valley Region



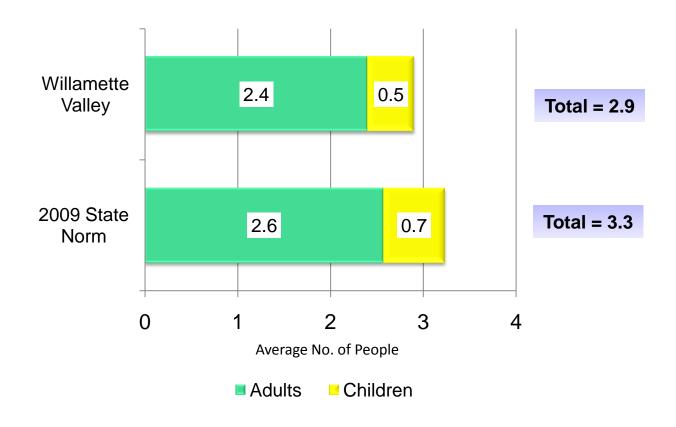
Base: Overnight Marketable Trip with 1+ Nights Spent Willamette Valley





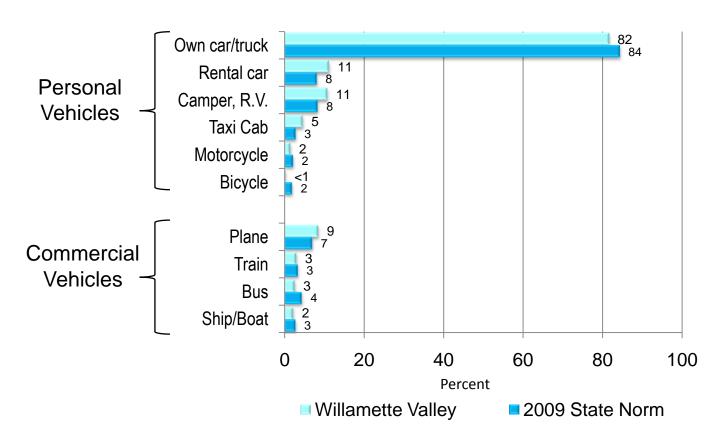
## Size of Travel Party





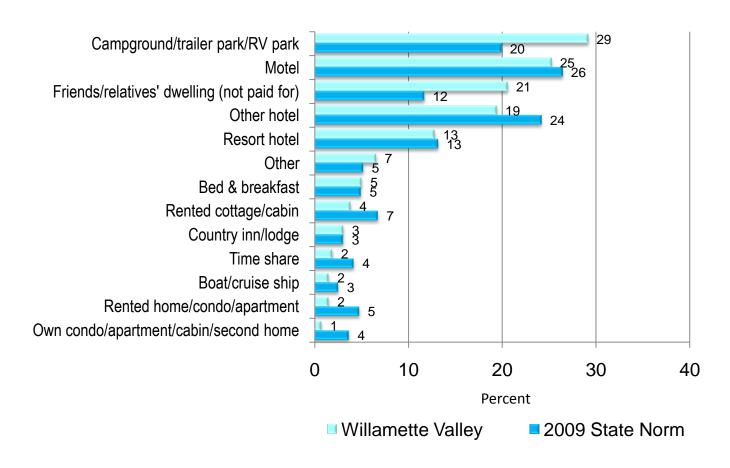
#### Transportation





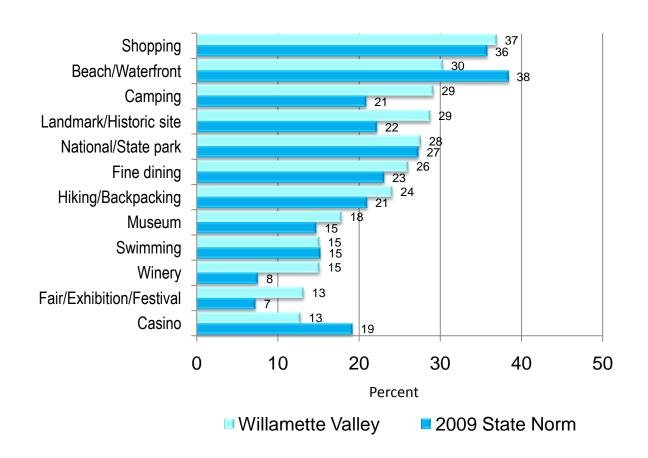
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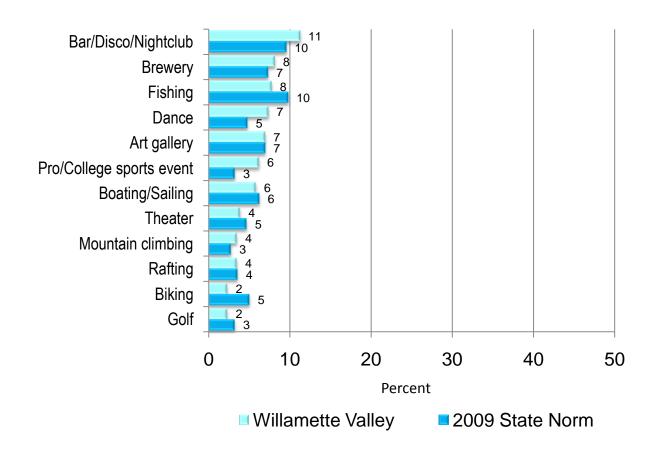
#### Activities and Experiences





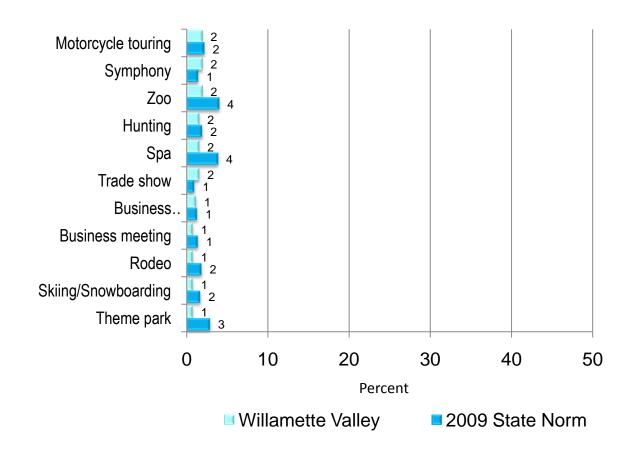
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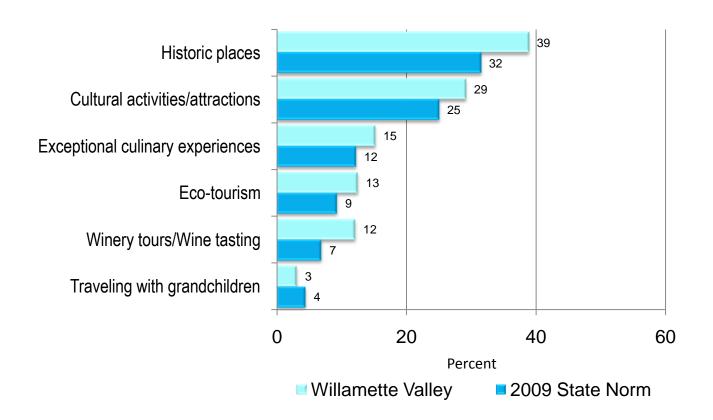
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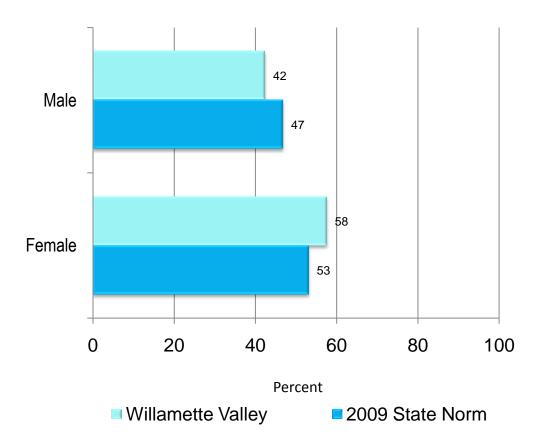
#### Activities of Special Interest





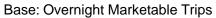
#### Gender

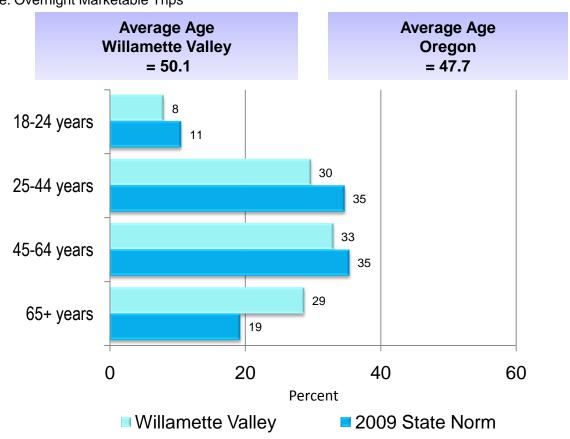




#### Age

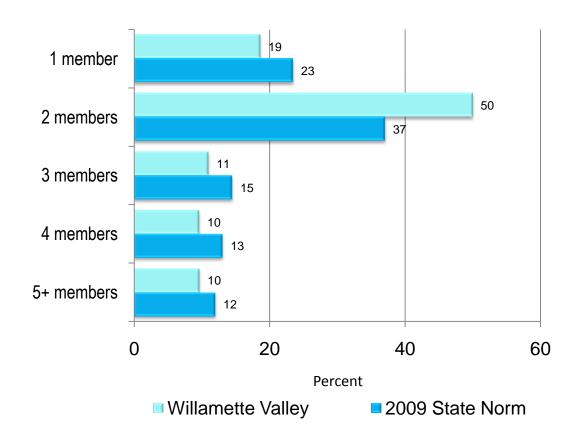






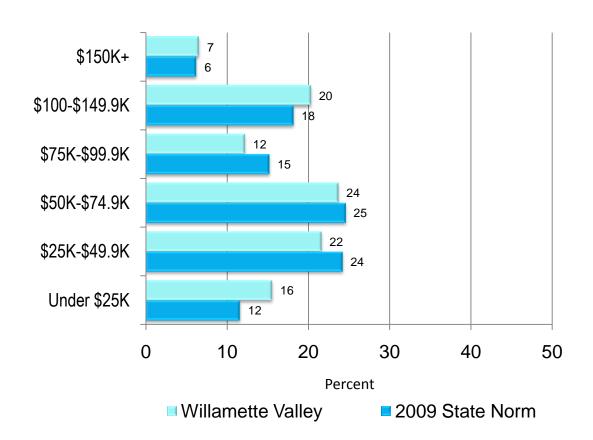
#### Household Size





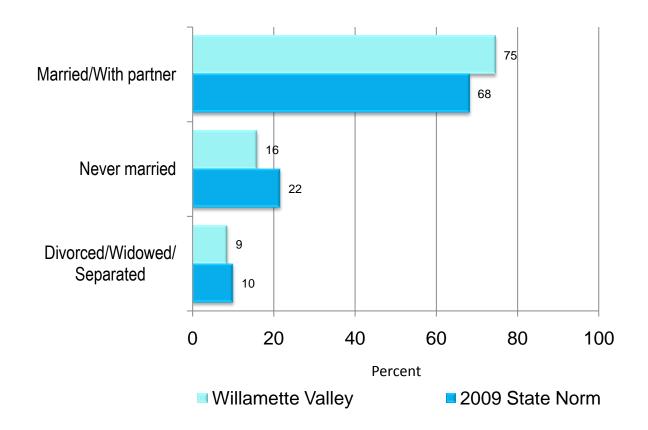
#### Income





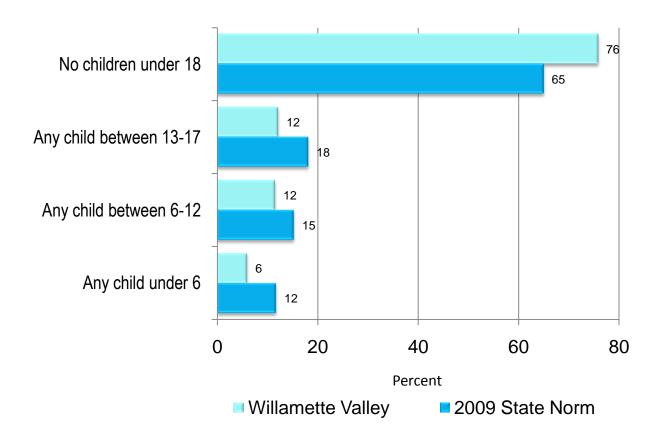
#### Marital Status





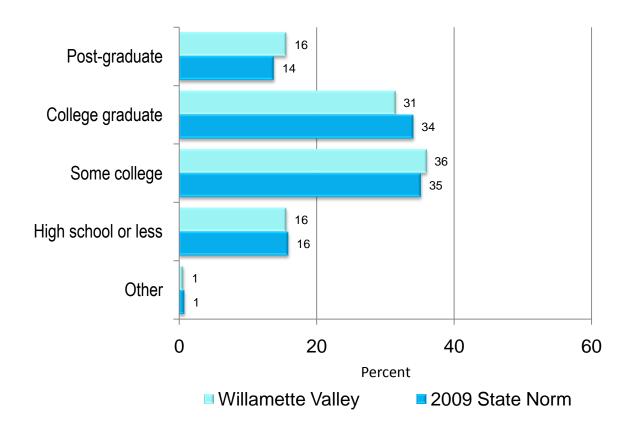
#### Children in Household





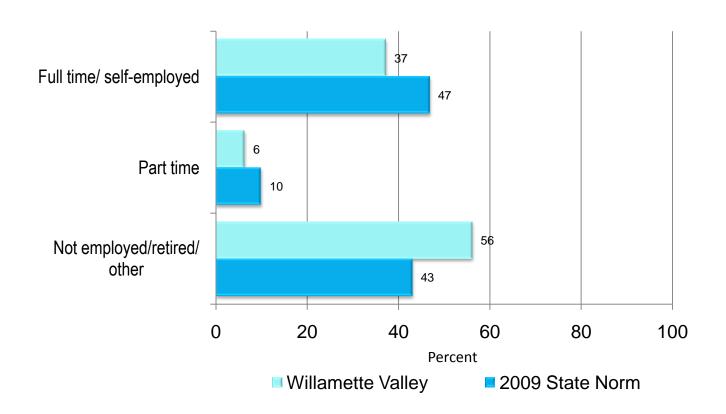
#### Education





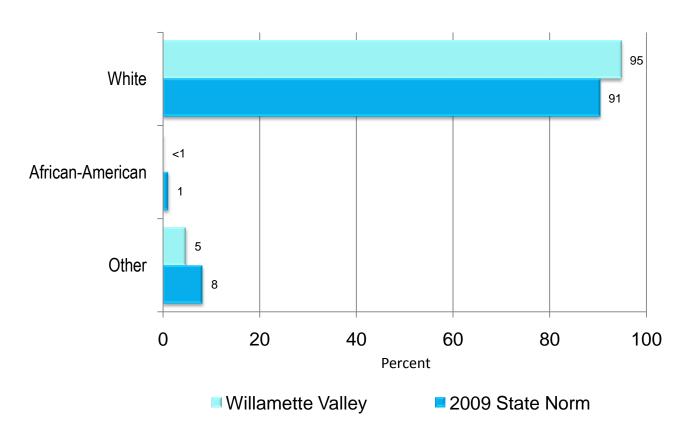
## Employment





#### Race





## Hispanic Background



