HOW ARE LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAXES SPENT IN OREGON?

The state of Oregon allows local jurisdictions (cities and counties) to charge a lodging tax on hotels, bed-and-breakfasts, motels, campgrounds, vacation rentals, and other facilities that provide transient lodging. In 2018, local transient lodging taxes generated more than \$200 million dollars across the state, up from \$90 million in 2007.* To better understand the overall economic impacts of the local transient lodging tax (TLT), this study examined how local jurisdictions used the TLT revenue they generated, as well as how they imposed their TLT. At the time of the study, 120 jurisdictions received revenue from a local TLT and 101 of these jurisdictions (84%) participated in the project by completing surveys via interviews. This summary presents the key findings of the report.

 * Unless otherwise noted, findings presented in this summary represent local jurisdictions that participated in the project.



Number of cities

and counties that

participated in

an interview

\$233M

Total expenditures (FY 2018)



Change in total expenditures that local transient lodging tax revenue is used for (FY 2007 to FY 2018)



Average number of

programs per jurisdiction

that transient lodging tax

\$608K

Average program expenditure per jurisdictions

r revenue is used for 8)

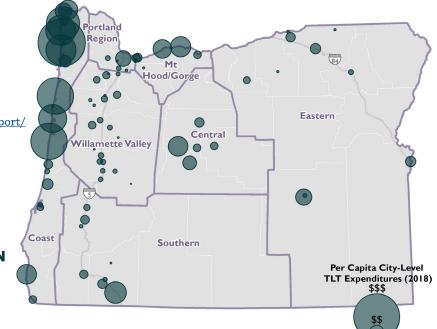
LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX SPENDING PER CAPITA, PARTICIPATING CITIES WITH A TRANSIENT LODGING TAX, FY 2018

Local TLT spending per capita averaged \$29 for counties and \$67 for cities in Oregon.

Read the full report at: https://industry.traveloregon.com/tltreport/



This summary was created by ECONorthwest for the Oregon Tourism Commission (dba Travel Oregon).



WHAT ARE CITIES & COUNTIES SPENDING LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVENUE ON?

In 2018, about 82% of local TLT spending was used for general services, tourism-related facilities and tourism promotion (down from 86% in 2007). Nominal spending increased in all program categories between FY 2007 and FY 2018.

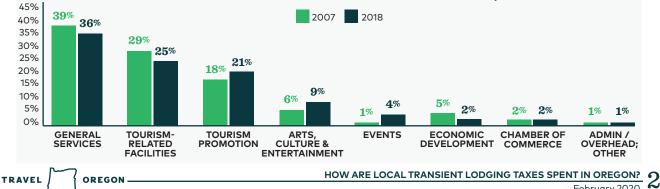
	SPENDING IN FY 2007	SPENDING IN FY 2018	TOTAL SPEND & % CHANGE IN SPENDING	NOTES FOR FY 2018				
GENERAL SERVICES	\$30.1M	\$84.2M	\$54M (179%)	78% of spending in this category (\$65M) was allocated to jurisdictions' general funds. Spending also went to- ward public safety, transportation infrastructure, park and recreation, and other public services/projects.				
TOURISM- RELATED FACILITIES	\$22.4M	\$58.3M	\$36M (161%)	3% of spending in this category (\$49M) went toward apital facility debt service in the Portland Region. pending also went toward operations/maintenance f tourism-related facilities and capital projects like oating facilities and event centers.				
TOURISM PROMOTION	\$13.9M	\$49M	\$35.1M (253%)	88% of spending in this category (\$43M) went toward general promotion and marketing initiatives. Spending also went toward social media, website maintenance, and grants for tourism promotion.				
ARTS, CULTURE, & ENTERTAINMENT	\$4.4M	\$20.9M	\$16.5M (374%)	92% of spending in this category (\$19M) went toward public art initiatives. Spending also went toward museums and recreation facilities.				
EVENTS	\$531K	\$9.2M	\$8.7M (1,630%)	66% of spending in this category (\$6M) went toward community events, such as movies in the park and holiday celebrations. Spending also went toward county fairs, parades and festivals, and grants for events that support tourism.				
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$3.5M	\$4.1M	\$564K (16%)	30% of spending in this category (\$1.2M) went back into communities as grants. Spending also went to- ward activities such as beautification efforts, Main Street initiatives, downtown development, and professional services.				
CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE	\$1.3M	\$4M	\$2.7M (201%)	50% of spending in this category went toward chambers' promotion and marketing initiatives for a variety of purposes. Spending also went toward visitor centers, events and facilities.				
ADMINISTRATION & OVERHEAD, OTHER	\$978K	\$3.2M	\$2.3M (231%)	51% of spending in this category went into reserve funds. Spending also went toward administrative services, audits, and other miscellaneous needs like credit card processing fees.				

\$77,148,300 \$155,704,239 \$232,852,539 (202%) (383 programs) (281 programs)

TOTALS

M = millions

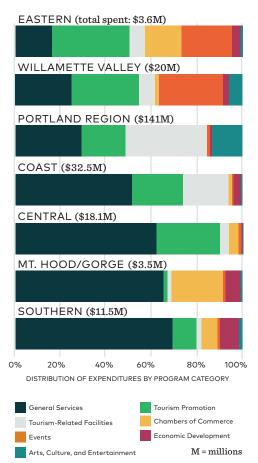
STATEWIDE CHANGES IN LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX SPENDING, FY 2007 AND FY 2018

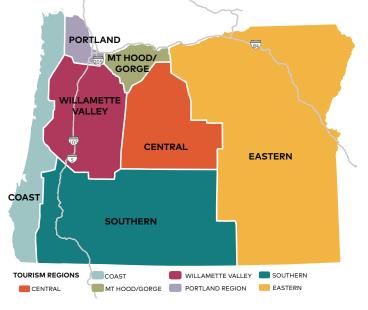


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HOW DID SPENDING VARY FOR CITIES AND COUNTIES BY TOURISM REGION?

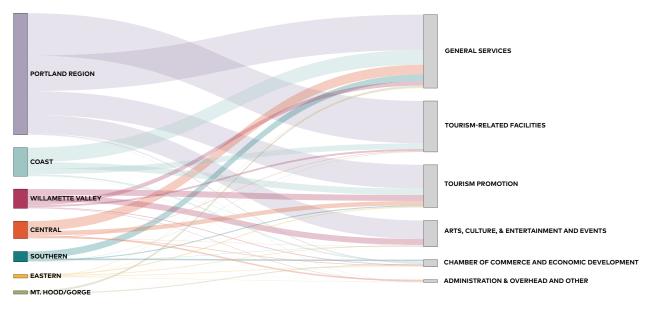
COMPARISON OF PROGRAM SPENDING (SHARE OF TOTAL) FOR CITIES & COUNTIES BY TOURISM REGION, FY 2018





- Cities and counties in Southern, Mt. Hood/Gorge, Central, and the Coast spend more than half of their TLT revenue on general services.
- Local jurisdictions in the Portland Region and Coast spent a larger share of their TLT revenues on tourismrelated facilities compared to other regions (35% and 20%, respectfully).
- With the exception of the cities and counties in the Portland Region (14%), most jurisdictions did not spend a large share of their TLT revenues on arts, culture, and entertainment.

DIAGRAM OF TOTAL, LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX SPENDING (NOMINAL DOLLARS) FOR CITIES & COUNTIES BY TOURISM REGION, FY 2018

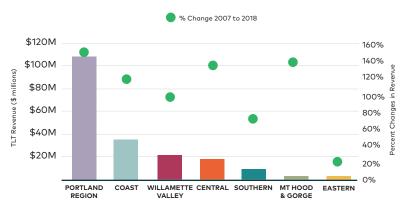


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REVENUES CHANGE IN LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVENUE FOR CITIES & COUNTIES BY TOURISM REGIONS, FY 2007 & FY 2018

		TLT COLLECTIONS				CHANGE IN REVENUE 2007 TO 2018		
		2007		2018				
REGION	# OF CITIES & COUNTIES	REVENUE	% OF TOTAL	REVENUE	% OF TOTAL	AMOUNT	%	SHARE
Portland Region	15	\$44,173,957	49%	\$110,955,343	54%	\$66,781,386	151%	5.0%
Coast	24	\$16,262,496	18%	\$35,795,436	18%	\$19,532,940	120%	-0.6%
Willamette Valley	25	\$11,334,012	13%	\$22,314,981	11%	\$10,980,969	97%	-1.7%
Central	8	\$7,922,896	9%	\$18,622,491	9%	\$10,699,595	135%	0.3%
Southern	11	\$5,452,009	6%	\$9,374,451	5%	\$3,922,442	72%	-1.5%
Mt. Hood/Gorge	5	\$1,693,980	2%	\$4,068,724	2%	\$2,374,744	140%	0.1%
Eastern	13	\$2,775,069	3%	\$3,395,614	2%	\$620,545	22%	-1.4%
TOTAL	101	\$89,614,419	100%	\$204,527,040	100%	\$114,912,621	128%	-

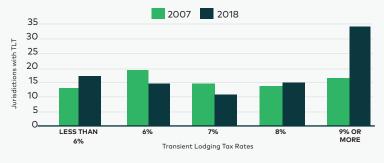
LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVENUES FOR CITIES & COUNTIES BY TOURISM REGION IN 2018 & PERCENT CHANGE BETWEEN 2007 & 2018



Revenue section data source: Dean Runyan Associates provided revenue data for FY 2007 and 2018 for cities and counties that levied a local transient lodging tax in those years.

LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX RATES, FY 2007 & FY 2018

Exhibit data source: Dean Runyan Associates and Travel Lane County.



In 2018, the average local TLT rate for cities and counties was 7.2%.

From 2003 to 2018, 46% of cities and counties had changed their existing, local TLT rate. All but one city increased their rate. On average, rates increased by 1.5%.

LOCAL TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVENUES PER CAPITA FOR CITIES & COUNTIES BY TOURISM REGION IN 2018 & PERCENT CHANGE BETWEEN 2007 & 2018:

\$231 in 2018, up from \$109 in 2007 **Mt. Hood/Gorge**

Coast

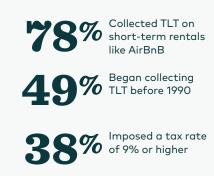
\$92, up from \$43 Central \$84, up from \$41 Portland Region \$60, up from \$28

Southern \$47, up from \$29

Eastern \$29, up from \$24

Willamette Valley \$26, up from \$15

OF THE PARTICIPATING CITIES & COUNTIES:



35% Retained an administrative fee