



Oregon 2015
Regional Visitor Report
The Mt. Hood-Columbia
River Gorge Region

Introduction



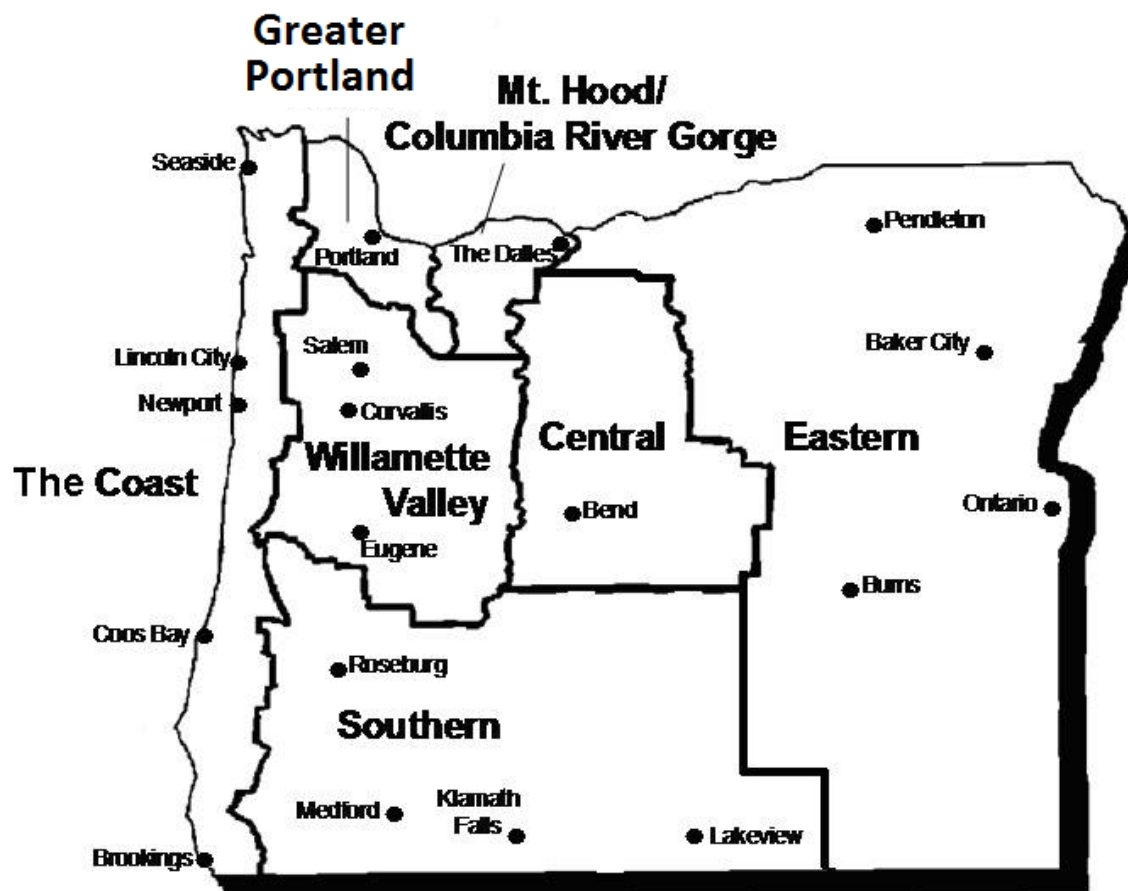
- ◉ Longwoods International began tracking American travelers in 1985, and has conducted large-scale syndicated visitor research quarterly since 1990.
- ◉ It is currently the largest ongoing study ever conducted of American travelers, providing our clients with more reliable data and greater ability to home in on key market segments of interest.
- ◉ This report provides:
 - ◉ *Estimates of 2015 overnight visitor volume and travel expenditures for Oregon as well as for the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region in particular*
 - ◉ *Strategic intelligence about the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region's overnight travel market including:*
 - ◉ *Key sources of business*
 - ◉ *Visitor profiling*
 - ◉ *Trip characteristics*

Methodology



- For each of the 2014 and 2015 travel years, a representative sample of visitors to the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region was identified through Travel USA®.
- Respondents who visited Oregon were asked to identify with of the state's 7 tourism regions they spent time in with the aid of a visual map.
- Of the survey sample of 8,031 overnight trips taken to Oregon in 2014 and 2015:
 - *767 included a visit to the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region*
 - *Of those, 426 were **marketable trips***

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Analytical Note



- The results of this report are based on two time frames:
 - Market size and structure estimates for the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region are reported for the 2015 travel year, as are all Oregon state norms.
 - To maximize statistical reliability, other Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region data (trip characteristics and visitor profiles) are based on two years' combined sample from 2014 and 2015 unless otherwise indicated.



Travel Market Size & Structure

- 2015

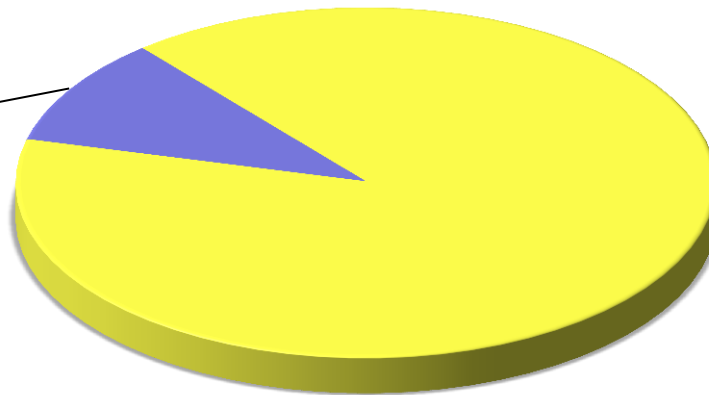
Size of the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region's Overnight Travel Market



Total Overnight Trips to Oregon* = 33.1 Million

Spent Time in
Mt. Hood-
Columbia
River Gorge
Region
10%

3.2 Million

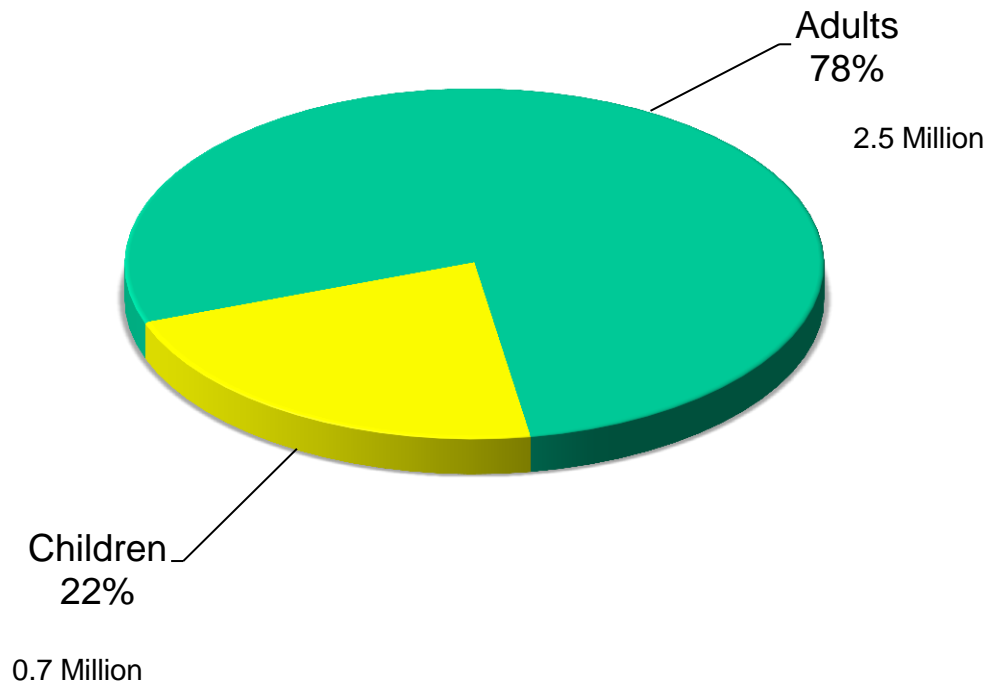


*Includes both adults and children

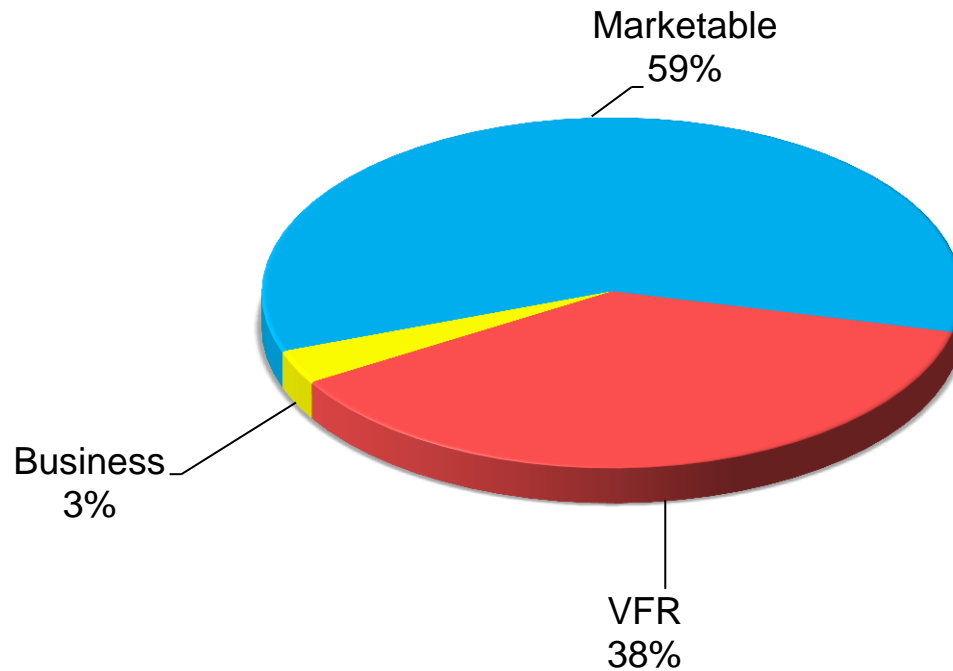
The Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region's Overnight Travel Market — Adults vs. Children



**Total Overnight Trips to the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge
Region = 3.2 Million**



The Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region's Overnight Travel Market - by Trip Purpose

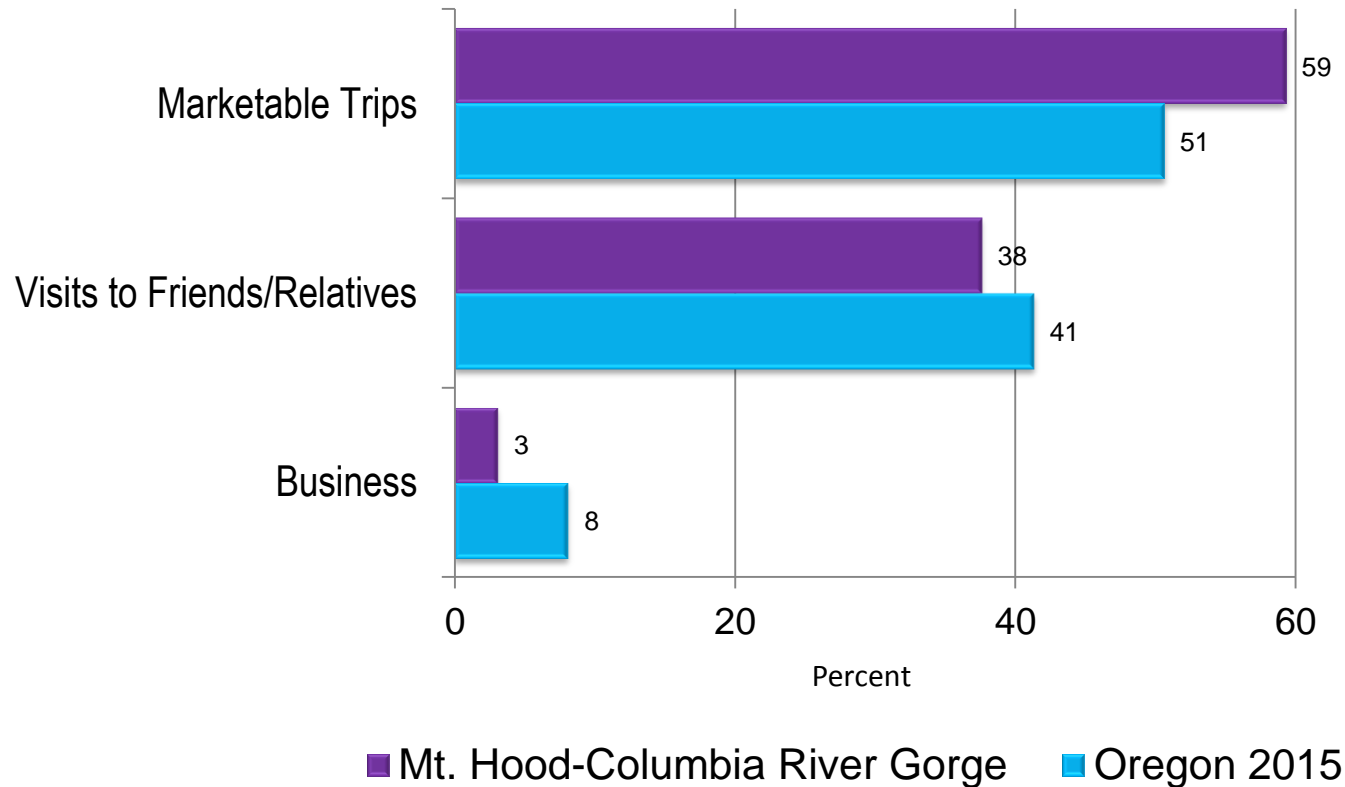


*Marketable includes Business-Leisure

The Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region vs. Oregon State – by Trip Purpose



Base: 2015 Overnight Trips

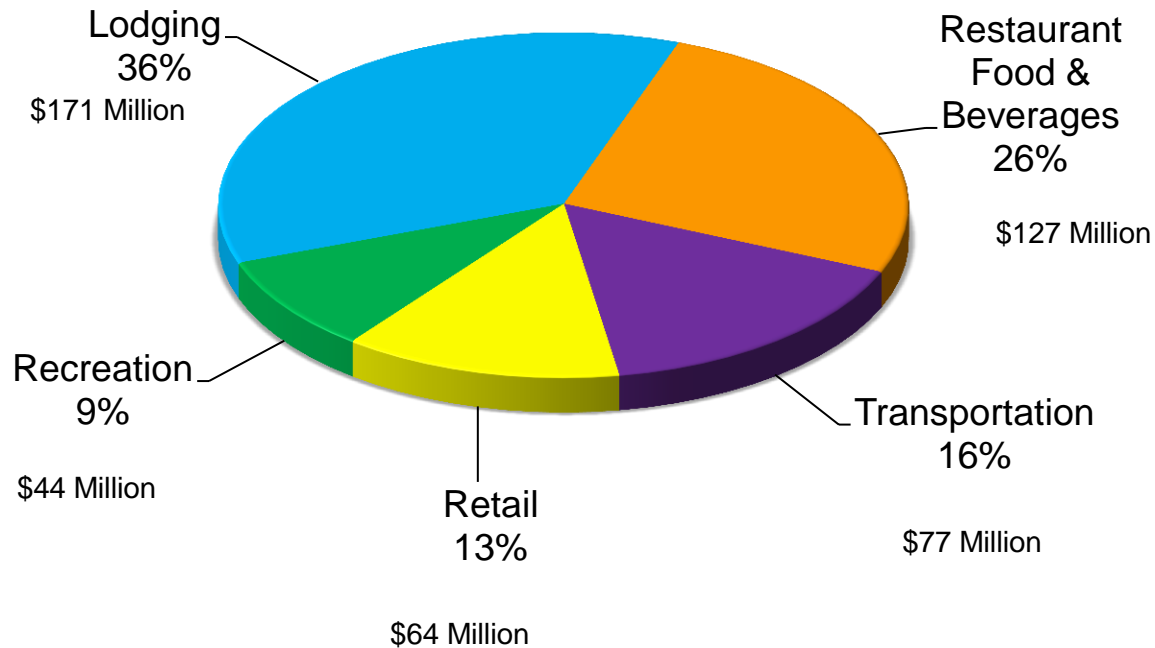


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2015 Overnight Spending – by Sector



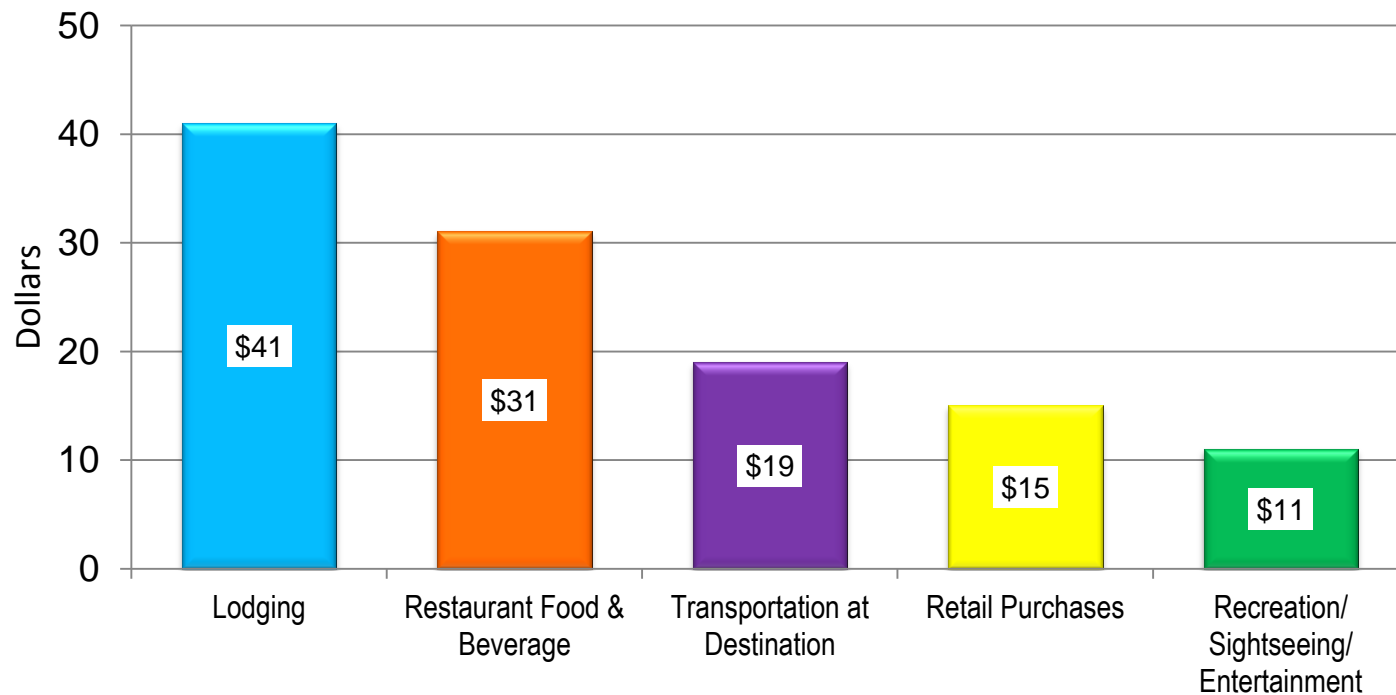
2015 Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region Spending = \$483 Million



Average Per Person Expenditures on Overnight Trips – By Sector



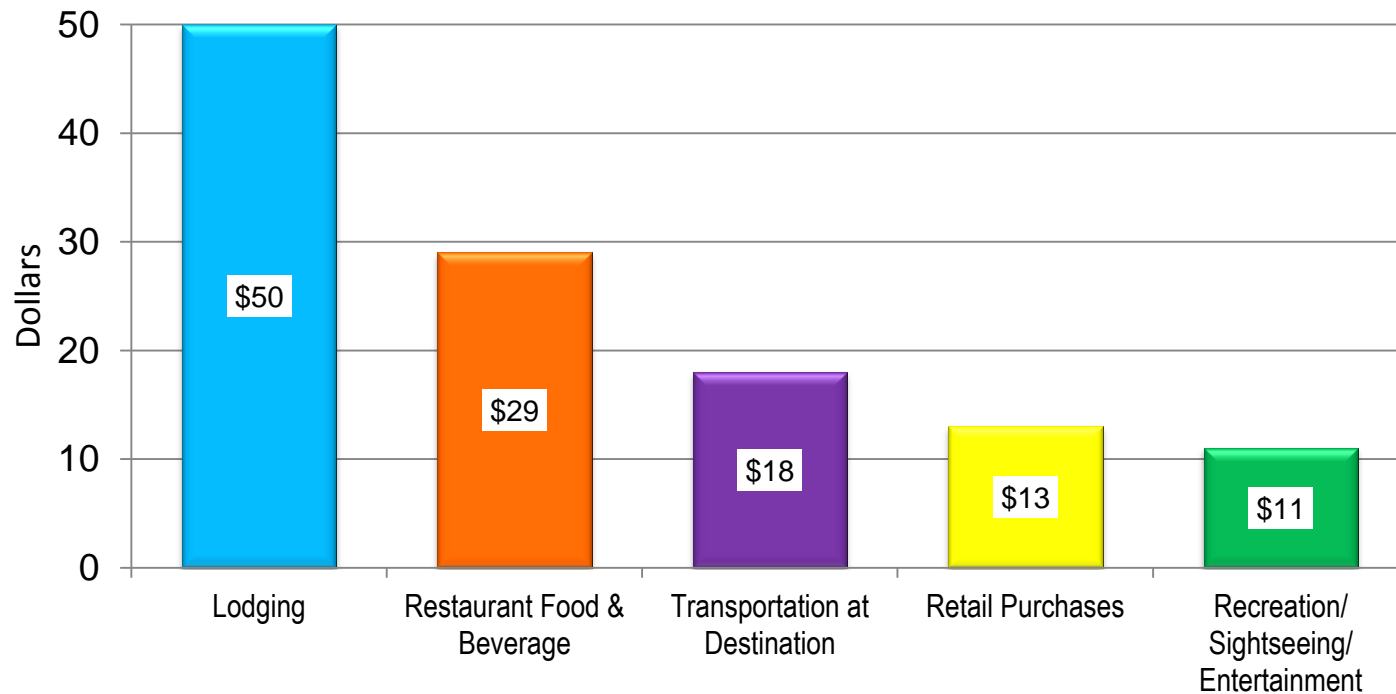
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Average Per Person Expenditures on Overnight Marketable Trips – By Sector



Base: 2015 Overnight Marketable Trips



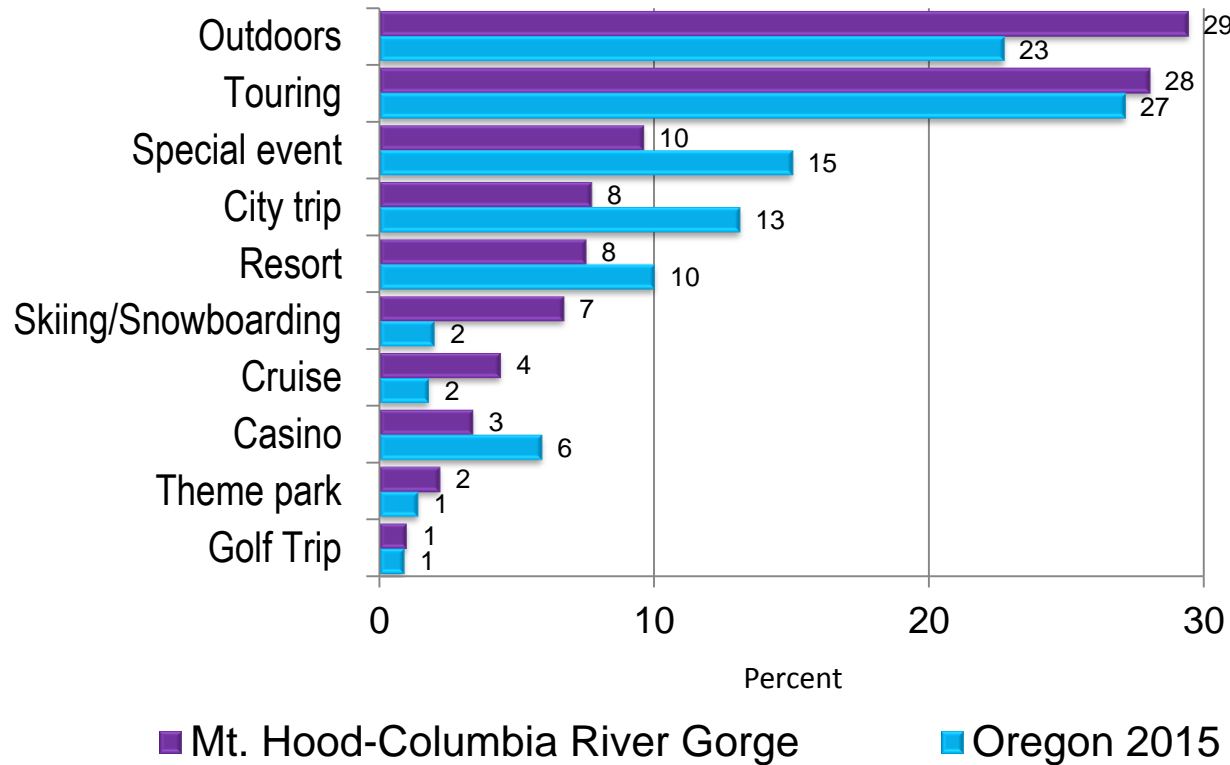


Marketable Trip Characteristics and Visitor Profile – 2014/2015

Main Purpose of Marketable Trip – The Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region vs. State Norm



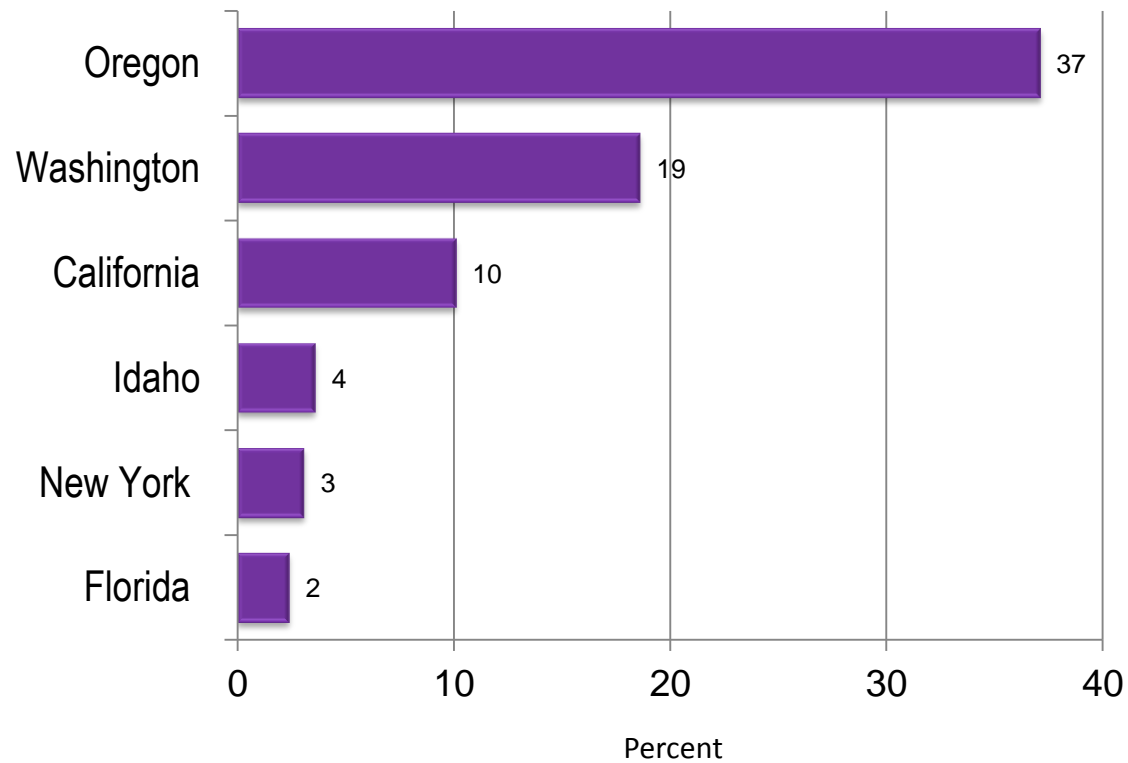
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State Origin Of Overnight Trip



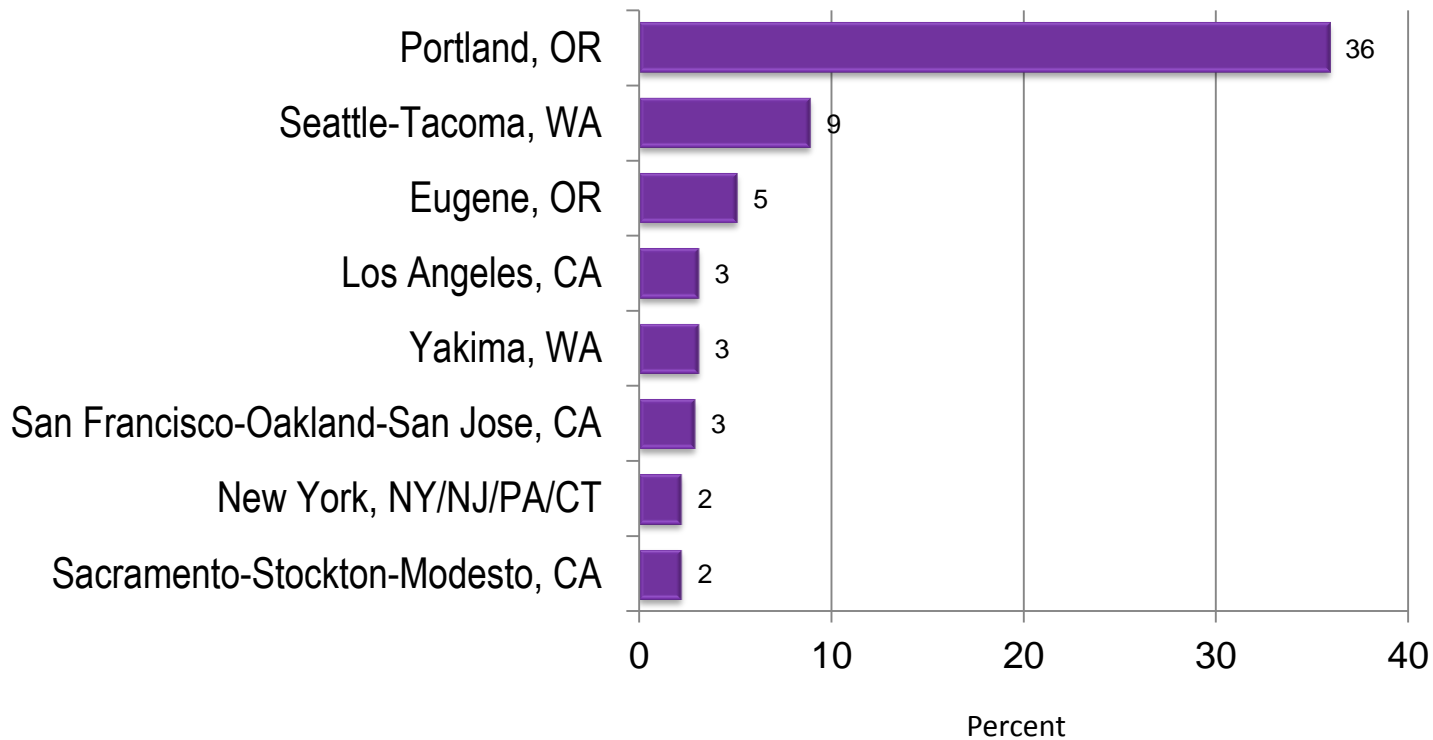
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DMA Origin Of Overnight Trip



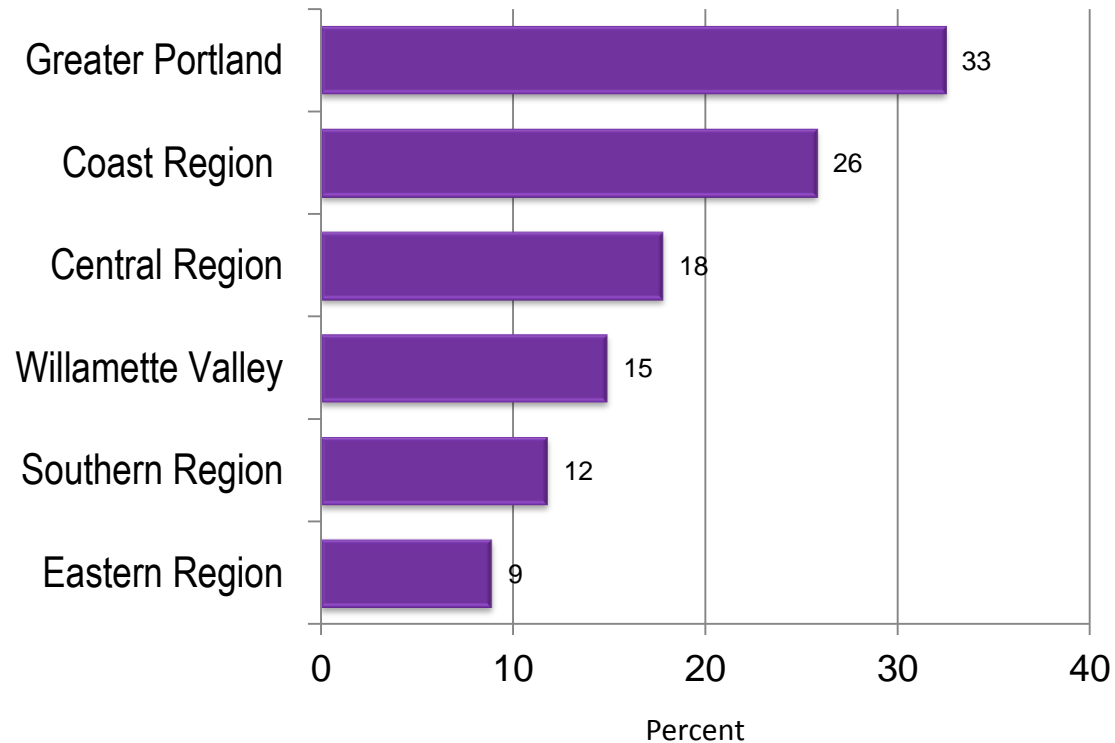
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Other Oregon Regions Visited on Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region Trip



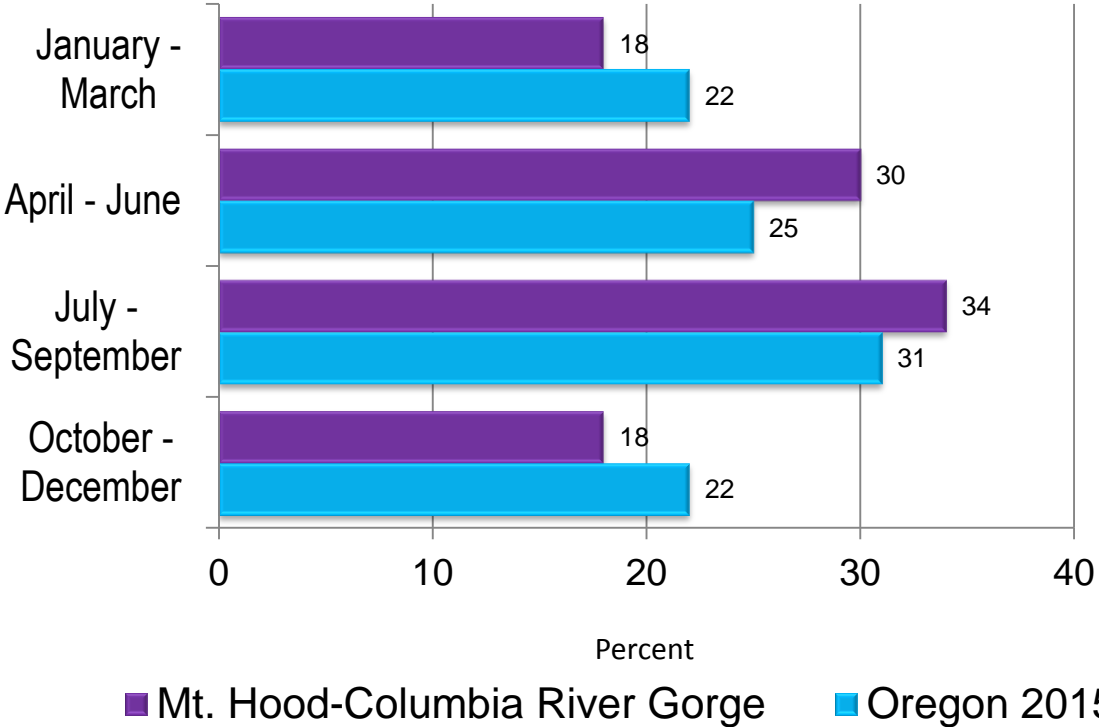
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Season of Trip



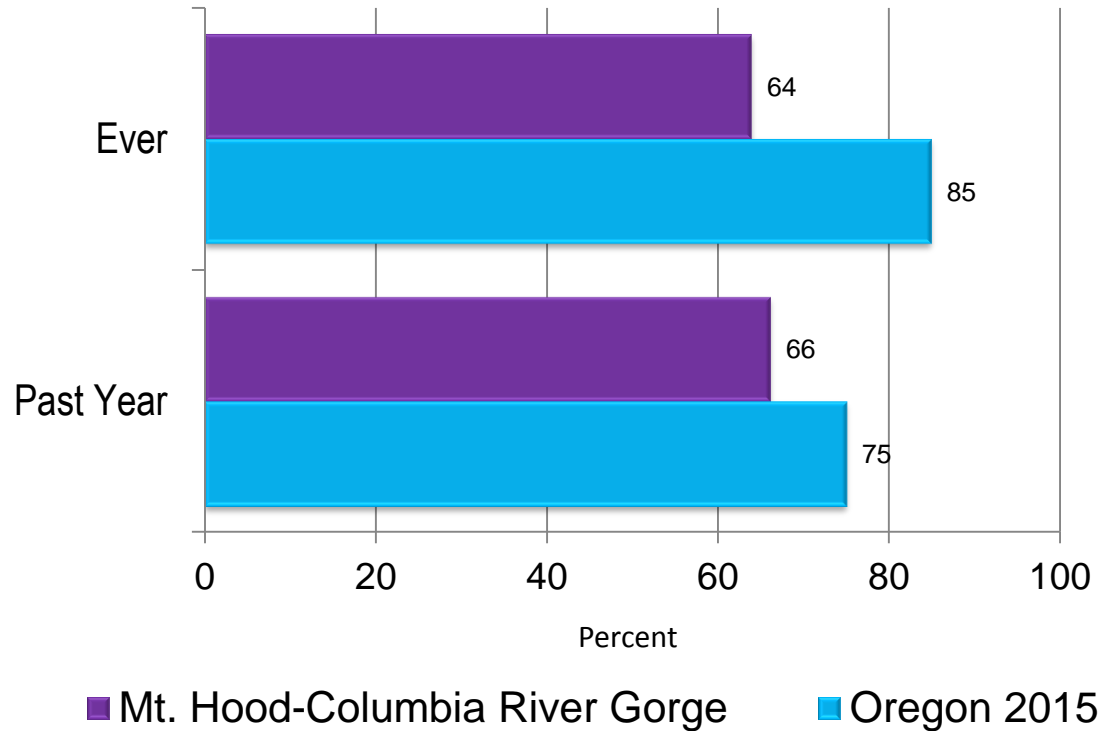
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Past Visitation*



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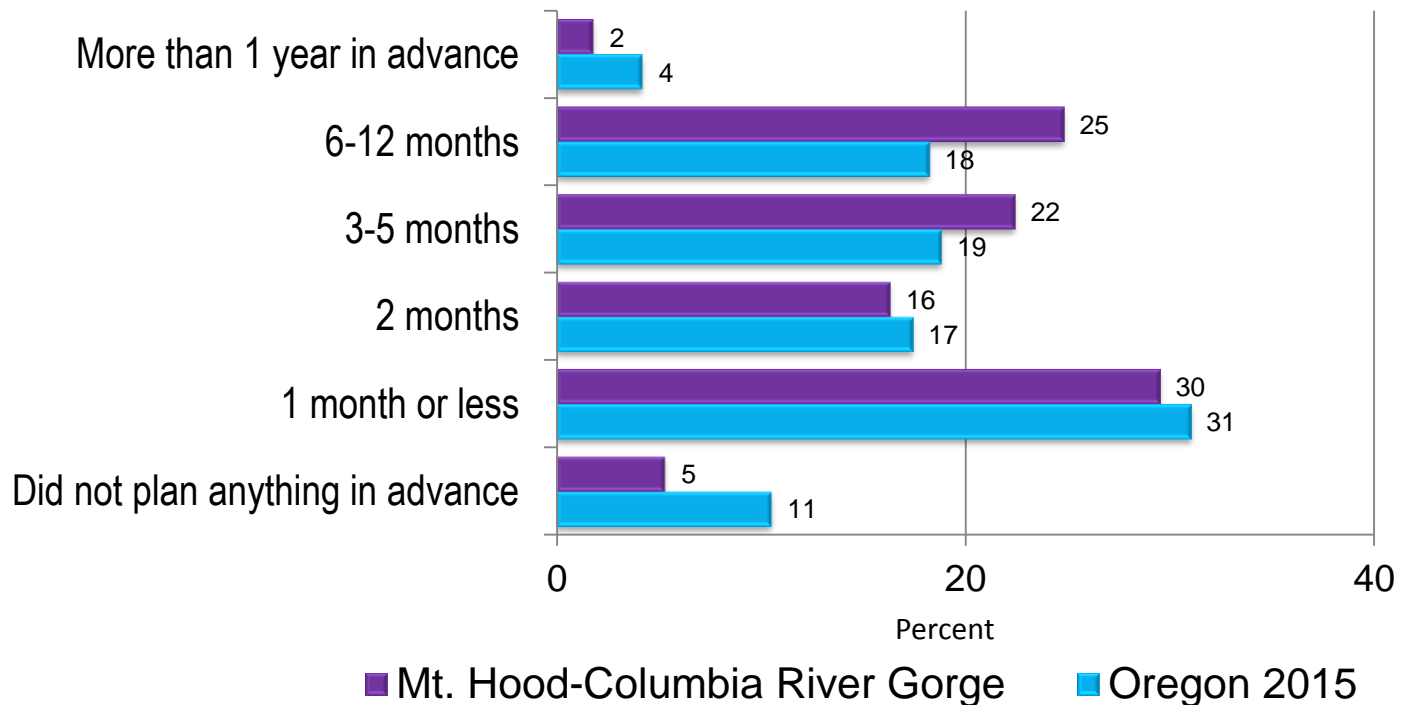


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Length of Trip Planning*



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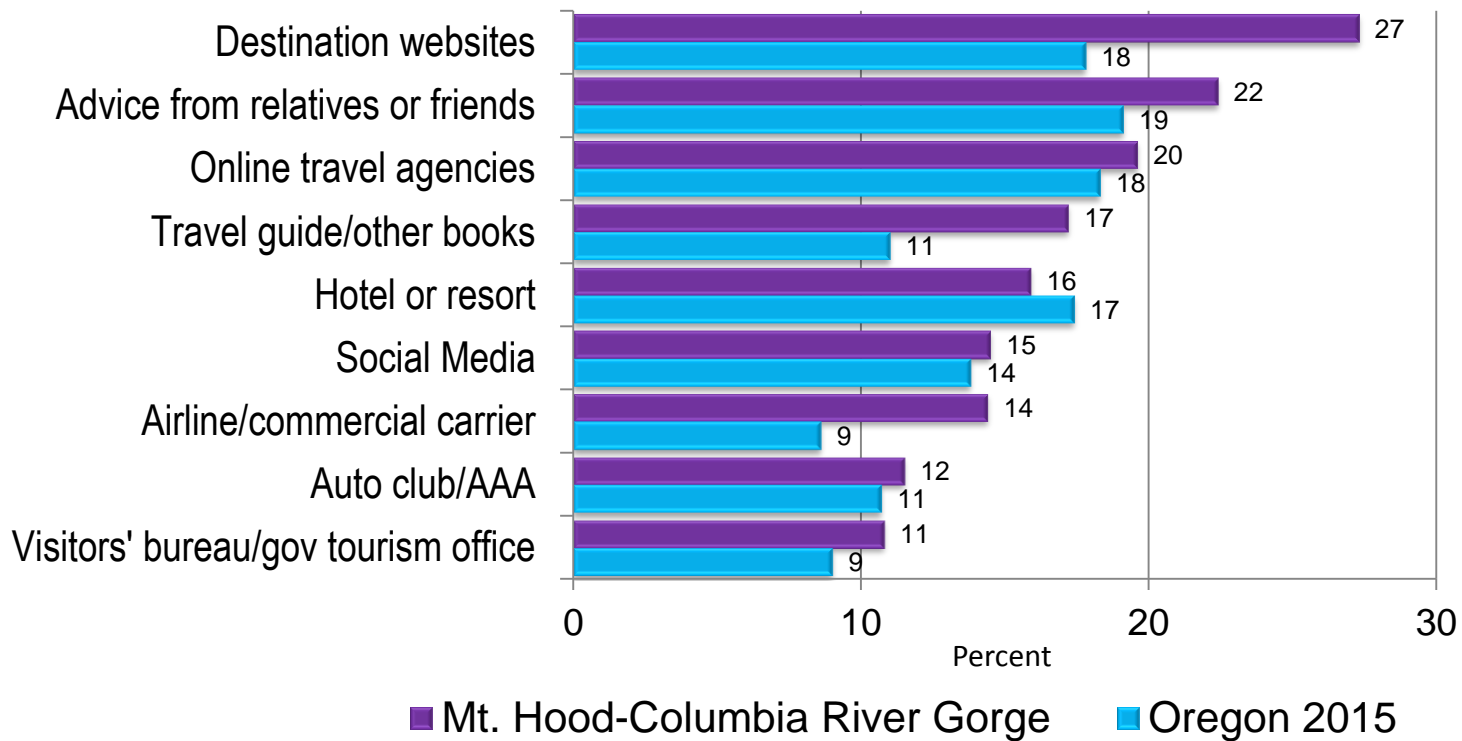


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Trip Planning Information Sources*



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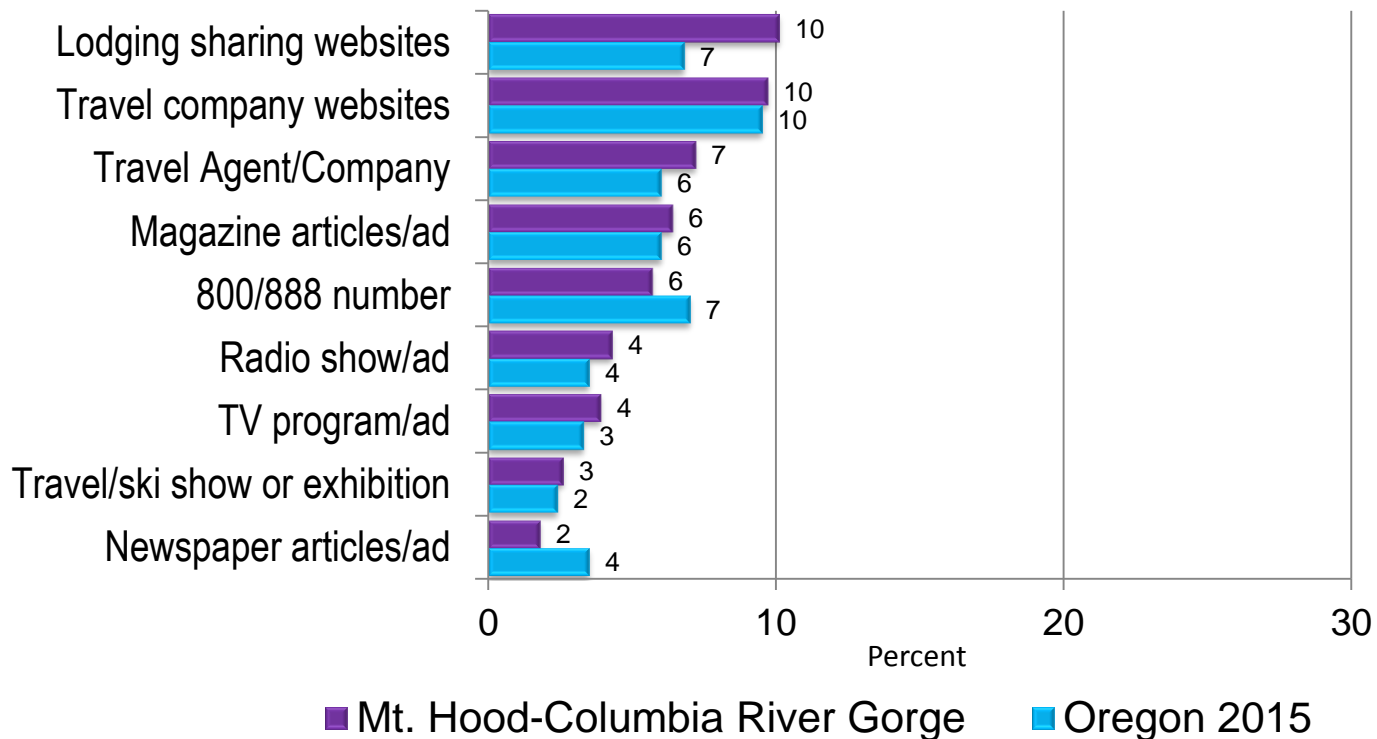


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Trip Planning Information Sources* (Cont'd)



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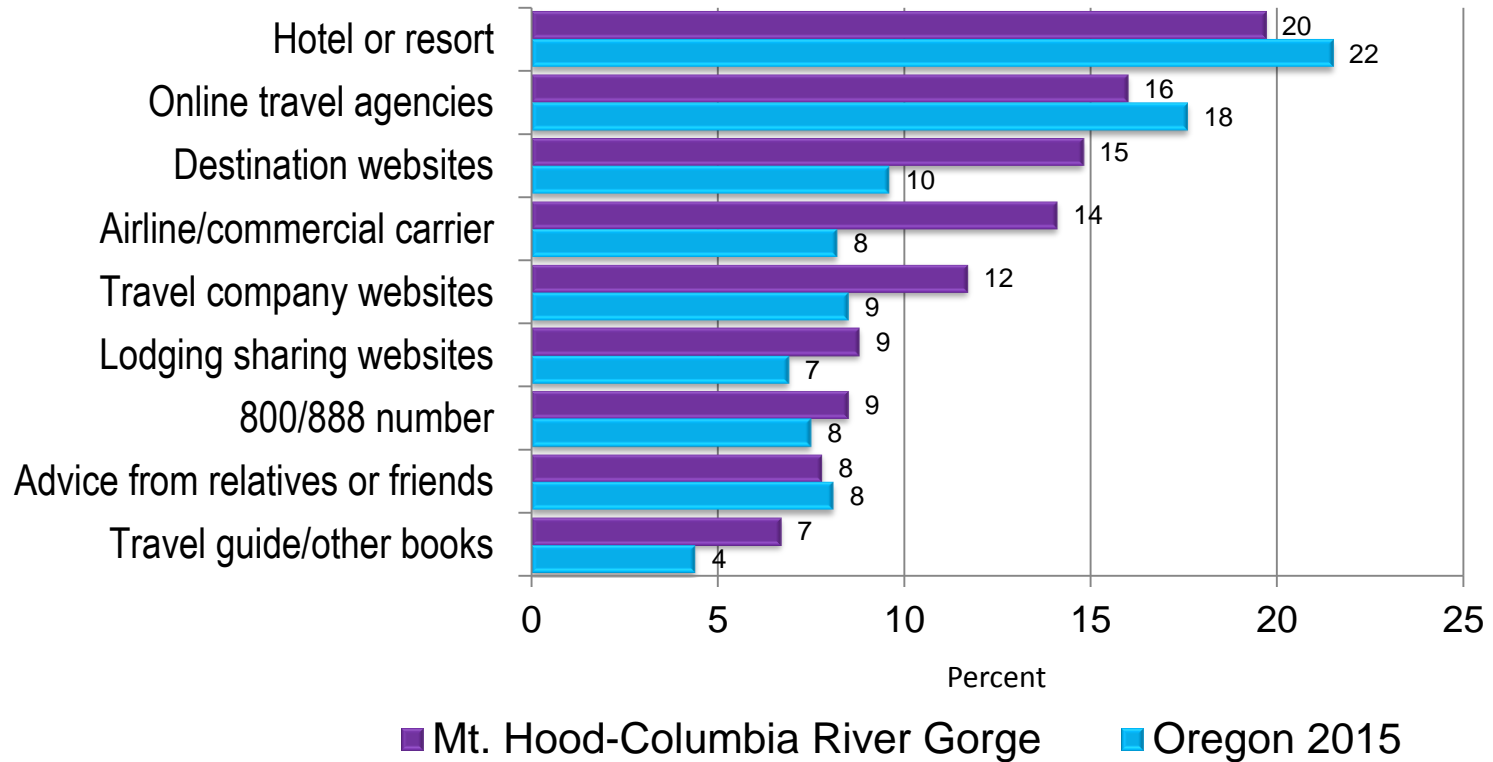


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Method of Booking Trip*



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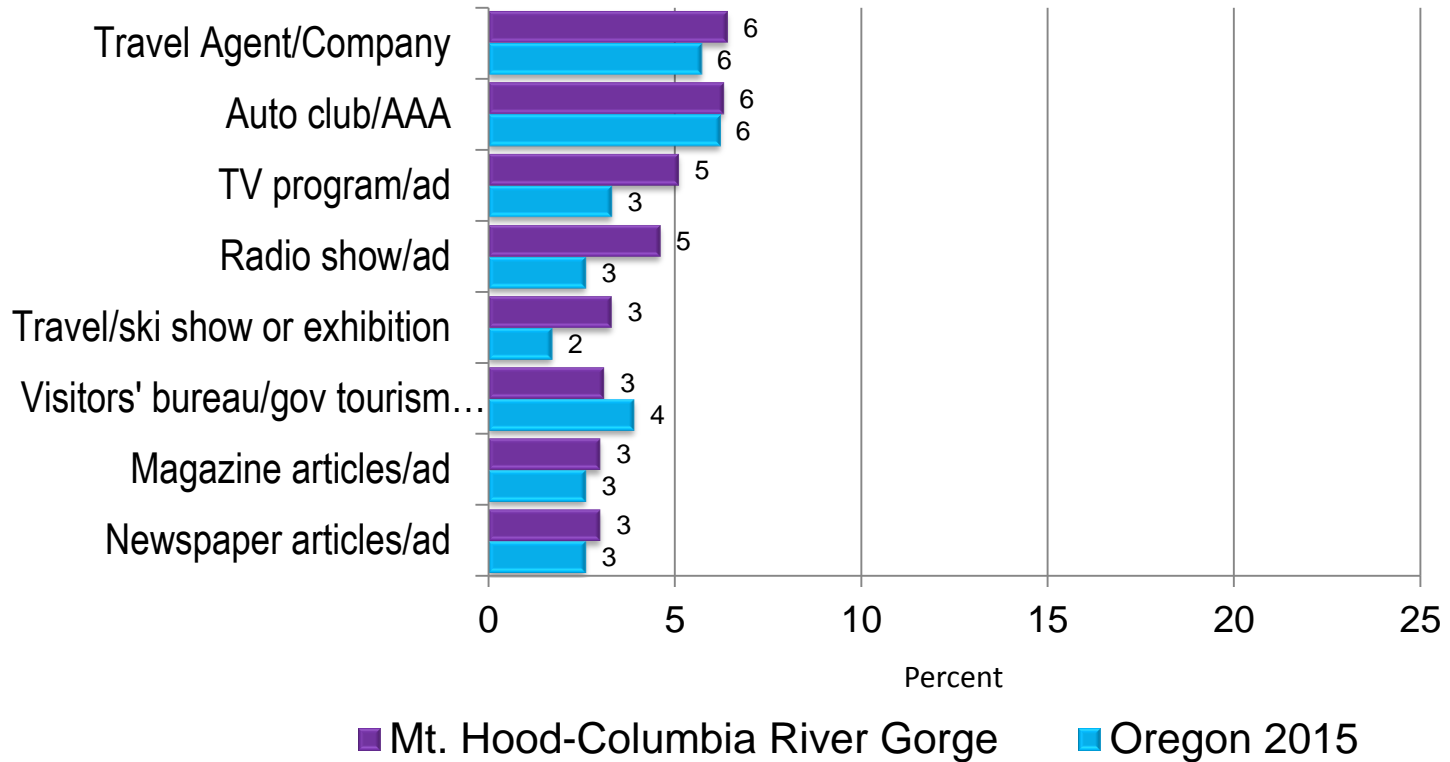


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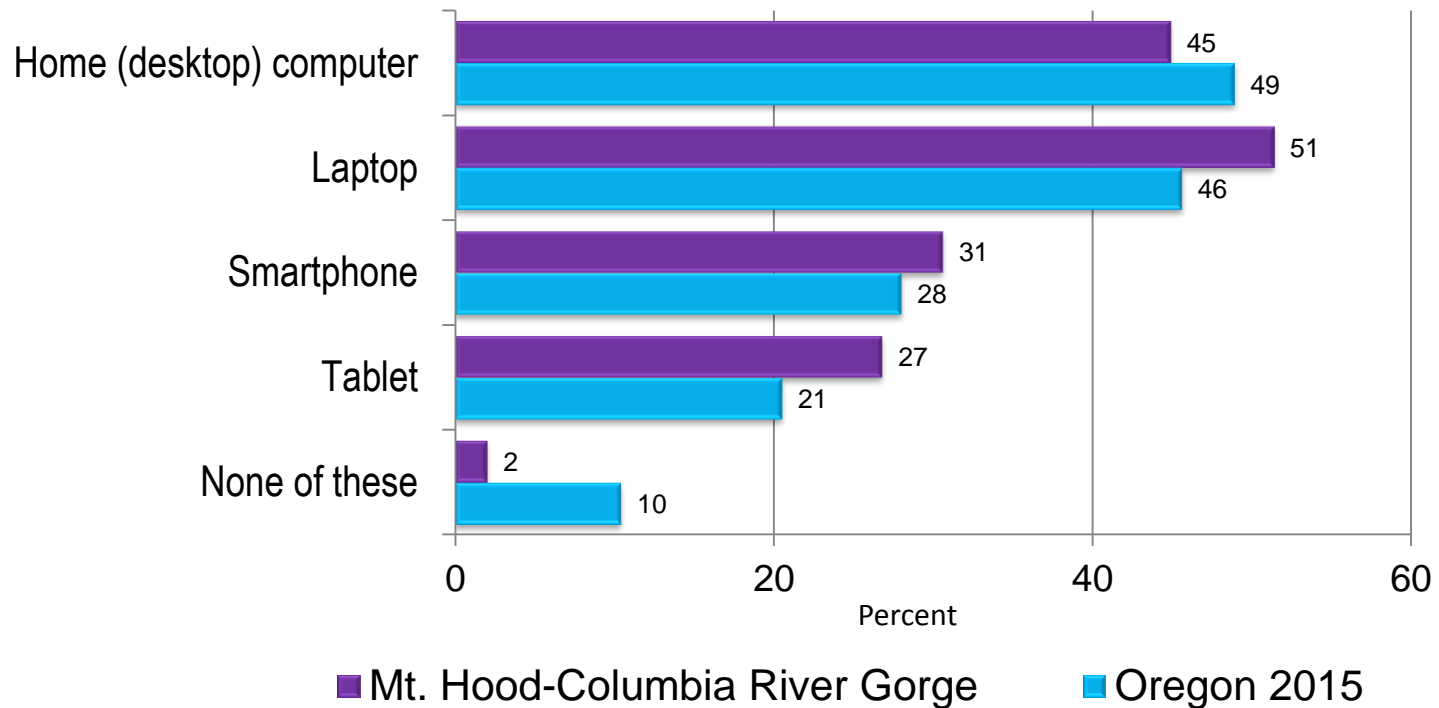


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Devices Used for Trip Planning*



Base: Overnight Marketable Person-Trips

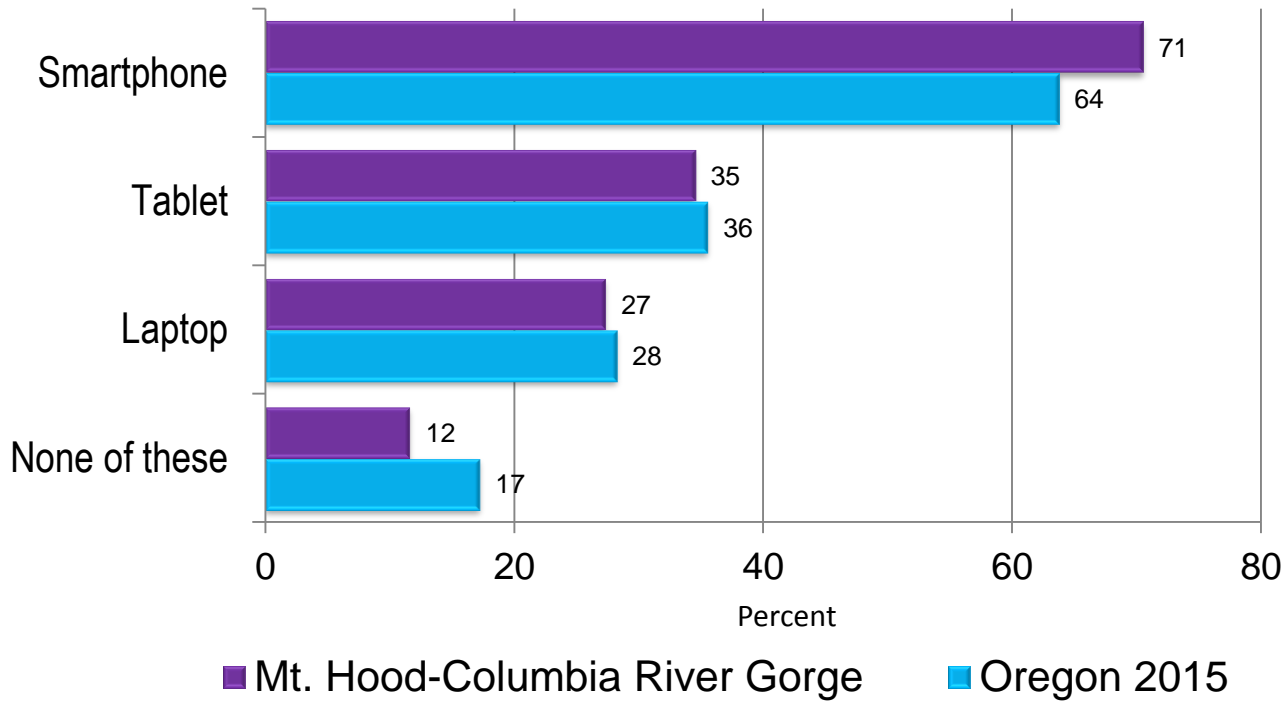


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Devices Used During Trip*



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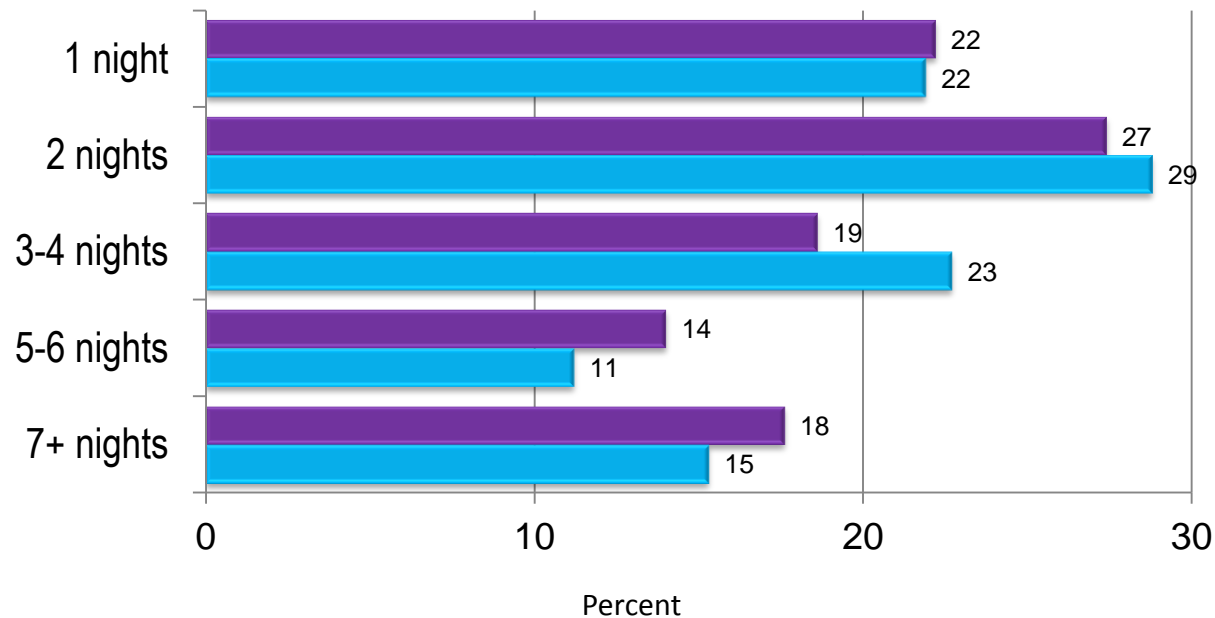


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Total Nights Away on Trip



Base: Overnight Marketable Person-Trips



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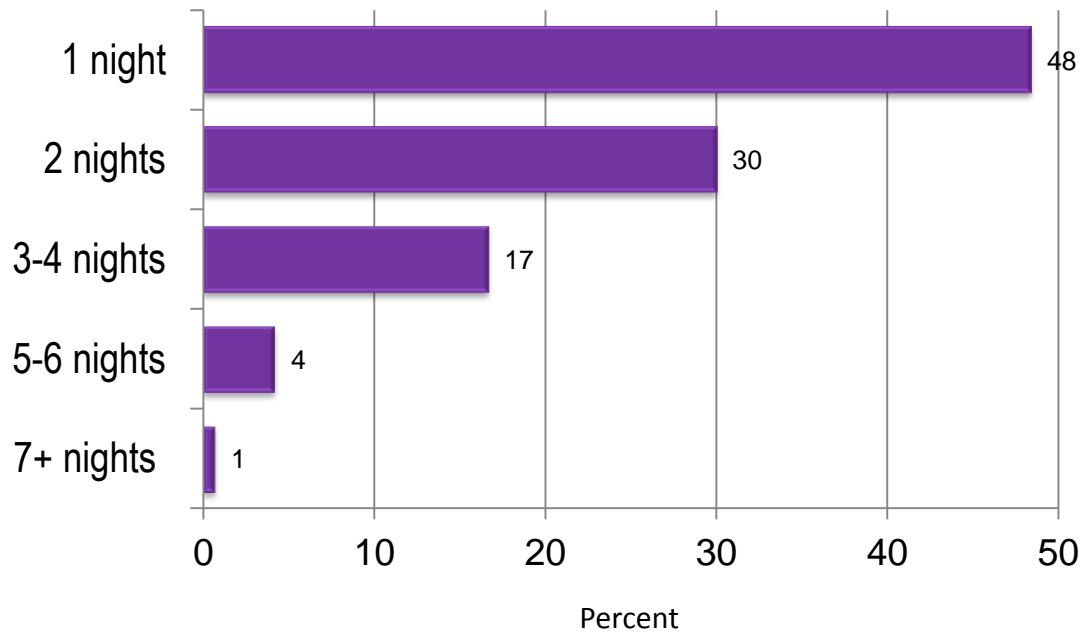
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Number of Nights Spent in the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region



Base: Overnight Marketable Person-Trips with 1+ Nights Spent in the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region

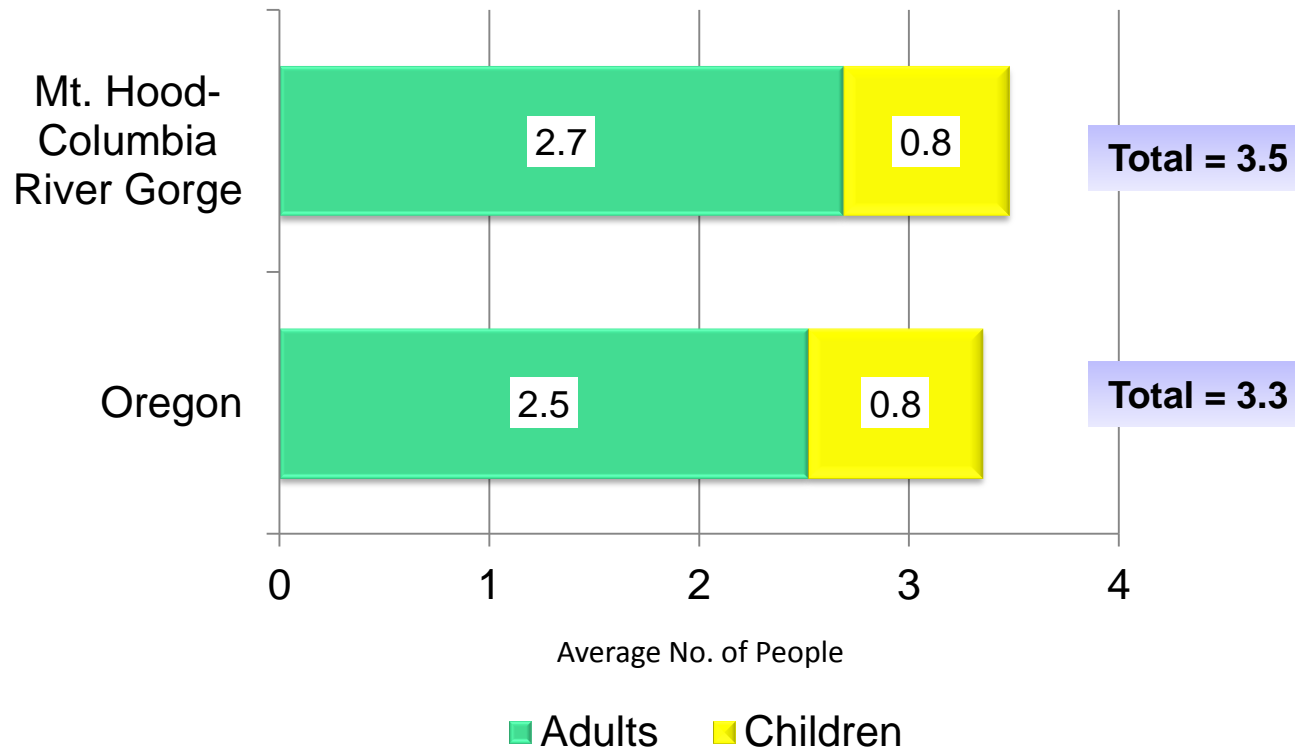
Average Nights Spent on the Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region = 2.0



Size of Travel Party



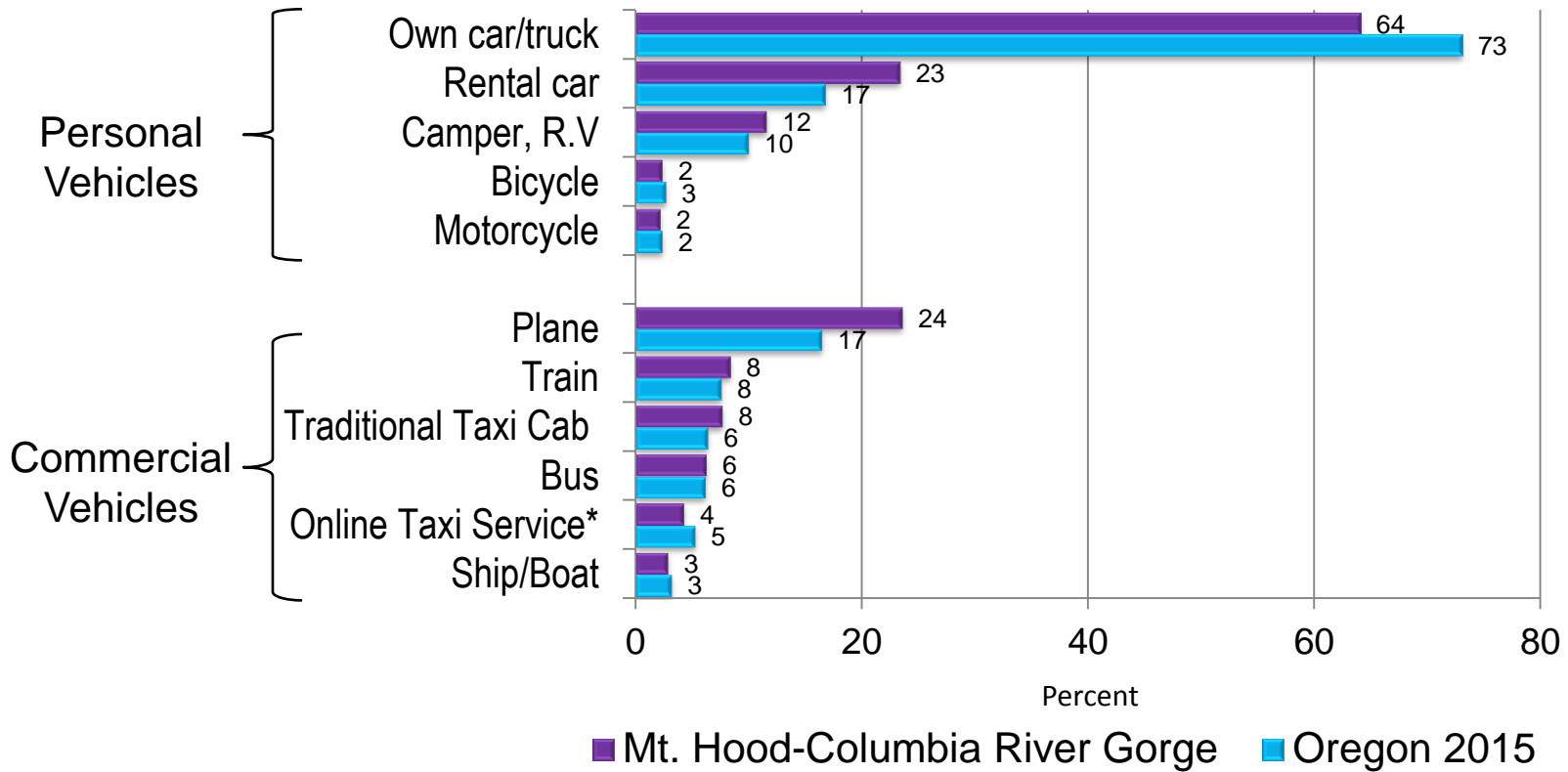
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Transportation



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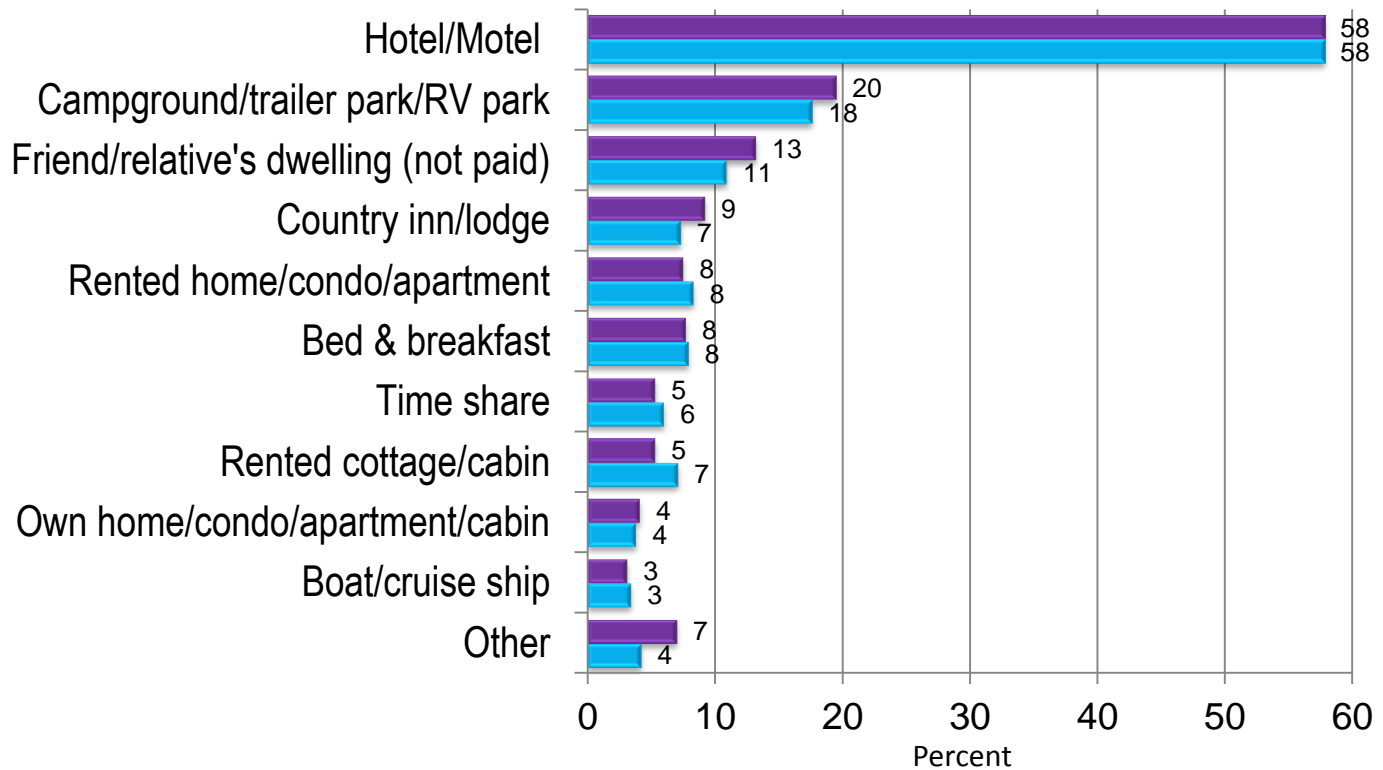


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Accommodation



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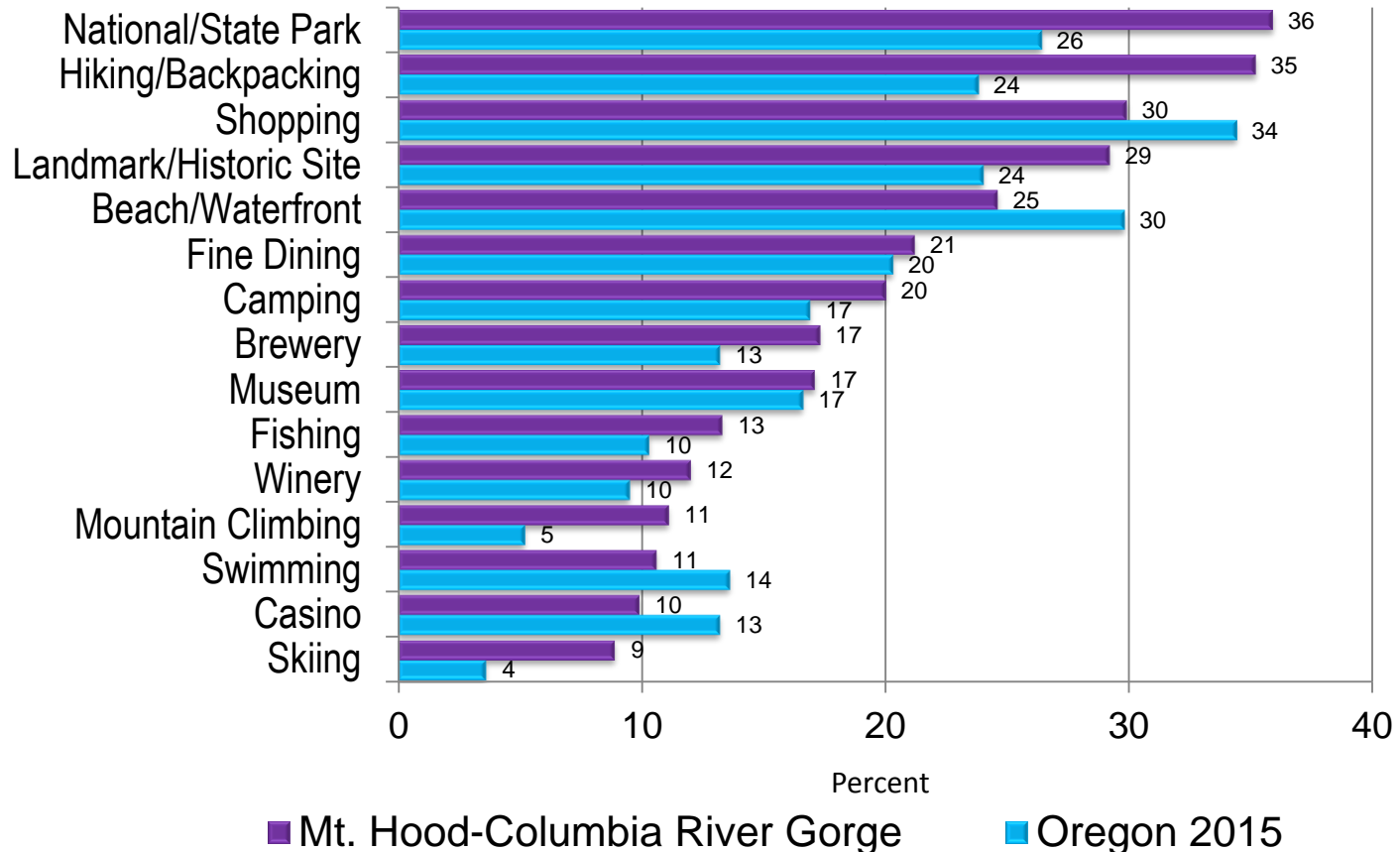
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Activities and Experiences



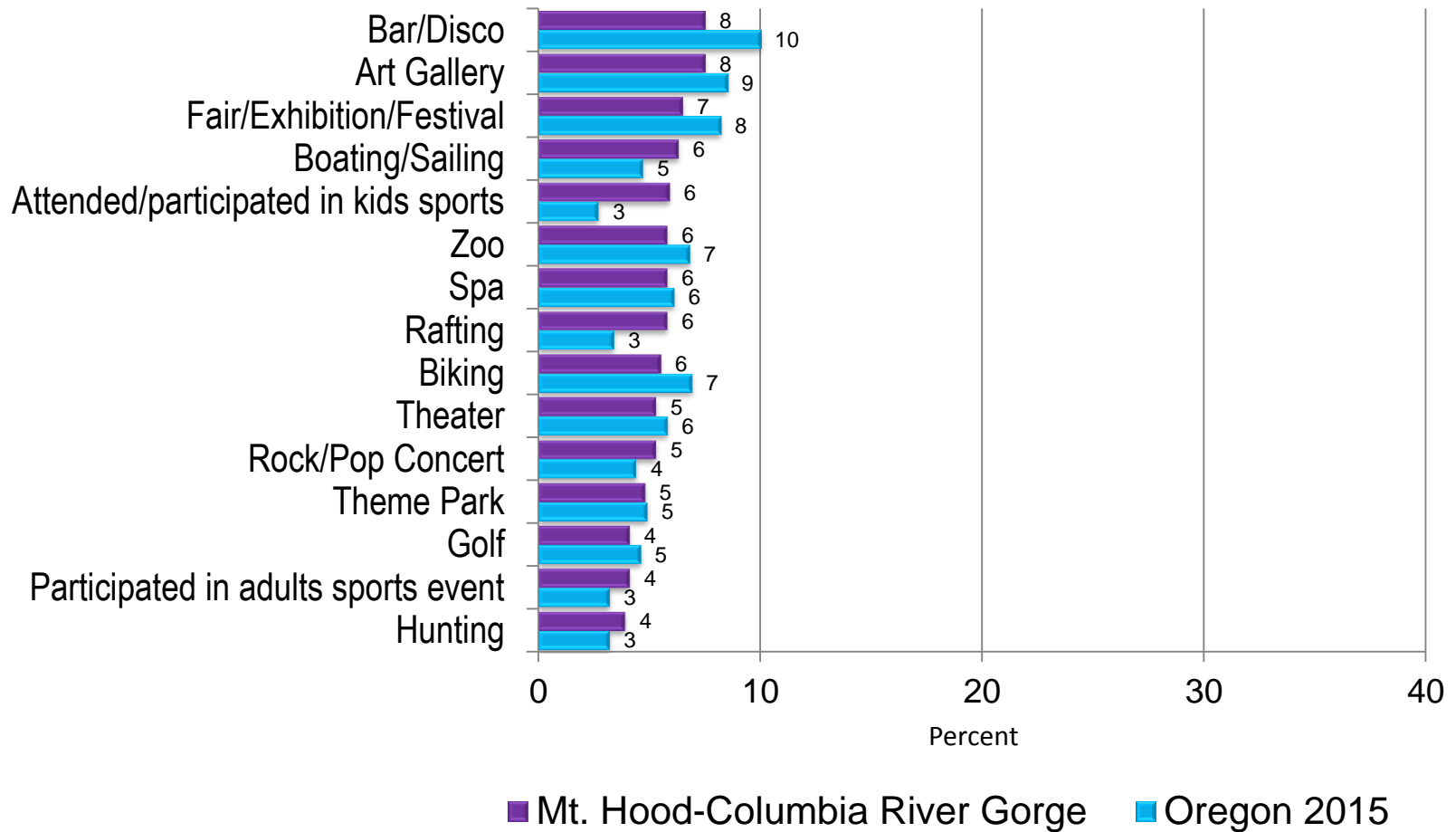
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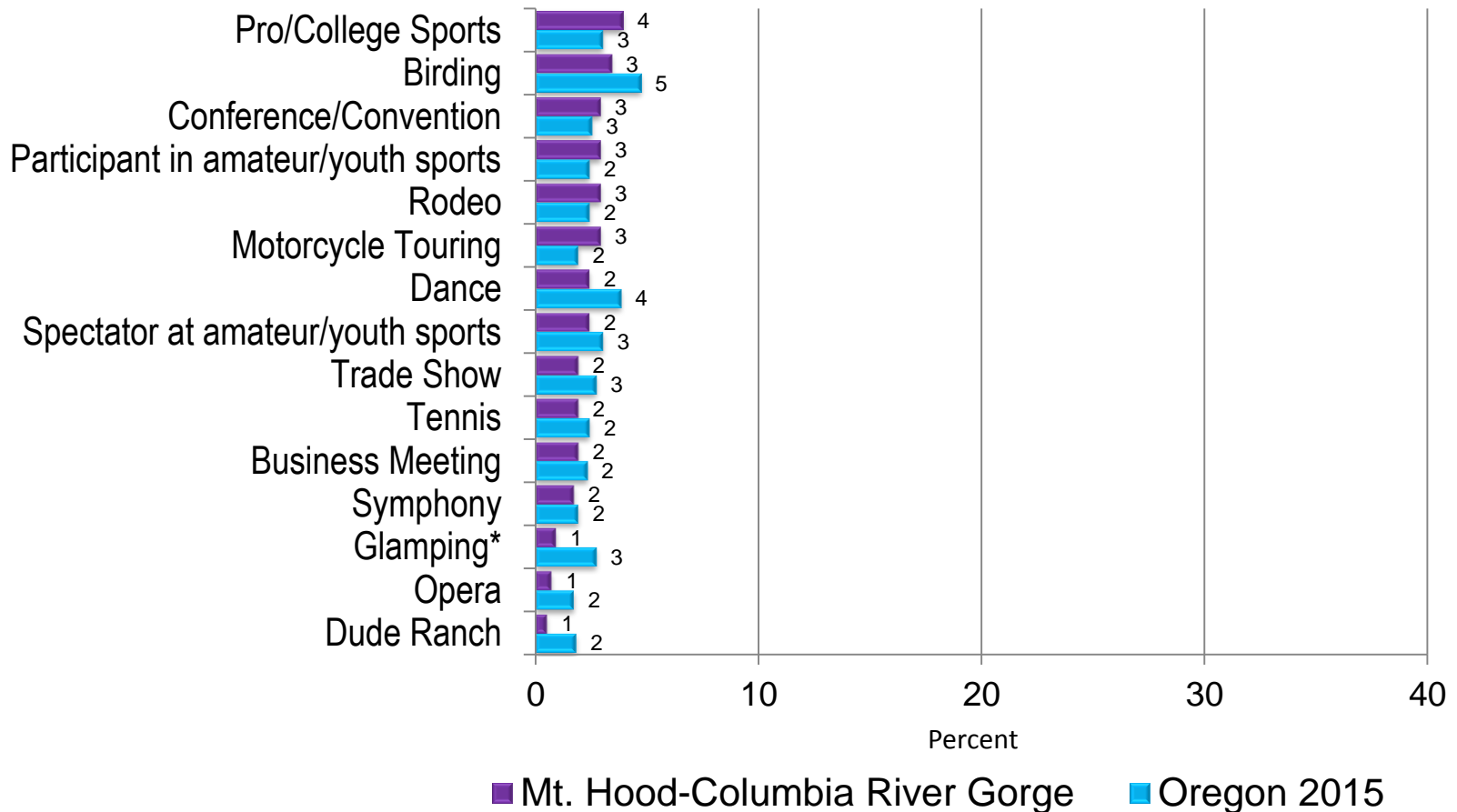
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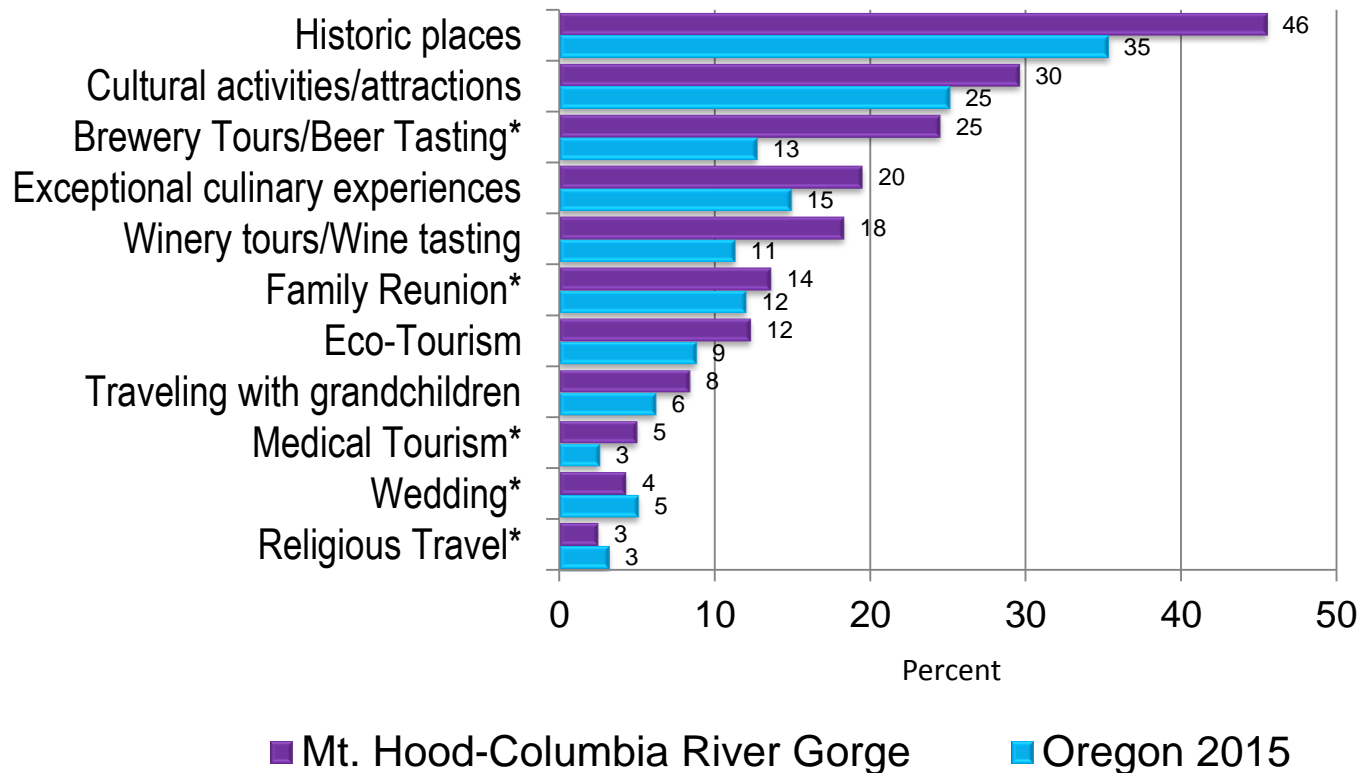


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Activities of Special Interest



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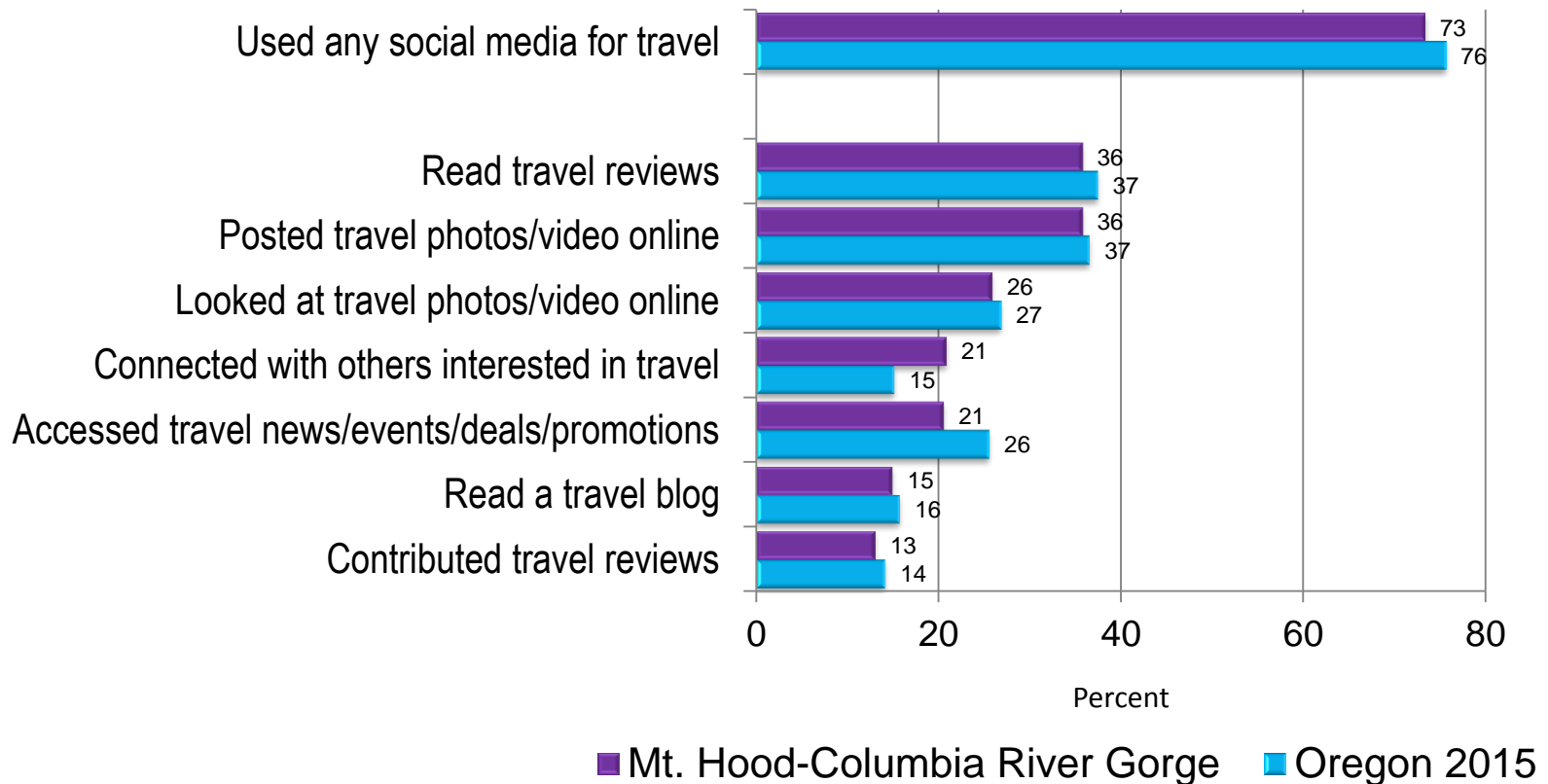


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Online Social Media Use by Travelers



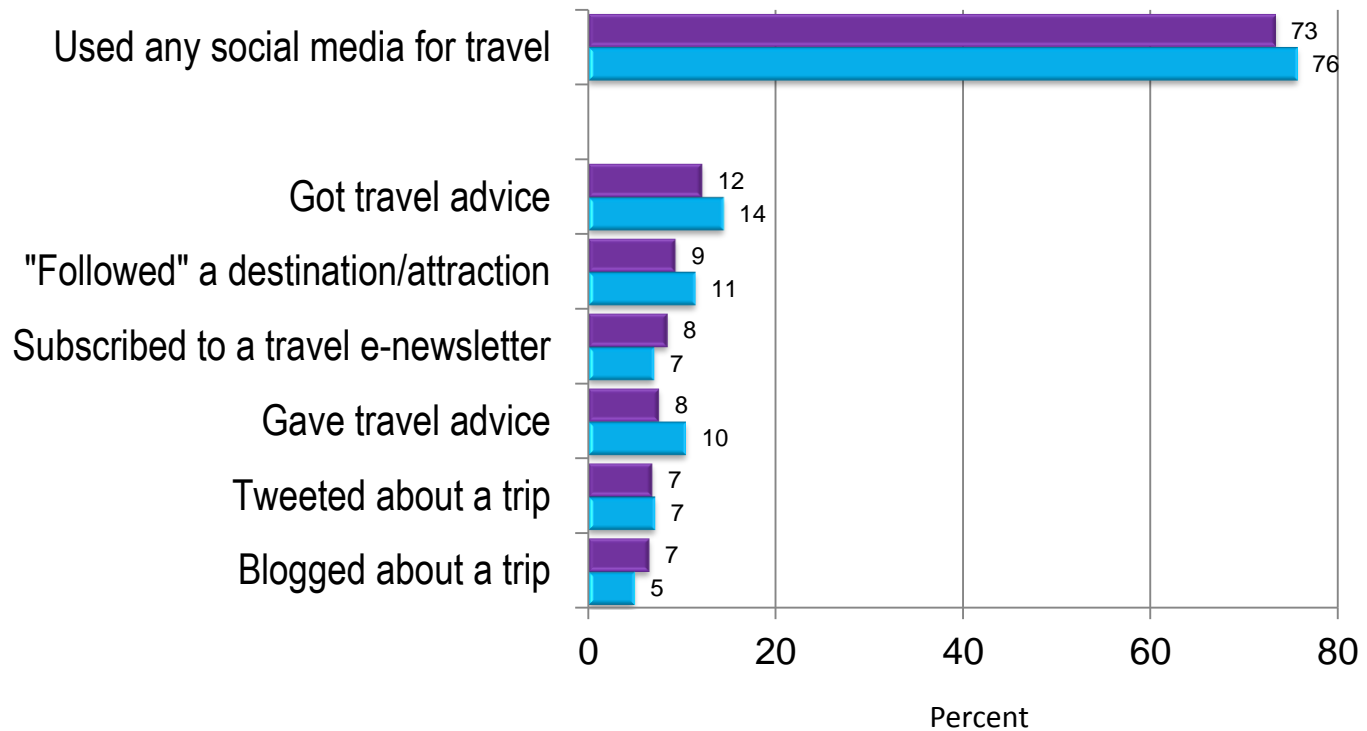
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Online Social Media Use by Travelers (Cont'd)



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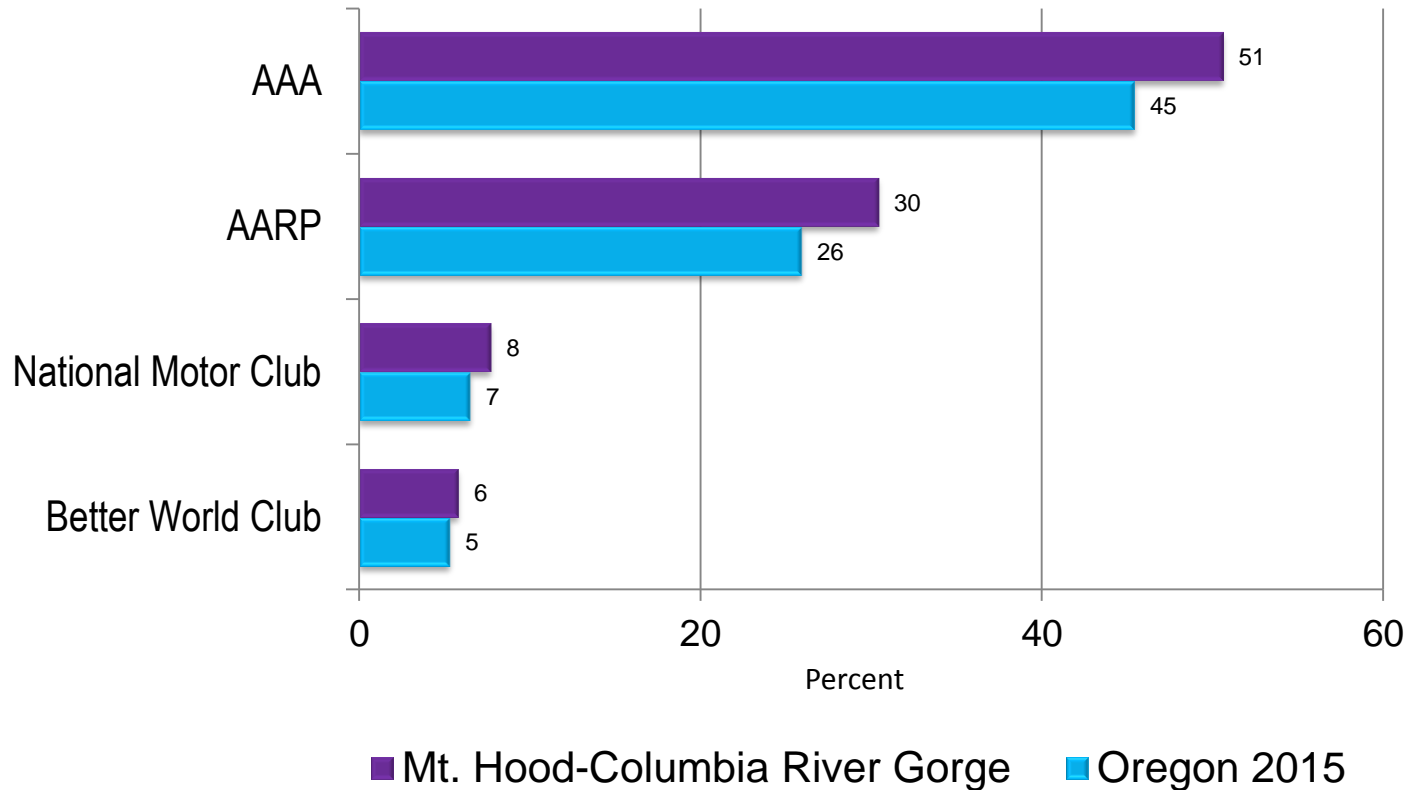


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Organization Membership



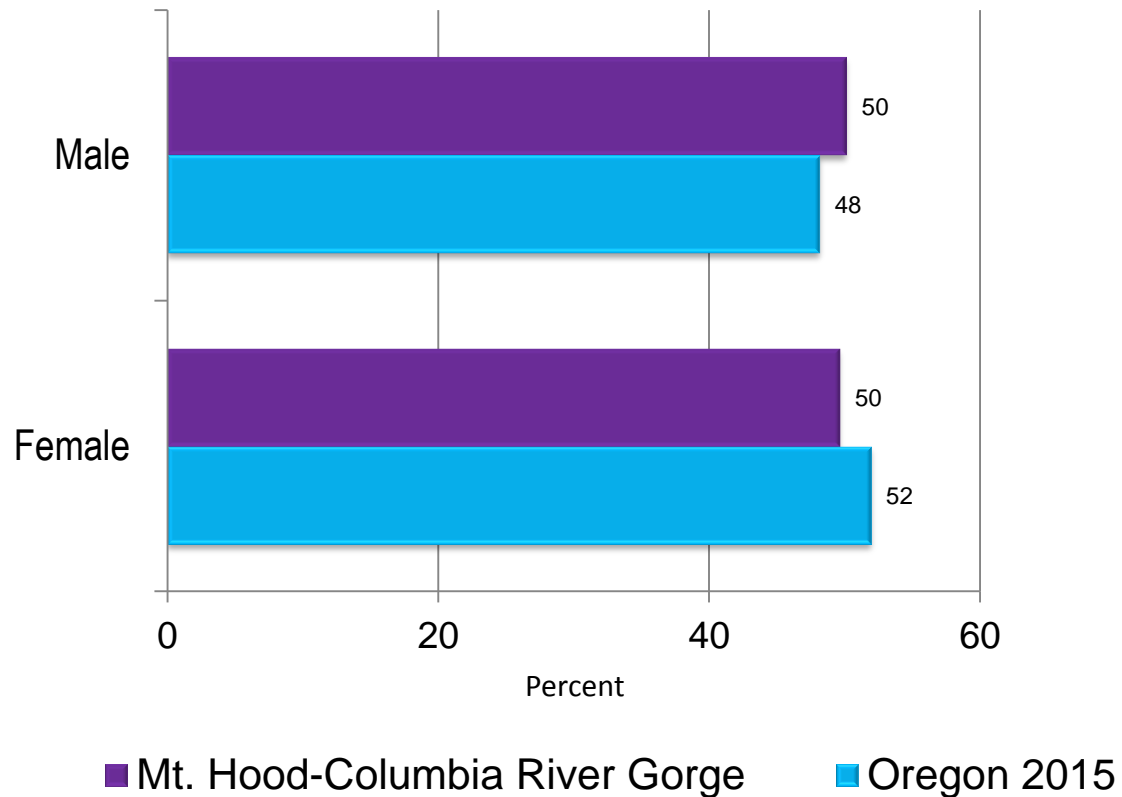
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Gender



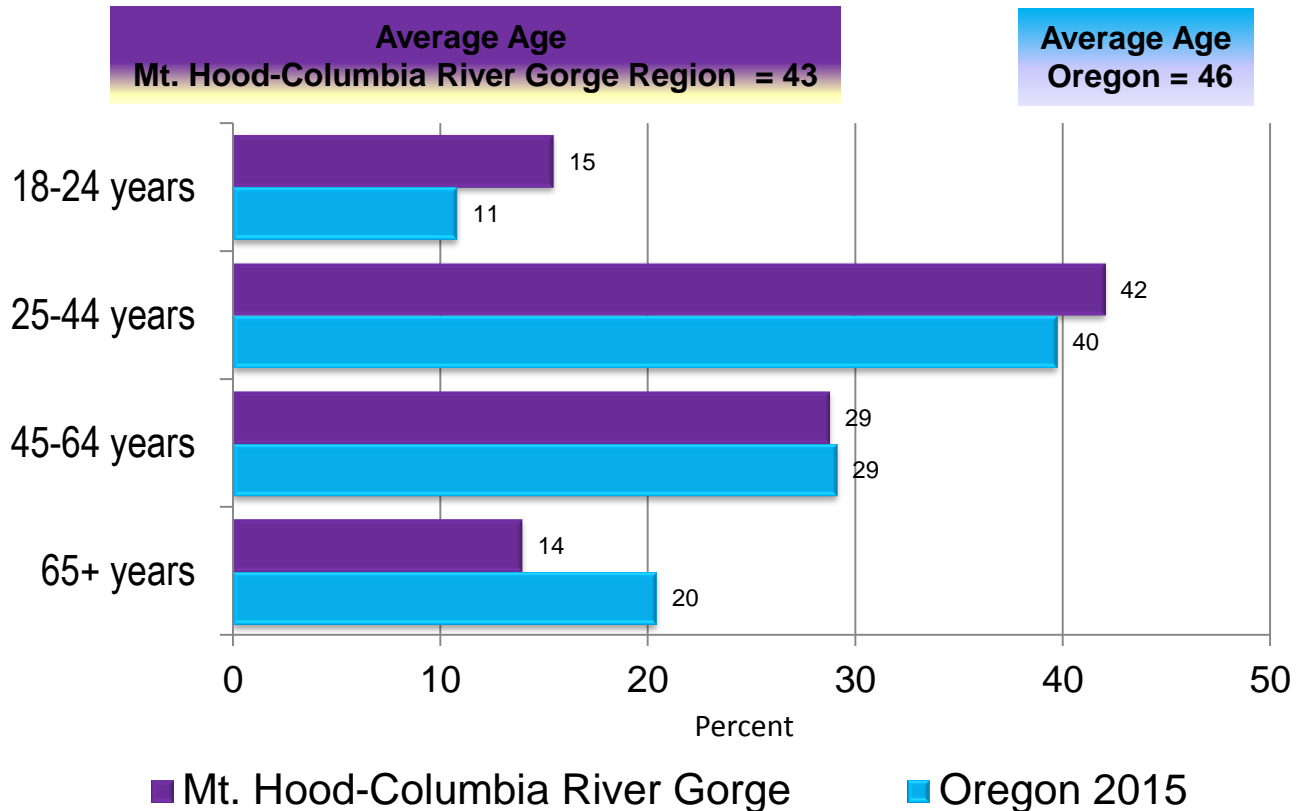
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Age



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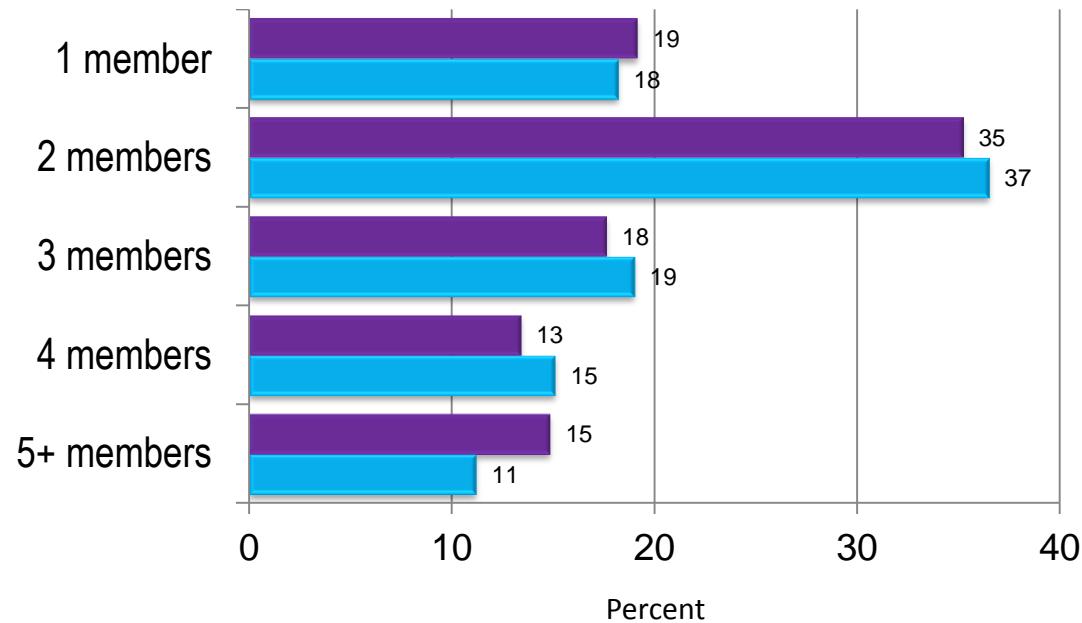
Household Size



Base: Overnight Marketable Person-Trips

Average Household Size
Mt. Hood-Columbia River Gorge Region = 3.2

Average Household Size
Oregon = 2.8



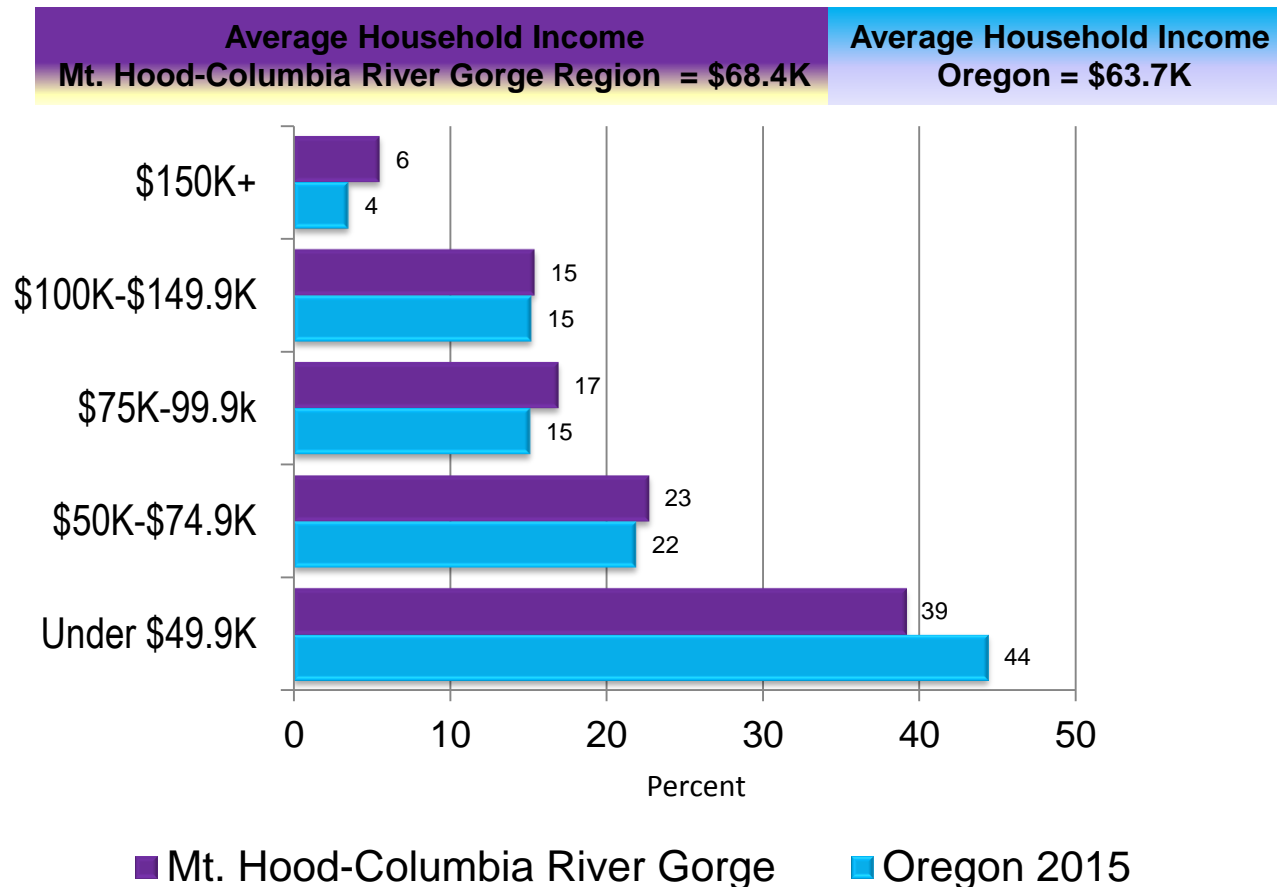
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Household Income



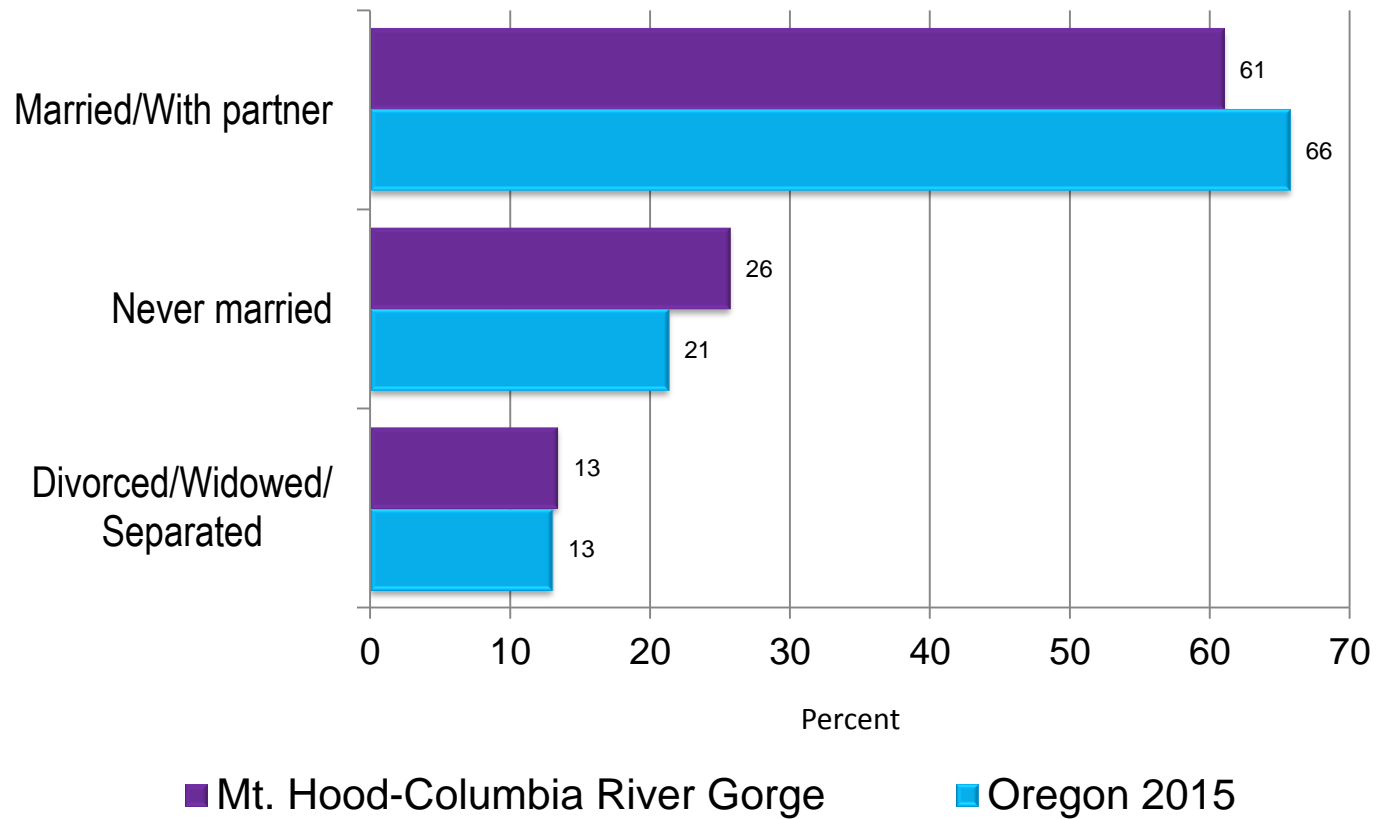
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Marital Status



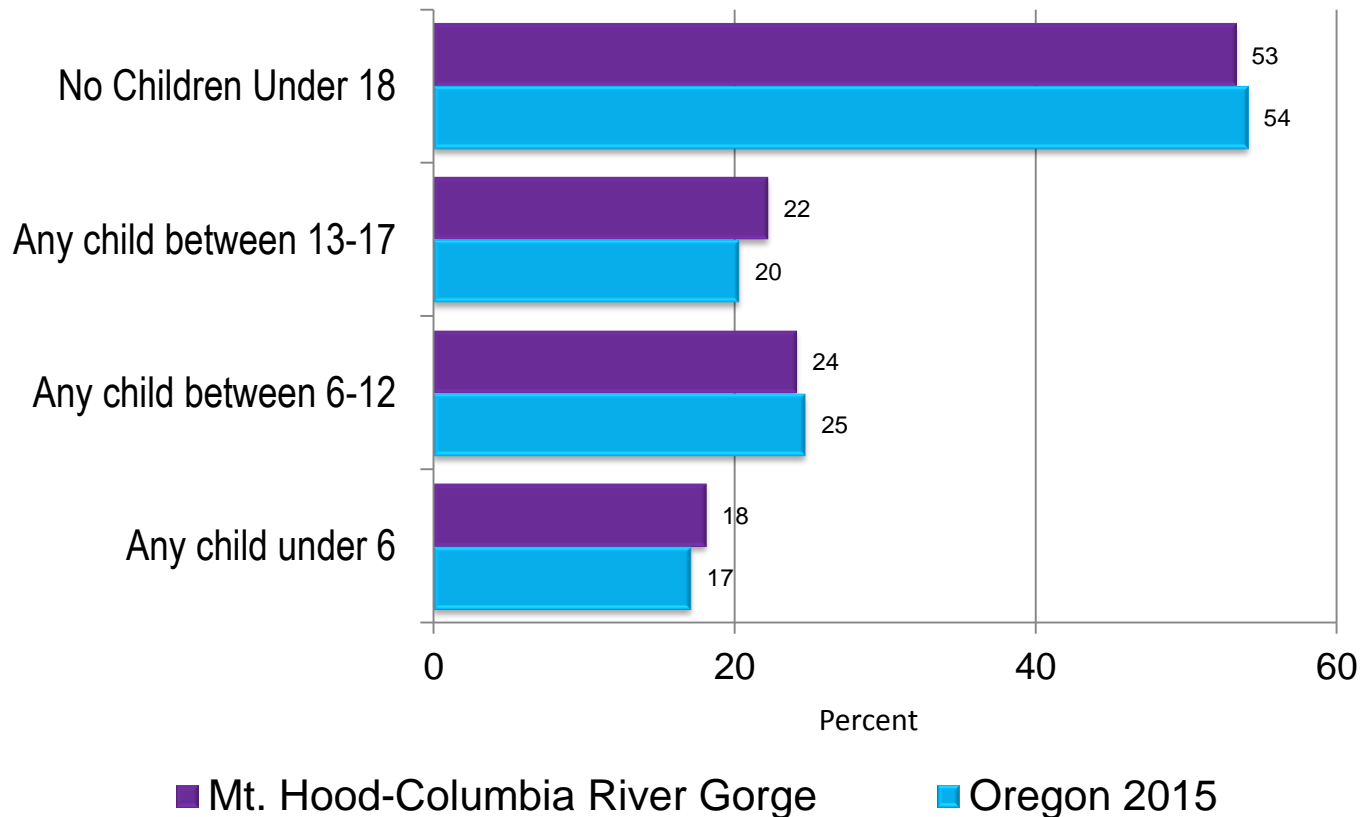
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Children in Household



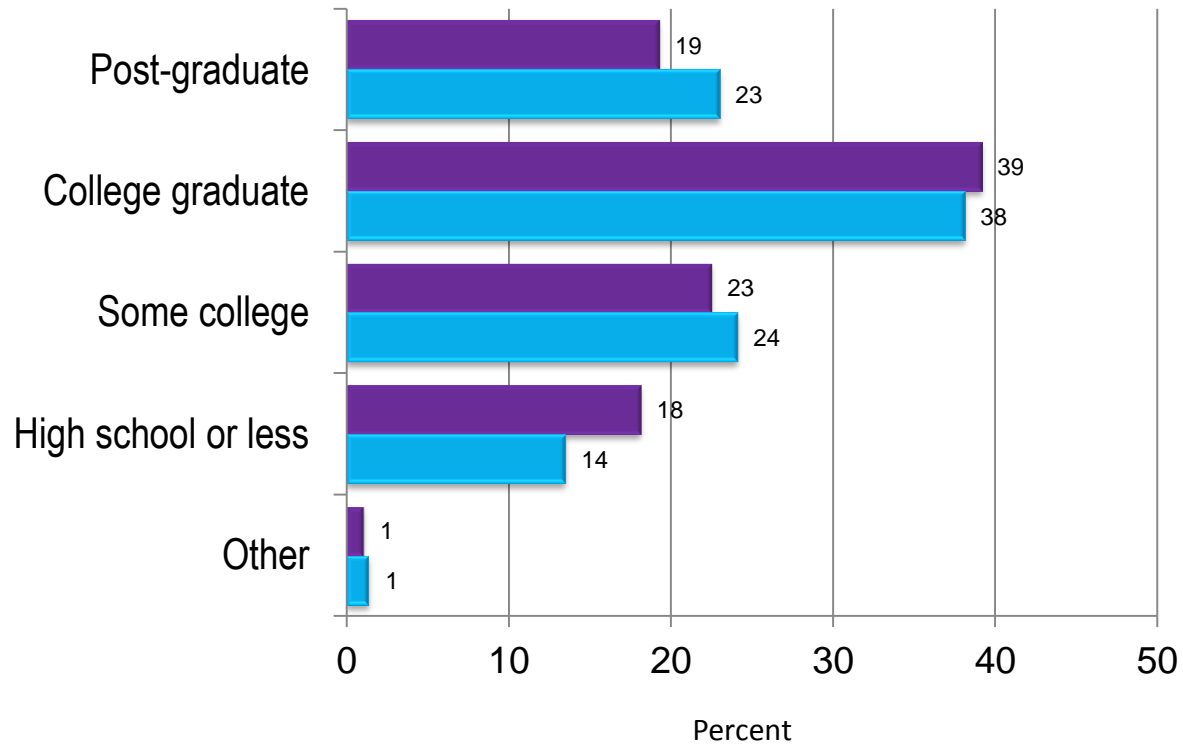
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Education



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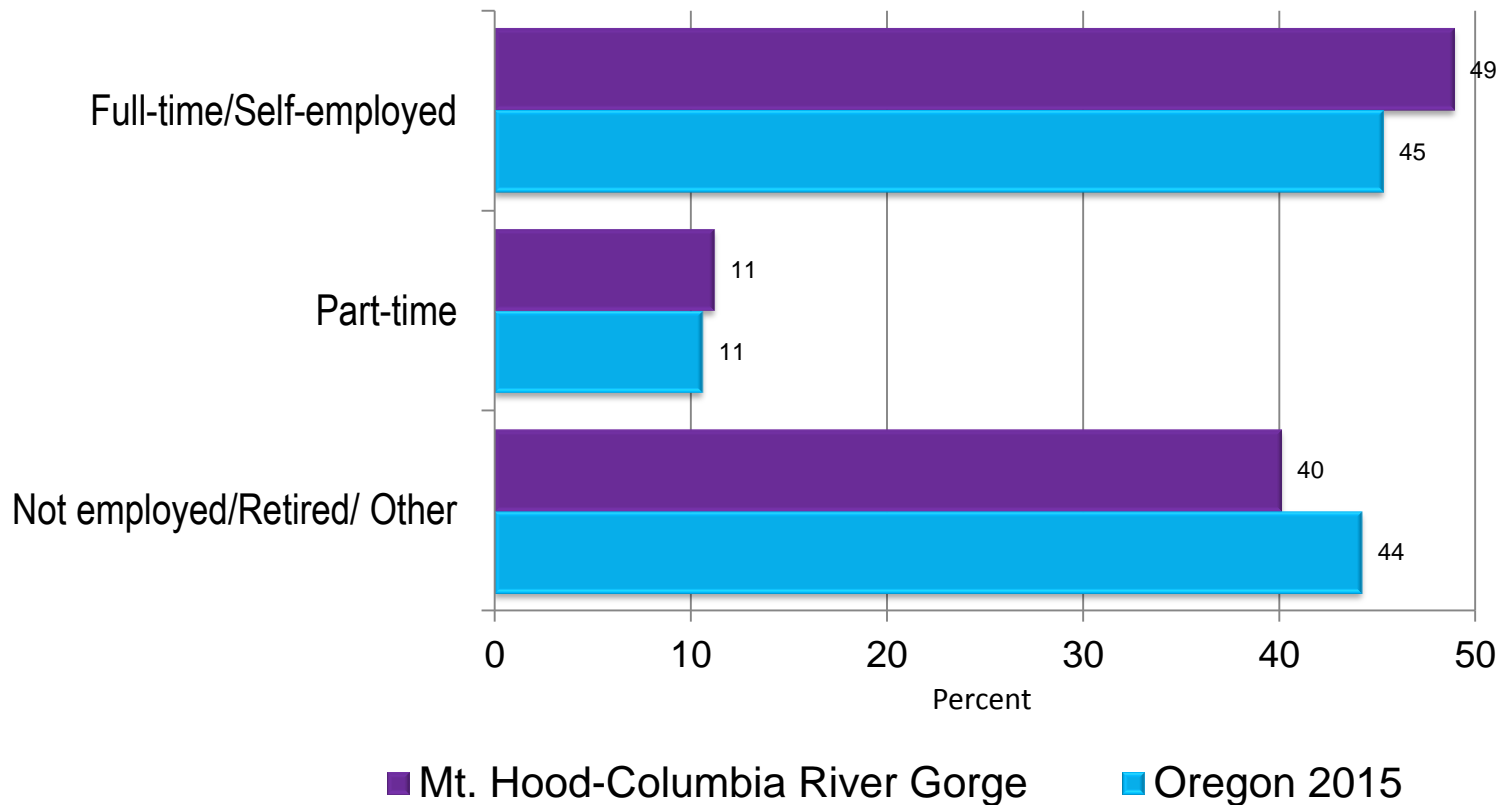


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Employment



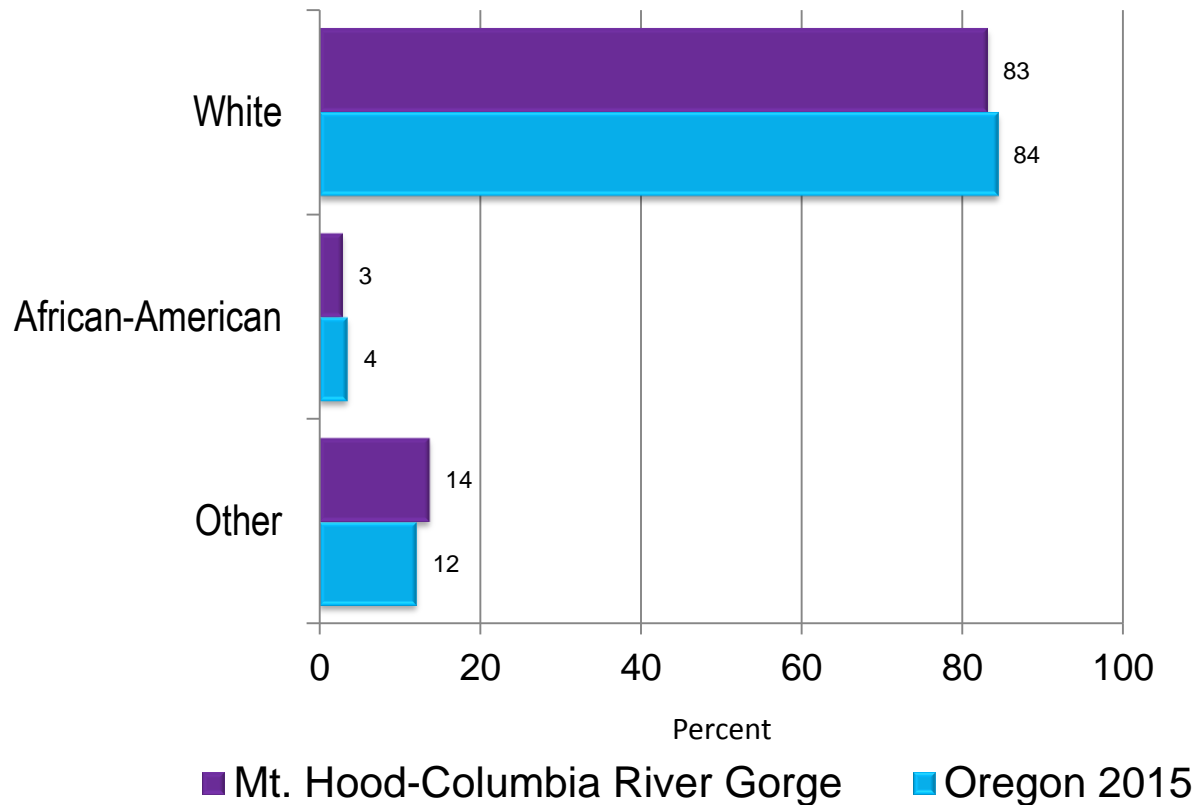
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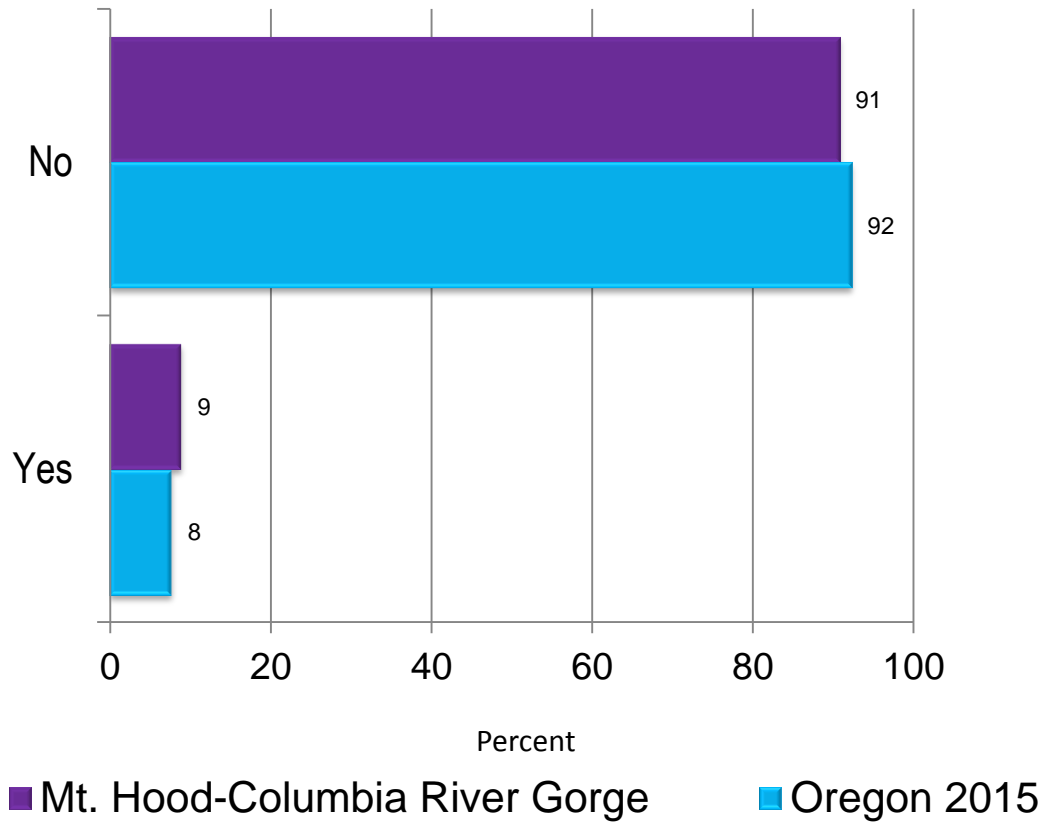
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Hispanic Background



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Appendix A: Key Terms Defined

Key Terms Defined



- ⦿ An **Overnight Trip** is any journey for business or pleasure, outside your community and not part of your normal routine, where you spent one more nights away from home.
- ⦿ A **Day Trip** is any journey for business or pleasure, outside your community and not part of your normal routine, that did not include an overnight stay. Day trips involve travel of more than 50 miles from home.
- ⦿ A **Person-Trip** is one trip taken by one visitor
 - ⦿ *Person-trips are the key unit of measure for this report.*

Trip-Type Segments



Total Trips = Leisure + Business + Business-Leisure

- **Leisure Trips:** includes all trips where the main purpose was one of the following:
 - *Visiting friends/relatives*
 - *Touring through a region to experience its scenic beauty, history and culture*
 - *Outdoors trip to enjoy activities such as camping, hunting, fishing, hiking, and boating*
 - *Special event, such as a fair, festival, or sports event*
 - *City trip*
 - *Cruise*
 - *Casino*
 - *Theme park*
 - *Resort (ocean beach, inland or mountain resort)*
 - *Skiing/snowboarding*
 - *Golf Trip*
- **Business Trips:** includes
 - *Conference/convention*
 - *Other business trip*
- **Business-Leisure:** a trip for business where, on the same trip, the visitor stayed for at least one additional day to experience the same place or nearby area simply for leisure.

Marketable Trips:

Includes all leisure trips, with the exception of visits to friends/relatives