

Ten Facts You May Not Know About Oregon's Indian Gaming

Tribes directly contributed \$744.2 million in economic output in 2015 and \$253.5 million in wages and benefits. Adding indirect and induced impacts to direct, the tribes supported a total of \$1.53 billion in output, \$522.5 million, and 11,845 jobs in Oregon.

Tribal gaming directly supported 5,422 jobs and \$253.5 million in wages and benefits in 2015.

This level of economic activity supported 11,845 jobs statewide with over \$552 million in wages, benefits, and other earnings.

Earnings from gaming operations were used to pay for nearly \$151 million in tribal government services and \$98.6 million for tribal community services, including healthcare, education, and housing.

In 2015, tribal casinos had a 32% share of all the gambling done in Oregon, the Oregon Lottery had a 60% share.

Tribal facilities are located within rural communities averaging 7,536 people.

Indian tribes in Oregon have invested over \$791 million on hotels, casinos and other tourism amenities. Tribes are responsible for 19 percent of all construction spending in Oregon since 1992.

Indian Gaming has given millions of dollars to local communities, civic and nonprofit organizations that support education, the arts, shelter, domestic violence assistance, and health and well-being. Tribes have given \$109.1 million collectively to charitable community and nonprofit organizations throughout Oregon.

Tribe's Pay Taxes:

The greatest fiscal impact of tribal gaming comes in the form of income taxes paid by casino employees, tribal members and all the workers and businesses that earn money in nondirect ways because of the casinos. In total, the fiscal impct of tribal gaming across all local, state and federal governments, with the exception of tribes themselves, was \$139.2 million in 2015.

Regulation and who pays:

Tribal gaming is highly regulated with three layers of oversight: the federal government, the Oregon State Police and tribal gaming commissions. Collectively \$32.6 million was spent on tribal gaming regulation in 2015. Tribes picked up nearly \$25.1 million in regulation costs, even though they account for less than 32 percent of gaming conducted inside of Oregon.

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