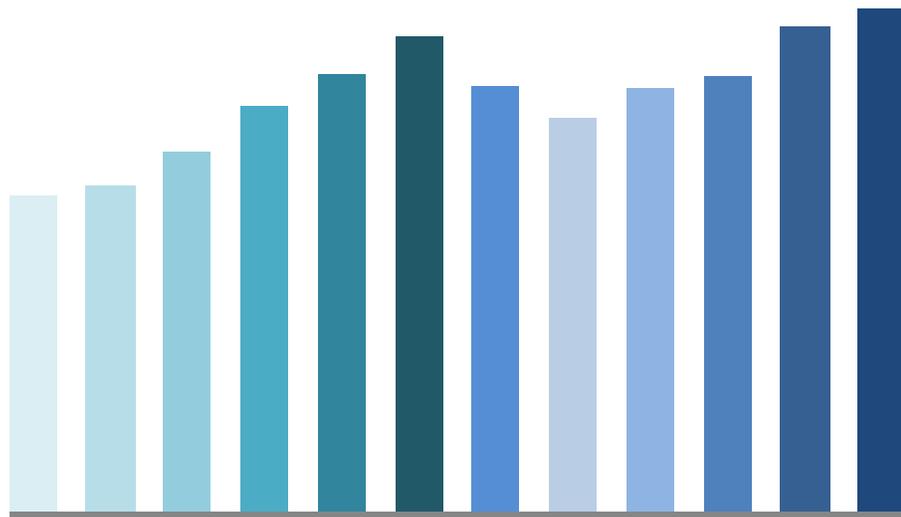


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## Highlights

### Oregon Personal Income Tax Selected Statistics - 2012 and 2013

	Full-Year Resident			Part-Year and Nonresident			All Returns		
	2012	2013	% Change	2012	2013	% Change	2012	2013	% Change
Number of Returns	1,612,445	1,636,507	1.5%	233,812	249,931	6.9%	1,846,257	1,886,438	2.2%
Electronic Filed Returns	1,308,194	1,346,561	2.9%	189,665	209,676	10.6%	1,497,859	1,556,237	3.9%
Oregon AGI* (\$ millions)	\$92,703.6	\$94,405.0	1.8%	\$6,918.0	\$7,206.8	4.2%	\$99,621.6	\$101,611.7	2.0%
Taxable Income* (\$ millions)	\$70,782.3	\$72,962.2	3.1%	\$6,022.0	\$6,328.3	5.1%	\$76,804.3	\$79,290.5	3.2%
Tax Liability* (\$ millions)	\$5,288.4	\$5,457.2	3.2%	\$434.7	\$453.9	4.4%	\$5,723.0	\$5,911.1	3.3%
Average Oregon AGI (\$)	\$57,493	\$57,687	0.3%	\$29,588	\$28,835	-2.5%	\$53,959	\$53,864	-0.2%
Average Tax Liability (\$)	\$3,280	\$3,335	1.7%	\$1,859	\$1,816	-2.3%	\$3,100	\$3,133	1.1%
Effective Tax Rate**	5.7%	5.8%	1.3%	6.3%	6.3%	0.2%	5.7%	5.8%	1.3%

\* See glossary of terms in Appendix C

\*\* Tax liability divided by adjusted gross income

- For tax year 2013, the Oregon Department of Revenue received 1.89 million personal income tax returns, a 2.2 percent increase from tax year 2012.
- The total adjusted gross income (AGI) of 2013 Oregon filers surpassed \$100 billion for the first time, up 2.0 percent from the nearly \$100 billion in 2012. The average AGI for all filers was \$53,864 in 2013, a slight drop of 0.2 percent from \$53,959 in 2012.
- The 2013 total tax liability for all filers was \$5.9 billion, up 3.3 percent from \$5.7 billion in 2012.
- The average tax liability for all filers was \$3,133 in 2013, up 1.1 percent from \$3,100 in 2012.
- The number of taxpayers choosing to file their return electronically in 2013 grew 3.9 percent to 1.56 million. Electronic returns represented 83 percent of all returns in 2013 compared to 81 percent in 2012.

## Overview

The personal income tax, Oregon's largest source of revenue, is expected to account for 87 percent of the General Fund for the 2013-15 biennium. Because it is the state's primary revenue source for discretionary spending, information about this tax program is valuable to businesses, government officials, policymakers, and taxpayers, as well as the general public.

The purpose of this publication is to provide a foundation for understanding the characteristics of Oregon personal income tax filers and to present statistical summaries of information about the personal income tax system. This edition of *Oregon Personal Income Tax Statistics* provides detailed statistics for tax year 2013 as well as historical tables and graphs.

The information is based on 2013 income tax returns received by the Oregon Department of Revenue in the 2014 calendar year. Actual tax receipts may vary from this report because some filers failed to pay their full tax liability or paid after 2014. The report does not include information from audits, amended tax returns, or returns received after 2014.

In addition to highlighting key statistics such as the number of filers, total income, and total tax liability for 2012 and 2013, the *Introduction* also outlines the structure of the report and explains how personal

income tax is currently calculated, including a diagram outlining its main components. The next section, *2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends* provides a historical summary of returns and the following components: income and tax, adjustments, additions, subtractions, deductions, credits, payments and refunds.

*Appendix A* provides a discussion of the surplus refund (kicker) and historical data for 1979 through 2013. *Appendix B* provides additional detail and discussion about return data, statistical reporting, and the components of income for the current report. *Appendix C* provides a glossary of common terms used in this report and addresses of websites for additional information.

More detailed tables, a historical summary of significant federal and Oregon tax law changes, and background information are available on the Oregon Department of Revenue website at: [www.oregon.gov/DOR/STATS/Pages/statistics.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/DOR/STATS/Pages/statistics.aspx)

## Structure of this Report

The federal and Oregon tax returns are organized into distinct sections, each focusing on a specific component of the income tax system. This report follows that structure and discusses each component separately. The flowchart on page 4 outlines the calculation of income taxes. The main body of this report, *2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends*, starting on page 7, provides summaries and historical trends for the following components:

- **Returns** – The number of returns, type of returns, filing status, electronic returns, age of taxpayers, and historical trends are described.
- **Income and Tax** – The types of income listed on the federal form include wages, interest, and capital gains. The total is net income. Tax refers to the tax liability reported on Oregon tax forms.
- **Adjustments** – These elements on the federal form are deductions (often referred to as “above-the-line deductions”) that all filers are allowed to take, including those who claim the standard deduction. They reduce the amount of income that is taxed. Examples include IRA contributions, moving expenses, and student loan interest. Federal adjusted gross income (AGI) is gross income reduced by adjustments.
- **Additions** – These elements represent income not taxed by the federal government but taxed by Oregon and federal deductions to AGI that are not allowed for Oregon. They are added to AGI on the Oregon form. Examples include interest on government bonds from other states and long-term care insurance premiums (if claiming a federal deduction and an Oregon credit for those premiums).
- **Subtractions** – These elements represent income taxed by the federal government but not taxed by Oregon and Oregon deductions to AGI that are not allowed federally. They are subtracted from AGI on the Oregon form. Examples include qualifying federal pension income and interest from US bonds.
- **Deductions** – Taxpayers may reduce the amount of income that is taxed by the greater of the standard deduction or their itemized deductions. Oregon allows the same itemized deductions as the federal government with one exception; Oregon does not allow a deduction for Oregon income tax or sales tax. Examples of itemized deductions include property taxes paid, charitable gifts, and mortgage interest.

- **Credits** – These elements reduce tax liability on a dollar-for-dollar basis. If total nonrefundable credits exceed gross tax liability (tax before credits), then part of the nonrefundable credits remain unused. Some nonrefundable credits are eligible to be carried over to subsequent years. Refundable credits, on the other hand, are treated the same as payments by the taxpayer. The credits are first used to reduce tax, but if the tax is completely offset, any unused credits are refunded to the taxpayer. The two most common refundable credits are the Oregon earned income credit and the working family child care credit.
- **Payments and Refunds** – Oregon tax withheld, estimated payments, payments included with the return, refunds reported on the return and payments from refundable tax credits are described.

Each of the components is discussed in a historical context. Key figures from tax year 2013 are compared to historical numbers to show trends and changes over time. When previous year data is shown, the actual dollar amounts as reported in that particular year are presented and are not adjusted for inflation. Also included is historical data about filers moving to and from Oregon and tax information by county. County maps with selected tax information are provided.

Most exhibits and tables in this publication are devoted to full-year resident returns as all of the reported federal taxable income is also taxed by Oregon, with the exception of Oregon additions and subtractions. Full-year resident returns represent approximately 87 percent of all returns filed and 92 percent of tax liability. Part-year resident and nonresident returns may include significant income and deductions that are not related to economic activity in Oregon, and only part of the income is subject to Oregon taxation. Consequently, full-year resident returns constitute the most stable base for statistical inference.

There are three terms to keep in mind when using this report:

- **Return** is an Oregon personal income tax return. This may refer to the physical or electronic return or to the data information making up the return.
- **Filer** refers to an individual who files a personal income tax return. A return is associated with only one filer. For joint returns, the person listed first on the tax return is the filer.
- **Taxpayer** is an individual or individuals represented by a return. In the case of joint returns, there are two taxpayers represented: the filer and the spouse/registered domestic partner. Dependents listed on taxpayers' returns are not considered taxpayers, but the taxpayer may receive certain tax benefits, such as a personal exemption credit for each dependent. However, if a dependent files their own Oregon personal income tax return, this filer is considered a taxpayer, but cannot receive a personal exemption credit.

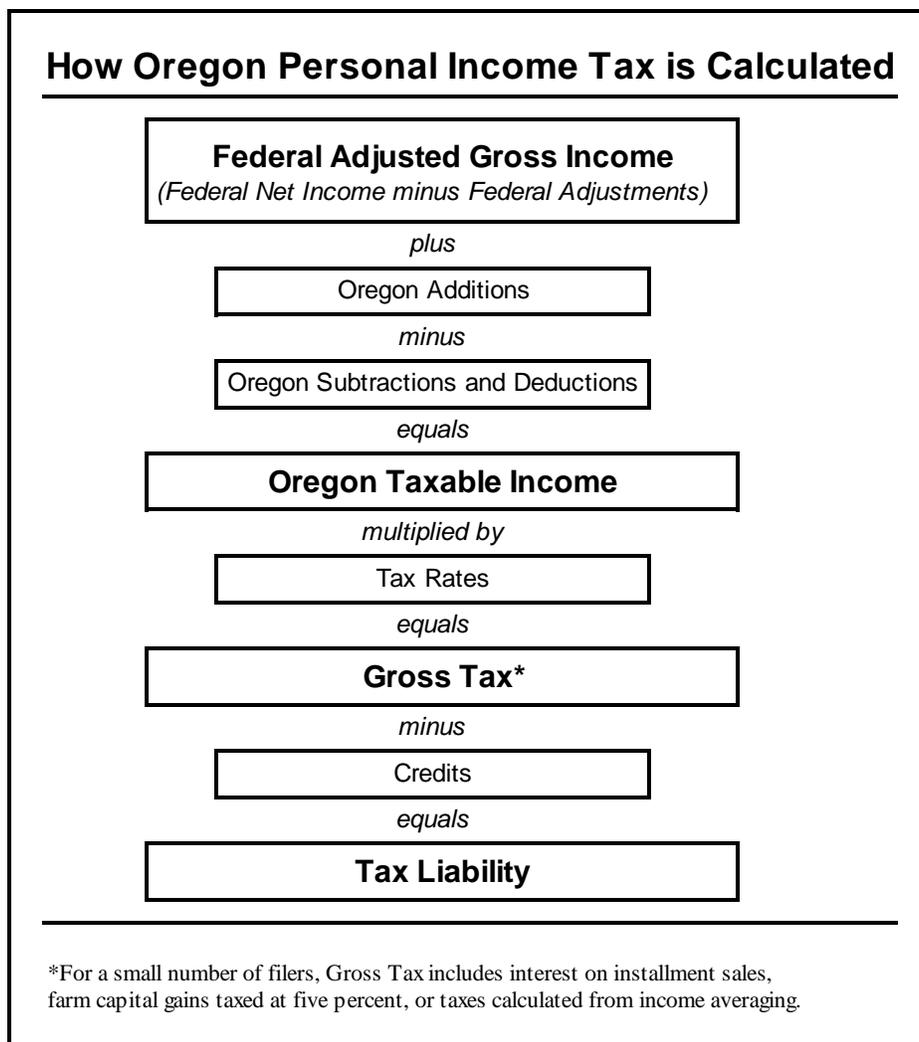
## Personal Income Tax Calculation

The starting point for calculating Oregon's personal income tax is income taxable at the federal level. Using the same definition of income helps simplify the Oregon tax return, reducing the number of calculations taxpayers need to make. The connection to the federal definition of taxable income also makes the tax easier for the state of Oregon to administer.

Oregon's personal income tax has been connected to federal taxable income since 1969, but in different ways over time. The connection usually had exceptions, which varied over the years. From 1981 to 1997, the Legislature regularly acted to tie Oregon taxable income to the federal definition as of a specific date. In 1997, the Legislature began a 'rolling reconnect' where Oregon's definition of taxable income would automatically change with federal changes. The Legislature suspended this 'rolling reconnect' for tax years 2003 through 2005 and re-established it for tax years 2006 through 2008. The 2009 Legislature

suspended the ‘rolling reconnect’ and tied Oregon’s definition of taxable income to the federal definition as of May 1, 2009 for tax years 2009 and 2010, except for a connection date of December 31, 2008 for discharge of indebtedness (IRC section 108), bonus depreciation (IRC section 168(k)), and expensing of assets (IRC section 179). The Legislature suspended the ‘rolling reconnect’ because they anticipated passage of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009 and did not want to automatically connect to all of its tax provisions. The 2010 Legislature updated the general connection date to December 31, 2009 (the December 31, 2008 connection date remained in place for IRC sections 108, 168(k), and 179). The ‘rolling reconnect’ was re-established for tax years 2011 and forward.

Even though Oregon is tied to the federal definition of taxable income, which includes the itemized deductions allowed federally, the starting point for the Oregon personal income tax calculation on the tax return is the federal adjusted gross income (AGI). The itemized deductions are subtracted at a later point in the calculation. The following diagram shows the full-year resident tax calculation.



The following page shows some examples of types of income, federal adjustments, and Oregon additions, subtractions and credits. A complete list can be found in the Oregon Department of Revenue’s *Publication 17½, Oregon Individual Income Tax Guide*, 2013 edition. This publication is available on the web at: [www.oregon.gov/dor/PERTAX/Pages/pubs.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/dor/PERTAX/Pages/pubs.aspx).

**Federal income includes:**

- Salaries and wages
- Interest
- Dividends
- State income tax refunds (if deductions were itemized in the prior year)
- Alimony received
- Business income/loss
- Farm income/loss
- Capital gains/losses
- Rental income
- Royalties
- Partnership income/loss
- Estate and trust income/loss
- S corporation income/loss
- Unemployment compensation
- Social Security income federally taxed
- Retirement plan distributions

**Federal adjustments include:**

- IRA, SIMPLE, and SEP contributions
- Self-employment health insurance
- Forfeited interest
- Moving expenses
- Alimony paid
- Self-employment tax
- Student loan interest
- Tuition and fees
- Educator expenses
- Qualified business expenses
- Health savings account contributions

**Oregon additions include:**

- Interest on bonds from other states
- Federal deduction for long-term care insurance premiums
- Federal income tax refunds from an amended or audited return
- Federal deduction of unused business credits
- Lump-sum payment from a qualified retirement plan
- Federal deductions not allowed by Oregon

**Oregon subtractions include:**

- Oregon income tax refunds
- Social Security income
- Federal income tax (up to \$6,250 for 2013)
- Federal pension income
- U.S. bond interest
- Military active duty pay
- Scholarship awards used for housing expenses

**Oregon Deductions**• **Standard deductions for 2013:**

- \$4,160 if joint filer,
- \$3,345 if head of household filer,
- \$2,080 if single filer,
- \$2,080 if married/RDP filing separately (exception if spouse/RDP itemized),
- One of the listed four amounts plus an additional \$1,000 for each taxpayer at least age 65 or blind, filing married/RDP or qualifying widow(er). The additional amount is \$1,200 for single and head-of-household filers. For taxpayers who are both, age 65 or older and blind, this additional amount can be doubled.
- Exceptions for taxpayers who are nonresident aliens or dependents.

• **Itemized deductions include:**

- Medical and dental expenses
- Property taxes
- Home mortgage interest
- Investment interest expenses
- Charitable gifts
- Casualty or theft losses

**Oregon Tax credits include:**

- Personal exemption
- Earned income (refundable)
- Working family child care (refundable)
- Child and dependent care
- Political contribution
- Elderly or permanently disabled
- Retirement income
- Income tax paid to other state

### Tax Rates

The applicable tax rates and brackets are in the table below. The rates are applied to Oregon taxable income. Income for returns with filing status of single or married filing separately is subject to lower brackets. Income for returns with other filing statuses is subject to higher brackets. The tax rates for the three lowest brackets (5 percent, 7 percent and 9 percent) have been in place since 1987 and the brackets have been indexed for inflation since 1993, currently using the U.S. City Average Consumer Price Index (CPI) as the gauge of inflation. The 2009 legislature created two additional income brackets, which were in effect for tax years 2009-2011 after Oregon voters approved the tax increase in January 2010 (Measure 66). The tax rates for those additional brackets were 10.8 percent for filers with taxable income from \$125,001-\$250,000 (single) and \$250,001-\$500,000 (joint); and 11 percent for filers with taxable income above \$250,000 (single) and \$500,000 (joint). For 2012 and forward, the top rate bracket was eliminated and the tax rate for the next bracket was reduced to 9.9 percent.

#### 2013 Tax Rates

##### For persons filing single or married/RDP filing separately

If taxable income is:	then tax is:
Not over \$3,250.....	5% of taxable income
Over \$3,250 but not over \$8,150.....	\$163 plus 7% of excess over \$3,250
Over \$8,150 but not over \$125,000.....	\$506 plus 9% of excess over \$8,150
Over \$125,000 .....	\$11,022 plus 9.9% of excess over \$125,000

##### For persons married/RDP filing jointly, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) with dependent child

If taxable income is:	then tax is:
Not over \$6,500.....	5% of taxable income
Over \$6,500 but not over \$16,300.....	\$325 plus 7% of excess over \$6,500
Over \$16,300 but not over \$250,000.....	\$1,011 plus 9% of excess over \$16,300
Over \$250,000 .....	\$22,044 plus 9.9% of excess over \$250,000

For part-year residents, tax rates are applied to federal income (the sum of Oregon and non-Oregon income). The resulting tax is apportioned to Oregon based on the ratio of Oregon income to federal income. For nonresidents, federal tax and standard or itemized deductions are prorated based on the ratio of Oregon income to federal income and the tax rates are applied to income from Oregon sources.

Some Oregon credits, such as the exemption credit, child and dependent care credit, and credit for the elderly or the disabled, are prorated for part-year residents and nonresidents.

A history of Oregon tax rates and brackets is available on the Oregon Department of Revenue website at: [www.oregon.gov/DOR/STATS/Pages/statistics.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/DOR/STATS/Pages/statistics.aspx).

For additional information on adjustments, deductions, subtractions, and credits, refer to the State of Oregon 2015–17 *Tax Expenditure Report*. This publication is available on the web at: <http://www.oregon.gov/dor/STATS/Pages/tax-expenditure-report-2015-17.aspx>.

Visit the department's webpage for additional personal income tax information and tax forms at: <http://www.oregon.gov/dor/pages/index.aspx>.

Section 1

# 2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends

## Returns

In this section, *2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends*, data for the 2013 tax year is summarized and compared to data from previous years. When previous year data is shown, the actual dollar amounts as reported in that particular year are presented and are not adjusted based on inflation. The number and types of returns filed are discussed first, followed by income and tax trends. Summaries of adjustments, additions, subtractions, deductions, credits, payments and refunds are followed by information on part-year resident filers and county-level data.

## Returns

Exhibit 1 shows the number of 2013 returns by filing status and form type. Full-year residents use Form 40 (the last year to use the shortened form 40S was tax year 2010), part-year residents (PY) use Form 40P, and nonresidents (NR) use Form 40N. Of the 1.89 million returns filed for tax year 2013, more than 87 percent of filers were full-year residents using Oregon's Form 40.

**Exhibit 1 - Income Tax Returns by Filing Status and Form Type**  
**All Returns - 2013**

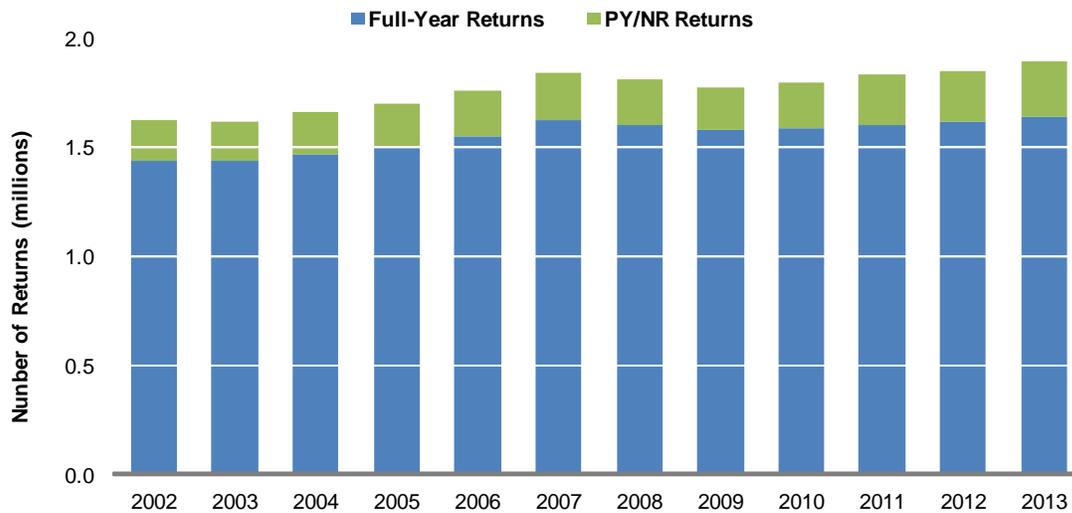
Filing Status	Full-Year Resident Form 40	Part-Year (PY) Form 40P	Nonresident (NR) Form 40N	Total
Single	753,521	46,312	60,977	<b>860,810</b>
Married Filing Jointly	676,913	25,697	92,797	<b>795,407</b>
RDP* Filing Jointly	1,211	35	44	<b>1,290</b>
Married Filing Separately	25,604	1,763	3,262	<b>30,629</b>
RDP* Filing Separately	475	11	10	<b>496</b>
Head-of-Household	177,922	5,510	13,433	<b>196,865</b>
Qualifying Widow(er)	861	24	56	<b>941</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,636,507</b>	<b>79,352</b>	<b>170,579</b>	<b>1,886,438</b>

\* Registered domestic partners

**Returns–Historical Trends**

Exhibit 2 shows the trend in returns filed since 2002 for full-year resident returns, part-year resident/nonresident returns (PY/NR) and all returns. The number of returns filed generally increases each year following the continual growth in Oregon’s population. However, the number of returns filed tends to fluctuate a small amount depending on economic conditions. In times of a recession, the number of returns filed decreases slightly, as some people who filed the previous year may not have had enough income to require them to file in the current year. This trend was seen in the economic downturn 2008 to 2009. The number of returns increased slightly in 2013, continuing the increasing trend since 2010 in part due to improving economic conditions.

**Exhibit 2 - Income Tax Returns - Historical  
Full Year Resident and PY/NR Returns - 2002 to 2013**

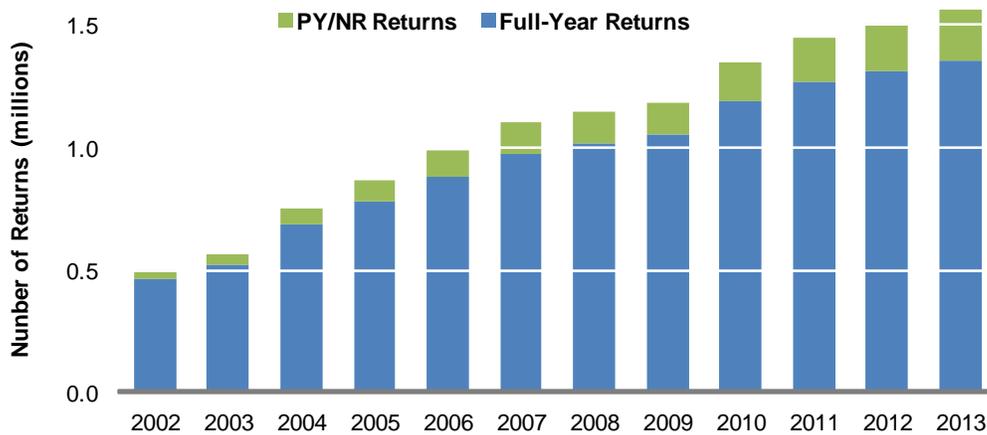


Tax Year	Oregon Population		Full-Year Returns		PY/NR Returns		All Returns	
	Number	% Change	Number	% Change	Number	% Change	Number	% Change
2002	3,471,700	1.0%	1,432,971	-0.1%	183,729	-2.9%	1,616,700	-0.4%
2003	3,504,700	1.0%	1,430,750	-0.2%	181,035	-1.5%	1,611,785	-0.3%
2004	3,541,500	1.1%	1,461,735	2.2%	191,468	5.8%	1,653,203	2.6%
2005	3,582,600	1.2%	1,495,091	2.3%	202,075	5.5%	1,697,166	2.7%
2006	3,631,440	1.4%	1,546,097	3.4%	209,471	3.7%	1,755,568	3.4%
2007	3,690,500	1.6%	1,617,135	4.6%	217,960	4.1%	1,835,095	4.5%
2008	3,745,455	1.5%	1,593,363	-1.5%	212,480	-2.5%	1,805,843	-1.6%
2009	3,791,075	1.2%	1,571,302	-1.4%	197,095	-7.2%	1,768,397	-2.1%
2010	3,823,465	0.9%	1,581,272	0.6%	210,408	6.8%	1,791,680	1.3%
2011	3,837,300	0.4%	1,599,964	1.2%	224,824	6.9%	1,824,788	1.8%
2012	3,883,735	1.2%	1,612,445	0.8%	233,812	4.0%	1,846,257	1.2%
2013	3,919,020	0.9%	1,636,507	1.5%	249,931	6.9%	1,886,438	2.2%

**Electronic Returns**

Oregon started offering electronic filing with a limited pilot project in 1993. The growth in electronic returns over time is dramatic. This growth can be attributed to a number of factors. Between 1994 and 1997, only professional tax preparers could file electronic returns and the number of electronic filers tripled from roughly 35,000 to just over 113,000. In 1998, individuals who prepared their own returns were allowed to file electronically for the first time, and growth was 45 percent. In 1999, nonresident and part-year resident filers were allowed to file electronically, further increasing the electronic filing numbers. Strong growth in electronic filing for 2004 was likely prompted by the IRS introduction of ‘e-services,’ a web incentive service for tax preparers. In 2010, the strong growth in electronic filing was most likely due to the new requirement by the IRS that professional tax preparers who prepare 100 or more returns, file federal returns electronically. In 2011, the requirement for electronic filing was tightened and now applies to preparers who prepare 10 or more returns. In addition, beginning in 2011 any filer could submit their Oregon personal income tax return online through Oregon Free Fillable Forms. Exhibit 3 illustrates the growth in electronic filing from 2002 to 2013.

**Exhibit 3 - Electronically Filed Income Tax Returns  
Full Year Resident and PY/NR Returns - 2002 to 2013**



Tax Year	Full-Year Returns		PY/NR Returns		All Returns	
	Number	% Change	Number	% Change	Number	% Change
2002	457,403	19.4%	37,062	19.0%	494,465	19.4%
2003	514,299	12.4%	44,652	20.5%	558,951	13.0%
2004	678,001	31.8%	70,329	57.5%	748,330	33.9%
2005	771,866	13.8%	88,683	26.1%	860,549	15.0%
2006	876,064	13.5%	105,422	18.9%	981,486	14.1%
2007	970,743	10.8%	125,139	18.7%	1,095,882	11.7%
2008	1,008,409	3.9%	129,348	3.4%	1,137,757	3.8%
2009	1,046,156	3.7%	130,097	0.6%	1,176,253	3.4%
2010	1,182,915	13.1%	156,854	20.6%	1,339,769	13.9%
2011	1,264,053	6.9%	176,793	12.7%	1,440,846	7.5%
2012	1,308,194	3.5%	189,665	7.3%	1,497,859	4.0%
2013	1,346,561	2.9%	209,676	10.6%	1,556,237	3.9%

In 2001, Oregon first offered 2-D barcode filing where tax return information is scanned from a barcode submitted on a paper form. The 2-D filing method is a hybrid of paper and electronic filing. Similar to paper forms, 2-D forms must be mailed to the Department of Revenue. Once received, 2-D returns are scanned into an electronic format without requiring manual data entry. Only full-year resident forms were available for 2-D filing until 2007 when nonresident and part-year resident forms were added. In the first year, only 2 percent of returns were filed using 2-D. In tax year 2006, software companies creating Oregon tax returns were required to have the 2-D barcode. The mandate increased 2-D filed returns from 12 to 21 percent and it stayed relatively constant until 2009. Since the large growth of electronically filed returns in 2010, both paper and 2D filed returns have continued to decrease.

**Exhibit 4 - Electronic, 2-D and Paper Returns**  
**All Returns - 2002 to 2013**

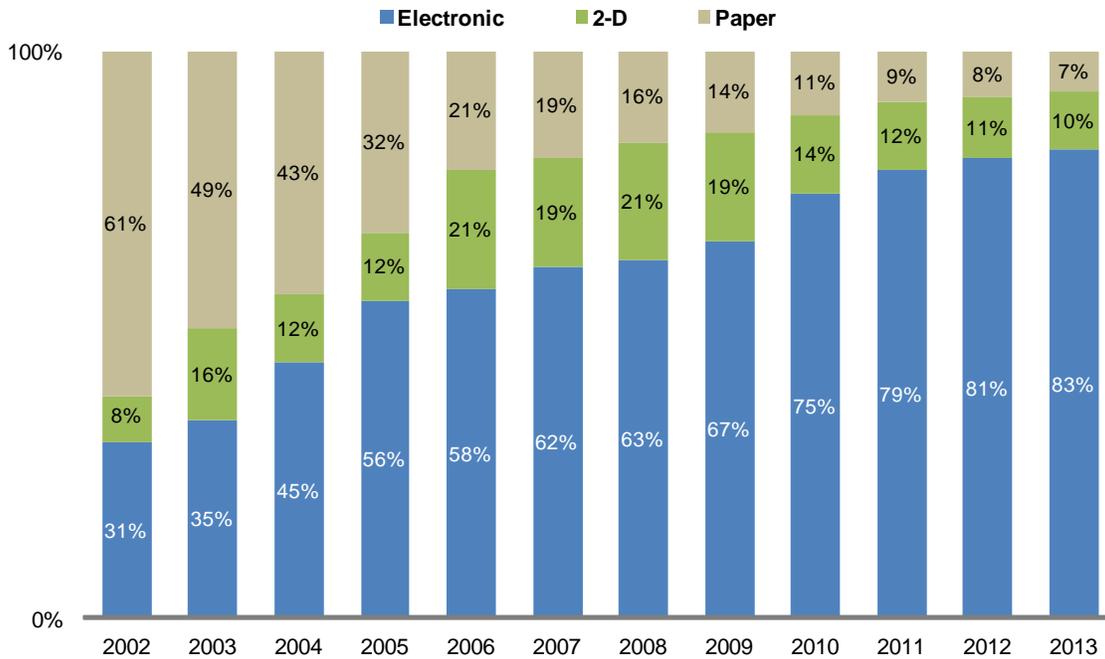
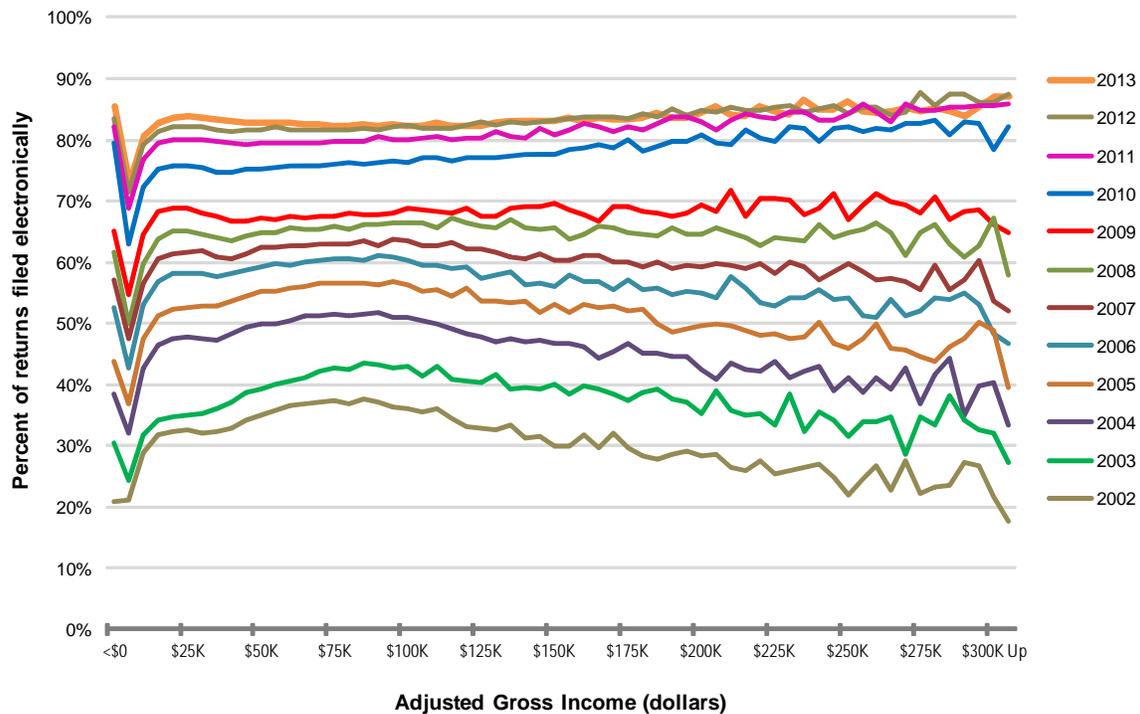


Exhibit 5 shows the percent of full-year resident electronic filers by income level for 2002 to 2013. The exhibit shows that the large increase in the percentage of electronic filers seen in 2010 occurred over all income levels. However, a proportionally higher increase is seen for very high income levels beginning at an adjusted gross income (AGI) of around \$150,000. This is most likely due to more high income tax returns prepared by professional preparers, and the new requirement by the IRS that professional tax preparers, who prepared 100 or more returns in 2010 (10 or more returns for 2011), file federal returns electronically. The increase in electronic filers for those returns that report a net income loss (<\$0 on the chart) is due to those returns being prepared by professional tax preparers more often, as those returns are generally complicated. This compares to returns that report minimal positive income that are often simple returns, and can be easily filed by paper, as seen by the dip at very low positive incomes.

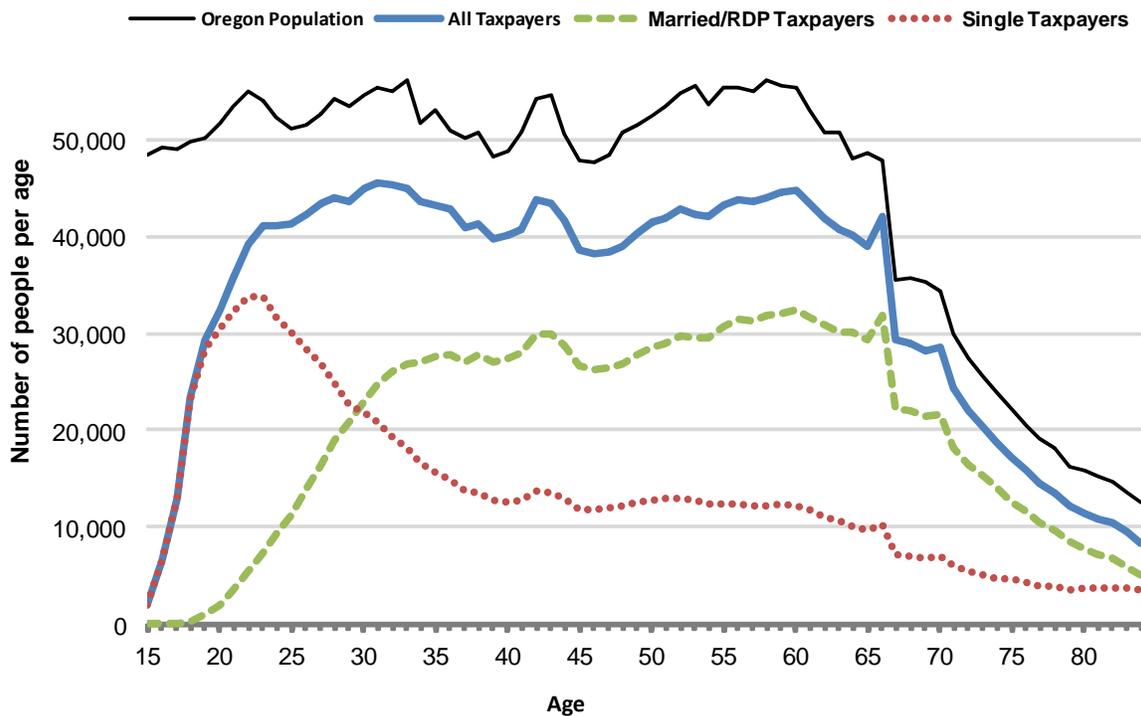
**Exhibit 5 - Percent of Returns Filed Electronically by Adjusted Gross Income**  
**All Returns - 2002 to 2013**



**Age of Taxpayers**

Exhibit 6 shows information on all returns filed by Oregon residents (full-year and part-year) by age of the taxpayer represented (includes both the primary and spouse for joint returns). The data is further subdivided to show returns filed by single and married/RDP taxpayers separately. In addition, the Oregon population is shown. It is noted the population data cannot be compared directly to the tax return data, as the population data represents the best estimated of the population on July 1, 2013, while tax return data represents all tax year 2013 Oregon resident returns submitted during calendar year 2014. However, similarities can be seen between the population and tax return data. The number of taxpayers represented by the tax returns will be less than the overall population, as there are many people that do not have enough income that will require them to file.

**Exhibit 6 - Taxpayers by Age  
Resident (Full and Part-Year) Returns - 2013**



Notes: The chart represents 2.42 million resident (full and part-year) taxpayers.  
Age is not known for less than 1 percent of taxpayers, so they are not represented.  
Oregon population age data is from the Oregon Office of Economic Analysis.

Section 2

## 2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends

Income and Tax

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Full-year residents accounted for 87 percent of the tax returns, 93 percent of Oregon AGI and 92 percent of the tax liability in 2013. Exhibit 7 is a summary of the number of returns, adjusted gross income (AGI), and Oregon tax liability by residency status, which can be determined by the type of return the taxpayer filed.

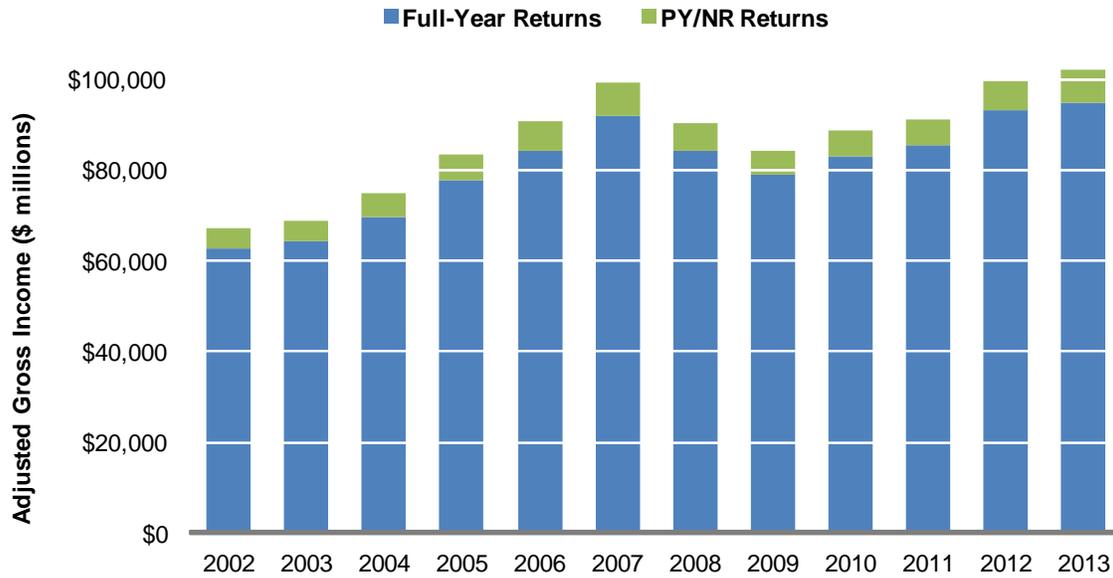
**Exhibit 7 - Returns, Adjusted Gross Income, and Tax by Residence Type**  
**All Returns - 2013**

Return Type	Returns		Adjusted Gross Income		Tax Liability	
	Number	Share	\$ (millions)	Share	\$ (millions)	Share
Full-Year (40)	1,636,507	86.8%	\$94,405.0	92.9%	\$5,457.2	92.3%
Nonresident (40N)	170,579	9.0%	\$5,058.6	5.0%	\$319.9	5.4%
Part-Year (40P)	79,352	4.2%	\$2,148.2	2.1%	\$134.0	2.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,886,438</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$101,611.7</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$5,911.1</b>	<b>100%</b>

### Oregon Adjusted Gross Income—Historical Trends

Adjusted gross income (AGI) consists of income subject to federal tax minus federal adjustments. For full-year returns, Oregon AGI equals federal AGI. For part-year residents, Oregon AGI is derived from all income while the taxpayer was a resident of Oregon. For nonresidents, Oregon AGI is derived from income sourced in Oregon. Exhibit 8 (on the following page) shows the trend in Oregon AGI since 2002 for full-year resident returns, part-year resident/nonresident returns (PY/NR) and all returns. Oregon AGI grows in most years due to Oregon's increasing taxpayer population and inflation. The exception occurs in periods of economic downturns, such as in 2008 and 2009. The total Oregon AGI increased by 2.0 percent in 2013 from the previous year to \$101.6 billion, reflecting the continually improving economic conditions.

**Exhibit 8 - Total Adjusted Gross Income - Historical Full-Year Resident and PY/NR Returns - 2002 to 2013**

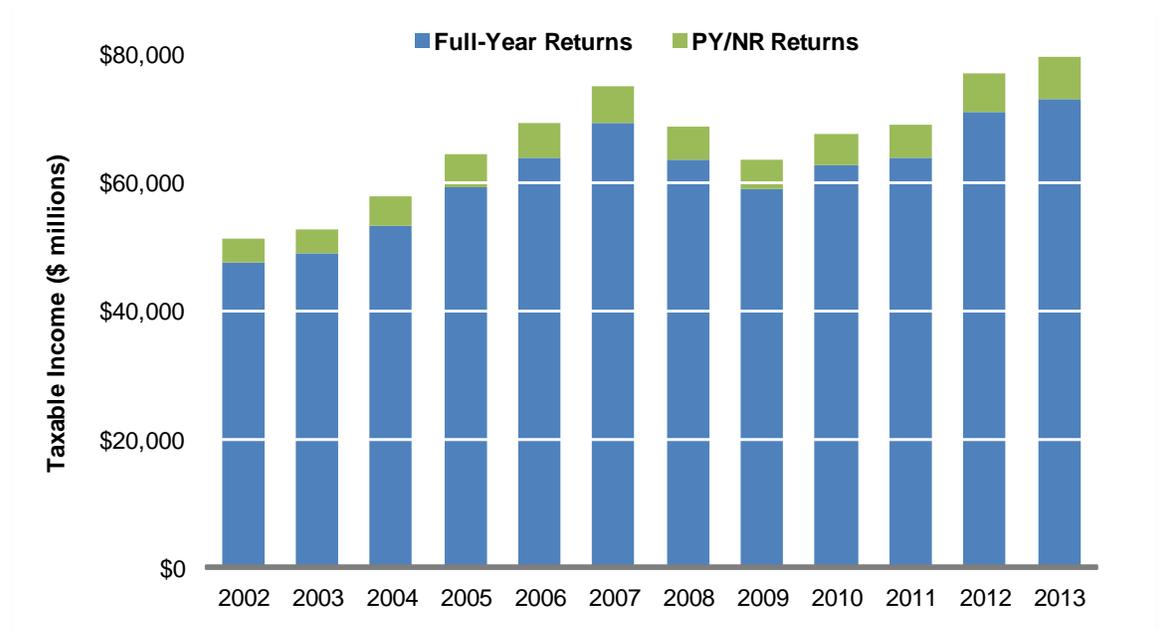


Tax Year	Full-Year Returns		PY/NR Returns		All Returns	
	AGI (\$ millions)	Percent Change	AGI (\$ millions)	Percent Change	AGI (\$ millions)	Percent Change
2002	\$62,361.0	-1.6%	\$4,263.0	-4.3%	\$66,624.0	-1.7%
2003	\$63,958.2	2.6%	\$4,506.1	5.7%	\$68,464.3	2.8%
2004	\$69,414.7	8.5%	\$5,162.4	14.6%	\$74,577.0	8.9%
2005	\$77,247.8	11.3%	\$5,810.0	12.5%	\$83,057.7	11.4%
2006	\$83,830.7	8.5%	\$6,382.7	9.9%	\$90,213.4	8.6%
2007	\$91,795.1	9.5%	\$6,950.9	8.9%	\$98,746.0	9.5%
2008	\$84,059.4	-8.4%	\$6,004.8	-13.6%	\$90,064.2	-8.8%
2009	\$78,717.4	-6.4%	\$4,962.9	-17.4%	\$83,680.4	-7.1%
2010	\$82,655.9	5.0%	\$5,602.7	12.9%	\$88,258.6	5.5%
2011	\$84,904.9	2.7%	\$6,059.3	8.1%	\$90,964.2	3.1%
2012	\$92,703.6	9.2%	\$6,918.0	14.2%	\$99,621.6	9.5%
2013	\$94,405.0	1.8%	\$7,206.8	4.2%	\$101,611.7	2.0%

**Taxable Income—Historical Trends**

Taxable income is the amount of income subject to Oregon tax and equals Oregon adjusted gross income plus additions, minus subtractions, minus allowable deductions, limited by a minimum of zero. Exhibit 9 shows the trend in Oregon taxable income since 2002 for full-year resident returns, the total of part-year resident/nonresident returns (PY/NR) and all returns. The yearly trends in the total taxable income closely track total Oregon AGI.

**Exhibit 9 - Total Taxable Income - Historical  
Full-Year Resident and PY/NR Returns - 2002 to 2013**

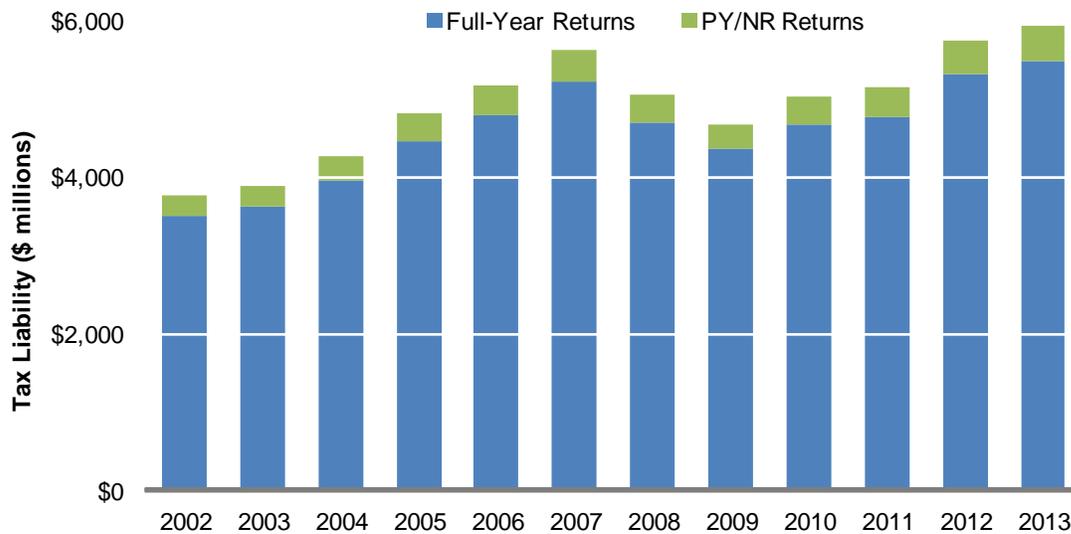


Tax Year	Full-Year Returns		PY/NR Returns		All Returns	
	Taxable Income (\$ millions)	Percent Change	Taxable Income (\$ millions)	Percent Change	Taxable Income (\$ millions)	Percent Change
2002	\$47,423.0	-1.8%	\$3,698.0	-3.4%	\$51,121.0	-1.9%
2003	\$48,693.0	2.7%	\$3,937.0	6.5%	\$52,630.0	3.0%
2004	\$53,181.0	9.2%	\$4,473.0	13.6%	\$57,654.0	9.5%
2005	\$59,232.0	11.4%	\$4,980.0	11.3%	\$64,211.0	11.4%
2006	\$63,648.0	7.5%	\$5,450.0	9.4%	\$69,098.0	7.6%
2007	\$69,035.0	8.5%	\$5,856.0	7.4%	\$74,892.0	8.4%
2008	\$63,312.0	-8.3%	\$5,108.0	-12.8%	\$68,420.0	-8.6%
2009	\$58,828.0	-7.1%	\$4,510.0	-11.7%	\$63,338.0	-7.4%
2010	\$62,439.5	6.1%	\$4,917.1	9.0%	\$67,356.7	6.3%
2011	\$63,697.3	2.0%	\$5,245.8	6.7%	\$68,943.1	2.4%
2012	\$70,782.3	11.1%	\$6,022.0	14.8%	\$76,804.3	11.4%
2013	\$72,962.2	3.1%	\$6,328.3	5.1%	\$79,290.5	3.2%

**Tax Liability—Historical Trends**

Tax liability is the amount of tax owed by a taxpayer. It is equal to the total tax reduced by non-refundable credits and further reduced by any portion of refundable credits up to the amount of remaining tax. If refundable credits exceed the amount of remaining tax, then the taxpayer has no tax liability and receives a refund for the balance. In 2013, tax liability totaled \$5.9 billion, a 3.3 percent increase from the previous year. Exhibit 10 shows the trend in total tax liability since 2002 for full-year resident returns, part-year resident/nonresident returns (PY/NR) and all returns. The yearly trends in the total tax liability closely track total Oregon AGI.

**Exhibit 10 - Total Personal Income Tax Liability - Historical Full-Year Resident and PY/NR Returns - 2002 to 2013**



Tax Year	Full-Year Returns		PY/NR Returns		All Returns	
	Tax (\$ millions)	Percent Change	Tax (\$ millions)	Percent Change	Tax (\$ millions)	Percent Change
2002	\$3,484.0	-2.3%	\$257.0	-4.5%	\$3,741.0	-2.5%
2003	\$3,588.2	3.0%	\$269.4	4.8%	\$3,857.6	3.1%
2004	\$3,939.4	9.8%	\$305.8	13.5%	\$4,245.2	10.0%
2005	\$4,437.5	12.6%	\$348.4	13.9%	\$4,785.8	12.7%
2006	\$4,775.0	7.6%	\$375.9	7.9%	\$5,151.0	7.6%
2007	\$5,184.8	8.6%	\$414.8	10.3%	\$5,599.6	8.7%
2008	\$4,658.9	-10.1%	\$357.6	-13.8%	\$5,016.5	-10.4%
2009	\$4,337.7	-6.9%	\$318.5	-10.9%	\$4,656.2	-7.2%
2010	\$4,646.2	7.1%	\$353.2	10.9%	\$4,999.4	7.4%
2011	\$4,749.4	2.2%	\$378.4	7.1%	\$5,127.8	2.6%
2012	\$5,288.4	11.3%	\$434.7	14.9%	\$5,723.0	11.6%
2013	\$5,457.2	3.2%	\$453.9	4.4%	\$5,911.1	3.3%

**Effective Tax Rates**

Exhibit 11 shows tax as a percent of AGI, and tax as a percent of taxable income for full-year resident filers in 2013, as compared to the filer's level of adjusted gross income, separately for single and joint filers.

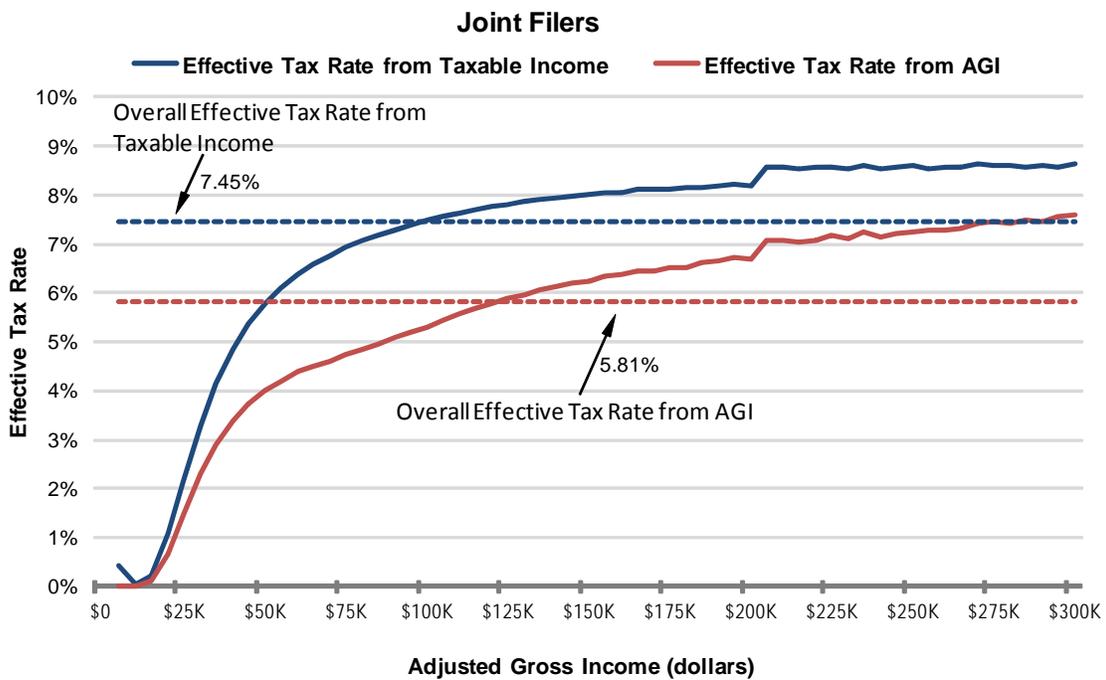
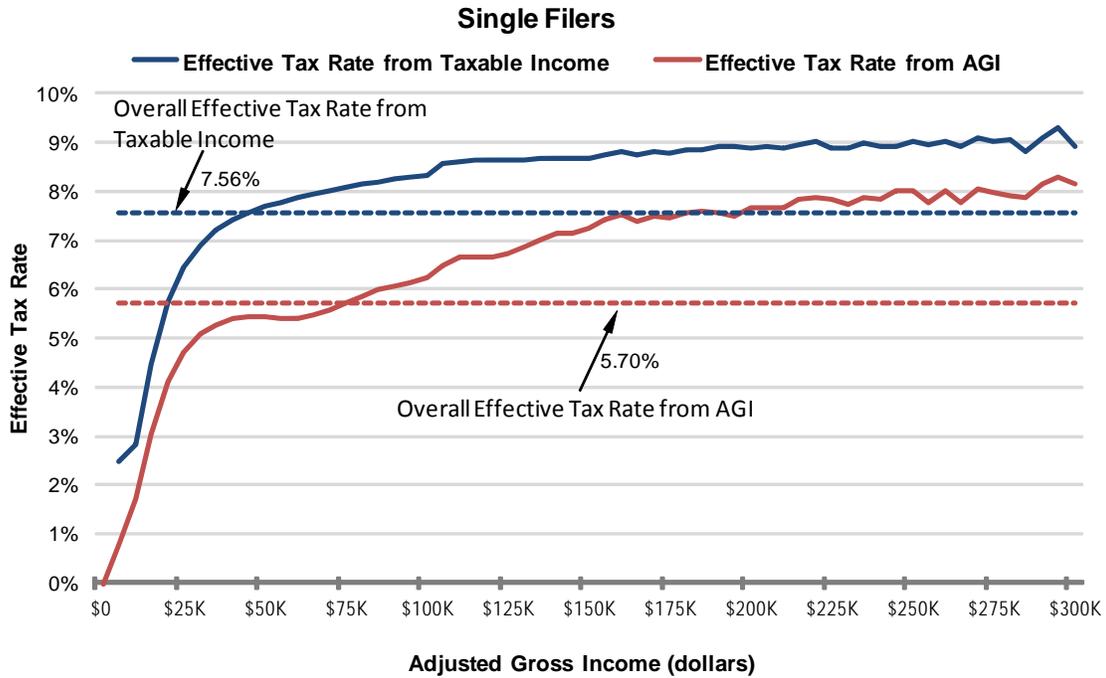
Tax as a percent of AGI (lower curve on both charts) provides the tax rate necessary to apply to AGI to raise the same amount of revenue as current tax law. It essentially averages all deductions and credits used across all filers. The effective tax rate is influenced significantly by subtractions and deductions (standard and itemized), which lower it. The effective tax rate is greater for higher income taxpayers because the magnitude of additions and subtractions is relatively less, while at the same time a greater share of their income is taxed at 9 percent (or 9.9 percent if the taxpayer has income in that bracket).

The top curve (on both charts) shows the tax as a percent of taxable income. It has the same general shape as the bottom curve, just shifted up on the percent axis because it is only reduced by tax credits. The rate increases quickly and then gradually approaches 9.9 percent, beyond the limits of this chart. The effective rate cannot reach 9.9 percent, because even the highest income taxpayers have some income taxed at the 5, 7, and 9 percent rates.

An overall effective tax rate is the required rate necessary to raise the same amount of revenue as current tax law, if the tax rate was a flat percentage applied to AGI or taxable income. An overall effective tax rate derived from AGI of 5.70 percent for single filers and 5.81 percent for joint filers, and an overall effective tax rate derived from taxable income of 7.56 percent for single filers and 7.45 percent for joint filers are shown in Exhibit 11 for reference.

There are a couple interesting features to note from the charts. The jump in the curves at an AGI of \$100,000 for single filers and at an AGI of \$200,000 for joint filers is because the personal exemption credit is not allowed above those income values and hence the effective tax rate increase when one can no longer reduce their tax with the personal exemption credit. On the effective rate curve from AGI for single filers the tax rate actually goes regressive between AGIs of about \$50,000 to \$65,000. This is a consequence of interaction between Oregon's income tax brackets and the federal tax brackets when filers claim the subtraction for a federal tax liability. This effect is further enhanced for single filers because they effectively have twice the limit of federal tax liability they are allowed to subtract compared to joint filers. The actual limit is the same for both groups, so for joint filers the limit per taxpayer is half that.

**Exhibit 11 - Effective Tax Rates Derived from AGI and Taxable Income  
Single and Joint Full-Year Resident Returns - 2013**



**Distribution of Returns, Income, and Tax by AGI Level**

Exhibit 12 shows total Oregon AGI and total tax liability by AGI quintile for 2012 and 2013. A quintile represents a subset of a database that contains 20 percent of all records; it is determined by arranging the records from the lowest income to the highest income and then dividing the data into five equally sized subsets. The fifth quintile is subdivided into the first 15 percent of this quintile, the next four percent and top one percent.

In 2013, the top one percent of full-year filers accounted for 19.2 percent of the total tax liability.

**Exhibit 12 - Income and Tax Liability by AGI Quintiles  
Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 and 2013**

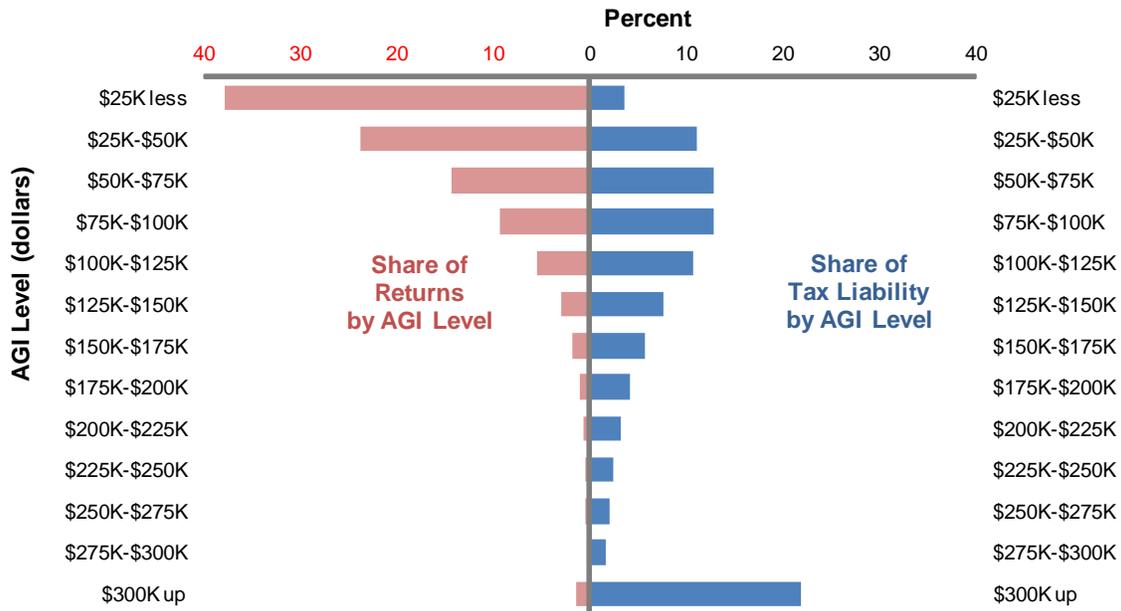
Quintile	Approximate AGI Range in 2013 (dollars)	Total AGI (\$ millions)		Total Tax Liability (\$ millions)		% Total Tax Liability	
		2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
Lowest 20%	Below \$13K	\$177.2	\$261.5	\$29.0	\$30.7	0.5%	0.6%
Second 20%	\$13K-\$27K	\$6,113.8	\$6,372.6	\$183.8	\$195.4	3.5%	3.6%
Middle 20%	\$27K-\$48K	\$11,383.9	\$11,851.6	\$483.8	\$513.2	9.1%	9.4%
Fourth 20%	\$48K-\$84K	\$20,114.4	\$20,973.3	\$964.1	\$1,030.7	18.2%	18.9%
Next 15%	\$84K-\$160K	\$26,405.3	\$27,625.9	\$1,496.4	\$1,615.0	28.3%	29.6%
Next 4%	\$160K-\$350K	\$13,940.6	\$14,367.6	\$963.3	\$1,024.0	18.2%	18.8%
Top 1%	above \$350K	\$14,568.5	\$12,952.5	\$1,167.9	\$1,048.1	22.1%	19.2%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$92,703.6</b>	<b>\$94,405.0</b>	<b>\$5,288.4</b>	<b>\$5,457.2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Notes: Each quintile contains one-fifth of the total number of full-year resident returns, which is approximately 320,000.  
The AGI breakpoints between the quintiles were slightly less for tax year 2012.

Exhibit 13 (on the following page) shows the percentage of full-year resident returns (left chart) and the percentage of total tax liability (right chart) by AGI levels for 2013.

Nearly 62 percent of filers reported AGI less than \$50,000 in 2013. This group contributed less than 15 percent of the total tax liability. Filers with AGI above \$300,000 represented only 1.4 percent of total returns, but contributed nearly 22 percent of total tax liability in 2013.

**Exhibit 13 - Returns and Tax Liability by AGI Level**  
**Full-Year Resident Returns - 2013**



AGI Level (dollars)	Returns		Tax Liability	
	Number	Share	\$ (millions)	Share
Below \$25,000	619,909	37.9%	\$193.2	3.5%
\$25,000 - \$50,000	389,727	23.8%	\$609.6	11.2%
\$50,000 - \$75,000	234,610	14.3%	\$702.1	12.9%
\$75,000 - \$100,000	152,959	9.3%	\$698.3	12.8%
\$100,000 - \$125,000	90,474	5.5%	\$584.8	10.7%
\$125,000 - \$150,000	49,586	3.0%	\$420.2	7.7%
\$150,000 - \$175,000	29,210	1.8%	\$308.1	5.6%
\$175,000 - \$200,000	17,818	1.1%	\$224.1	4.1%
\$200,000 - \$225,000	11,811	0.7%	\$179.2	3.3%
\$225,000 - \$250,000	8,003	0.5%	\$137.6	2.5%
\$250,000 - \$275,000	5,984	0.4%	\$116.1	2.1%
\$275,000 - \$300,000	4,300	0.3%	\$93.3	1.7%
Above \$300,000	22,116	1.4%	\$1,190.6	21.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,636,507</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$5,457.2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### Distribution of Returns and Tax by Oregon Tax Brackets

Exhibit 14 shows the number of filers in each tax bracket and the total tax liability by those filers in each tax bracket. A portion of the income of a taxpayer who falls in a tax bracket with a rate of 7 percent or above is taxed at the lower rate(s). Note that there were just over 130,000 returns with no taxable income. There are several reasons why taxpayers file returns that report no taxable income for Oregon. The taxpayer may have had negative income, such as business losses offset other positive income and the taxpayer had withholding or made estimated payments and was due a refund, and/or the taxpayer claimed refundable credits such as the Oregon earned income credit and/or the working family credit. Also, if a taxpayer is required to file federally, they are required to file for Oregon, even if they have no taxable income.

**Exhibit 14 - Returns and Tax by Oregon Tax Brackets**  
**Full-Year Resident Returns - 2013**

Taxable Income: Single or Married/RDP Filing Separately (all others double the amount)		Tax Bracket	Returns		Tax Liability	
			Number	Share	(millions)	Share
\$0	No Taxable Income		130,659	8.0%	\$0.0	0%
\$1- \$3,250	5%		122,570	7.5%	\$2.2	0.04%
\$3,251-\$8,150	7%		210,760	12.9%	\$32.6	0.6%
\$8,151-\$125,000	9%		1,139,532	69.6%	\$4,042.9	74.1%
over \$125,000	9.9%		32,986	2.0%	\$1,379.5	25.3%
<b>Total</b>			<b>1,636,507</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$5,457.2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### Types of Income

Exhibit 15 (on the following page) shows the types of income from the federal tax forms for 2012 and 2013 with the corresponding number of returns that claimed that type of income, the average amount claimed per return, and the total amount of that type of income for full-year resident filers. Note for several types of income (capital gain, other gain, business income, rents/partnerships/S corps, and farm income), it is possible for an individual return to report loss, represented by a negative number. As shown in Exhibit 15, wages are the dominant source of income, representing \$64.3 billion of the \$96.1 billion of total gross income, or 67 percent of the total in 2013. Income from dividends and capital gains decreased in 2013 due to some taxpayers that were able to realize these types of income at the end of 2012, rather than wait for 2013 to take advantage of lower federal tax rates in 2012.

**Exhibit 15 - Types of Income**  
**Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 and 2013**

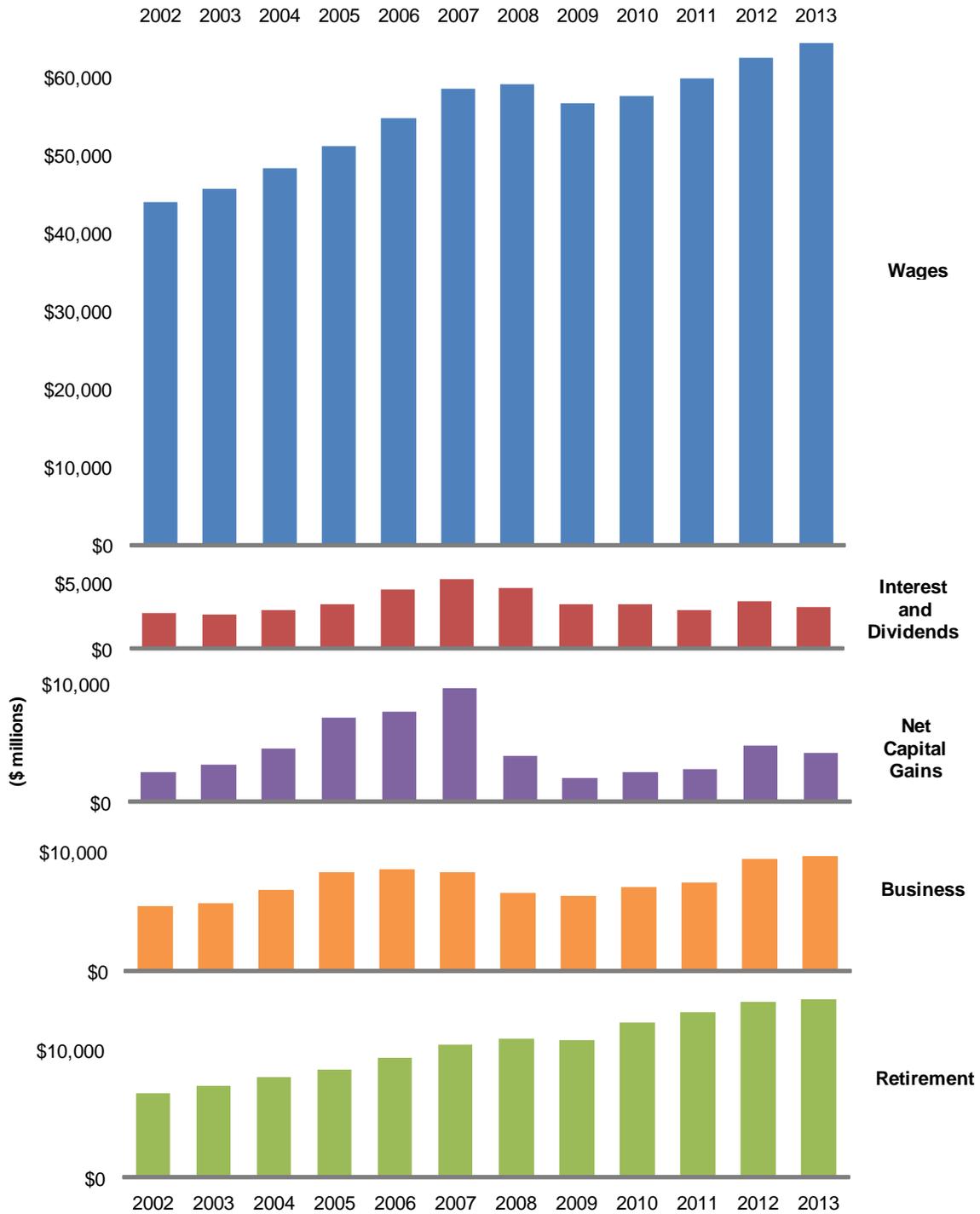
Income Type	Number of Returns		Average (\$)		Total (\$ millions)		% Change
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	
Wages, Salaries, Tips	1,290,502	1,293,481	\$48,404	\$49,731	\$62,465.9	\$64,326.8	3.0%
Interest	549,228	510,355	\$2,089	\$1,973	\$1,147.6	\$1,006.7	-12.3%
Dividends	338,662	334,981	\$7,239	\$6,290	\$2,451.4	\$2,106.9	-14.1%
Capital Gain (loss)	302,455	318,805	\$16,116	\$13,231	\$4,874.2	\$4,218.2	-13.5%
Other Gain (loss)	30,623	31,397	-\$3,797	-\$2,246	-\$116.3	-\$70.5	39.4%
Business income (loss)	242,262	241,839	\$13,460	\$13,982	\$3,260.7	\$3,381.4	3.7%
Rent, Part., S Corp (income or loss)	227,827	230,731	\$27,124	\$27,022	\$6,179.6	\$6,234.8	0.9%
IRA distributions	186,816	186,496	\$16,134	\$15,867	\$3,014.2	\$2,959.1	-1.8%
Pensions	325,949	326,212	\$23,708	\$24,514	\$7,727.6	\$7,996.8	3.5%
Social Security benefits	238,216	249,557	\$12,647	\$13,195	\$3,012.7	\$3,292.9	9.3%
Unemployment compensation	177,858	141,589	\$5,951	\$5,457	\$1,058.5	\$772.7	-27.0%
Farm income (loss)	30,915	30,442	-\$5,809	-\$5,853	-\$179.6	-\$178.2	0.8%
State tax refunds	410,120	389,720	\$1,206	\$1,227	\$494.6	\$478.1	-3.3%
Alimony	8,373	8,478	\$17,021	\$17,710	\$142.5	\$150.1	5.4%
Other income (loss)	134,890	157,673	-\$8,700	-\$3,390	-\$1,173.6	-\$534.6	54.4%
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$94,360.1</b>	<b>\$96,141.3</b>	<b>1.9%</b>

### Categories of Income—Historical

This section discusses the income reported on federal forms historically for similar income types grouped into categories. Exhibit 16 (on the following page) shows these income categories for tax years 2002 through 2013 for full-year resident filers. The interest and dividend income category is comprised of passive types of investments. The category of net capital gains includes capital gains and other gains income. In addition to business income, the business category includes rent, partnerships and S corporation income. The retirement category includes pension income, Social Security income, and IRA distributions. The remaining miscellaneous types of income, including unemployment, farm, state tax refunds, alimony and other income account for a less than \$0.7 billion (or less than a percent) of the total gross income in 2013 and are not included in this exhibit.

Wage income, investment income, capital gains and business income, in general, follow the trends of economic conditions, with capital gains being the most sensitive. Because of the volatility of capital gain income, its share of gross income changes greatly. In 2013, capital gains accounted for 4.3 percent of the total gross income, but that amount has varied since 2001 from a low of 2.5 percent in 2009 to a high of 10.3 percent in 2007. Retirement income shows a fairly steady increase. Retirement income's share of total income has slowly increased from 10.9 percent in 2002 to 14.8 percent in 2013.

**Exhibit 16 - Categories of Income - Historical Full-Year Resident Returns - 2002 to 2013**



## Section 3

# 2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends

## Adjustments

Adjustments are deductions that all filers may take if they qualify, regardless of whether they itemize deductions. They are found on federal Forms 1040 and 1040A and are subtracted from net income when computing federal AGI. Because Oregon ties to federal taxable income, most of these adjustments are allowed for Oregon with a few exceptions. For example, the domestic production activities adjustment allowed on federal returns is not permitted for Oregon.

### Types of Adjustments

Exhibit 17 shows the types of federal adjustments to net income claimed on full-year returns in 2012 and 2013 with the corresponding number of returns claiming the adjustment, the average claimed, and total amount for full-year resident filers.

**Exhibit 17 - Federal Adjustments  
Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 and 2013**

Adjustment	Number of Returns		Average (\$)		Total (\$ millions)		% Change
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	
Self-Emp Health Insurance	66,835	67,477	\$5,963	\$5,964	\$398.5	\$402.4	1.0%
Self-Employment Tax	191,110	192,366	\$1,561	\$1,605	\$298.3	\$308.8	3.5%
SEP, SIMPLE	12,138	12,582	\$19,098	\$19,515	\$231.8	\$245.5	5.9%
IRA Contributions	38,535	40,337	\$4,412	\$4,750	\$170.0	\$191.6	12.7%
Alimony Paid	10,273	10,475	\$15,132	\$15,461	\$155.4	\$162.0	4.2%
Student Loan Interest	146,711	154,119	\$966	\$994	\$141.7	\$153.1	8.1%
Domestic Production	9,890	10,760	\$13,873	\$13,885	\$137.2	\$149.4	8.9%
Tuition and Fees	27,394	25,017	\$2,168	\$2,158	\$59.4	\$54.0	-9.1%
Health Savings Accounts	12,112	13,239	\$3,033	\$3,067	\$36.7	\$40.6	10.5%
Moving Expenses	6,902	8,033	\$1,873	\$1,827	\$12.9	\$14.7	13.6%
Educator Expenses	33,050	33,389	\$241	\$241	\$8.0	\$8.0	0.9%
Employee Business Expenses	1,522	1,660	\$2,601	\$2,788	\$4.0	\$4.6	16.9%
Penalty on Early Withdrawal	7,049	5,863	\$226	\$246	\$1.6	\$1.4	-9.7%
Other/Unknown	1,240	4	\$780	\$4,268	\$1.0	\$0.0	-98.2%
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$1,656.6</b>	<b>\$1,736.3</b>	<b>4.8%</b>

The three adjustments associated with self-employment (self-employment tax, self-employment health insurance, and tax deferred SEP and SIMPLE plans) together account for about 55 percent of total dollar amount of adjustments claimed.

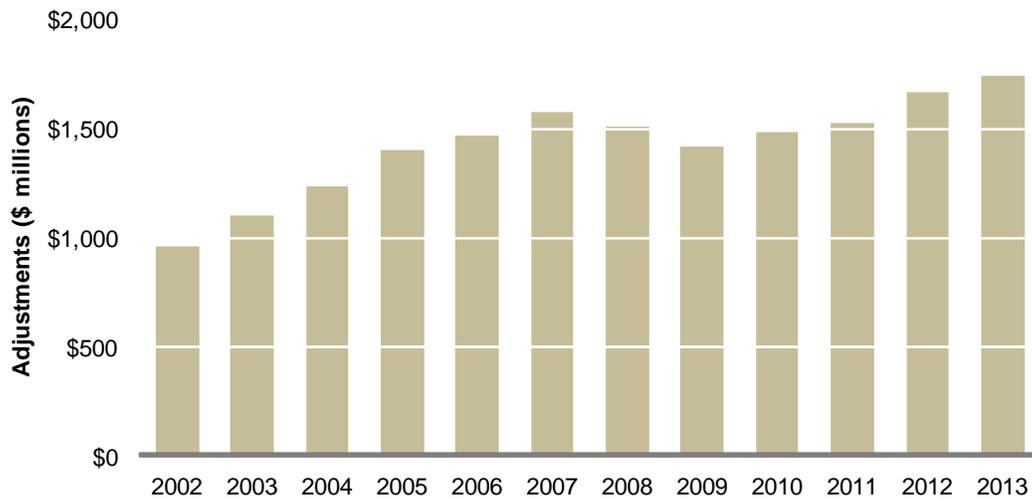
The most frequently claimed deduction was for federal self-employment taxes. Taxpayers who are self-employed are required to pay their own Social Security and Medicare taxes. These payments, called self-employment taxes, are the taxes that are shared between an employer and employee for those who are not self-employed. The deduction allows self-employed taxpayers to subtract half of these taxes (the employer portion) from their gross income. Oregonians deducted \$309 million of self-employment taxes for tax year 2013.

For full-year returns, the total adjustments in 2013 increased by 4.8 percent from the total adjustments in 2012.

**Adjustments—Historical**

Exhibit 18 shows the trend in total federal adjustments since 2002 for full-year resident returns. The yearly trend in the total federal adjustments closely tracks the total Oregon AGI. Since 2003, the percentage of the total federal adjustments compared to the Oregon AGI has remained fairly constant, around 1.7 to 1.8 percent.

**Exhibit 18 - Total Federal Adjustments - Historical  
Full-Year Resident Returns - 2002 to 2013**



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### Additions and Subtractions

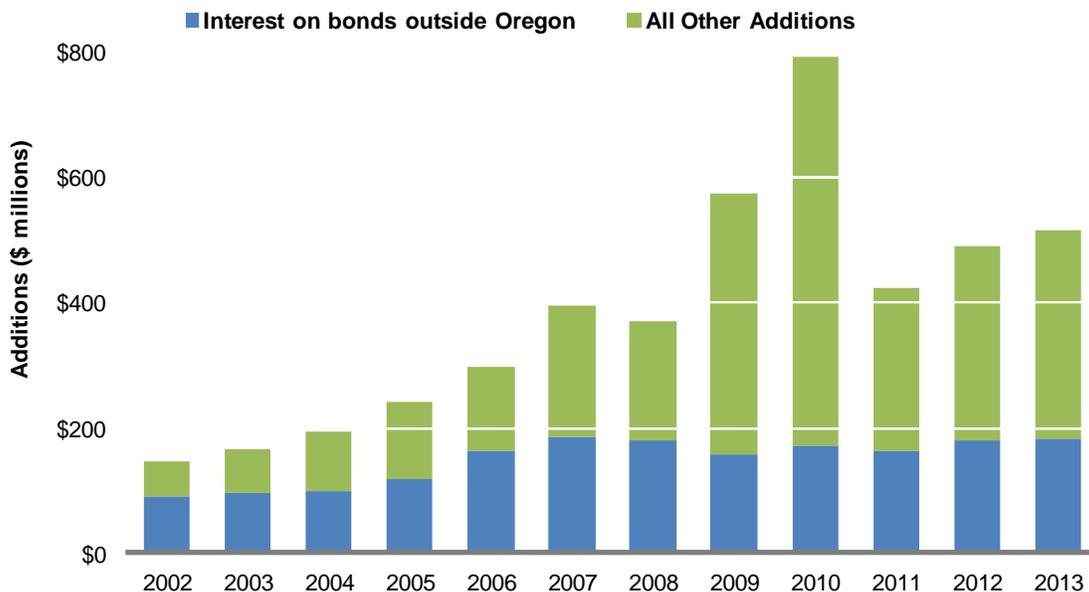
Additions represent income not taxed by the federal government but taxed by Oregon and federal deductions to AGI that are not allowed for Oregon. Subtractions represent income taxed by the federal government but not taxed by Oregon and Oregon deductions to AGI that are not allowed federally.

#### Additions

Exhibit 19 shows that additions over the decade have more than tripled from \$145 million in 2002 to \$514 million in 2013. In 2009 and 2010, total additions increased significantly due to the Oregon disconnection from the IRS rules for depreciating and expensing business property. Taxpayers who claimed the 50 percent bonus depreciation, the \$8,000 additional depreciation, or used the higher expensing amounts allowed under Section 179 on their federal income tax return were not allowed to take these deductions for Oregon and were required to add them back to federal AGI. This new addition accounted for approximately \$230 million of the total additions in 2009 and for approximately \$350 million in 2010. Excluding 2009 and 2010, the largest addition is from income on interest and dividends on state and local government bonds outside Oregon.

Although total additions are small relative to gross income or subtractions, they are high for some returns. Some taxpayers pay a significant amount of Oregon income tax due solely to Oregon additions. Without the additions, they would have little or no tax liability.

**Exhibit 19 - Oregon Additions - Historical Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 to 2013**

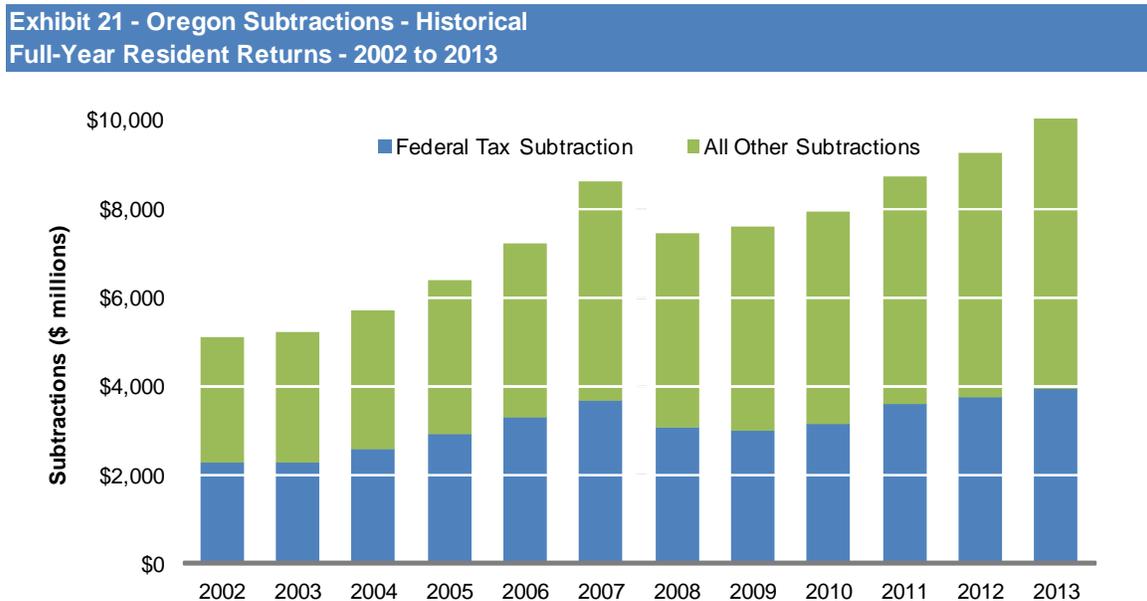


**Subtractions**

For each major subtraction, Exhibit 20 shows the number of returns claimed, the average amount per return, and total amount of the subtraction claimed in 2012 and 2013.

<b>Exhibit 20 - Oregon Subtractions</b>							
<b>Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 and 2013</b>							
<b>Subtraction</b>	<b>Number of Returns</b>		<b>Average (\$)</b>		<b>Total (\$ millions)</b>		<b>% Change</b>
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	
Federal Tax	1,081,396	1,109,446	\$3,491	\$3,545	\$3,775.0	\$3,945.7	4.5%
Social Security	237,849	249,558	\$12,659	\$13,149	\$3,011.0	\$3,292.9	9.4%
Federal Pension	42,171	41,980	\$23,251	\$23,435	\$980.5	\$983.3	0.3%
Income Tax Refunds	399,138	378,991	\$1,185	\$1,154	\$473.1	\$456.1	-3.6%
Elderly Medical	0	254,294	\$0	\$1,573	\$0.0	\$399.6	NA
Military Pay	12,764	13,384	\$19,294	\$20,932	\$246.3	\$280.0	13.7%
Tuition and Fees	102,906	102,716	\$2,671	\$2,669	\$274.8	\$274.3	-0.2%
Oregon 529	30,559	33,673	\$2,713	\$2,795	\$82.9	\$94.3	13.8%
U.S. Bonds	49,112	46,372	\$1,654	\$1,468	\$81.2	\$69.3	-14.7%
Other subtractions	83,316	81,484	\$4,323	\$3,389	\$360.2	\$312.2	-13.3%
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$9,285.1</b>	<b>\$10,107.7</b>	<b>8.9%</b>

Exhibit 21 shows Oregon total subtractions generally increasing since 2002. Because the federal income tax subtraction historically represents nearly half of all subtractions, it is shown separately in the exhibit. There was an increase in total subtractions in 2013 of 8.9 percent. Some of this increase was due to the additional deduction that was allowed for medical expenses of elderly taxpayers being converted to a subtraction beginning in tax year 2013 (see next section: Deductions).



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## Deductions

In general, taxpayers who itemize their federal deductions also itemize their Oregon deductions. The most significant of these deductions are home mortgage interest, local income and property taxes, charitable contributions, and qualified medical expenses.

When taxpayers itemize deductions, Oregon allows the same deductions as allowed federally with one exception; Oregon does not allow a deduction for Oregon state income taxes. The additional deduction that was allowed for medical expenses of elderly taxpayers was converted to a subtraction beginning in tax year 2013 (see previous section: Subtractions).

While most filers use the same deduction type on both the federal and Oregon returns, some taxpayers will itemize deductions only for the federal return or only for the Oregon return, but not both. The exception can occur if a significant share of the federal itemized amount is due to Oregon state income taxes. In this case, some filers find that their Oregon standard deduction is greater than the total of their other itemized deductions. Alternatively, since the Oregon standard deduction (\$2,080 single filer, \$4,160 joint filer in 2013) is much lower than the federal standard deduction (\$6,200 single filer, \$12,400 joint filer in 2013), some filers itemized their deductions for Oregon only.

In 2013, 46.8 percent of filers itemized their deductions, accounting for about 83 percent of the nearly \$14.6 billion in total deductions. The remaining filers claimed their allowed standard deduction. The conversion of the additional deduction that was allowed for medical expenses of elderly taxpayers to a subtraction caused a decrease in 2013 in both the number and dollar amount of total itemized deductions.

Exhibit 22 shows the number of returns, average per return, and total amount of the deductions claimed in 2012 and 2013.

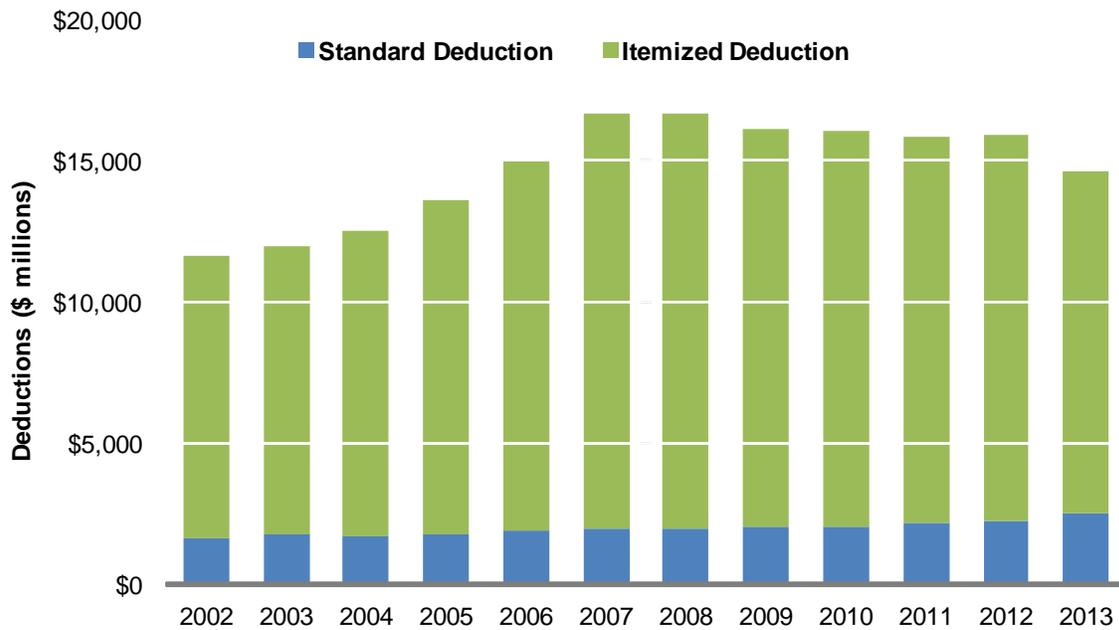
**Exhibit 22 - Oregon Deductions**  
**Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 and 2013**

Deduction	Number of Returns		Average (\$)		Total (\$ millions)		
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	% Change
Standard	817,730	869,840	\$2,765	\$2,879	\$2,261.3	\$2,504.2	10.7%
<i>Itemized</i>							
Total federal	796,362	769,425	\$21,719	\$21,800	\$17,296.6	\$16,773.5	-3.0%
State income tax	717,989	695,885	\$6,444	\$6,711	\$4,626.8	\$4,670.1	0.9%
Net federal*	793,844	766,186	\$15,947	\$15,773	\$12,659.7	\$12,084.7	-4.5%
Special Medical	263,698	0	\$3,650	\$0	\$962.6	\$0.0	NA
<i>Total itemized</i>	<i>794,715</i>	<i>766,667</i>	<i>\$17,141</i>	<i>\$15,763</i>	<i>\$13,622.4</i>	<i>\$12,084.7</i>	<i>-11.3%</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,612,445</b>	<b>1,636,507</b>	<b>\$9,851</b>	<b>\$8,915</b>	<b>\$15,883.7</b>	<b>\$14,588.9</b>	<b>-8.2%</b>

\*Federal itemized deductions reduced by state income tax deduction.

Exhibit 23 shows the total amount filers claimed as either a standard deduction or itemized deductions on their Oregon returns. The percentage of filers who itemize hovered close to 50 percent until 2013 when it dropped to close to 47 percent. The decrease in taxpayers who itemized their deductions was mainly due to the additional deduction that was allowed for medical expenses of elderly taxpayers being converted to a subtraction beginning in tax year 2013.

**Exhibit 23 - Oregon Deductions - Historical Full-Year Resident Returns - 2002 to 2013**



Tax Year	Standard Deduction		Itemized Deduction		Total Deductions (\$ millions)
	Total (\$ millions)	Share of Filers	Total (\$ millions)	Share of Filers	
2002	\$1,630.7	50.3%	\$9,950.3	49.7%	\$11,580.9
2003	\$1,793.4	50.4%	\$10,146.9	49.6%	\$11,940.3
2004	\$1,694.9	49.2%	\$10,791.4	50.8%	\$12,486.4
2005	\$1,770.0	49.0%	\$11,796.7	51.0%	\$13,566.7
2006	\$1,899.5	49.3%	\$13,121.9	50.7%	\$15,021.4
2007	\$1,965.5	49.3%	\$14,640.3	50.7%	\$16,605.8
2008	\$1,986.6	49.2%	\$14,604.4	50.8%	\$16,590.9
2009	\$2,034.3	48.6%	\$14,069.3	51.4%	\$16,103.6
2010	\$2,066.6	48.9%	\$13,952.2	51.1%	\$16,018.8
2011	\$2,162.0	50.0%	\$13,630.7	50.0%	\$15,792.7
2012	\$2,261.3	50.7%	\$13,622.4	49.3%	\$15,883.7
2013	\$2,504.2	53.2%	\$12,084.7	46.8%	\$14,588.9

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# 2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends

## Credits

A tax credit reduces tax liability on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Most credits are not refundable, which means they can only be used to reduce tax liability to zero. If a filer has more nonrefundable credits than tax liability, the excess credits are not used unless they can be carried forward to the next tax year. If the taxpayer has refundable credits exceeding the tax liability (after subtracting nonrefundable credits), the taxpayer receives a payment for the excess portion of the refundable credit.

### Credits Claimed, Credits Used

Exhibit 24 shows the credits claimed and the amount actually used to reduce tax liability by full-year return filers in 2013 categorized by nonrefundable and refundable credits. Generally, the higher the percent used of a particular credit means that the taxpayers claiming that credit had greater tax liabilities as compared to the value of the credit. All nonrefundable credits with a total amount claimed of at least \$0.5 million are shown. Credits with a total amount claimed of less than \$0.5 million, such as the elderly and disabled credit, are included in the 'other' category.

**Exhibit 24 - Oregon Credits Claimed and Used  
Full-Year Resident Returns - 2013**

	Number of Claims	Average (\$)		Total (\$ millions)		Percent Used
		Amount Claimed	Amount Used	Amount Claimed	Amount Used	
<i>Nonrefundable Credits</i>						
Personal Exemption	1,481,962	\$395	\$351	\$585.2	\$520.2	88.9%
Business Energy*	1,800	\$23,728	\$19,709	\$42.7	\$35.5	83.1%
Income Taxes Paid to Another State	17,749	\$2,319	\$2,315	\$41.2	\$41.1	99.8%
Residential Energy*	16,092	\$787	\$718	\$12.7	\$11.6	91.3%
Child and Dependent Care*	39,176	\$291	\$221	\$11.4	\$8.7	75.9%
Long-term Care Insurance	36,034	\$312	\$267	\$11.2	\$9.6	85.5%
Oregon Production Investment Fund*	372	\$24,926	\$23,492	\$9.3	\$8.7	94.2%
Rural Medical Practice	1,684	\$5,092	\$4,840	\$8.6	\$8.1	95.0%
IDA Donation*	780	\$10,003	\$9,505	\$7.8	\$7.4	95.0%
Business Credits from Flow-through Entity	749	\$8,356	\$7,328	\$6.3	\$5.5	87.7%
Political Contributions	90,511	\$69	\$65	\$6.2	\$5.9	94.0%
Oregon Cultral Trust Donation	6,968	\$522	\$507	\$3.6	\$3.5	97.2%
Biomass Production/Collection*	128	\$27,287	\$23,405	\$3.5	\$3.0	85.8%
Agricultural Workforce Housing*	97	\$16,107	\$10,421	\$1.6	\$1.0	64.7%
Retirement	5,421	\$282	\$138	\$1.5	\$0.7	48.9%
Office of Child Care Contributions*	137	\$4,905	\$4,357	\$0.7	\$0.6	88.8%
Renewable Energy Contributions*	83	\$7,929	\$7,320	\$0.7	\$0.6	92.3%
Pollution Control Facilities*	122	\$4,538	\$3,295	\$0.6	\$0.4	72.6%
University Venture Fund	83	\$6,623	\$6,419	\$0.5	\$0.5	96.9%
Other credits	3,233	\$525	\$332	\$1.7	\$1.1	63.3%
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,703,181</i>			<i>\$756.9</i>	<i>\$673.8</i>	<i>89.0%</i>
<i>Refundable Credits**:</i>						
Earned Income	265,552	\$125	\$125	\$33.3	\$33.3	100.0%
Working Family Child Care	25,224	\$833	\$833	\$21.0	\$21.0	100.0%
Mobile Home Park Closure	28	\$248	\$248	\$0.01	\$0.01	100.0%
<i>Total</i>	<i>290,804</i>			<i>\$54.3</i>	<i>\$54.3</i>	<i>100.0%</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,993,985</b>			<b>\$811.2</b>	<b>\$728.1</b>	<b>89.8%</b>

\* Any unused portion may be carried forward to succeeding tax years (up to 3-9 years depending on the particular credit).

\*\* Does not include fewer than 20 filers each who claimed the claim of right income repayment credit or the wolf depreciation credit.

The personal exemption credit was the most widely claimed credit with nearly 1.5 million full-year filers claiming a total of \$585 million. The personal exemption credit is available to nearly all filers, except those who are claimed as a dependent on another tax return. About 89 percent of the credit amount was used with the remaining 11 percent unused because credits claimed exceeded the tax liability.

The business energy tax credit (\$42.7 million claimed and \$35.5 million used) and credit for income tax paid to another state (\$41.2 million claimed and \$41.1 million used) were the next two highest credits in terms of total dollar amount claimed and used. After the personal exemption credit, the political contribution credit with about 90,000 claims was the next highest in terms of the number of claims.

### **Refundable Credits**

The working family child care credit, Oregon earned income credit, involuntary mobile home closure credit, the claim of right income repayment credit, and wolf depredation credit are the only credits that are refundable.

- The working family child care credit is a credit for low income families with child care expenses. The credit is based on qualifying child care expenses, household size, and AGI. To qualify in 2013, a filer must have at least \$8,400 of earned income from Oregon, have \$3,300 or less of investment income, meet AGI requirements, and pay qualifying child care expenses.
- The Oregon earned income credit is allowed for those who qualify for the federal earned income credit. The Oregon credit is six percent of the federal earned income credit.
- The involuntary mobile home closure credit is a credit for \$5,000. To be eligible, filers must rent space in a park, own a mobile home, occupy it as their principal residence, receive notice that the park is closing, and move out along with all members of their household. The credit is claimed the year they move out of the closing park.
- The claim of right income repayment credit is allowed for taxpayers who repaid money during the year that they reported as taxable income in an earlier year.
- The wolf depredation credit is allowed for taxpayers who have livestock killed by a wolf during the tax year. The credit is equal to the current market value of the livestock killed.

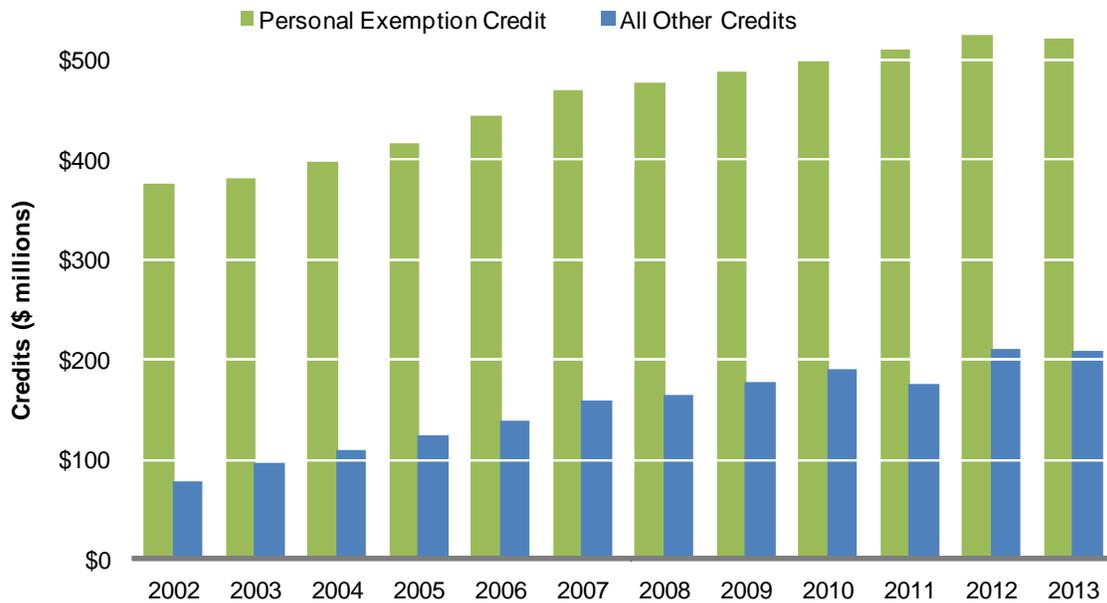
Exhibit 24 shows that the amount claimed for refundable credits equals the amount used because filers use all of the refundable credit. In 2013, there were about 290,000 claims for refundable credits totaling \$54.3 million. Payments issued for refundable credits are described in the next section.

The two most widely claimed refundable credits, the Oregon earned income and working family child care credits were first allowed in 1997 and at the time accounted for \$14.8 million in credits. The two credits have since more than tripled to over \$54 million claimed and used in 2013.

**Credits–Historical Trends**

Exhibit 25 shows the recent history of Oregon credits used by full-year resident filers. Because most of the total is due to the personal exemption credit, it is shown separately. The amount of all other credits used decreased slightly by 1.0 percent in 2013 from 2012. Since 2008, the used amount of personal exemption credit grew by an average of 2.3 percent annually. This growth was driven by an inflation adjusted increase of the personal exemption credit and an increase in filers. In 2013 these growth factors were offset by the personal exemption credit not being allowed for single filers above AGI of \$125,000 and joint filers above AGI of \$250,000, resulting in a small overall decrease of 0.6 percent from 2012.

**Exhibit 25 - Oregon Credits Used - Historical Full-Year Resident Returns - 2002 to 2013**



Tax Year	Personal Exemption Credit		All Other Credits		Total Credits	
	(\$ millions)	% Change	(\$ millions)	% Change	(\$ millions)	% Change
2002	\$373.9	1.4%	\$78.1	8.7%	\$452.0	2.6%
2003	\$380.1	1.7%	\$95.7	22.6%	\$475.9	5.3%
2004	\$397.4	4.5%	\$109.2	14.0%	\$506.6	6.5%
2005	\$414.6	4.3%	\$123.6	13.2%	\$538.2	6.2%
2006	\$443.4	7.0%	\$138.5	12.0%	\$581.9	8.1%
2007	\$468.3	5.6%	\$158.5	14.4%	\$626.7	7.7%
2008	\$475.0	1.4%	\$164.7	3.9%	\$639.7	2.1%
2009	\$486.4	2.4%	\$176.6	7.2%	\$663.0	3.6%
2010	\$499.0	2.6%	\$190.2	7.6%	\$689.1	3.9%
2011	\$508.6	1.9%	\$175.8	-7.6%	\$684.4	-0.7%
2012	\$523.4	2.9%	\$210.7	19.9%	\$734.1	7.3%
2013	\$520.2	-0.6%	\$208.6	-1.0%	\$728.8	-0.7%

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### Payments and Refunds

The amount a taxpayer is required to pay with the tax return is typically less than the final tax liability (the gross tax minus all credits, which cannot be less than zero), because most taxpayers have already made payments by having Oregon tax withheld from their paycheck or by making estimated tax payments. If these payments are less than the tax liability, then an additional payment is required with their return to cover the tax due. If these payments are more than the tax liability, the taxpayer receives a refund for the overpayment.

If the taxpayer had refundable credits exceeding the tax liability (after subtracting non-refundable credits), the taxpayer received a payment for the excess portion of the refundable credit. This is in addition to any refund due to excess withholding and/or estimated payments. In 2013, there were 118,681 full-year resident filers that received payments averaging \$210 for refundable credits, compared to 117,122 filers that received an average payment of \$212 for refundable credits in 2012.

Exhibit 26 shows payments from Oregon tax withheld and estimated payments for tax years 2012 and 2013 as reported on the tax return along with those who made no pre-payments. This exhibit also shows details on the final payment category; whether a taxpayer is required to make a payment with their return, receives a refund, or has a zero balance. The total amount for returns with tax to pay includes only tax due and does not include penalty and interest. The total amount of refunds does not include any refunds applied as estimated payments for the following tax year or charitable check-off donations. Also shown is the part of refund payments that come from refundable credits.

**Exhibit 26 - Reported Payments and Refunds on Returns  
Full-Year Resident Returns - 2012 and 2013**

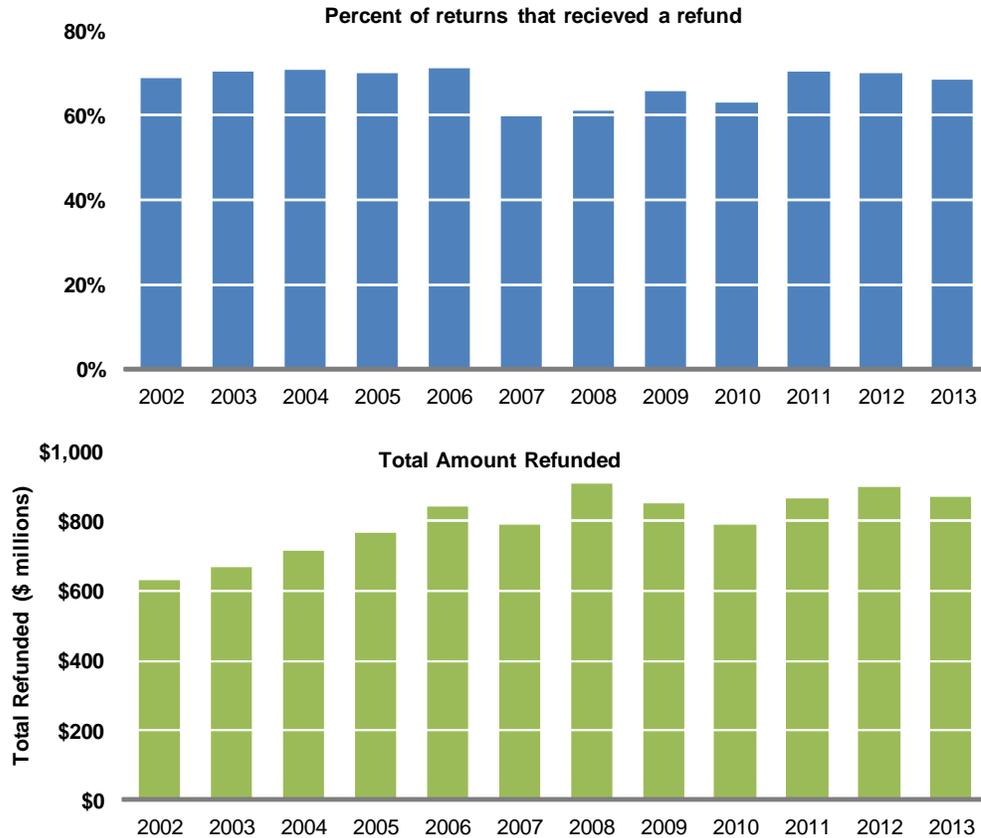
	Number of Returns		Average (\$)		Total (\$ millions)		% Change
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	
<i>Pre-Payments</i>							
Oregon Income tax withheld	1,362,119	1,388,562	\$3,345	\$3,404	\$4,556.7	\$4,727.0	3.7%
Estimated tax payments for the current year	135,523	140,630	\$8,094	\$7,353	\$1,097.0	\$1,034.0	-5.7%
No Pre-payments	192,986	190,736	\$0	\$0	\$0.0	\$0.0	0.0%
<i>Final Payment Category</i>							
Tax to pay with return	379,822	415,044	\$1,331	\$1,291	\$505.6	\$535.6	5.9%
Zero balance	107,044	105,360	\$0	\$0	\$0.0	\$0.0	0.0%
Refund	1,125,579	1,116,103	\$796	\$774	\$895.7	\$864.4	-3.5%
Part or all of refund includes payment for refundable credit	117,122	118,681	\$212	\$210	\$24.8	\$24.9	0.3%

Notes: Tax to pay amounts do not include any penalty and interest.

The refund amount is before any amounts are applied to next years estimated tax and charitable check-off donations.

Exhibit 27 shows the percent of full-year resident filers who received a refund and the average amount of their refund for tax years 2002 to 2013. The refund amounts include payments received due to a refundable credit. The drop in the percent of returns that received a refund from 2006 to 2007 and the increase from 2010 to 2011 resulted from major changes to the withholding formula.

**Exhibit 27 - Refunds - Historical  
Full-Year Resident Returns - 2002-2013**



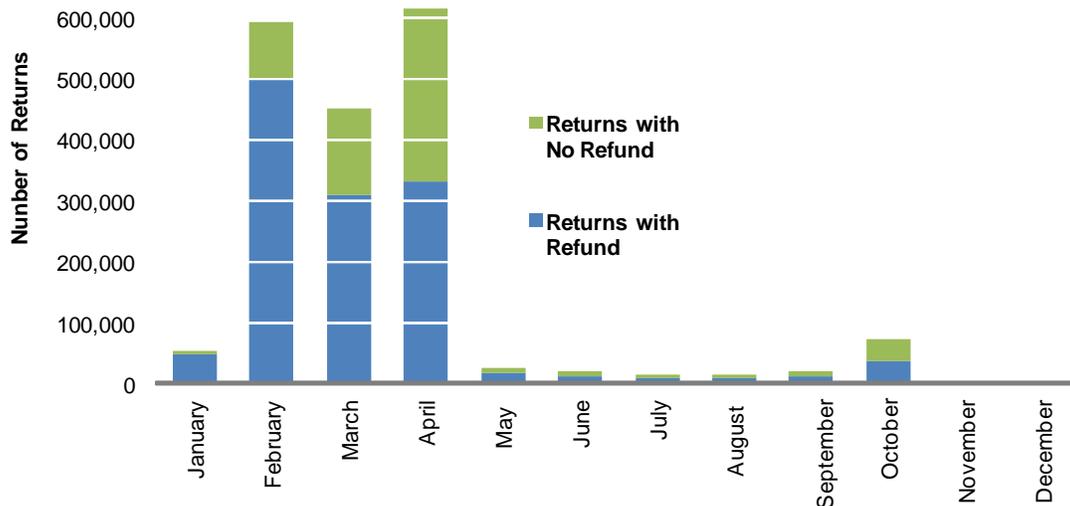
Tax Year	Number of Full-Year Returns	Number of Refunds	Percent of Returns with Refund	Total Refunded (\$ millions)	Average Refund (\$)
2002	1,432,971	983,631	68.6%	\$627.3	\$638
2003	1,430,750	1,002,609	70.1%	\$666.9	\$665
2004	1,461,735	1,031,989	70.6%	\$713.1	\$691
2005	1,495,091	1,046,222	70.0%	\$764.9	\$731
2006	1,546,097	1,098,683	71.1%	\$839.3	\$764
2007	1,617,135	968,689	59.9%	\$788.2	\$814
2008	1,593,363	967,673	60.7%	\$904.8	\$935
2009	1,571,302	1,028,277	65.4%	\$849.3	\$826
2010	1,581,272	994,237	62.9%	\$787.3	\$792
2011	1,599,964	1,125,136	70.3%	\$860.6	\$765
2012	1,612,445	1,125,579	69.8%	\$895.7	\$796
2013	1,636,507	1,116,103	68.2%	\$864.4	\$774

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## Timing of Filing Tax Returns

The information in this report is based on original 2013 income tax returns received by the Oregon Department of Revenue in the 2014 calendar year. Returns are received throughout the year; however most of the returns are submitted by the April 15 deadline. Exhibit 28 shows the total number of returns submitted by month, broken out into those returns that claim a refund and those that do not claim a refund. About a third of the total returns received during the year are received in April. About a quarter of the returns are received in February. February has the highest number of returns with refund claims, as many taxpayers file to receive their refunds as soon as possible. Less than ten percent are filed in January, as typically electronically filed returns are not allowed to be filed until the third or fourth week in January, whenever the IRS begins to allow electronic filing. A taxpayer may file for an extension to file a return. The extension deadline is October 15. About four percent of the returns are submitted in October.

**Exhibit 28 - Number of Returns Received by Month  
All Returns - 2013**



	Return with No Refund	Returns with Refund	All Returns		Cumulative
			Number	Share	
January	6,230	47,816	54,046	2.9%	2.9%
February	96,207	496,506	592,713	31.4%	34.3%
March	142,116	309,730	451,846	24.0%	58.2%
April	283,003	330,353	613,356	32.5%	90.8%
May	8,975	17,168	26,143	1.4%	92.1%
June	7,393	12,598	19,991	1.1%	93.2%
July	6,064	9,469	15,533	0.8%	94.0%
August	5,982	8,022	14,004	0.7%	94.8%
September	8,897	11,268	20,165	1.1%	95.8%
October	38,740	35,360	74,100	3.9%	99.8%
November	1,342	1,661	3,003	0.2%	99.9%
December	709	829	1,538	0.1%	100.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>605,658</b>	<b>1,280,780</b>	<b>1,886,438</b>		

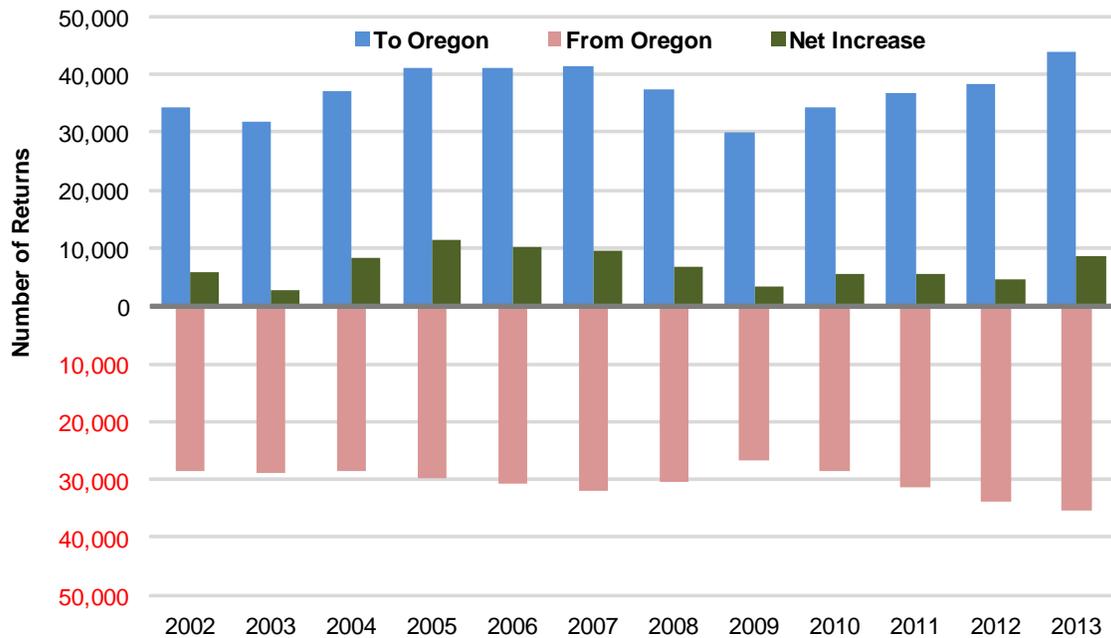
Section 9

# 2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends

## Part-Year Residents

Exhibits 29, 30, and 31 show information on part-year residents entering or leaving Oregon. Exhibit 29 shows the total number of filers moving to and from Oregon from 2002 to 2013 based on the address reported on the return. The number of part-year resident return filers moving to Oregon ranged between roughly 31,000 and 44,000 during this time period. In every year, the number of filers moving into Oregon exceeded the number moving out.

**Exhibit 29 - Filers Moving To and From Oregon  
Part-Year Resident Returns - 2002-2013**



Tax Year	To Oregon		From Oregon		Net Increase	
	Filers	% Change	Filers	% Change	Filers	% Change
2002	34,196	-11.1%	28,523	-5.1%	5,673	-32.6%
2003	31,695	-7.3%	28,840	1.1%	2,855	-49.7%
2004	36,989	16.7%	28,643	-0.7%	8,346	192.3%
2005	41,196	11.4%	29,809	4.1%	11,387	36.4%
2006	40,962	-0.6%	30,749	3.2%	10,213	-10.3%
2007	41,497	1.3%	31,946	3.9%	9,551	-6.5%
2008	37,359	-10.0%	30,560	-4.3%	6,799	-28.8%
2009	29,861	-20.1%	26,683	-12.7%	3,178	-53.3%
2010	34,183	14.5%	28,538	7.0%	5,645	77.6%
2011	36,721	7.4%	31,318	9.7%	5,403	-4.3%
2012	38,439	4.7%	33,774	7.8%	4,665	-13.7%
2013	44,004	14.5%	35,348	4.7%	8,656	85.6%

Exhibit 30 shows the number and percent of in-migrants by county of destination for selected tax years. In 2013, as in previous years, in-migrants were drawn to counties roughly in proportion to current county populations. The three counties of the Portland metropolitan area, Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas contain 43 percent of the state's population and attracted 54 percent of in-migrant taxpayers. Lane and Deschutes Counties were the next most popular destinations.

<b>Exhibit 30 - Number of Filers Moving to Oregon by County of Destination Part-Year Resident Returns with Oregon Address - 2003, 2012 and 2013</b>							
<b>County</b>	<b>2003</b>		<b>2012</b>		<b>2013</b>		<b>County Share of 2013 State Population</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Share</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Share</b>	
Baker	147	0.5%	138	0.4%	127	0.3%	0.4%
Benton	778	2.5%	975	2.5%	1,099	2.5%	2.2%
Clackamas	2,430	7.7%	3,154	8.2%	3,644	8.3%	9.8%
Clatsop	324	1.0%	424	1.1%	500	1.1%	1.0%
Columbia	288	0.9%	319	0.8%	329	0.7%	1.3%
Coos	556	1.8%	444	1.2%	568	1.3%	1.6%
Crook	135	0.4%	138	0.4%	144	0.3%	0.5%
Curry	365	1.2%	311	0.8%	283	0.6%	0.6%
Deschutes	1,740	5.5%	2,201	5.7%	2,562	5.8%	4.1%
Douglas	853	2.7%	697	1.8%	802	1.8%	2.8%
Gilliam	11	<0.1%	12	<0.1%	15	<0.1%	<0.1%
Grant	51	0.2%	59	0.2%	65	0.1%	0.2%
Harney	45	0.1%	49	0.1%	73	0.2%	0.2%
Hood River	213	0.7%	248	0.6%	284	0.6%	0.6%
Jackson	1,969	6.2%	1,965	5.1%	2,187	5.0%	5.3%
Jefferson	90	0.3%	141	0.4%	152	0.3%	0.6%
Josephine	881	2.8%	686	1.8%	803	1.8%	2.1%
Klamath	555	1.8%	554	1.4%	580	1.3%	1.7%
Lake	58	0.2%	65	0.2%	80	0.2%	0.2%
Lane	2,809	8.9%	2,951	7.7%	3,270	7.4%	9.1%
Lincoln	467	1.5%	482	1.3%	562	1.3%	1.2%
Linn	616	1.9%	681	1.8%	808	1.8%	3.0%
Malheur	213	0.7%	228	0.6%	227	0.5%	0.8%
Marion	1,613	5.1%	1,693	4.4%	1,967	4.5%	8.3%
Morrow	57	0.2%	70	0.2%	66	0.1%	0.3%
Multnomah	7,324	23.1%	10,809	28.1%	12,413	28.2%	19.3%
Polk	351	1.1%	433	1.1%	579	1.3%	2.0%
Sherman	8	<0.1%	9	<0.1%	15	<0.1%	<0.1%
Tillamook	185	0.6%	204	0.5%	199	0.5%	0.7%
Umatilla	498	1.6%	543	1.4%	640	1.5%	2.0%
Union	185	0.6%	160	0.4%	217	0.5%	0.7%
Wallowa	46	0.1%	68	0.2%	69	0.2%	0.2%
Wasco	159	0.5%	229	0.6%	227	0.5%	0.7%
Washington	5,114	16.1%	6,676	17.4%	7,769	17.7%	14.0%
Wheeler	8	<0.1%	10	<0.1%	6	<0.1%	<0.1%
Yamhill	553	1.7%	613	1.6%	673	1.5%	2.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,695</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>38,439</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>44,004</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

Exhibit 31 (on the following page) shows the number of income tax filers moving from Oregon for selected tax years by state of destination. In 2013, taxpayers moved from Oregon to all 49 other states, Washington, D.C., some U.S. territories, and several other countries. The most frequent destinations were the border states of Washington and California, which attracted almost 43.5 percent of all out-migrants.

**Exhibit 31 - Number of Filers Moving from Oregon by Destination  
Part-Year Resident Returns with Non-Oregon Address - 2003, 2012 and 2013**

State	2003		2012		2013	
	Number	Share	Number	Share	Number	Share
Alabama	461	1.6%	97	0.3%	120	0.3%
Alaska	89	0.3%	450	1.3%	510	1.4%
Arizona	1,654	5.7%	1,886	5.6%	1,979	5.6%
Arkansas	124	0.4%	124	0.4%	156	0.4%
California	5,078	17.6%	6,350	18.8%	6,665	18.9%
Colorado	968	3.4%	1,280	3.8%	1,360	3.8%
Connecticut	94	0.3%	119	0.4%	110	0.3%
Delaware	20	0.1%	24	0.1%	27	0.1%
Florida	674	2.3%	857	2.5%	838	2.4%
Georgia	276	1.0%	313	0.9%	365	1.0%
Hawaii	426	1.5%	509	1.5%	542	1.5%
Idaho	1,431	5.0%	1,545	4.6%	1,661	4.7%
Illinois	448	1.6%	572	1.7%	532	1.5%
Indiana	214	0.7%	271	0.8%	271	0.8%
Iowa	158	0.5%	196	0.6%	194	0.5%
Kansas	126	0.4%	180	0.5%	191	0.5%
Kentucky	105	0.4%	159	0.5%	145	0.4%
Louisiana	99	0.3%	149	0.4%	181	0.5%
Maine	71	0.2%	92	0.3%	108	0.3%
Maryland	195	0.7%	217	0.6%	207	0.6%
Massachusetts	255	0.9%	347	1.0%	360	1.0%
Michigan	297	1.0%	359	1.1%	388	1.1%
Minnesota	374	1.3%	393	1.2%	407	1.2%
Mississippi	49	0.2%	53	0.2%	58	0.2%
Missouri	287	1.0%	294	0.9%	321	0.9%
Montana	546	1.9%	582	1.7%	614	1.7%
Nebraska	107	0.4%	152	0.5%	170	0.5%
Nevada	1,009	3.5%	942	2.8%	1,009	2.9%
New Hampshire	84	0.3%	70	0.2%	78	0.2%
New Jersey	158	0.5%	170	0.5%	150	0.4%
New Mexico	281	1.0%	271	0.8%	297	0.8%
New York	543	1.9%	717	2.1%	733	2.1%
North Carolina	352	1.2%	499	1.5%	500	1.4%
North Dakota	76	0.3%	280	0.8%	236	0.7%
Ohio	291	1.0%	349	1.0%	385	1.1%
Oklahoma	195	0.7%	251	0.7%	230	0.7%
Pennsylvania	285	1.0%	345	1.0%	358	1.0%
Rhode Island	32	0.1%	43	0.1%	43	0.1%
South Carolina	85	0.3%	185	0.5%	155	0.4%
South Dakota	72	0.2%	104	0.3%	112	0.3%
Tennessee	175	0.6%	248	0.7%	260	0.7%
Texas	874	3.0%	1,496	4.4%	1,550	4.4%
Utah	620	2.1%	754	2.2%	747	2.1%
Vermont	66	0.2%	82	0.2%	72	0.2%
Virginia	347	1.2%	389	1.2%	369	1.0%
Washington	7,718	26.8%	7,926	23.5%	8,508	24.1%
West Virginia	34	0.1%	44	0.1%	42	0.1%
Wisconsin	276	1.0%	318	0.9%	326	0.9%
Wyoming	179	0.6%	196	0.6%	176	0.5%
Washington, D.C.	74	0.3%	90	0.3%	102	0.3%
Outside U.S.	388	1.3%	434	1.3%	430	1.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,840</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>33,773</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>35,348</b>	<b>100%</b>

Section 10  
2013 Characteristics of Filers and Historical Trends  
County Data

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This section provides tax information by county to demonstrate how taxpayer characteristics vary by region. Exhibit 32 (on the following page) shows a breakdown of the number of returns filed, total Oregon AGI, and total tax liability by county, and the percent change from 2012 to 2013. Exhibits 33 and 34 are maps showing average AGI and tax liability for full-year returns in each county. Exhibit 35 shows effective tax rates by county. Exhibit 36 shows electronic filing rates for each county.

A little over half of the counties showed growth in the number of returns, total AGI and tax liability. The following Oregon counties led the state in percentage growth:

- Number of returns: Deschutes (3.8 percent), Polk (2.5 percent)
- Adjusted gross income: Wheeler (15.1 percent), Marion (6.7 percent) and Deschutes (5.7 percent)
- Tax liability: Wheeler (35.7 percent), Marion (10.0 percent) and Josephine (8.6 percent)

The map in Exhibit 33 (p. 42) shows that the counties with the highest average AGI were Clackamas (\$72,151) and Washington (\$70,060). The counties with the lowest average AGI were Harney (\$35,582) and Wheeler (\$38,072).

The map in Exhibit 34 (p. 42) shows that the counties with the highest AGI also had the highest tax liabilities. The largest average of \$4,440 was in Clackamas County followed by \$4,298 in Washington County. The counties with the lowest average tax liability were Harney County (\$1,846), Malheur County (\$1,809), and Jefferson County (\$1,799).

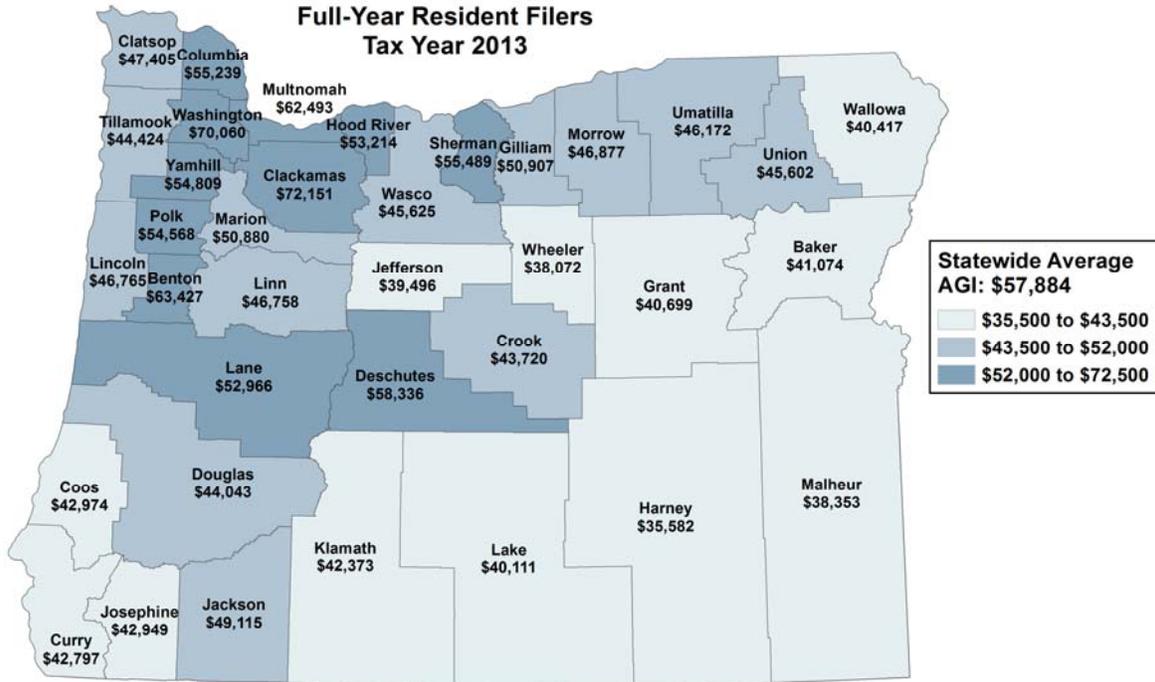
The map in Exhibit 35 (p. 43) shows effective tax rates (tax divided by AGI) for each county. The counties with the highest effective tax rates were Multnomah (6.18 percent), Clackamas (6.15 percent), and Washington (6.13 percent). Jefferson County had the lowest rate at 4.55 percent. Because of Oregon's progressive tax bracket structure, populations with a greater income will have a higher effective tax rate; in addition populations with relatively more subtractions, deductions and credits will have a lower effective tax rate.

The map in Exhibit 36 (p. 43) shows electronic filing rates for each county. Malheur County (89.3 percent), Harney County (88.4 percent), and Union County (88.4 percent) had the highest electronic filing rates. Morrow County had the lowest rate at 74.9 percent.

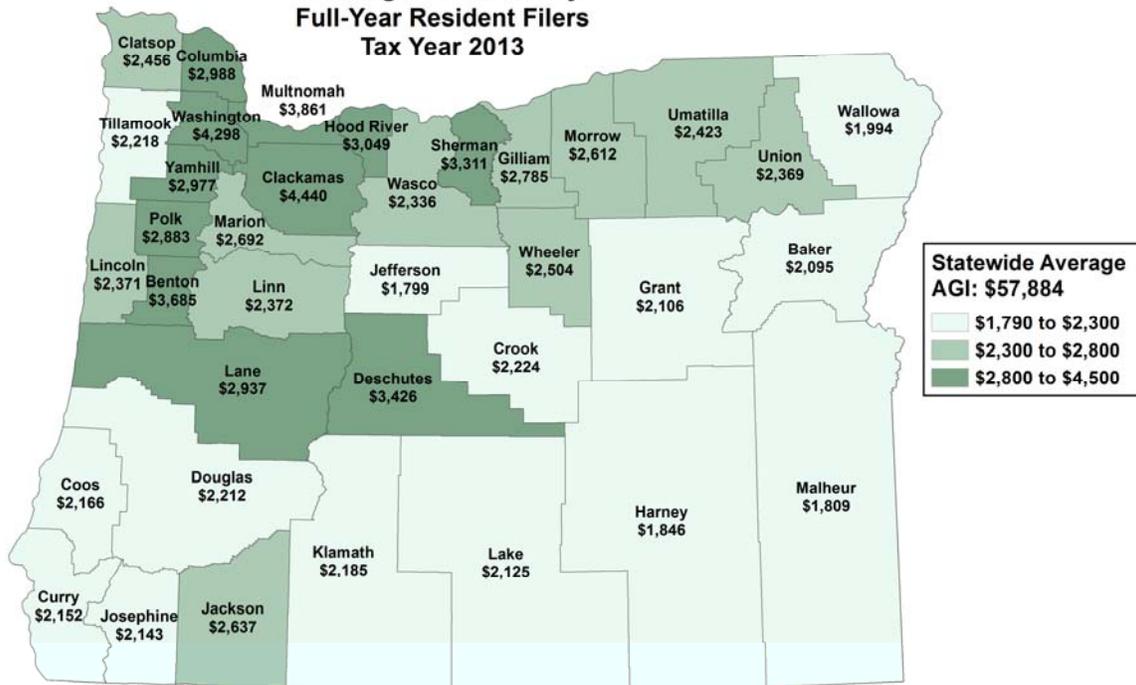
**Exhibit 32 - Distribution of Returns, AGI, and Tax Liability by County and Selected Areas**  
**All Returns - 2013**

County or Area	Returns		Adjusted Gross Income		Total Tax Liability		% Change 2012 to 2013		
	Number	Share	(\$ millions)	Share	(\$ millions)	Share	No. of Returns	Total AGI	Total Tax
Baker	6,341	0.3%	\$256.3	0.3%	\$13.1	0.2%	-0.6%	2.3%	5.7%
Benton	35,169	1.9%	\$2,155.4	2.1%	\$125.2	2.1%	1.6%	1.9%	3.5%
Clackamas	173,383	9.2%	\$12,342.3	12.1%	\$760.2	12.9%	2.4%	2.4%	3.7%
Clatsop	15,822	0.8%	\$729.4	0.7%	\$37.8	0.6%	1.6%	4.3%	7.6%
Columbia	20,090	1.1%	\$1,095.4	1.1%	\$59.3	1.0%	1.2%	2.9%	5.0%
Coos	24,561	1.3%	\$1,036.9	1.0%	\$52.3	0.9%	0.1%	1.8%	3.4%
Crook	8,284	0.4%	\$357.4	0.4%	\$18.2	0.3%	1.9%	4.3%	6.2%
Curry	9,264	0.5%	\$388.6	0.4%	\$19.6	0.3%	0.2%	-0.3%	-0.7%
Deschutes	73,797	3.9%	\$4,209.7	4.1%	\$247.8	4.2%	3.8%	5.7%	8.2%
Douglas	41,431	2.2%	\$1,801.5	1.8%	\$90.5	1.5%	0.7%	3.0%	6.1%
Gilliam	767	<0.1%	\$38.5	<0.1%	\$2.1	<0.1%	-4.1%	-1.3%	-1.5%
Grant	2,816	0.1%	\$113.1	0.1%	\$5.9	0.1%	-1.4%	-2.4%	-1.1%
Harney	2,790	0.1%	\$97.6	0.1%	\$5.1	0.1%	-1.2%	-2.5%	-3.7%
Hood River	10,643	0.6%	\$554.3	0.5%	\$31.8	0.5%	2.1%	3.4%	6.2%
Jackson	88,430	4.7%	\$4,270.6	4.2%	\$229.5	3.9%	1.9%	0.0%	-0.3%
Jefferson	8,709	0.5%	\$339.3	0.3%	\$15.5	0.3%	2.0%	2.8%	7.6%
Josephine	32,441	1.7%	\$1,369.7	1.3%	\$68.4	1.2%	0.2%	4.4%	8.6%
Klamath	25,124	1.3%	\$1,048.1	1.0%	\$54.1	0.9%	-0.3%	0.4%	1.2%
Lake	2,975	0.2%	\$117.3	0.1%	\$6.2	0.1%	1.4%	-0.8%	-1.6%
Lane	147,537	7.8%	\$7,670.7	7.5%	\$425.4	7.2%	1.3%	2.8%	4.2%
Lincoln	19,364	1.0%	\$888.8	0.9%	\$45.1	0.8%	-0.3%	1.8%	4.6%
Linn	47,638	2.5%	\$2,198.4	2.2%	\$111.6	1.9%	1.0%	2.3%	3.7%
Malheur	9,875	0.5%	\$372.4	0.4%	\$17.6	0.3%	0.2%	1.0%	1.7%
Marion	128,625	6.8%	\$6,489.4	6.4%	\$343.2	5.8%	2.0%	6.7%	10.0%
Morrow	4,307	0.2%	\$199.5	0.2%	\$11.1	0.2%	-0.6%	2.2%	5.3%
Multnomah	348,084	18.5%	\$21,241.6	20.9%	\$1,314.4	22.2%	2.4%	1.3%	2.6%
Polk	30,563	1.6%	\$1,640.7	1.6%	\$86.7	1.5%	2.5%	4.4%	7.6%
Sherman	801	<0.1%	\$43.9	<0.1%	\$2.6	<0.1%	-2.0%	-2.5%	-2.3%
Tillamook	10,766	0.6%	\$472.7	0.5%	\$23.6	0.4%	0.6%	4.5%	7.9%
Umatilla	28,893	1.5%	\$1,311.3	1.3%	\$68.8	1.2%	0.0%	0.3%	1.4%
Union	10,589	0.6%	\$476.1	0.5%	\$24.7	0.4%	-0.2%	1.5%	3.5%
Wallowa	3,116	0.2%	\$123.5	0.1%	\$6.1	0.1%	-0.5%	-2.4%	-0.1%
Wasco	10,229	0.5%	\$459.9	0.5%	\$23.6	0.4%	-0.1%	0.7%	1.7%
Washington	242,144	12.8%	\$16,640.1	16.4%	\$1,022.4	17.3%	2.4%	0.4%	1.3%
Wheeler	508	<0.1%	\$19.1	<0.1%	\$1.3	<0.1%	-4.9%	15.1%	35.7%
Yamhill	39,864	2.1%	\$2,156.9	2.1%	\$117.1	2.0%	1.8%	0.7%	1.2%
Clark Co., Wa.	62,920	3.3%	\$2,601.6	2.6%	\$156.1	2.6%	3.1%	3.1%	4.3%
Other Wash.	41,185	2.2%	\$1,297.0	1.3%	\$86.6	1.5%	4.3%	-0.7%	-2.7%
California	35,988	1.9%	\$925.6	0.9%	\$48.9	0.8%	7.8%	-1.1%	-2.3%
Idaho	12,909	0.7%	\$321.1	0.3%	\$19.1	0.3%	0.3%	0.6%	5.3%
Other	67,696	3.6%	\$1,740.4	1.7%	\$112.6	1.9%	5.4%	-0.7%	-1.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,886,438</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$101,611.7</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$5,911.1</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>3.3%</b>

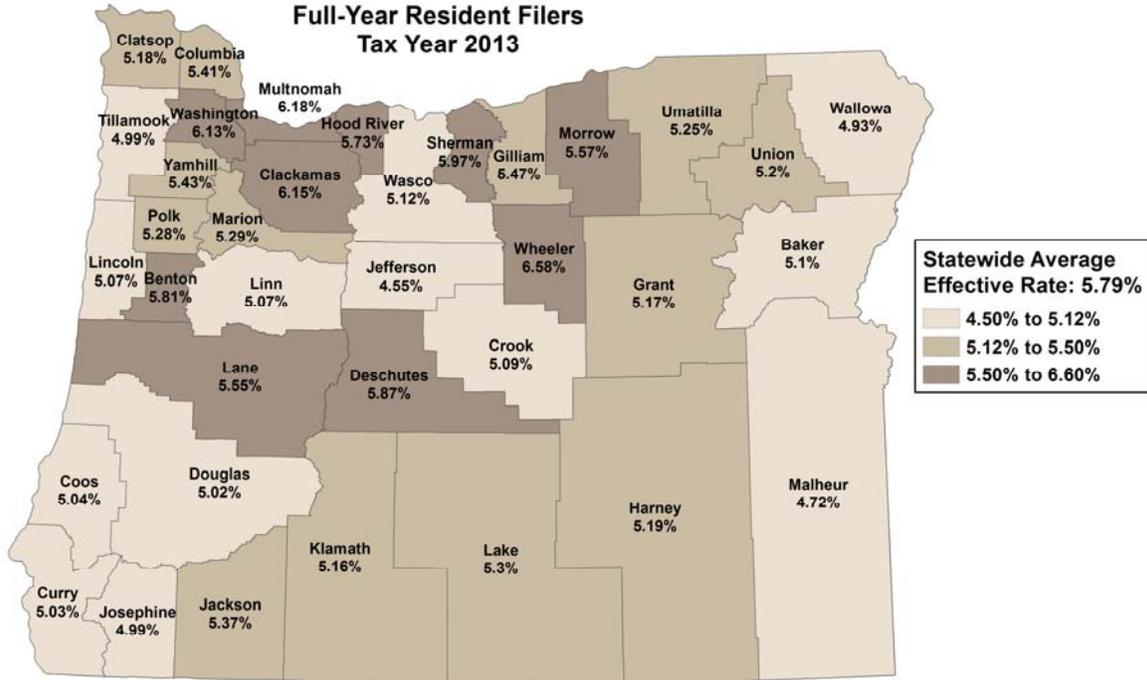
**Exhibit 33**  
**Average Adjusted Gross Income**  
**Full-Year Resident Filers**  
**Tax Year 2013**



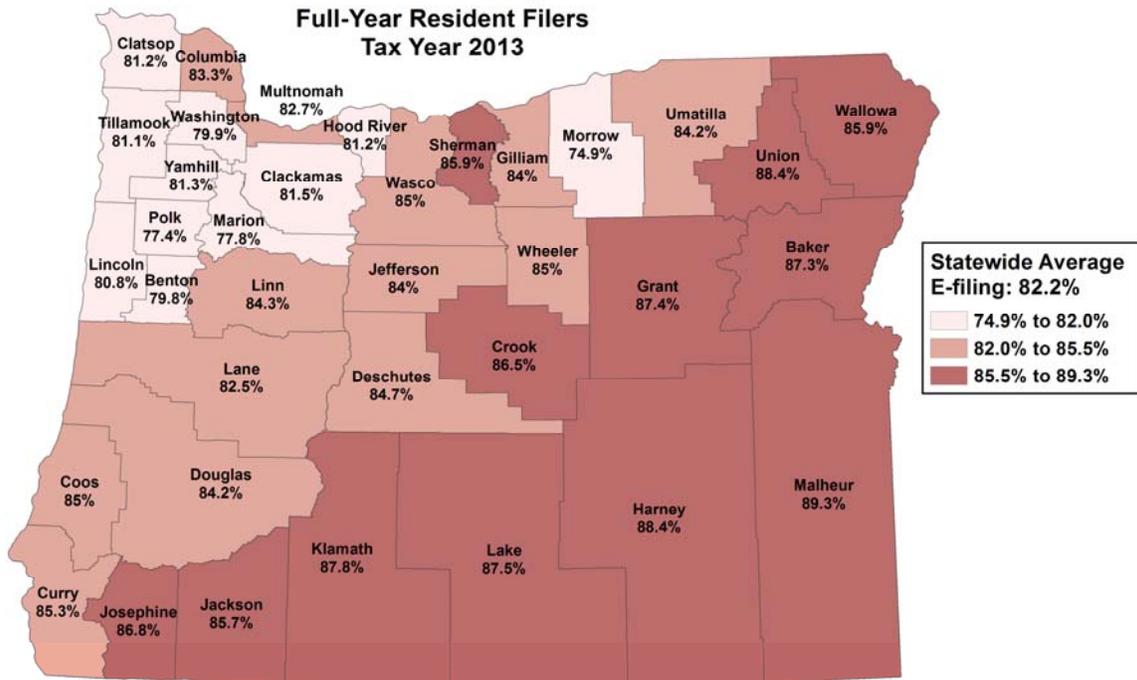
**Exhibit 34**  
**Average Tax Liability**  
**Full-Year Resident Filers**  
**Tax Year 2013**



**Exhibit 35**  
**Effective Tax Rates**  
**Full-Year Resident Filers**  
**Tax Year 2013**



**Exhibit 36**  
**Electronic Filing**  
**Full-Year Resident Filers**  
**Tax Year 2013**



The 1979 Oregon Legislature passed the “2 percent kicker” law, which requires the state to refund excess revenue to taxpayers when actual General Fund revenues exceed the forecast amount by more than 2 percent.

This limitation is applied separately to corporate income tax revenue, and the sum of personal income tax revenue and all other General Fund revenue. If revenues from the corporation income tax exceed their forecast by more than 2 percent, then all revenue in excess of the forecast is refunded to corporations. With the passage of Measure 85 in 2012, instead of issuing to corporations, that amount will be allocated to the General Fund to provide additional funding for K through 12 public education beginning in the 2013-15 biennium. If revenues from all other General Fund sources exceed their forecast by more than 2 percent, the total excess is refunded to individuals through the personal income tax program. The information included here pertains only to the personal income tax kicker.

Prior to 1995, these refunds were made via a tax credit on the Oregon tax form for the calendar year in which the biennium ended. For example, actual revenues exceeded the forecast amount for the 1987–89 biennium (which ended on June 30, 1989), so the credit was allowed on tax year 1989 returns.

The 1995 Oregon Legislature changed the method by which the refund was issued to taxpayers. Since 1995, the refunds have been made as direct payments to taxpayers via a check. Prior to the 2007 kicker, the amount of the refund was based on tax liability for the first full calendar year of the biennium. The 2007 Oregon Legislature changed the basis of the refund to tax before credits. This change increased refunds to filers with large credits relative to their pre-credit liability, and decreased the refund for those with very few credits. In 2009, the refund became based on tax before credits except for the credit for taxes paid to another state.

The 2011 Legislature changed the return mechanism for the personal income tax kicker from a refund back to a credit. This means that the next time a personal kicker is triggered, taxpayers will receive their kicker through a credit on their income tax return rather than through a mailed refund check.

For the 1989–91 biennium, the surplus of \$186 million would have resulted in a credit of approximately 10 percent, but the Legislature voted to suspend the kicker. The 2005-07 biennium had revenues that exceeded the forecast by \$1.07 billion, resulting in a refund of 18.6 percent of pre-credit liability. Since the inception of the kicker law, refunds have been issued for seven of the 14 biennia.

### 2 Percent Personal Income Kicker History

Biennium	Year*	Surplus/ Shortfall (\$ millions)	Credit or Refund*		
			Percent	Mean (\$)	Median (\$)
1979-81	1981	-141	None	---	---
1981-83	1983	-115	None	---	---
1983-85	1985	89	7.7%	81	48
1985-87	1987	221	16.6%	192	103
1987-89	1989	175	9.8%	133	69
1989-91	1991	186	Suspended	---	---
1991-93	1993	60	None	---	---
1993-95	1995	163	6.3%	111	55
1995-97	1997	432	14.4%	287	140
1997-99	1999	167	4.6%	103	49
1999-01	2001	254	6.0%	155	70
2001-03	2003	-1,249	None	---	---
2003-05	2005	-401	None	---	---
2005-07	2007	1,071	18.6%	609	295
2007-09	2009	-1,113	None	---	---
2009-11	2011	-1,050	None	---	---
2011-13	2013	124	None	---	---

\* Prior to 1995, the kicker was returned to taxpayers via a credit on the tax return, so “Year” corresponds to the tax year. Since 1995, refund checks have been mailed directly to taxpayers. In these cases, “Year” reflects the year when the kicker was distributed.

# Appendix B

## Data Validation and Statistical Reporting

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Information presented in this publication comes from Oregon tax returns that were received by the Oregon Department of Revenue (DOR) during calendar year 2014 following tax year 2013. Amended returns and returns received later are not included.

Aside from initial adjustments made during return processing, data concerning return adjustments (e.g., from audit activity) is not included nor accounted for. Considerable data validation is used in an attempt to maintain accuracy of reported information and ensure the internal consistency of individual returns.

### Data Validation

As returns are received, initial screening is performed to identify obvious errors. Following that, the return data for paper returns are independently double entered into the DOR computer system and processed through a system that identifies tax amount errors. Electronic returns can immediately be processed by the system.

Some of the errors will result in letters to taxpayers or some human intervention to make corrections before final processing can be completed. Following processing, additional data checks are performed to identify returns that are not internally consistent. In many cases, the physical returns (or some percentage thereof) are inspected in an effort to identify systematic errors and encode data handling rules for those returns.

To the extent that it is possible, inconsistent data are modified in a manner believed to correct errors on the returns. The data handling procedures are used for the purpose of this report and are not connected with other DOR business. Examples of the data handling procedures used include:

- If the return reports a tax liability that is incorrect given the reported income and tax rates, the reported amount is replaced with the corrected amount.
- If the return claims a credit or subtraction that is larger than what is statutorily allowed, the reported amount is replaced by the maximum amount allowed.
- If the amount reported for the total of nonrefundable credits exceeds the amount of pre-credit tax liability, the amount used for each credit is calculated by proportionally reducing those credits so their sum equals the pre-credit tax liability.
- The city reported in the address on a return is screened for spelling and corrected as appropriate. (Reported cities do not always match with officially incorporated cities.)
- If a line on a return is blank, the associated value is set to zero.
- Missing data concerning the federal tax is imputed using data provided by the IRS.
- If the date of birth would make a filer's age unreasonable, the age is set to missing. (Age is the taxpayer's age on July 1 of the tax year.)

If an amount on a return is computed based on other line items (e.g., tax liability depends on income, subtractions, credits, etc.) and data handling alters the line items on which it depends, the amount is recomputed.

## Statistical Reporting

Following the finalization of the data handling, the DOR Research Section creates statistical summaries. All summaries are derived from the complete base of returns; they are not based on statistical samples. Means, sums, percentages, etc. are computed using their simple arithmetic definitions (computations are performed using SAS and Excel).

Rates that span several years (e.g., percent increase in income from 2002 to 2013) are computed as the percentage change between the first and last years, and then annualized. For summaries associated with claims of certain adjustments, additions, subtractions, or credits, zeros in the data are excluded when calculating means (except as noted). A return is counted as claiming the item if the associated amount is non-zero.

In tables summarizing amounts by AGI quintile, ranking is used to determine in which quintile each return is placed. Due to ties in ranks, the number of returns represented by each quintile differs slightly.

# Appendix C

## Glossary of Terms

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**Additions.** Additions represent income not taxed by the federal government but taxed by Oregon and federal deductions to AGI that are not allowed for Oregon.

**Adjusted gross income (AGI).** AGI consists of income subject to federal tax minus federal adjustments. For full-year returns, Oregon AGI equals federal AGI.

**Adjustments.** Federal adjustments include IRA deductions, student loan interest deductions, medical savings account deductions, moving expenses, one-half of self-employment taxes, self-employed health insurance deductions, self-employed SEP deductions, penalties on early withdrawal of savings, alimony paid, certain business expenses, and health savings account deductions.

These adjustments are subtracted from total net income to compute federal AGI on federal Forms 1040 and 1040A.

**Biennium.** The period of two fiscal years for which the state budgets are determined. For example, July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015 is referred to as the 2013–2015 biennium.

**Business income.** Profit or loss from sole proprietorship business (not partnership and corporate income). Reported on federal Schedule C.

**Capital gains.** For tax years 1986 and earlier, this figure indicates the amount after the 60 percent capital gains exemption. Beginning with tax year 1987, this figure indicates 100 percent of the net capital gains. Reported on federal Schedule D.

**Credits.** Total amount of tax credits. Includes personal exemption credit, Oregon earned income credit, working family child care credit, retirement income credit, credit for elderly and disabled, child and dependent care credit, political contribution credit, credit for taxes paid to another state, and other credits.

**Deductions.** Items that may be subtracted from income to arrive at taxable income.

**Demographic.** A statistical characteristic of

human populations.

**Donations.** Optional check-offs by which taxpayers may designate all or part of a tax refund as a contribution to charities such as:

- Oregon Nongame Wildlife Fund
- AIDS/HIV The Research and Education Group Fund
- Prevent Child Abuse Fund
- Alzheimer’s Disease Research Fund
- Stop Domestic and Sexual Violence Fund

**Earned income credit.** See *Federal earned income credit* or *Oregon earned income credit*.

**Effective tax rate.** Tax liability divided by taxable income or adjusted gross income.

**Exemptions (number of).** Total number of exemptions claimed (self, spouse, and dependents plus special exemptions for severely disabled adults and disabled children). Individuals who are claimed as dependents on their parents’ returns but who receive separate income claim zero exemptions on their own return.

**Exemption tax credit.** A credit for each exemption claimed on a return. In 2013, the exemption credit was \$188 per exemption, however it was not allowed for an AGI above \$200,000 for married/RDP filing jointly, head of household, or qualifying widow(er) filers or above \$100,000 for single or married/RDP filing separately filers. Exemption credits have been indexed for inflation since tax year 1987.

**Farm income.** The amount of farm income reported on federal Schedule F. It does not include the farm income of any farm operated as a partnership or corporation.

**Federal earned income credit.** A federal, refundable income tax credit for low-income working taxpayers. The amount depends on income and the number of dependent children.

**Federal education credits.** For 2013, the American Opportunity Credit had a maximum of \$2,500 per qualified student, and the Lifetime

Learning Credit had a maximum of \$2,000 per return.

**Federal pension subtraction.** The portion of federal pension income earned before October 1, 1991, that can be subtracted from adjusted gross income on the Oregon return.

**Federal tax subtraction.** An Oregon subtraction for federal income tax liability. For 2013, the deduction is limited to \$6,250 per return and phased out for higher income taxpayers.

**Federally taxable Social Security.** Oregon does not tax Social Security income. The taxable portion of Social Security from the taxpayer's federal return is included in Exhibit 15. The Social Security subtraction is reported in Exhibit 20.

**Full-year returns.** Returns filed by full-year Oregon residents (Form 40).

**Head of household.** Filing status available for unmarried persons who furnished over half of the cost of maintaining a household for the entire year for at least one qualifying relative.

**Interest on installment sales.** Interest on deferred tax liability for certain installment sales. Added to Oregon tax before credits.

**Itemized returns.** Returns claiming itemized deductions rather than taking the standard deduction.

**Joint returns.** Returns representing the combined income of two taxpayers allowed to file together because they are spouses or Oregon registered domestic partners.

**Kicker.** *See State surplus refund.*

**Miscellaneous income.** Positive and negative income reported on the federal return as alimony, unemployment, farm, state tax refunds and other income.

**Net federal tax.** The sum of basic federal tax, alternate minimum tax, and tax on IRAs, minus federal tax credits.

**Nonresident returns.** Returns filed by individuals with income earned in Oregon

whose permanent homes were outside Oregon for the entire tax year (Form 40N).

**Oregon earned income credit.** This credit started in 1997 and equaled 5 percent of the federal credit amount. In tax year 2006, the Oregon earned income credit became a refundable credit. In 2008, the percentage was increased to 6 percent of the federal credit.

**Oregon medical subtraction for elderly.** Depending on adjusted gross income, elderly taxpayers may subtract up to \$1,800 in eligible medical expenses from their taxable income.

The age eligibility was 62 or older for tax years 2013 and 2014, and increases by one year every two tax years until it reaches age 66 for 2020.

The subtraction replaces a deduction beginning in tax year 2013.

**Other income.** Income or losses reported on the other income line of the federal return. It is derived from a variety of sources such as gambling winnings, activity not for profit, cancelled debts, net operating losses, etc.

**Part-year resident returns.** Returns filed by individuals who permanently moved either into or out of Oregon during the tax year (Form 40P).

**Quintile (income).** A subset of a database that contains 20 percent of all records; it is determined by arranging the records from the lowest income to the highest income and then dividing the database into five equally sized subsets.

**Registered Domestic Partner (RDP).** Same-sex couples who have registered as domestic partners in Oregon and are required to file an Oregon personal income tax return must use a filing status of either *Registered domestic partner filing jointly* or *Registered domestic partner filing separately* similar to the the requirement of married couples.

**Retirement income credit.** Beginning with 1991 returns, filers who meet the income and age restrictions and have income from pensions, annuities, IRAs, or deferred income compensation plans are entitled to a retirement

income credit.

Taxpayers 62 or older may qualify. Household income limits are \$45,000 for joint returns and \$22,500 for other returns.

**Returns (number of).** The number of returns filed.

**Separate returns.** Returns filed by married individuals who are not filing joint returns.

**Single returns.** Returns filed by single individuals who do not qualify as head of household.

**Standard and itemized deductions.** The total deduction amount taken, whether a standard deduction or itemized deductions.

**State surplus refund (kicker).** Oregon is required by law to refund excess revenue when revenues collected for the biennium are more than 2 percent higher than was forecast at the time the budget was adopted.

Before 1995, refunds were made in the form of a credit on the tax return for the second year of the biennium. Then surplus refunds became a direct payment. Before 2007, the refund was based on tax liability. Beginning in 2007, the refund was based on tax before credits. Then in 2009, the refund became based on tax before credits except for the credit for taxes paid to another state. Beginning in 2011, taxpayers again receive any kicker refund through a credit on their income tax return rather than through a mailed refund check.

**Subtractions.** Subtractions represent income taxed by the federal government but not taxed by Oregon and Oregon deductions to AGI that are not allowed federally.

**Tax after credits.** Amount of tax liability after subtracting credits.

**Tax due.** Amount of remaining tax liability after subtracting tax credits and payments.

**Tax from rates.** The amount of state tax computed from taxable income using the current tax rates, before tax credits are subtracted.

**Tax liability.** The amount of tax owed by a

taxpayer. It is the total tax reduced by non-refundable credits and further reduced by any portion of refundable credits up to the amount of remaining tax. If refundable credits exceed the amount of remaining tax, then the taxpayer has no tax liability and receives a refund for the balance plus any payments.

**Tax withheld.** Payments of tax withheld by employers from salaries and wages. Amount withheld is based on wages earned during the pay period and the number of withholding allowances claimed. Tax also may be withheld from other income sources such as pensions and IRA distributions.

**Taxable income.** Oregon AGI plus additions, minus subtractions, minus allowable deductions. The amount of income subject to Oregon tax. Set to zero if negative.

**Taxable pensions.** Includes taxable pension income, federally taxable Social Security income, and IRA distributions.

**Working family child care credit.** A refundable credit available to low-income families with qualifying child care expenses. The amount is based on adjusted gross income and household size.



