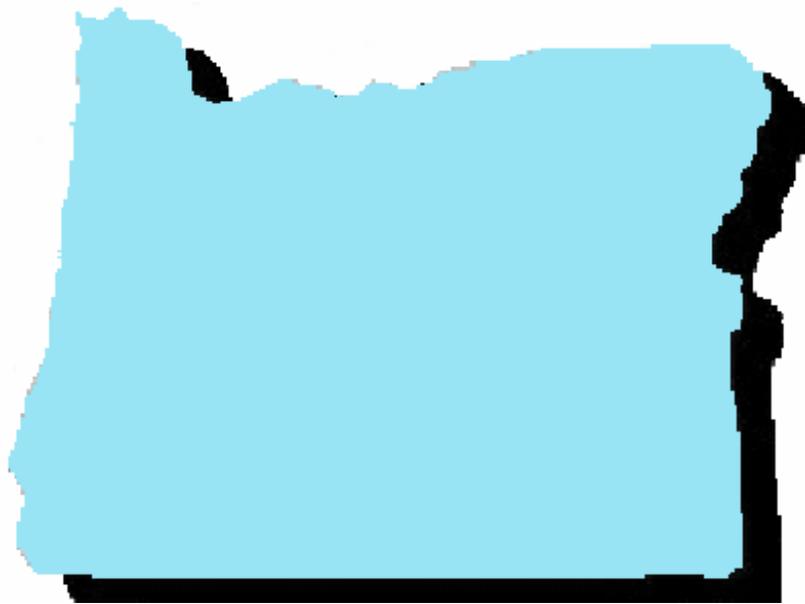
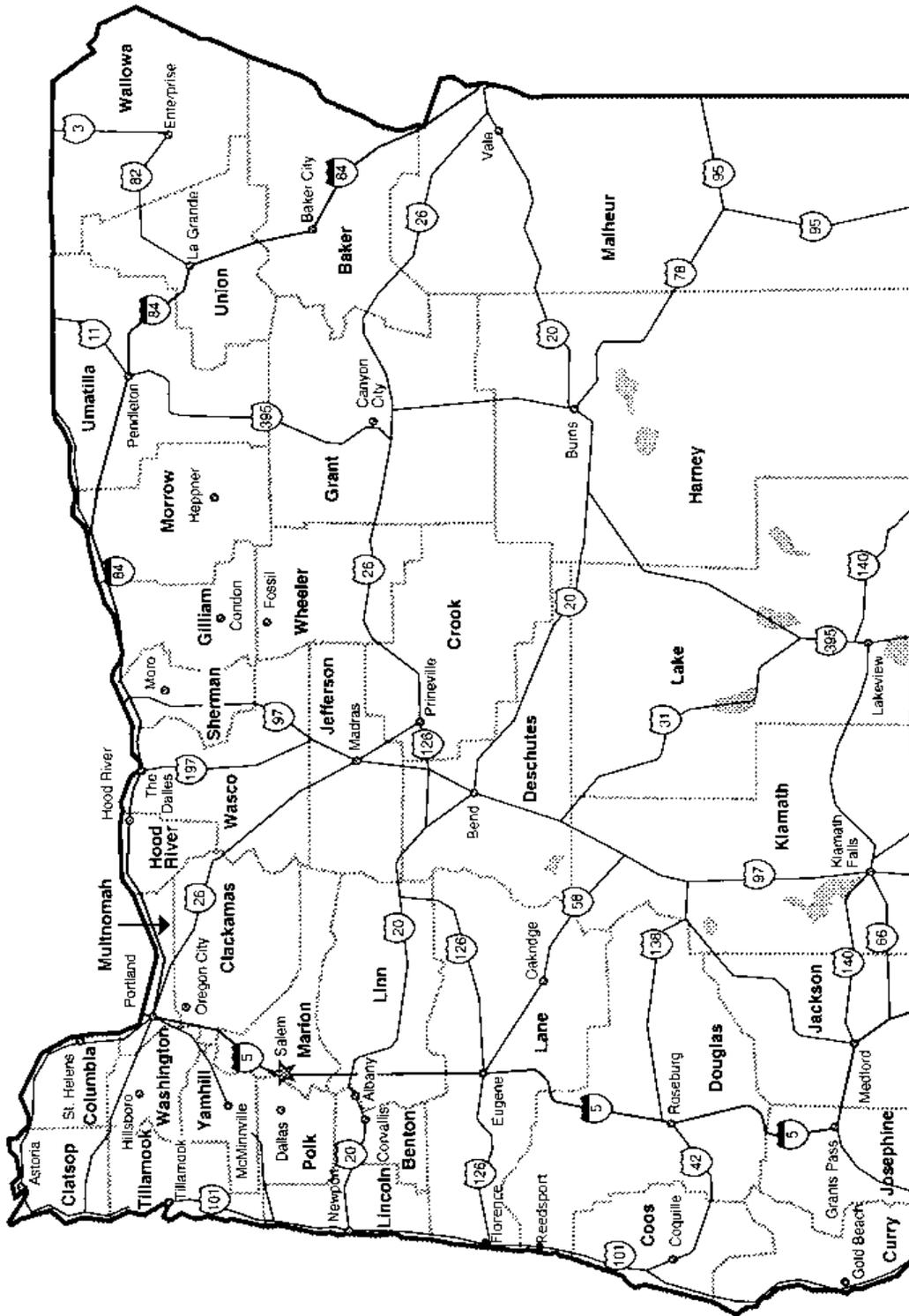


# Oregon Outdoor Recreation Survey



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# Oregon Counties and Cities



**NOTE:** If your recreation activities took place along the **coast** of Lane or Douglas Counties, please write "coastal Lane" or "coastal Douglas" when filling out the activity boxes of the survey.

Thank you for participating in our survey of outdoor recreation in Oregon. Please read all directions and answer the questions as accurately as possible.

**Q1. Do you currently spend more time, about the same amount of time, or less time in outdoor recreation activities than you did 5 years ago?** (Please check one box.)

- More time – please write why you spend more time \_\_\_\_\_
- About the same
- Less time – please write why you spend less time \_\_\_\_\_

**Q2. Next, please tell us more about the outdoor recreation activities you have engaged in here in Oregon during the past year. For each of the following activities please write:**

- Column A: How many days you engaged in the activity in the past year (12 months) in Oregon. Include parts of days – so a 2 hour hike counts for 1 day.
- Column B: The average number of hours spent per day engaged in the activity (not including travel time).
- Column C: The number of days per year you expect to engage in the activity 10 years from now.
- Column D: If you expect the number of days engaged in the activity to increase or decrease over the next 10 years, please explain why.
- Column E: The name of the county or nearest city where you most often engage in this activity, using the map on the back of the front cover if necessary. If your recreation activities took place along the coast of Lane or Douglas Counties, please write "coastal Lane" or "coastal Douglas."

If you did not engage in a particular activity during the past year, but expect to do so 10 years from now, please complete columns C and D. If you did not engage in the activity in the past year and do not expect to 10 years from now, please leave that row blank. We are only interested in your outdoor recreation in Oregon, not in other states or countries.

**Example:** Let's say you went hiking 3 days in the past year. One of the hikes lasted 3 hours, one 4 hours, and one 5 hours, so the average number of hours is 4. Assume you will retire in the next few years, will therefore have more time to go hiking, and expect to hike 12 days per year 10 years from now. This increase would be due to retirement. Of the 3 hikes in the past year, two were on Mt. Hood, so for location you would write Clackamas or Government Camp.

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Day hiking on trails	3	4	12	Retirement	Clackamas

Let's start with non-motorized trail activities.

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Walking for pleasure (on streets, paths, or trails in or near your community)					
Jogging or running for exercise (on streets, sidewalks, paths, or trails)					
Day hiking on trails					

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Overnight hiking (backpacking)					
Roller blading (in-line skating)					
Horseback riding					
Mountain biking (single track / dirt road)					

**For motorized trail activities, please do not include days when you were using the vehicle primarily to engage in another activity, such as hunting.**

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
All-terrain vehicle riding (3 & 4 wheel ATVs)					
Off-road motorcycling					
Off-road 4-wheel driving (jeeps, pick-ups, dune buggies, SUVs)					
Snowmobiling					

**For snow activities, telemark skiing at resorts should be included in Downhill/Alpine skiing. Telemark skiing in the backcountry should be included in Cross-country/Nordic skiing.**

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Downhill/Alpine skiing, snowboarding					
Cross-country / Nordic skiing					
Snowshoeing					

**Next are outdoor leisure and sporting activities.**

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Picnicking					
Sightseeing / driving for pleasure					
Visiting historic sites (museums, outdoor displays, history-themed visitor centers, etc.)					
Golf					
Bicycling on paved roads / paths					
Rock climbing, mountaineering					
Outdoor court games (volleyball, badminton, etc.)					
Tennis (played outdoors)					
Taking your children or grandchildren to a playground					

For nature study activities, consider the primary purpose of your outing. Was it to look at wildlife or to take photos? Was it to watch birds or other kinds of wildlife?

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Bird watching					
Whale watching					
Exploring tidepools					
Other nature/wildlife observation					
Outdoor photography, painting, drawing					
Collecting (rocks, plants, mushrooms, berries)					
Community gardening					
Visiting nature centers					

For camping activities, do not include backpacking (covered in the trail activities section).

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
RV/trailer camping					
Tent camping (not including backpacking)					
Yurts or camper cabins					

Do you own an RV (recreational vehicle such as a camper or motor home)? (Please check the box that best describes your situation.)

- Yes
- No, but I plan to rent one on occasion
- No, but I expect to own one between now and when I retire
- No, but I expect to own one *after* I retire
- No, and I do not expect to ever own one

Next are fishing and hunting activities.

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Fly fishing					
Fishing from a boat					
Fishing from a bank or shore					
Crabbing					
Shellfishing, clamming					
Big game hunting with a gun					
Big game hunting with a bow					
Waterfowl hunting					
Upland bird or small game hunting					
Target or skeet shooting					

For boating and water-based activities, beach activities include tanning, swimming, and walking or running on the beach for exercise. Beach activities do not include surfing, fishing, crabbing, or clamming, which are covered elsewhere.

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
White-water canoeing, kayaking, or rafting					
Sea kayaking					
Flat-water canoeing, kayaking, rowing					
Windsurfing, surfing, or kiteboarding					
Sailing					
Power boating (cruising or water skiing) or Jet skiing					
Ocean beach activities					
Freshwater beach activities (lakes, reservoirs, rivers, etc.)					
Swimming in outdoor pools					
SCUBA diving or snorkeling					

Next are activity programs sponsored by local parks and recreation departments. These include programs such as painting classes, basketball leagues, hiking outings, or ballroom dancing. Do not include use of facilities outside of programs, such as visiting a local park or swimming pool.

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Activity programs offered by parks and recreation departments					

Are there any other outdoor recreation activities that you engage in – activities not covered in the above lists? If so, please write in the name of activity (for example, “orientteering”) and complete the relevant columns.

Activity	A Days in past year	B Hours per day	C Days 10 years from now	D Why increase/ decrease?	E Most common location
Name: _____					

**Q3. Is there any outdoor recreation activity that you would like to start doing – or do more often?**

- No – skip to question Q5
- Yes, would like to start a new activity
- Yes, would like to do an activity more often

**Q4. What activity would you like to start or do more often, and what would help you achieve this (for example, “a friend to do it with” or “facilities closer to home”).**

Activity \_\_\_\_\_ What would help? \_\_\_\_\_



**Q7. Various agencies, such as community parks and recreation departments, Oregon State Parks, and the US Forest Service, help people engage in outdoor recreation by providing trails, picnic and other facilities, and community programs. If the agencies undertook the following actions, would that affect how often you engage in outdoor recreation? (For each action, circle the number indicating whether it would have no effect, would lead to a small increase in your outdoor recreation activity, or would lead to a large increase.)**

Action	No effect	Lead to small increase	Lead to large increase
Develop walking/hiking trails closer to home	1	2	3
Place more benches and restroom facilities along trails	1	2	3
Develop parks closer to home	1	2	3
Provide more information on parks and recreation opportunities	1	2	3
Provide public transportation to parks	1	2	3
Make parks safer from crime	1	2	3
Develop additional multi-day all-inclusive (guide, food, lodging) outdoor recreation trips	1	2	3
Develop additional recreation programs in general (hiking, skiing, outdoor photography, etc.)	1	2	3
Reduce overcrowding in parks	1	2	3
Expand park facilities (picnic tables, restrooms, etc.)	1	2	3
Expand parking	1	2	3
Ensure clean and well-maintained parks and facilities	1	2	3
Provide assistance with child care	1	2	3
Provide more free-of-charge recreation opportunities	1	2	3

**Q8. Please circle the number reflecting your level of agreement with each of the following statements.**

Statement	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree
Members of my family encourage me to engage in outdoor recreation activities	1	2	3	4	5
Friends encourage me to engage in outdoor recreation activities	1	2	3	4	5
The outdoor recreation activities that I participated in as a child have helped shape my current outdoor recreation interests	1	2	3	4	5
I would like to pass on my love of outdoor recreation to my child and/or grandchild	1	2	3	4	5
Schools encourage my child's and/or grandchild's participation in outdoor recreation	1	2	3	4	5

**Q9. Now we'd like to ask about moving to or within Oregon. Have you made a long-distance move to or within Oregon in the past 10 years? For this survey, "long-distance" involves moves of 25 miles or more.**

- Yes – please continue with Question 10
- No – please skip to Question 11

**Q10. What year did you move and where did you move from? If you moved more than once in this period, please answer for your most recent long-distance move. Then please skip to Question 13.**

- I moved in \_\_\_\_\_ (year)

**and**

- I moved from \_\_\_\_\_ (zip code or name of town – and state if outside Oregon)

**Q11. Do you expect to make a long-distance move in the next 10 years?**

- Yes – please continue with Question 12
- No – please skip to Question 15

**Q12. What year do you expect to move and where do you expect to move to?**

- I expect to move in \_\_\_\_\_ (year)

**and**

- I expect to move to \_\_\_\_\_ (name of town – and state if outside Oregon)

**Q13. If you have moved in the past 10 years, please answer this and the next question with respect to your most recent long-distance move. If you have not moved in the past 10 years, please answer them with respect to your first expected long-distance move.**

**People seek different things in the communities they move to – for some, it is critical that their new community have good job opportunities, for others recreation opportunities are more important.**

**For your most recent (or expected future) move, what was (or will be) the most important consideration in choosing what community to move to?**

Most important consideration: \_\_\_\_\_

**Q14. For your most recent (or expected future) move, please rate the importance of each of the following characteristics in deciding what community to move to.**

Characteristic in New Community	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>Not at all important</span> <span>←</span> <span>→</span> <span>Very important</span> </div>				
	1	2	3	4	5
Work/job opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Mild climate (about the same year-round)	1	2	3	4	5
Four-season climate (warm summers, snowy winters)	1	2	3	4	5
Number of clear / sunny days	1	2	3	4	5
Beautiful scenery	1	2	3	4	5
Golfing opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Winter recreation opportunities (skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Other outdoor recreation opportunities (hiking, biking, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Convenient access to fitness centers	1	2	3	4	5
Being near the coast/ocean	1	2	3	4	5
Arts and culture opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Being near previous residence	1	2	3	4	5
Being near family and friends	1	2	3	4	5
Low crime rates	1	2	3	4	5
High-quality health care	1	2	3	4	5
High-quality assisted living facilities / nursing homes	1	2	3	4	5
Good government services, such as education and public safety	1	2	3	4	5
Good public transport system	1	2	3	4	5
Presence of a college or university	1	2	3	4	5
Low tax levels	1	2	3	4	5
Low cost of housing	1	2	3	4	5
Being a small town	1	2	3	4	5
Being a city	1	2	3	4	5
Number of people my own age	1	2	3	4	5
Number of people of my race / ethnicity	1	2	3	4	5

**Q15. Now we'd like to ask you some questions about volunteering. Do you volunteer in your community – with community organizations, the local library, the parks and recreation department, or other group?**

- No – please continue with Question 20
- Yes – please write how many hours (on average per week) you volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_ hours per week

**Q16. What type of organization do you spend the most time volunteering for?** (Please check the box that *best* describes your situation.)

- Library or literacy program
- Non-profit community organization, such as United Way, Salvation Army, or Humane Society
- Recreation or natural resource agency/organization, such as community parks and recreation, watershed council, or Oregon State Parks
- School or youth organizations, such as high school sports/activities, Little League, or Boys & Girls Clubs
- Church or religious organizations
- Other, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

**Q17. What is the name of the organization you spend the most time volunteering for?**

Name of organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Q18. What type of activity do you mostly engage in?** (Please check the box that *best* describes your situation.)

- Professional – decisionmaking, managing, supervising
- Leadership – including leading groups
- Teaching / program oversight
- Clerical – photocopy, filing, mailing
- Participating – special events, fundraising, work projects
- Transport – driving vans or trucks
- Labor – construction, maintenance, clean-up
- Other, please describe \_\_\_\_\_

**Q19. Looking to the future, do you expect your participation in volunteer activities to change – in terms of how much time you devote to volunteering, the type of organization, or the type of activity?**

- No
- Yes – please describe the future changes you expect: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Q20. Are there things recreation or natural resource agencies/organizations can do to increase the amount of time you volunteer with them – or to begin volunteering for them if you don't already do so? For example, is it important to provide more information about volunteer opportunities, provide more professional-oriented opportunities, or provide financial incentives (e.g., reduced fees for department programs)?**

**If such things would have no effect on your volunteering, please check this box and continue with Question 21. If they would have an effect, please describe the most important things agencies could do:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Q21. Please circle the number that reflects your level of agreement with each of the following statements. If you do not currently volunteer, please answer the statements with respect to possible future volunteering.**

Statement	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>Strongly disagree</span> <span>Strongly agree</span> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"> </div>						
My friends volunteer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
People I know share an interest in community service	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I am genuinely concerned about the particular group I am serving	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
By volunteering I feel less lonely	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
By volunteering, I can make new contacts that might help my business or career	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering allows me to explore different career options	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering lets me learn things through direct, hands-on experiences	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I feel it is important to help others	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering helps me work through my own personal problems	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering allows me to do something for a cause that is important to me	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering is an important activity to the people I know best	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering is a good escape from my own troubles	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
By volunteering, I can learn how to deal with a variety of people	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering makes me feel needed	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering makes me feel better about myself	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering experience will look good on my resume	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering is a way to make new friends	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Volunteering helps me explore my own strengths	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
My volunteer experience has positively impacted my life	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
My culture values service to others	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Because I volunteer, others treat me with more respect	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I do not have enough time to volunteer as much as I would like	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

**Q22. When contributing to organizations, do you prefer to donate your time and skills (volunteer) or donate money? (Please check the box that *best* describes your preference.)**

- Prefer to donate time/skills
- Prefer to donate money
- Likely to donate both
- Unlikely to donate either

In this last section, please tell us more about yourself. All responses to these questions, and others in the survey, are confidential and only averages will be reported.

Q23. How old are you? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

Q24. Regardless of how old you are, how old do you feel? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

Q25. Are you currently retired?

- No – what year (approximately) do you expect to retire? **20** \_\_ \_\_
- Yes – what year did you retire? \_\_\_\_\_

Q26. Is your spouse currently retired? (Please check the box that *best* describes your situation.)

- Yes, he/she worked but is now retired
- No, he/she is still working
- No, he/she does not work
- No, I do not have a spouse

Q27. Are you male or female?

- Male
- Female

Q28. Are there others in your household? If you live alone, please check this box and continue with Question 29. If you live with others, please write how many persons in your household are in each of the following categories.

	How many?		How many?
Spouse/partner	_____	Children or grandchildren (or those of your spouse/partner)	_____
Parents or grandparents (or those of your spouse/partner)	_____	Other persons	_____

Q29. What is the highest educational degree you have completed? (Please check one box.)

- Did not complete high school
- High school diploma
- Some college, but no degree
- Associate degree
- Bachelor degree
- Master degree
- Doctorate degree

Q30. Do you own the home at the address where you received this survey?

- Yes
- No

**Q31. Do you own a home or otherwise maintain a residence (e.g., rental or time-share) at a location other than where you received this survey?**

- Yes – how many residences do you maintain in total? \_\_\_\_\_
- No

**Q32. How many years have you lived in this community (where you received the survey)? \_\_\_\_\_ years**

**Q33. Are you of Spanish/Hispanic/Latino descent?**

- Yes
- No

**Q34. Please select one or more of the following categories that best describes your race.**

- Black/African American
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other

**Q35. What is your household's total annual income before taxes? Include income for all persons that regularly live in your household and all sources of income – salary, pensions, interest or dividends, and all other sources.**

- \$9,999 or less
- \$10,000 to \$24,999
- \$25,000 to \$39,999
- \$40,000 to \$63,999
- \$64,000 to \$134,999
- \$135,000 or more

**Q36. What is your household's total monthly discretionary income – the income available to pay for dining at restaurants, shopping, travel, etc.? Please consider income from all sources, as well as savings, then subtract fixed expenses like mortgages and taxes. As a household, how much do you have left as discretionary income?**

- \$249 or less per month
- \$250 to \$499
- \$500 to \$749
- \$750 to \$999
- \$1,000 to \$1,499
- \$1,500 to \$1,999
- \$2,000 to \$2,999
- \$3,000 to \$3,999
- More than \$4,000

**Q37. In general, would you say your health currently is:**

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

**Q38. Looking ahead, do you expect your health 10 years from now to be:**

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

**Q39. Do you, or does anyone in your household, have a disability? Disability refers to a physical (hearing, sight, walking, etc.) or mental (learning, etc.) impairment that substantially limits one's ability to care for oneself, learn, work, think, or interact with others). Lack of English speaking ability is not a disability. (Please check the box that *best* describes your situation.)**

- I have a disability
- One or more other members of my household has a disability
- Both I and someone else in my household have a disability
- No-one in my household has a disability – please skip the following questions and write any general comments below

**Q40. How long have you (or others in your household) had the disability? \_\_\_\_\_ years**

**Q41. What type of disability do you (or others in your household) have?**

- Physical
- Mental

**Q42. Does the disability hamper your ability to recreate outdoors in Oregon?**

- Yes
- No – please skip the following questions and write any general comments below

**Q43. With respect to outdoor recreation participation what types of barriers related to the disability have you (or others in your household) experienced in Oregon? (Check all that apply.)**

- Facilities are not accessible
- Trails are not accessible
- Other visitors have negative attitudes toward the disability
- Employees of park agencies have negative attitudes toward the disability
- Recreation programs are not accessible for persons with the disability

**Q44. Is there some accommodation or assistance that could be offered to help you (or others in your household) improve your recreational experience?**

- No
- Yes – please describe what could be done: \_\_\_\_\_

**Any comments you have about outdoor recreation or retirement in the state of Oregon are welcomed. Please use the space below and the back cover, as needed.**