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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION AND METHODOLOGY

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- The survey asked respondents about the importance of eight fish/wildlife values. For each item, residents rated the importance they placed on it, using a 0 to 10 scale where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important.
  - “That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon” was the top-ranked value, closely followed by “that Oregon’s water resources are safe and well protected.” Note that these top two values are purely ecological rather than utilitarian. The values that are more utilitarian are lower (but still rated quite high in absolute terms), such as the provision of opportunities for viewing wildlife, for hunting, or for fishing.

PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND HABITAT

- Satisfaction with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon exceeds dissatisfaction: 61% are satisfied, while 18% are dissatisfied (the remainder give a neutral response).
  - A follow-up question delved into reasons for not being more satisfied, asked of all those except those who were very satisfied. The most common responses given were not specific but vaguely indicated that the respondent thought the protection and management could be better in general. Second on the list, however, was a response category that was more specific—those responses that indicated that the Department lacked funding to do more (including the lack of enforcement officers).
When asked if they could name the agency that is most responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon, slightly more than half of the general population (56%) either named the correct agency (the Department of Fish and Wildlife) or named an essentially correct close derivative of the agency. However, 44% could not name the correct agency.

- In follow-up, the survey asked about the level of knowledge respondents had of the Department: 46% said that, prior to the survey, they knew a great deal or moderate amount, while 54% knew a little or nothing.

SATISFACTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OVERALL

- A previous question asked about satisfaction/dissatisfaction with the “protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.” A later question asked about satisfaction/dissatisfaction with the Department itself. The results are positive, with 65% being satisfied compared to only 12% being dissatisfied (the remainder giving a neutral response).

- As was done previously, a follow-up question delved into reasons for not being more satisfied, asked of all those except those who were very satisfied. The most common reasons given relate to respondents’ feelings that management could be better, followed by funding-related responses.

- In another question that pertains to satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the Department, the survey asked respondents to rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities in Oregon. The large majority of residents (81%) give a rating in the top half of the scale: 47% rate them as excellent, and 34% rate them as good.

- A final gauge on satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the Department is a question asking about the credibility of the Department. While this does not pertain directly to satisfaction, it tangentially relates to it—obviously, one would not be much satisfied with any agency that is not credible. Overwhelmingly, Oregon residents find the Department to be credible: 88% say it is credible, including 58% who say it is very credible. Only 2% say it is not at all credible (the remainder give a neutral response).
OPINIONS ON DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES

The survey presented ten efforts of the Department and asked residents to rate the importance that each one should be for the agency, using a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important. The survey then asked residents to rate the performance of the Department in each of the same areas.

- In looking at how important the efforts should be, the purely ecological efforts are at the top. These include “conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat,” “protecting endangered species,” and “protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species in Oregon.”
  - More human-centered efforts are lower, such as the provision of opportunities for wildlife-related recreation and providing information and education.

- In looking at the performance, the effort with the highest mean rating is “providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation” (a human-centered effort), but this is closely followed by “protecting endangered species” (an ecological effort). Thereafter, ecological efforts tend to be rated higher than the more human-centered efforts.
  - In the mean ratings, the human-centered efforts, particularly informational efforts, were the lowest rated.

KNOWLEDGE OF AND OPINION ON DEPARTMENT FUNDING

- In an open-ended question (i.e., with no answer set presented to respondents, who could answer with anything that came to their mind), residents were asked how they thought the Department was funded. The most common response was taxes in general (53% named this). This answer, of course, is not entirely correct, as relatively little of the funding comes from general taxes. The next-most common response was a correct funding source: fishing and hunting licenses (30% named this source). Only 4% named excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment (an important source).

- Another question asked what residents think should be the primary source of funding for the Department; this question was also open-ended. General taxes was the top response (33%), with no elaboration on the type of taxes or otherwise more specifically defining the taxes. The second most common response was fishing and hunting licenses (19%). General state taxes (7%) was third, but this response is nearly the same as the top
response (taxes in general), thereby suggesting that 40% of respondents think that general state taxes should be the primary source.

➢ After being told that only 9% of the Department’s funding comes from general state tax revenues, the survey asked residents if they think that amount is too little or too much (or about right). The most common responses are that it is too little (41%) or that it is about the right amount (40%); a quite low amount say that it is too much (4%).

INFORMATION SOURCES ABOUT FISH, WILDLIFE, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION
➢ Residents were asked about three topics on which they might seek information (fish and wildlife management, fish- and wildlife-related recreation, and conservation). They more often seek information about fish- and wildlife-related recreation than they do about conservation or fish and wildlife management.

➢ The survey asked about the amount of use that 16 sources of information receive from residents looking for information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation.
  • Friends/family as a whole is the top source; otherwise, the Department’s website, the Department’s printed materials, and sporting goods stores are the top sources.

➢ A follow-up open-ended question to the series above asked residents to name those sources that they use that they consider to be the most credible. The leading source in credibility is the Department website. Otherwise, friends/family and Department printed materials are the most credible.

PARTICIPATION IN OUTDOOR RECREATION
➢ The survey listed 12 outdoor activities and asked residents if they had participated in them in the past 12 months. Large majorities had visited a state or national park, hiked, taken a trip of at least a mile in which they had viewed wildlife or birds, and/or viewed wildlife and birds at home.
  • A follow-up question asked if residents had participated in any other outdoor activities. Gardening, walking, and off-roading topped the list.
CONRAINTS TO PARTICIPATION IN OUTDOOR RECREATION

- The largest constraint to participation in fish- and wildlife-related recreation is lack of time/personal obligations, closely followed by age/health—both social constraints over which agencies would have little influence. Otherwise, top constraints are cost and access.

- Another question looked at constraints another way, asking respondents if there was anything that would help or encourage them to participate in fish- and wildlife-related recreation more often (i.e., overcome or lessen the constraints). The top responses are related to cost and time. Third in the ranking is to have more information available.
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USE OF TELEPHONES FOR THE SURVEY
For the survey, telephones were selected as the preferred sampling medium because of the almost universal ownership of telephones among Oregon residents, particularly when a dual-frame sample is used that properly accounts for use of both landline and cell phones. Additionally, telephone surveys, relative to mail or Internet surveys, allow for more scientific sampling and data collection, provide higher quality data, obtain higher response rates, are more timely, and are more cost-effective. Furthermore, they provide higher quality data because of the clarification that a live interviewer provides for any questions in the survey. Telephone surveys also have fewer negative effects on the environment than do mail surveys because of reduced use of paper and reduced energy consumption for delivering and returning the questionnaires.

QUESTIONNAIRE DESIGN
The telephone survey questionnaire was developed cooperatively by Responsive Management and the Department, based on the research team’s familiarity with wildlife and natural resources, as well as agency efforts and funding. Responsive Management conducted pre-tests of the questionnaire to ensure proper wording, flow, and logic in the survey.

SURVEY SAMPLE
The sample included both landlines and cell phones in their proper proportions, taking into account those who use one type solely, those who use both types equally, and those who use both types but one type predominantly. In addition, the sample used a probability-based selection process that ensured that all residents with a telephone had an approximately equal chance of being selected for the survey—a nearly universal coverage of Oregon. This process ensured that the sample was valid because every resident had a known chance of participating in the survey.
The sample was stratified into three regions—the East Region, the West Region, and the Portland Metro Region—as shown in the map that follows. The sampling specifications were that at least 300 interviews be completed in each region (for statewide results, the regions were then properly weighted).

**TELEPHONE INTERVIEWING FACILITIES**

A central polling site at the Responsive Management office allowed for rigorous quality control over the interviews and data collection. Responsive Management maintains its own in-house telephone interviewing facilities. These facilities are staffed by interviewers with experience conducting computer-assisted telephone interviews on the subjects of outdoor recreation, natural resources, and agency ratings and funding.
To ensure the integrity of the telephone survey data, Responsive Management has interviewers who have been trained according to the standards established by the Council of American Survey Research Organizations. Methods of instruction included lecture and role-playing. The Survey Center Managers and other professional staff conducted a project briefing with the interviewers prior to the administration of this survey. Interviewers were instructed on type of study, study goals and objectives, handling of survey questions, interview length, termination points and qualifiers for participation, interviewer instructions within the survey questionnaire, reading of the survey questions, skip patterns, and probing and clarifying techniques necessary for specific questions on the survey questionnaire.

**INTERVIEWING DATES AND TIMES**

Telephone surveying times are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Saturday from noon to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., local time. A five-callback design was used to maintain the representativeness of the sample, to avoid bias toward people easy to reach by telephone, and to provide an equal opportunity for all to participate. When a respondent could not be reached on the first call, subsequent calls were placed on different days of the week and at different times of the day. The survey was conducted in May 2016.

**TELEPHONE SURVEY DATA COLLECTION AND QUALITY CONTROL**

The software used for data collection was Questionnaire Programming Language (QPL). The survey data were entered into the computer as each interview was being conducted, eliminating manual data entry after the completion of the survey and the concomitant data entry errors that may occur with manual data entry. The survey questionnaire was programmed so that QPL branched, coded, and substituted phrases in the survey based on previous responses to ensure the integrity and consistency of the data collection.

The Survey Center Managers and statisticians monitored the data collection, including monitoring of the actual telephone interviews without the interviewers’ knowledge, to evaluate the performance of each interviewer and ensure the integrity of the data. The survey questionnaire itself contains error checkers and computation statements to ensure quality and consistent data. After the surveys were obtained by the interviewers, the Survey Center Managers and/or statisticians checked each completed survey to ensure clarity and completeness. Responsive Management obtained a total of 939 completed interviews.
During the surveying administration, some interviews were conducted in Spanish for those who preferred Spanish to English. Responsive Management has several interviewers who are bilingual (and fluent) in Spanish and English. These interviewers rehearsed the interviews in Spanish, translating from English, prior to making the Spanish interviews.

DATA ANALYSIS
The analysis of data was performed using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences as well as proprietary software developed by Responsive Management. The results were weighted by demographic characteristics; statewide results, which contain the data from three regions, were weighted by the regional population of adults (because no children were interviewed in the survey), based on the U.S. Census.

Crosstabulations were run by the three regions. Other crosstabulations were run by demographic characteristics, by three specific counties that were requested by the Task Force (Marion, Lane, and Deschutes Counties), and by the question delving into knowledge of the Department. The regional crosstabulations are presented after the overall results in the body of the report. Other crosstabulations are included as appendices. Note that the crosstabulations in the appendices were run on nearly every question but not all.

SAMPLING ERROR
Throughout this report, findings of the telephone survey are reported at a 95% confidence interval. For the entire sample of Oregon residents, the sampling error is at most plus or minus 3.20 percentage points. This means that if the survey were conducted 100 times on different samples that were selected in the same way, the findings of 95 out of the 100 surveys would fall within plus or minus 3.20 percentage points of each other. Sampling error was calculated as the survey’s maximum standard error multiplied by 1.96, which itself was calculated using the formula that follows and accounts for the use of fractional weights in the analysis.

**Sampling Error Equation**

\[
SE(\bar{X}) = \sqrt{p(1-p) \sum_{i=1}^{n} \omega_i^2}.
\]

This formula uses data points (weights) from every case in the dataset.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRESENTATION OF RESULTS IN THE REPORT

In examining the results, it is important to be aware that the questionnaire included several types of questions:

- Open-ended questions are those in which no answer set is read to the respondents; rather, they can respond with anything that comes to mind from the question.
- Closed-ended questions have an answer set from which to choose.
- Single or multiple response questions: Some questions allow only a single response, while other questions allow respondents to give more than one response or choose all that apply. Those that allow more than a single response are indicated on the graphs with the label, “Multiple Responses Allowed.”
- Scaled questions: Many closed-ended questions (but not all) are in a scale, such as excellent-good-fair-poor.
- Series questions: Many questions are part of a series, and the results are primarily intended to be examined relative to the other questions in that series (although results of the questions individually can also be valuable). Typically, results of all questions in a series are shown together.

Most graphs show results rounded to the nearest integer; however, all data are stored in decimal format, and all calculations are performed on unrounded numbers. For this reason, some results may not sum to exactly 100% because of this rounding on the graphs. Additionally, rounding may cause apparent discrepancies of 1 percentage point between the graphs and the reported results of combined responses (e.g., when “very satisfied” and “moderately satisfied” are summed to determine the total percentage who are satisfied).
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- The survey asked respondents about the importance of eight fish/wildlife values. For each item, residents rated the importance they placed on it, using a 0 to 10 scale where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important. The results of all eight questions are shown together.

  - “That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon” was the top-ranked value, closely followed by “that Oregon’s water resources are safe and well protected.” Note that these top two values are purely ecological rather than utilitarian. The values that are more utilitarian are lower (but still rated quite high in absolute terms), such as the provision of opportunities for viewing wildlife, for hunting, or for fishing.

    - One statewide graph shows the percent who felt strongly enough to give a rating of 9 or 10; the second statewide graph shows the mean rating. These are followed by the regional graphs, with the same two graphs for the regional crosstabulations.
Q18. What would you say are the most important fish, wildlife, or habitat issues facing Oregon today? (Part 1)

- Habitat loss: 13
- Not enough water / water quantity: 11
- Low / declining fish populations: 10
- Urban sprawl / urban development: 8
- Conservation and management of resources: 7
- Predation on salmonids: 6
- Chemicals / pollution in general: 6
- Water quality / water pollution: 5
- Climate change: 5
- Predator management: 5
- Poaching / fish and wildlife violations: 5

Percent (n=939)
Q18. What would you say are the most important fish, wildlife, or habitat issues facing Oregon today? (Part 2)

- Low / declining game wildlife populations: 4%
- Wolves: 4%
- Sustainable funding needs for fish and wildlife management: 4%
- Littering / dumping: 4%
- Low / declining nongame wildlife populations: 3%
- Threatened or endangered species: 3%
- Health of wildlife and habitat / invasive species / balance of species: 2%
- Access: 2%
- Wildlife-related damage and conflict: 2%
- Costs of licenses and fees to use lands: 1%
- Irresponsible people: 1%
- Dam-related issues: 1%
- Gave anti-government / anti-regulation response: 1%
- Environmentalists / liberals / Democrats: 1%
- Other: 4%
- Don't know: 22%
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- Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon: 87%
- Q51. That Oregon’s water resources are safe and well protected: 85%
- Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature: 80%
- Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon: 76%
- Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon: 75%
- Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved: 75%
- Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon: 65%
- Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon: 50%
Q37-Q51. Mean ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

- Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon: 9.5
- Q51. That Oregon’s water resources are safe and well protected: 9.4
- Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature: 9.2
- Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon: 9.1
- Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon: 9.1
- Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved: 9.0
- Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon: 8.7
- Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon: 7.6

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PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND HABITAT

- Satisfaction with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon exceeds dissatisfaction: 61% are satisfied, while 18% are dissatisfied (the remainder give a neutral response).
  - Another graph (referred to as an “omnigraph” because it has many separate data points on one graph) shows the percent of various groups that are satisfied with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. This omnigraph includes an explanation of how to interpret it. This is followed by an omnigraph showing the percent of various groups that are dissatisfied.
  - A follow-up question delved into reasons for not being more satisfied, asked of all those except those who were very satisfied. The most common responses given were not specific but vaguely indicated that the respondent thought the protection and management could be better in general. Second on the list, however, was a response category that was more specific—those responses that indicated that the Department lacked funding to do more (including the lack of enforcement officers). The graph shows the full list.

- When asked if they could name the agency that is most responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon, slightly more than half of the general population (56%) either named the correct agency (the Department of Fish and Wildlife) or named an essentially correct close derivative of the agency. However, 44% could not name the correct agency.
  - An omnigraph shows the percent of various groups that could name the agency.
  - In follow-up, the survey asked about the level of knowledge respondents had of the Department: 46% said that, prior to the survey, they knew a great deal or moderate amount, while 54% knew a little or nothing. (Omnigraphs are included for this, as well.)
Q20. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

![Bar chart showing responses to the satisfaction question]

- Very satisfied: 25% (n=939)
- Somewhat satisfied: 35% (n=939)
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied: 14% (n=939)
- Somewhat dissatisfied: 12% (n=939)
- Very dissatisfied: 5% (n=939)
- Don't know: 7% (n=939)

* Rounding on the graph causes the apparent discrepancy in the sum; calculation made on unrounded numbers.
Q20. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

- **Very satisfied**
  - East: 25
  - West: 28
  - Portland Metro: 22

- **Somewhat satisfied**
  - East: 33
  - West: 33
  - Portland Metro: 38

- **Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied**
  - East: 17
  - West: 11
  - Portland Metro: 16

- **Somewhat dissatisfied**
  - East: 13
  - West: 13
  - Portland Metro: 11

- **Very dissatisfied**
  - East: 7
  - West: 6
  - Portland Metro: 5

- **Don't know**
  - East: 5
  - West: 9
  - Portland Metro: 7
Percent of each of the following groups who are satisfied with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.

- Is 55 years old or older: 65.1%
- Participated in hiking: 62.7%
- Is male: 62.3%
- Is white or Caucasian: 62.0%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 61.7%
- Lives in West region: 61.6%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 61.2%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 60.9%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 60.8%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 60.8%
- Total: 60.7%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 60.6%
- Lives in a large city or urban area: 60.3%
- Participated in hunting: 60.3%
- Is female: 59.2%
- Participated in biking: 59.1%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 59.0%
- Is 18-34 years old: 58.6%
- Lives in East region: 58.3%
- Participated in saltwater fishing: 58.3%
- Participated in motorboating: 57.1%
- Is 35-54 years old: 56.2%
- Participated in camping: 55.3%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 52.3%
- Is Hispanic or Latino: 52.2%
- Is native American: 47.5%

How to interpret this omnigraph:

- The percentage of residents overall who are satisfied is shown by the gray “total” bar: 60.7% are satisfied.
- Those groups above the gray bar are more likely to be satisfied, such as males (62.3% are satisfied, which means that 37.7% of males did not indicate being satisfied).
- Also, for instance, those who live in the West Region are more likely to be satisfied than residents overall (61.6% of West Region residents are satisfied).
- On the other hand, groups below the gray bar are less likely to be satisfied, such as females (59.2% are satisfied) or those 35 to 54 years old (56.2% are satisfied).
Percent of each of the following groups who are dissatisfied with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Q21. Why aren't you more satisfied with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon? (Asked of those who did not indicate being very satisfied.)

- Management not good in general / could do better: 11
- Funding-related response / lack of funding or staff, including law enforcement: 7
- Not doing enough / could do more: 6
- Health of habitat and wildlife / fish: 4
- Management of cougars / bears / wolves / predators: 4
- Hunting management-related response: 3
- Fishing-related response: 3
- Too many regulations: 3
- Disagree with specific management strategies: 3
- Lack of enforcement presence (subset of "Funding-related response"): 2
- Resources misused / abused / litter: 2
- Pollution / chemicals: 2
- Lack of fish and game / wrong balance of species / species management: 2
- Water quality: 2
- Seals / management of seals / interference with anglers: 2
- Salmon-related response: 2
- Access: 1
- Logging-related response: 1
- Deer overpopulation / damage from deer: 1
- No answer / don't know: 34
- Other: 11

Percent (n=684)
Q21. Why aren't you more satisfied with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon? (Asked of those who did not indicate being very satisfied.)

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- Health of habitat and wildlife / fish
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- Hunting management-related response
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- Logging-related response
- Deer overpopulation / damage from deer
- No answer / don’t know
- Other

Percent

East (n=228)
West (n=235)
Portland Metro (n=221)
Q22. Which government agency would you say is most responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

- Correct state agency: 47%
- Essentially correct derivative of state agency: 9%
- Incorrect answer: 15%
- Don’t know: 29%
Q22. Which government agency would you say is most responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

- Correct state agency
- Essentially correct derivative of state agency
- Incorrect answer
- Don't know

![Bar graph showing the percentages of responses by region.]

- East (n=305)
- West (n=332)
- Portland Metro (n=302)
Percent of each of the following groups who correctly identified the government agency most responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Percent of each of the following groups who could not correctly identify the government agency most responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Q23. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. Before this survey, would you say you knew a great deal, a moderate amount, a little, or nothing about the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife?

- A great deal: 14% (n=939)
- A moderate amount: 32% (n=939)
- A little: 37% (n=939)
- Nothing: 17% (n=939)
- Don’t know: Less than 0.5%

Percent (n=939)
Q23. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. Before this survey, would you say you knew a great deal, a moderate amount, a little, or nothing about the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife?

![Bar chart showing responses to Q23]

- A great deal: East (19), West (32), Portland Metro (34)
- A moderate amount: East (15), West (33), Portland Metro (32)
- A little: East (11), West (33), Portland Metro (35)
- Nothing: East (13), West (17), Portland Metro (18)
- Don't know: East (2), West (0), Portland Metro (0)

Legend:
- East (n=305)
- West (n=332)
- Portland Metro (n=302)
Percent of each of the following groups who know a great deal about the Department.

- Participated in saltwater fishing: 24.9%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 24.6%
- Participated in camping: 24.5%
- Participated in hunting: 21.6%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 21.0%
- Participated in motorboating: 19.4%
- Lives in East region: 19.1%
- Participated in biking: 18.8%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 16.3%
- Is 55 years old or older: 16.2%
- Is male: 16.0%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 15.4%
- Is white or Caucasian: 14.8%
- Lives in West region: 14.7%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 14.7%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 14.4%
- Participated in hiking: 14.4%
- Is native American: 14.3%
- Total: 13.7%
- Lives in a large city or urban area: 13.3%
- Is 18-34 years old: 13.1%
- Is 35-54 years old: 12.3%
- Is female: 11.4%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 11.1%
- Is Hispanic or Latino: 8.9%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 8.4%

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Percent of each of the following groups who know a little or nothing about the Department.

- Is Hispanic or Latino: 74.0%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 73.3%
- Is native American: 60.3%
- Is female: 59.8%
- Is 18-34 years old: 59.5%
- Lives in a large city or urban area: 57.0%
- Is 35-54 years old: 53.9%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 56.9%
- Lives in West region: 52.1%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 51.1%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 50.6%
- Is white or Caucasian: 50.6%
- Participated in motorboating: 49.8%
- Participated in hiking: 49.7%
- Is 55 years old or older: 47.9%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 47.6%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 47.5%
- Lives in East region: 47.4%
- Is male: 47.1%
- Participated in biking: 44.7%
- Participated in camping: 43.3%
- Participated in hunting: 39.7%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 39.5%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 35.5%
- Participated in saltwater fishing: 30.6%

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
SATISFACTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OVERALL

- A previous question asked about satisfaction/dissatisfaction with the “protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.” A later question asked about satisfaction/dissatisfaction with the Department itself. The results are positive, with 65% being satisfied compared to only 12% being dissatisfied (the remainder giving a neutral response).
  - Omnigraphs are included for this question.
  - As was done previously, a follow-up question delved into reasons for not being more satisfied, asked of all those except those who were very satisfied. The most common reasons given relate to respondents’ feelings that management could be better, followed by funding-related responses. The graph shows the full list.

- In another question that pertains to satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the Department, the survey asked respondents to rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities in Oregon. The large majority of residents (81%) give a rating in the top half of the scale: 47% rate them as excellent, and 34% rate them as good.
  - Omnigraphs are included for this question.

- A final gauge on satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the Department is a question asking about the credibility of the Department. While this does not pertain directly to satisfaction, it tangentially relates to it—obviously, one would not be much satisfied with any agency that is not credible. Overwhelmingly, Oregon residents find the Department to be credible: 88% say it is credible, including 58% who say it is very credible. Only 2% say it is not at all credible (the remainder give a neutral response).
  - This question has omnigraphs for it, as well.
Q24. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

- Very satisfied: 29 (65%)
- Somewhat satisfied: 36 (12%)
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied: 12
- Somewhat dissatisfied: 7 (12%)
- Very dissatisfied: 5
- Don't know: 10

Percent (n=939)
Q24. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

![Bar chart showing satisfaction levels](chart.png)
Percent of each of the following groups who are satisfied with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.

- Lives in a large city or urban area: 69.6%
- Participated in biking: 69.4%
- Is male: 68.7%
- Is 18-34 years old: 68.3%
- Participated in hunting: 67.9%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 67.6%
- Is Hispanic or Latino: 66.9%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 66.6%
- Participated in hiking: 66.5%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 66.4%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 66.1%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 66.0%
- Is white or Caucasian: 65.6%
- Is 55 years old or older: 63.8%
- Is native American: 63.7%
- Is 35-54 years old: 63.6%
- Lives in West region: 63.4%
- Participated in saltwater fishing: 63.3%
- Participated in motorboating: 62.9%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 62.3%
- Lives in East region: 62.2%
- Is female: 61.6%
- Participated in camping: 61.2%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 60.6%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 53.8%

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Percent of each of the following groups who are dissatisfied with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon.

- Participated in saltwater fishing: 23.2%
- Is native American: 21.1%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 20.0%
- Participated in camping: 18.9%
- Is 55 years old or older: 17.7%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 16.2%
- Lives in East region: 16.0%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 14.3%
- Lives in West region: 13.8%
- Is male: 13.8%
- Participated in hunting: 13.4%
- Participated in biking: 12.9%
- Participated in hiking: 12.9%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 12.8%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 12.7%
- Is white or Caucasian: 12.5%
- Total: 12.3%
- Participated in motorboating: 11.7%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 11.6%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 11.1%
- Is female: 10.9%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 9.7%
- Is 35-54 years old: 9.4%
- Lives in a large city or urban area: 8.9%
- Is 18-34 years old: 7.7%
- Is Hispanic or Latino: 6.4%

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Q25. Why aren't you more satisfied with the Department as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon? (Asked of those who did not indicate being very satisfied.)

- Management not good in general / could do better: 13
- Funding-related response / lack of funding or staff, including law enforcement: 7
- Not doing enough / could do more: 6
- Fishing-related response: 4
- Hunting management-related response: 3
- Too many regulations: 3
- Lack of enforcement presence (subset of "Funding-related response"): 2
- Lack of fish and game / wrong balance of species / species management: 2
- Allow too much political influence in decisions / too much outside influence (corps., orgs.): 2
- Health of habitat and wildlife / fish: 2
- Management of cougars / bears / wolves / predators: 2
- Seals / management of seals / interference with anglers: 2
- Disagree with specific management strategies: 2
- Salmon-related response: 2
- Access: 1
- Deer overpopulation / damage from deer: 1
- Water quality: 1
- Pollution / chemicals: 1
- Logging-related response: 1
- Other: 8
- No answer / don't know: 45
Q25. Why aren't you more satisfied with the Department as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon? (Asked of those who did not indicate being very satisfied.)

Management not good in general / could do better
Funding-related response / lack of funding or staff, including law enforcement
   Not doing enough / could do more
   Fishing-related response
   Hunting management-related response
   Too many regulations
Lack of enforcement presence (subset of "Funding-related response")
Lack of fish and game / wrong balance of species / species management
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Disagree with specific management strategies
Salmon-related response
Access
Deer overpopulation / damage from deer
Water quality
Pollution / chemicals
Logging-related response
Other
No answer / don't know

East (n=222)
West (n=224)
Portland Metro (n=215)

Percent
Q29. How would you rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing, in Oregon?

- Excellent: 47% (n=939)
- Good: 34%
- Fair: 12%
- Poor: 4%
- Don't know: 4%

* Rounding on the graph causes the apparent discrepancy in the sum; calculation made on unrounded numbers.
Q29. How would you rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing, in Oregon?
Percent of each of the following groups who rated the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities in Oregon as excellent.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Percent of each of the following groups who rated the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities in Oregon as fair or poor.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Q124. In your opinion, how credible is the Department overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?

- Very credible: 58% (n=939)
- Somewhat credible: 30%
- Not at all credible: 2%
- No opinion: 4%
- Don't know: 7%
Q124. In your opinion, how credible is the Department overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?
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Percent of each of the following groups who rated the Department as very credible overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Percent of each of the following groups who rated the Department as not at all credible overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish-and wildlife-related recreation.

(See page 18 for an explanation of how to read omnigraphs.)
Percent of each of the following groups who did not have an opinion on (or who answered "don't know") the Department overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation.

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OPINIONS ON DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES

The survey presented ten efforts of the Department and asked residents to rate the importance that each one should be for the agency, using a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important. The survey then asked residents to rate the performance of the Department in each of the same areas. The discussion first looks at each set separately before discussing the results of both sets of questions together.

• In looking at how important the efforts should be, the purely ecological efforts are at the top. These include “conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat,” “protecting endangered species,” and “protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species in Oregon.”
  o More human-centered efforts are lower, such as the provision of opportunities for wildlife-related recreation and providing information and education.

• In looking at the performance, the effort with the highest mean rating is “providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation” (a human-centered effort), but this is closely followed by “protecting endangered species” (an ecological effort). Thereafter, ecological efforts tend to be rated higher than the more human-centered efforts.
  o In the mean ratings, the human-centered efforts, particularly informational efforts, were the lowest rated.
Because both sets of questions used a 0 to 10 scale, they can be graphed in a scatterplot, with importance on one axis and performance on the other axis. Of course, some items will be perceived to be more important than others, and performance ratings, likewise, will not all be the same for each item. With this in mind, it would be hoped that those items considered the most important would be performed the best. Likewise, those items not rated well in performance are, hopefully, items that are judged to be of less importance. A diagonal line shows where both importance and performance are equal—in other words, where performance is commensurate with importance. Those items farthest from the line to the left/top would have the biggest gap between performance and importance.

- Fortunately, all items are in the quadrant representing high performance and high importance. In looking at the close-up graph, showing only a portion of the overall scatterplot, the items are bunched fairly close together not far from the diagonal line. Nonetheless, those items with the biggest gap between performance and importance (i.e., the items farthest from the diagonal line) include:
  - Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection (importance: 8.55 / performance: 6.65).
  - Managing fish and wildlife populations (importance: 8.88 / performance: 7.16).
  - Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat (importance: 8.97 / performance: 7.35).
  - Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities (importance: 8.57 / performance: 6.87).

In an open-ended question, the survey asked residents to name the programs, efforts, or issues that they think should be the most important to the Department. The top response category relates to the health of wildlife and habitat, invasive species, and the balance of species. The next most common response category is conservation and management of resources. The graph shows the full list.
Statewide results; importance ratings; percent rating it 9 or 10.

**Q55-Q73. Ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.**

- Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat: 73 percent
- Q57. Protecting endangered species: 69 percent
- Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon: 69 percent
- Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations: 69 percent
- Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing: 63 percent
- Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat: 62 percent
- Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection: 61 percent
- Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities: 59 percent
- Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat: 57 percent
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing: 56 percent
Statewide results; importance ratings; means.

Q55-Q73. Mean ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

- **Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat**
- **Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations**
- **Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon**
- **Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing**
- **Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat**
- **Q57. Protecting endangered species**
- **Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities**
- **Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection**
- **Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat**
- **Q73. Managing commercial fishing**
Statewide results; performance ratings; percent rating it 9 or 10.

Q76-Q94. Ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing: 36%
- Q78. Protecting endangered species: 36%
- Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat: 31%
- Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon: 30%
- Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat: 30%
- Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations: 27%
- Q94. Managing commercial fishing: 27%
- Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities: 26%
- Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat: 25%
- Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection: 24%
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Statewide results; performance ratings; means.

**Q76-Q94. Mean ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent).**

- **Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing**: 7.6
- **Q78. Protecting endangered species**: 7.5
- **Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat**: 7.3
- **Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon**: 7.3
- **Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat**: 7.3
- **Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations**: 7.2
- **Q94. Managing commercial fishing**: 6.9
- **Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat**: 6.9
- **Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities**: 6.9
- **Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection**: 6.6

**Mean**
Statewide: this graph shows the entire scatterplot; all items were closely bunched, with importance ratings that ranged only from 8.25 to 8.97 and performance ratings that ranged only from 6.65 to 7.64.

Comparison of mean ratings of importance and performance of Oregon Department efforts.
(General population)
Statewide: this graph shows a close-up of the pertinent portion of the overall scatterplot. The importance axis goes from 7 to 10; the performance axis goes from 6 to 9.

Comparison of mean ratings of importance and performance of Oregon Department efforts.
(General population)

Key:
1. Protecting/restoring native fish/wildlife species
2. Researching/monitoring fish/wildlife pops/habitat
Q55-Q73. Ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

Regional results; importance ratings; percent rating it 9 or 10.
Regional results; importance ratings; means.

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Responsive Management

Regional results; performance ratings; percent rating it 9 or 10.

Q76-Q94. Ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent): percent who chose 9 or 10.

Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations.
Q78. Protecting endangered species
Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
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Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
Q94. Managing commercial fishing
Regional results; performance ratings; means.

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Q28. In your opinion, what programs, efforts, or issues do you think should be the most important to the Department?

Health of wildlife and habitat / invasive species / balance of species: 35%
Conservation and management of resources: 18%
Water quality / water pollution: 9%
Educate public / encourage recreation: 7%
Enforcement / irresponsible people: 4%
Chemicals / pollution in general: 3%
Predator control: 3%
Costs of licenses and fees to use lands: 2%
Littering / dumping: 2%
Gave anti-government / anti-regulation response: 1%
Access: 1%
Fires: 1%
Air quality / air pollution: 1%
Other: 4%
No answer / don't know: 26%
Q28. In your opinion, what programs, efforts, or issues do you think should be the most important to the Department?

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KNOWLEDGE OF AND OPINION ON DEPARTMENT FUNDING

- In an open-ended question (i.e., with no answer set presented to respondents, who could answer with anything that came to their mind), residents were asked how they thought the Department was funded. The most common response was taxes in general (53% named this). This answer, of course, is not entirely correct, as relatively little of the funding comes from general taxes. The next-most common response was a correct funding source: fishing and hunting licenses (30% named this source). The graph shows the full list; only 4% named excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment (an important source).

- Another question asked what residents think should be the primary source of funding for the Department; this question was also open-ended. General taxes was the top response (33%), with no elaboration on the type of taxes or otherwise more specifically defining the taxes. The second most common response was fishing and hunting licenses (19%). General state taxes (7%) was third, but this response is nearly the same as the top response (taxes in general), thereby suggesting that 40% of respondents think that general state taxes should be the primary source.

- After the above questions, respondents were informed of the actual sources of funding for the Department, which are as follows: approximately 37% of funding comes from fishing and hunting license fees, 13% from federal excise taxes on fishing and hunting equipment, 25% from other federal funds, 9% from general state tax revenues, 3% from commercial fishing, and the rest from a variety of other sources.

- After being told that only 9% of the Department’s funding comes from general state tax revenues, the survey asked residents if they think that amount is too little or too much (or about right). The most common responses are that it is too little (41%) or that it is about the right amount (40%); a quite low amount say that it is too much (4%). (Omnigraphs are included for this.)

- Those who said that the amount is too much were asked why they think it is too much. The most common responses are that outdoor recreational activities are too expensive to participate in (although it is unclear how less funding for the Department would alleviate that problem) and that taxes are too high.

- Likewise, those who said that the amount is too little were asked for their reasoning. Most commonly they indicate that they feel that the Department is underfunded in general; their next most common response category is that conservation and wildlife are important.
Q128. How do you think the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is funded?

- Taxes: 53%
- Fishing and hunting licenses: 30%
- General state tax revenue: 16%
- General federal tax revenue: 14%
- State income tax check-off / nongame donations: 9%
- Commercial fishing licenses: 7%
- Lottery sales: 6%
- Excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment: 4%
- Fines: 4%
- Donations: 4%
- Grants, source not specified: 2%
- Taxes on motorboat fuel: 1%
- User fees other than hunting / fishing licenses: 1%
- Boat registrations: 1%
- Less than 0.5: 11%
- Other: 1%
- Don't know: 11%

(Percent n=939)
Q128. How do you think the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is funded?
Q130. What do you think should be the primary source of funding for the Department?

- Taxes: 33%
- Fishing and hunting licenses: 19%
- General state tax revenue: 7%
- General federal tax revenue: 5%
- State income tax check-off / nongame donations: 4%
- Lottery sales: 3%
- Commercial fishing licenses: 1%
- Excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment: Less than 0.5%
- Fines: Less than 0.5%
- Other: 12%
- Don't know: 15%
Q130. What do you think should be the primary source of funding for the Department?
Q133. [THE DEPARTMENT'S FUNDING SOURCES WERE EXPLAINED.] Knowing that 9% of the Department's funding comes from general state tax revenues, do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much, about the right amount, or too little?

![Bar chart showing responses to Q133]

- Too much: 4%
- About the right amount: 40%
- Too little: 41%
- Don't know: 15%

(Percent, n=939)
Q133. [THE DEPARTMENT’S FUNDING SOURCES WERE EXPLAINED.] Knowing that 9% of the Department’s funding comes from general state tax revenues, do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much, about the right amount, or too little?

- **Too much**: 8% (East), 4% (West), 3% (Portland Metro)
- **About the right amount**: 46% (East), 39% (West), 39% (Portland Metro)
- **Too little**: 40% (East), 40% (West), 44% (Portland Metro)
- **Don’t know**: 11% (East), 17% (West), 13% (Portland Metro)
Percent of each of the following groups who think the Department's share of tax revenue is too much.

- Lives in East region: 8.0%
- Participated in saltwater fishing: 6.3%
- Is native American: 5.6%
- Is male: 5.5%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 5.4%
- Participated in biking: 5.3%
- Is 18-34 years old: 5.3%
- Is Hispanic or Latino: 4.9%
- Participated in motorboating: 4.8%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 4.4%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 4.3%
- Participated in hunting: 4.3%
- Lives in a large city or urban area: 4.1%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 4.1%
- Total: 4.1%
- Is white or Caucasian: 4.0%
- Participated in camping: 3.9%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 3.8%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 3.7%
- Lives in West region: 3.6%
- Is 35-54 years old: 3.5%
- Participated in hiking: 3.5%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 3.4%
- Is 55 years old or older: 3.2%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 3.0%
- Is female: 2.7%
Percent of each of the following groups who think the Department's share of tax revenue is too little.

- Is native American: 62.9%
- Participated in visiting a state or national park: 46.3%
- Participated in hunting: 46.1%
- Lives in a large city or urban area: 46.0%
- Participated in motorboating: 45.9%
- Participated in biking: 45.8%
- Participated in freshwater fishing: 45.8%
- Participated in camping: 45.6%
- Participated in canoeing or kayaking: 45.6%
- Is 18-34 years old: 45.5%
- Participated in saltwater fishing: 44.7%
- Participated in hiking: 44.3%
- Lives in Portland Metro region: 44.1%
- Participated in wildlife viewing away from home: 44.1%
- Participated in wildlife viewing around home: 43.1%
- Is white or Caucasian: 42.4%
- Is female: 41.8%
- Is 35-54 years old: 41.5%
- Total: 41.3%
- Is male: 40.8%
- Lives in West region: 40.4%
- Lives in a small city/town or rural area: 39.0%
- Is 55 years old or older: 38.7%
- Participated in crabbing or clamming: 35.5%
- Lives in East region: 34.6%
- Is Hispanic or Latino: 18.9%
Q134. Specifically, why do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much? (Asked of those who had responded with 'too much'.)

![Bar chart showing reasons for thinking the amount of funding is too much.]

- Activities too expensive: 19
- Taxes too high: 16
- Wasteful / don't use funds wisely: 10
- Anti-government sentiment: 9
- Users should pay: 7
- Commercial fishing should pay more: 5
- Corporations should pay more: 5
- Should be federal funding: 4
- Other: 9
- No answer / don't know: 23

Percent (n=50)
Q134. Specifically, why do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much? (Asked of those who had responded with 'too much.')
Q135. Specifically, why do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too little? (Asked of those who had responded with 'too little.')

- Department is under-funded (general) 35
- Conservation / wildlife are important 24
- Users pay too much 10
- 9% is too low 8
- Residents benefit from environment so should pay more 6
- Need more maintenance 5
- Want less federal input 4
- Need more enforcement 3
- Need more access 2
- State taxes go to less important things 2
- Need more tourism 1
- Other 5
- No answer / don't know 7
Q135. Specifically, why do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too little? (Asked of those who had responded with 'too little.')

- Department is under-funded (general)
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- Other
- No answer / don't know

[Bar chart showing the responses by region: East (n=103), West (n=133), Portland Metro (n=127)]
INFORMATION SOURCES ABOUT FISH, WILDLIFE, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION

- Residents were asked about three topics on which they might seek information (fish and wildlife management, fish- and wildlife-related recreation, and conservation). They more often seek information about fish- and wildlife-related recreation than they do about conservation or fish and wildlife management.

- The survey asked about the amount of use that 16 sources of information receive from residents looking for information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation.
  - Friends/family as a whole is the top source; otherwise, the Department’s website, the Department’s printed materials, and sporting goods stores are the top sources.
    - One graph shows the percent who frequently use the sources; another graph shows the percent who frequently or sometimes use the sources.

- A follow-up open-ended question to the series above asked residents to name those sources that they use that they consider to be the most credible. The leading source in credibility is the Department website. Otherwise, friends/family and Department printed materials are the most credible.

- There was a question previously discussed that pertains to this section. Recall from the section of the report titled, “Satisfaction With the Department Overall,” that 88% of residents say that the Department is very or somewhat credible as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation. This includes 58% who think the Department is very credible. (The graph for this and the regional crosstabulation graph are shown in the section of this report titled, “Satisfaction With the Department Overall.”)
Q98-100. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about...

- Q98. Fish and wildlife management
- Q99. Conservation
- Q100. Fish- and wildlife-related recreation

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Percent (n=939)
Q98. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish and wildlife management?

Frequently
- East (n=305): 20%
- West (n=332): 18%
- Portland Metro (n=302): 12%

Sometimes
- East (n=305): 35%
- West (n=332): 29%
- Portland Metro (n=302): 27%

Rarely
- East (n=305): 31%
- West (n=332): 31%
- Portland Metro (n=302): 35%

Never
- East (n=305): 21%
- West (n=332): 22%
- Portland Metro (n=302): 26%

Don't know
- East (n=305): 0%
- West (n=332): 0%
- Portland Metro (n=302): 0%
Q99. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about conservation?

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- White: West (n=332)
- Gray: Portland Metro (n=302)
Q100. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing?

- Frequently: 32 (East), 23 (West), 36 (Portland Metro)
- Sometimes: 30 (East), 38 (West), 38 (Portland Metro)
- Rarely: 17 (East), 21 (West), 14 (Portland Metro)
- Never: 16 (East), 17 (West), 17 (Portland Metro)
- Don't know: 1 (East), 1 (West), 1 (Portland Metro)
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.

- Q103. Friends or family: 46%
- Q110. Department website: 22%
- Q118. Sporting goods store: 20%
- Q109. Department printed materials, such as brochures and pamphlets: 19%
- Q111. Websites other than the Department website: 18%
- Q106. Television: 17%
- Q107. Magazines: 15%
- Q104. Newspaper: 13%
- Q116. Fishing, hunting, or organized sporting organizations: 12%
- Q105. Radio: 11%
- Q117. Conservation organizations: 11%
- Q113. Social media other than the Department's social media: 9%
- Q115. Federal agencies: 8%
- Q114. State agencies other than the Department: 7%
- Q112. Department social media, such as the Department's Facebook page or Twitter feed: 6%
- Q108. Department employees: 5%
### Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently or sometimes use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.

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Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.

- Q103. Friends or family.
  - East: 49%
  - West: 48%
  - Portland Metro: 22%

- Q110. Department website.
  - East: 21%
  - West: 15%
  - Portland Metro: 12%

- Q118. Sporting goods store.
  - East: 27%
  - West: 17%
  - Portland Metro: 13%

- Q109. Department printed materials, such as brochures and pamphlets.
  - East: 24%
  - West: 15%
  - Portland Metro: 22%

- Q111. Websites other than the Department website.
  - East: 22%
  - West: 17%
  - Portland Metro: 17%

- Q106. Television.
  - East: 21%
  - West: 16%
  - Portland Metro: 19%

  - East: 19%
  - West: 12%
  - Portland Metro: 18%

- Q104. Newspaper.
  - East: 19%
  - West: 12%
  - Portland Metro: 15%

- Q116. Fishing, hunting, or organized sporting organizations.
  - East: 17%
  - West: 13%
  - Portland Metro: 11%

- Q105. Radio.
  - East: 14%
  - West: 10%
  - Portland Metro: 14%

  - East: 10%
  - West: 8%
  - Portland Metro: 10%

- Q113. Social media other than the Department’s social media.
  - East: 8%
  - West: 7%
  - Portland Metro: 10%

- Q115. Federal agencies.
  - East: 9%
  - West: 6%
  - Portland Metro: 10%

- Q114. State agencies other than the Department.
  - East: 3%
  - West: 6%
  - Portland Metro: 6%

- Q112. Department social media, such as the Department’s Facebook page or Twitter feed.
  - East: 3%
  - West: 6%
  - Portland Metro: 6%

- Q108. Department employees.
  - East: 11%
  - West: 3%
  - Portland Metro: 3%
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently or sometimes use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.
Q122. Which of the sources you use most often do you consider the most credible as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?

- Department website: 33%
- Friends or family: 23%
- Department printed materials, such as brochures and pamphlets: 17%
- Websites other than the Department website: 11%
- Department employees: 8%
- Television: 7%
- Newspaper: 7%
- Magazines: 5%
- Federal agencies: 4%
- Radio: 4%
- Conservation organizations: 4%
- Department social media: 3%
- Fishing, hunting, or organized sporting organizations: 3%
- Social media other than the Department’s social media: 3%
- State agencies other than the Department: 2%
- Sporting goods stores: 1%
- Other: 1%
- Don't know: 10%

(Percent n=939)
Q122. Which of the sources you use most often do you consider the most credible as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?
PARTICIPATION IN OUTDOOR RECREATION

The survey listed 12 outdoor activities and asked residents if they had participated in them in the past 12 months. Large majorities had visited a state or national park, hiked, taken a trip of at least a mile in which they had viewed wildlife or birds, and/or viewed wildlife and birds at home. The graph shows the full list.

- A follow-up question asked if residents had participated in any other outdoor activities. Gardening, walking, and off-roading topped the list; the graph shows the full results.

To put the participation rates in context, Responsive Management examined selected activities in other studies on participation in outdoor recreation in Oregon, where the activity definition allowed for comparisons.

- For hunting, Responsive Management’s rate in 1 year (19% among all residents) is commensurate with the rate of having a license in a 3-year timeframe (also 19% among likely voters). Note that not all hunting requires a license. (The study referenced is a survey by Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin & Associates, “Oregon Conservation Issues Survey, 220-2346WT.”)
- For camping, Responsive Management’s rate in 1 year (49%) is commensurate with the Oregon SCORP study in 2011 (51%) and with the Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin & Associates study in 2007 (59%) (the Oregon SCORP study showed the rate for 1 year and specified the activity as “developed camping”; the FMM & Assoc. study showed the rate of those who say that they do developed camping “frequently” or “occasionally”). (SCORP stands for State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, which included a survey of state residents’ participation in outdoor recreation.)
- For bicycling, Responsive Management’s rate in 1 year (32%) is commensurate with the Oregon SCORP study in 2011 (35%).
Q13. I'm going to read a list of outdoor activities, and I would like to know if you've participated in each in Oregon in the past 12 months.

- Visiting a state or national park: 65%
- Hiking: 63%
- Taking a trip at least 1 mile from home to view wildlife or birds: 59%
- Wildlife viewing, which includes birdwatching, within 1 mile of your home: 58%
- Camping: 49%
- Freshwater fishing: 39%
- Biking: 32%
- Motorboating: 23%
- Crabbing or clamming: 23%
- Canoeing or kayaking: 22%
- Hunting: 19%
- Saltwater fishing: 17%
- None of these: 8%
Q13. I'm going to read a list of outdoor activities, and I would like to know if you've participated in each in Oregon in the past 12 months.

- Visiting a state or national park: 66% (East), 67% (West), 66% (Portland Metro)
- Hiking: 63% (East), 63% (West), 64% (Portland Metro)
- Taking a trip at least 1 mile from home to view wildlife or birds: 60% (East), 61% (West), 60% (Portland Metro)
- Wildlife viewing, which includes birdwatching, within 1 mile of your home: 58% (East), 58% (West), 58% (Portland Metro)
- Camping: 54% (East), 47% (West), 50% (Portland Metro)
- Freshwater fishing: 45% (East), 42% (West), 52% (Portland Metro)
- Biking: 34% (East), 34% (West), 34% (Portland Metro)
- Motorboating: 25% (East), 27% (West), 21% (Portland Metro)
- Crabbing or clamming: 27% (East), 19% (West), 22% (Portland Metro)
- Canoeing or kayaking: 25% (East), 19% (West), 19% (Portland Metro)
- Hunting: 30% (East), 22% (West), 22% (Portland Metro)
- Saltwater fishing: 22% (East), 14% (West), 12% (Portland Metro)
- None of these: 8% (East), 8% (West), 8% (Portland Metro)
Comparison of rate of hunting in 1-year time period to rate of having a hunting license in 3-year time period.

![Bar chart showing comparison of rate of hunting in 1-year time period to rate of having a hunting license in 3-year time period.]

Comparison of rate of camping in 1-year time period to rate of camping in 1-year timeframe and rate of camping "frequently" or "occasionally."

![Bar chart showing comparison of rate of camping in 1-year time period to rate of camping in 1-year timeframe and rate of camping "frequently" or "occasionally."].
Comparison of rate of bicycling in 1-year time period.

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Q15. Have you participated in any other outdoor activities in Oregon in the past 12 months? (Part 1)

- No other activities: 68%
- Gardening: 5%
- Walking: 4%
- ATV / OHV / dirt bikes: 4%
- Swimming / diving / river play (other than canoeing / kayaking): 3%
- Snow sports / skiing / snow play (except snowmobiling): 3%
- Beach activities / coastal activities: 2%
- Rafting: 2%
- Golf: 2%
- Collecting / gathering: 2%
- Jogging / running / fitness: 2%
- Driving / cruising / motorcycling: 1%
Q15. Have you participated in any other outdoor activities in Oregon in the past 12 months? (Part 2)

- Baseball / softball: 1
- Sport shooting / target shooting: 1
- Climbing: 1
- Horseback: 1
- Picnicking / cooking out: 1
- Disc golf: 1
- Tennis: Less than 0.5
- Basketball: Less than 0.5
- Archery: Less than 0.5
- Sailing: Less than 0.5
- Boating in general: Less than 0.5
- Snowmobiling: Less than 0.5
- Other: 2
- No answer / don't know: 1

Percent (n=939)
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Percent
CONSTRAINTS TO PARTICIPATION IN OUTDOOR RECREATION

- The largest constraint to participation in fish- and wildlife-related recreation is lack of time/personal obligations, closely followed by age/health—both social constraints over which agencies would have little influence. Otherwise, top constraints are cost and access. (Note that the question was open-ended to which residents could name any constraint that came to mind.)

- Another question looked at constraints another way, asking respondents if there was anything that would help or encourage them to participate in fish- and wildlife-related recreation more often (i.e., overcome or lessen the constraints). The top responses are related to cost and time. Third in the ranking is to have more information available.
Q32. In general, are there any things that have prevented you from participating in fish- and wildlife-related recreation as much as you would like in Oregon in the past 12 months?

- No, nothing: 46%
- Not enough time / family or work obligations: 15%
- Health / age: 14%
- Cost of participation: 6%
- Cost of fishing license / hunting license: 5%
- Not enough access for fishing / hunting / wildlife viewing: 4%
- Weather: 2%
- Not interested: 2%
- Lack of facilities: 2%
- Complex regulations / over-regulated: 1%
- Having to travel too far: 1%
- Difficulty getting license / drawing a tag: 1%
- Not enough wildlife viewing areas: 1%
- Lack of animals / lack of fish or game: 1%
- Season dates / season too short: Less than 0.5%
- Finding somebody to go with: Less than 0.5%
- Crowding: Less than 0.5%
- Other: 4%
- Don't know: Less than 0.5%
Q32. In general, are there any things that have prevented you from participating in fish- and wildlife-related recreation as much as you would like in Oregon in the past 12 months?
Q34. Is there anything that would help or encourage you to participate in fish- and wildlife-related recreation more often?
Q34. Is there anything that would help or encourage you to participate in fish- and wildlife-related recreation more often?

- Lower costs
- More time
- More information
- More / better access
- Special family / kid events
- Less restrictions / regulations
- Better health
- More fish / game
- No / nothing
- Don’t know
- Other

![Bar chart showing responses to Q34.](chart.png)
DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

The following demographic data were gathered; the primary purpose of these data are for crosstabulations and further analysis of other responses.

- Gender.
- Age: note that only adults were interviewed, so the mean and median are among adults.
- Ethnicity.
- County of residence.
- The character (vis-à-vis urban or rural) of their residential area.
Q157. Respondent's gender (not asked; observed by interviewer).

- Male: 49%
- Female: 51%
- Could not determine: Less than 0.5%
Q157. Respondent's gender (not asked; observed by interviewer).

![Bar chart showing gender distribution by region]

- **Male**
  - East (n=305): 50%
  - West (n=332): 49%
  - Portland Metro (n=302): 50%

- **Female**
  - East (n=305): 51%
  - West (n=332): 51%
  - Portland Metro (n=302): 51%

- **Could not determine**
  - East (n=305): 0%
  - West (n=332): 0%
  - Portland Metro (n=302): 0%
Q151. Respondent’s age.

- 65 years old or older: 18
- 55-64 years old: 17
- 45-54 years old: 17
- 35-44 years old: 16
- 25-34 years old: 17
- 18-24 years old: 11
- Don’t know: 1
- Refused: 3

Adult Mean = 47.25
Adult Median = 47

Percent (n=939)
Q151. Respondent's age.

- **65 years old or older**
  - East: 21
  - West: 15
  - Portland Metro: 15

- **55-64 years old**
  - East: 18
  - West: 17
  - Portland Metro: 17

- **45-54 years old**
  - East: 16
  - West: 17
  - Portland Metro: 17

- **35-44 years old**
  - East: 15
  - West: 14
  - Portland Metro: 18

- **25-34 years old**
  - East: 13
  - West: 15
  - Portland Metro: 20

- **18-24 years old**
  - East: 10
  - West: 12
  - Portland Metro: 11

- **Don't know**
  - East: 1
  - West: 1
  - Portland Metro: 3

- **Refused**
  - East: 4
  - West: 3
  - Portland Metro: 3

**East:**
- Adult Mean = 49.59
- Adult Median = 49.6

**West:**
- Adult Mean = 48.49
- Adult Median = 50

**Portland Metro:**
- Adult Mean = 45.32
- Adult Median = 43.47
Q147. What races or ethnic backgrounds do you consider yourself?

- White or Caucasian: 86
- Hispanic or Latino: 7
- Native American or Alaskan native or Aleutian: 4
- Black or African-American: 1
- East Asian: 1
- Native Hawaiian: Less than 0.5
- African: Less than 0.5
- Middle Eastern: Less than 0.5
- South Asian: Less than 0.5
- Don't know: Less than 0.5
- Refused: 4

Percent (n=939)
Q147. What races or ethnic backgrounds do you consider yourself?

- White or Caucasian: 85 (East), 83 (West), 88 (Portland Metro)
- Hispanic or Latino: 6 (East), 9 (West), 7 (Portland Metro)
- Native American or Alaskan native or Aleutian: 2 (East), 1 (West), 3 (Portland Metro)
- Black or African-American: 0 (East), 1 (West), 1 (Portland Metro)
- East Asian: 0 (East), 0 (West), 2 (Portland Metro)
- Native Hawaiian: 0 (East), 0 (West), 0 (Portland Metro)
- African: 0 (East), 0 (West), 0 (Portland Metro)
- Middle Eastern: 0 (East), 0 (West), 0 (Portland Metro)
- South Asian: 0 (East), 0 (West), 0 (Portland Metro)
- Don't know: 4 (East), 3 (West), 5 (Portland Metro)
- Refused: 0 (East), 0 (West), 0 (Portland Metro)
Q137. What county do you live in?

- Multnomah: 19.7%
- Clackamas: 12.7%
- Washington: 10.9%
- Lane: 9.4%
- Marion: 6.8%
- Jackson: 6.0%
- Linn: 3.6%
- Deschutes: 3.4%
- Douglas: 3.0%
- Benton: 2.7%
- Josephine: 2.7%
- Clatsop: 2.1%
- Yamhill: 2.1%
- Klamath: 1.6%
- Columbia: 1.5%
- Coos: 1.5%
- Lincoln: 1.2%
- Polk: 1.1%
- Umatilla: 1.1%
- Union: 0.8%
- Baker: 0.7%
- Crook: 0.7%
- Tillamook: 0.7%
- Wasco: 0.5%
- Grant: 0.4%
- Hood River: 0.5%
- Jefferson: 0.5%
- Malheur: 0.5%
- Morrow: 0.5%
- Wallowa: 0.4%
- Harney: 0.4%
- Curry: 0.2%
- Lake: 0.2%
- Gilliam: 0.1%
Q144. Do you consider your place of residence to be a large city or urban area, a suburban area, a small city or town, a rural area on a farm or ranch, or a rural area not on a farm or ranch?
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APPENDIX A: CROSSTABULATION BY THREE SPECIFIC COUNTIES
ATTITUDES TOWARD WILDLIFE AND WILDLIFE-ASSOCIATED RECREATION

Q37-Q51. Ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q51. That Oregon's water resources are safe and well protected
- Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature
- Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon
- Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon
- Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved
- Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon
- Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon
- Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon
Q37-Q51. Mean ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).
Q20. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?
Q23. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. Before this survey, would you say you knew a great deal, a moderate amount, a little, or nothing about the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife?
Satisfaction With The Department Overall

Q24. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

![Bar chart showing satisfaction levels by county.](chart)

- Very satisfied: Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), Marion County (n=48)
- Somewhat satisfied: Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), Marion County (n=48)
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied: Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), Marion County (n=48)
- Somewhat dissatisfied: Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), Marion County (n=48)
- Very dissatisfied: Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), Marion County (n=48)
- Don't know: Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), Marion County (n=48)
Q29. How would you rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing, in Oregon?

[Bar chart showing ratings for Deschutes County (n=87), Lane County (n=61), and Marion County (n=48).]
Q124. In your opinion, how credible is the Department overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?

![Bar chart showing the percentage of responses from Deschutes County, Lane County, and Marion County regarding the credibility of the Department.](chart)
Opinions On Department Priorities

Q55-Q73. Ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

Q57. Protecting endangered species
Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations
Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
Q73. Managing commercial fishing
Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat

Percent

Deschutes County
Lane County
Marion County
Q55-Q73. Mean ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).
Q76-Q94. Ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent): percent who chose 9 or 10.
Q76-Q94. Mean ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent).

- Q78. Protecting endangered species
- Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
- Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
- Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
- Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
- Q94. Managing commercial fishing
Knowledge Of And Opinion On Department Funding

Q130. What do you think should be the primary source of funding for the Department?

- Taxes
- Fishing and hunting licenses
- Commercial fishing licenses
- Excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment
- General state tax revenue
- Lottery sales
- General federal tax revenue
- State income tax check-off / nongame donations
- Other
- Don't know

[Bar chart showing the percentage of responses from Deschutes County, Lane County, and Marion County.]
Q133. [THE DEPARTMENT’S FUNDING SOURCES WERE EXPLAINED.] Knowing that 9% of the Department’s funding comes from general state tax revenues, do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much, about the right amount, or too little?

- Too much: 7 (Deschutes), 1 (Lane), 5 (Marion)
- About the right amount: 49 (Deschutes), 40 (Lane), 37 (Marion)
- Too little: 37 (Deschutes), 42 (Lane), 43 (Marion)
- Don't know: 7 (Deschutes), 17 (Lane), 14 (Marion)
Q98. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish and wildlife management?

- Frequently 22%
- Sometimes 31%
- Rarely 38%
- Never 25%
- Don't know 2%

Deschutes County (n=87)
Lane County (n=61)
Marion County (n=48)
Q99. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about conservation?

- Frequently
  - Deschutes County: 15
  - Lane County: 15
  - Marion County: 16

- Sometimes
  - Deschutes County: 37
  - Lane County: 33
  - Marion County: 21

- Rarely
  - Deschutes County: 32
  - Lane County: 32
  - Marion County: 33

- Never
  - Deschutes County: 15
  - Lane County: 19
  - Marion County: 28

- Don’t know
  - Deschutes County: 1
  - Lane County: 1
  - Marion County: 1
Q100. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing?

![Bar chart showing responses to Q100 for Deschutes, Lane, and Marion counties.]

- Frequently: 36 (Deschutes), 30 (Lane), 31 (Marion)
- Sometimes: 36 (Deschutes), 36 (Lane), 36 (Marion)
- Rarely: 22 (Deschutes), 20 (Lane), 16 (Marion)
- Never: 16 (Deschutes), 12 (Lane), 18 (Marion)
- Don't know: 3 (Deschutes), 4 (Lane), 1 (Marion)
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently or sometimes use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.
Q157. Respondent’s gender (not asked; observed by interviewer).
Q151. Respondent's age.

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Deschutes: Mean = 46.90, Median = 45.62
Lane: Mean = 46.88, Median = 50
Marion: Mean = 42.73, Median = 40
Q144. Do you consider your place of residence to be a large city or urban area, a suburban area, a small city or town, a rural area on a farm or ranch, or a rural area not on a farm or ranch?
APPENDIX B: CROSSTABULATION BY KNOWLEDGE OF AGENCY NAME

ATTITUDES TOWARD WILDLIFE AND WILDLIFE-ASSOCIATED RECREATION

Q37-Q51. Ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon
- Q51. That Oregon's water resources are safe and well protected
- Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature
- Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon
- Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon
- Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved
- Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon
- Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon

Percent

Gave correct or essentially correct agency name
Did not give correct agency name

0 20 40 60 80 100

Percent
Q37-Q51. Mean ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

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Mean ratings:
- Q37: 9.5
- Q51: 9.5
- Q49: 9.3
- Q39: 9.1
- Q45: 9.2
- Q47: 9.0
- Q41: 8.8
- Q43: 7.0
KNOWLEDGE OF AND OPINIONS ON THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Protection Of Fish, Wildlife, And Habitat

Q20. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

![Bar chart showing the distribution of responses to Q20.](chart.png)

- **Very satisfied**: 25% (correct or essentially correct agency name, n=569), 26% (did not give correct agency name, n=370)
- **Somewhat satisfied**: 38% (correct or essentially correct agency name, n=569), 33% (did not give correct agency name, n=370)
- **Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied**: 13% (correct or essentially correct agency name, n=569), 16% (did not give correct agency name, n=370)
- **Somewhat dissatisfied**: 14% (correct or essentially correct agency name, n=569), 10% (did not give correct agency name, n=370)
- **Very dissatisfied**: 6% (correct or essentially correct agency name, n=569), 4% (did not give correct agency name, n=370)
- **Don't know**: 4% (correct or essentially correct agency name, n=569), 11% (did not give correct agency name, n=370)
Q23. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. Before this survey, would you say you knew a great deal, a moderate amount, a little, or nothing about the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife?
Satisfaction With The Department Overall

Q24. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

- Very satisfied: 32%
- Somewhat satisfied: 36%
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied: 11%
- Somewhat dissatisfied: 9%
- Very dissatisfied: 6%
- Don't know: 4%

Gave correct or essentially correct agency name (n=569)
Did not give correct agency name (n=370)
Q29. How would you rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing, in Oregon?
Q124. In your opinion, how credible is the Department overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?

- Very credible: 59%
- Somewhat credible: 32%
- Not at all credible: 2%
- No opinion: 3%
- Don't know: 4%

- Gave correct or essentially correct agency name (n=569)
- Did not give correct agency name (n=370)
Opinions On Department Priorities

Q55-Q73. Ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
- Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q57. Protecting endangered species
- Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
- Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
- Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing

Gave correct or essentially correct agency name
Did not give correct agency name

Percent
Q55-Q73. Mean ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

- Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat: 8.9
- Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations: 8.9
- Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon: 8.6
- Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing: 8.7
- Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat: 8.6
- Q57. Protecting endangered species: 8.4
- Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities: 8.5
- Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection: 8.4
- Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat: 8.2
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing: 8.3

Mean
Q76-Q94. Ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing: 34%
- Q78. Protecting endangered species: 33%
- Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat: 28%
- Q94. Managing commercial fishing: 27%
- Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon: 27%
- Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat: 26%
- Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations: 25%
- Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat: 24%
- Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities: 24%
- Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection: 21%
Q76-Q94. Mean ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent).

- Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q78. Protecting endangered species
- Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
- Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
- Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q94. Managing commercial fishing
- Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
- Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection

Mean ratings:
- Q76: 7.0, Q78: 7.3, Q82: 7.1, Q80: 7.1, Q86: 7.1, Q76: 7.0, Q94: 6.8, Q88: 6.8, Q90: 6.7, Q84: 6.4
Knowledge Of And Opinion On Department Funding

Q130. What do you think should be the primary source of funding for the Department?

- Taxes (33%)
- Fishing and hunting licenses (20%)
- Commercial fishing licenses (1%)
- Excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment (1%)
- General state tax revenue (7%)
- Lottery sales (4%)
- General federal tax revenue (5%)
- State income tax check-off / nongame donations (4%)
- Fines (0%)
- Other (13%)
- Don't know (20%

Gave correct or essentially correct agency name (n=569)
Did not give correct agency name (n=370)
Q133. [THE DEPARTMENT’S FUNDING SOURCES WERE EXPLAINED.] Knowing that 9% of the Department’s funding comes from general state tax revenues, do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much, about the right amount, or too little?

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■ Gave correct or essentially correct agency name
□ Did not give correct agency name (n=370)
INFORMATION SOURCES ABOUT FISH, WILDLIFE, RECREATION, AND
CONSERVATION

Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently or sometimes use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.

Q103. Friends or family. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 73%
Q104. Newspaper. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 35%
Q105. Radio. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 34%
Q106. Television. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 48%
Q107. Magazines. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 49%
Q108. Department employees. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 28%
Q109. Department printed materials, such as brochures and pamphlets. (How often do you use…)
- Frequently or sometimes: 48%
Q110. Department website. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 40%
Q111. Websites other than the Department website. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 49%
Q112. Department social media, such as the Department’s Facebook page or Twitter feed. (How…)
- Frequently or sometimes: 18%
Q113. Social media other than the Department's social media. (How often do you use this…)
- Frequently or sometimes: 22%
Q114. State agencies other than the Department. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 23%
Q115. Federal agencies. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 38%
Q116. Fishing, hunting, or organized sporting organizations. (How often do you use this…)
- Frequently or sometimes: 29%
Q117. Conservation organizations. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 29%
Q118. Sporting goods store. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Frequently or sometimes: 43%

Percent
Q157. Respondent's gender (not asked; observed by interviewer).

- Male: 55 (41 correct or essentially correct agency name)
- Female: 58 (45 correct or essentially correct agency name)
- Could not determine: 0 (0 did not give correct agency name)

- Bar chart showing the distribution of correct and incorrect agency name responses.
Q151. Respondent’s age.

- Correct: Mean = 49.57, Median = 50
- Incorrect: Mean = 44.30, Median = 42

- 18-24 years old: 8 gave correct, 16 did not
- 25-34 years old: 16 gave correct, 19 did not
- 35-44 years old: 16 gave correct, 16 did not
- 45-54 years old: 16 gave correct, 17 did not
- 55-64 years old: 12 gave correct, 12 did not
- 65 years old or older: 20 gave correct, 16 did not
- Don’t know: 1 gave correct, 2 did not
- Refused: 3 gave correct, 2 did not
Q144. Do you consider your place of residence to be a large city or urban area, a suburban area, a small city or town, a rural area on a farm or ranch, or a rural area not on a farm or ranch?

- Large city or urban area: 20 (correct or essentially correct), 22 (did not give correct agency name)
- Suburban area: 19 (correct or essentially correct), 18 (did not give correct agency name)
- Small city or town: 29 (correct or essentially correct), 36 (did not give correct agency name)
- Rural area on a farm or ranch: 10 (correct or essentially correct), 8 (did not give correct agency name)
- Rural area not on a farm or ranch: 20 (correct or essentially correct), 13 (did not give correct agency name)
- Don’t know: 2 (correct or essentially correct), 1 (did not give correct agency name)
- Refused: 2 (correct or essentially correct), 0 (did not give correct agency name)
APPENDIX C: CROSSTABULATION BY GENDER
ATTITUDES TOWARD WILDLIFE AND WILDLIFE-ASSOCIATED RECREATION

Q37-Q51. Ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon
- Q51. That Oregon's water resources are safe and well protected
- Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature
- Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon
- Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon
- Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved
- Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon
- Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon
Q37-Q51. Mean ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon

Male: 9.4  Female: 9.6

Q51. That Oregon's water resources are safe and well protected

Male: 9.3  Female: 9.6

Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature

Male: 9.0  Female: 9.5

Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon

Male: 9.0  Female: 9.3

Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon

Male: 9.0  Female: 9.3

Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved

Male: 8.7  Female: 9.2

Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon

Male: 8.8  Female: 8.6

Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon

Male: 8.3  Female: 7.0
Q20. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

![Bar chart showing satisfaction levels for protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon, with percentages for Very satisfied, Somewhat satisfied, Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, Somewhat dissatisfied, Very dissatisfied, and Don't know. The chart shows the breakdown by gender (Male: n=582, Female: n=356).]
Q23. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. Before this survey, would you say you knew a great deal, a moderate amount, a little, or nothing about the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife?
Q24. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as the state agency responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Don't know

Male (n=582) | Female (n=356)
---|---
Very satisfied | 30 | 28
Somewhat satisfied | 39 | 33
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 12 | 12
Somewhat dissatisfied | 7 | 8
Very dissatisfied | 6 | 3
Don't know | 5 | 15
Q29. How would you rate the availability of fish- and wildlife-related recreation opportunities, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing, in Oregon?
Q124. In your opinion, how credible is the Department overall as a source of information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, and fish- and wildlife-related recreation?

- Very credible: Male (n=582) - 60, Female (n=356) - 56
- Somewhat credible: Male (n=582) - 31, Female (n=356) - 29
- Not at all credible: Male (n=582) - 2, Female (n=356) - 1
- No opinion: Male (n=582) - 3, Female (n=356) - 4
- Don’t know: Male (n=582) - 5, Female (n=356) - 9

Percent
Opinions On Department Priorities

Q55-Q73. Ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
- Q57. Protecting endangered species
- Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing
- Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
- Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat

Percent

Male
Female
Q55-Q73. Mean ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

- Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
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- Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing

Mean ratings:

- Male
- Female
Q76-Q94. Ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent): percent who chose 9 or 10.

Q78. Protecting endangered species

Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing

Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon

Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat

Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat

Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations

Q94. Managing commercial fishing

Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat

Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities

Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection

Percent

Male
Female
Q76-Q94. Mean ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent).

- Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing: Male 7.4, Female 7.9
- Q78. Protecting endangered species: Male 7.4, Female 7.5
- Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat: Male 7.1, Female 7.6
- Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon: Male 7.1, Female 7.6
- Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat: Male 7.5, Female 7.5
- Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations: Male 6.9, Female 7.5
- Q94. Managing commercial fishing: Male 6.5, Female 7.3
- Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat: Male 6.7, Female 7.1
- Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities: Male 6.5, Female 7.2
- Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection: Male 6.4, Female 6.9
Knowledge Of And Opinion On Department Funding

Q130. What do you think should be the primary source of funding for the Department?

Taxes
- Male (n=582): 33
- Female (n=356): 32

Fishing and hunting licenses
- Male (n=582): 23
- Female (n=356): 15

Commercial fishing licenses
- Male (n=582): 1
- Female (n=356): 0

Excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment
- Male (n=582): 1
- Female (n=356): 0

General state tax revenue
- Male (n=582): 7
- Female (n=356): 7

Lottery sales
- Male (n=582): 3
- Female (n=356): 2

General federal tax revenue
- Male (n=582): 4
- Female (n=356): 6

State income tax check-off / nongame donations
- Male (n=582): 4
- Female (n=356): 4

Other
- Male (n=582): 11
- Female (n=356): 14

Don't know
- Male (n=582): 12
- Female (n=356): 18
Q133. [THE DEPARTMENT'S FUNDING SOURCES WERE EXPLAINED.] Knowing that 9% of the Department's funding comes from general state tax revenues, do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much, about the right amount, or too little?

![Bar Chart]

- Too much: Male (5), Female (3)
- About the right amount: Male (43), Female (37)
- Too little: Male (41), Female (42)
- Don't know: Male (11), Female (19)
Q98. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish and wildlife management?

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Q99. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics?
What about conservation?

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Q100. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? 
What about fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing?

Male (n=582)  
Female (n=356)

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Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently or sometimes use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.

- Q103. Friends or family. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q118. Sporting goods store. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q109. Department printed materials, such as brochures and pamphlets. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q110. Department website. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q111. Websites other than the Department website. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q107. Magazines. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q106. Television. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q116. Fishing, hunting, or organized sporting organizations. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q104. Newspaper. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q105. Radio. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q117. Conservation organizations. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q115. Federal agencies. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q114. State agencies other than the Department. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q108. Department employees. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q113. Social media other than the Department's social media. (How often do you use this information source?)
- Q112. Department social media, such as the Department's Facebook page or Twitter feed. (How often do you use this information source?)

Percent

- Male
- Female
Q151. Respondent's age.

- 65 years old or older
  - Male: 17
  - Female: 19

- 55-64 years old
  - Male: 16
  - Female: 17

- 45-54 years old
  - Male: 17
  - Female: 17

- 35-44 years old
  - Male: 16
  - Female: 16

- 25-34 years old
  - Male: 17
  - Female: 17

- 18-24 years old
  - Male: 12
  - Female: 10

- Don't know
  - Male: 1
  - Female: 1

- Refused
  - Male: 3
  - Female: 3

| Male: | Mean = 46.61 | Median = 46 |
| Female: | Mean = 47.88 |
Q144. Do you consider your place of residence to be a large city or urban area, a suburban area, a small city or town, a rural area on a farm or ranch, or a rural area not on a farm or ranch?

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Appendix D: Crosstabulation by Age
Attitudes Toward Wildlife and Wildlife-Associated Recreation

Q37-Q51. Ratings of the importance that each of the following is to residents (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important): percent who chose 9 or 10.

Q51. That Oregon's water resources are safe and well protected
Q37. That healthy fish and wildlife populations exist in Oregon
Q49. That natural areas exist in Oregon for enjoying and experiencing nature
Q45. That people have the opportunity to view wildlife in Oregon
Q39. That fish and wildlife populations are being properly managed and conserved in Oregon
Q47. That ecologically important habitats and lands in Oregon are being protected and conserved
Q41. That people have the opportunity to fish in Oregon
Q43. That people have the opportunity to hunt in Oregon
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KNOWLEDGE OF AND OPINIONS ON THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Protection Of Fish, Wildlife, And Habitat

Q20. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the protection and management of fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon?

![Bar chart showing satisfaction levels among different age groups]
Q23. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is responsible for protecting and managing fish, wildlife, and habitat in Oregon. Before this survey, would you say you knew a great deal, a moderate amount, a little, or nothing about the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife?
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Opinions On Department Priorities

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- Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing

Percent
Q55-Q73. Mean ratings of importance that each of the following should be for the Department (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important).

- Q61. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q55. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q59. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
- Q71. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q57. Protecting endangered species
- Q65. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
- Q69. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q63. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
- Q67. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
- Q73. Managing commercial fishing

Mean ratings by age groups:
- 55 years old or older
- 35-54 years old
- 18-34 years old
Q76-Q94. Ratings of the performance of the Department in each of the following areas (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is poor and 10 is excellent): percent who chose 9 or 10.

- Q76. Managing fish and wildlife populations
- Q78. Protecting endangered species
- Q80. Protecting and restoring native fish and wildlife species to Oregon
- Q82. Conserving and restoring fish and wildlife habitat
- Q84. Providing information to landowners and public agencies on fish and wildlife management and habitat protection
- Q86. Researching and monitoring fish and wildlife populations and habitat
- Q88. Reviewing and monitoring public and private projects for impact on fish, wildlife, and habitat
- Q90. Informing and educating the public on fish and wildlife issues and wildlife-related recreation opportunities
- Q92. Providing opportunities for fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing
- Q94. Managing commercial fishing

The diagram shows the ratings for each area across different age groups: 55 years old or older, 35-54 years old, and 18-34 years old.
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Q130. What do you think should be the primary source of funding for the Department?

- Taxes
- Fishing and hunting licenses
- Commercial fishing licenses
- Excise taxes on hunting and fishing equipment
- General state tax revenue
- Lottery sales
- General federal tax revenue
- State income tax check-off / nongame donations
- Fines
- Other
- Don’t know
Q133. [THE DEPARTMENT'S FUNDING SOURCES WERE EXPLAINED.] Knowing that 9% of the Department's funding comes from general state tax revenues, do you think the amount of funding the Department receives from general state tax revenues is too much, about the right amount, or too little?

- Too much: 3 (55 years old or older), 4 (35-54 years old), 5 (18-34 years old)
- About the right amount: 41 (55 years old or older), 37 (35-54 years old), 43 (18-34 years old)
- Too little: 39 (55 years old or older), 42 (35-54 years old), 45 (18-34 years old)
- Don't know: 17 (55 years old or older), 18 (35-54 years old), 6 (18-34 years old)
Q98. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish and wildlife management?
Q99. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about conservation?
Q100. In general, how often do you actively seek information on each of the following topics? What about fish- and wildlife-related recreation, such as fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing?

![Bar chart showing the frequency of seeking information on various topics among different age groups.](chart.png)
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.

Q103. Friends or family. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q104. Newspaper. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q105. Radio. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q106. Television. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q107. Magazines. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q108. Department employees. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q109. Department printed materials, such as brochures and pamphlets. (How often do you use...)
Q110. Department website. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q111. Websites other than the Department website. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q112. Department social media, such as the Department's Facebook page or Twitter feed. (How...)
Q113. Social media other than the Department's social media. (How often do you use this information...)
Q114. State agencies other than the Department. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q115. Federal agencies. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q116. Fishing, hunting, or organized sporting organizations. (How often do you use this...)
Q117. Conservation organizations. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q118. Sporting goods store. (How often do you use this information source?)
Q103-Q118. Percent who frequently or sometimes use each source to obtain information on fish and wildlife management, conservation, or fish- and wildlife-related recreation in Oregon.
DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Q157. Respondent's gender (not asked; observed by interviewer).

- Male:
  - 55 years old or older: 46
  - 35-54 years old: 50
  - 18-34 years old: 51
  - Could not determine: 0

- Female:
  - 55 years old or older: 54
  - 35-54 years old: 50
  - 18-34 years old: 49
  - Could not determine: 0
Q144. Do you consider your place of residence to be a large city or urban area, a suburban area, a small city or town, a rural area on a farm or ranch, or a rural area not on a farm or ranch?
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