ECONOMIC IMPACT OF VISITORS IN NEW YORK 2020

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INTRODUCTION

The travel sector is an integral part of the New York economy. Visitors generate significant economic benefits to households, businesses, and government alike and represent a critical driver of New York's future. How critical? Even in 2020, visitor spending neared \$34 billion.

By monitoring the visitor economy, policymakers can inform decisions regarding the funding and prioritization of the sector's development. They can also carefully monitor its successes and future needs. This is particularly true for New York as it continues to expand upon its visitor economy, and by establishing a baseline of economic impacts, the industry can track its progress over time.

To quantify the economic significance of the tourism sector in New York, Tourism Economics has prepared a comprehensive model detailing the far-reaching impacts arising from visitor spending. The results of this study show the scope of the travel sector in terms of direct visitor spending, as well as the total economic impacts, jobs, and fiscal (tax) impacts in the broader economy.



METHODOLOGY AND DATA SOURCES

An IMPLAN input-output model was constructed for the state of New York. The model traces the flow of visitor-related expenditures through the local economy and their effects on employment, wages, and taxes. IMPLAN also quantifies the indirect (supplier) and induced (income) impacts of tourism. Tourism Economics then cross-checked these findings with employment and wage data for each sector to ensure the findings are within reasonable ranges.

The value of seasonal and second homes was estimated based on census data for seasonal units and estimated gross rents.

The primary source of the employment and wage data is the Regional Economic Information System (REIS), Bureau of Economic Analysis. This is more comprehensive than Bureau of Labor Statistics (ES202/QCEW) data because sole-proprietors do not require unemployment insurance and are not counted in the ES202 data.

The analysis draws on the following data sources:

- Longwoods International: survey data, including spending profile characteristics for visitors to New York
- Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of Labor Statistics: employment and wage data, by industry
- STR: Lodging performance data, including room demand, room rates, occupancy, and room revenue
- · Tax collections: Lodging and sales tax receipts
- Tourism Economics: international travel data for overseas, Canadian, and Mexican travel to New York based on aviation, survey, and credit card information



KEY FINDINGS

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The pandemic affected 2020 visitor activity

The 2020 losses from the pandemic hit the tourism industry hard. Visitor spending declined by more than half, and these losses cut about a third of jobs in the industry.



Pandemic affects

Visitor spending declined 53.9% in 2020, registering nearly \$34 billion. Including indirect and induced impacts, total business sales measured \$59.1 billion.



Hotel Indicators

Hotel room demand declined 50.5% in 2020. Coupled with an ADR decline of 35.8%, hotel room revenue declined 68.3% year-over-year.



Fiscal Contributions

Tourism in New York generated \$12.6 billion in tax revenues in 2020, with \$5.9 billion accruing to state and local governments.



VISITOR ECONOMY TRENDS

VISITOR SPENDING TRENDS

COVID-19 pandemic closures and restrictions cut visitation and spending

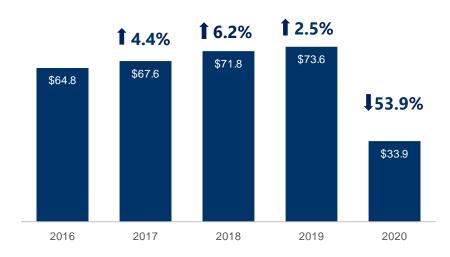
The 2020 visitor and visitor spending results have been severely impacted by the pandemic. Both the limitations and restrictions to mobility, as well as economic disruptions, hit travel hard.

But travel did happen in 2020. With travel limited, overnight visitors stayed longer when they did travel and travel party sizes grew as more families traveled together.

Losses to businesses and residents were significant; however, the pandemic has highlighted tourism's importance to the state and underscores the potential once normalcy returns.

New York total visitor spending

Amounts in billions of nominal dollars





SPENDING DETAILS

Spending by category, 2020

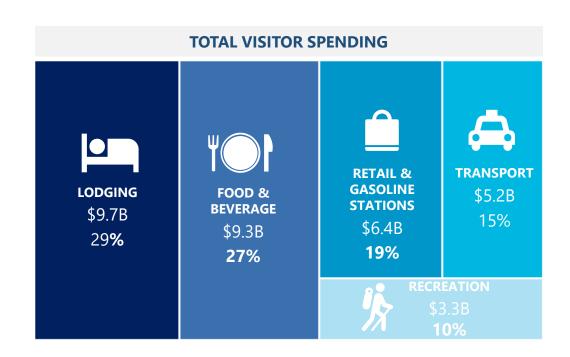
Visitors to New York spent \$33.9 billion across a wide range of sectors in 2020

Of the \$33.9 billion spent in New York in 2020 by visitors, lodging spending captured \$9.7 billion—28% of the average visitor dollar.

Food and beverage purchases captured 27 cents of each visitor dollar, a total of \$9.3 billion.

Retail, including spending at service stations, comprised 19% of the average visitor dollar, with combined air and local transportation spending averaging 15% of the visitor dollar.

Recreational spending tallied \$3.3 billion in 2020—10% of each visitor dollar.



Note: Lodging spending is calculated as an industry, including meetings, catering, etc. Spending also includes dollars spend on second homes. Transport includes both air and local transportation.



SPENDING TIMELINE

Visitor spending timeline

Visitor spending declined by 53.9% in 2020, a direct result of the pandemic. However, as 2020 travel became more leisure and family-oriented overall, spending sectors with more reliance on those segments declined less. For example, food and beverage spending declined 47.8%.

Lodging spending was hit particularly hard by the pandemic as lower prices and fewer rooms rented led to a decline of 54.7% in lodging spending.

Lower gas prices coupled with less spending on car rentals and the severe decline in air travel resulted in the transportation spending category suffering a 61.8% decline.

Visitor Spending in New York

Amounts in billions of nominal dollars and growth rates

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 Growth	CAGR 2016-2020
Total visitor spending	\$64.79	\$67.63	\$71.82	\$73.62	\$33.94	-53.9%	-14.9%
Lodging*	\$19.33	\$19.96	\$21.21	\$21.39	\$9.69	-54.7%	-15.9%
Food & beverages	\$15.37	\$16.17	\$17.14	\$17.86	\$9.32	-47.8%	-11.8%
Transportation**	\$12.72	\$12.71	\$13.24	\$13.72	\$5.24	-61.8%	-19.9%
Retail & Service Stations	\$10.91	\$12.03	\$13.15	\$13.35	\$6.40	-52.1%	-12.5%
Recreation	\$6.45	\$6.77	\$7.08	\$7.31	\$3.30	-54.8%	-15.5%

^{*} Lodging includes 2nd home spending



^{**} Transportation includes both ground and air transportation

VISITOR SPENDING

Spending segments

Domestic visitor spending mitigated the losses experienced by New York in 2020. As international inbound travel was severely restricted in 2020, significant declines were felt across the country both in terms of visitation and spending.

Visitor Spending by Market

Amounts in billions of nominal dollars

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2020 Growth
Total visitor spending	\$64.79	\$67.63	\$71.82	\$73.62	\$33.94	-53.9%
Domestic	\$45.57	\$47.22	\$51.27	\$52.97	\$29.79	-43.8%
Canada	\$1.46	\$1.56	\$1.60	\$1.42	\$0.40	-71.7%
Overseas	\$17.75	\$18.86	\$18.95	\$19.22	\$3.75	-80.5%

Source: Longwoods International; Tourism Economics



ECONOMIC IMPACTS



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How visitor spending generates employment and income

Our analysis of tourism's impact on New York begins with actual spending by visitors, but also considers the downstream effects of this injection of spending into the local economy. To determine the total economic impact of tourism in New York, we input visitor spending into a model of the New York state economy created in IMPLAN. This move calculates three distinct types of impact: direct, indirect, and induced.

The impacts on business sales, jobs, wages, and taxes are calculated for all three levels of impact.

- 1. **Direct Impacts**: Visitors create direct economic value within a discreet group of sectors (e.g. recreation, transportation). This supports a relative proportion of jobs, wages, taxes, and GDP within each sector.
- Indirect Impacts: Each directly affected sector also purchases goods and services as inputs (e.g. food wholesalers, utilities) into production. These impacts are called indirect impacts.
- **3. Induced Impacts**: Lastly, the induced impact is generated when employees whose wages are generated either directly or indirectly by visitors, spend those wages in the local economy.



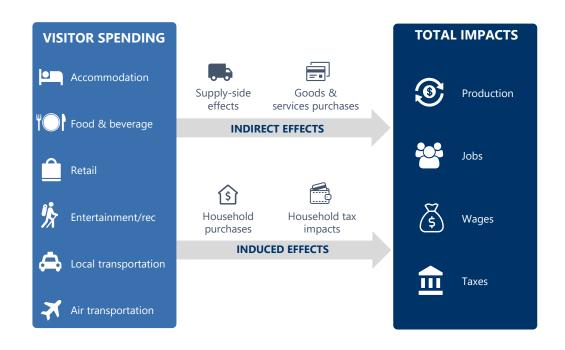
ECONOMIC IMPACTS

How visitor spending generates employment and income

Economic impact flowchart

IMPLAN calculates these three levels of impact – direct, indirect, and induced – for a broad set of indicators. These include the following:

- Spending
- Wages
- Employment
- Federal Taxes
- State Taxes
- Local Taxes



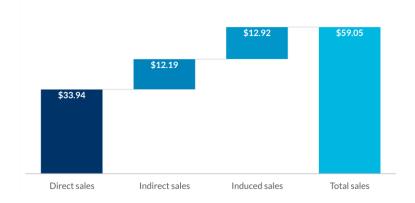


TOTAL BUSINESS SALES IMPACTS

Business sales impacts by industry

Visitor spending registered \$33.9 billion in 2020. Including indirect and induced impacts, tourism activity supported \$59.1 billion in business sales in New York.

Summary economic impacts (\$ billions)



Business sales impacts by industry

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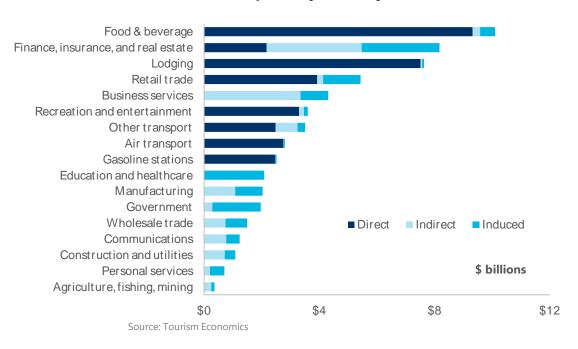
TOTAL BUSINESS SALES IMPACTS

Business sales impacts by industry

The indirect and induced effects add a total of \$25.1 billion in sales to businesses located in New York. This includes \$6.0 billion in sales supported by visitor activity but not by visitors to finance, insurance and real estate businesses.

Significant benefits also accrue in sectors like business services, education & health care, and manufacturing from selling to tourism businesses and employees.

Business sales impacts by industry





TOTAL EMPLOYMENT IMPACTS

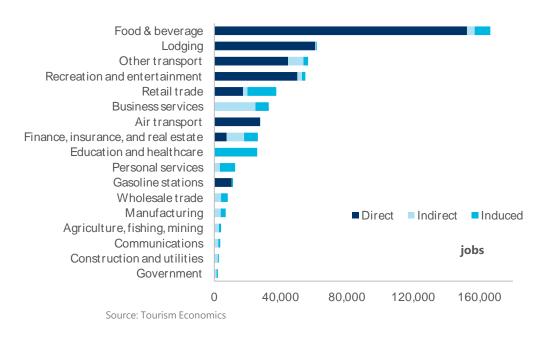
Employment impacts by industry

Visitor spending supports the largest number of jobs in the food & beverage industry—166,433. The majority of those jobs are directly supported by visitor activity.

Tourism-supported employment in lodging businesses provided nearly 62,000 jobs to New York job holders with recreational employment registering 54,915 jobs in the state in 2020.

Just over 75,850 New York-based jobs were indirectly supported by visitor activity in 2020.

Employment impacts by industry



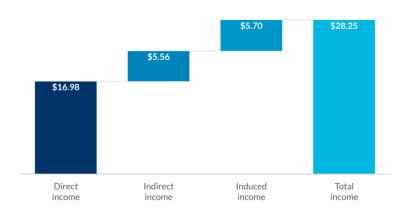


TOTAL INCOME IMPACTS

Personal income impacts by industry

Tourism generated \$17.0 billion in direct income and \$28.2 billion when indirect and induced impacts are considered. These wages and benefits are paid to people whose jobs are located in New York.

Summary personal income impacts (\$ billions)



Personal income impacts by industry

Amounts in millions of current dollars	Direct	Indirect	Induced	Total
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Total, all industries	\$16,984	\$5,563	\$5,699	\$28,246
By industry				
Food & beverage	\$4,848	\$124	\$251	\$5,224
Lodging	\$5,054	\$23	\$27	\$5,104
Business services		\$1,997	\$628	\$2,625
Air transport	\$2,595	\$9	\$13	\$2,617
Finance, insurance, and real estate	\$340	\$1,011	\$993	\$2,343
Othertransport	\$1,439	\$539	\$151	\$2,129
Recreation and entertainment	\$1,689	\$111	\$75	\$1,875
Education and healthcare		\$9	\$1,511	\$1,520
Retailtrade	\$659	\$106	\$678	\$1,443
Wholesaletrade		\$396	\$390	\$785
Communications		\$363	\$175	\$538
Manufacturing		\$280	\$244	\$523
Personal services		\$125	\$317	\$442
Construction and utilities		\$293	\$125	\$418
Gasoline stations	\$361	\$4	\$20	\$384
Government		\$106	\$64	\$170
Agriculture, fishing, mining		\$67	\$39	\$105



TOTAL INCOME IMPACTS

Personal income impacts by industry

There are nine industries in which visitor activity supports \$1 billion or more in personal income. These range from the obvious—food & beverages and lodging, to the less obvious—business services and education & health care.

Personal income impacts by industry



TOTAL TAX IMPACTS

Fiscal (tax) impacts

Visitor spending, visitor supported jobs, and business sales generated \$12.6 billion in governmental revenues.

Visitor generated taxes, totaling \$12.6 billion, declined 34.9% from the prior year.

Each household in New York would need to be taxed an additional \$801 to replace the visitor taxes received by the state and local governments in 2020.

Fiscal (tax) impacts

Amounts in millions of current dollars	Total
Total	\$12,562
Federal	\$6,701
Personal income	\$2,580
Corporate	\$853
Indirect business	\$383
Social insurance	\$2,883
State and Local	\$5,862
Sales	\$1,389
Personal income	\$1,116
Corporate	\$909
Social insurance	\$104
Excise and fees	\$202
Property	\$2,142



TOTAL TAX IMPACTS

Fiscal (tax) impacts

Visitors generated \$2.3 billion in state taxes, a decline of 43.2% year-over-year. Local visitor-supported taxes, sustained mainly through sales and property taxes, registered \$3.5 billion.

Fiscal (tax) impacts

A									2020
Amounts in millions of current dollars		2016	2017		2018		2019	2020	growth
State Tax Subtotal	\$	3,614.8	\$ 3,719.4	\$	3,917.0	\$	4,035.6	\$ 2,329.6	-42.3%
Corporate	\$	692.4	\$ 708.0	\$	747.6	\$	765.8	\$ 384.6	-49.8%
Peronal Income	\$	1,118.6	\$ 1,154.6	\$	1,209.9	\$	1,260.1	\$ 893.9	-29.1%
Sales	\$	1,478.8	\$ 1,517.5	\$	1,602.4	\$	1,641.4	\$ 824.3	-49.8%
Excise and Fees	\$	197.4	\$ 204.8	\$	216.3	\$	221.6	\$ 122.7	-44.6%
State Unemployment	\$	127.6	\$ 134.4	\$	140.9	\$	146.7	\$ 104.1	-29.1%
Local Tax Subtotal	\$	4,614.2	\$ 4,797.7	\$	5,000.2	\$	5,098.6	\$ 3,532.0	-30.7%
Corporate	\$	920.5	\$ 965.4	\$	1,019.5	\$	1,044.3	\$ 524.4	-49.8%
Personal Income	\$	249.2	\$ 286.5	\$	300.2	\$	312.7	\$ 221.8	-29.1%
Sales	\$	985.9	\$ 1,039.5	\$	1,097.7	\$	1,124.4	\$ 564.6	-49.8%
Property	\$	2,331.6	\$ 2,374.5	\$	2,443.7	\$	2,474.6	\$ 2,142.2	-13.4%
Excise and fees	\$	127.0	\$ 131.7	\$	139.1	\$	142.5	\$ 78.9	-44.6%



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Spending, jobs, and income impacts in context



VISITOR SPENDING

Despite the decline in visitor spending, \$33.9 billion in visitor spending means that almost \$93 million was still spent EVERY DAY by visitors in New York.



VISITOR SPENDING LOSSES

The \$39.7 billion in visitor spending losses in 2020 is similar in size to New York's share of the \$2 trillion stimulus package passed by Congress in 2020.



PERSONAL INCOME

The \$28.2 billion in total income generated by tourism is the equivalent of \$3,850 for every household in New York.



BILLION

STATE AND LOCAL TAXES

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Visitor spending by region

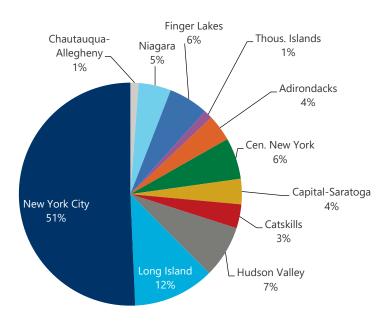
New York State is divided into 11 vacation regions.

Even with pandemic losses, New York City remained the largest tourism region in the state in 2020. However, pandemic-related travel changes dropped the share of spending captured by this region to 51% of state-wide spending, compared to 65% in 2019.

Conversely, several regions saw their share of spending increase as demand shifted towards more outdoor-friendly destinations.

Visitor Spending by Region

Percentage of New York State visitor spend



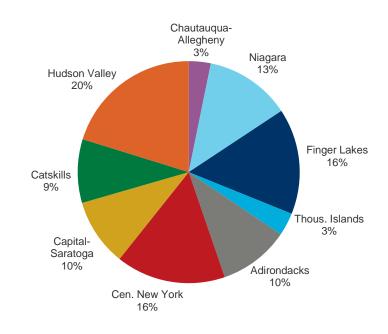


Upstate traveler spending

Traveler spending across the upstate regions of New York, excluding New York City and Long Island, is more evenly distributed and similar to 2019.

Upstate Visitor Spending by Region

Percentage of Upstate New York visitor spend



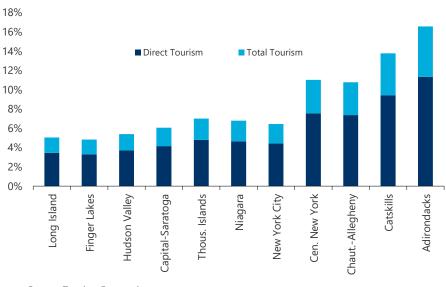


Reliance on tourism

Tourism is an integral part of each region's economy, generating from 5% to 17% of total employment. Pandemic related labor force distortions caused tourism employment shares to decline slightly.

The industry is most important to the Adirondacks and Catskills, encompassing 17% and 14% of total employment, respectively.

Tourism share of regional employment





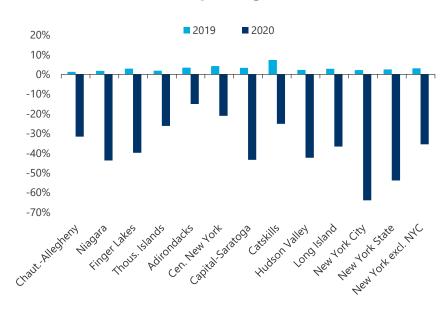
Traveler spending growth

The fallout in traveler spending was significant across all regions in 2020.

New York City led the declines with total spend down by 64% relative to 2019. Combined, spending in remaining regions fell 36%. The Adirondacks was the least impacted region, registering a 15% decline.

By sector, contractions in transportation (62%) and accommodations (59%) were the most severe.

Growth in traveler spending





Regional growth

Traveler spend

Amounts in millions of nominal dollars

					2020
	2017	2018	2019	2020	Growth
Total visitor spending	\$67,633	\$71,819	\$73,618	\$33,941	-53.9%
1. Chautauqua-Allegheny	\$553	\$589	\$596	\$408	-31.6%
2. Greater Niagara	\$2,666	\$2,778	\$2,828	\$1,593	-43.7%
3. Finger Lakes	\$3,048	\$3,169	\$3,261	\$1,963	-39.8%
4. Thousand Islands	\$543	\$564	\$575	\$424	-26.2%
5. Adirondacks	\$1,422	\$1,491	\$1,541	\$1,310	-15.0%
Central New York	\$2,351	\$2,473	\$2,578	\$2,035	-21.1%
7. Capital-Saratoga	\$2,011	\$2,136	\$2,207	\$1,250	-43.4%
8. Catskills	\$1,319	\$1,469	\$1,576	\$1,181	-25.1%
9. Hudson Valley	\$3,664	\$4,366	\$4,466	\$2,574	-42.4%
10. Long Island	\$5,871	\$6,135	\$6,310	\$3,999	-36.6%
11. New York City	\$44,185	\$46,650	\$47,679	\$17,205	-63.9%



Regional tourism summary

Tourism Economic Impact

Dollar amounts in millions of nominal dollars, employment in persons Combined direct, indirect, and induced

	Direct	Labor	Local	State
	Sales	Income	Taxes	Taxes
Total	\$33,941	\$28,246	\$3,532	\$2,330
1. Chautauqua-Allegheny	\$408	\$227	\$37	\$25
2. Greater Niagara	\$1,593	\$1,201	\$148	\$98
3. Finger Lakes	\$1,963	\$1,254	\$188	\$121
4. Thousand Islands	\$424	\$220	\$35	\$26
5. Adirondacks	\$1,310	\$644	\$100	\$76
6. Central New York	\$2,035	\$1,259	\$147	\$125
7. Capital-Saratoga	\$1,250	\$899	\$118	\$77
8. Catskills	\$1,181	\$599	\$95	\$73
9. Hudson Valley	\$2,574	\$1,818	\$255	\$158
10. Long Island	\$3,999	\$2,816	\$365	\$246
11. New York City	\$17,205	\$17,310	\$2,046	\$1,306



Regional tourism impact distribution

Tourism Economic Impact

Regional shares

	Direct Sales	Labor Income	Employment	Local Taxes	State Taxes
otal	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
1. Chautauqua-Allegheny	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
2. Greater Niagara	5%	4%	7%	4%	4%
3. Finger Lakes	6%	4%	8%	5%	5%
4. Thousand Islands	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
5. Adirondacks	4%	2%	3%	3%	3%
6. Central New York	6%	4%	6%	4%	5%
7. Capital-Saratoga	4%	3%	5%	3%	3%
8. Catskills	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%
9. Hudson Valley	8%	6%	8%	7%	7%
10. Long Island	12%	10%	11%	10%	11%
11. New York City	51%	61%	48%	58%	56%



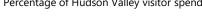
REGIONAL DETAIL FOR HUDSON VALLEY

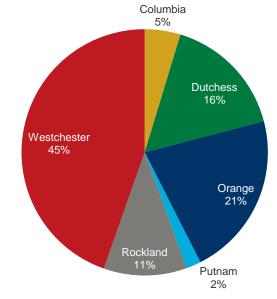
County distribution

In 2019, tourism in the Hudson Valley region was a \$4.5 billion industry, supporting 62,230 jobs. Due to the pandemic, visitor spending for the region plummeted by 42% to \$2.6 billion in 2020. Total employment fell to 42,547.

Westchester County represents 45% (\$1.1 billion) of the region's tourism sales.

Visitor Spending by CountyPercentage of Hudson Valley visitor spend







Total tourism impact

Tourism Economic Impact

Dollar amounts in millions of nominal dollars, employment in persons Combined direct, indirect, and induced

Direct Sales		Labor Income	Employment, Persons	Local Taxes	State Taxes	
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Total	\$2,573.8	\$1,817.9	42,547	\$255.5	\$158.2	
Columbia	\$120.8	\$73.4	1,897	\$9.9	\$7.4	
Dutchess	\$417.8	\$315.9	8,050	\$40.2	\$25.7	
Orange	\$556.2	\$297.5	8,947	\$72.5	\$34.2	
Putnam	\$49.6	\$29.1	1,197	\$4.2	\$3.1	
Rockland	\$281.0	\$190.3	5,351	\$25.1	\$17.3	
Westchester	\$1,148.3	\$911.8	17,106	\$103.5	\$70.6	



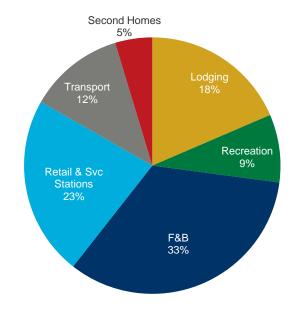
Traveler spending

Travelers spent \$2.6 billion in Hudson Valley in 2020 across a diverse range of sectors.

Spending on lodging and food & beverages comprised 18% and 33% of total visitor spending, respectively.

Retail and service stations also generate significant economic activity in the region, tallying \$584 million (23% of total spend).

Visitor Spending by Sector Percentage of Hudson Valley visitor spend





Total tourism impact

Traveler SpendingAmounts in millions of nominal dollars

	Lodging	Recreation	F&B	Retail & Svc Stations	Transport	Second Homes	Total
Total	\$477.2	\$220.6	\$861.8	\$583.7	\$310.1	\$120.3	\$2,573.8
Columbia	\$21.4	\$11.2	\$28.0	\$15.1	\$11.7	\$33.4	\$120.8
Dutchess	\$98.8	\$33.0	\$127.4	\$62.5	\$64.8	\$31.4	\$417.8
Orange	\$56.5	\$17.7	\$156.5	\$245.4	\$69.5	\$10.5	\$556.2
Putnam	\$4.9	\$6.8	\$19.2	\$5.9	\$1.7	\$11.2	\$49.6
Rockland	\$55.9	\$31.1	\$121.2	\$50.8	\$18.7	\$3.4	\$281.0
Westchester	\$239.7	\$120.8	\$409.5	\$204.0	\$143.8	\$30.6	\$1,148.3



Regional growth

Traveler Spend					2020
Amounts in millions of nominal dollars	2017	2018	2019	2020	Growth
Total	\$3,664	\$4,366	\$4,466	\$2,574	-42.4%
Columbia	\$155	\$169	\$177	\$121	-31.9%
Dutchess	\$602	\$642	\$674	\$418	-38.0%
Orange	\$492	\$1,040	\$1,047	\$556	-46.9%
Putnam	\$63	\$64	\$66	\$50	-25.1%
Rockland	\$480	\$483	\$490	\$281	-42.6%
Westchester	\$1,872	\$1,969	\$2,011	\$1,148	-42.9%

State Taxes					2020
Amounts in thousands of nominal dollars	2017	2018	2019	2020	Growth
Total	\$201,503	\$238,116	\$244,841	\$158,231	-35.4%
Columbia	\$8,504	\$9,194	\$9,723	\$7,426	-23.6%
Dutchess	\$33,083	\$35,029	\$36,960	\$25,684	-30.5%
Orange	\$27,084	\$56,710	\$57,418	\$34,193	-40.4%
Putnam	\$3,483	\$3,485	\$3,635	\$3,052	-16.0%
Rockland	\$26,398	\$26,328	\$26,847	\$17,278	-35.6%
Westchester	\$102,951	\$107,369	\$110,258	\$70,598	-36.0%

Local Taxes					2020
Amounts in thousands of nominal dollars	2017	2018	2019	2020	Growth
Total	\$213,430	\$216,917	\$221,652	\$183,496	-17.2%
Columbia	\$9,603	\$10,611	\$10,906	\$9,919	-9.0%
Dutchess	\$43,007	\$44,711	\$45,788	\$40,166	-12.3%
Orange	\$492	\$1,040	\$1,047	\$556	-46.9%
Putnam	\$4,584	\$4,421	\$4,519	\$4,169	-7.7%
Rockland	\$31,516	\$30,428	\$31,053	\$25,147	-19.0%
Westchester	\$124,227	\$125,707	\$128,339	\$103,538	-19.3%



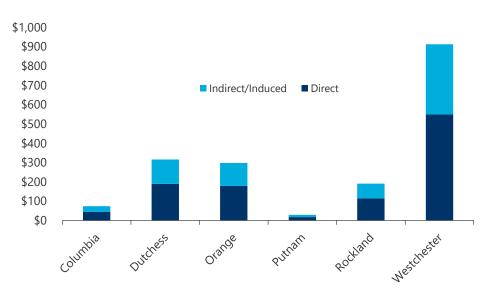
Labor income

Tourism in Hudson Valley generated \$1.1 billion in direct labor income and \$1.8 billion including indirect and induced impacts.

Total labor income including indirect and induced impacts is the most significant in Westchester County at \$912 million.

Tourism-Generated Labor Income

Amounts in millions of nominal dollars





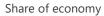
Labor income

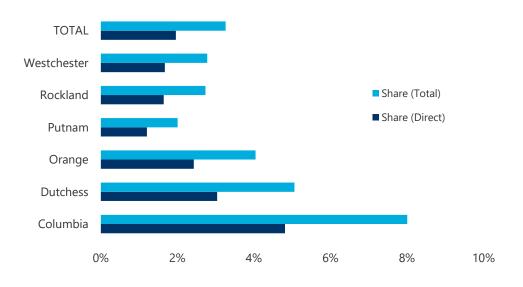
In 2020, 3.3% of all labor income in the Hudson Valley region was generated by tourism, compared with 4.4% in 2019. The share of direct income was 2.0% regionally in 2020.

Columbia County is the most dependent on tourism wage income as 8.0% of all labor income in the county is generated by visitors.

Tourism in Dutchess County contributed 5.1% of all labor income in 2020.

Tourism-Generated Labor Income







Labor income

Tourism Labor Income

Amounts in millions of nominal dollars

	Direct	Total (Direct, Indir., Induced)	•	
Total	\$1,093.1	\$1,817.9	2.0%	3.3%
Columbia	\$44.1	\$73.4	4.8%	8.0%
Dutchess	\$190.0	\$315.9	3.0%	5.1%
Orange	\$178.9	\$297.5	2.4%	4.0%
Putnam	\$17.5	\$29.1	1.2%	2.0%
Rockland	\$114.4	\$190.3	1.6%	2.7%
Westchester	\$548.3	\$911.8	1.7%	2.8%



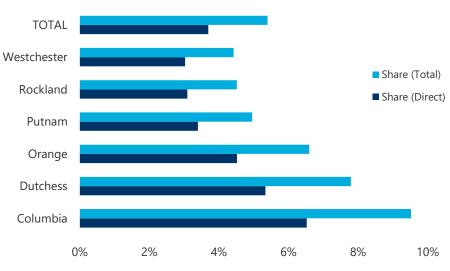
Tourism employment

In 2020, total tourism-generated employment registered 42,547 jobs, 5.4% of all jobs within the region.

Columbia County is again the most dependent upon tourism, with 9.5% of all employment sustained by visitors, followed by Dutchess County (7.8%).

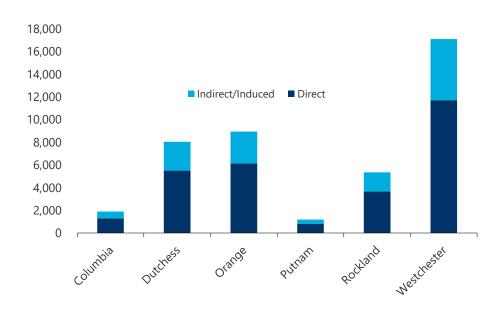
Westchester County produces the most tourism-related jobs in the Hudson Valley region (17,106 jobs).

Tourism-Generated EmploymentShare of economy





Tourism employment



	Direct	Total (Direct, Indir., Induced)	Share (Direct)	Share (Total)
Total	29,132	42,547	3.7%	5.4%
Columbia	1,299	1,897	6.5%	9.5%
Dutchess	5,512	8,050	5.3%	7.8%
Orange	6,126	8,947	4.5%	6.6%
Putnam	819	1,197	3.4%	5.0%
Rockland	3,664	5,351	3.1%	4.5%
Westchester	11,712	17,106	3.0%	4.4%



Tourism taxes

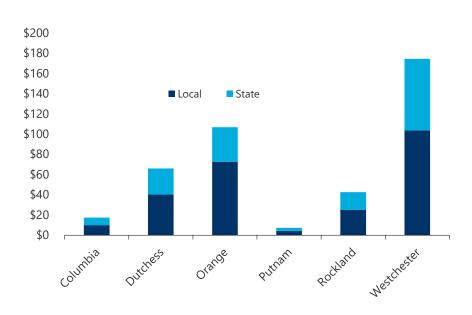
Tourism in Hudson Valley yielded \$414 million in state and local taxes in 2020.

Sales, property, and hotel bed taxes contributed \$255 million in local taxes.

Westchester County constituted 42.1% of the region's tourism tax base.

Tourism-Generated Taxes

Amounts in millions of nominal dollars





Tourism taxes

Were it not for tourism-generated state and local taxes, the average household in the region would have to pay an additional \$555 to maintain the same level of government revenue, already hard hit by the pandemic.

Tourism-Generated Taxes

Amounts in thousands of nominal dollars

	Local	State	Total	Regional	Tax Savings	
	Taxes	Taxes	IOLAI	Share	per Household	
Total	\$255,461	\$158,231	\$413,692	100.0%	\$555	
Columbia	\$9,919	\$7,426	\$17,345	4.2%	\$695	
Dutchess	\$40,166	\$25,684	\$65,850	15.9%	\$607	
Orange	\$72,521	\$34,193	\$106,715	25.8%	\$834	
Putnam	\$4,169	\$3,052	\$7,222	1.7%	\$207	
Rockland	\$25,147	\$17,278	\$42,425	10.3%	\$422	
Westchester	\$103,538	\$70,598	\$174,136	42.1%	\$499	



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