

Greater Portland & Economic Development Our Value Proposition & Recent Trends

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About GPI



Greater Portland Inc (GPI) is the only public-private partnership working to attract businesses to the entire Greater Portland region.



Our Investors



Investors

- 80+ public and private organizations
 - Local and regional governments
 - Legal firms
 - o Finance
 - Real estate and construction
 - Higher education institutions
 - Workforce development
 - Marketing/Media agencies

Board of Directors

- Cornerstone & Platinum Investors
- Gold, Silver, Small City Consortium, and Higher Education Consortium investors elect representatives
- Regional C-suite executives & elected officials
- Executive Committee consists of Cornerstone investors & elected officers

Our Services



GPI is dedicated to creating and expanding jobs and driving tangible regional prosperity

GPI offers confidential, no-cost assistance to domestic and international companies interested in investing and growing within Greater Portland

We are a single point of contact and convener to all regional resources

Services Include

- Project Management
- Connectivity to Providers & Key Assets
- Access to Workforce and Education Partners
- Diversity & Inclusion Resources
- Data Resources, Research, & Analysis
- Market Visits
- Securing Incentives
- Real Estate Connectivity

Partner Network



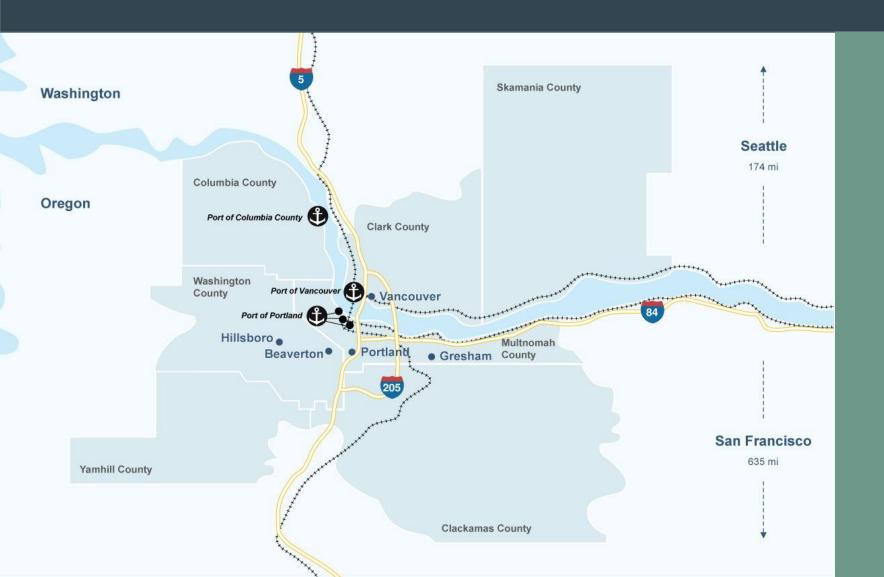




The Region at a Glance

Greater Portland





7Counties

2 States

2.5 M Population

1.3 M Labor Force

Industry Clusters





Computers & Electronics

Local jobs: 42,000 Local employers: 359



Apparel & Outdoor

Local jobs: 21,000 Local employers: 518



Climate Tech

Local jobs: 14,000 Local employers: 843



Design & Media

Local jobs: 33,000 Local employers: 2,531



Software

Local jobs: 35,000 Local employers: 4,282



Metals & Machinery

Local jobs: 23,000 Local employers: 574



Food & Beverage

Local jobs: 30,000 Local employers: 832



Bioscience

Local jobs: 7,800 Local employers: 208





World-Leading Companies









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Competitive Advantages

Local Access



TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE

Greater Portland has been designed for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists alike. A dense urban core connected by world-class multimodal transit options makes it easy to move people and products.

UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- Affordable, reliable electricity
- Abundant, clean water
- Leading digital infrastructure



Cost of Living



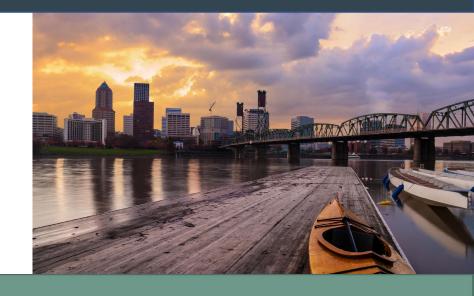


Regional Culture



Easy Access to the Outdoors

It's easy to enjoy nature in Greater Portland, with 37,000 acres of parks and green space. If you want to explore, the Pacific Coast is 90 minutes west, and the Cascade mountains are 60 minutes east.



#1 City for Outdoor Enthusiasts Zumper, 2022

#1 City for Inclusion Brookings Institution, 2022

38.5% of Industry Employees Identify as Non-White

100% Perfect Score for LGBTQ Equality U.S. Human Rights Campaign's Municipal Equality Index, 2021

Recent Accolades



#1 U.S. Development Market

Urban Land Institute, 2022

#1 Best Place to Live On the West Coast

U.S. News & World Report, 2020

#6 City for Work/Life Balance

SmartAsset, 2020

#1 Best Airport in the U.S.

Travel + Leisure, 2021

#2 Most Future-Focused U.S. City

Financebuzz, 2021

#1 State for Millennials - Washington

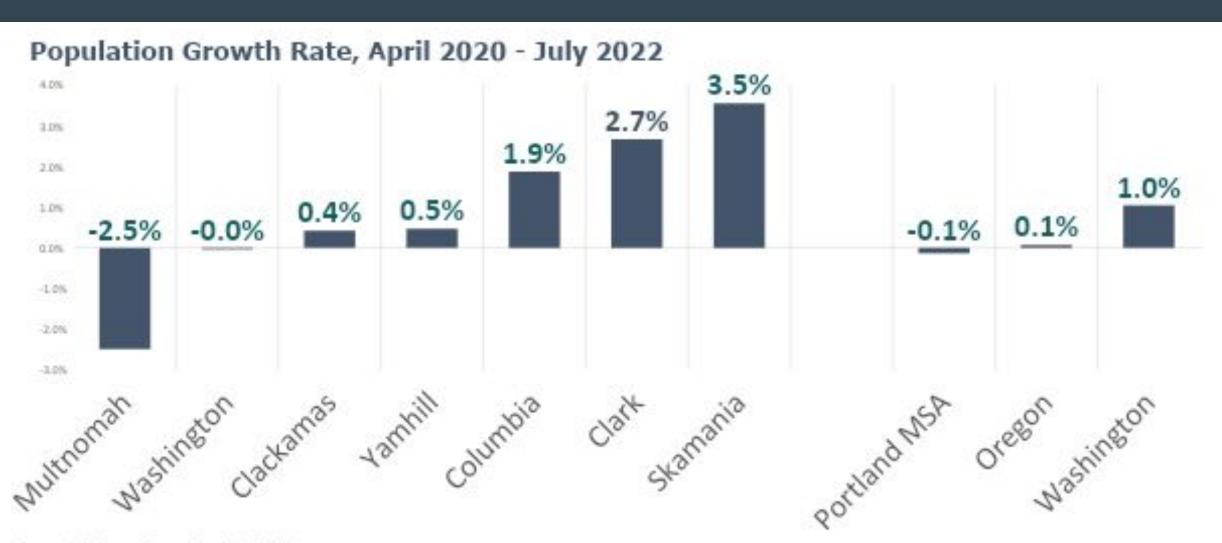
WalletHub, 2022

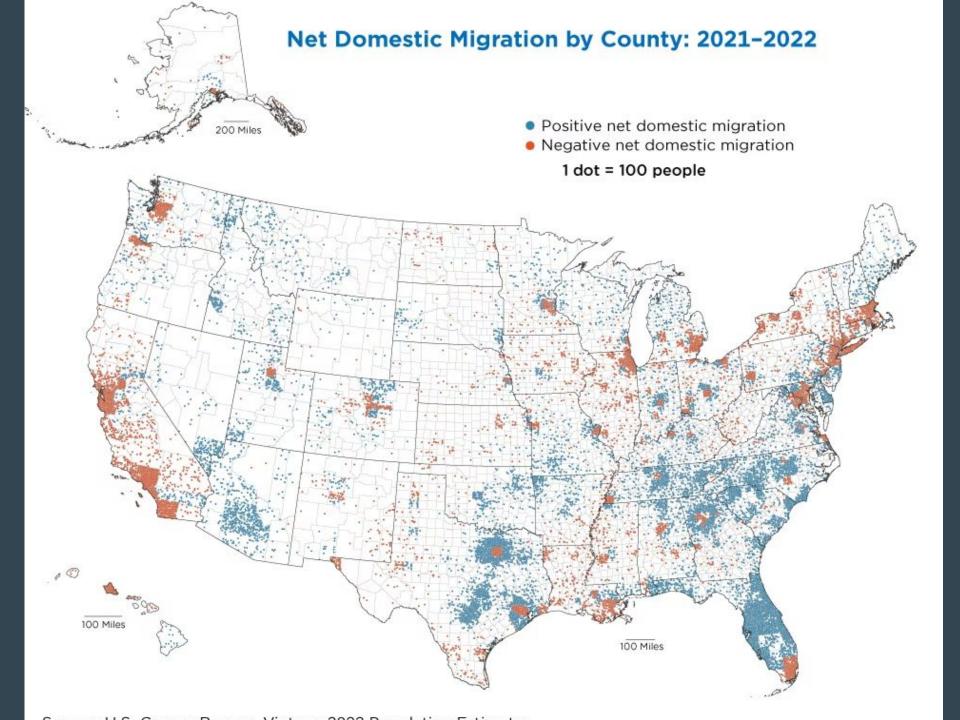


Recent Trends

Local Population Growth



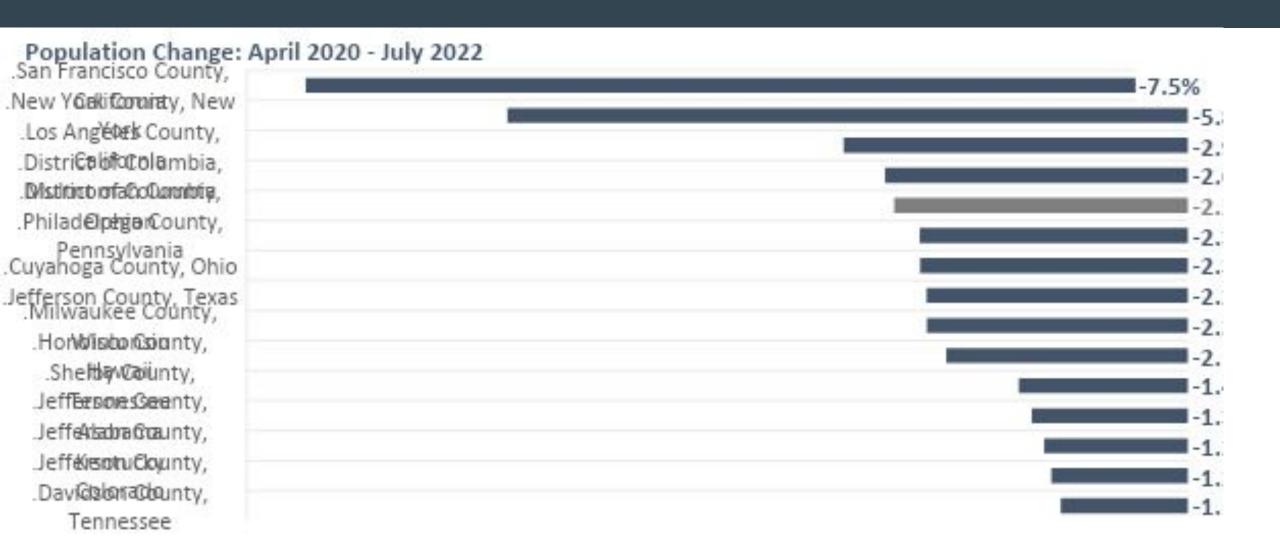






Comparing Urban Counties





Who is Moving Here?



Oregon #2 top inbound state for 2022, per United Van Lines.

"Over 50% of people moving into Oregon using United Van Lines' services last year were Gen Xers and millennials.

And these are people who are college-educated and earning high incomes of \$100,000 or more."

Oregon		Total Inbound: 67.1% Total Outbound: 32.9%	
Primary Reason for Moving			
INBOUND		OUTBOUND	
13.88%	retirement	14.62%	
7.35%	health	10.77%	
16.73%	family	40.00%	
15.51%	lifestyle	21.54%	
51.02%	job	36.92%	
4.08%	cost	10.77%	

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Age Ranges			
INBOUND		OUTBOUND	
32.64%	<18 to 34	11.22%	
18.65%	35 to 44	17.76%	
14.51%	45 to 54	21.50%	
9.84%	55 to 64	22.43%	
24.35%	65 or older	27.11%	

Employment Change 2021Q2-2022Q2



Over the last year, employment in the Portland MSA increased by 4.0%. However, in the previous quarter, wages in the Portland MSA increased 6.1%.

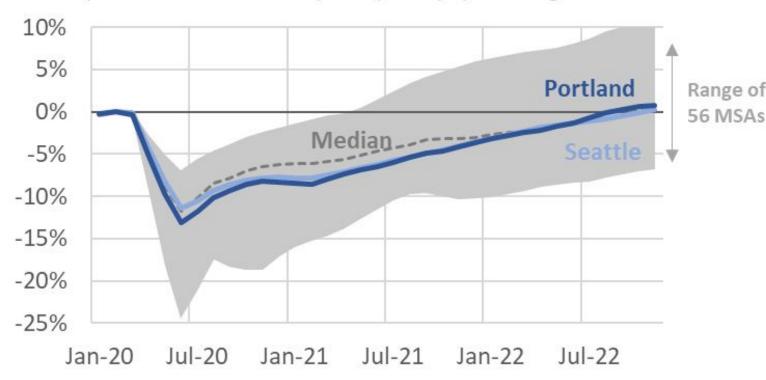


Regional Employment Greater Portland & Other Metros



The Pacific Northwest and Large Metros

Percent change in employment since February 2020 among the 56 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) with population greater than 1 million



- Smaller metros and suburbs outperforming urban cores nationwide
 - Loss of business travel, and daily commuters
- Range of Good News/Bad News
 - Portland did not suffer noticeably worse recession and is now above average
 - Portland trails most of its peer comparison metros: Austin, Indianapolis, Nashville, Salt Lake
 - Portland's urban core recovery looks to be slower even if metro is average

Data: 3 month average | Latest: November 2022 | Source: BLS, Oregon Office of Economic Analysi

Labor Market Recovery



The Workers Have Fully Returned

Share of Prime-Age Oregonians (25-54) with a job



Bachelor's degree or higher

Some college or associate's degree

High school diploma or less

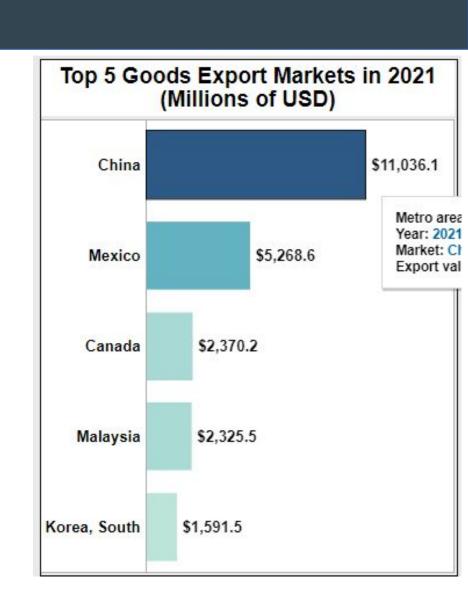
- Strong, inclusive recovery
 - Disparities did not widen based on age, educational attainment, gender, geographic location, or race and ethnicity
 - Disparities did widen based on wealth

Data: Seasonally adjusted 6 mth avg | Latest: Nov 2022 | Source: IPUMS-CPS, Oregon Office of Economic Analysis

Trade in Greater Portland



- Greater Portland is the 10th largest metropolitan exporting region in the U.S. (2021)
- Total Goods Exports in 2021: \$33.8 Billion
- Exports grew by \$10 Billion (42.2%) just from 2019 to 2021:
- #16 in FT-Nikkei ranking of best U.S. cities for foreign businesses - 2022



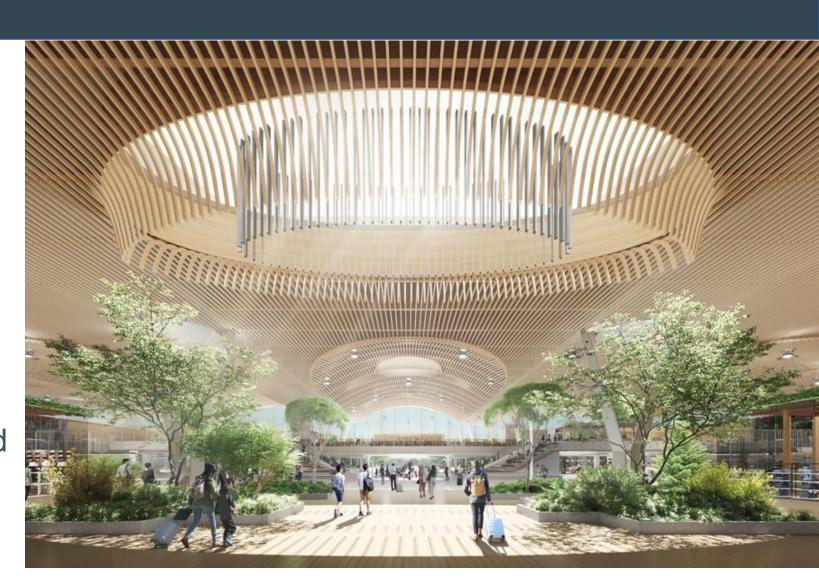
Source: U.S. International Trade Administration

PDX



- From February 2022 to February 2023, passenger flight operations from PDX are up 8.0% for domestic travel and 16.1% for international travel.
- Over that same period, the number of domestic passengers is up 22.2%, and the number of international passengers is up 69.6%.

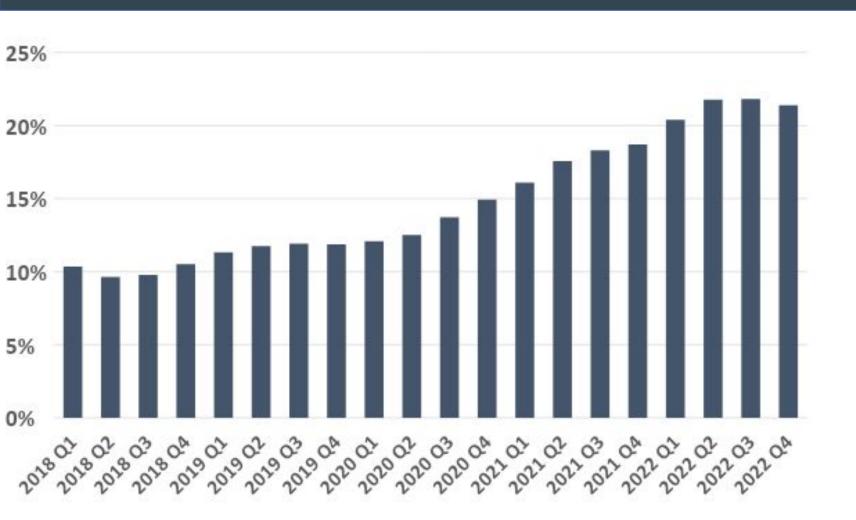
Source: Port of Portland



Office Vacancy Rates

Central Business District





Data from CoStar shows office vacancy rates in Portland's Central Business District submarket at 21.4% in 2022 Q4.

However, data from other sources indicates this rate may be much higher. CBRE cites this rate at 27%.

But either source indicates that the rate has increased significantly and is expected to go higher.

Apartment Rents – April 2023



In April 2023, the median rent of a 1-bedroom apartment in the Portland MSA was \$1,500, less than many of those same competitor markets.



Source: Zumper National Rent Report

Challenges Perceptions and Worrying Trends



In the News



Portland Ranks 60 out of 62 downtowns in its recovery.

University of Toronto, School of Cities, November 2022

Portland's office towers are emptying at an alarming rate as private-sector tenants move to the suburbs.

Willamette Week, February 1, 2023

CBRE's 2023 U.S. Lender Intentions Survey put Portland at No. 3 on a list of locales whose performance lenders have the most concerns about.

Portland Business Journal, 01.09.2023

Oregon's corporate tax system Ranks 49th in terms of fostering growth, Tax Foundation says.

GPI Feasibility Survey



MAJOR THEMES

- 1
- Perceptions are that the greater Portland region is facing significant livability challenges, and its reputation is suffering.

- 2
- GPI should both narrow its scope of work and position itself to own the solution to one of these challenges. Feedback strongly suggests that repairing the reputation as part of regional promotion is that key issue, paired with strengthening the regional model.
- 3
- Capturing the attention and thought leadership of top local C-Suite executives will be crucial and a key engagement strategy. Success here will be game changing for GPI.

Regional Challenges



Reputation



- Unrest in national headlines
- Homelessness
- Trash
- Crime

Sub-optimal regional development structure



- Lack of private sector engagement
- Lack of funding, organization, and resources
- Peer regions are at an advantage

Talent



- Issue for nearly every industry
- Low supply of qualified workers
- Entry- to mid-level skill manufacturing
- No regional entity focused on talent attraction

National/global competition



- Competitive reality
- Lack of awareness nationally/internationally
- Uneven growth
- Inadequate diversification of businesses



GREATER PORTLAND INC

SHAPING THE REGION'S FUTURE



2023 – 2026 Initiatives



Two interrelated strategies:

1. Regional Promotion

GPI Role: Leader

2. Regional Coordination

 GPI Role: Leader / Catalyst / Supporter



Regional Promotion



Summary: Positively impact regional economic growth and better position our region to attract world class business and talent

Marketing and Communications

- Improve our region's image with intentional messaging that increases awareness and changes perceptions
- Develop a regional branding and promotion campaign that is reflective of the environment and attractive to corporate investment and talent
- Contract with DCI to drive strategy and tactics
- Coordinate with destination marketing organizations to complement segmentation, targeting and positioning

Positives Yes...Good Things are Still Happening



In the News



Gov. Tina Kotek signs \$200 million housing, homelessness package

The Oregonian, April 3, 2023

Portland leaders approve plan to ban homeless camping, create large government-sponsored shelters

OPB, November 2, 2022

Oregon passes \$210 million Oregon CHIPS Act to fund semiconductor industry

The Oregonian, April 9, 2023

Portland: Best Places to Travel in 2023

Forbes

Formula E announces Portland, Oregon as Only U.S. race in 2023

NBC Sports, December 2022

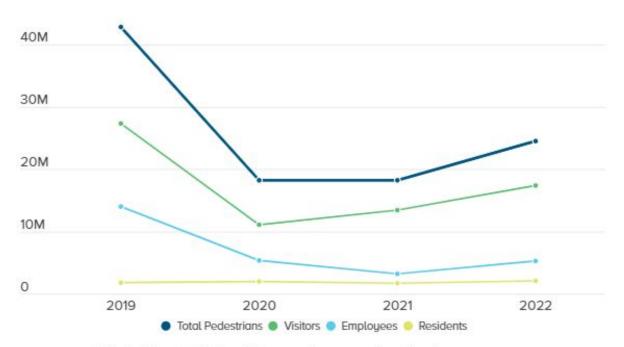
Downtown Pedestrian Counts

2022



FIGURE 1: 2022 PEDESTRIAN COUNTS

Total pedestrians* within 213-block enhanced service district, Jan. - Dec. 2022



compared to 2021, 2022 counts are up

127.5%

Pedestrian counts downtown are up 27.5% from 2021.

However, they are still down considerably from pre-pandemic levels of 2019.

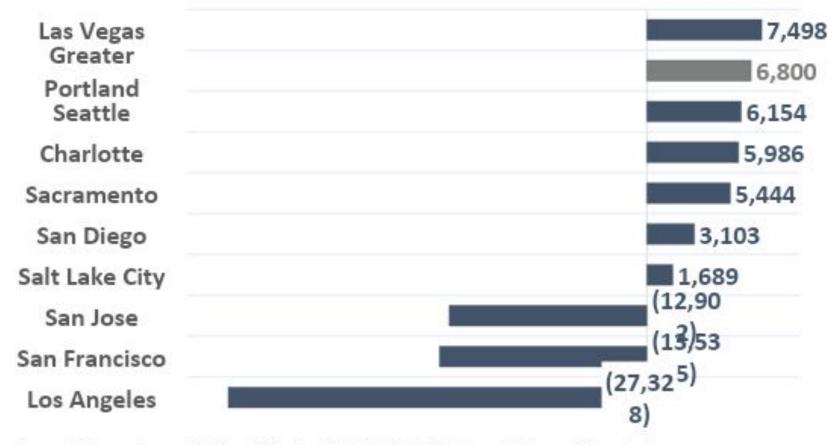
^{*} Pedestrians includes visitors, employees and residents.
These are not unique visitors, but cumulative totals.

Portland Still Attracts Talent



Net Migration by Persons with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 2021

by Selected Metropolitan Areas



Most recent data from the Census shows that the Greater Portland region continues to attract highly educated workers to our region – and at levels higher than our competitor regions on the West Coast and even some other fast growing regions like Charlotte.

Recent Expansion Announcements in our Region































What's Next?





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