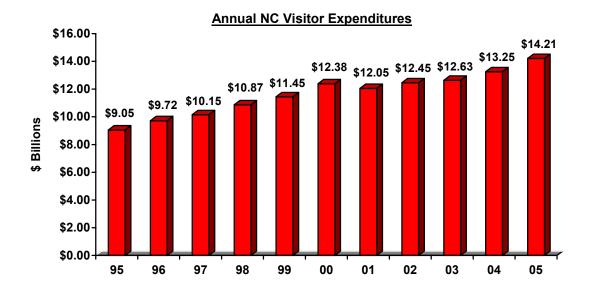
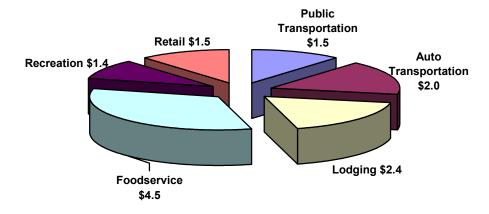
FAST FACTS 2005 Economic Impact of Tourism

- Tourism is one of North Carolina's largest industries. In 2005, **domestic travelers spent \$14.2** billion across the state. **(7.3 percent increase over 2004).**
- Domestic tourism expenditures directly supported 185,200 jobs for North Carolina residents.
- The tourism industry contributed \$3.75 billion to the state's payroll in 2005.
- Traveler spending generated over \$2.3 billion in tax receipts:
 - \$1.1 billion in federal taxes, and \$1.2 billion in state and local taxes:
 - \$747.7 million in state tax revenue & \$461.0 million in local tax revenue
- Over 64.5 million visitors traveled to North Carolina, ranking us eighth in person-trip volume by state behind California, Florida, Texas, Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio and Michigan.



Impact of Tourism on Economy by Sector (\$billions)



2005 Overnight Trip Spending

United States Travelers	\$565
North Carolina Total Visitors	\$416
North Carolina Out-of-state Visitors	\$511
North Carolina Resident Visitors	\$294

2005 Trip Expenditures by Primary Purpose of Trip

Overnight	Business Travelers	\$402
Overnight	Leisure Travelers	\$420

Source: TravelScope, Travel Industry Association, 2006