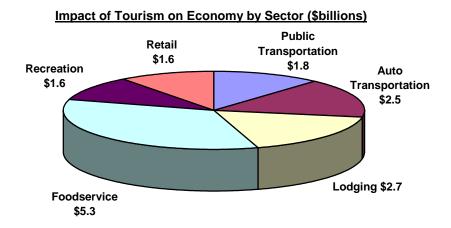
## FAST FACTS 2009 Economic Impact of Tourism

- Tourism is one of North Carolina's largest industries. In 2009, domestic travelers spent \$15.6 billion across the state.\*
- Domestic tourism expenditures directly supported 183,800 jobs for North Carolina residents.\*
- The tourism industry contributed \$3.91 billion to the state's payroll in 2009.\*
- Traveler spending generated over \$2.5 billion in tax receipts: \*

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- \$1.18 billion in federal taxes, and \$1.35 billion in state and local taxes:\*
- \$841.3 million in state tax revenue & \$509.9 million in local tax revenue\*
- North Carolina ranks sixth in person-trip volume by state behind California, Florida, Texas, New York, and Pennsylvania.





## 2009 Average Trip Spending for Overnight Visitors

| United States Average Visitor Party Spending       | \$670 |
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| North Carolina Average Visitor Party Spending      | \$559 |
| North Carolina Out-of-state Visitor Party Spending | \$700 |
| North Carolina Resident Visitor Party Spending     | \$306 |

## 2009 Average Trip Spending for NC Overnight Visitors by Primary Purpose of Trip

| Average Overnight Business Travel Party Spending | \$713 |
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| Out-of-State Business Travel Party Spending      | \$831 |
| NC Resident Business Travel Party Spending       | \$377 |
| Average Overnight Leisure Travel Party Spending  | \$549 |
| Out-of-State Leisure Travel Party Spending       | \$696 |
| NC Resident Leisure Travel Party Spending        | \$296 |