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Benchmark #57 **Acres of Parks and Open Space per 1,000 Residents**

This benchmark is under review, please come back later.

Benchmark #58 **Income Spent on Housing**

Data are from the Census and the American Community Survey, US Bureau of the Census. The American Community Survey data are sample data.

Historical data on the area's poor renters are from "In Search of Shelter: The Growing Shortage of Affordable Rental Housing" by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.

To download the 1995 American Housing Survey Report for the Oregon-Washington metropolitan region, look for document H170/95-34.

Benchmark #61 **Neighborhood Livability**

Data for this benchmark are derived from the annual Citizen Survey conducted by the Portland [Audit Services Division](#). The survey has been conducted by the City of Portland Auditor since 1991, and jointly with the Multnomah County Auditor since 1994. Starting in 2000, the County stopped participating. All trend data on benchmark pages have been changed to show City numbers only. Historic counts and analysis showing both the City and County, however, have been retained in the [Further Analysis of Benchmarks](#) pages.

Benchmark #62 **Commute Times**

Data are from the Census and the American Community Survey, US Bureau of the Census. The American Community Survey data are sample data.

Benchmark #72 **Monitor Portland Population Growth**

Data on population are from the [Center for Population Research and Census](#) (CPRC) at Portland State University. CPRC estimates the population of Oregon, its counties and cities for years between the decennial census.

Benchmark #75 **Support for the Arts**

Data was provided by The Regional Arts and Culture Council (RACC). Comparative per capita figures were obtained by dividing local government support to regional arts organizations by the population of the region. The RACC also provided data on private financial support to Metro area arts organizations. The Council is a publicly funded, non-profit organization with a mission to provide leadership, funding and advocacy for arts and culture throughout the tri-county Portland region. Since the data only captures the top 21 arts groups in the tri-county region, total private support presented here is under-estimated. Historical and comparative data on local government support for the arts is from United States Urban Arts Federation Annual Report, prepared by [American for the Arts](#) .

Benchmark #104 **Street Cleanliness**

Data for this benchmark are derived from the annual Citizen Survey conducted by the Portland [Audit Services Division](#). The survey has been conducted by the City of Portland Auditor since 1991, and jointly with the Multnomah County Auditor since 1994. Starting in 2000, the County stopped participating. All trend data on

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