



# HAYWOOD COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

November 29, 2023

**Haywood County Tourism Development Authority**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**October 31, 2023**

| ASSETS                                           |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>                            |                     |
| Checking/Savings                                 |                     |
| 100001 · 1% Cash in Bank - 1st Citizens          | 251,328.37          |
| 100002 · 3% Cash in Bank - 1st Citizens          | 759,661.11          |
| 111501 · NCCMT - 9152 3% General Investm         | 1,617,636.84        |
| 111503 · NCCMT - 9863 1% General Investm         | 578,383.40          |
| <b>Total Checking/Savings</b>                    | <b>3,207,009.72</b> |
| Other Current Assets                             |                     |
| 119000 · Petty Cash - TDA                        | 100.00              |
| 119001 · Petty Cash - VC                         | 100.00              |
| <b>Total Other Current Assets</b>                | <b>200.00</b>       |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>                      | <b>3,207,209.72</b> |
| <b>Noncurrent Assets</b>                         |                     |
| Fixed Assets                                     |                     |
| 140001 · Equipment and Furniture                 | 32,522.77           |
| 140002 · Vehicle                                 | 25,903.04           |
| 150000 · Accumulated Depreciation                | (27,509.18)         |
| <b>Total Fixed Assets</b>                        | <b>30,916.63</b>    |
| 160000 · Right to Used Leased Asset              | 124,621.00          |
| <b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>                   | <b>155,537.63</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                              | <b>3,362,747.35</b> |
| <br><b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>        |                     |
| 180000 · Current Year Pension Plan Contributions | 36,651.00           |
| 170000 · Pension Deferral                        | 82,082.00           |
| <b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>      | <b>118,733.00</b>   |

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**LIABILITIES & NET POSITION**

**Liabilities**

**Current Liabilities**

**231700 · Payroll Liabilities**

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Federal Taxes (941/944) | 3,034.44 |
| NC Income Tax           | 1,087.00 |
| NC Pension Payable      | 5,401.26 |

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| <b>Total 231700 · Payroll Liabilities</b> | <b>9,522.70</b> |
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| <b>231800 · Sales Tax Payable</b> | <b>63.27</b> |
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**Other Current Liabilities**

|                                                 |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>233000 · Lease Liability-Current Portion</b> | <b>30,277.00</b> |
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| <b>Total Current Liabilities</b> | <b>39,862.97</b> |
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**Noncurrent Liabilities**

|                                                    |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>240000 · Lease Liability Noncurrent Portion</b> | <b>98,503.00</b> |
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|                                       |                  |
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| <b>250000 · Net Pension Liability</b> | <b>68,398.00</b> |
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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b> | <b>166,901.00</b> |
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| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b> | <b>206,763.97</b> |
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**DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

|                                   |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>260000 · Pension Deferrals</b> | <b>97,721.00</b> |
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**NET POSITION**

|                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Net Position as of July 1</b> | <b>3,094,396.04</b> |
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| <b>Change in Net Position</b> | <b>82,599.34</b> |
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| <b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b> | <b>3,176,995.38</b> |
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# Haywood County Tourism Development Authority Changes in Net Position Budget vs Actual

|                                          | October 2023 | July-October 2023 | YTD Budget   | % of Budget |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense                  |              |                   |              |             |
| Income                                   |              |                   |              |             |
| Occupancy Tax Revenue                    |              |                   |              |             |
| 427011 · Net from Haywood County (3%)    | 229,710.87   | 499,224.76        | 2,257,125.00 | 22.12%      |
| 427012 · 1% Occ Tax - 28716 (Canton)     | 6,767.05     | 11,495.10         | 60,190.00    | 19.1%       |
| 427013 · 1% Occ Tax - 28721 (Clyde)      | 4,175.92     | 8,930.65          | 37,618.75    | 23.74%      |
| 427014 · 1% Occ Tax - 28745 (LJ)         | 6,462.70     | 16,356.17         | 67,713.75    | 24.16%      |
| 427015 · 1% Occ Tax - 28751 (MV)         | 31,046.21    | 72,354.69         | 346,092.50   | 20.91%      |
| 427016 · 1% Occ Tax - 28785/28786 (WV)   | 28,218.29    | 57,423.48         | 240,760.00   | 23.85%      |
| 427017 · Admin Fee                       | 5,638.40     | 16,874.99         | 40,500.00    | 41.67%      |
| Total Occupancy Tax Revenue              | 312,019.44   | 682,659.84        | 3,050,000.00 | 22.38%      |
| 449201 · Merchandise Sales               | 3,396.97     | 12,952.34         | 25,000.00    | 51.81%      |
| 449810 · Visitor Guide Ad Sales          | 900.00       | 16,285.00         | 35,000.00    | 46.53%      |
| 450100 · NC Smokies Ice Festival Weekend | 500.00       | 500.00            | 0.00         | 100.0%      |
| 451890 · Miscellaneous Revenue           | 0.00         | 375.00            | 0.00         | 100.0%      |
| 483491 · Interest Earnings 3%            | 7,182.21     | 28,015.02         | 45,000.00    | 62.26%      |
| 483492 · Interest Earnings 1%            | 2,567.99     | 10,016.73         | 15,000.00    | 66.78%      |
| 483831 · Occupancy Tax Penalties 3%      | 470.51       | 3,288.03          | 1,500.00     | 219.2%      |
| 483832 · Occupancy Tax Penalties 1%      | 156.84       | 1,096.02          | 500.00       | 0.0%        |
| Fund Balance Appropriation               |              |                   |              |             |
| 427112 · App of Fd Bal - 28716 (Canton)  | 0.00         | 0.00              | 12,000.00    | 0.0%        |
| 427113 · App of Fd Bal - 28721 (Clyde)   | 0.00         | 0.00              | 36,000.00    | 0.0%        |
| 427114 · App of Fd Bal - 28745 (LJ)      | 0.00         | 0.00              | 0.00         | 0.0%        |
| 427115 · App of Fd Bal - 28751 (MV)      | 0.00         | 0.00              | 90,000.00    | 0.0%        |
| 427116 · App of Fd Bal - 28785/86 (WV)   | 0.00         | 0.00              | 12,000.00    | 0.0%        |
| 499990 · Fund Balance TDA                | 0.00         | 0.00              | 253,475.00   | 0.0%        |
| 499995 · Fund Balance OTPF               | 0.00         | 0.00              | 346,131.00   | 0.0%        |
| Total Fund Balance Appropriation         | 0.00         | 0.00              | 749,606.00   | 0.0%        |
| Total Income                             | 327,193.96   | 755,187.98        | 3,921,606.00 | 19.26%      |
| Expense                                  |              |                   |              |             |
| 1 % Expenses                             |              |                   |              |             |
| 1% Marketing/Adv/Promo                   |              |                   |              |             |
| 549910 · Promotion - 28716 (Canton)      | 28,575.00    | 28,575.00         | 48,126.67    | 59.38%      |
| 549912 · Promotion - 28721 (Clyde)       | 6,600.00     | 6,600.00          | 49,079.17    | 13.45%      |
| 549914 · Promotion - 28745 (LJ)          | 2,411.41     | 14,361.50         | 45,142.50    | 31.81%      |
| 549916 · Promotion - 28751 (MV)          | 5,815.79     | 31,399.57         | 290,728.33   | 10.8%       |
| 549918 · Promotion - 28785/86 (WV)       | 3,366.27     | 10,203.20         | 168,506.67   | 6.06%       |
| Total 1% Marketing/Adv/Promo             | 46,768.47    | 91,139.27         | 601,583.34   | 15.15%      |

# Haywood County Tourism Development Authority Changes in Net Position Budget vs Actual

|                                         | October 2023 | July-October 2023 | YTD Budget | % of Budget |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| 1% Tourism Related                      |              |                   |            |             |
| 549911 · Tourism - 28716 (Canton)       | 0.00         | 0.00              | 24,063.33  | 0.0%        |
| 549913 · Tourism - 28721 (Clyde)        | 8,691.00     | 8,691.00          | 24,539.58  | 35.42%      |
| 549915 · Tourism - 28745 (LJ)           | 0.00         | 0.00              | 22,571.25  | 0.0%        |
| 549917 · Tourism - 28751 (MV)           | 0.00         | 0.00              | 145,364.17 | 0.0%        |
| 549919 · Tourism - 28785/86 (WV)        | 0.00         | 2,937.15          | 84,253.33  | 3.49%       |
| Total 1% Tourism Related                | 8,691.00     | 11,628.15         | 300,791.66 | 3.87%       |
| Total 1% Expenses                       | 55,459.47    | 102,767.42        | 902,375.00 | 11.39%      |
| Wages and Benefits                      |              |                   |            |             |
| 512101 · Salaries Admin-Promo           | 12,486.76    | 49,759.84         | 415,000.00 | 11.99%      |
| 512201 · Salaries Marketing- Promo      | 18,044.08    | 60,206.32         | 0.00       | 100.0%      |
| 512232 · Temporary Labor                | 0.00         | 0.00              | 500.00     | 0.0%        |
| 518601 · Worker's Comp                  | 0.00         | 1,713.00          | 1,500.00   | 114.2%      |
| 512220 · FICA Taxes                     | 2,335.60     | 8,412.42          | 33,000.00  | 25.49%      |
| 518301 · Health Insurance               | 3,390.77     | 15,964.96         | 42,000.00  | 38.01%      |
| 512110 · NC State Retirement            | 3,682.08     | 13,323.24         | 45,000.00  | 29.61%      |
| Total Wages and Benefits                | 39,939.29    | 149,379.78        | 537,000.00 | 27.82%      |
| Administration & Operations             |              |                   |            |             |
| 500000 · Admin Fee                      | 5,638.40     | 16,874.99         | 40,500.00  | 0.0%        |
| 549902 · Bank Fees                      | 150.85       | 1,124.90          | 3,500.00   | 32.14%      |
| 517001 · Board Member Meetings/Events   | 0.00         | 0.00              | 3,000.00   | 0.0%        |
| 543201 · Equipment Lease                | 503.05       | 2,290.00          | 9,000.00   | 25.44%      |
| 543202 · Hospitality, Gifts & Meals     | 11.16        | 303.13            | 2,000.00   | 15.16%      |
| 545101 · Insurance-Liability            | 0.00         | 2,663.00          | 10,000.00  | 26.63%      |
| 526001 · Office/Visitor Center Supplies | 141.99       | 1,541.18          | 4,000.00   | 38.53%      |
| 529901 · NonExpendable Office Supplies  | 75.48        | 1,919.75          | 2,000.00   | 95.99%      |
| 532201 · Postage-Office                 | 3,000.00     | 6,000.00          | 1,000.00   | 600.0%      |
| 519201 · Prof Svcs-Accounting & Audit   | 6,582.10     | 8,596.30          | 16,000.00  | 53.73%      |
| 519202 · Professional Services- Legal   | 0.00         | 450.00            | 2,500.00   | 18.0%       |
| 519300 · Professional Svcs-Managed IT   | 743.50       | 6,133.25          | 11,500.00  | 53.33%      |
| 519301 · Professional Svcs-Other        | 0.00         | 2,130.00          | 0.00       | 100.0%      |
| 549903 · Property Tax                   | 51.05        | 51.05             | 300.00     | 17.02%      |
| 527001 · Purchases/Resale               | 157.50       | 8,807.92          | 20,000.00  | 44.04%      |
| 541301 · Rent                           | 4,200.00     | 21,000.00         | 50,500.00  | 41.58%      |
| 535201 · Repair & Maintenance-Equipment | 0.00         | 167.71            | 2,500.00   | 6.71%       |
| 535202 · Repair & Maintenance-Vehicle   | 0.00         | 103.00            | 2,500.00   | 4.12%       |

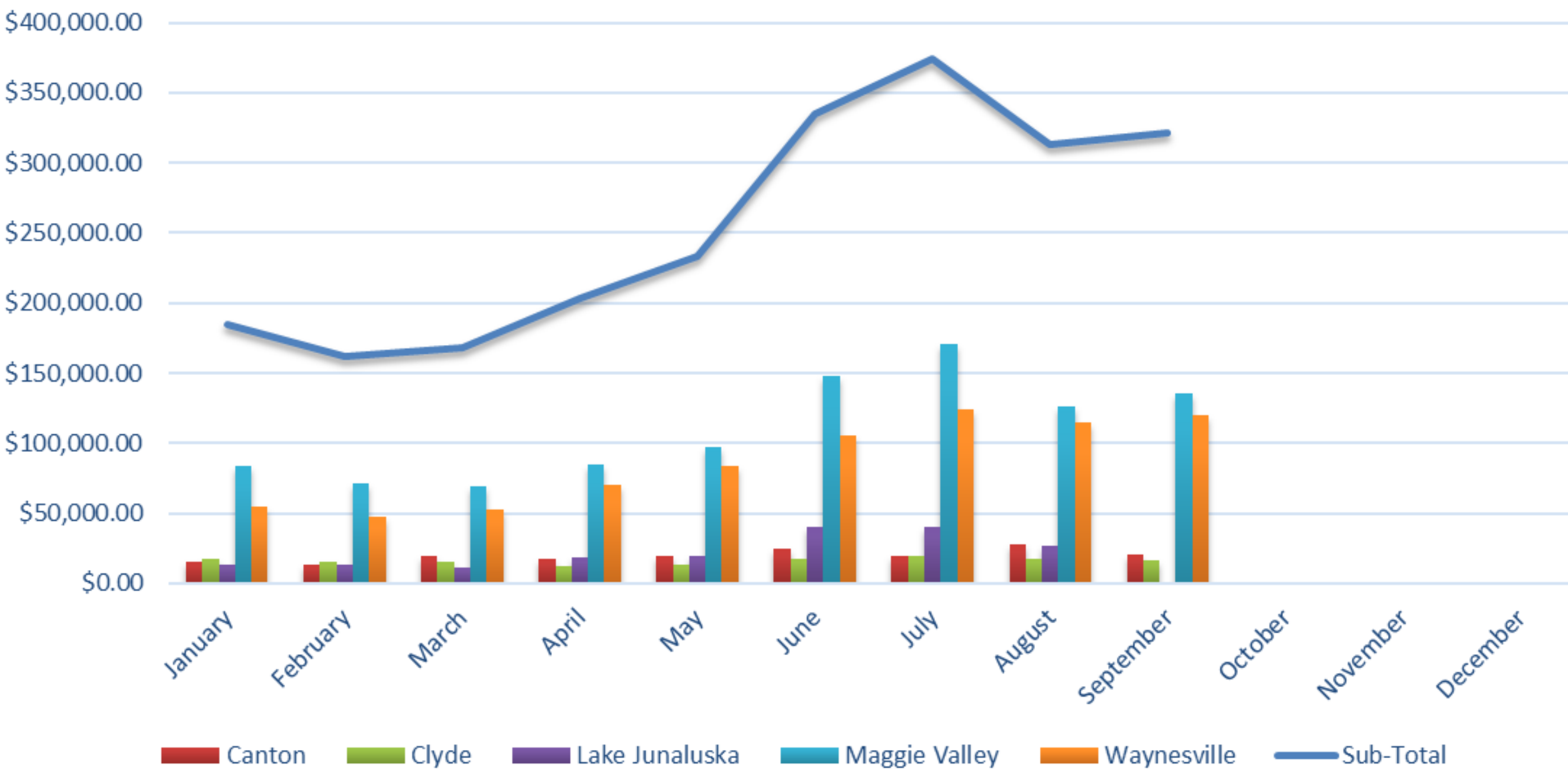
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|                                            | October 2023      | July-October<br>2023 | YTD Budget          | % of Budget   |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 537401 · Staff Development and Education   | 1,410.00          | 5,622.80             | 18,000.00           | 31.24%        |
| 531202 · Travel Expense                    | 111.33            | 665.20               | 4,500.00            | 14.78%        |
| 532101 · Telephone, Comm, and Internet     | 316.97            | 1,205.54             | 8,500.00            | 14.18%        |
| 570102 · Utilities                         | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 100.00              | 0.0%          |
| 532200 · Vehicle Expense                   | 299.51            | 416.77               | 2,700.00            | 15.44%        |
| 599101 · Contingency                       | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 0.00                | 0.0%          |
| <b>Total Administration and Operations</b> | <b>23,392.89</b>  | <b>88,066.49</b>     | <b>214,600.00</b>   | <b>41.04%</b> |
| <b>Capital Outlay</b>                      |                   |                      |                     |               |
| 551003 · Signs                             | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 1,500.00            | 0.0%          |
| 551004 · Office Furniture/Equipment        | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 1,500.00            | 0.0%          |
| 551006 · Leasehold Improvements            | 2,075.00          | 19,778.16            | 30,000.00           | 65.93%        |
| 551007 · Other Capital                     | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 1,500.00            | 0.0%          |
| <b>Total Capital Outlay</b>                | <b>2,075.00</b>   | <b>19,778.16</b>     | <b>34,500.00</b>    | <b>57.33%</b> |
| <b>Marketing &amp; Sales</b>               |                   |                      |                     |               |
| 537101 · Advertising & Marketing           | 58,552.13         | 174,353.06           | 925,000.00          | 18.85%        |
| 537750 · Web Technology                    | 0.00              | 5,000.00             | 15,000.00           | 33.33%        |
| 537775 · Media Relations & Influencers     | 0.00              | 2,000.00             | 15,000.00           | 13.33%        |
| 537301 · Visitor Guides                    | 0.00              | 36,157.00            | 40,000.00           | 90.39%        |
| 534901 · Collateral and Other Printing     | 0.00              | 3,414.47             | 9,000.00            | 37.94%        |
| 535000 · Postage & Fulfillment             | 183.70            | 662.04               | 18,000.00           | 3.68%         |
| 549101 · Dues & Subscriptions              | 0.00              | 5,269.00             | 27,000.00           | 19.52%        |
| 537803 · Trade Shows and Travel            | 744.91            | 3,373.22             | 10,000.00           | 33.73%        |
| 537900 · Research                          | 0.00              | 32,368.00            | 319,000.00          | 10.15%        |
| 537925 · Community Relations               | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 4,000.00            | 0.0%          |
| 568101 · 3% Grant Promo                    | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 30,000.00           | 0.0%          |
| <b>Total Marketing &amp; Sales</b>         | <b>59,480.74</b>  | <b>262,596.79</b>    | <b>1,412,000.00</b> | <b>18.6%</b>  |
| <b>Product Development</b>                 |                   |                      |                     |               |
| 568102 · 3% Grants Tourism Related         | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 75,000.00           | 0.0%          |
| 537502 · Wayfinding Signage                | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 150,000.00          | 0.0%          |
| 537501 · Product Development - Other       | 0.00              | 0.00                 | 250,000.00          | 0.0%          |
| 568104 · OTPF                              | 0.00              | 50,000.00            | 346,131.00          | 14.45%        |
| <b>Total Product Development</b>           | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>50,000.00</b>     | <b>821,131.00</b>   | <b>6.09%</b>  |
| <b>Total Expense</b>                       | <b>180,347.39</b> | <b>672,588.64</b>    | <b>3,921,606.00</b> | <b>17.15%</b> |
| <b>Change in Net Position</b>              | <b>146,846.57</b> | <b>82,599.34</b>     | <b>0.00</b>         | <b>0.0%</b>   |

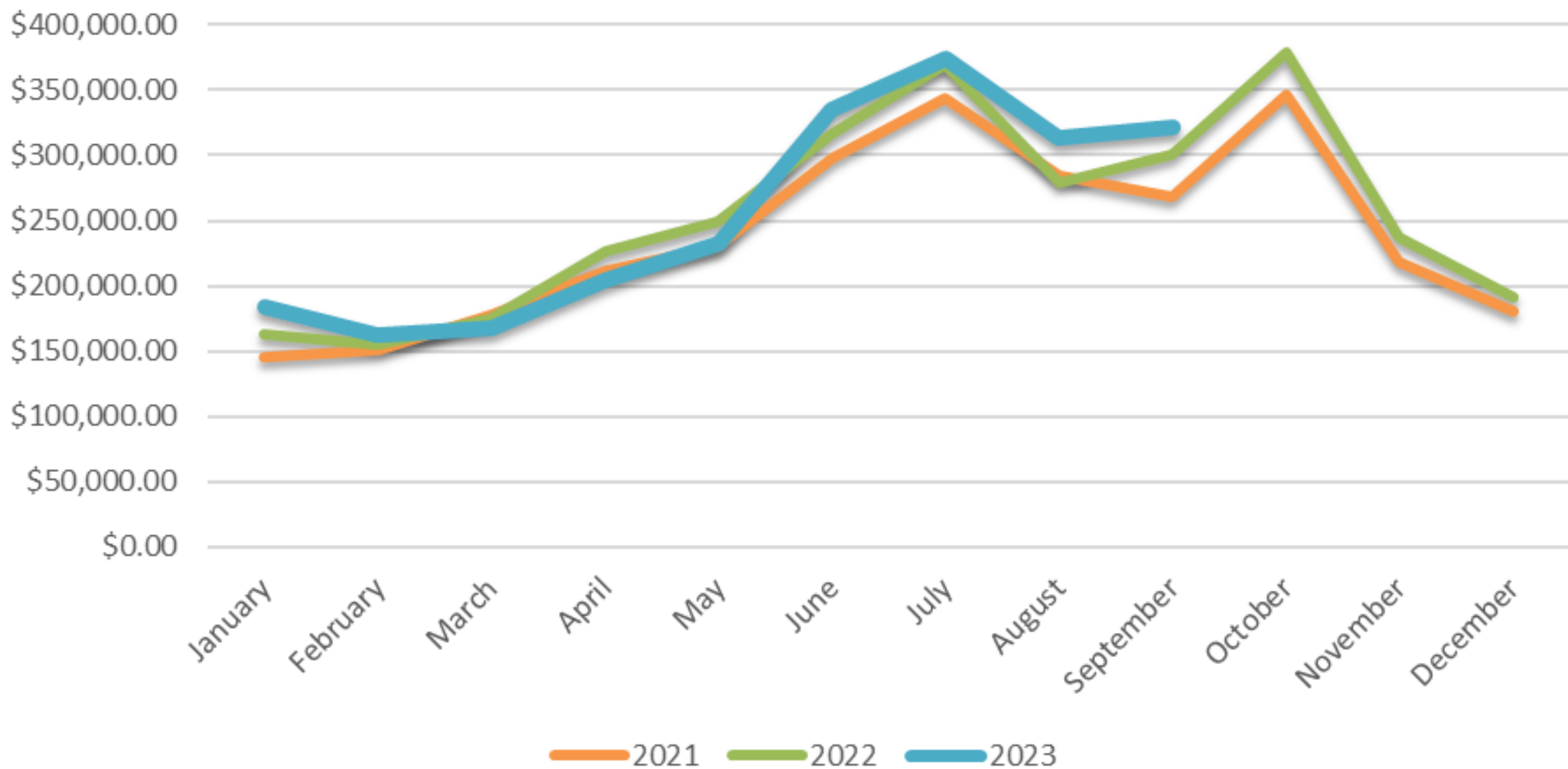
### Fiscal Year Monthly Occupancy Tax Comparison (Gross)

|                |              |              |              | \$ Change from<br>Previous Year | % of Change<br>from<br>Previous Year |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|                | 2021-2022    | 2022-2023    | 2023-2024    |                                 |                                      |
| July           | \$344,159.31 | \$369,695.58 | \$374,553.47 | \$4,857.89                      | 1.31%                                |
| Canton         | \$27,783.82  | \$26,879.79  | \$19,497.12  | (\$7,382.67)                    | -27.47%                              |
| Clyde          | \$15,634.79  | \$12,404.07  | \$19,607.12  | \$7,203.05                      | 58.07%                               |
| Lake Junaluska | \$31,226.88  | \$39,626.65  | \$40,797.83  | \$1,171.18                      | 2.96%                                |
| Maggie Valley  | \$159,871.26 | \$177,268.47 | \$170,417.23 | (\$6,851.24)                    | -3.86%                               |
| Waynesville    | \$109,642.56 | \$113,516.60 | \$124,234.17 | \$10,717.57                     | 9.44%                                |
| August         | \$283,878.91 | \$278,678.56 | \$312,946.44 | \$34,267.88                     | 12.30%                               |
| Canton         | \$20,917.76  | \$21,871.08  | \$28,032.84  | \$6,161.76                      | 28.17%                               |
| Clyde          | \$12,035.89  | \$12,041.72  | \$17,010.14  | \$4,968.42                      | 41.26%                               |
| Lake Junaluska | \$30,705.85  | \$23,659.93  | \$26,325.12  | \$2,665.19                      | 11.26%                               |
| Maggie Valley  | \$126,823.64 | \$126,942.01 | \$126,475.88 | (\$466.13)                      | -0.37%                               |
| Waynesville    | \$93,395.57  | \$94,163.82  | \$115,102.46 | \$20,938.64                     | 22.24%                               |
| September      | \$268,037.41 | \$300,578.84 | \$321,545.97 | \$20,967.13                     | 6.98%                                |
| Canton         | \$19,817.98  | \$24,268.90  | \$20,707.64  | (\$3,561.26)                    | -14.67%                              |
| Clyde          | \$11,635.76  | \$19,558.11  | \$16,975.34  | (\$2,582.77)                    | -13.21%                              |
| Lake Junaluska | \$26,089.09  | \$29,171.45  | \$28,818.89  | (\$352.56)                      | -1.21%                               |
| Maggie Valley  | \$124,968.30 | \$130,740.68 | \$135,273.39 | \$4,532.71                      | 3.47%                                |
| Waynesville    | \$85,526.28  | \$96,839.70  | \$119,770.71 | \$22,931.01                     | 23.68%                               |
| October        | \$346,441.48 | \$379,422.94 |              |                                 |                                      |

# 2023 Occupancy Tax Monthly Collections by Zip Code

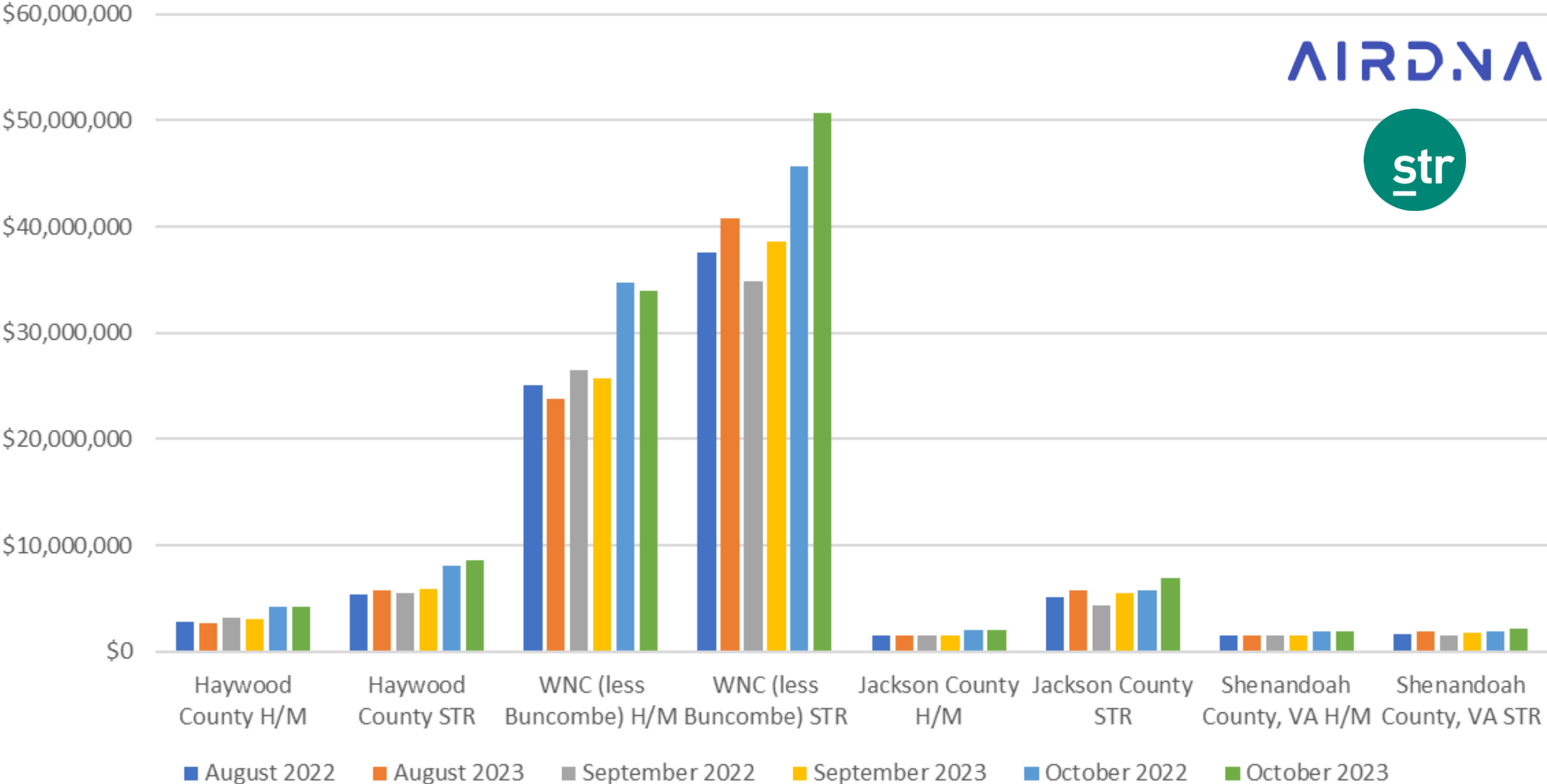


# YOY Monthly Occupancy Tax Comparison



# Gross Lodging Revenue

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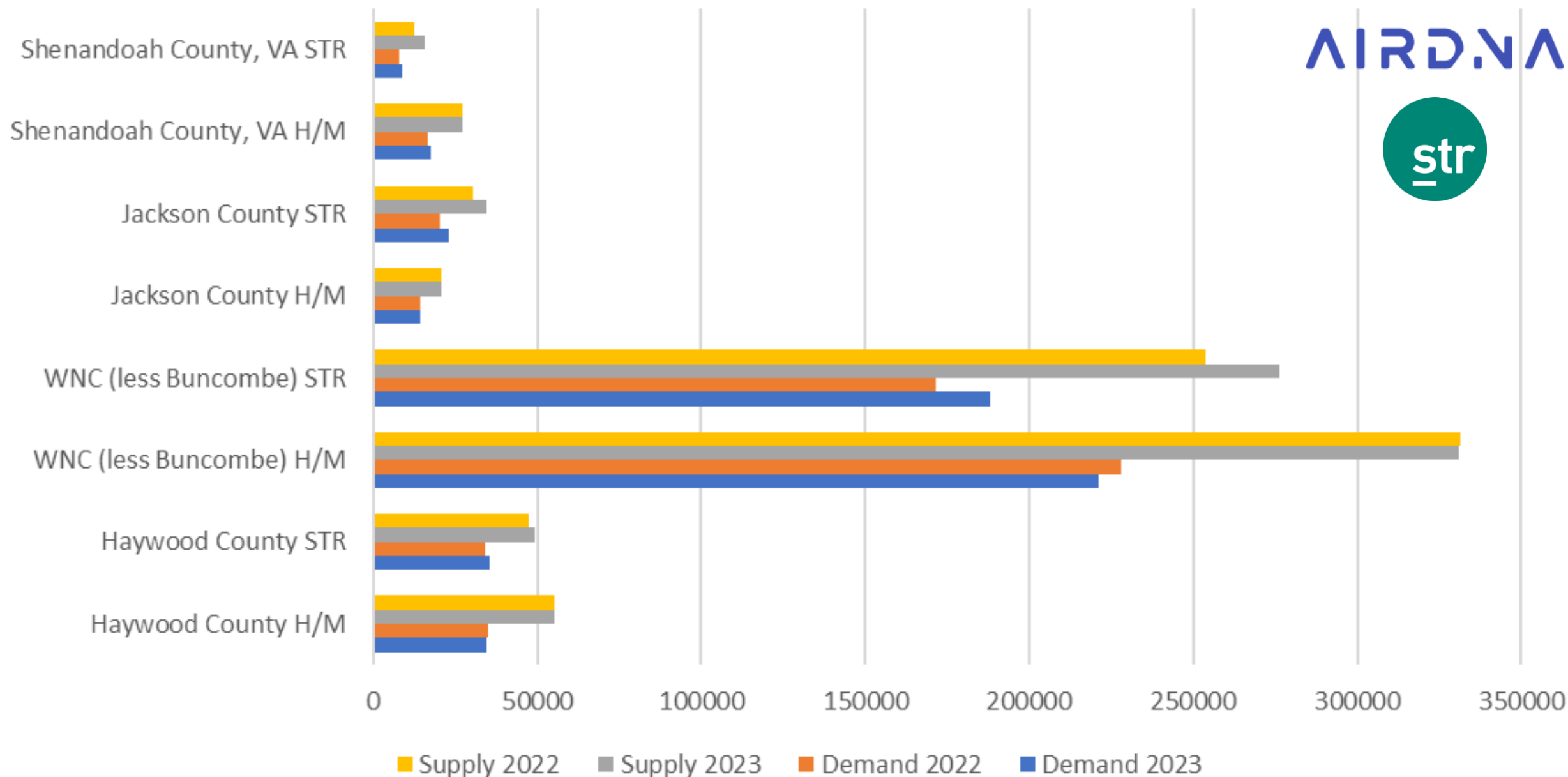
## Short Term Rental Demand (Actual Units Booked)

|                       | 2022  | 2023  | Percent<br>Change from<br>previous year |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------------|
| July - HC             | 28198 | 31519 | 11.80%                                  |
| <i>Canton</i>         | 2323  | 2625  | 13.00%                                  |
| <i>Clyde</i>          | 1769  | 2175  | 23.00%                                  |
| <i>Lake Junaluska</i> | 1729  | 2347  | 35.70%                                  |
| <i>Maggie Valley</i>  | 12417 | 13273 | 6.90%                                   |
| <i>Waynesville</i>    | 9960  | 11099 | 11.40%                                  |
| August - HC           | 23006 | 24439 | 6.20%                                   |
| <i>Canton</i>         | 2177  | 2364  | 8.60%                                   |
| <i>Clyde</i>          | 1346  | 1563  | 16.10%                                  |
| <i>Lake Junaluska</i> | 1788  | 1994  | 11.50%                                  |
| <i>Maggie Valley</i>  | 9580  | 9746  | 1.70%                                   |
| <i>Waynesville</i>    | 8115  | 8772  | 8.10%                                   |
| September - HC        | 23357 | 24925 | 6.70%                                   |
| <i>Canton</i>         | 2012  | 2327  | 15.70%                                  |
| <i>Clyde</i>          | 1503  | 1830  | 21.80%                                  |
| <i>Lake Junaluska</i> | 1464  | 1602  | 9.40%                                   |
| <i>Maggie Valley</i>  | 9821  | 10374 | 5.60%                                   |
| <i>Waynesville</i>    | 8557  | 8792  | 2.70%                                   |
| October - HC          | 32791 | 34377 | 4.80%                                   |
| <i>Canton</i>         | 2664  | 3201  | 20.20%                                  |
| <i>Clyde</i>          | 2201  | 2499  | 13.50%                                  |
| <i>Lake Junaluska</i> | 2280  | 2295  | 0.70%                                   |
| <i>Maggie Valley</i>  | 13583 | 13763 | 1.30%                                   |
| <i>Waynesville</i>    | 12063 | 12619 | 4.60%                                   |

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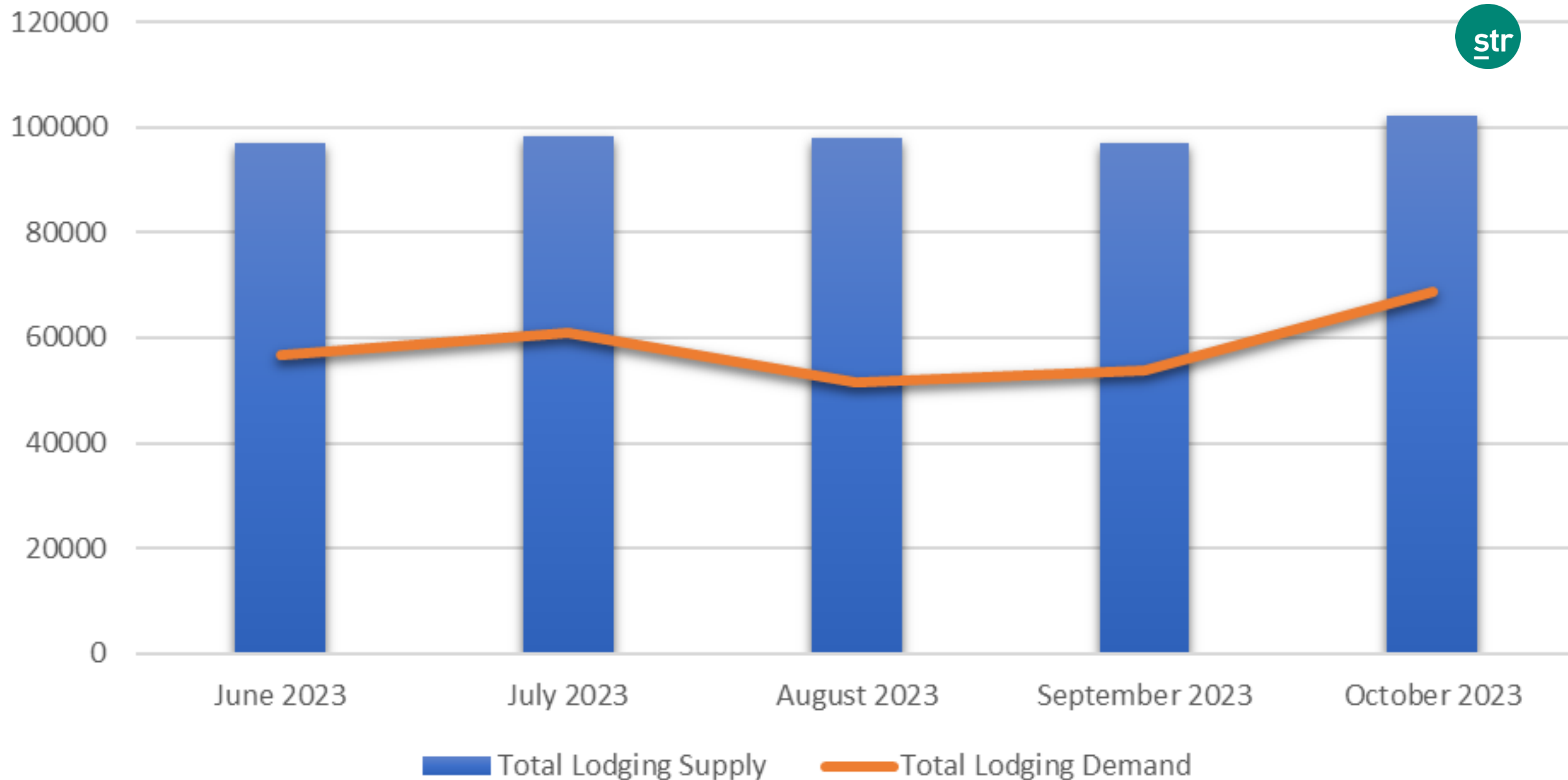
## Lodging Supply + Demand October YOY

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# Haywood County Lodging Supply vs Demand

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Old Business

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# Haywood Heritage Weekend Grant Revision Request – Part 2

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HCTDA Board approved grant funding for the Haywood Heritage Weekend in May 2023 and revisions to the grant on November 1, 2023

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Collaborative three-day event produced by the Downtown Waynesville Commission, Folkmoot, Haywood County Arts Council, Shelton House, and Haywood Community College

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Last week, Folkmoot made the decision to decline their portion of the grant and not produce the Sunday element of the three-day weekend.

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Downtown Waynesville Commission is requesting the grant funds be transferred to them to produce a Sunday food-themed event in partnership with Waynesville restaurants and a broader Restaurant Week promotion.

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# Haywood Heritage Weekend Grant Revision Request

## Board Consideration:

### Option A:

Accept Folkmoot's decline, support Haywood Heritage Weekend as a new, two-day event with plans for it to expand in 2025.

### Option B:

Transfer the \$6000 originally allocated to Folkmoot to Downtown Waynesville Commission to facilitate a Sunday Appalachian tasting themed event to close out Haywood Heritage Weekend and launch an additional weeklong heritage themed "Restaurant Week".



# NC Smokies Ice Fest

## Fiscal Agent Budget Amendment

Section 1. To amend the General Fund, the expenditures are to be charged as follows:

| Department                                      | Acct. No. | Current Budget | Increase (Decrease) | Amended Budget |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Marketing & Sales - NC Smokies Ice Fest Weekend | 538100    | \$0.00         | \$25,000.00         | \$25,000.00    |
|                                                 |           |                |                     |                |
|                                                 |           |                |                     |                |
|                                                 |           |                |                     |                |
|                                                 |           |                |                     |                |
|                                                 |           |                |                     |                |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                    |           |                | <b>\$25,000.00</b>  |                |

This amendment will result in a net increase/(decrease) of \$25,000.00 in the expenditures in the General Fund.

To provide the additional revenue for the above amendment, the following revenues will be increased/(decreased) as follows:

| Revenue                               | Account Number | Current Budget | Increase (Decrease) | Amended Budget |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Revenue - NC Smokies Ice Fest Weekend | 450100         | \$0.00         | \$25,000.00         | \$25,000.00    |
|                                       |                |                |                     |                |
|                                       |                |                |                     |                |
|                                       |                |                |                     |                |
|                                       |                |                |                     |                |

Section 2. Copies of this budget amendment shall be delivered to the Budget Officer and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this 29th day of November, 2023.





*Thank  
You,  
Tammy!!*



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## Staff Reports



# ZARTICO

**A visitor is someone who has:**

1. Come from over 50 miles from where they live or work,
2. Stayed for more than 2 hours in your destination, **and**
3. Have visited at least one place of impact.

## Visitor In Location Data

### Visitor:

Total number of device count observed more than 50 miles from the common device location to the POI.

### Resident:

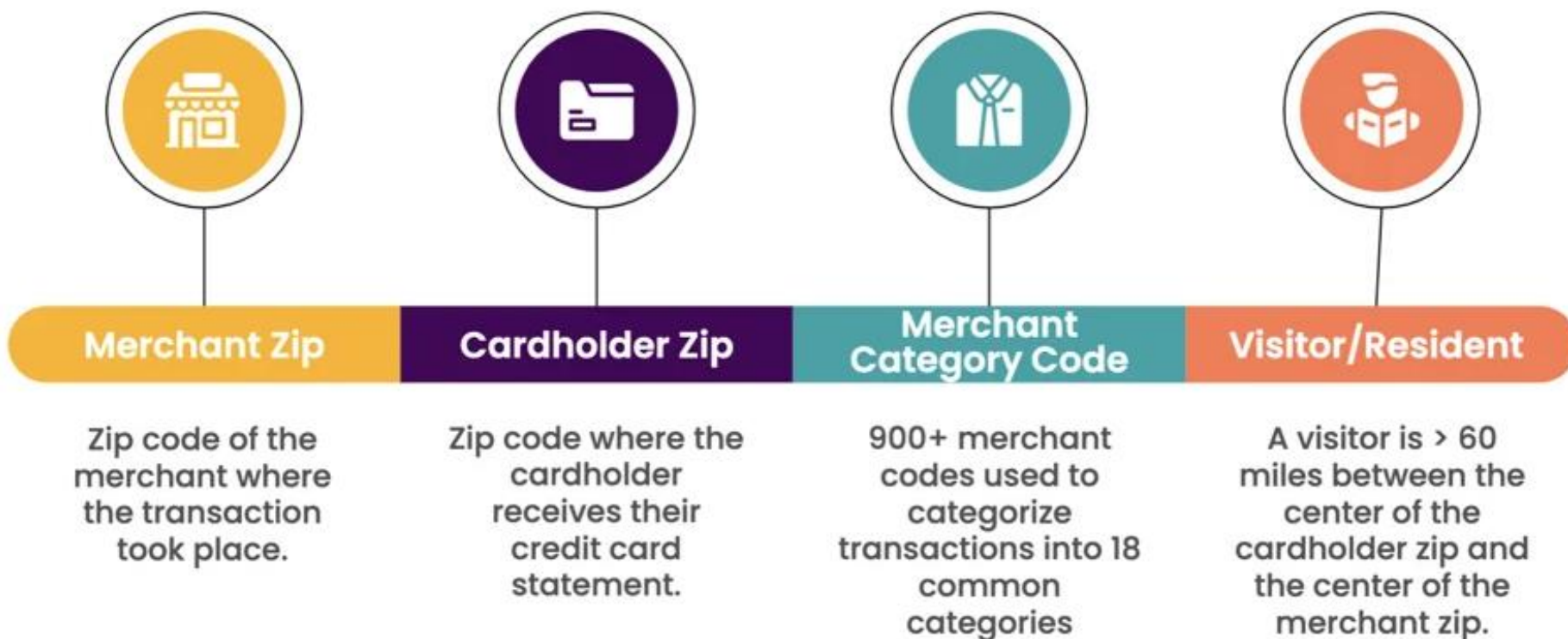
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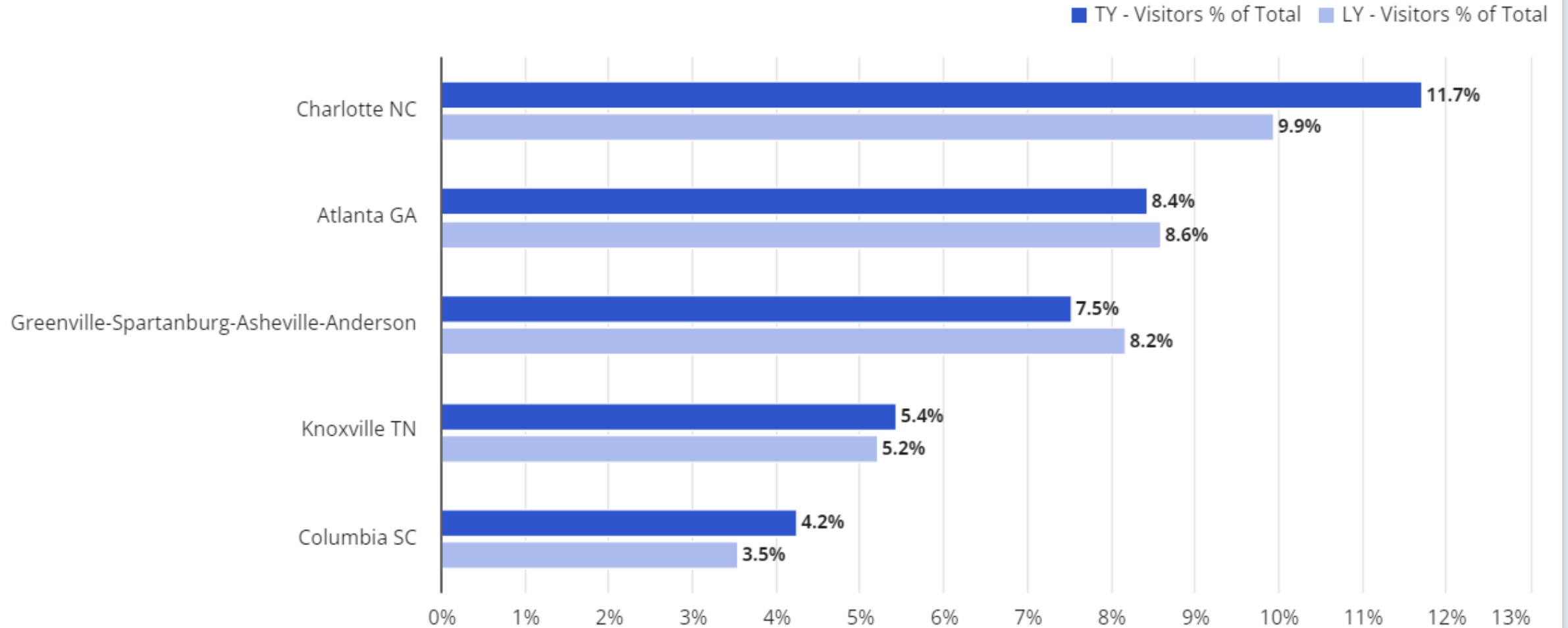


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## *Visitor Spend Data:* **Definitions/Conventions**

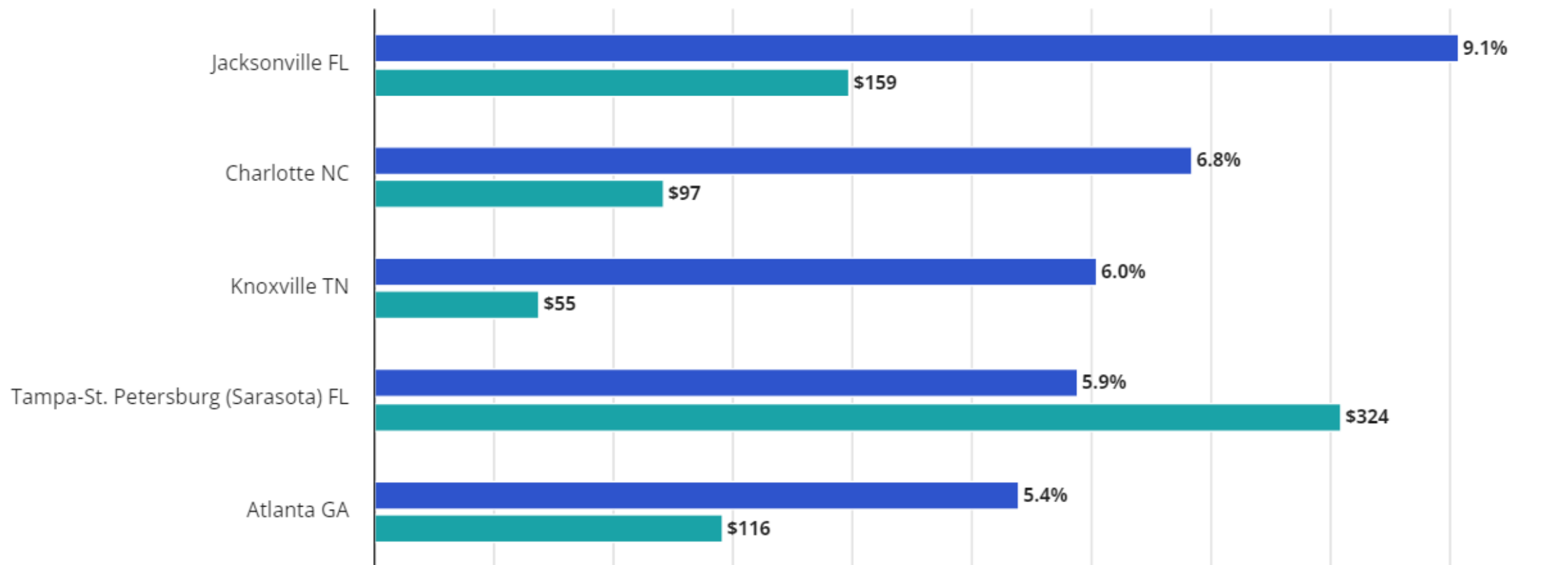


## Top Origin Markets Year-Over-Year

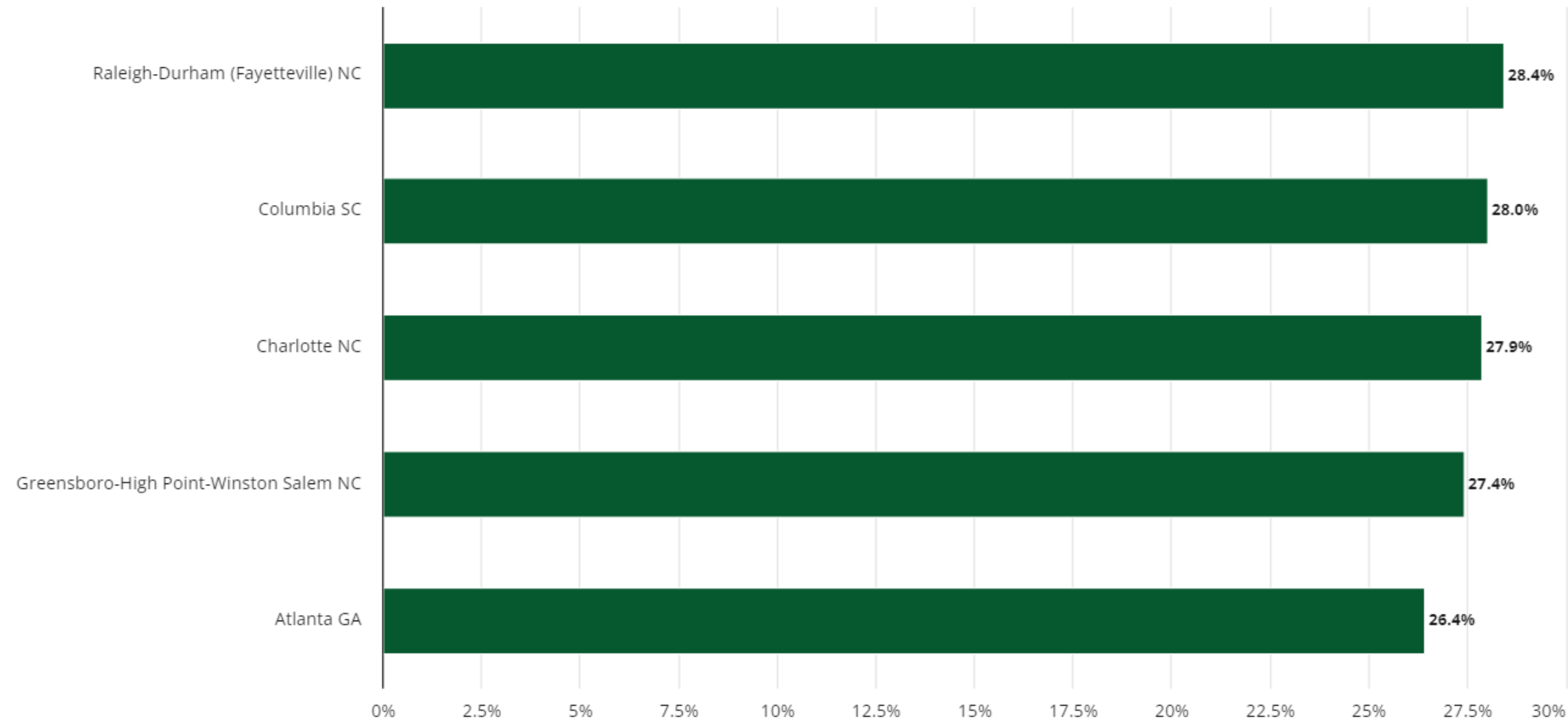


## Top Origin Markets - Spend & Avg. Cardholder Spend

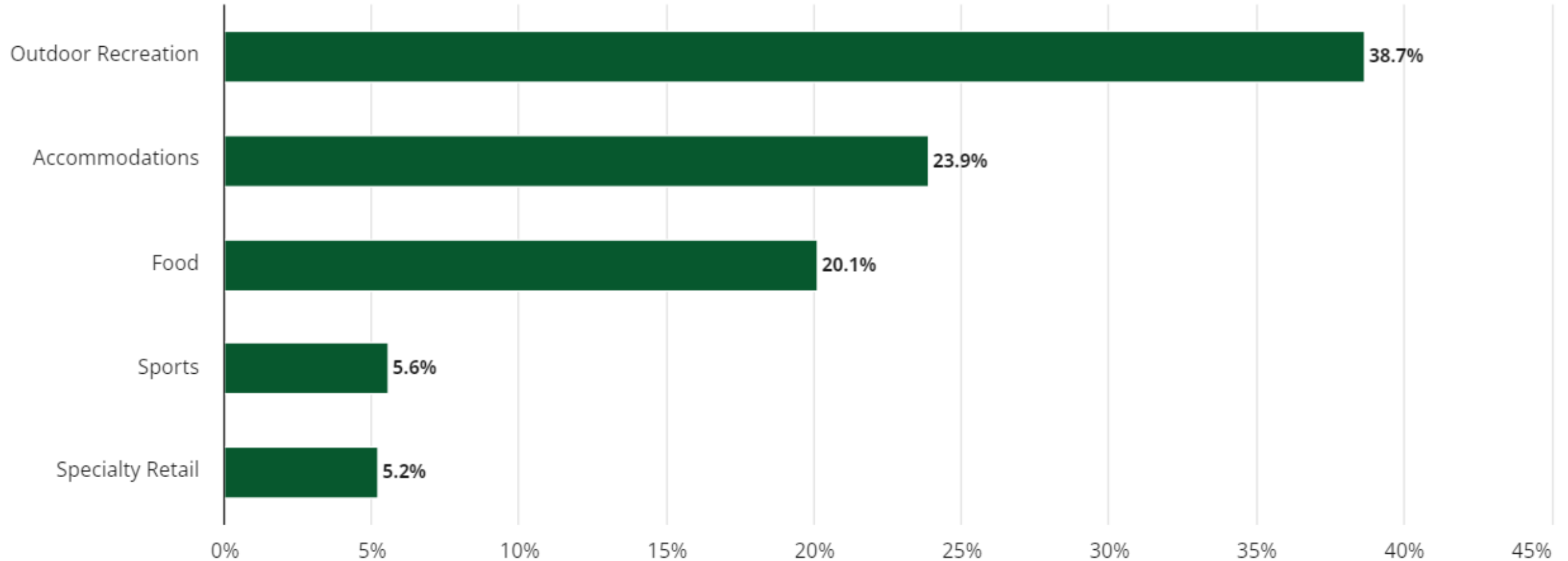
Bottom: ■ Avg. Cardholder Spend    Top: ■ % of Visitor Spending



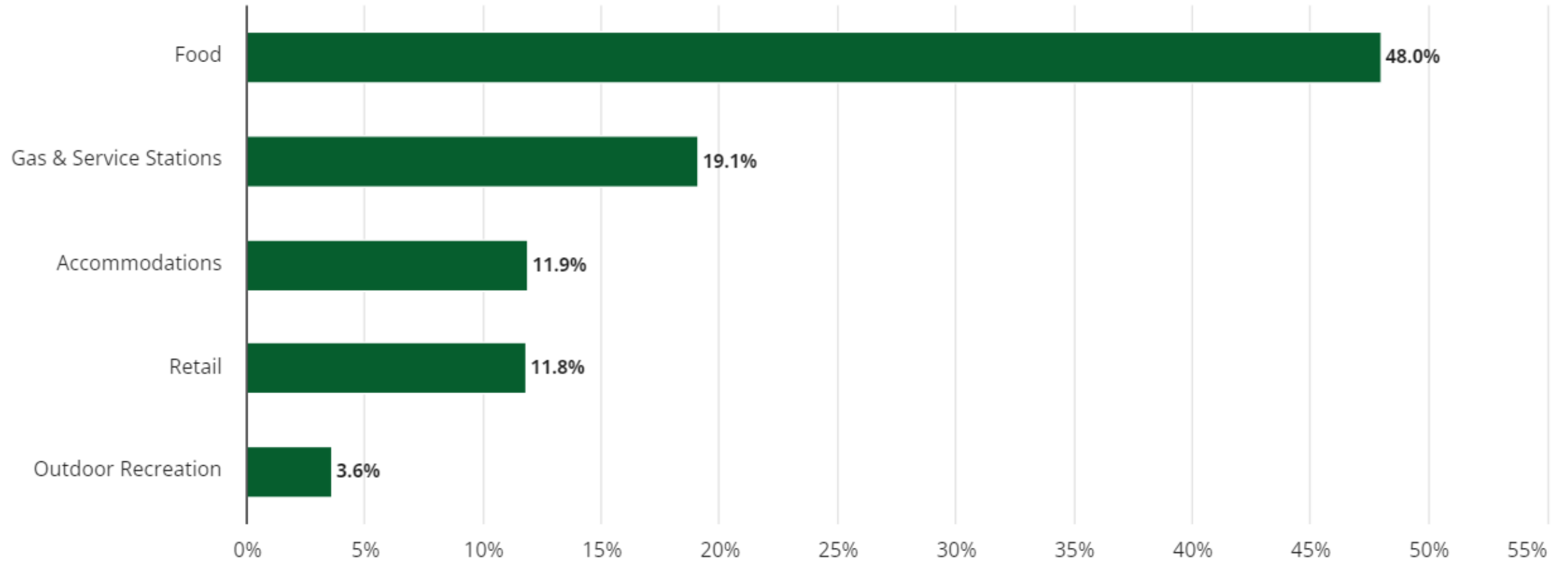
### Top 5 Origin Markets - Share of Visitors Observed at Accommodations ▾



### % Visitation by Primary Category ▾



### % Visitor Spend by Primary Category ▾



# FY 23/24 - Second Round

## Marketing Grant Funding Timeline

|                         |                                                         |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>December 4</u>       | **Tentative date to open grant cycle for applications** |
| <u>January 2</u>        | Application deadline 5PM                                |
| <u>January 3-8</u>      | HCTDA internal review & processing of applications      |
| <u>January 9</u>        | Send applications to PDC for review                     |
| <u>January 16 or 18</u> | PDC Meeting                                             |
| <u>January 24</u>       | TDA Board Meeting                                       |
| <u>January 31</u>       | Send recipient award letters                            |





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# NC Smokies Ice Fest Weekend Highlights

**\*\*Deadline to participate – December 1\*\***

**Ice Sculpture Stroll in Downtown Waynesville**

**Friday 5-8 PM (Exact times TBD)**

**Ice Skating at Sorrell's Park**

**Friday 5-8 PM | Saturday 4-8 PM | Sunday 4-8 PM**

**Ice Festival at Maggie Valley Festival Grounds**

**Saturday 4-9 PM**

**Cataloochee Ski's Torch Run**

**Saturday 10:30 PM**

**Ice Fest 5K at Haywood Community College**

**Sunday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Lodging, shopping, and dining specials**

**All weekend!!**

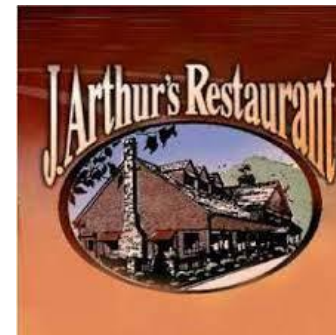
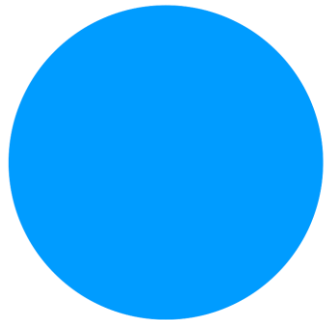
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Downtown Waynesville Ice Sculpture Stroll

Canton Ice Rink Sculptures



# Volunteer

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# Master Plan + Destination Branding Update/ Dates

| Action Item                                                                           | Target Dates               | Responsible                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Kick-Off Call                                                                         | Nov. 9                     | ALL                            |
| Draft Survey Questions (Past/Potential Visitor + Travel Media + Internal Stakeholder) | Week of Nov. 13            | DCI (with input from partners) |
| Invite Focus Group Participants                                                       | Nov. 13 - Dec. 22          | NC Smokies                     |
| Team call                                                                             | Dec. 4                     | ALL                            |
| Review/Approve Survey Questions                                                       | Week of Dec. 11            | NC Smokies                     |
| Distribute Past/Potential Visitor Survey                                              | Early January              | DCI                            |
| Distribute Travel Media Survey                                                        | Early January              | DCI                            |
| Internal Stakeholder Survey (Brand/Messaging Focused)                                 | Early January              | DCI                            |
| Immersion Tour/Stakeholder Workshops                                                  | Week of Jan. 16            | ALL                            |
| One-on-One Stakeholder Interviews                                                     | Week of Jan. 16 OR Virtual | ALL                            |
| Product Assessment, LeadDO & LeadDESTINATION Surveys                                  | Distribute Early February  | DCG, NTG, TIS                  |
| Synthesize Perception Survey Findings                                                 | Feb. 12-29                 | DCI                            |
| Brand Audit                                                                           | Jan. 8 - Feb. 29           | DCI                            |



# Welcome Center/ Office Holiday Hours

## OFFICE:

Closed Monday-Wednesday December 25, 26 & 27;

Open Thursday-Friday

Closed Monday, January 1, 2024

## WELCOME CENTER:

Closed Saturday, December 23 and Monday, December 25;

Open Tuesday-Saturday

Closed Monday, January 1, 2024





**Next TDA Board meeting:  
January 24, 2024**



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Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year!