# Portrait of a People 2005 

A Statistical Snapshot


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## And the Survey says....

The following statistics, maps and graphs are based on a survey completed by adult tribal members in the autumn of 2004. This information provides merely a numerical glimpse at the lives of tribal members. In addition, the information provides an opportunity to see how tribal members view the services that the Siletz Tribal Government provides. It is important to emphasize that survey results, while numerically representative of the tribal membership as a whole, are only representative for the distinct moment in time that the survey was completed and analyzed.

## Was the survey representative of the Tribal population?

When comparing the survey return rate in general ( 835 surveys completed) to the adult population (2573 in August 2004) the accuracy of the survey responses representing the population as a whole can be estimated to be accurate within $+/-3 \%$. Additionally, information within the survey, such as the breakdown of tribal members' locations, is helpful in determining the representation of the Tribe within the returns of the survey. For instance, the location of adult tribal members breaks down as follows:

| \# of Adults <br> in Tribe as a <br> Whole | \% of Total by <br> Location | \% of Survey <br> Respondents <br> (from these areas) |  |  | Difference |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Location | 1741 | $67.64 \%$ |  | $69.94 \%$ | $+2.30 \%$ |
| Oregon | 300 | $11.66 \%$ |  | $12.93 \%$ | $+1.27 \%$ |
| Washington | 213 | $8.28 \%$ |  | $7.07 \%$ | $-1.21 \%$ |
| California | 316 | $12.28 \%$ |  | $10.18 \%$ | $-2.10 \%$ |
| All other states | 4 | $0.15 \%$ |  | $0.12 \%$ | $-0.03 \%$ |
| Outside US | 4 |  |  |  |  |

## Table A: Location by State

The percent of tribal members who responded to the survey from each state is approximately the same as the percent of all members who live in each state.


## Graph 1: Respondents Location by State

$70 \%$ of respondents reside in Oregon, $13 \%$ in Washington, $7 \%$ in California and the other $10 \%$ reside outside of these three states. Tribal members are located in almost every state, as well as several places around the world.

Siletz Tribe Adult Population
Total Number by County


Siletz Tribe Adult Population



## What did the survey picture look like?

Graph 2: Percent of Ages of Actual Tribal Members vs. Survey Respondents The percent of tribal members who responded to the survey in each age category is approximately the same as the percent of all members in each age category.

Graph 3: Age Distribution
This graph shows how many tribal members from each age group responded to the survey. The majority were between age $21-60$ years old.


Age Ranges


## Graph 4: Gender Distribution of Respondents

This graph shows how many female and male tribal members responded to the survey. $61 \%$ were woman and $38 \%$ were men. $1 \%$ did not respond to this question.


## Graph 5: Marital Status/Percent

This graph represents the marital status of tribal members who responded to the survey. $34 \%$ were single, $59 \%$ were married or had long-term partners, $3 \%$ were separated or divorced, $3 \%$ were widowed, and $1 \%$ did not respond to this question.


Graph 6: Dependents Age Groups And Number Reported
This graph represents the age and number of dependents reported by tribal members, 740 in all. The majority, 197, of those who reported having dependents had children under 5.

## FORMAL EDUCATION LEVEL



Graph 7: Formal Education Level
A large majority of respondents, $84 \%$, have high school diplomas or GED certificates. A much smaller percentage, $13 \%$ of all respondents or $15 \%$ of those with high school or equivalent degrees, have a college or higher education degree.

Graph 8: Age and Use of Native American Language Of the small number of people who answered that they "speak" their Native language, $68 \%$ are under the age of forty. This likely reflects active participation in our language program.



[^0]Graph 10: Tribal Office Visited Most
The Tribal office visited most is the Siletz office with $43 \%$ of respondents reporting they visit the Siletz office most often, followed by Salem at $13 \%$, Portland at $12 \%$ and Eugene by 5\%. 25\% say they never visit an office.

| Tribal Office Visited Most | Siletz Portland Salem Eugene Never Visit Office More Than One Office Listed <br> $\square$ No Response/Missing |
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## Veterans

The survey returns present a higher than average percentage of veterans within the Siletz tribal member population as compared to the US population as a whole. The responding tribal members' veteran status shows a rate of $15.1 \%$. This rate is higher than the US population rate ( $11.5 \%$ ) and the rate for Oregon ( $13.7 \%$ ). There were 126 affirmative responses for veteran status within the surveys. This could mean that within the tribe there are approximately 378 veterans ( $+/-3 \%$ ).



## Graph 12: \% of Veterans Using Services

 Of all CTSI services, more Veterans (42\%) report using the Siletz Clinic than any other service. Elders Services (23\%), Cultural Services (19\%), and Education (16\%) were the other services most likely to be used by veterans.
## How did we rate Tribal services?

## Bar Charts: Tribal Services

The following charts represent how respondents feel about different services that the Tribe provides its members. On a scale from "Poor" to "Excellent," the majority of people rated each service "Good" with the exception of the annual Pow Wow, which the majority rated "Excellent." As with all of the survey data, these graphs have been provided to the appropriate Tribal departments so that they can improve the services they offer. The graphs are included here so that each individual can see how all respondents perceive these services.



## Tribal Court and Tribal Police



Education



[^0]:    Graph 9:
    Employment Situation of CTSI Survey Respondents $57 \%$ of all respondents indicated that they were employed. $72 \%$ of these employed respondents indicated that they work fulltime.

