

Administration

OREGON LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

	1999-2001 Actuals	2001-03 Legislatively Adopted at Close of Session	2001-03 Legislatively Approved through Fifth Special Session	2003-05 Governor's Balanced
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lottery Funds	0	0	0	0
Other Funds	71,305,870	77,148,773	76,520,467	81,308,000
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0
Other Funds (Nonlimited)	0	2,087,000	2,087,000	2,160,045
Federal Funds (Nonlimited)	0	0	0	0
Total Funds	\$71,305,870	\$79,235,773	\$78,607,467	\$83,468,045
Positions	217	221	221	206
Full-time Equivalent	215.02	217.02	216.77	201.27

Overview

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) works to effectively regulate the sale, distribution, and responsible use of alcoholic beverages in order to protect Oregon's public health, safety, and community livability. The agency:

- Educates the industries and individuals who manufacture and sell alcoholic beverages, and consumers.
- Works in partnership with local governments, other agencies, private industry, and members of the public to achieve a high quality of life in Oregon, free of the dangers of alcohol misuse.
- Makes alcohol available to legal consumers through quality customer service.
- Provides optimal revenue in support of state and local governments.

Oregon is one of only 18 states that sell hard liquor through state-controlled stores. Private agents contract with the Commission to operate 237 liquor stores in the state.

Balanced Budget

The Governor's balanced budget is \$83,468,045 total funds. This is six percent higher than the 2001-03 Legislatively Approved Budget through the Fifth Special Session. The balanced budget eliminates 15.50 full-time equivalent positions in the Regulatory and the Administrative and Support Services programs, and reduces operation costs to generate additional revenue for the General Fund. The budget makes provisions for the agency to assist the University of Oregon and Oregon State University in enforcing liquor laws during sports events.

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The budget continues all existing liquor stores. Liquor agents are paid on commission, which stays at 8.54 percent of sales on average. Total agent pay is expected to be \$47.9 million in 2003-05. This is an 8.1 percent increase over the 2001-03 approved budget.

Revenue

The major sources of income for this agency are:

- Liquor sales income.
- Taxes on beer and wine sales.
- License fees.
- Fines and other income.

After paying its operating costs, the agency distributes remaining revenues as follows:

- Liquor net receipts: 56 percent to the General Fund, 20 percent to cities, 10 percent to counties, and 14 percent to city revenue sharing.
- Beer and wine tax receipts: 50 percent to the Department of Human Services Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs, 28 percent to the General Fund, 10 percent to cities, 5 percent to counties, and 7 percent to city revenue sharing.
- Liquor license fees are transferred in the same way as liquor net receipts.