



2023 STATE OF OREGON DISPARITY STUDY

The Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) commissioned **BBC Research & Consulting (BBC)** to conduct a disparity study to assess whether any barriers exist for **small businesses, veteran-owned businesses, person of color (POC)-owned businesses, or woman-owned businesses** that make it difficult for them to compete for or perform state work. The disparity study will:

- Measure the **participation** of those businesses in state work
- Estimate the **availability** of those businesses for state work
- Assess whether any **disparities** exist between utilization and participation
- Assess **marketplace conditions** for those businesses

PARTICIPATE

There will be many opportunities for you to **participate directly** in the study. Here is how you can participate:

- Attend a **community stakeholder session** (Dec. 2022 and April 2023)
- Participate in a **business survey** (Dec. 2022 – May 2023)
- Participate in an **in-depth interview** (Dec. 2022 – May 2023)
- Participate in a **focus group** (Feb. and April 2023)
- Submit **written comments or questions** (throughout)
- Attend a **final presentation** (Fall 2023)

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To learn more, visit:

<https://oregon.gov/das/pages/disparity-study.aspx>

To submit your comment or participate directly in the study, email:

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