



In 2017, **purchases made by travelers** while in Elkhart County accounted for

\$373,975,491



representing an increase in spending of 136% over 1998 levels.

The **multiplier effect** triggered by the initial infusion of traveler's dollars in the economy was

\$175,992,866

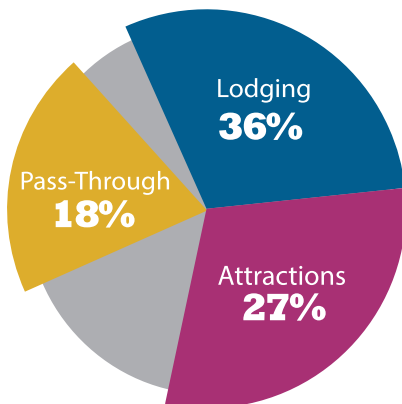
Local taxes collected from traveler's dollars spent in Elkhart County in 2017

\$25,636,311



representing an increase of local tax collection of 232% over 1998 levels.

Travel Expenditures by Industry Sector



2,159



of the 6,223 jobs resulting from tourism spending were found in the high-wage occupations of professional and technical, managerial, sales, construction, craftsman, and operatives.

Only the spending of non-Elkhart County residents is included in this research.

Elkhart County residents contributed an additional \$54.1 million in direct spending to the local tourism industry in 2017.