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## TikTok: THE VALUE OF THE APP FOR CONSUMERS AND BUSINESS LEADERS IN WASHINGTON



In collaboration with TikTok, Oxford Economics measured the economic value of the TikTok platform to local communities and businesses across the United States. The video-sharing app connects family, friends, and neighbors to strengthen communities, inspire creativity and bring joy.

## So, what economic impact has TikTok had on Washington?

Oxford Economics and TikTok fielded a survey of 1,050 small- to mid-sized businesses (SMBs) and 7.500 TikTok users—including 35 SMBs and 170 consumers from Washington—to learn how businesses and users interact with the app and leverage its economic and social opportunities.

## **Top 10** state-level facts

- 120,000 businesses and 2.6 million people actively use TikTok in Washington.
- **26%** of SMBs in Washington say that TikTok is *critical* to their business.
- In 2023, SMB's use of TikTok in Washington as an advertisement and marketing platform contributed \$550 million to GDP and supported **4,400 jobs**. SMB activity also generated almost \$130 million in federal, state, and local tax revenue in the state.
- 95% of SMBs in Washington say their business's sales increased after promoting their products and services on TikTok, and 83% say their business sold out of a product after promoting it on TikTok.
- 45% of SMBs in Washington say their business hired an employee that they either sought out or first communicated with on the TikTok app.
- 31% of SMBs in Washington say TikTok grants them the ability to connect with people from diverse communities who would otherwise be unreachable, and 69% have attracted a new investor or an additional investment through a TikTok interaction.
- 46% of SMBs in Washington agree that their business needs to continue to use and improve upon TikTok marketing content in order to stay competitive.

- 74% of consumers in Washington say they use TikTok to keep in touch with friends and family.
- **78%** of Washington consumers have spent money on retail items and **65%** on local events after interacting with branded content or an advertisement on TikTok.
- After watching a TikTok video, **57%** of Washington consumers went on to purchase a product, 38% to visit a local business or attraction, and 28% to attend an in-person event.

