The University of Oregon fuels the economic growth of Oregon with research grants and contracts, federal financial aid, out-of-state student spending, private gifts, construction contracts, intercollegiate and national athletic events, and cultural events. It is also the largest employer in Lane County.

Adding Up The Contributions Statewide:
(For Fiscal Year 2007-8)

- Employee Payroll: $340 million
- Materials and Supplies: 158 million
- Construction Contracts: 54 million
- Student Spending: 197 million

Total: $749 million

UO employees generated $13.7 million in state income taxes in 2007-8

A Good Customer
In 2007-8, the university conducted business with nearly 7,129 vendors spending over $207.1 million dollars.
($128.0 million with Oregon vendors.)

90% of those vendors were small businesses.

1 Student spending does not include tuition and fees.