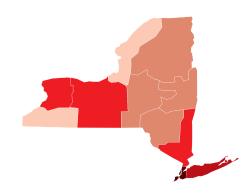
Visitor Spending



in 2008 visitors spent

\$53.1 BILLION

breakdown by region



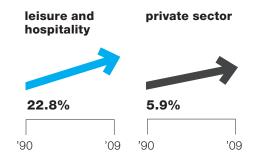
Tourism Works

During these uncertain economic times, the tourism industry has formulated a plan for the recommended \$10.6 million for New York State marketing and tourism-promotion programs that will increase tax revenues and create jobs.

Matching Grants—a proven public—private partnership success for more than 30 years—must remain a distinct budget item. The tourism industry strongly objects to merging the I Love NY and Matching Grant budget lines into one. A specific funding amount for the Matching Grant Program is imperative for the contracting of private investment in tourism promotion. To that point, we believe a funding level of \$5 million is necessary to ensure that public—private partnerships can succeed in the competitive tourism marketplace.

Jobs

percent increase in number of jobs from 1990 to 2009



Tourism Tax Revenue

We all rely on tourism to cover the New York State budget. Without proper funding for tourism, our deficit will only increase.

local tax revenue from tourism in 2008 state tax revenue from tourism in 2008 projected New York State budget deficit

billions of dollars

