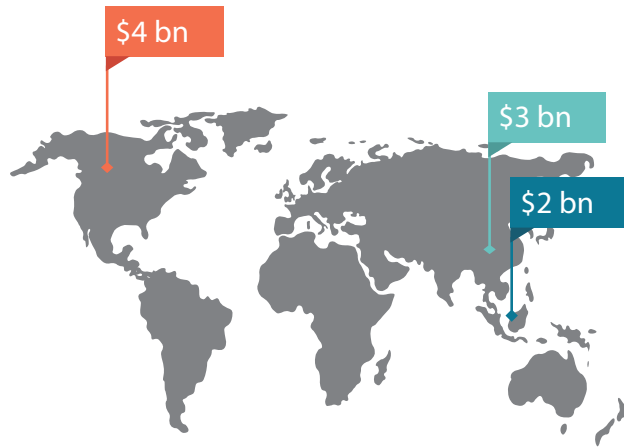


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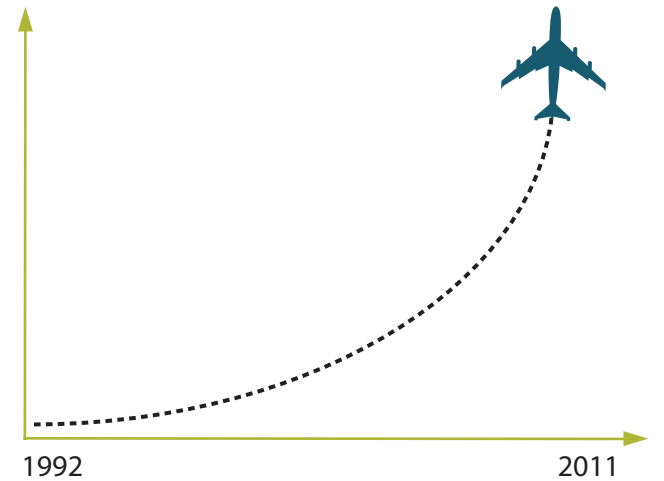
How global is Oregon? Changing demographics and economic opportunities show we're more global than ever.



15% speak a language other than English at home
Spanish, Vietnamese, and Chinese are most commonly spoken.

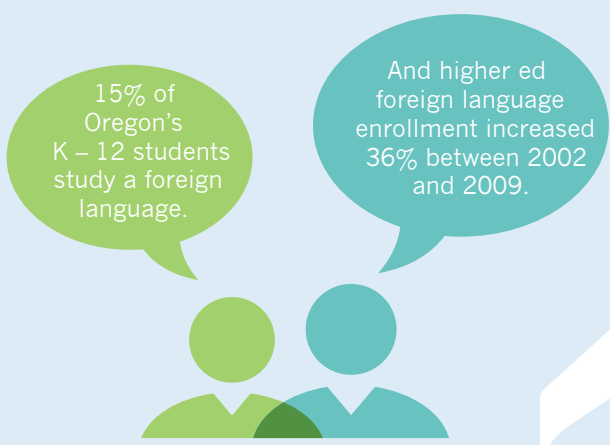


8% of state GDP tied to exports of goods
Canada, China, and Malaysia are our top export markets.

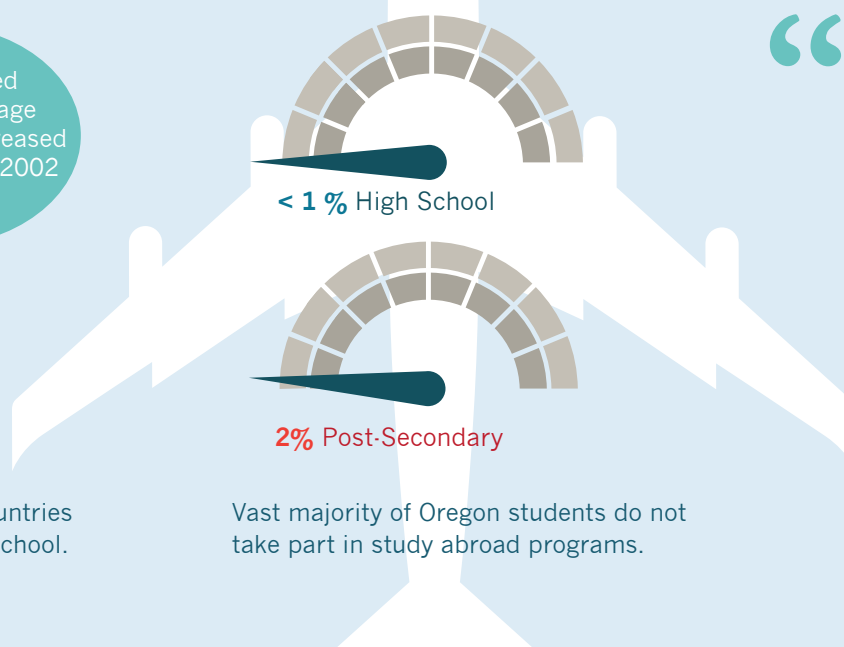


110% increase in jobs tied to international trade
More than one out of every five jobs in the state is now related to international trade.

How are we preparing students? Schools can not yet meet community needs and workforce demands.



Twenty-one of the top 25 industrialized countries begin language instruction in elementary school.



“ ...We are developing an education gap. Here is the dirty little secret that no C.E.O wants to tell you: they are not just outsourcing to save on salary. They are doing it because they can often get better-skilled and more productive people than their American workers.”

– Thomas Friedman
The New York Times

How do we plan for the future?

