



March 15, 2018

Park County & Community Presentation

to Local Government Interim Committee

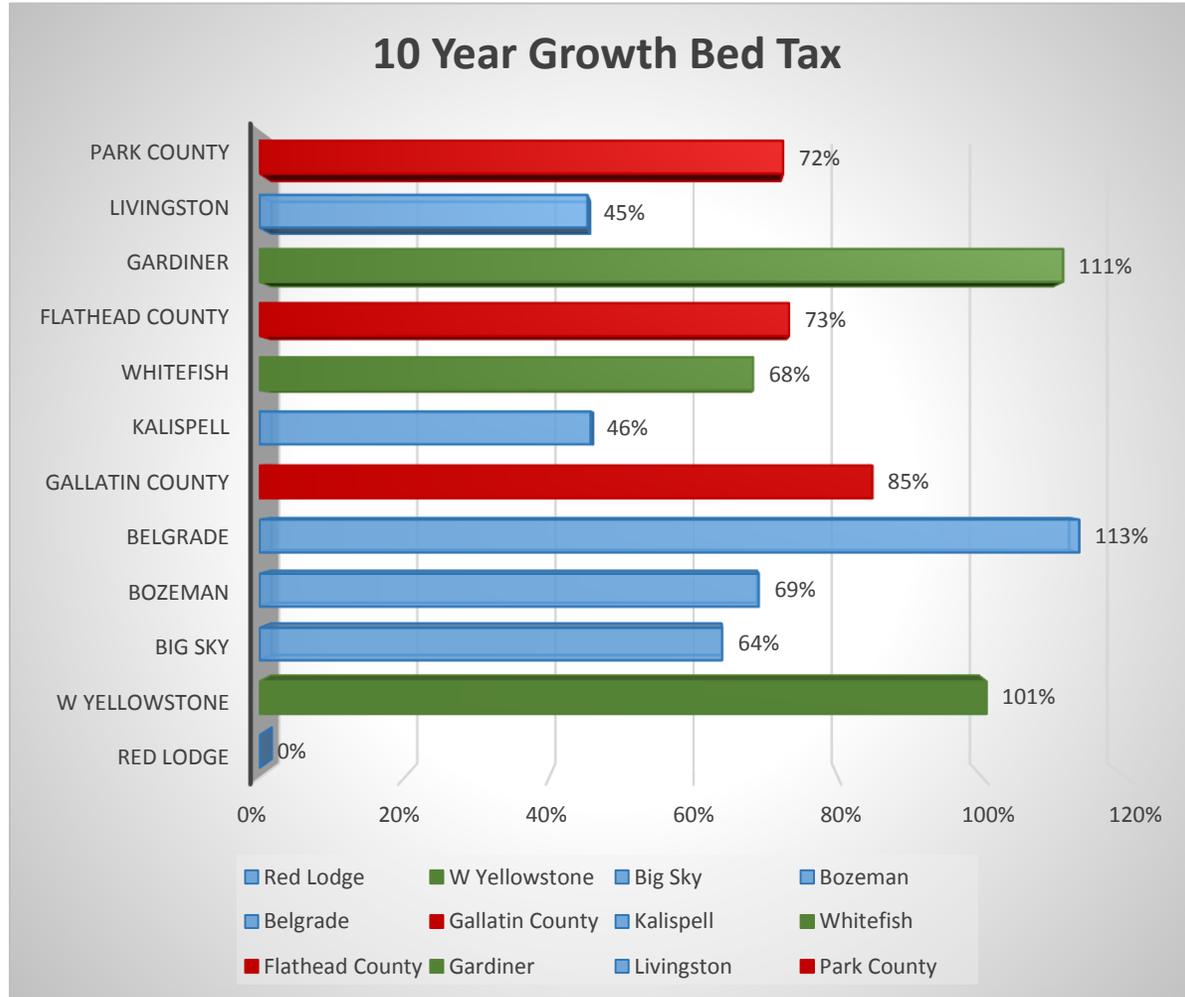


## Park County & Community Agenda

- 9:00-9:20 – Presentation – Park County, Livingston, Sheriff's Office
- 9:20-9:35 – Public Comment
- 9:35-10:00 – Open Discussion – Questions & Answers



- **County Introduction** – Harold Blattie - MT Association of Counties (MACO)
- **County Overview** – County Commissioner Bill Berg – Tourism up, funding options needed for Public Safety and Infrastructure
- **City of Livingston Overview** – City Manager Mike Kardoes – Tourism impact, lack of funding options for size of city
- **Public Safety** – Park County Sheriff Scott Hamilton – Increase in calls for service due to tourism, staff impact of funding limitations for emergency response



Relative Bed Tax Revenue Growth

# Additional/Alternative Funding Options



## 1. Local Option Tax, County Wide

- Pros
  - Specifically targets tourist activity
  - Monies are available to counties and municipalities
  - Tax area, items and season may be tailored for the county
  - Designed to provide property tax relief
  - Low tourist counties are not forced to participate
- Cons
  - Inconsistent tax schemes across county lines
  - More complicated implementation

## 2. Statewide Sales Tax

- Pros
  - Consistent tax system across the state
  - Designed to provide property tax relief
- Cons
  - No flexibility to target tourist intensive areas or times
  - Low tourist counties must participate
  - Additional layer of administration at the State level

# Additional/Alternative Funding Options

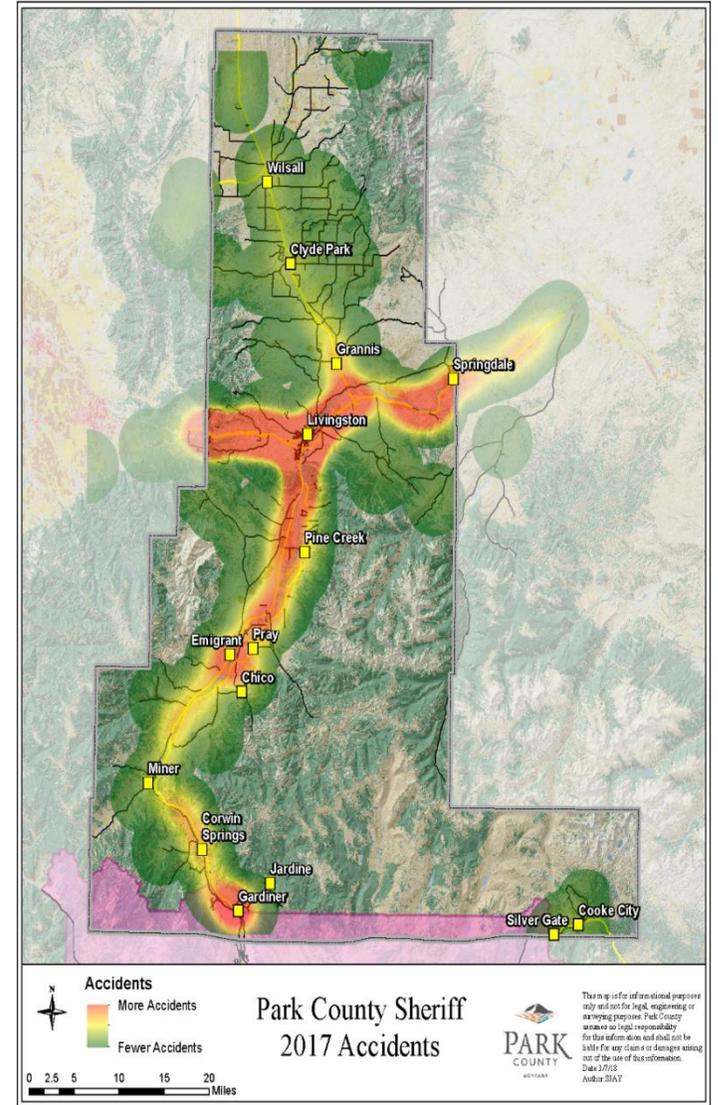
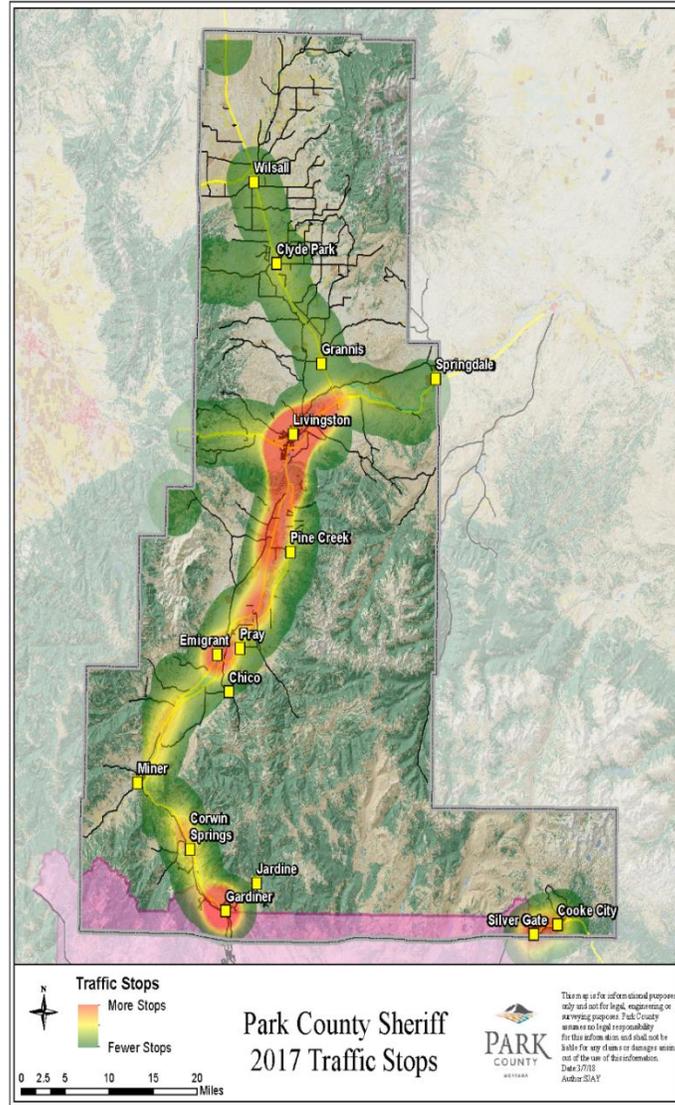
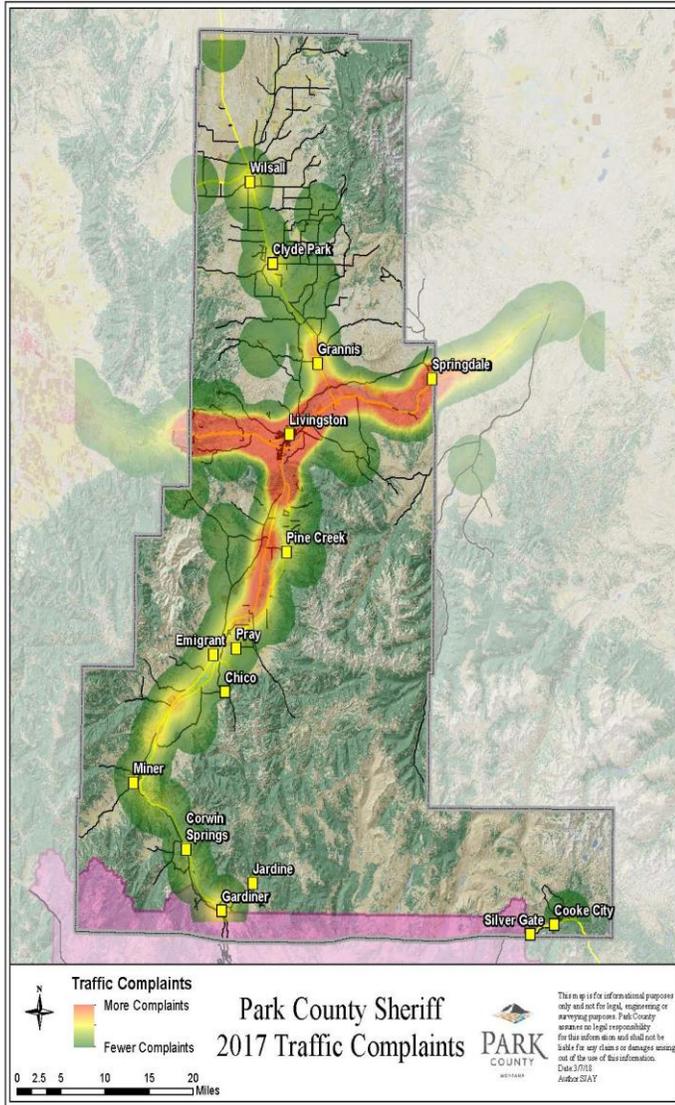


## 3. Statewide Luxury Tax

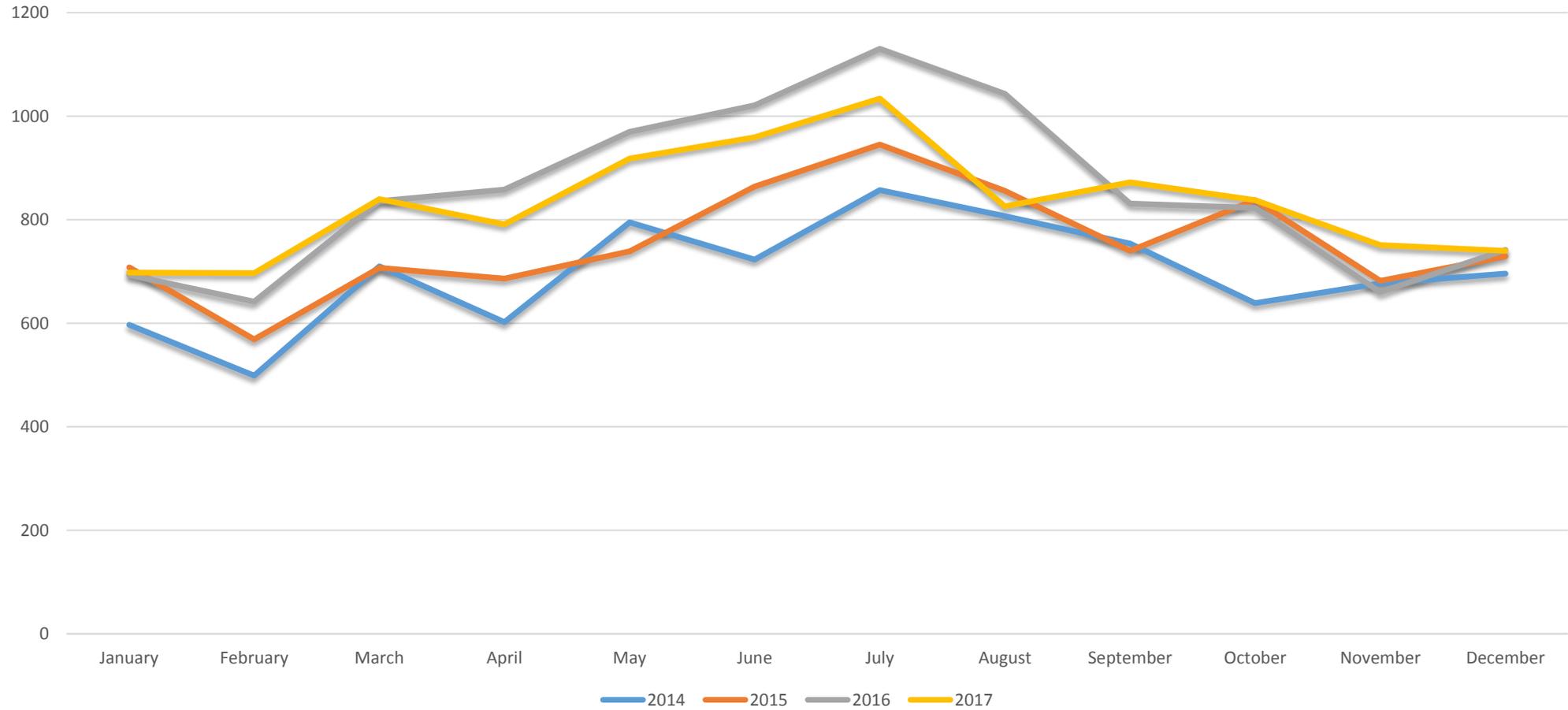
- Pros
  - Consistent tax system across the state
  - Designed to provide property tax relief
  - Structured to NOT include daily necessities, reducing impact on local taxpayers.
- Cons
  - No flexibility to target tourist intensive areas or times
  - Additional layer of administration at the State level
  - Low tourist counties must participate

## 4. Alter Current Resort Tax

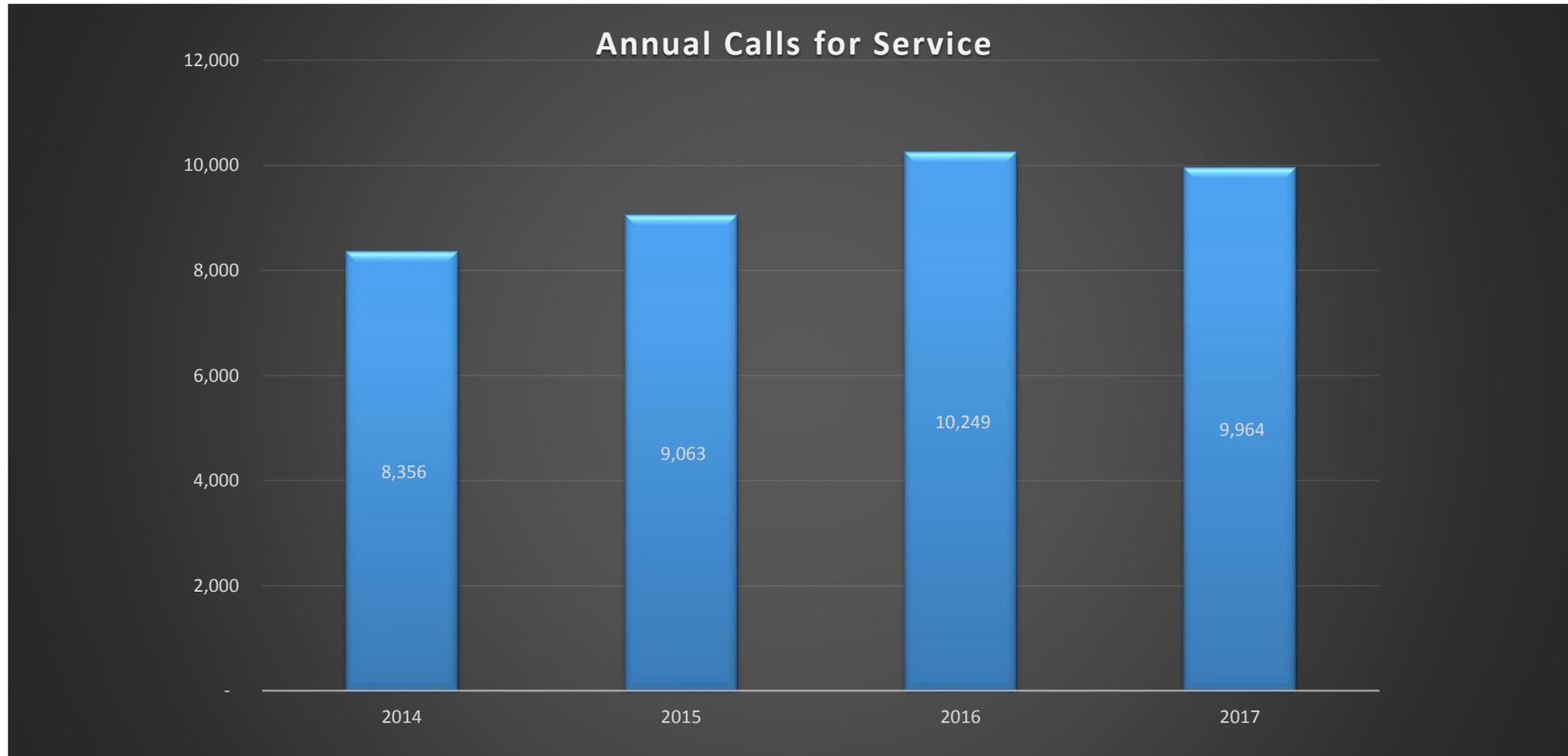
- Pros
  - Already in place
  - Could expand to include larger municipalities and counties
  - Targets tourist activity
- Cons
  - Limited flexibility
  - Limited financial impact



Park County Sheriff's Office Calls for Service

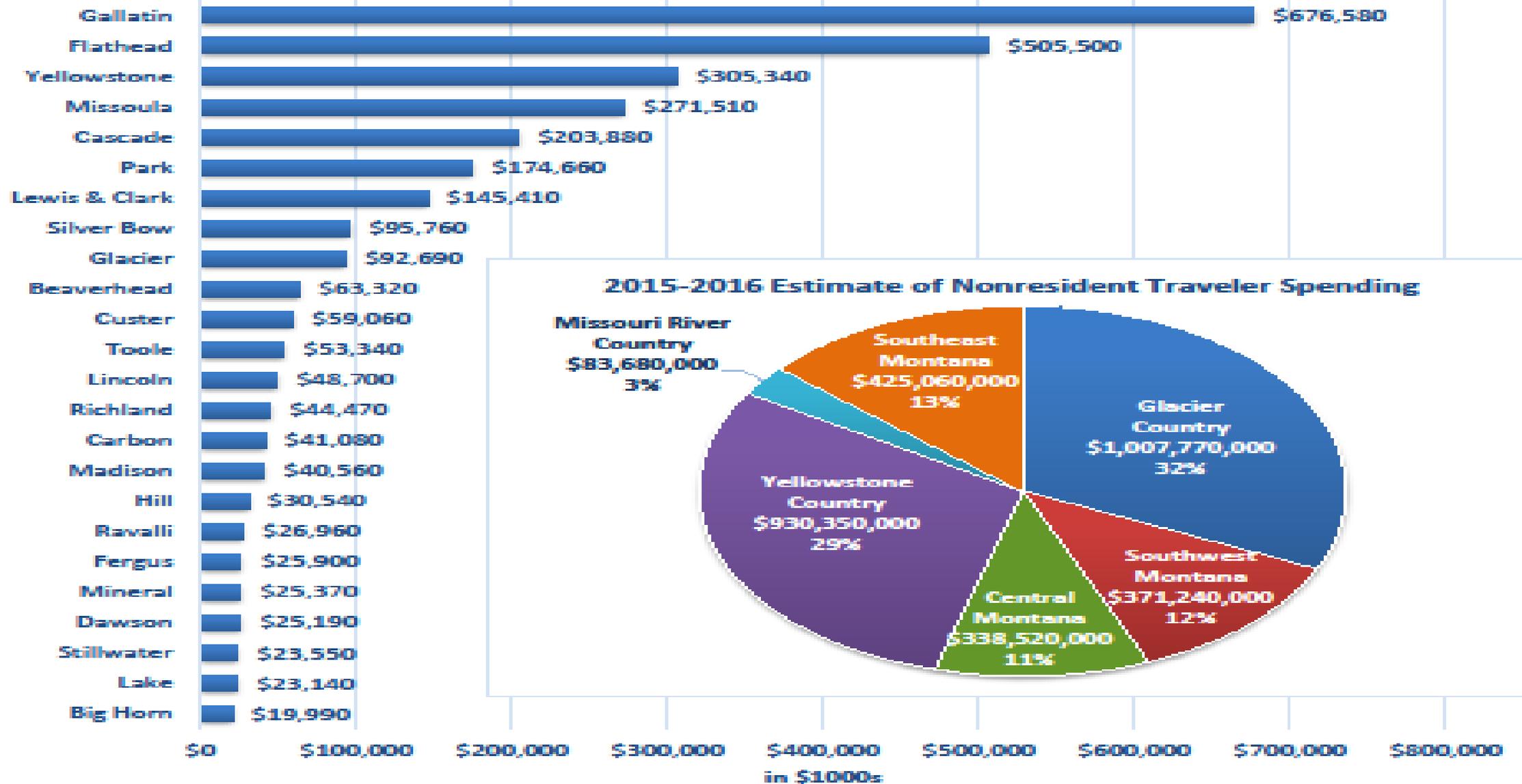


Park County Sheriff's Office Monthly Calls for Service



Park County Sheriff's Office Annual Calls for Service - >20% Increase

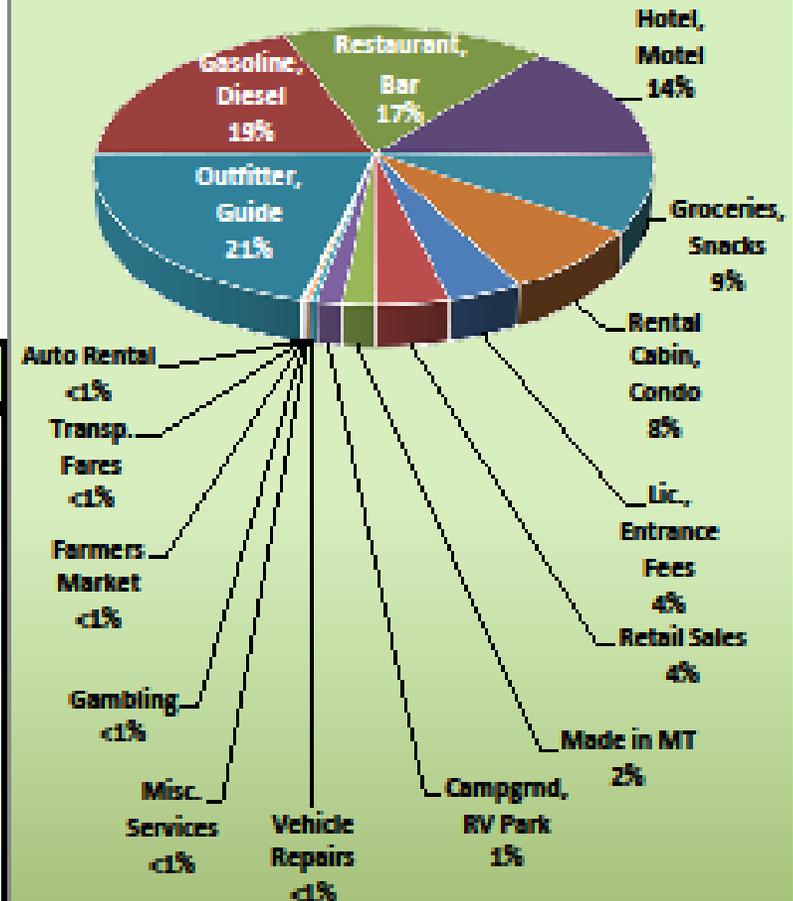
## 2015-2016 Estimate of Nonresident Traveler Spending per County Counties with \$20 million or more



## 2016 Nonresident Traveler Expenditures in Park County



## 2016 Nonresident Expenditure Percentages in Park County



**Table 1 - Total Nonresident Spending in Park County\***

Outfitter, Guide	\$36,737,000	Made in MT	\$3,049,000
Gasoline, Diesel	\$33,849,000	Campground, RV Park	\$2,328,000
Restaurant, Bar	\$29,206,000	Vehicle Repairs	\$654,000
Hotel, Motel	\$24,878,000	Misc. Services	\$378,000
Groceries, Snacks	\$15,381,000	Gambling	\$234,000
Rental Cabin, Condo	\$13,995,000	Farmers Market	\$100,000
Lic., Entrance Fees	\$6,907,000	Transportation Fares	\$88,000
Retail Sales	\$6,879,000	Auto Rental	<i>Insufficient Sample Size</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$174,663,000</b>	