



Incorporating Tribal Economic Information

Economic Interactions

- There are many economic interactions among the Tribes, tribal members, and non-Indian communities on the coast - for example:
 - Tribal members work and shop off the Reservations
 - Non-Indians are employed by the Tribes
 - Tourists as well as local residents use tribally owned businesses
 - Many natural resources are co-managed by federal, state, and tribal entities

Important Distinction

- Despite the co-mingled economy, there are important distinctions about tribal communities:
 - Tribal communities tend to focus on common culture and benefits to the community.
 - Tribal governments tend to be major employers on their reservations.

Important Distinction

- These tribal governments focus not only on health, education, governance, and support and enhancement of culture but also on economic opportunities.
- Tribal enterprises, either owned by the Tribe or sponsored by it, are common. On the coast this includes fish harvesting and processing operations as well as tribal enterprises aimed at tourists.

Data Sources for Tribal Economic Profiles

- The basic study will use existing data and literature to prepare a profile of the five tribes on the coast.
 - Census data
 - State employment data
 - Tribal websites
 - BIA field offices

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- It is anticipated the basic level study may have significant data gaps for developing the economic profiles of the tribes. The Level II effort would reach out to the tribes for permission to obtain more detailed demographic, socioeconomic, and business detail.
- For the Level III study, coastal economic trends that are likely to have an impact on tribal economies will be identified.