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My husband and I are retired, having lived in Myrtle Creek in the very same home for over 50 years. Right now, statistically I am seeing that Oregon is the 5th highest taxed state between property tax, state income tax, gas tax, and various fees and licensing that we pay to live in Oregon. Our schools in Douglas County are struggling and jobs are leaving our area. It is getting impossible to afford to live in the beautiful state of Oregon, which I dearly love. Many of our friends have moved out of state and many people we know from other states don't want to even come and visit. Rural Oregon can't afford to subsidize the metro area with all of this spending!