Portland Facts

**POPULATION**
538,180; 1.95 million in the metropolitan area

**AREA**
130 square miles

**ELEVATION**
173 feet above sea level

**LONGITUDE**
40 miles east of the 122nd meridian west

**LATITUDE**
30 miles north of the 45th parallel north

**MILES TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN**
78

**MILES TO A GLACIER**
65 (Mount Hood)

**AVERAGE TEMPERATURES**
33.5° (January); 79.5° (July)

**AVERAGE PRECIPITATION**
37" (less than Atlanta, Baltimore, Houston or Seattle - and without that nasty humidity)

**ACRES OF PARKS IN METRO AREA**
37,000, including the 5,000-acre Forest Park

**NEWSPAPERS**
The Oregonian (daily), The Portland Tribune (semiweekly), Willamette Week (weekly)

**TIME**
All of Oregon is on Pacific Standard Time, except for the Ontario city area in Eastern Oregon, which is on Mountain Standard Time. Daylight Savings Time is observed from the first Sunday in April until the last Sunday in October.

**DRIVING**
The speed limit is 55 miles per hour on most highways. Where posted, the freeway speed limit is 65. Oregon law calls for drivers and passengers to buckle up for safety in both the front and back seats. The fine for each unbuckled person is $89. Oregon law also requires that drivers carry proof of insurance.

**AIR SERVICE**
Portland International Airport [PDX]; 503.460.4040

http://www.pova.com/visitors/portland_profile.html#facts

For more information, read City Smart Portland by Linda Danielson ($14.95), available at Powell's City of Books, 1005 W. Burnside, or call 503.228.4651.