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OKC feels economic boon from The Lion King

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Drawing thousands of guests, Disney's The Lion King is being credited for bringing more than \$17 million to Oklahoma City hotels, restaurants and retail outlets.

Larry Payton, president of Celebrity Attractions, said total box office sales exceeded \$5.6 million.

"This engagement of The Lion King is the highest grossing theatrical production in Oklahoma City's history," he said.

Nearly 90,000 people attended the Broadway show during its five weeks at the Civic Center Music Hall. Tickets were purchased from 46 states, one U.S. Territory and two other countries.

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