

Hood River County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2008

FAMILY FINANCES & STABILITY

\$49,900 is the median family income, which is 15% lower than the state median. 1.69 per 1,000 people filed for personal bankruptcy in 2007, a 13% increase since 2006. Subprime loans make up 18.9% of all loans in this county. 54.9% of public school children are eligible to receive free/reduced price lunches during the school year. On average, 1,628 children eat free/reduced price lunches during the school year, while only 710 children receive free lunches during the summer.

CHILD WELFARE

32 children were victims of child abuse/neglect (5.6 per 1,000 children) 56% of victims of abuse/neglect were under age 6. 51 children in the county have been in foster care at least once during the past year. 548 reports of child abuse/neglect were made in this area in 2007. 65% of these reports were assessed, and 19% were founded.

CHILD HEALTH

53.6% of eighth graders did not have a medical check-up or physical exam in the previous year. No children have access to School-Based Health Centers in their schools in this county. There are 3,997 students for every 1.0 FTE school nurse in this county. The preferred ratio is 750 students to 1.0 FTE nurse. 6.0% of mothers have reported using tobacco during pregnancy. 8.9% of eighth graders reported smoking cigarettes in the previous month.

COUNTY INDICATORS

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

	Current Total Number	Current Rate	Rate Change from Previous Year	Avg. Rate Previous 5 Years	Current Rate Compared to Oregon
Child Care Supply (slots per 100 ages 0-13)	898	22	4% Worse	21.6	29% Better
Head Start / Oregon PreKindergarten	116	74	39% Worse	104.6	114% Better
3rd Grade Reading Proficiency	296	80.7	6% Better	80.4	4% Worse
3rd Grade Math Proficiency	296	72.3	9% Better	78.2	6% Worse

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

8th Grade Reading Proficiency	290	66.9	4% Worse	61.7	2% Better
8th Grade Math Proficiency	289	67.5	5% Worse	62.1	2% Worse
High School Dropout	52	4.0	11% Better	3.0	5% Better
Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000 under age 18)	70	12.3	159% Worse	10.4	18% Better
Suicide Attempts (per 100,000 ages 10-17)	8	303.7	26% Better	224.3	58% Worse

HEALTH

Early Prenatal Care	257	80.1	5% Worse	83.9	2% Better
Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births)	2	6.6	92% Worse	5.2	23% Worse
Uninsured Children*	646	11.3	25% Better	16.6	10% Better
Immunizations	NA	85.0	3% Better	81.2	10% Better
Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls ages 15-17)	12	22.8	8% Better	23.3	0% Worse
Obesity	NA	26.0	NA	NA	12% Worse

FINANCIAL STABILITY

Childhood Poverty (ages 0-17)	1,220	23.4	27% Worse	18.7	24% Worse
Child Support Payments	NA	61.1	2% Better	57.9	1% Worse
Unemployment	592	5	16% Better	7.9	12% Better

CHILD WELFARE

Abuse and Neglect Victims (per 1,000 ages 0-17)	26	4.5	38% Better	6.9	34% Better
Threat of Harm Victims (per 1,000 ages 0-17)	6	1.0	80% Better	5.3	80% Better
Recurrence of Maltreatment	NA	0.0	100% Better	7	100% Better
Foster Care Placement Stability	NA	85	7% Better	81	1% Better

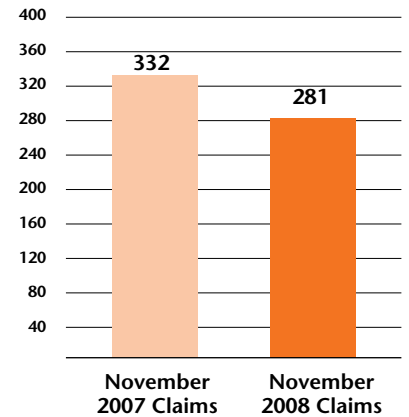
* Denotes regional data

POPULATION

TOTAL	21,470
Children ages 0-17	5,715

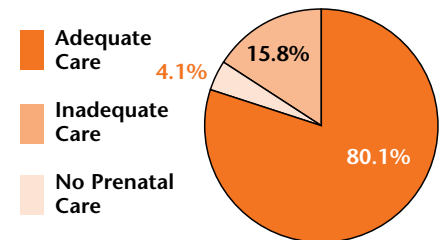
Unemployment Claims

Change in new unemployment claims made in November 2008 compared to November 2007: **15% decrease**



Prenatal Care

Percent of mothers who received prenatal care beginning in their first trimester.



Family Supports

The chart shows the number of children helped by several key family supports in a month.

Number of Low-Income Children: **2,286**

