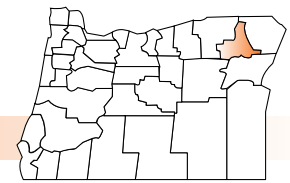


Union County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2008

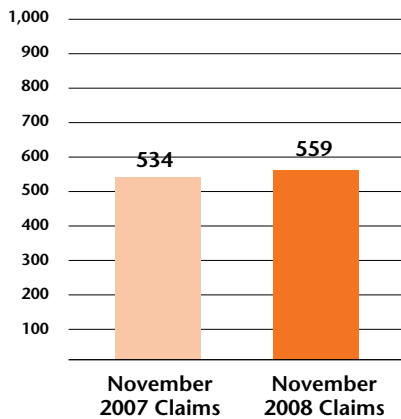


POPULATION

TOTAL	25,250
Children ages 0-17	5,838

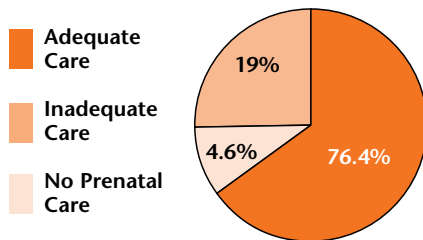
Unemployment Claims

Change in new unemployment claims made in November 2008 compared to November 2007: **5% increase**



Prenatal Care

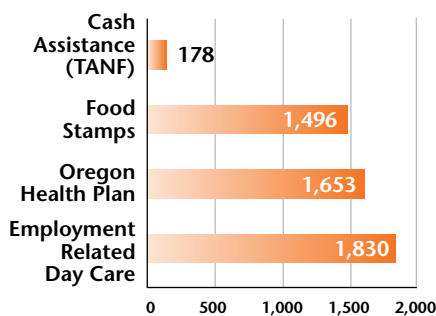
Percent of mothers who received prenatal care beginning in their first trimester.



Family Supports

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

Number of Low-Income Children: **2,335**



FAMILY FINANCES & STABILITY

\$48,900 is the median family income, which is 17% lower than the state median. 2.22 per 1,000 people filed for personal bankruptcy in 2007, a 13% decrease since 2006. Subprime loans make up 30% of all loans in this county. 39.0% of public school children are eligible to receive free/reduced price lunches during the school year. On average, 1,085 children eat free/reduced price lunches during the school year, while only 666 children receive free lunches during the summer.

CHILD WELFARE

103 children were victims of child abuse/neglect (17.6 per 1,000 children) 53% of victims of abuse/neglect were under age 6. 77 children in the county have been in foster care at least once during the past year. 368 reports of child abuse/neglect were made in this area in 2007. 52% of these reports were assessed, and 18% were founded.

CHILD HEALTH

49.6% of eighth graders did not have a medical check-up or physical exam in the previous year. 709 children have access to School-Based Health Centers in their schools in this county. There are 1,011 students for every 1.0 FTE school nurse in this county. The preferred ratio is 750 students to 1.0 FTE nurse. 18.2% 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)	1,086	27	13% Better	20.6	59% Better
Head Start / Oregon PreKindergarten	110	98	4% Worse	90.1	80% Better
3rd Grade Reading Proficiency	287	81.9	1% Worse	84.8	2% Worse
3rd Grade Math Proficiency	287	74.2	19% Better	81.9	4% Worse

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION

8th Grade Reading Proficiency	273	62.6	14% Worse	63.6	4% Worse
8th Grade Math Proficiency	295	68.1	13% Worse	66.4	1% Worse
High School Dropout	39	2.8	41% Worse	2.2	33% Better
Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000 under age 18)	134	22.8	55% Worse	14.5	52% Worse
Suicide Attempts (per 100,000 ages 10-17)	8	282.1	24% Worse	208.6	47% Worse

HEALTH

Early Prenatal Care	253	76.4	Same	77.3	3% Worse
Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births)	2	6.0	3% Better	6.1	11% Worse
Uninsured Children*	666	11.4	56% Better	19.0	10% Better
Immunizations	NA	62.3	6% Worse	71.7	20% Worse
Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls ages 15-17)	0	0.0	100% Better	18.1	100% Better
Obesity	NA	25.9	NA	NA	12% Worse

FINANCIAL STABILITY

Childhood Poverty (ages 0-17)	946	17.6	4% Worse	16.1	6% Better
Child Support Payments	NA	67.4	1% Worse	67.4	9% Better
Unemployment	682	6	7% Better	6.4	8% Worse

CHILD WELFARE

Abuse and Neglect Victims (per 1,000 ages 0-17)	89	15.2	4% Worse	11.1	122% Worse
Threat of Harm Victims (per 1,000 ages 0-17)	14	2.4	60% Better	7.5	55% Better
Recurrence of Maltreatment	NA	11.3	30% Worse	13	45% Worse
Foster Care Placement Stability	NA	68	7% Worse	81	19% Worse

* Denotes regional data