



**Status of Oregon's Children
County Data Book 2008
*Helping Oregon Families in a Tough Economy***

Key Findings - Josephine County

Family Finances and Stability

- \$48,100 is the median family income, which is 18% lower than the state median.
- 7,938 children live in low-income households (200% of the federal poverty level, or \$41,300 for a family of four in 2007).
- Unemployment claims have increased 73% between November 2007 and November 2008.
- Subprime loans make up 23.4% of loans in this county.
- 1,229 families receive cash assistance through the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program.
- 433 families receive child care subsidies through the Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) program.

Child Health

- 1,749 children (10.1%) have no health insurance.
- There are 6,673 students for every 1.0 FTE school nurse in this county. The preferred ratio is 750 students to 1.0 FTE nurse.
- 69.9% of mothers received adequate prenatal care.

Child Welfare

- 213 children were victims of child abuse/neglect (12.3 per 1,000 children).
- 295 children in the county have been in foster care at least once during the past year.
- 1,297 reports of child abuse/neglect were made in 2007. 54% of these reports were assessed, and 11% were founded.