



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

Key Findings - Malheur County

Family Finances and Stability

- \$48,100 is the median family income, which is 18% lower than the state median.
- 3,255 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 46% between November 2007 and November 2008.
- Subprime loans make up 35.2% of loans in this county.
- 299 families receive cash assistance through the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program.
- 193 families receive child care subsidies through the Employment Related Day Care (ERDC) program.

Child Health

- 928 children (11.4%) have no health insurance.
- There are 3,869 students for every 1.0 FTE school nurse in this county. The preferred ratio is 750 students to 1.0 FTE nurse.
- 53.4% of mothers received adequate prenatal care.

Child Welfare

- 187 children were victims of child abuse/neglect (23.0 per 1,000 children).
- 161 children in the county have been in foster care at least once during the past year.
- 881 reports of child abuse/neglect were made in 2007. 53% of these reports were assessed, and 18% were founded.