

**MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY**



**COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT
2018**

Approved by MWVCAA Board of Directors May 24, 2018



Community Needs Assessment Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency, Inc.

Report Area

Marion County, OR; Polk County, OR

Overview of Assessment

The Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency, Inc. (Community Action) is pleased to present this community needs assessment. The agency's assessment and planning processes are ongoing throughout the year. Every three years we conduct an intentional and wide-ranging planning process and publish our assessment findings and agency priorities in compliance with the requirements of the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), under which all Community Action Agencies operate. We view this process and resulting assessment as a way to communicate to the communities we serve how we intend to move forward to address needs in our communities of Marion and Polk counties, and we welcome their input and collaboration.

The planning process aligns with the CSBG Organizational Standards, which encourage a variety of methodologies and informants in order to assure that the agency is soliciting input from constituents from all walks of life. Community Action gathered data directly from our community about needs and resources, utilized additional information from other entities' assessments, and obtained information and feedback from people who were or could be participants in our program.

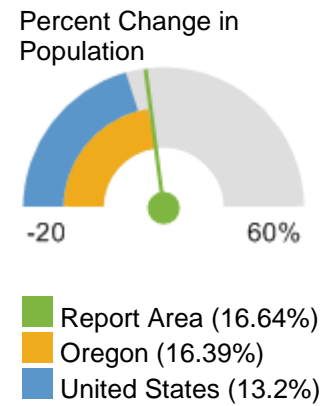
The community needs assessment included two geographic levels of analysis. Community Action's federally designated CSBG service area is Marion and Polk counties, however the Child Care Resource and Referral program (CCR&R) serves Yamhill County as does the Nutrition First (USDA) program which also encompasses Tillamook, Lincoln, Linn, and Benton counties. The needs assessment primarily focuses on the regions of Marion and Polk counties where a majority of our services are provided.

The analysis combines data to provide a comprehensive look at the needs and strengths of the communities we serve. The main priority is to examine the core issues and barriers for people with low incomes in our service area.

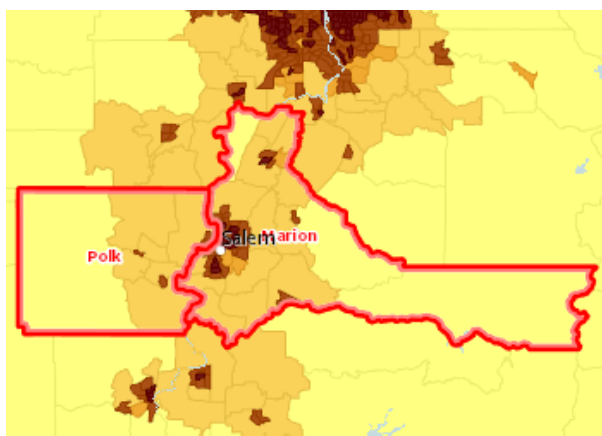
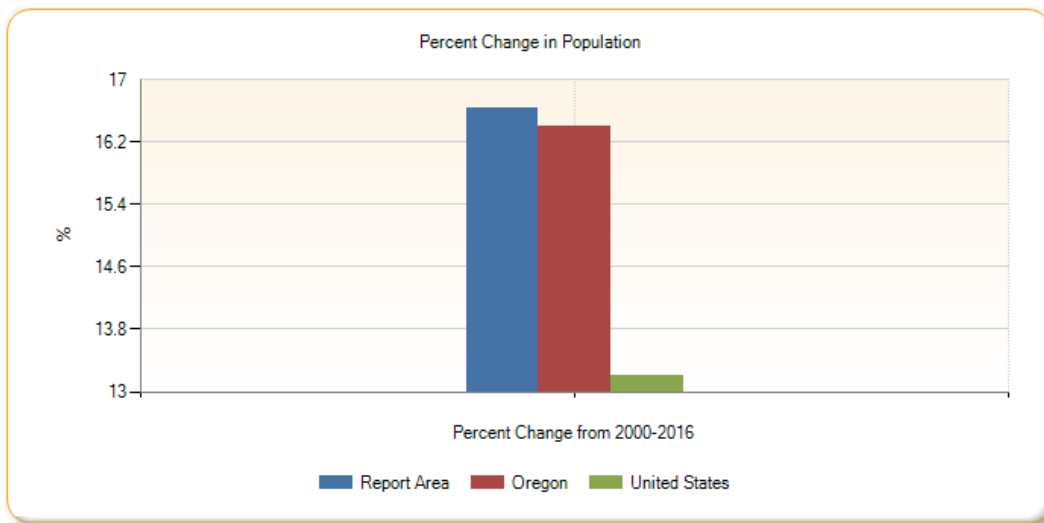
Population Change

Population change within the report area from 2000-2016 is shown below. During the fourteen-year period, total population estimates for the report area grew by 16.64 percent, increasing from 347,214 persons in 2000 to 404,997 persons in 2016.

Report Area	Total Population, 2016 ACS	Total Population, 2000 Census	Population Change from 2000-2016 Census/ACS	Percent Change from 2000-2016 Census/ACS
Report Area	404,997	347,214	57,783	16.64%
Marion County, OR	326,527	284,834	41,693	14.64%
Polk County, OR	78,470	62,380	16,090	25.79%
Oregon	3,982,267	3,421,399	560,868	16.39%
United States	318,558,162	281,421,906	37,136,256	13.2%



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Decennial Census. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Population, Density (Persons per Sq Mile) by Tract, ACS 2012-16

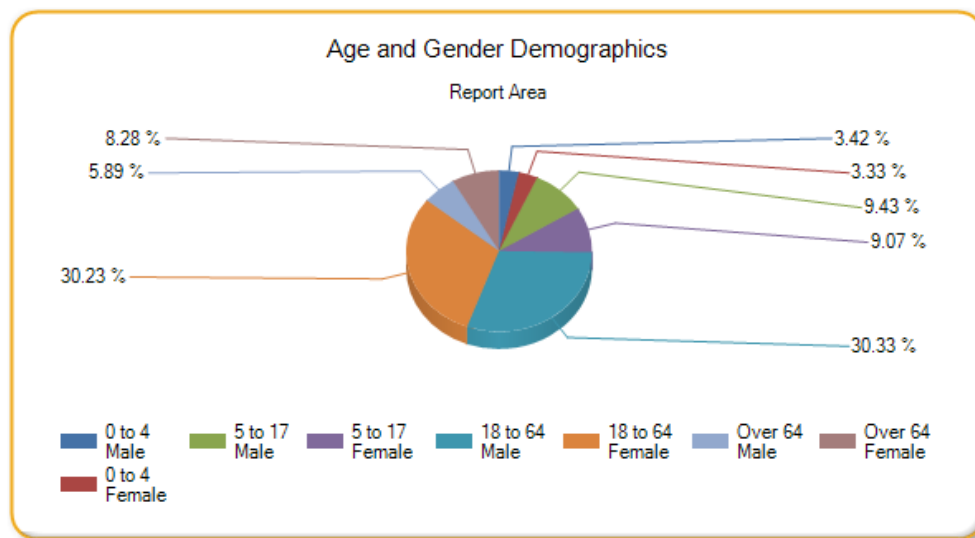
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- 51 - 500
- Under 51
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- Report Area

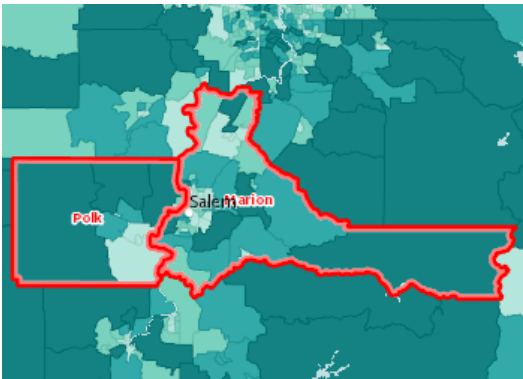
Age and Gender Demographics

Population by gender within the report area is shown below. According to ACS 2012-2016 5 year population estimates for the report area, the female population comprised 50.92% of the report area, while the male population represented 49.08%. The largest number of people in our area are male and female ranging in age from 18 – 64.

Report Area	0 to 4 Male	0 to 4 Female	5 to 17 Male	5 to 17 Female	18 to 64 Male	18 to 64 Female	Over 64 Male	Over 64 Female
Report Area	13,756	13,393	37,893	36,447	121,853	121,459	23,671	33,280
Marion County, OR	11,495	11,057	30,869	29,707	99,136	97,209	18,413	26,201
Polk County, OR	2,261	2,336	7,024	6,740	22,717	24,250	5,258	7,079
Oregon	119,053	112,948	322,056	307,338	1,242,137	1,244,161	258,172	346,308
United States	10,154,024	9,712,936	27,455,869	26,289,609	98,851,301	99,913,791	18,244,716	25,876,504

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County

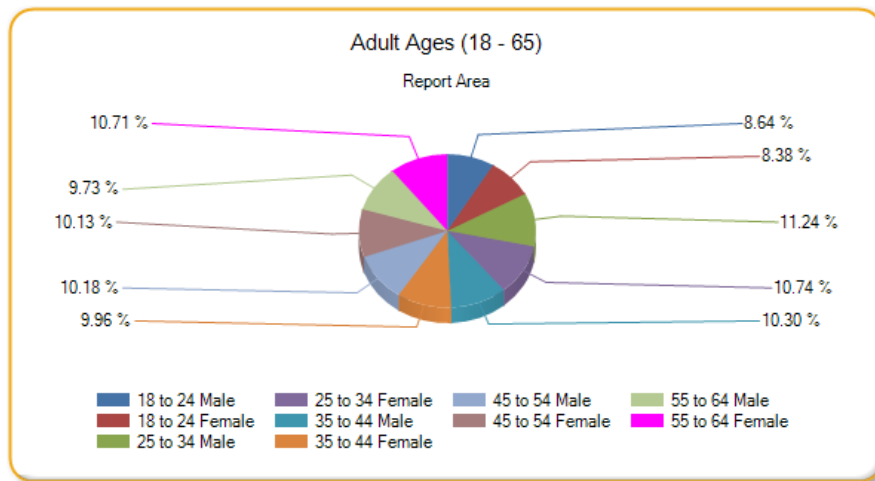




Median Age by Tract, ACS 2012-16

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- 40.1 - 45.0
- 35.1 - 40.0
- Under 35.1
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- Report Area

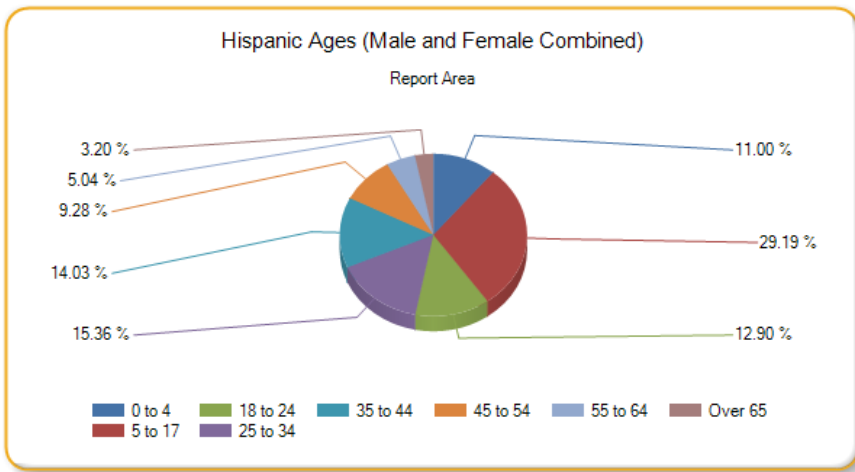
Adult Ages (18 - 65)



There is a larger representation of youth ages 5 to 17 that are Hispanic in our two county region as compared to the other age brackets.

Hispanic Ages (Male and Female Combined)

Report Area	0 to 4	5 to 17	18 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	Over 65
Report Area	10,332	27,408	12,109	14,421	13,169	8,714	4,731	3,007
Marion County, OR	9,272	24,447	10,552	12,963	11,906	7,749	4,155	2,615
Polk County, OR	1,060	2,961	1,557	1,458	1,263	965	576	392
Oregon	52,115	134,460	62,514	79,484	72,870	48,224	26,576	18,563
United States	5,130,570	12,816,191	6,585,748	8,818,195	7,972,885	6,284,817	4,052,919	3,537,782

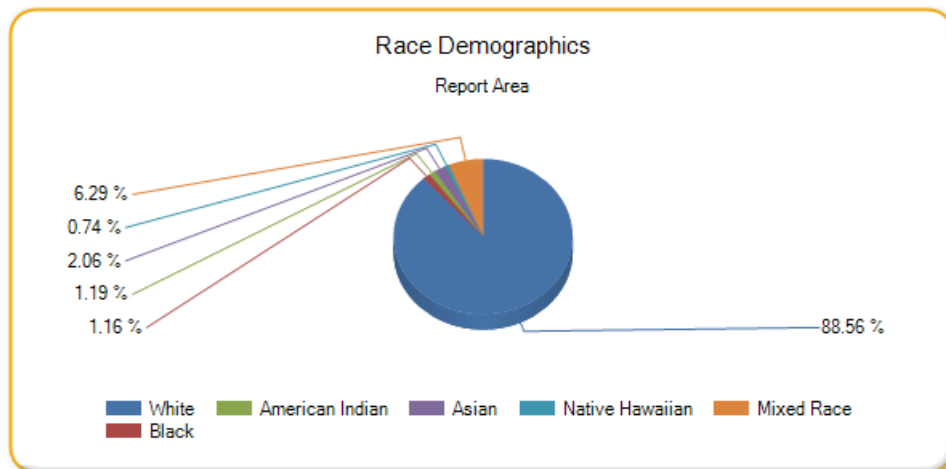


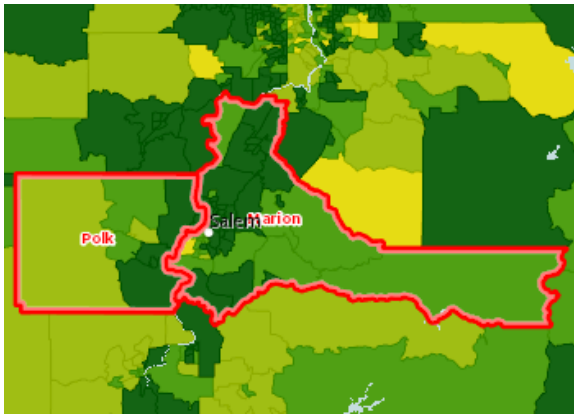
Race Demographics

Population by gender within the report area is shown below. According to ACS 2012-2016 5 year population estimates, the white population comprised 88.56% of the report area, black population represented 1.16%, and other races combined were 10.28%. Persons identifying themselves as mixed race made up 6.29% of the population.

Report Area	White Total	Black Total	American Indian Total	Asian Total	Native Hawaiian Total	Mixed Race Total
Report Area	336,414	4,390	4,518	7,812	2,807	23,909
Marion County, OR	267,594	3,769	3,416	6,285	2,559	19,939
Polk County, OR	68,820	621	1,102	1,527	248	3,970
Oregon	3,387,825	74,012	45,233	160,155	14,936	175,541
United States	233,657,078	40,241,818	2,597,817	16,614,625	560,021	9,752,947

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County





Population, Minority (Non-White), Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

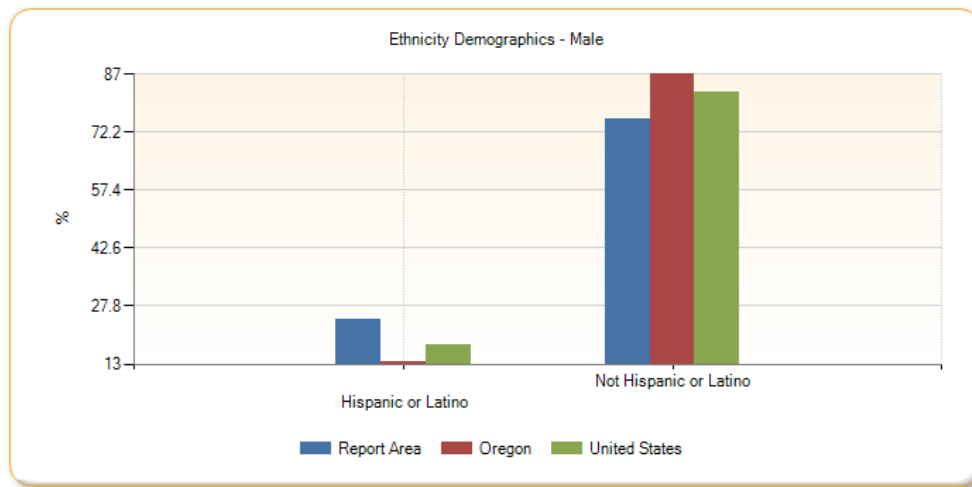


Race Demographics - Male

Report Area	White Male	Black Male	American Indian Male	Asian Total	Native Hawaiian Male	Mixed Race Male
Report Area	164,702	2,717	2,136	3,594	1,266	12,321
Marion County, OR	131,666	2,357	1,573	2,966	1,081	10,267
Polk County, OR	33,036	360	563	628	185	2,054
Oregon	1,673,401	40,261	22,474	73,398	7,325	87,852
United States	115,461,098	19,220,550	1,288,198	7,882,217	279,671	4,862,948

Ethnicity Demographics - Male

Report Area	Total Males Hispanic / Latino	Total Males Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Males Hispanic / Latino	Percent Males Not Hispanic / Latino
Report Area	48,949	151,469	24.42%	75.58%
Marion County, OR	43,672	118,681	26.9%	73.1%
Polk County, OR	5,277	32,788	13.86%	86.14%
Oregon	256,838	1,714,674	13.03%	86.97%
United States	27,904,147	128,861,175	17.8%	82.2%

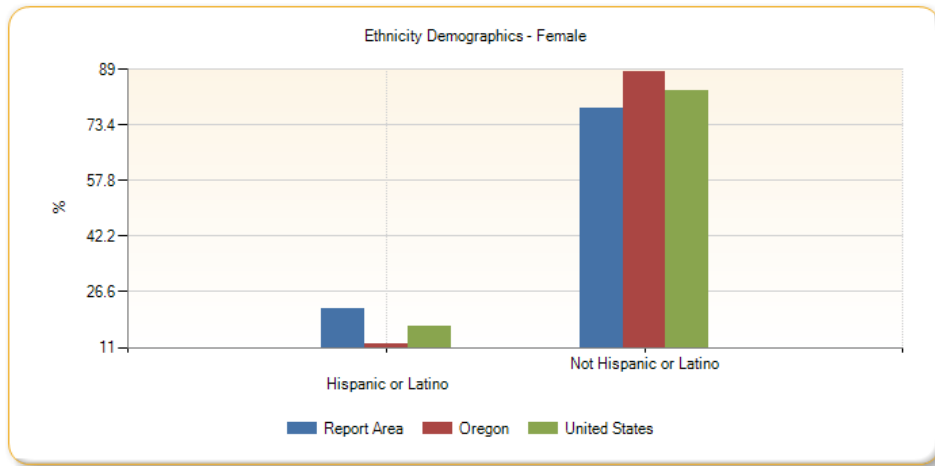


Race Demographics - Female

Report Area	White Female	Black Female	American Indian Female	Asian Female	Native Hawaiian Female	Mixed Race Female
Report Area	171,712	1,673	2,382	4,218	1,541	11,588
Marion County, OR	135,928	1,412	1,843	3,319	1,478	9,672
Polk County, OR	35,784	261	539	899	63	1,916
Oregon	1,714,424	33,751	22,759	86,757	7,611	87,689
United States	118,195,980	21,021,268	1,309,619	8,732,408	280,350	4,889,999

Ethnicity Demographics - Female

Report Area	Total Females Hispanic / Latino	Total Females Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Females Hispanic / Latino	Percent Females Not Hispanic / Latino
Report Area	44,942	159,637	21.97%	78.03%
Marion County, OR	39,987	124,187	24.36%	75.64%
Polk County, OR	4,955	35,450	12.26%	87.74%
Oregon	237,968	1,772,787	11.83%	88.17%
United States	27,294,960	134,497,880	16.87%	83.13%

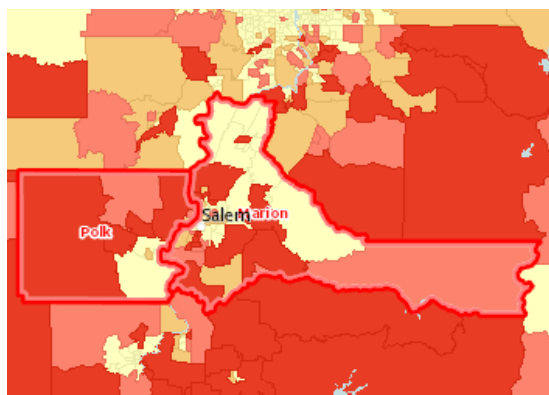


Veterans, Age and Gender Demographics

Veterans, Age and Gender Demographics show the number of veterans living in the report area. According to the American Community Survey (ACS), 9.63% of the adult population in the report area are veterans, which is more than the national average of 8.01%. Polk County has a higher demographic of veterans that report residency there.

Report Area	Veterans Total	Veterans Male	Veterans Female	% Pop over 18 Total	% Pop over 18 Males	% Pop over 18 Females
Report Area	29,207	26,829	2,378	9.63%	18.06%	1.54%
Marion County, OR	23,017	21,251	1,766	9.46%	17.73%	1.43%
Polk County, OR	6,190	5,578	612	10.32%	19.44%	1.95%
Oregon	301,330	277,996	23,334	9.66%	18.19%	1.47%
United States	19,535,341	17,948,822	1,586,519	8.01%	15.17%	1.26%

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



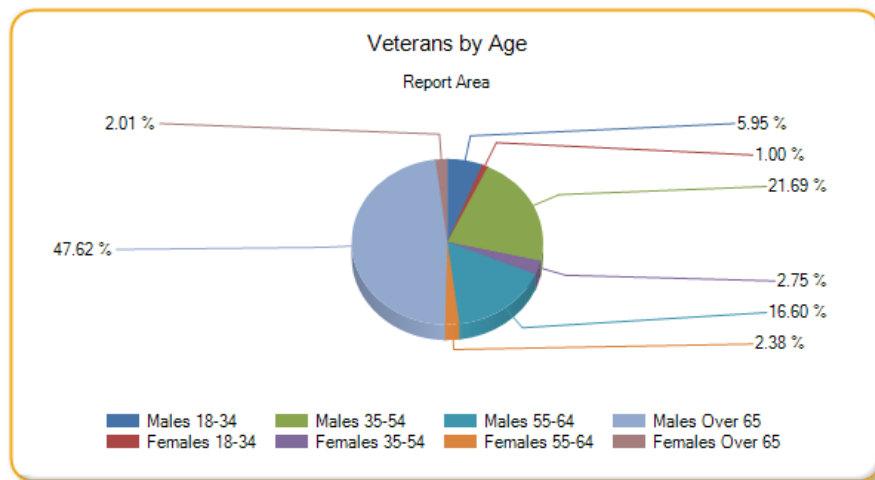
Veterans, Percent of Total Population by Tract, ACS 2012-16

- Over 13%
- 11.1 - 13.0%
- 9.1 - 11.0%
- Under 9.1%
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

Veterans by Age

In Marion and Polk counties, there are a large number of veteran females between the ages of 35 and 54, and a high proportion of male veterans above the age of 65.

Report Area	Veteran Age Males 18-34	Veteran Age Females 18-34	Veteran Age Males 35-54	Veteran Age Females 35-54	Veteran Age Males 55-64	Veteran Age Females 55-64	Veteran Age Males Over 65	Veteran Age Females Over 65
Report Area	1,738	293	6,335	802	4,849	695	13,907	588
Marion County, OR	1,488	167	5,369	695	3,765	477	10,629	427
Polk County, OR	250	126	966	107	1,084	218	3,278	161
Oregon	18,502	3,356	55,831	8,685	54,887	5,055	148,776	6,238
United States	1,366,074	313,688	4,027,254	673,532	3,464,291	320,832	9,091,203	278,467

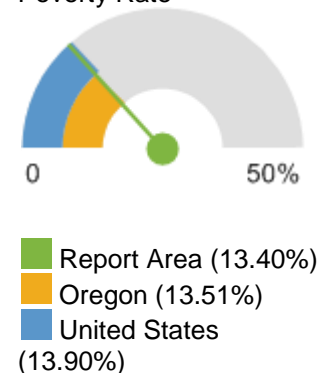


Poverty

2016 poverty estimates show a total of 54,262 persons living below the poverty level in the report area. Poverty information is at 100% of the federal poverty income guidelines. Marion County has a slightly higher poverty rate than Polk County and higher than the Oregon average overall.

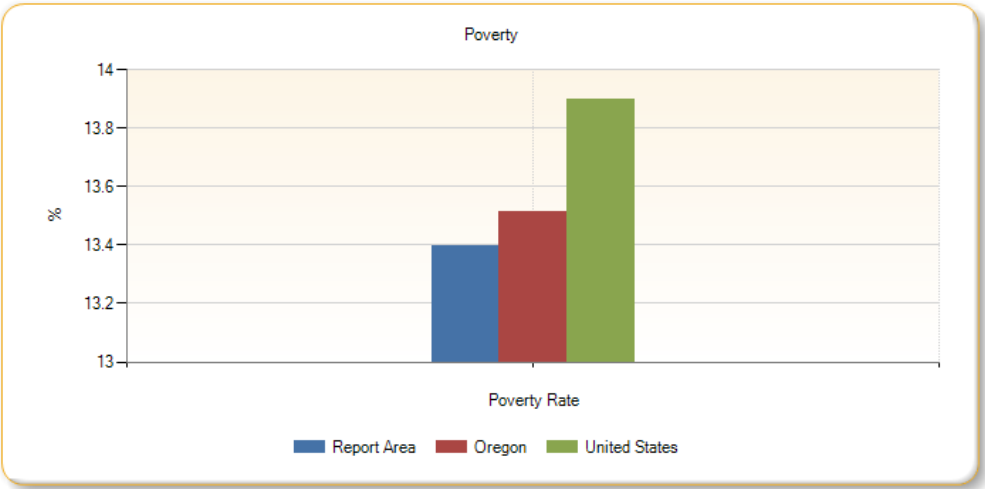
Report Area	All Ages No of Persons	All Ages Poverty Rate	Age 0-17 No of Persons	Age 0-17 Poverty Rate	Age 5-17 No of Persons	Age 5-17 Poverty Rate
Report Area	54,262	13.40%	18,739	18.46%	12,423	16.71%
Marion	44,581	13.6%	16,144	19.6%	10,670	17.9%

All Ages Poverty Rate



County, OR						
Polk County, OR	9,681	12.1%	2,595	14%	1,753	12.8%
Oregon	1,076,337	13.51%	293,219	17.02%	194,192	15.43%
United States	44,268,996	13.90%	14,115,713	19.18%	9,648,486	17.95%

Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016.
Source geography: County

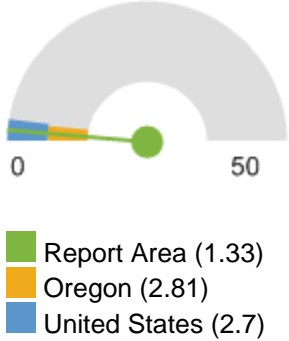


Poverty Rate Change

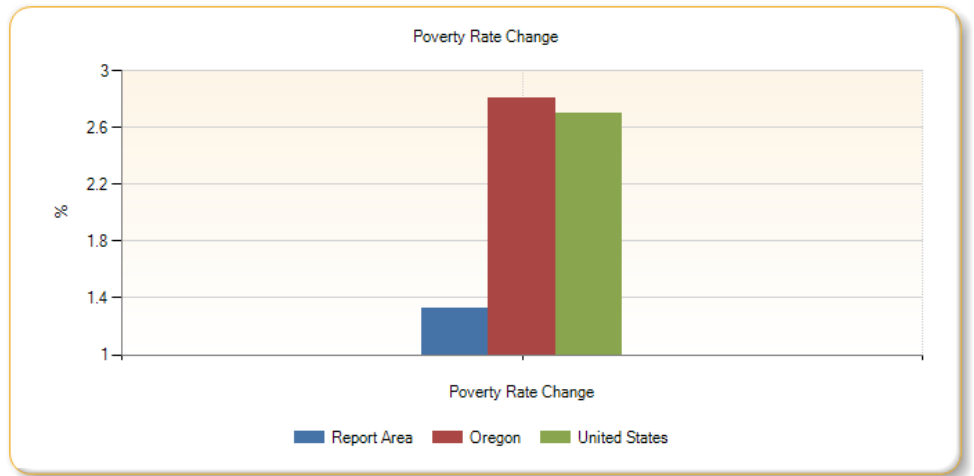
Poverty rate change in the report area from 2000 to 2016 is shown below. According to the U.S. Census, the poverty rate for the area increased by 1.33%, compared to a national increase of 2.7%.

Report Area	Persons in Poverty 2000	Poverty Rate 2000	Persons in Poverty 2016	Poverty Rate 2016	Change in Poverty Rate 2000-2016
Report Area	40,913	11.97%	54,262	13.31%	1.33%
Marion County, OR	34,949	12.5%	44,581	13.6%	1.1%
Polk County, OR	5,964	9.6%	9,681	12.1%	2.5%
Oregon	722,560	10.59%	1,076,337	13.4%	2.81%
United States	31,581,086	11.3%	44,268,996	14%	2.7%

Change in Poverty Rate 2000-2016



Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016. Source geography: county

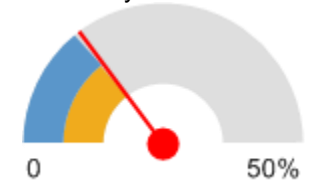


Households in Poverty

The number and percentage of households in poverty are shown in the report area. In 2016, it is estimated that there were 21,083 households, or 14.65%, living in poverty within the report area.

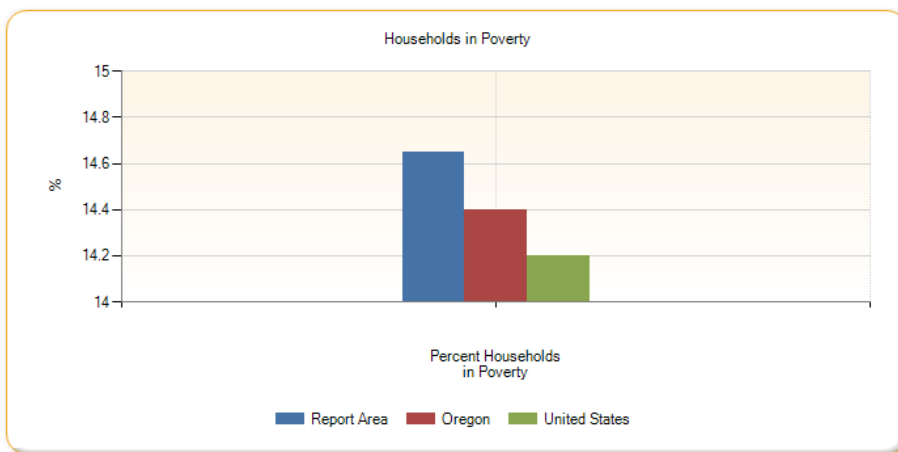
Report Area	Total Households	Households in Poverty	Percent Households in Poverty
Report Area	143,921	21,083	14.65%
Marion County, OR	115,196	16,904	14.7%
Polk County, OR	28,725	4,179	14.6%
Oregon	1,545,745	222,876	14.4%
United States	117,716,237	16,652,240	14.2%

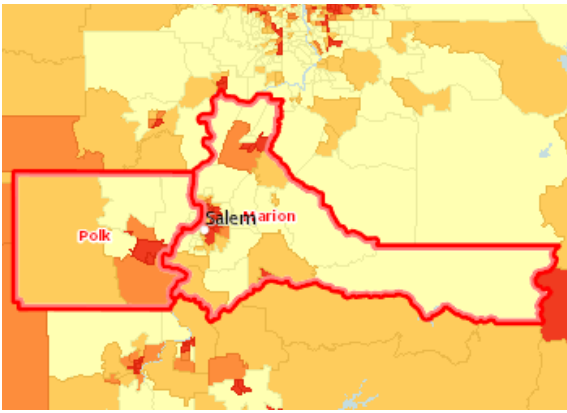
Percent Households in Poverty



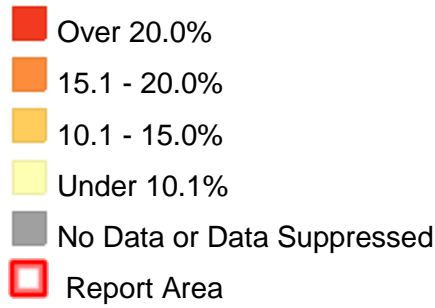
- Report Area (14.65%)
- Oregon (14.4%)
- United States (14.2%)

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County





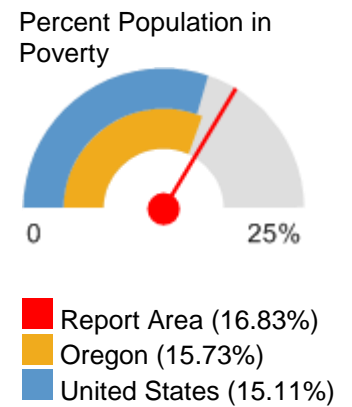
Households Living Below the Poverty Level, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



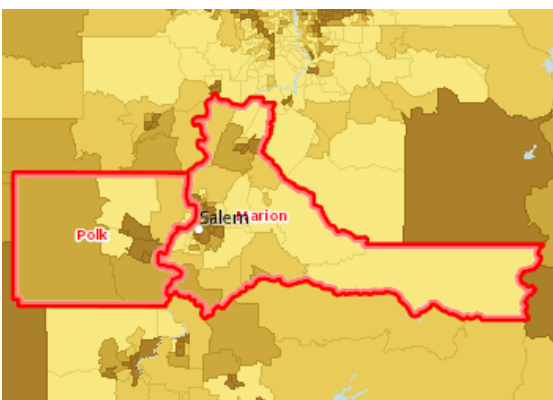
Poverty Rate (ACS)

The following report section shows population estimates for all persons in poverty for report area. According to the American Community Survey 5 year estimates, an average of 16.83 percent of all persons lived in a state of poverty during the 2012 - 2016 period. The poverty rate for all persons living in the report area is greater than the national average of 15.11 percent.

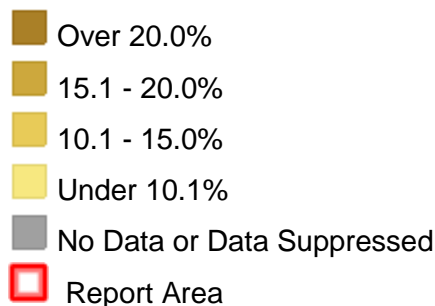
Report Area	Total Population	Population in Poverty	Percent Population in Poverty
Report Area	393,992	66,327	16.83%
Marion County, OR	317,223	54,411	17.15%
Polk County, OR	76,769	11,916	15.52%
Oregon	3,905,386	614,223	15.73%
United States	310,629,645	46,932,225	15.11%



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: Tract



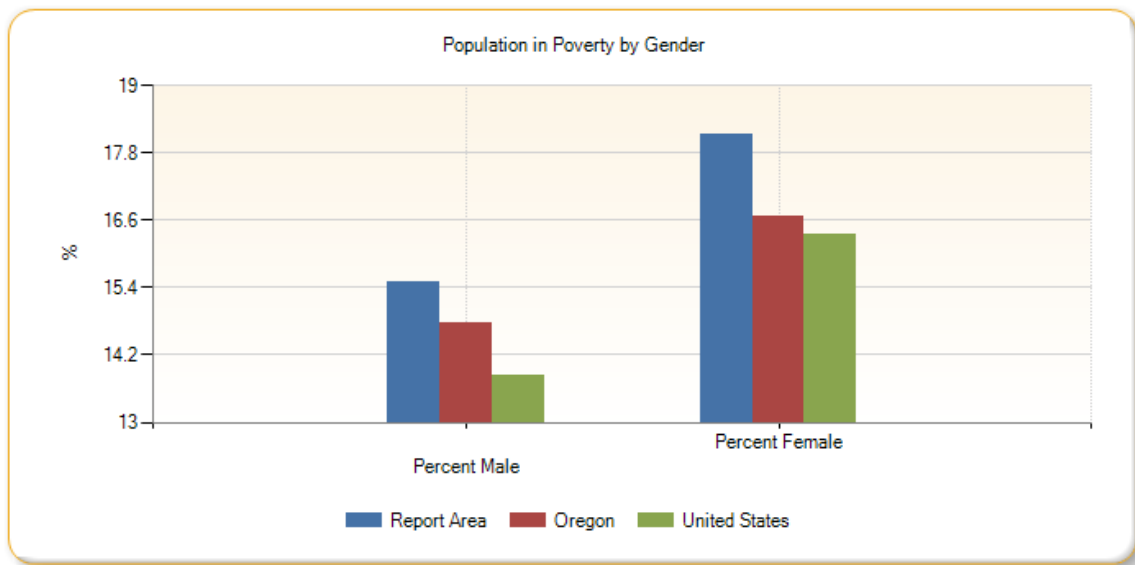
Population Below the Poverty Level, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



Population in Poverty by Gender

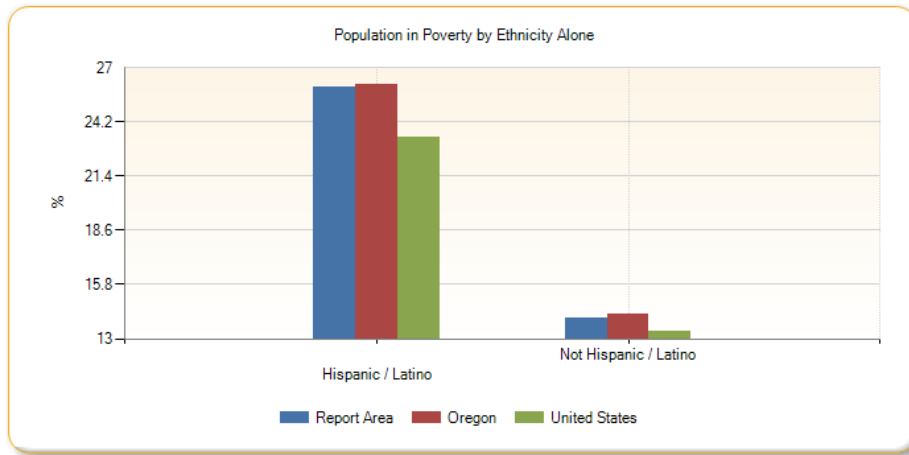
Women in Marion and Polk counties are more likely to be in poverty at a rate of 18.13%. This is higher than the Oregon and US rates.

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Area	29,916	36,411	15.49%	18.13%
Marion County, OR	24,426	29,985	15.68%	18.57%
Polk County, OR	5,490	6,426	14.69%	16.31%
Oregon	284,500	329,723	14.77%	16.66%
United States	21,012,839	25,919,386	13.82%	16.34%



Population in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone

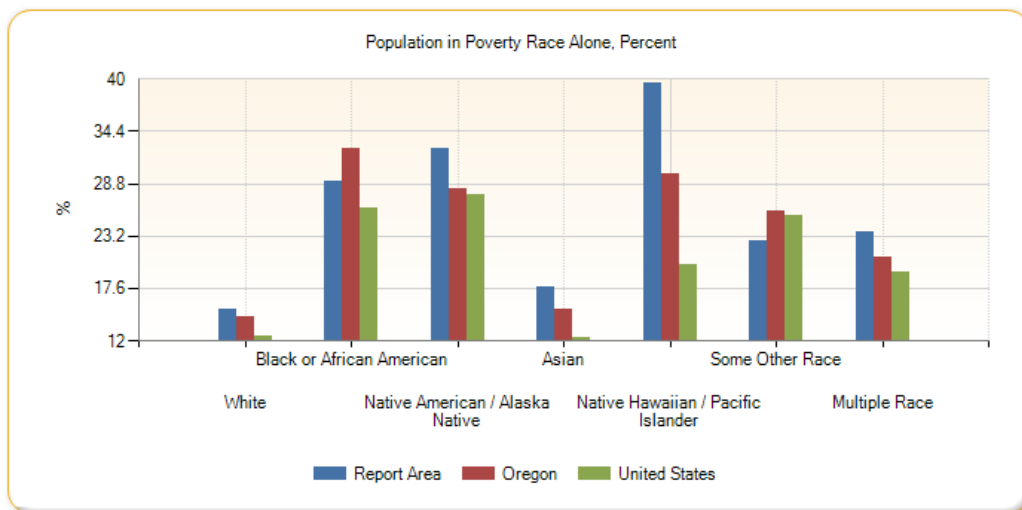
Report Area	Total Hispanic / Latino	Total Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Hispanic / Latino	Percent Not Hispanic / Latino
Report Area	23,868	42,459	25.97%	14.05%
Marion County, OR	21,586	32,825	26.33%	13.95%
Polk County, OR	2,282	9,634	23.01%	14.41%
Oregon	126,554	487,669	26.14%	14.25%
United States	12,653,597	34,278,628	23.4%	13.36%



Population in Poverty Race Alone, Percent

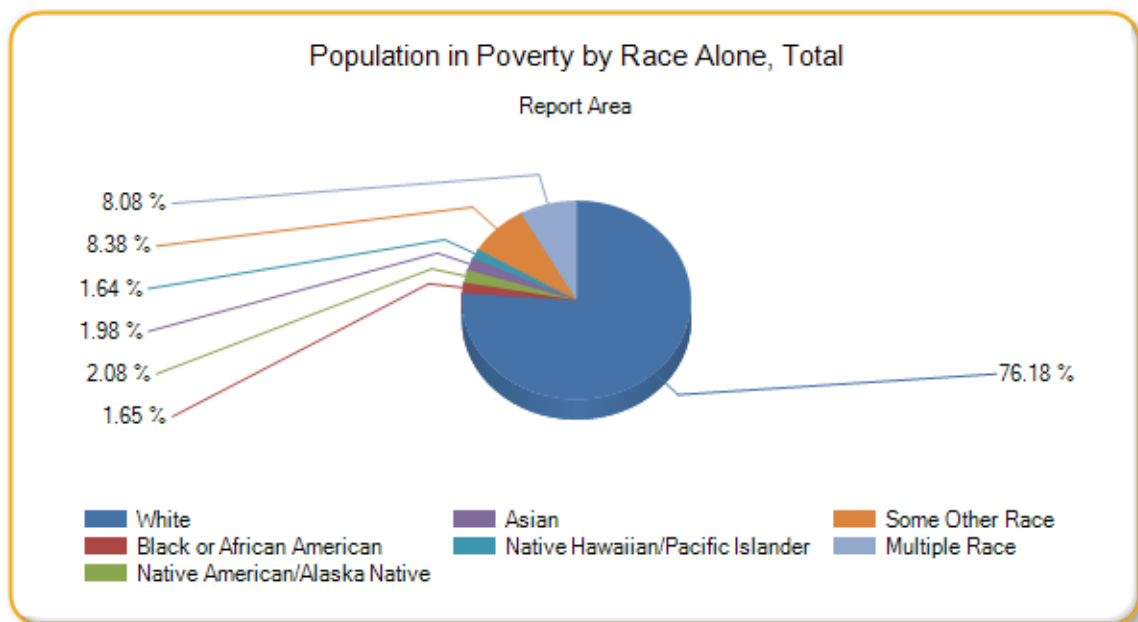
It is evident in our area that the races of Black or African American, and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander are more likely to be in poverty than other races in our area and as compared across Oregon and the US.

Report Area	White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	15.37%	28.99%	32.53%	17.79%	39.49%	22.7%	23.72%
Marion County, OR	15.63%	30.73%	32.89%	16.76%	40.96%	22.04%	24.36%
Polk County, OR	14.34%	19.56%	31.47%	21.95%	24.6%	29.83%	20.53%
Oregon	14.53%	32.5%	28.31%	15.37%	29.82%	25.93%	20.86%
United States	12.44%	26.22%	27.59%	12.33%	20.07%	25.37%	19.27%



Population in Poverty by Race Alone, Total

Report Area	White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	50,525	1,096	1,382	1,312	1,090	5,560	5,362
Marion County, OR	40,834	981	1,045	990	1,029	4,944	4,588
Polk County, OR	9,691	115	337	322	61	616	774
Oregon	483,778	22,906	12,335	24,080	4,311	31,571	35,242
United States	28,424,685	10,111,248	692,998	2,009,019	108,956	3,765,448	1,819,871



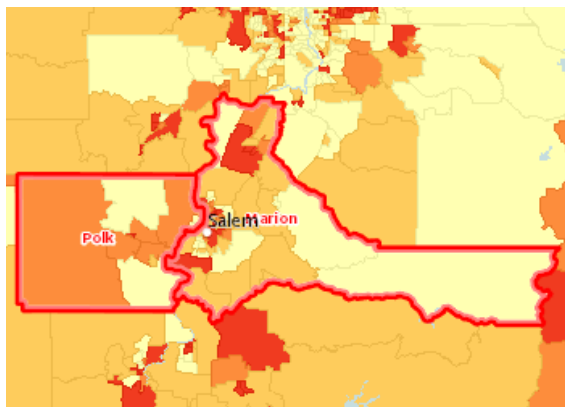
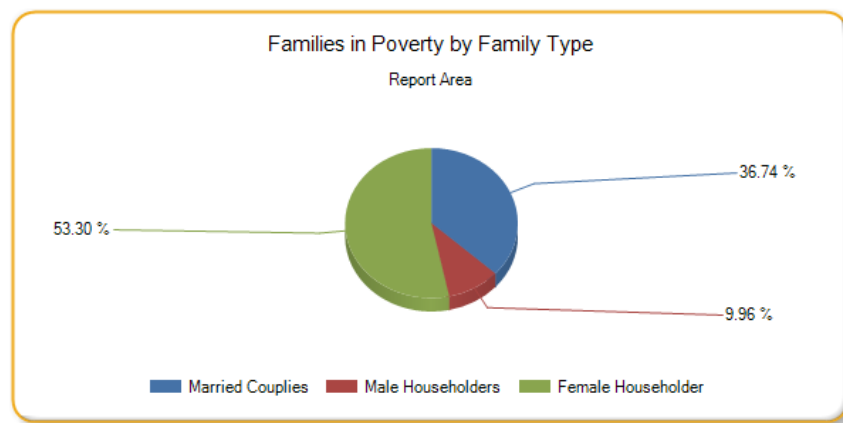
Families in Poverty by Family Type

The number of families in poverty by type are shown in the report area. According to ACS 2012-2016 5 year estimates for the report area, there were 12,037 families living in poverty.

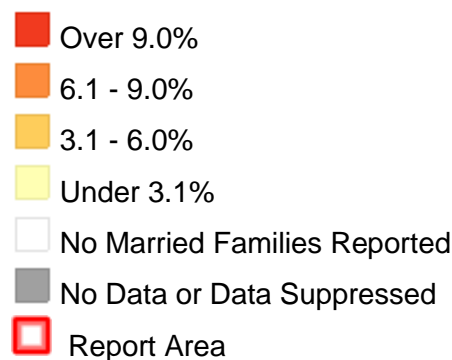
Report Area	Total Families	Families in Poverty Total	Families in Poverty Married Couples	Families in Poverty Male	Families in Poverty Female Householder

				Householder	
Report Area	98,937	12,037	4,422	1,199	6,416
Marion County, OR	79,250	10,034	3,568	865	5,601
Polk County, OR	19,687	2,003	854	334	815
Oregon	979,610	103,204	41,761	11,428	50,015
United States	77,608,829	8,543,087	3,104,359	914,985	4,523,743

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



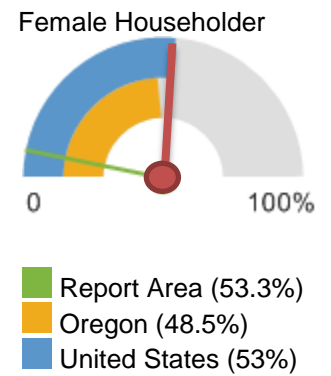
Married Family Households Living Below the Poverty Level, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



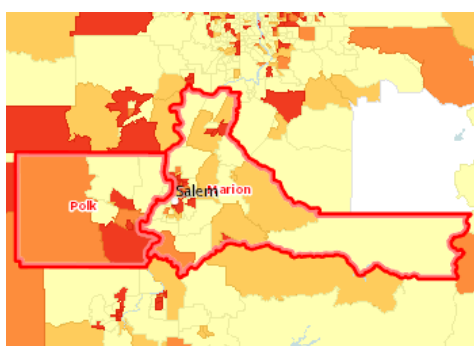
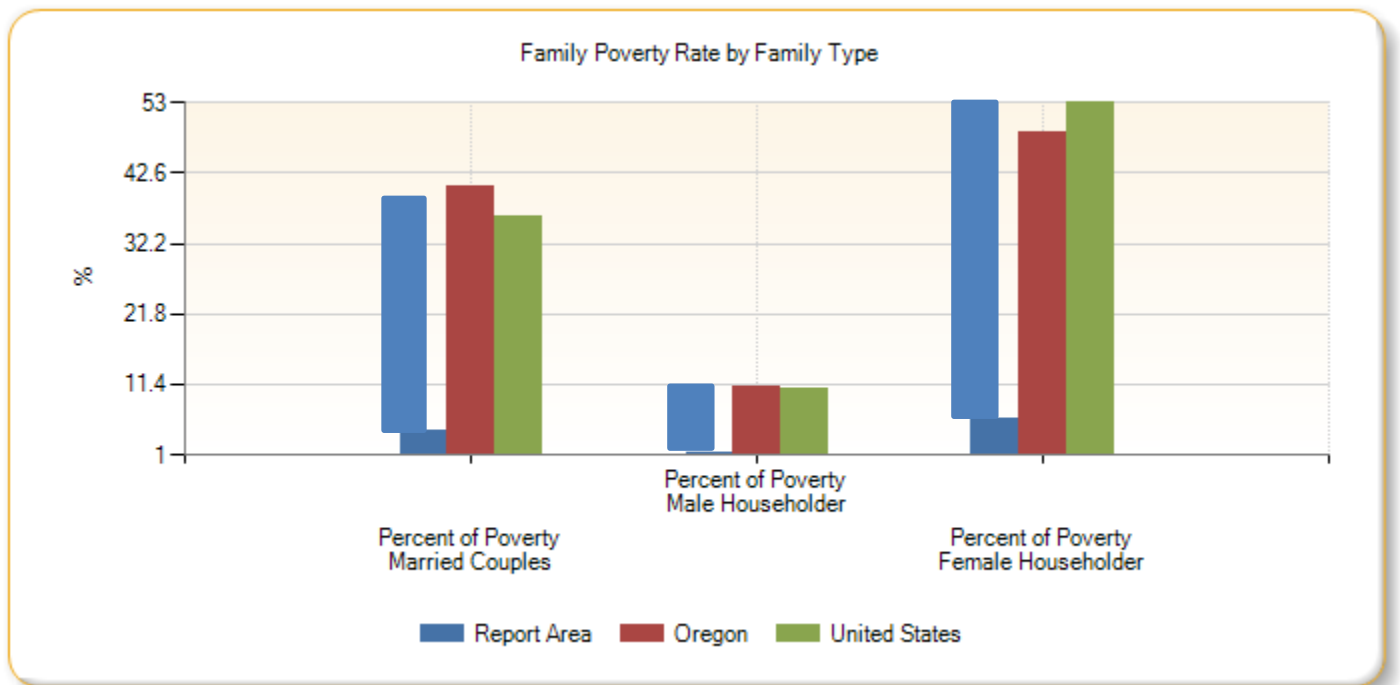
Family Poverty Rate by Family Type

The percentage of households in poverty by household type are shown for the report area. It is estimated that 12.2% of all households were living in poverty within the report area, compared to the national average of 11.3%. Of the households in poverty, female headed households represented 53.3% of all households in poverty, compared to 10% and 36.7% of households headed by males and married couples, respectively. There is also a higher on average level of poverty amongst married couples and male head of householders in Polk County.

Report Area	Poverty Rate All Types	Percent of Poverty Married Couples	Percent of Poverty Male Householder	Percent of Poverty Female Householder
Report Area	12.2%	36.7%	10.0%	53.3%
Marion County, OR	12.7%	35.6%	8.6%	55.8%
Polk County, OR	10.2%	42.6%	16.7%	40.7%
Oregon	10.5%	40.5%	11.1%	48.5%
United States	11%	36.3%	10.7%	53%



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Single Parent Family Households Living Below the Poverty Level, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

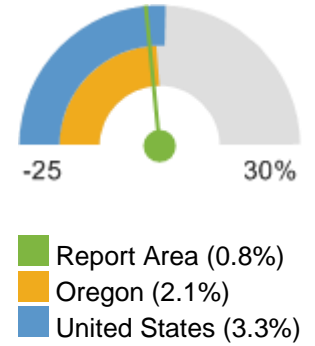
- Over 37.0%
- 30.1 - 37.0%
- 23.1 - 30.0%
- Under 23.1%
- No 1 Parent Households Reported
- No Data or Data Suppressed

Poverty Rate Change (Age 0-17)

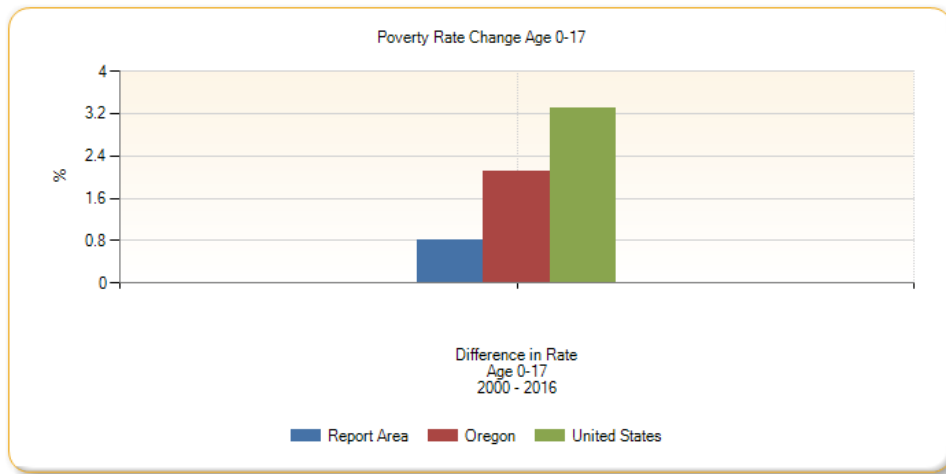
The poverty rate change for all children in the report area from 2000 to 2016 is shown below. According to the U.S. Census, the poverty rate for the area increased by 0.8%, compared to a national increase of 3.3%. Poverty amongst children and youth in Marion County is currently higher than both Oregon and US rates.

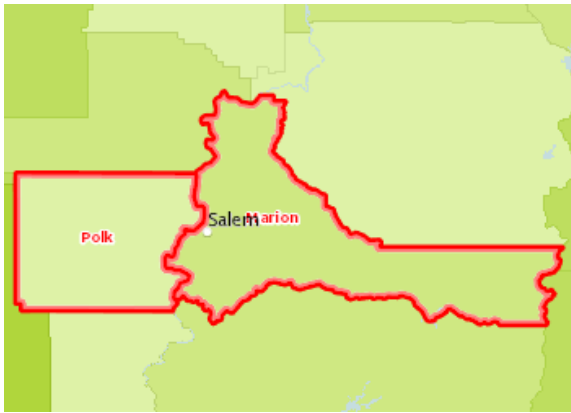
Report Area	Poverty Age 0-17 2000	Poverty Rate Age 0-17 2000	Poverty Age 0-17 2016	Poverty Rate Age 0-17 2016	Difference in Rate Age 0-17 2000 - 2016
Report Area	16,577	17.8%	18,739	18.6%	0.8%
Marion County, OR	14,358	18.6%	16,144	19.6%	1%
Polk County, OR	2,219	14.1%	2,595	14%	-0.1%
Oregon	255,086	15.1%	293,219	17.2%	2.1%
United States	34,757,074	16.2%	42,341,696	19.5%	3.3%

Poverty Rate Change Age 0-17

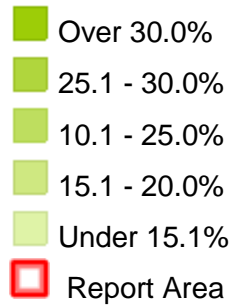


Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016. Source geography: County





Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 0-18), Percent by County, SAIFE 2016

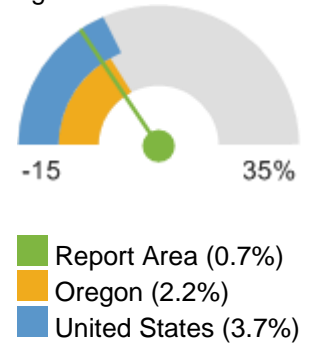


Poverty Rate Change (Age 5-17)

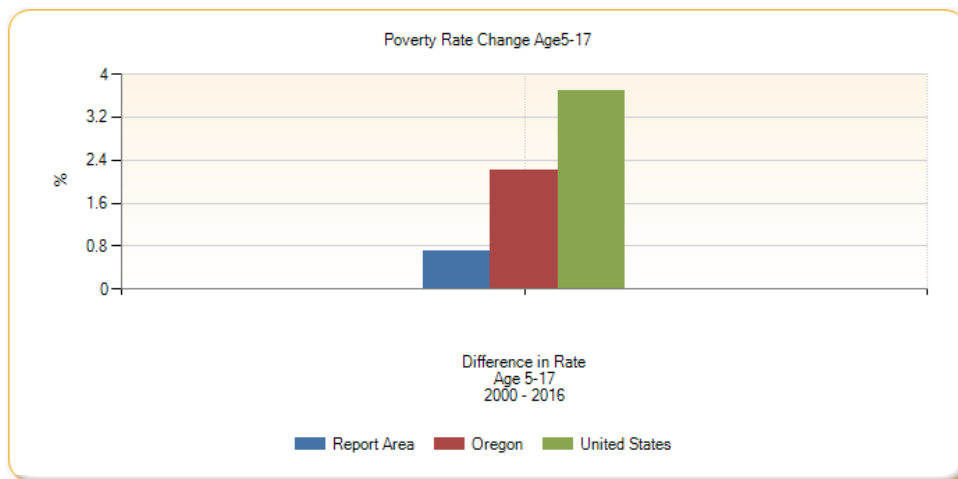
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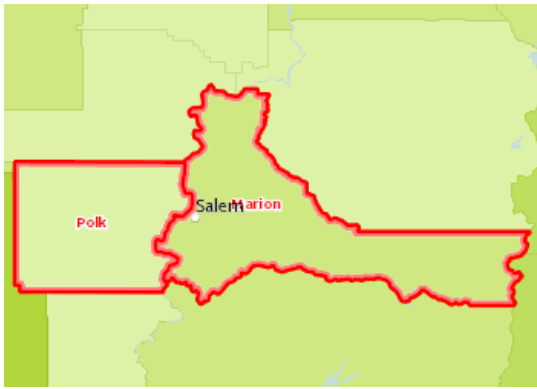
Report Area	Poverty Age 5-17 2000	Poverty Rate Age 5-17 2000	Poverty Age 5-17 2016	Poverty Rate Age 5-17 2016	Difference in Rate Age 5-17 2000 - 2016
Report Area	10,577	16.2%	12,423	16.9%	0.7%
Marion County, OR	9,105	16.9%	10,670	17.9%	1%
Polk County, OR	1,472	12.8%	1,753	12.8%	0%
Oregon	163,254	13.6%	194,192	15.8%	2.2%
United States	22,606,876	14.6%	28,941,885	18.3%	3.7%

Poverty Rate Change Age5-17

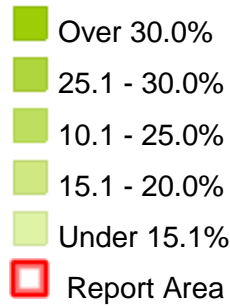


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Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 5-17), Percent by County, SAIPE 2016

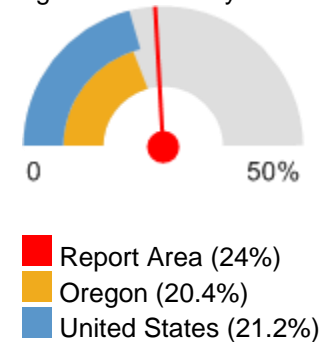


Child Poverty Rate (ACS) Ages 0-17

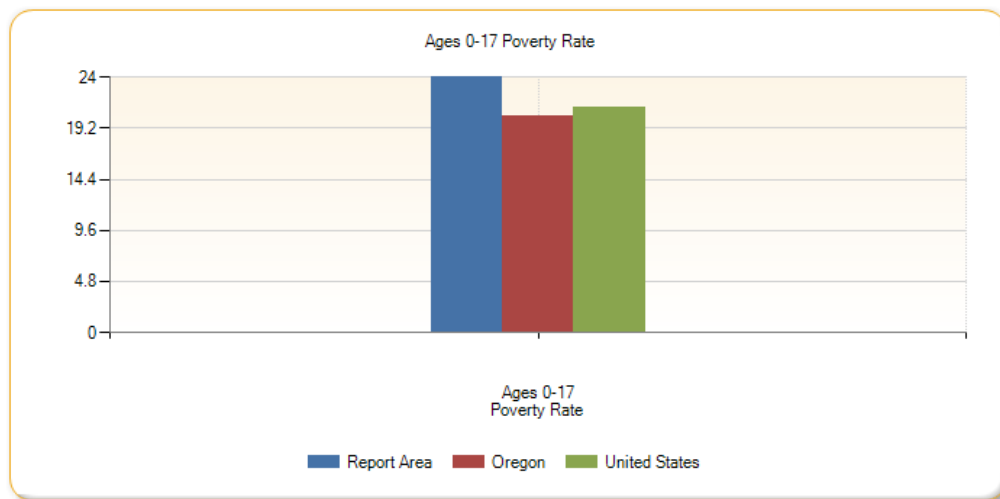
Population and poverty estimates for children age 0-17 are shown for the report area. According to the American Community Survey 5 year data, an average of 24% percent of children lived in a state of poverty during the survey calendar year. The poverty rate for children living in the report area is greater than the national average of 21.2 percent.

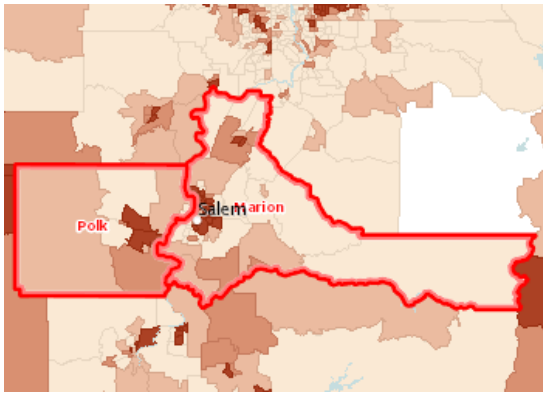
Report Area	Ages 0-17 Total Population	Ages 0-17 In Poverty	Ages 0-17 Poverty Rate
Report Area	99,533	23,839	24%
Marion County, OR	81,465	20,697	25.4%
Polk County, OR	18,068	3,142	17.4%
Oregon	844,603	172,582	20.4%
United States	72,456,096	15,335,783	21.2%

Ages 0-17 Poverty Rate

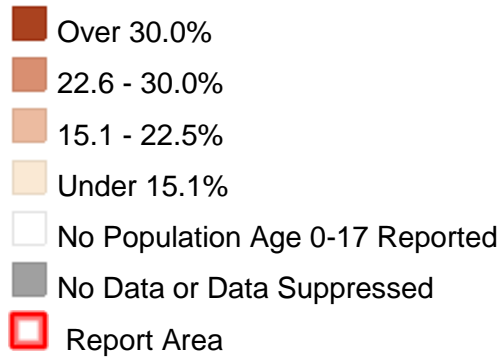


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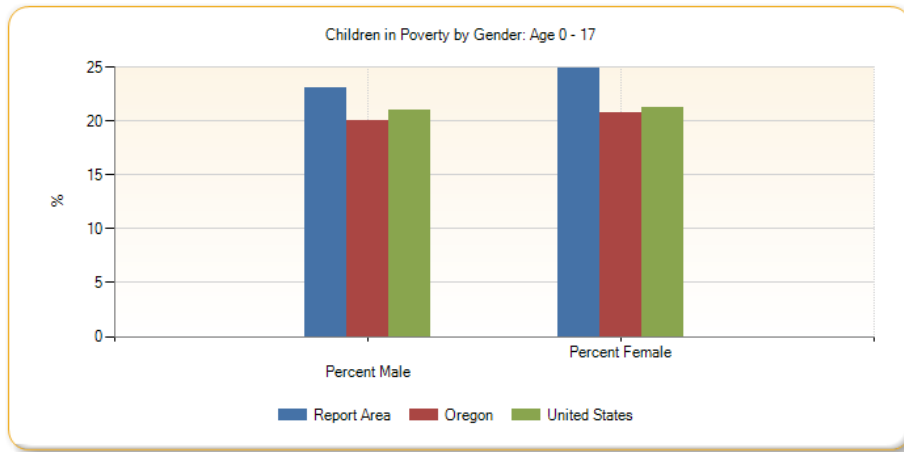


Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 0-17), Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



Children in Poverty by Gender: Age 0 - 17

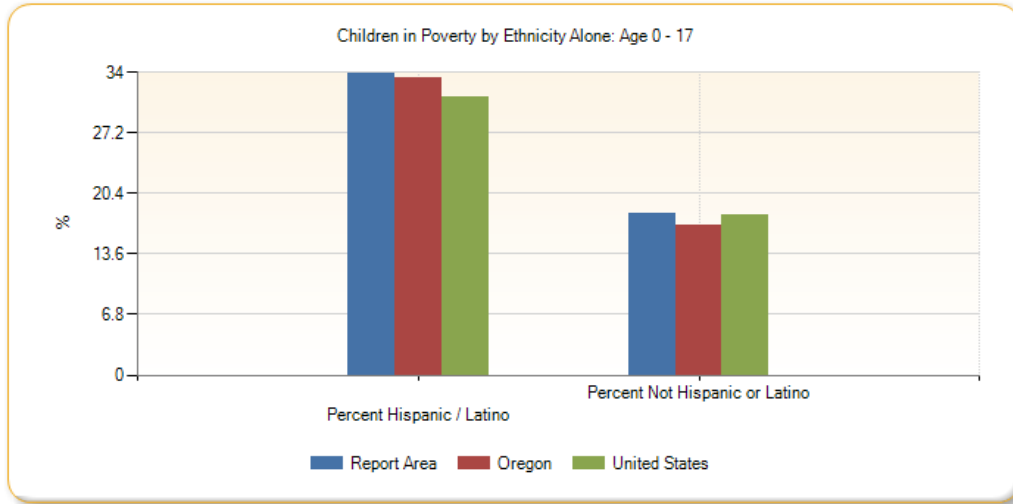
Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Area	11,703	12,136	23.04%	24.9%
Marion County, OR	10,113	10,584	24.29%	26.57%
Polk County, OR	1,590	1,552	17.35%	17.43%
Oregon	86,918	85,664	20.09%	20.79%
United States	7,788,380	7,547,403	21.05%	21.29%



Children in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone: Age 0 - 17

Report Area	Total Hispanic / Latino	Total Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Hispanic / Latino	Percent Not Hispanic or Latino
Report Area	12,501	11,338	33.86%	18.11%
Marion County, OR	11,496	9,201	34.78%	19.01%
Polk County,	1,005	2,137	26.01%	15.05%

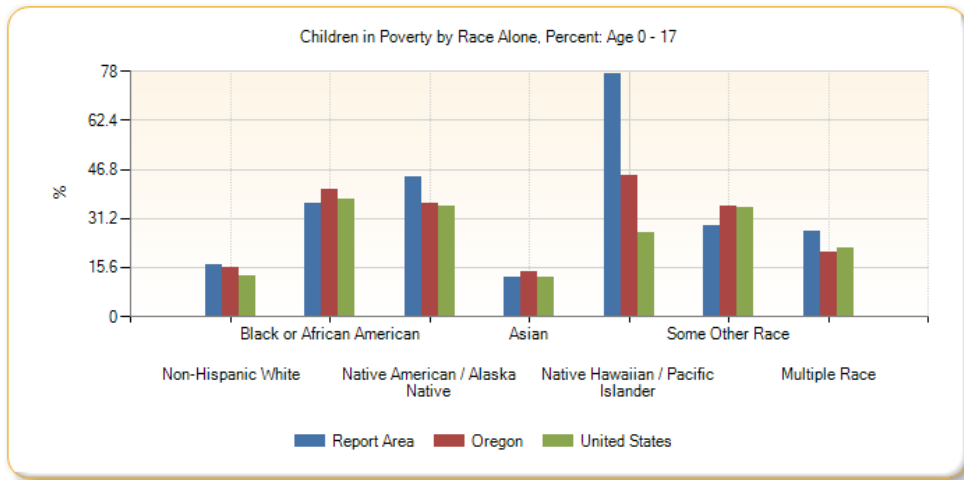
OR				
Oregon	61,011	111,571	33.31%	16.87%
United States	5,525,267	9,810,516	31.26%	17.91%



Children in Poverty by Race Alone, Percent: Age 0 – 17

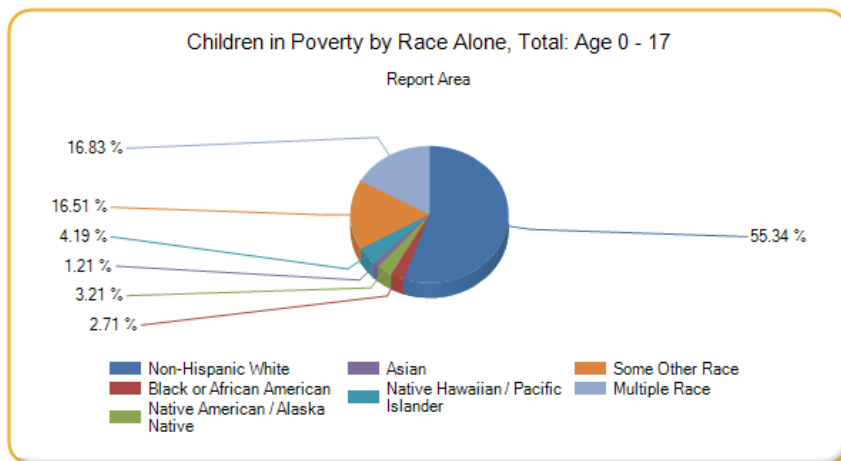
In our area, we have a significant percentage of our Native American and Pacific Islander population under the age of 17 living in poverty as compared to Oregon and the overall US.

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	16.34%	35.81%	44.25%	12.5%	77.07%	29.11%	27.01%
Marion County, OR	17.16%	43.33%	44.88%	15.59%	82.23%	27.37%	29.18%
Polk County, OR	13.62%	0%	42.86%	0%	8.33%	57.42%	17.38%
Oregon	15.57%	40.6%	35.88%	14.4%	45.06%	35.02%	20.52%
United States	12.72%	37.42%	35.2%	12.54%	26.76%	34.63%	21.62%



Children in Poverty by Race Alone, Total: Age 0 - 17

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	8,749	429	508	191	662	2,610	2,661
Marion County, OR	7,066	429	355	191	657	2,312	2,346
Polk County, OR	1,683	0	153	0	5	298	315
Oregon	85,058	7,648	3,905	4,410	1,829	14,257	14,869
United States	4,769,712	3,819,940	246,820	425,824	38,963	1,574,212	962,043

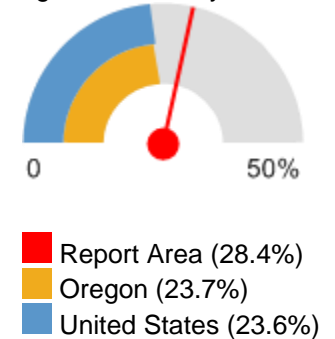


Child Poverty Rate (ACS) Ages 0-4

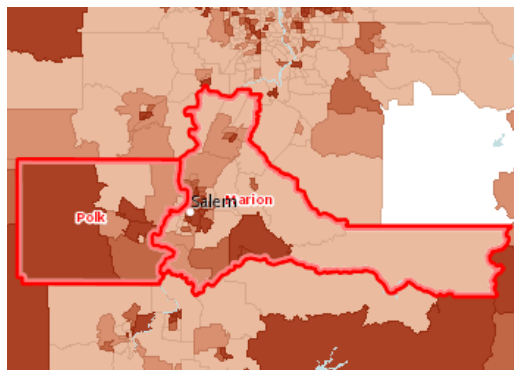
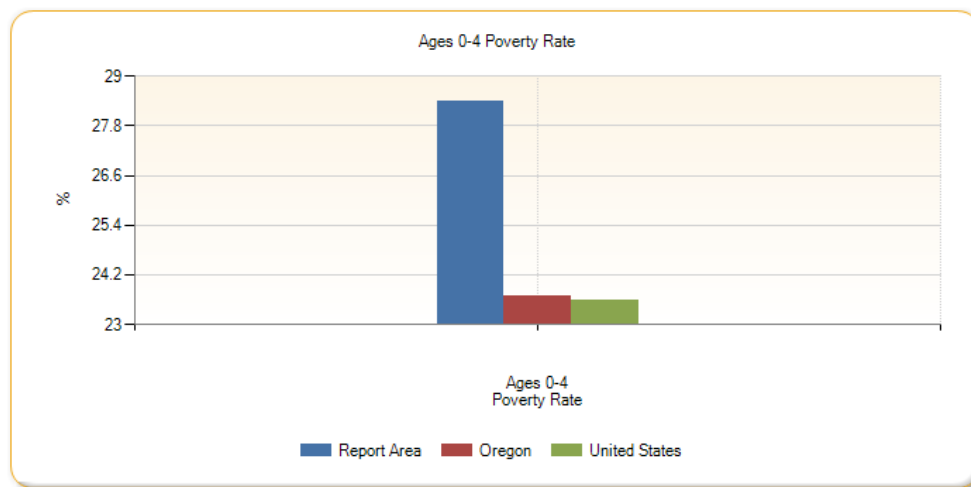
Population and poverty estimates for children age 0-4 are shown for the report area. According to the American Community Survey 5 year data, an average of 28.4% percent of children lived in a state of poverty during the survey calendar year. The poverty rate for children living in the report area is greater than the national average of 23.6 percent.

Report Area	Ages 0-4 Total Population	Ages 0-4 In Poverty	Ages 0-4 Poverty Rate
Report Area	26,456	7,523	28.4%
Marion County, OR	21,926	6,346	28.9%
Polk County, OR	4,530	1,177	26%
Oregon	227,078	53,794	23.7%
United States	19,554,400	4,614,933	23.6%

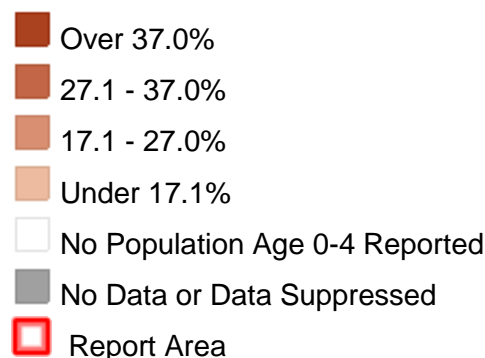
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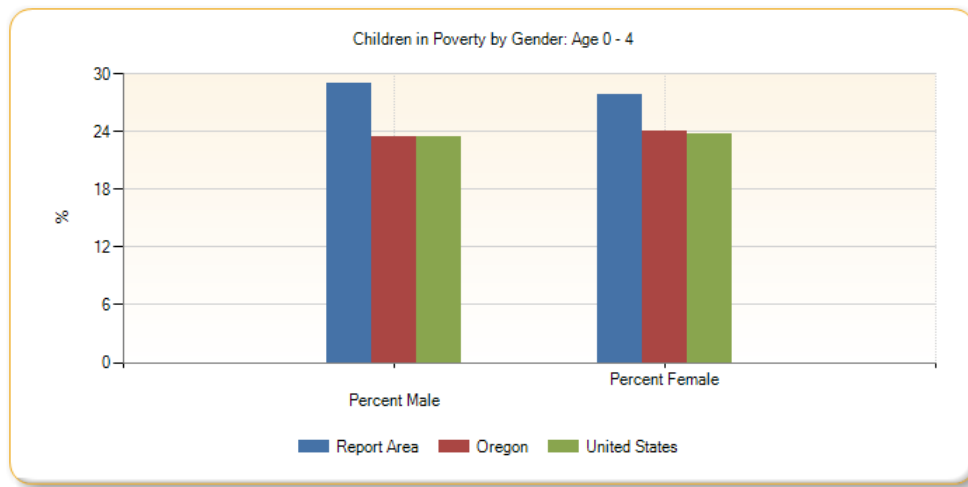


Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 0-4), Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



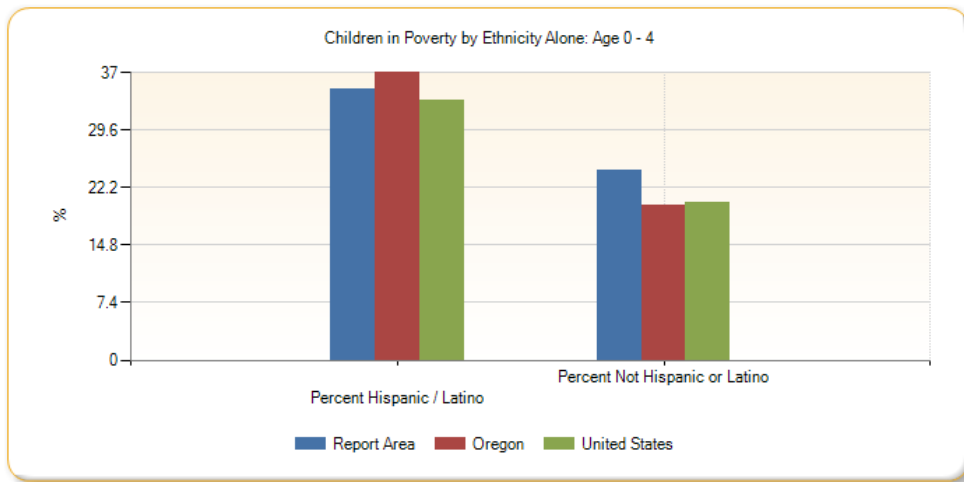
Children in Poverty by Gender: Age 0 - 4

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Area	3,939	3,584	29.07%	27.77%
Marion County, OR	3,256	3,090	28.83%	29.07%
Polk County, OR	683	494	30.29%	21.71%
Oregon	27,321	26,473	23.42%	23.97%
United States	2,349,027	2,265,906	23.5%	23.7%



Children in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone: Age 0 - 4

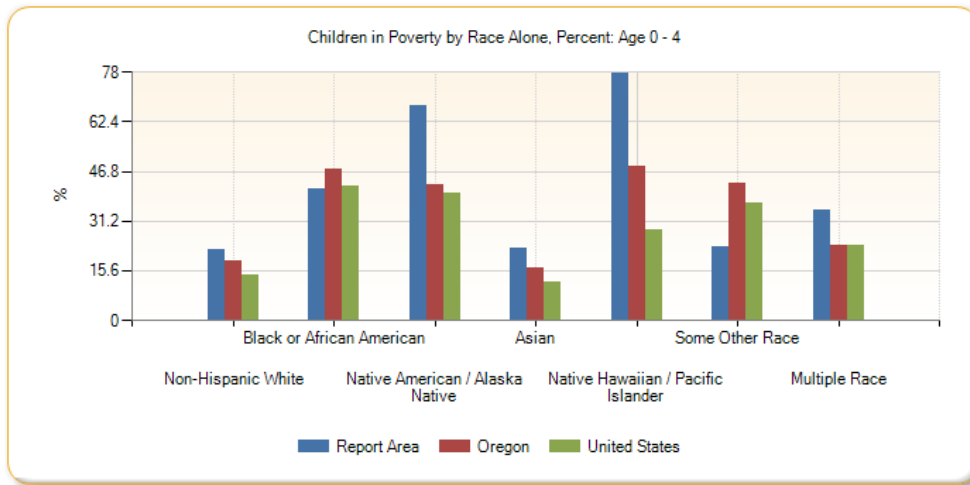
Report Area	Total Hispanic / Latino	Total Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Hispanic / Latino	Percent Not Hispanic or Latino
Report Area	3,522	4,001	34.83%	24.48%
Marion County, OR	3,182	3,164	35.06%	24.62%
Polk County, OR	340	837	32.82%	23.96%
Oregon	18,888	34,906	36.98%	19.83%
United States	1,683,545	2,931,388	33.36%	20.21%



Children in Poverty by Race Alone, Percent: Age 0 – 4

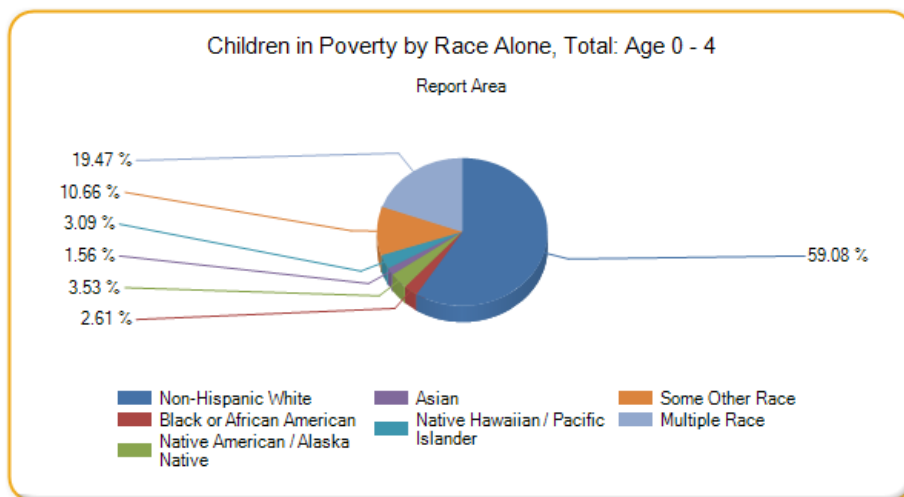
When examining a subsection of children under the age of 4, the rate of poverty within Native American and Pacific Islander households is significantly higher than the national average, and higher than poverty below the age of 17 as a whole in our service area.

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	22.07%	41.28%	67.53%	22.88%	77.67%	23.16%	34.43%
Marion County, OR	22.34%	43.69%	55.7%	29.35%	77.67%	20.79%	35.7%
Polk County, OR	21.08%	0%	81.97%	0%	no data	58.28%	26.21%
Oregon	18.48%	47.35%	42.82%	16.6%	48.17%	42.96%	23.73%
United States	14.39%	42.19%	40.15%	12.1%	28.49%	36.8%	23.78%



Children in Poverty by Race Alone, Total: Age 0 - 4

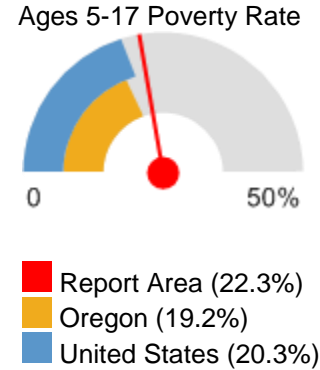
Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	3,059	135	183	81	160	552	1,008
Marion County, OR	2,419	135	83	81	160	464	905
Polk County, OR	640	0	100	0	0	88	103
Oregon	26,781	2,445	1,109	1,250	447	4,505	5,133
United States	1,401,761	1,155,002	72,736	109,909	11,309	464,274	342,157



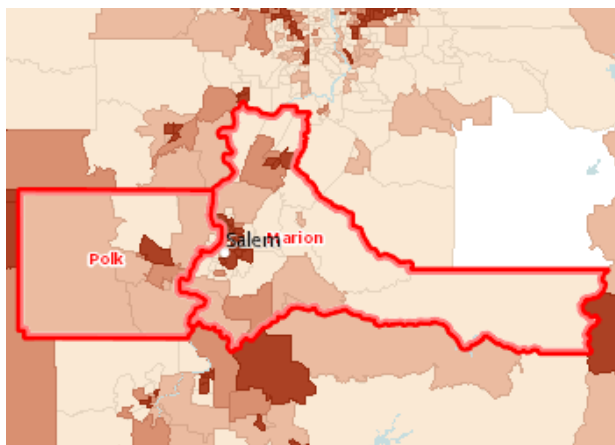
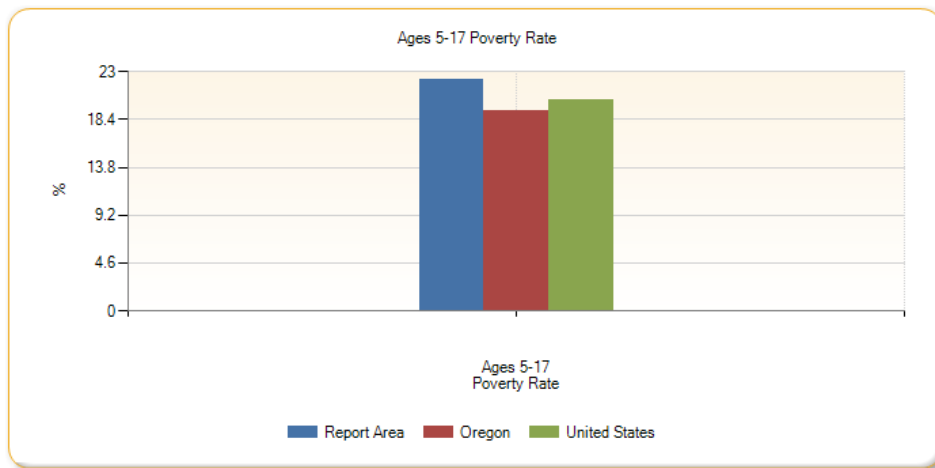
Child Poverty Rate (ACS) Ages 5-17

Population and poverty estimates for children age 5-17 are shown for the report area. According to the American Community Survey 5 year data, an average of 22.3% percent of children lived in a state of poverty during the survey calendar year. The poverty rate for children living in the report area is greater than the national average of 20.3 percent.

Report Area	Ages 5-17 Total Population	Ages 5-17 In Poverty	Ages 5-17 Poverty Rate
Report Area	73,077	16,316	22.3%
Marion County, OR	59,539	14,351	24.1%
Polk County, OR	13,538	1,965	14.5%
Oregon	617,525	118,788	19.2%
United States	52,901,696	10,720,850	20.3%



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County

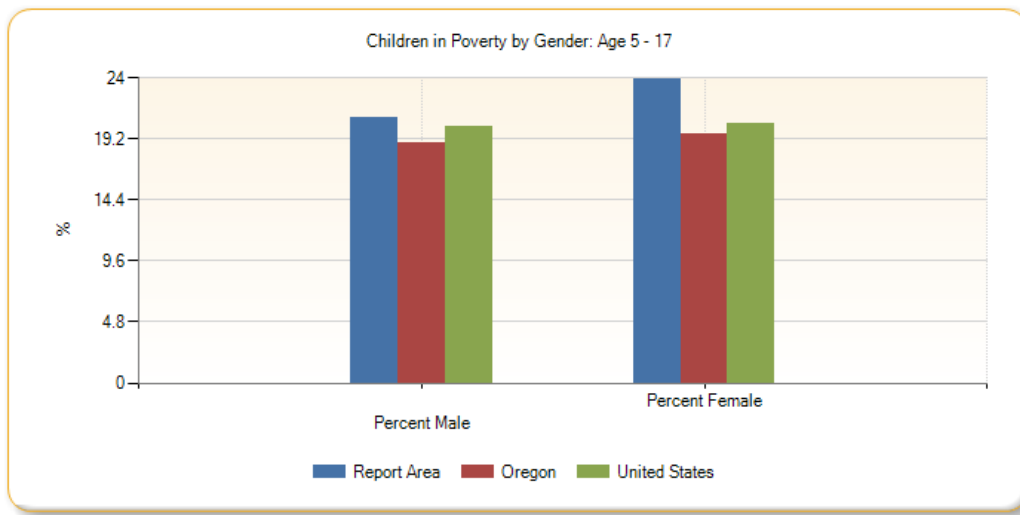


Population Below the Poverty Level, Children (Age 5-17), Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

- Over 29.0%
- 21.1 - 29.0%
- 13.1 - 21.0%
- Under 13.1%
- No Population Age 5-17 Reported
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

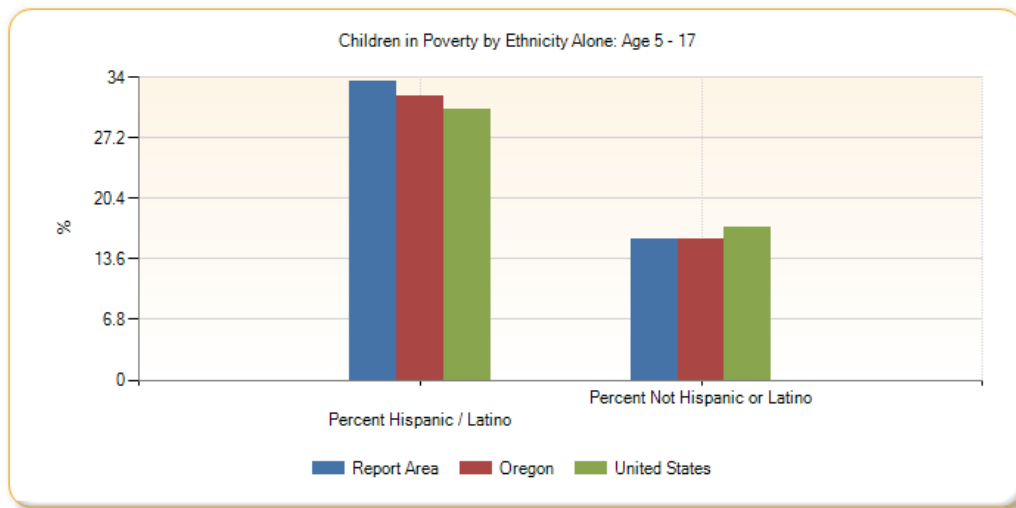
Children in Poverty by Gender: Age 5 - 17

Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Area	7,764	8,552	20.84%	23.87%
Marion County, OR	6,857	7,494	22.6%	25.67%
Polk County, OR	907	1,058	13.13%	15.96%
Oregon	59,597	59,191	18.86%	19.63%
United States	5,439,353	5,281,497	20.14%	20.39%



Children in Poverty by Ethnicity Alone: Age 5 - 17

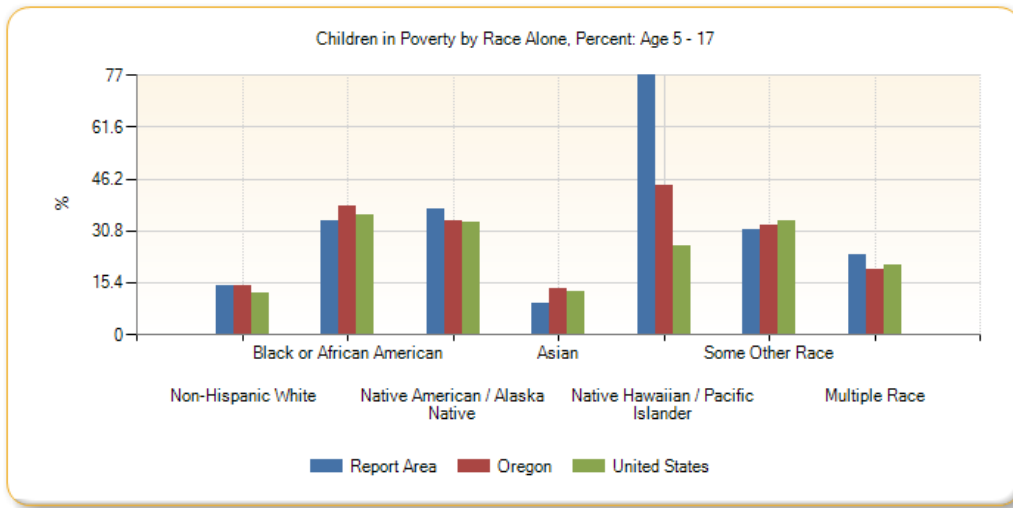
Report Area	Total Hispanic / Latino	Total Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Hispanic / Latino	Percent Not Hispanic or Latino
Report Area	8,979	7,337	33.49%	15.86%
Marion County, OR	8,314	6,037	34.67%	16.98%
Polk County, OR	665	1,300	23.51%	12.14%
Oregon	42,123	76,665	31.89%	15.79%
United States	3,841,722	6,879,128	30.42%	17.08%



Children in Poverty by Race Alone, Percent: Age 5 – 17

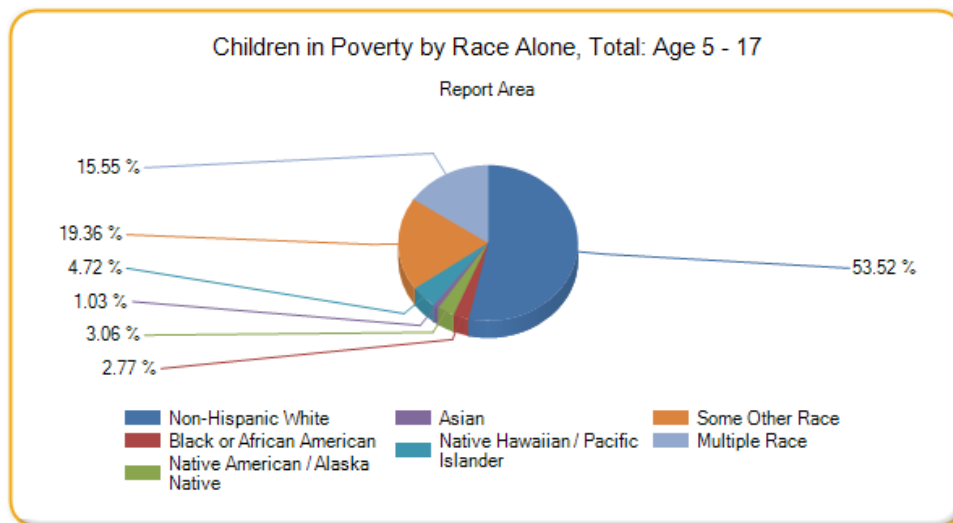
Similar needs for the children ages 4 and under, statistically this age group shows a strikingly higher percentage of Native American and Pacific Islanders in poverty. Marion County is statistically higher in our service area.

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	14.34%	33.75%	37.06%	9.37%	76.88%	31.26%	23.88%
Marion County, OR	15.31%	43.17%	42.37%	11.59%	83.81%	29.73%	26.18%
Polk County, OR	11.19%	0%	22.55%	0%	8.33%	57.07%	14.94%
Oregon	14.52%	38.06%	33.71%	13.68%	44.14%	32.27%	19.15%
United States	12.13%	35.67%	33.47%	12.7%	26.12%	33.8%	20.59%



Children in Poverty by Race Alone, Total: Age 5 - 17

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	5,690	294	325	110	502	2,058	1,653
Marion County, OR	4,647	294	272	110	497	1,848	1,441
Polk County, OR	1,043	0	53	0	5	210	212
Oregon	58,277	5,203	2,796	3,160	1,382	9,752	9,736
United States	3,367,951	2,664,938	174,084	315,915	27,654	1,109,938	619,886



Community Needs and Survey Feedback

Parents enrolling their children in Community Action Head Start, Salem Keizer Head Start or Family Building Blocks Early Head Start programs complete a survey about the greatest needs in the community and the greatest needs within their own family. 318 parents were surveyed at Salem Keizer Head Start, 622 parents were surveyed at Community Action Head Start from Marion County and 82 from Polk County and 41 parents were surveyed at Family Building Blocks. In all programs the parents identified the needs most critical to families living below the poverty level.

The top community needs identified by parents in 2017:

Salem Keizer Head Start

1. Need for affordable housing, 33%
2. Cost of Utilities, 19%
3. Drug Abuse, 15%

Community Action Head Start – Marion County

1. Affordable Housing, 115 responses, 19.69%
2. Safety in schools, 98 responses, 16.78%
3. Crime, Violence & Gangs, 84 responses, 14.38%

Community Action Head Start – Polk County

1. Not enough jobs, 18 responses, 26.47%
2. Need for Affordable Housing, 21 responses, 25.61%
3. Safety in schools, 12 responses, 17.65%

Family Building Blocks

1. Need for affordable housing, 29%
2. Safety in schools, 22%
3. Food for low income people, 17%

The top needs parents identified for their families in 2017:

Salem Keizer Head Start

1. Paying necessary bills, 32%
2. Affordable housing, 31%
3. Employment, 30%

Community Action Head Start – Marion County

1. Paying bills, 131 responses, 21.06%
2. Affordable Housing, 126 responses, 20.26%
3. Learning English, 94 responses, 16.10%

Community Action Head Start – Polk County

1. Paying Bills, 20 responses, 29.41%
2. Affordable Housing, 20 responses, 24.39%
3. Transportation & Fuel Costs, 16 responses, 19.51%

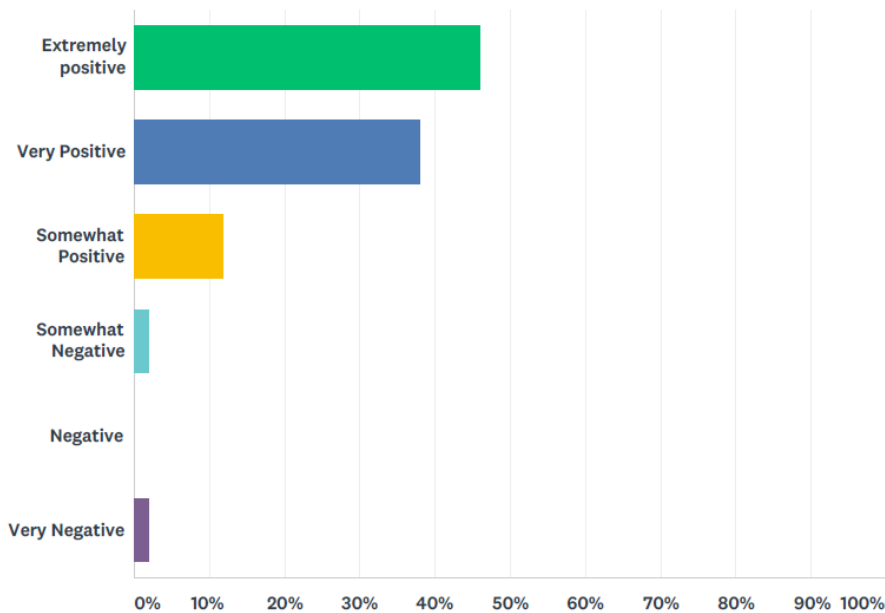
Family Building Blocks

- 1. Education for adults (GED, etc.), 27%
- 2. Paying necessary bills (rent, utilities, etc.), 27%
- 3. Transportation and fuel costs & Affordable housing (tied), 22%

Head Start & Early Head Start Utilization of Services 2018

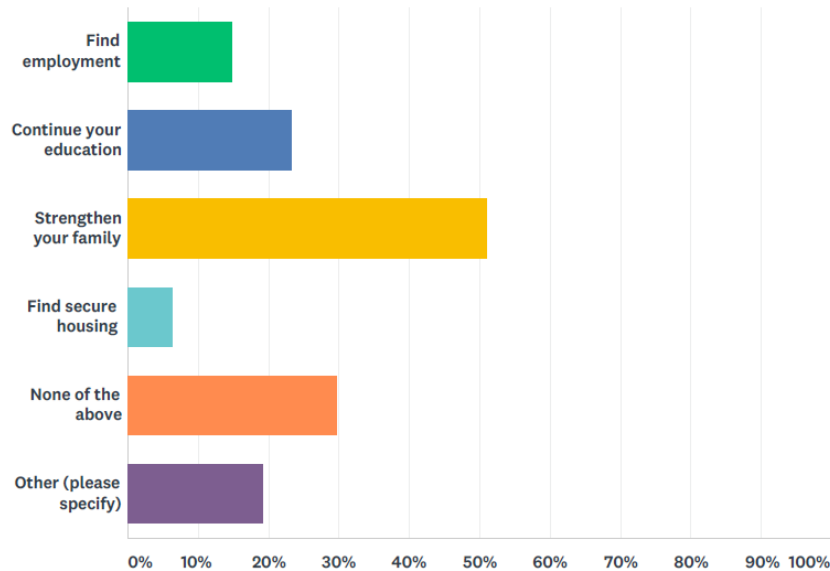
Q5 Head Start/ Early Head Start has had a(n) _____ effect on my relationship with my child (fill in the blank)

Answered: 50 Skipped: 5



Q17 In your opinion, has being a part of our program helped you and your family do any of the following? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 47 Skipped: 8



Head Start is one of eight departments run by Community Action Agency—a non-profit dedicated to serving the Mid-Willamette Valley community. How familiar are you with the following programs?

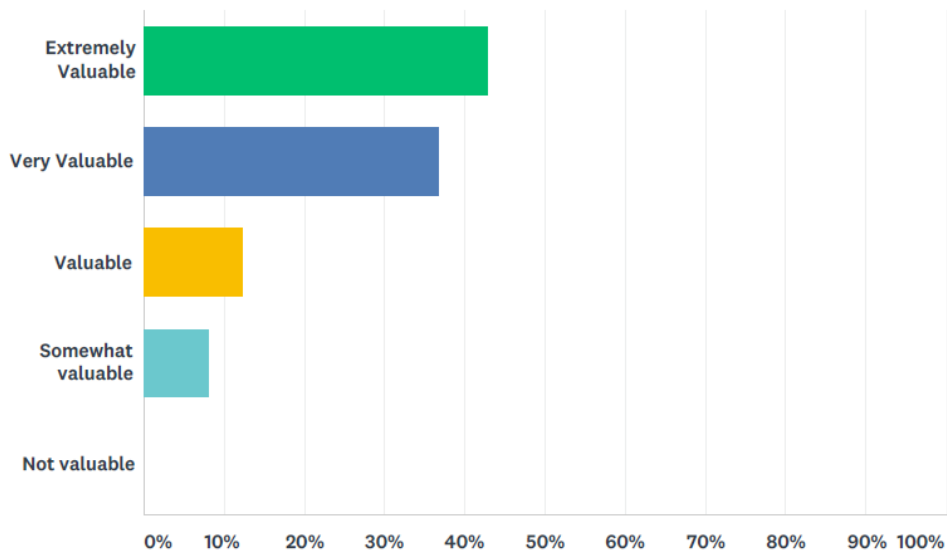
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Childcare Resource & Referral Program	34.04% 16	4.26% 2	38.30% 18	6.38% 3	17.02% 8	47	2.68
Community Action Reentry Services & DeMuniz Resource Center	54.17% 26	12.50% 6	31.25% 15	0.00% 0	2.08% 1	48	1.83
Community Resource Center	22.92% 11	8.33% 4	43.75% 21	4.17% 2	20.83% 10	48	2.92
Energy Services	25.53% 12	8.51% 4	31.91% 15	8.51% 4	25.53% 12	47	3.00
Head Start & Early Head Start	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	20.83% 10	10.42% 5	68.75% 33	48	4.48
HOME Youth and Resource Center	45.83% 22	12.50% 6	29.17% 14	2.08% 1	10.42% 5	48	2.19
Nutrition First	10.64% 5	14.89% 7	46.81% 22	2.13% 1	25.53% 12	47	3.17
Weatherization Services	39.58% 19	8.33% 4	35.42% 17	8.33% 4	8.33% 4	48	2.38

About how many times have you accessed the following programs In the past 3 years?

	0	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	MORE THAN 20	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Childcare Resource & Referral Program	75.00% 36	20.83% 10	0.00% 0	4.17% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	48	1.33
Community Action Reentry Services & DeMuniz Resource Center	85.42% 41	12.50% 6	2.08% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	48	1.17
Community Resource Center	72.92% 35	25.00% 12	0.00% 0	2.08% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	48	1.31
Energy Services	64.58% 31	35.42% 17	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	48	1.35
Head Start & Early Head Start	8.70% 4	50.00% 23	13.04% 6	2.17% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	26.09% 12	46	3.13
HOME Youth and Resource Center	85.42% 41	8.33% 4	2.08% 1	4.17% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	48	1.25
Nutrition First	66.67% 32	27.08% 13	2.08% 1	2.08% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	2.08% 1	48	1.48
Weatherization Services	85.42% 41	12.50% 6	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	2.08% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	48	1.21

Q21 How valuable do you think the services Community Action Agency offers are?

Answered: 49 Skipped: 6



ARCHES Satisfaction Survey of People Experiencing Homelessness

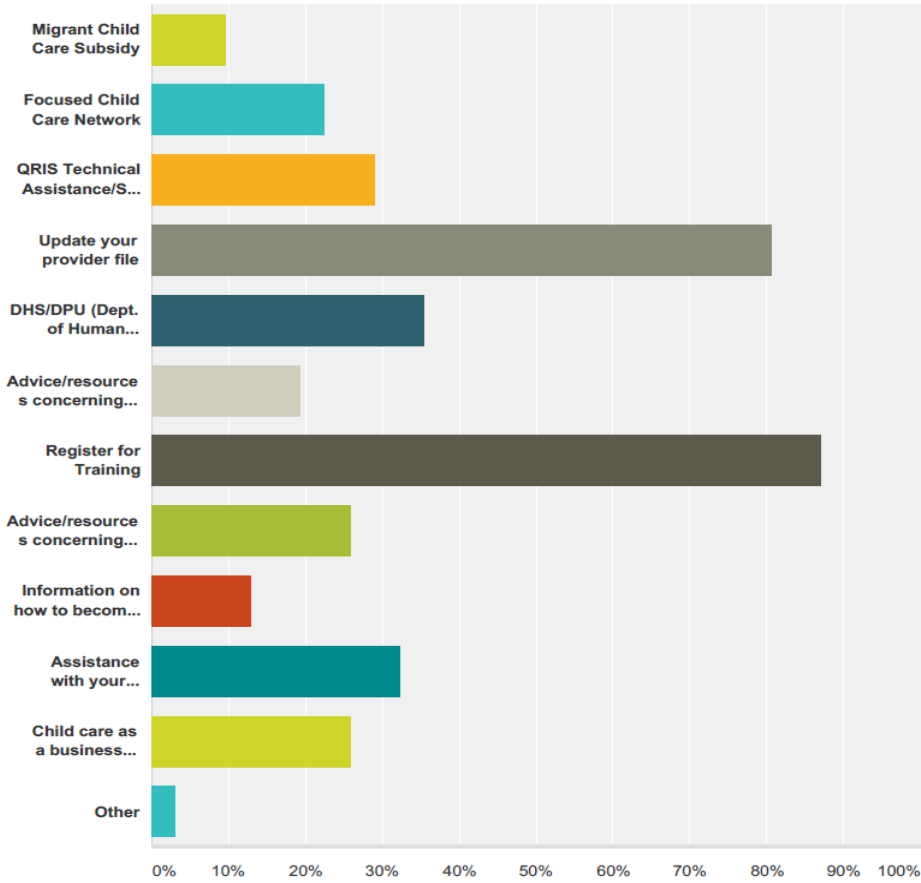
Over the course of a program year, as individuals that are homeless come to ARCHES for assessment and the hopes of obtaining housing, these four areas of satisfaction are surveyed:

	Question Number	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	NA
Dec 17 - Feb 18	I was treated with respect	242	10	1	0	0
	I was given other resources to help me become self-sufficient.	189	51	5	0	8
	I felt safe and comfortable to ask questions about the process	226	27	0	0	0
	I was seen and assessed in a timely fashion	226	26	1	0	0

Annually, the CCR&R conducts a survey of child care providers in the community to assess needs, interests and service area gaps. The charts below are split for Polk and Marion counties respectively. These charts are excerpts of the overall aggregate survey data.

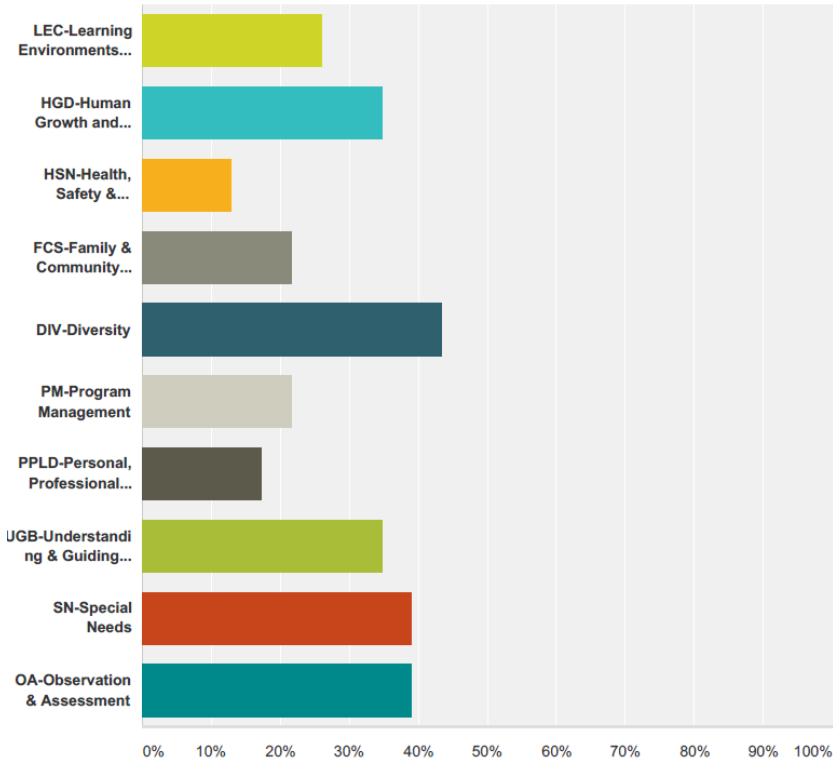
**Q4 For what reasons do you call CCR&R
(Child Care Resource & Referral)? Check all
that apply**

Answered: 31 Skipped: 0



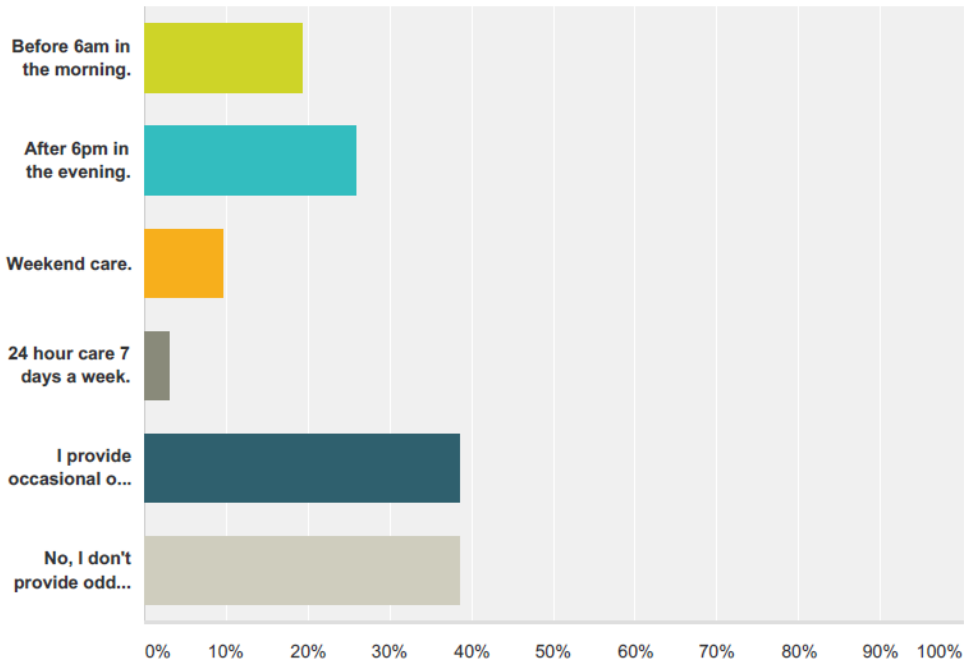
Q15 What CKC's (Core Knowledge Categories) do you need the most?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 8



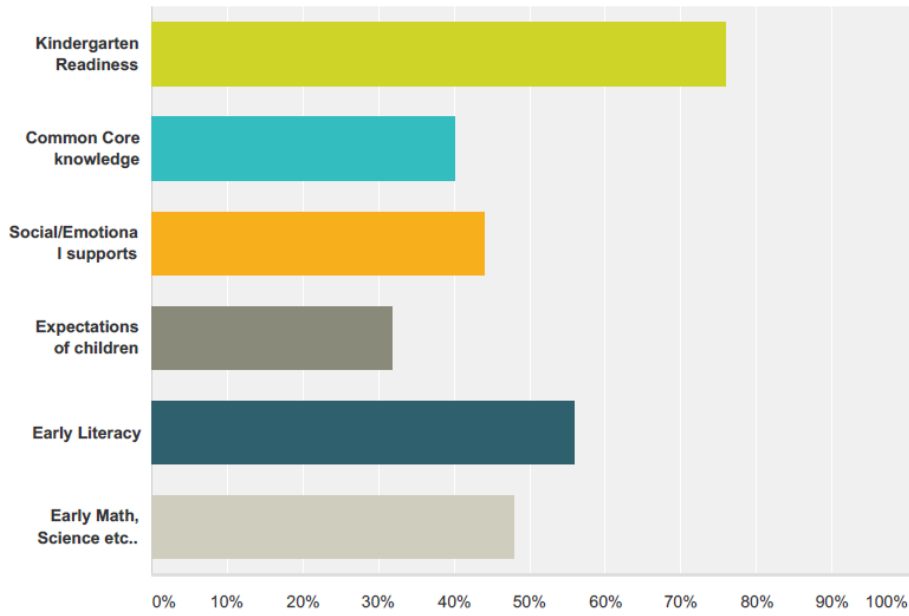
Q34 Do you currently provide odd hour care?

Answered: 31 Skipped: 0



Q47 What supports around early learning do you need?

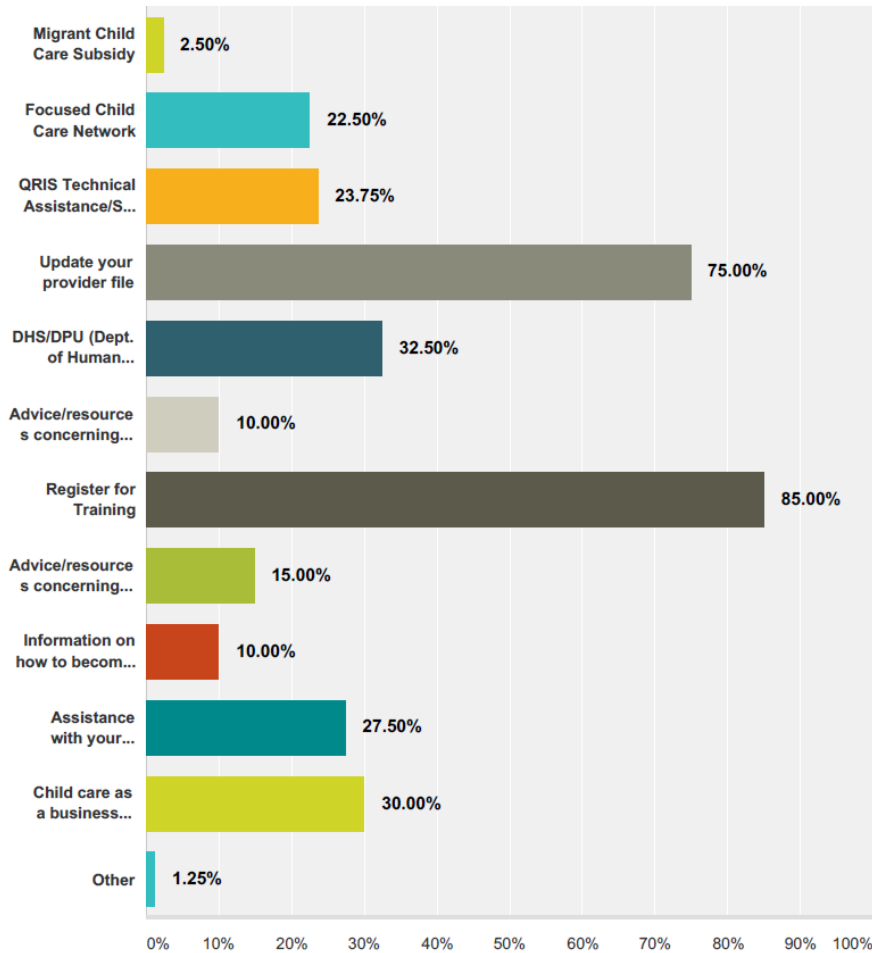
Answered: 25 Skipped: 6



Marion County

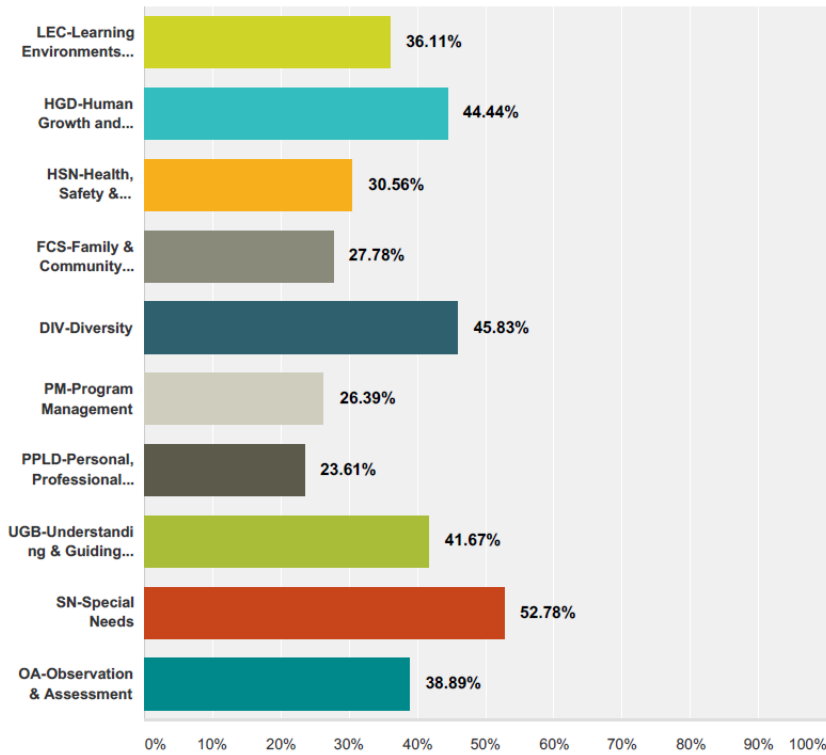
Q4 For what reasons do you call CCR&R (Child Care Resource & Referral)? Check all that apply

Answered: 80 Skipped: 2



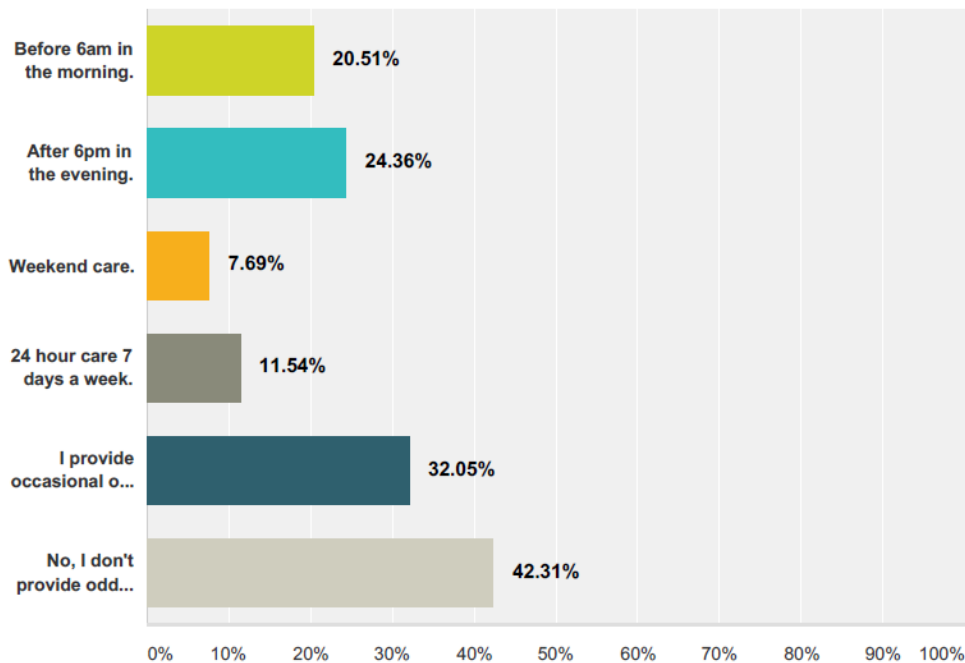
Q15 What CKC's (Core Knowledge Categories) do you need the most?

Answered: 72 Skipped: 10



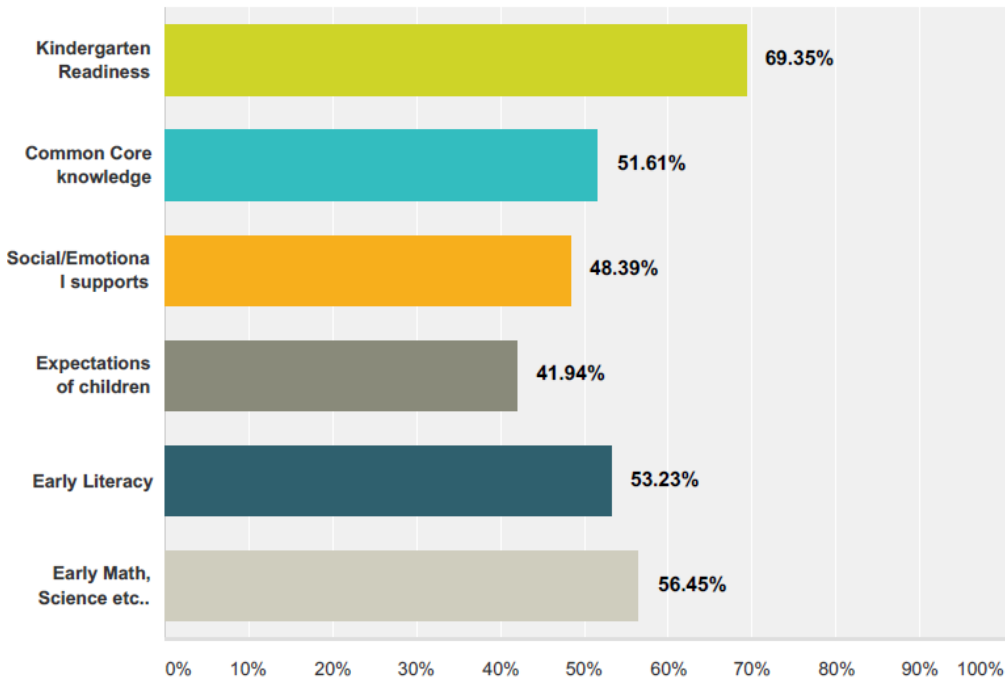
Q34 Do you currently provide odd hour care?

Answered: 78 Skipped: 4



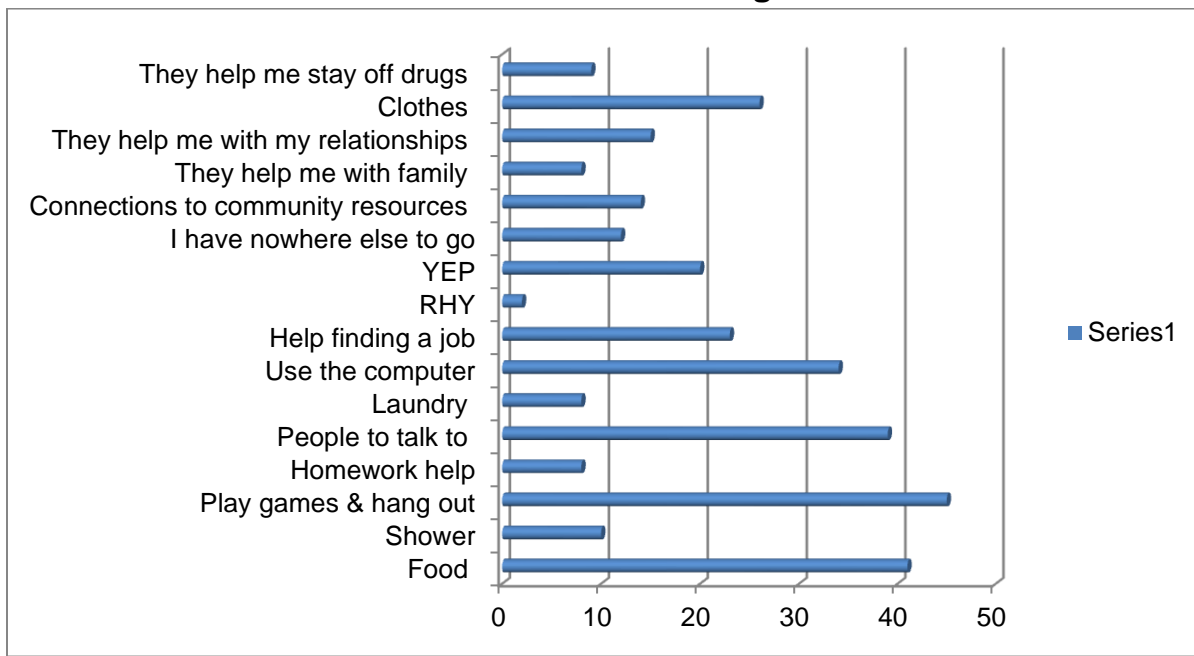
Q47 What supports around early learning do you need?

Answered: 62 Skipped: 20

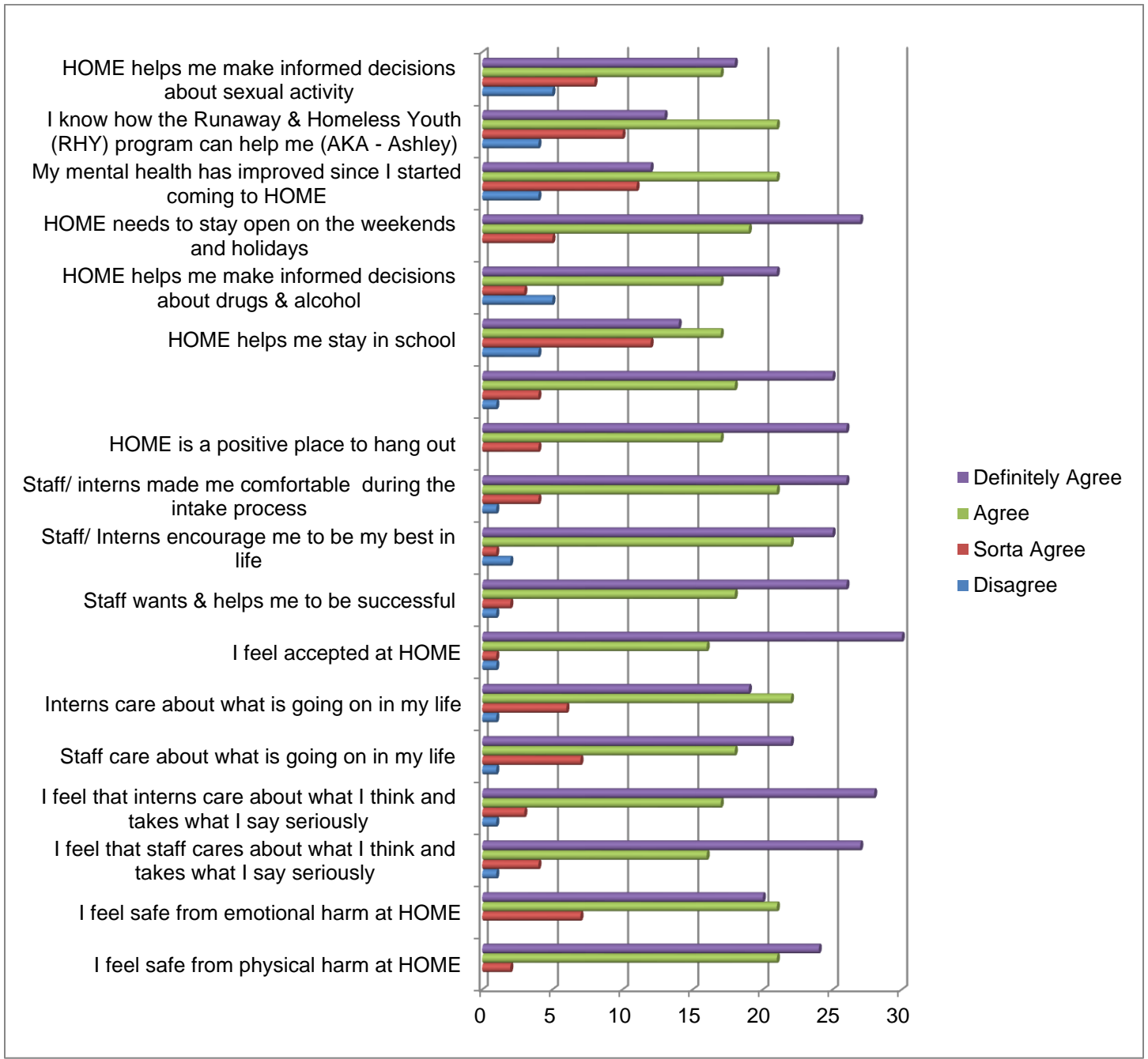


Youth Survey 2016

What is Most Beneficial to Youth through HOME Youth & Resource Center



Youth Survey 2016



Seniors in Poverty

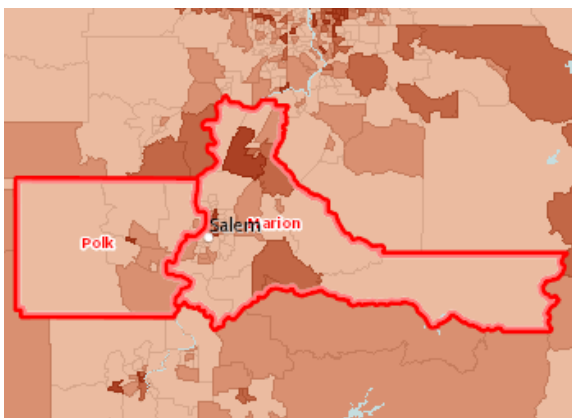
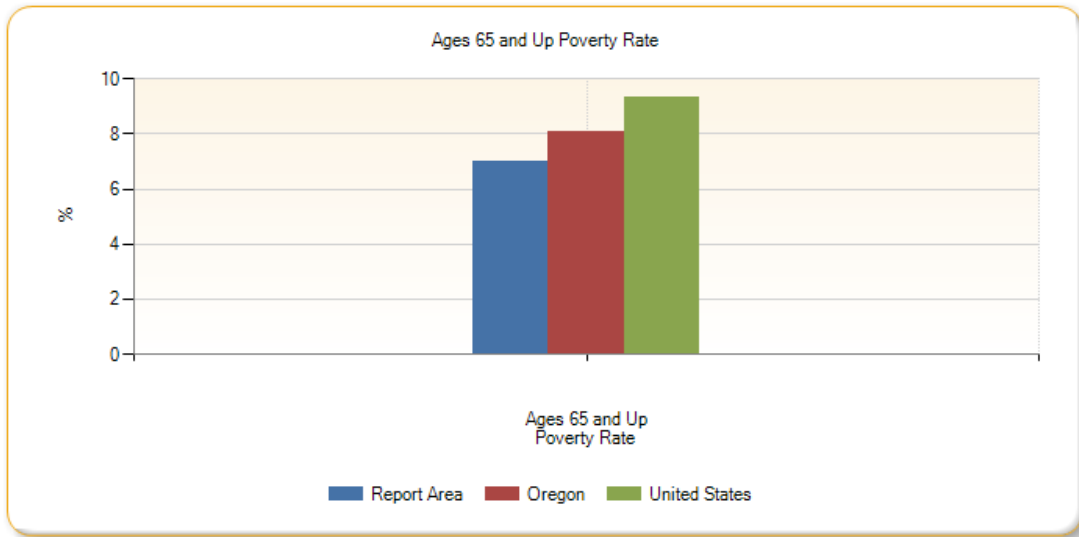
Poverty rates for seniors (persons age 65 and over) are shown below. According to American Community Survey estimates, there were 4,093 seniors, or 7% percent, living in poverty within the report area.

Ages 65 and Up Poverty
Rate

Report Area	Ages 65 and Up Total Population	Ages 65 and Up In Poverty	Ages 65 and Up Poverty Rate
Report Area	58,888	4,093	7%
Marion County, OR	45,866	3,237	7.1%
Polk County, OR	13,022	856	6.6%
Oregon	624,573	50,404	8.1%
United States	44,874,586	4,195,427	9.3%



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: county



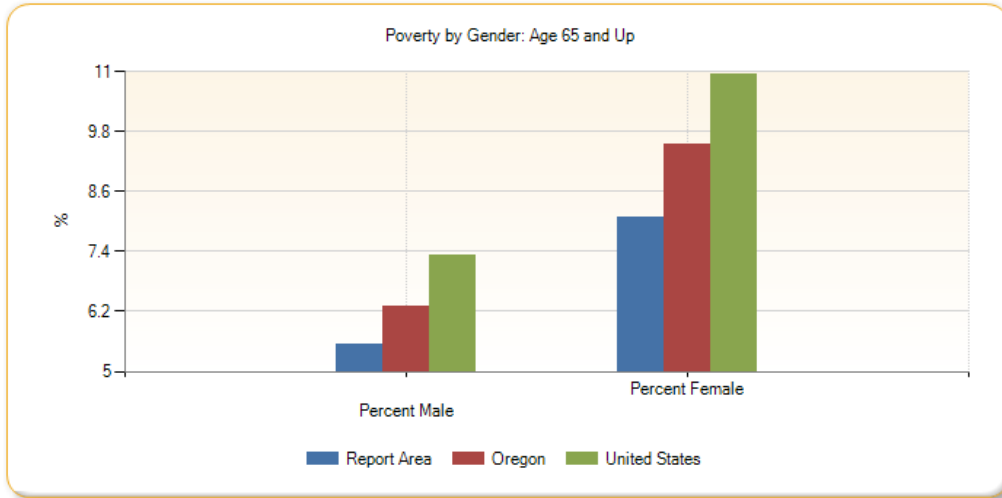
Population Below the Poverty Level, Senior (Age 65), Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

- Over 17.0%
- 12.1 - 17.0%
- 7.1 - 12.0%
- Under 7.1%
- No Population Age 65 Reported
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

Poverty by Gender: Age 65 and Up

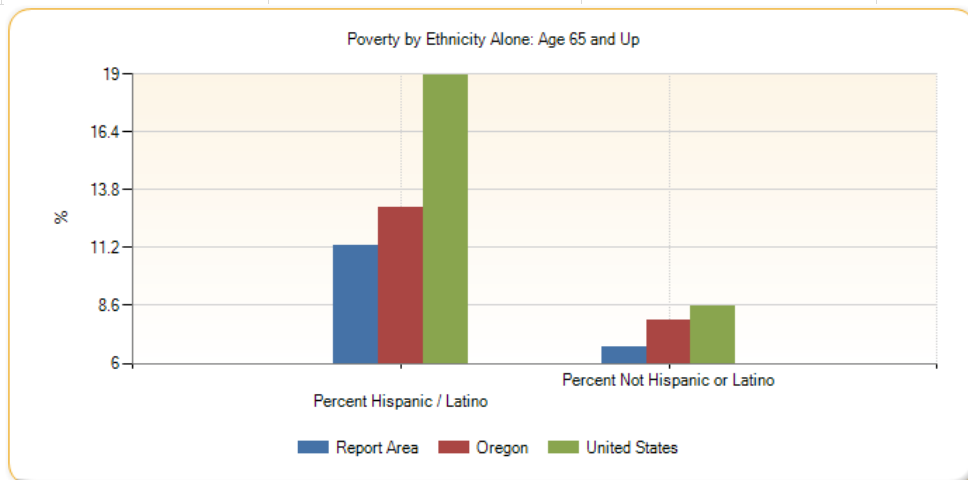
Report Area	Total Male	Total Female	Percent Male	Percent Female
Report Area	1,460	2,633	5.55%	8.08%
Marion County, OR	1,191	2,046	5.88%	7.98%

Polk County, OR	269	587	4.45%	8.41%
Oregon	17,930	32,474	6.31%	9.54%
United States	1,455,293	2,740,134	7.32%	10.96%



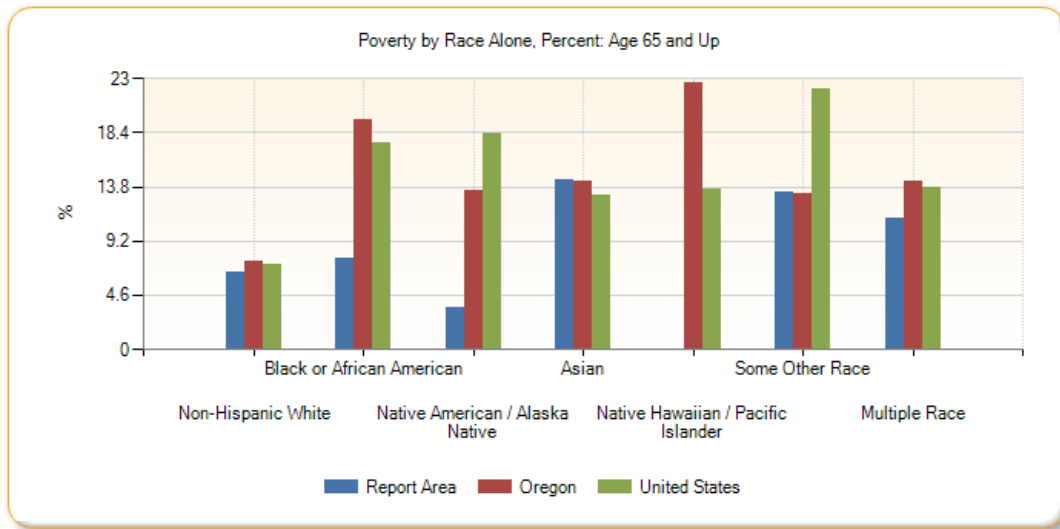
Poverty by Ethnicity Alone: Age 65 and Up

Report Area	Total Hispanic / Latino	Total Not Hispanic / Latino	Percent Hispanic / Latino	Percent Not Hispanic or Latino
Report Area	338	3,755	11.29%	6.72%
Marion County, OR	272	2,965	10.46%	6.85%
Polk County, OR	66	790	16.84%	6.25%
Oregon	2,380	48,024	12.97%	7.92%
United States	657,884	3,537,543	18.97%	8.54%



Poverty by Race Alone, Percent: Age 65 and Up

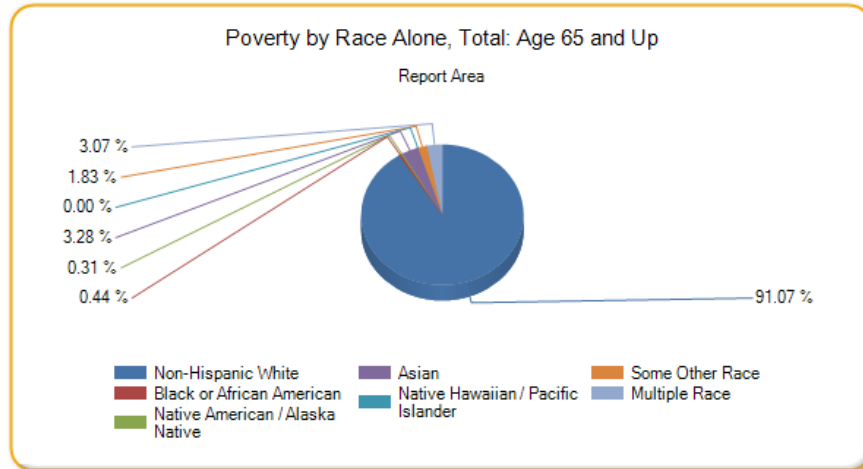
Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	6.56%	7.73%	3.59%	14.38%	0%	13.37%	11.19%
Marion County, OR	6.72%	9.04%	5.31%	12.61%	0%	16.9%	10.51%
Polk County, OR	6.02%	0%	0%	25.41%	0%	0%	15.09%
Oregon	7.5%	19.45%	13.47%	14.26%	22.57%	13.22%	14.3%
United States	7.23%	17.53%	18.3%	13.04%	13.65%	22.1%	13.79%



Poverty by Race Alone, Total: Age 65 and Up

Report Area	Non-Hispanic White	Black or African American	Native American / Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Multiple Race
Report Area	3,527	17	12	127	0	71	119
Marion County, OR	2,792	17	12	96	0	71	95
Polk County,	735	0	0	31	0	0	24

OR							
Oregon	42,910	1,112	589	2,219	167	511	1,287
United States	2,538,606	685,871	42,016	238,849	5,542	162,018	63,923



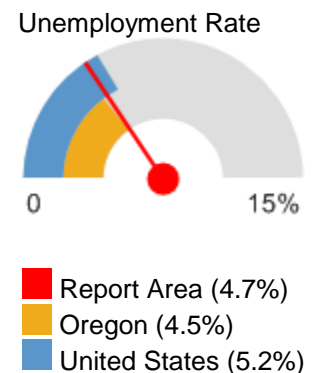
Employment

Current Unemployment

Labor force, employment, and unemployment data for each county in the report area is provided in the table below. Overall, the report area experienced an average 4.7% percent unemployment rate in November 2017.

Report Area	Labor Force	Number Employed	Number Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Report Area	195,639	186,352	9,287	4.7%
Marion County, OR	157,628	150,127	7,501	4.8%
Polk County, OR	38,011	36,225	1,786	4.7%
Oregon	2,046,258	1,953,967	92,291	4.5%
United States	160,045,057	151,752,174	8,292,883	5.2%

Data Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2017 - December. Source geography: County

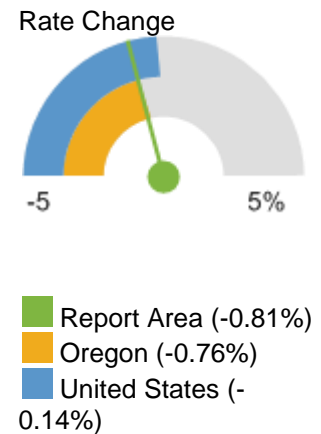




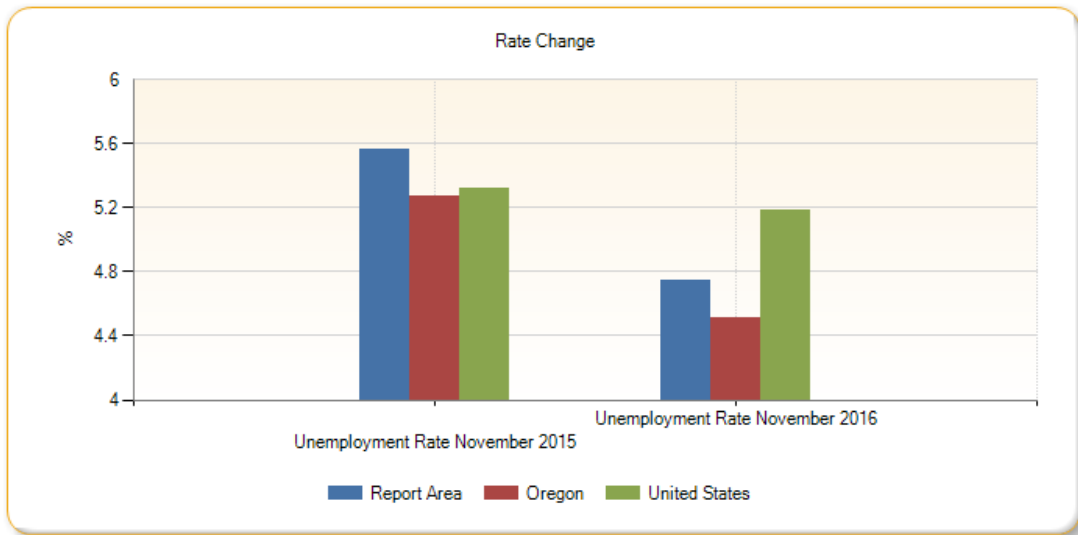
Unemployment Change

Unemployment change within the report area during the 1-year period from November 2016 to November 2017 is shown in the chart below. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, unemployment for this one year period fell from 10,526 persons to 9,287 persons, a rate change of -0.81% percent.

Report Area	Unemployment November 2016	Unemployment November 2017	Unemployment Rate November 2016	Unemployment Rate November 2017	Rate Change
Report Area	10,526	9,287	5.56%	4.75%	-0.81%
Marion County, OR	8,550	7,501	5.6%	4.76%	-0.84%
Polk County, OR	1,976	1,786	5.38%	4.7%	-0.68%
Oregon	105,039	92,291	5.27%	4.51%	-0.76%
United States	8,421,990	8,292,883	5.32%	5.18%	-0.14%



Data Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2017 - December.
Source geography: County



Household Income

Median annual household incomes in the report area for 2016 are shown in the table below. Since this reports a median amount, a "Report Area" value is not able to be calculated.

Report Area	Median Household Income
Marion County, OR	\$55,954
Polk County, OR	\$55,218
Oregon	\$57,379
United States	\$57,617

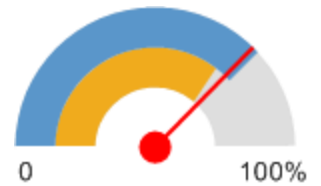
Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016. Source geography: County

Commuter Travel Patterns

This table shows the method of transportation workers used to travel to work for the report area. Of the 171,498 workers in the report area, 74.6% drove to work alone while 13.5% carpooled. 1.6% of all workers reported that they used some form of public transportation, while others used some optional means including 4.4% walking or riding bicycles, and 1% used taxicabs to travel to work.

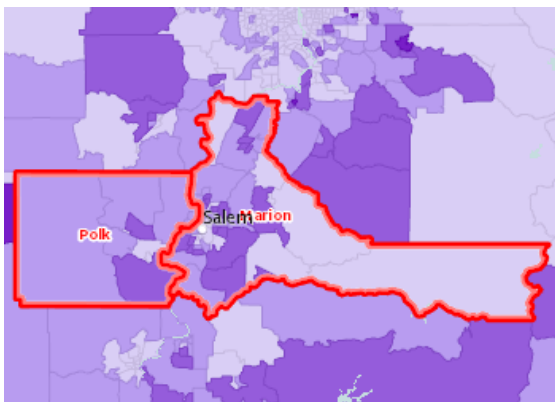
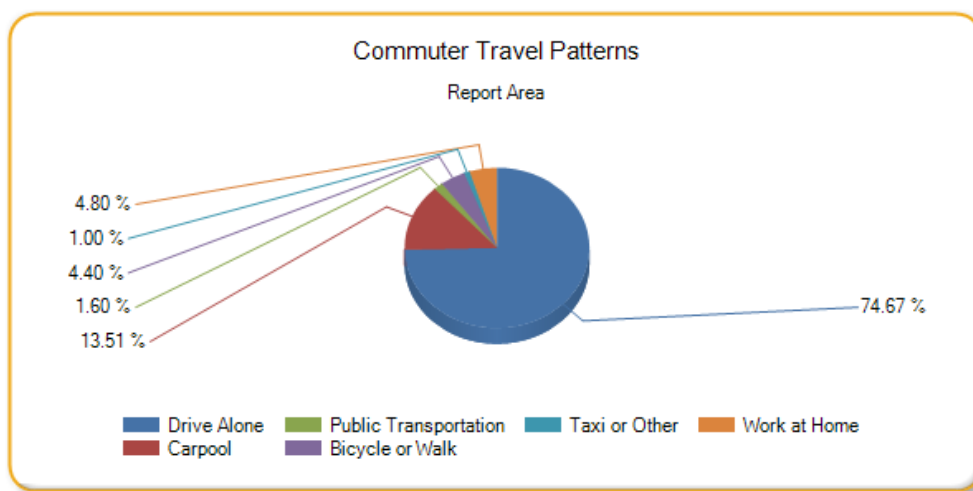
Report Area	Workers 16 and Up	Percent Drive Alone	Percent Carpool	Percent Public Transportation	Percent Bicycle or Walk	Percent Taxi or Other	Percent Work at Home
		74.6%	13.5%	1.6%	4.4%	1%	

Report Area	171,498	74.6%	13.5%	1.6%	4.4%	1%	4.8%
Marion County, OR	138,582	74.2%	14.1%	1.8%	4.5%	1%	4.4%
Polk County, OR	32,916	76.4%	11.2%	0.5%	4.3%	1.1%	6.5%
Oregon	1,792,129	71.4%	10.3%	4.4%	6.4%	1.1%	6.4%
United States	145,861,221	76.4%	9.3%	5.1%	3.4%	1.2%	4.6%



■ Report Area (74.6%)
■ Oregon (71.4%)
■ United States (76.4%)

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Workers Traveling to Work by Car, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

■ Over 95.0%
■ 91.1 - 95.0%
■ 87.1 - 91.0%
■ Under 87.1%
■ No Data or Data Suppressed
□ Report Area

Non-Hispanic Commuters

Report Area	Workers 16 and Up	Travel by Car	Use Public Transit	Bike/Walk	Work from Home
Report Area	138,746	88.01%	1.4%	5.27%	5.32%
Marion County, OR	109,152	87.97%	1.72%	5.32%	4.99%

Polk County, OR	29,594	88.17%	0.2%	5.1%	6.54%
Oregon	1,577,521	81.63%	4.17%	7.43%	6.78%
United States	145,861,221	85.72%	5.13%	4.58%	4.57%

White Non-Hispanic Commuters

Report Area	Workers 16 and Up	Travel by Car	Use Public Transit	Bike/Walk	Work from Home
Report Area	120,150	88.21%	1.31%	4.93%	5.54%
Marion County, OR	104,080	89.06%	1.37%	4.82%	4.75%
Polk County, OR	16,070	82.75%	0.95%	5.59%	10.7%
Oregon	1,445,784	82.45%	3.71%	7.08%	6.77%
United States	no data	no data	no data	no data	no data

Hispanic Commuters

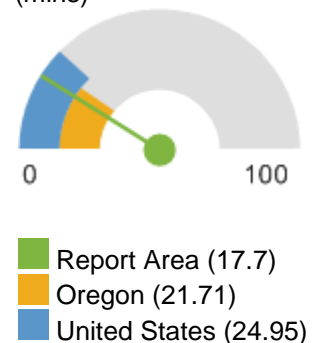
Report Area	Workers 16 and Up	Travel by Car	Use Public Transit	Bike/Walk	Work from Home
Report Area	32,752	88.59%	2.37%	6.38%	2.66%
Marion County, OR	29,430	89.28%	2.28%	6.18%	2.27%
Polk County, OR	3,322	82.51%	3.22%	8.1%	6.17%
Oregon	214,608	82.7%	6.25%	7.69%	3.35%
United States	no data	no data	no data	no data	no data

Travel Time to Work

Travel times for workers who travel (do not work at home) to work is shown for the report area. The median commute time, according to the American Community Survey (ACS), for the report area is 17.7 minutes shorter than the national median commute time of 24.95 minutes.

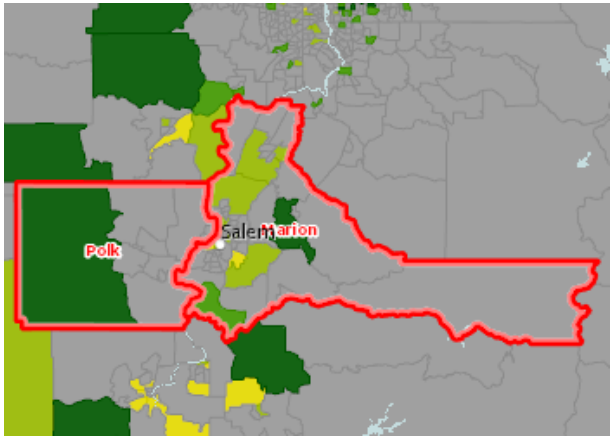
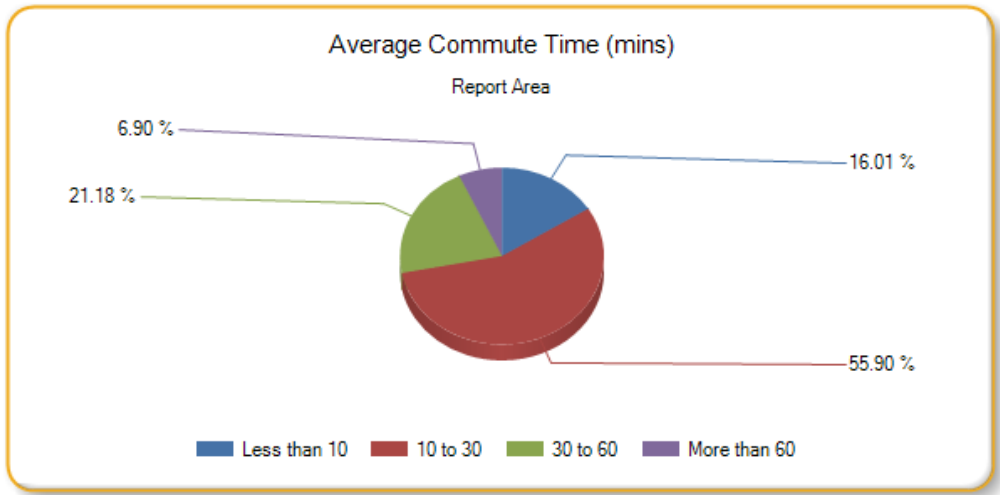
Report Area	Workers 16 and Up	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) Less than 10	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) 10 to 30	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) 30 to 60	Travel Time in Minutes (Percent of Workers) More than 60	Average Commute Time (mins)
Report Area	171,498	15.24	53.21	20.16	6.57	17.7
Marion County, OR	138,582	15.51	57.28	20.28	6.94	21.97

Average Commute Time (mins)



Polk County, OR	32,916	18.19	49.99	25.08	6.75	-0.3
Oregon	1,792,129	16.37	53.47	24.1	6.06	21.71
United States	145,861,221	12.88	50.11	28.33	8.68	24.95

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Average Work Commute Time (Minutes), Average by Tract, ACS 2012-16

- Over 28 Minutes
- 25 - 28 Minutes
- 21 - 24 Minutes
- Under 21 Minutes
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

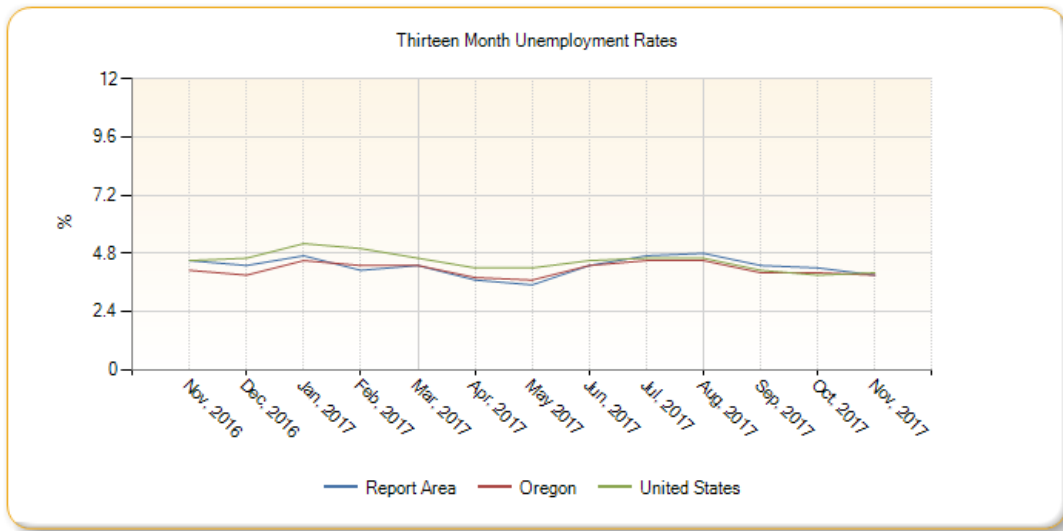
Thirteen Month Unemployment Rates

Unemployment change within the report area from November 2016 to November 2017 is shown in the chart below. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, unemployment for this thirteen month period fell from 4.5% percent to 3.9% percent.

Report	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.
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Area	2016	2016	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017
Report Area	4.5%	4.3%	4.7%	4.1%	4.3%	3.7%	3.5%	4.3%	4.7%	4.8%	4.3%	4.2%	3.9%
Marion County, OR	4.5%	4.3%	4.8%	4.1%	4.3%	3.7%	3.5%	4.2%	4.6%	4.8%	4.3%	4.2%	3.9%
Polk County, OR	4.5%	4.4%	4.7%	4%	4.3%	3.6%	3.5%	4.4%	4.9%	5%	4.4%	4.3%	4%
Oregon	4.1%	3.9%	4.5%	4.3%	4.3%	3.8%	3.7%	4.3%	4.5%	4.5%	4%	4%	3.9%
United States	4.5%	4.6%	5.2%	5%	4.6%	4.2%	4.2%	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%	4.1%	3.9%	4%

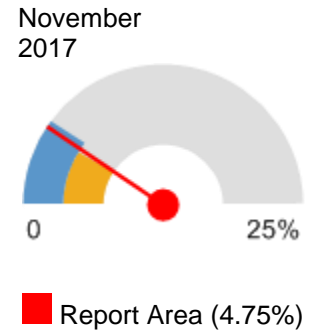
Data Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2017 - December. Source geography: County



Five Year Unemployment Rate

Unemployment change within the report area from November 2013 to November 2017 is shown in the chart below. According to the U.S. Department of Labor, unemployment for this five year period fell from 10.53 percent to 4.75 percent.

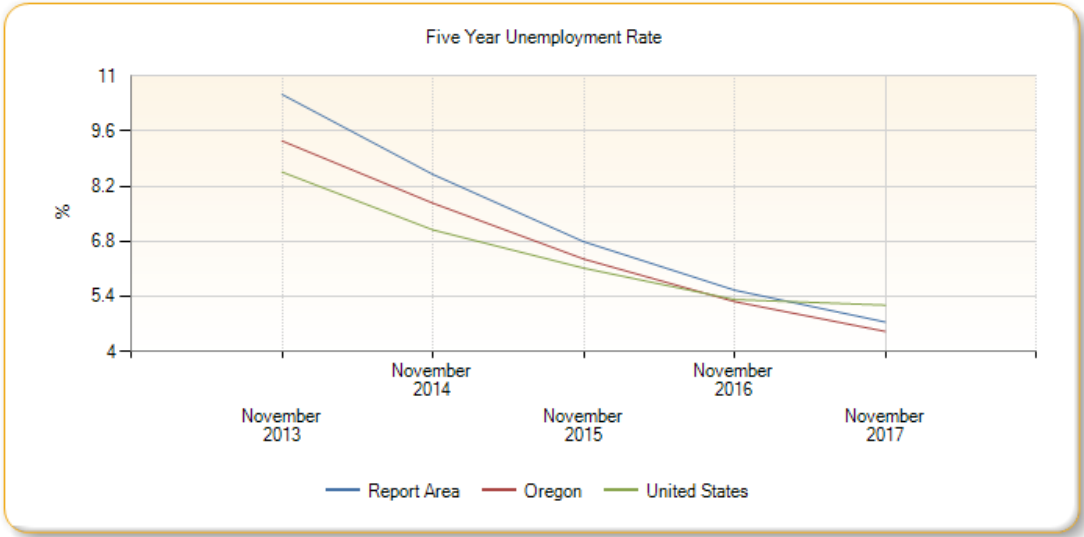
Report Area	November 2013	November 2014	November 2015	November 2016	November 2017
Report Area	10.53%	8.5%	6.79%	5.56%	4.75%
Marion County, OR	10.74%	8.65%	6.9%	5.6%	4.76%
Polk County, OR	9.67%	7.87%	6.37%	5.38%	4.7%
Oregon	9.35%	7.77%	6.35%	5.27%	4.51%



United States	8.56%	7.09%	6.12%	5.32%	5.18%
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■ Oregon (4.51%)
■ United States (5.18%)

Data Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 2017 - December. Source geography: County



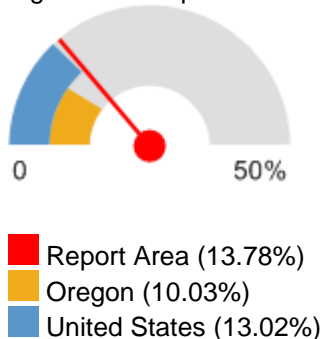
Education

Educational Attainment

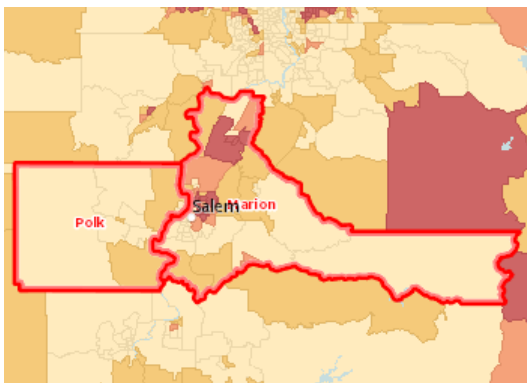
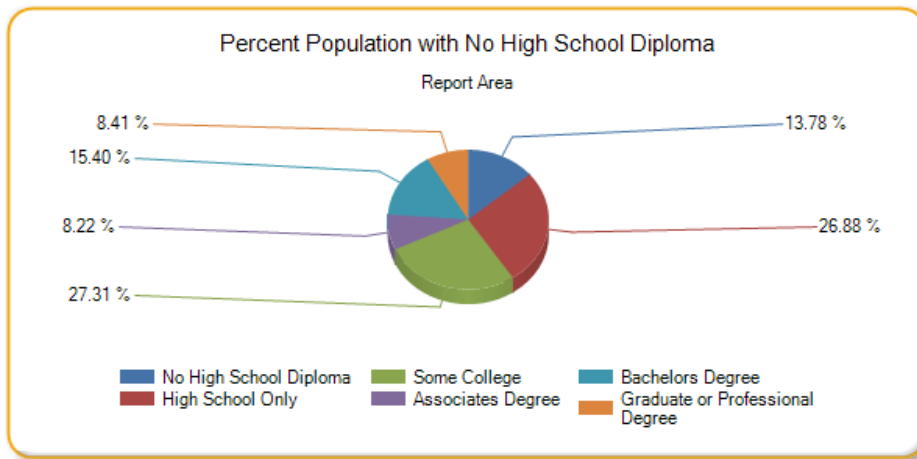
Educational Attainment shows the distribution of educational attainment levels in the report area. Educational attainment is calculated for persons over 25, and is an estimated average for the period from 2012 to 2016. In our region, Polk County residents have a higher level of completion of BA and Graduate degrees than that of Marion County. Marion County is further below the average for Oregon and nationwide.

Report Area	Percent No High School Diploma	Percent High School Only	Percent Some College	Percent Associates Degree	Percent Bachelors Degree	Percent Graduate or Professional Degree
Report Area	13.78%	26.88%	27.31%	8.22%	15.4%	8.41%
Marion County, OR	14.9%	27.1%	27.5%	8.1%	14.8%	7.6%
Polk County, OR	9.01%	25.8%	26.6%	8.8%	18%	11.8%
Oregon	10.03%	23.9%	26.2%	8.5%	19.6%	11.9%
United States	13.02%	27.5%	21%	8.2%	18.8%	11.5%

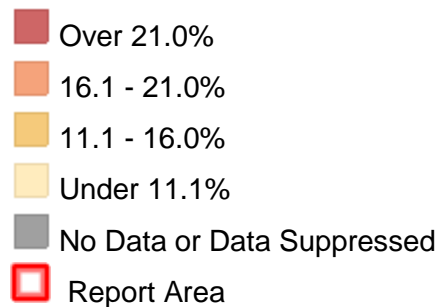
Percent Population with No High School Diploma



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Population with No High School Diploma (Age 18), Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

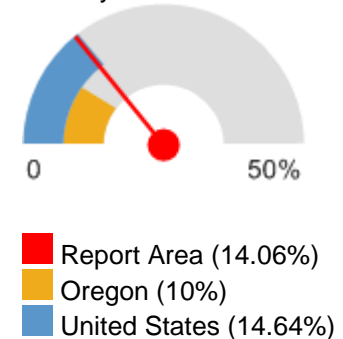


Adult Literacy

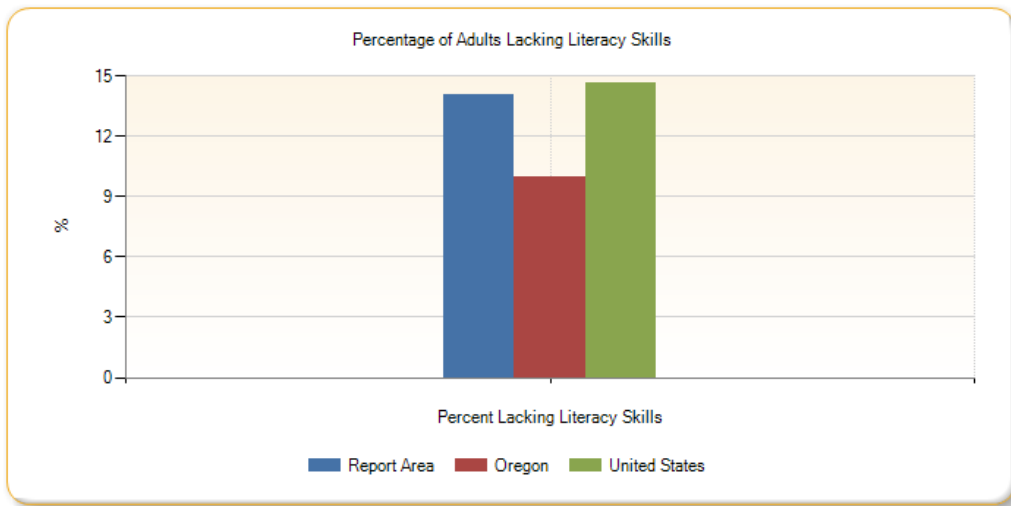
The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) produces estimates for adult literacy based on educational attainment, poverty, and other factors in each county.

Report Area	Estimated Population over 16	Percent Lacking Literacy Skills
Report Area	266,450	14.06%
Marion County, OR	216,385	15%
Polk County, OR	50,065	10%
Oregon	2,713,872	10%
United States	219,016,209	14.64%

Percentage of Adults Lacking Literacy Skills



Data Source: National Center for Education Statistics, NCES - Estimates of Low Literacy. Source geography: County



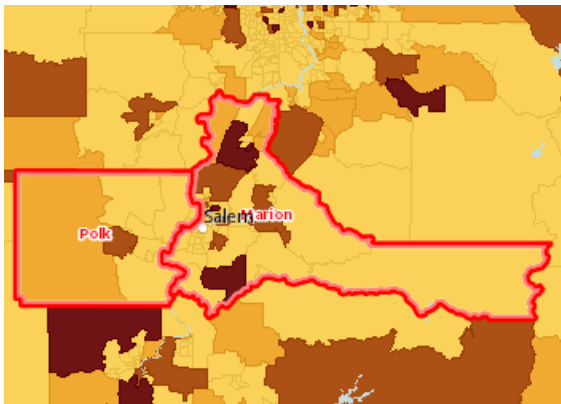
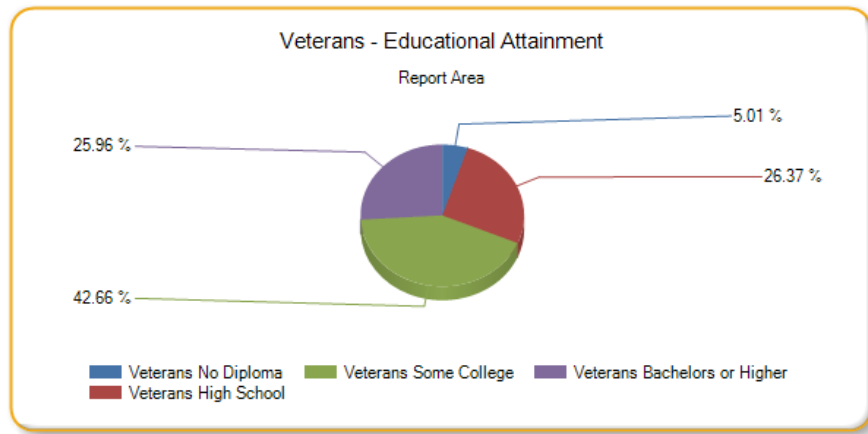
Veterans - Educational Attainment

Veterans Educational Attainment contrasts the distribution of educational attainment levels between military veterans and non-veterans in the region. Educational attainment is calculated for persons over 25, and is an estimated average for the period from 2012 to 2016.

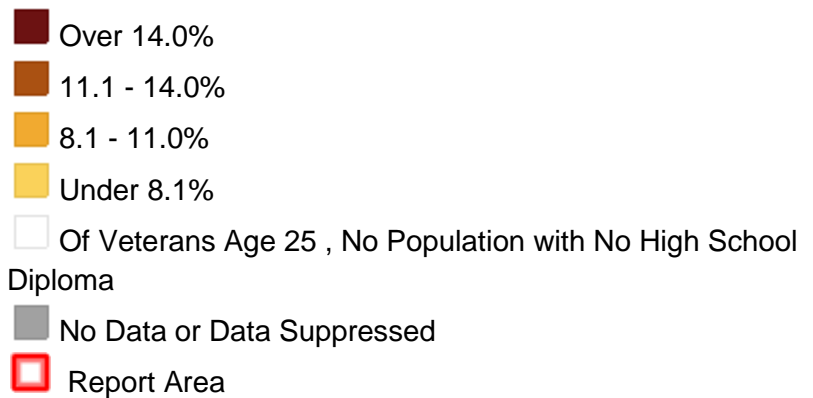
Report Area	Veterans % No Diploma	Veterans % High School Diploma	Veterans % Some College Diploma	Veterans % Bachelors or Higher Diploma	Non-Veterans % No Diploma	Non-Veterans % High School Diploma	Non-Veterans % Some College Diploma	Non-Veterans % Bachelors or Higher Diploma
Report Area	5.01%	26.37%	42.66%	25.96%	14.88%	26.97%	34.61%	23.55%
Marion County, OR	5.15%	26.84%	44.23%	23.77%	16.09%	27.17%	34.49%	22.24%
Polk County, OR	4.49%	24.59%	36.77%	34.15%	9.66%	26.08%	35.08%	29.18%
Oregon	5.56%	25.41%	41.56%	27.47%	10.59%	23.68%	33.82%	31.92%
United States	6.84%	28.72%	37.05%	27.39%	13.67%	27.46%	28.29%	30.58%

Note: This indicator is compared with the state average.

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



No High School Diploma, Veterans, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



Housing and Homelessness

Families applying for housing assistance through any of the three agencies in our area are met with lengthy waiting lists.

Agency	Program	Description	Wait Time
Marion County	Section 8	Housing Choice Vouchers	1-3 years
Polk County	Section 8	Housing Choice Vouchers	18-24 months
City of Salem	Section 8	Housing Choice Vouchers	24-30 months
City of Salem	Public Housing	Apartments 3 Bedroom	36-48 months
City of Salem	Public Housing	Apartments 4 & 5 Bedroom	36-48 months
City of Salem	Senior Housing	Various City Owned Properties	9-12 months
City of Salem	Public Housing	Various City Owned Properties	12-18 months
City of Salem	Public Housing	One Person Must Be Disabled	3-4years

City of Salem	Single Resident	Women Only, Shared Living Space	6-12 months
City of Salem	SHA Homes 2 Bedroom	Primarily placed by downsizing current PH	3-4 years

Marion County and Polk County (Oregon) Point in time count, January 25, 2017

Summary by household type reported:

	Sheltered Emergency Shelter	Sheltered Transitional Housing	Unsheltered	Total
Households without children	210	285	225	750
Households with at least one adult and child	13	72	32	117
Households with only children	1	3	0	4
Total homeless households				871

Summary of persons in each household type:

	Sheltered Emergency Shelter	Sheltered Transitional Housing	Unsheltered	Total
Persons in households without children				
Persons 18 to 24	21	26	19	66
Persons over age 24	190	264	246	700
Persons in households with at least one adult and one child				
Children under age 18	26	152	52	230
Persons age 18 to 24	0	13	3	16
Persons over age 24	14	89	30	133
Persons in households with only children	1	5	0	6
Total Homeless Persons				1151

Demographic summary by ethnicity:

	Sheltered	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
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	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing		
Hispanic/Latino	31	81	19	131
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	221	466	333	1020
Total				1151

Demographic summary by gender:

Female	115	209	147	471
Male	136	336	205	677
Transgender	0	2	0	2
Does not identify	1	0	0	0
Total				1151

Demographic summary by race:

	Sheltered Emergency Shelter	Sheltered Transitional Housing	Unsheltered	Total
Black or African-American	14	32	1	47
White	223	459	327	1009
Asian	2	8	0	10
American Indian or Alaska Native	8	11	2	21
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	3	19	0	22
Multiple Races	2	18	22	42
Total				1151

Summary of homeless persons by subpopulations reported:

	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total Population
Chronically Homeless			
Chronically homeless individuals	79	0	79
Persons in chronically homeless households with children	5	0	5
Severely mentally ill	22	0	22

Chronic substance abuse	37	0	37
Veterans	41	6	47
HIV/AIDS	0	0	0
Victims of domestic violence	142	0	142
Parenting Youth			
Parenting youth under 18	1	0	1
Parenting youth 18-24	5	2	7
Children of parenting youth	10	1	11
Unaccompanied youth under Age 18	1	2	3
Unaccompanied youth age 18-24	21	12	33

In October of 2017, the Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency started a Coordinated Entry model for Marion and Polk Counties. At that time, we began utilizing a Vulnerability and Prioritization Concept for informing the placement of people with the highest needs into housing first. With the utilization of the VI-SPDAT (Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool) and the Vulnerability Assessment Tool (VAT), the Housing Division of Community Action Agency are placing people experiencing homelessness into housing based upon length of homelessness, client choice and vulnerability level.

As of March 2018, the active interest list of homeless people in Marion and Polk counties totaled 1,529 households, and 2,392 individuals. Of the 1,529 households, 682 score in the category that would make them most successful in Permanent Supportive Housing. 761 households would benefit from transitional housing or a Rapid Rehousing Model and 86 households would be most successful through a diversion model. 42% of the households assessed are chronically homeless and 35% of all individuals assessed are chronically homeless. The national expected rate of chronically homeless is closer to 15-18%. The Federal definition which defines a chronically homeless person as “either (1) an unaccompanied homeless individual with a disabling condition who has been continuously homeless for a year or more, OR (2) an unaccompanied individual with a disabling condition who has had at least four episodes of homelessness in the past three years.” The Marion and Polk service area has a significantly higher percentage of people that have been living on the streets under this definition.

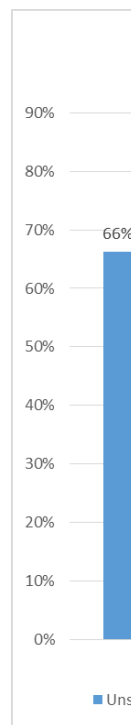
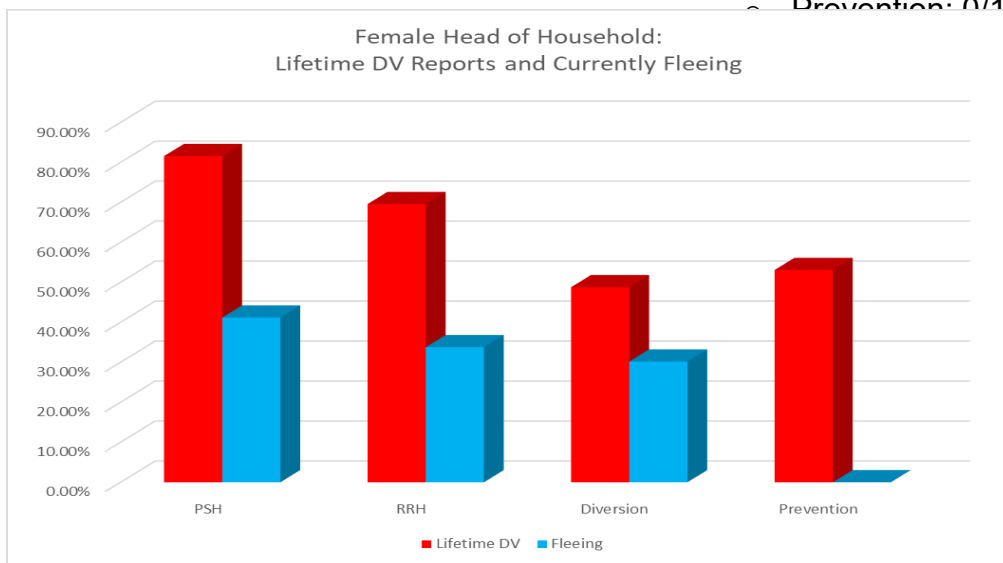
The median age of individuals that have been assessed is 44 for all categories of homelessness. 51.6% are men and 48.4% are women.

- Client **Households** Reporting Domestic Violence Lifetime:
 - PSH: 384/682 (56.3%)
 - TH/RRH: 326/761 (42.8%)
 - Diversion: 26/86 (30.2%)
 - Prevention: 114/316 (36.1%)
 - Homeless Total: 736/1529 (48.1%)
 - Total ALL: 850/1845 (46.1%)

- Client **Households** Currently Fleeing Domestic Violence:
 - PSH: 167/682 (24.4%)
 - TH/RRH: 147/761 (19.3%)
 - Diversion: 13/86 (15.1%)
 - Prevention: 0/316 (0%)
 - Homeless Total: 327/1529 (21.4%)
 - Total ALL: 327/1845 (17.7%)

- **Female** Head of Households Reporting Domestic Violence Lifetime:
 - PSH: 275/337 (81.6%)
 - TH/RRH: 247/355 (69.6%)
 - Diversion: 21/43 (48.8%)
 - Prevention: 93/175 (53.1%)
 - Total Homeless: 543/735 (73.9%)
 - Total All: 636/910 (69.9%)

- **Female** Head of Households Currently Fleeing Domestic Violence:
 - PSH: 139/337 (41.2%)
 - TH/RRH: 120/355 (33.8%)
 - Diversion: 13/43 (30.2%)
 - Prevention: 0/175 (0%)
 - Total Homeless: 272/735 (37%)
 - Total All: 299/910 (29.9%)



Homelessness in the public school system is tracked by the Oregon Department of Education and individual school district homeless education liaisons. Data by school is found in the following chart for 2017. Oregon's youth experiencing homelessness has been on a steady rise and is at its highest since the 2010 school year.

District Name	County	Pre-K Total	K-12 Total	K-12 Sheltered	K-12 Doubl ed-Up	K-12 Hotel/ Motel	K-12 Unsheltered	K-12 Unaccompanied
Cascade SD 5	Marion	0	65	0	63	0	2	7
Gervais SD 1	Marion	0	43	6	31	1	5	4
Jefferson SD 14J	Marion	0	50	0	50	0	0	1
Mt Angel SD 91	Marion	0	26	8	16	0	2	6
North Marion SD 15	Marion	0	17	2	14	0	1	3
North Santiam SD 29J	Marion	2	67	1	62	1	3	0
Salem-Keizer SD 24J	Marion	52	1162	117	900	52	93	200
Silver Falls SD 4J	Marion	0	69	0	60	0	9	0
St Paul SD 45	Marion	0	11	1	10	0	0	0
Woodburn SD 103	Marion	0	255	12	164	1	78	16
Central SD 13J	Polk	13	88	6	72	3	7	17
Dallas SD 2	Polk	4	81	6	66	6	3	0
Falls City SD 57	Polk	0	31	6	11	0	14	0
Perrydale SD 21	Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		71	1965	165	1519	64	217	254

Housing Age

Total housing units, median year built and median age in 2016 for the report area are shown below. Housing units used in housing age include only those where the year built is known.

Report Area	Total Housing Units	Median Year Built	Median Age (from 2016)
Report Area	153,733		no data
Marion County, OR	122,874	1977	37
Polk County, OR	30,859	1984	30
Oregon	1,706,290	1978	36
United States	134,054,899	1977	37

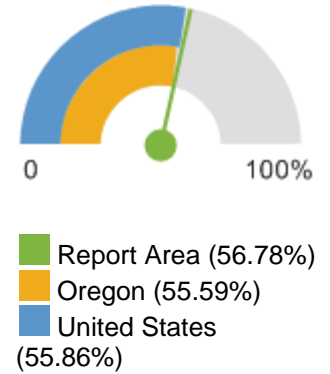
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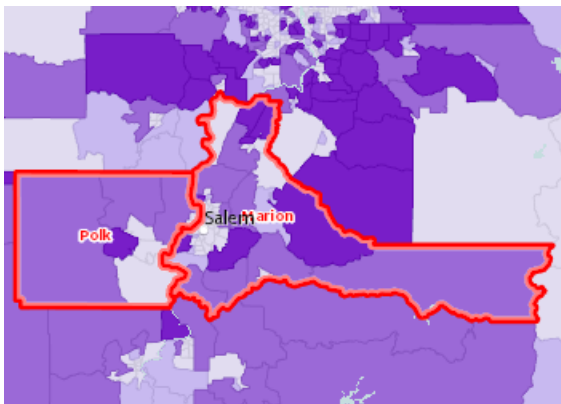
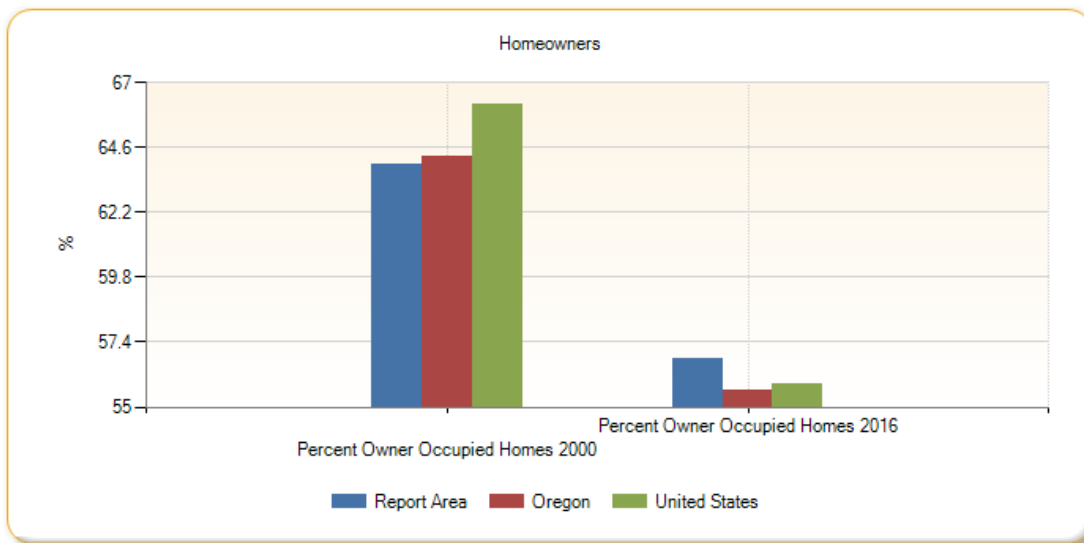
The U.S. Census Bureau estimated there were 79,746 homeowners in the report area in 2000, and 63.95% owner occupied homes in the report area for the 5 year estimated period from 2012 - 2016.

Report Area	Owner Occupied	Owner Occupied	Owner Occupied	Owner Occupied
				Owner Occupied Homes 2016

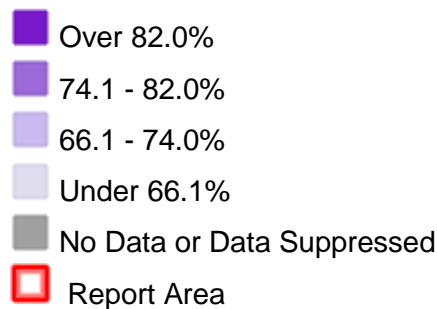
	Homes 2000	Homes 2000	Homes 2016	Homes 2016
Report Area	79,746	63.95%	87,297	56.78%
Marion County, OR	63,968	62.94%	68,730	55.94%
Polk County, OR	15,778	68.43%	18,567	60.17%
Oregon	856,951	64.25%	948,587	55.59%
United States	69,815,753	66.19%	74,881,068	55.86%



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Owner-Occupied Housing Units, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

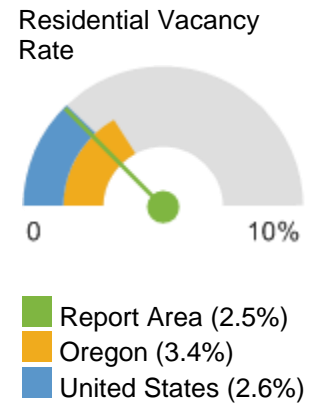


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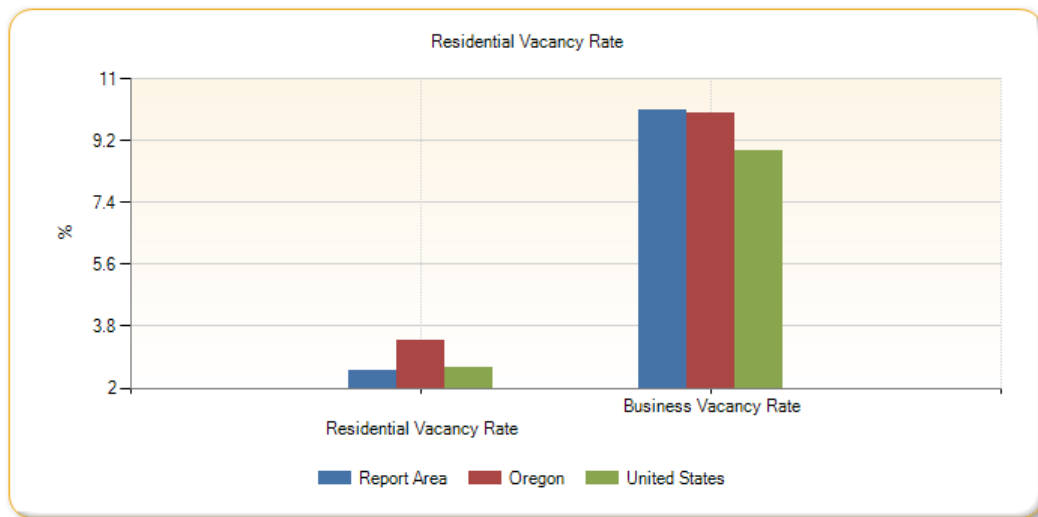
The U.S. Postal Service provided information quarterly to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on addresses identified as vacant in the previous quarter. Residential and business vacancy rates for the report area in the first quarter of 2015 are reported.

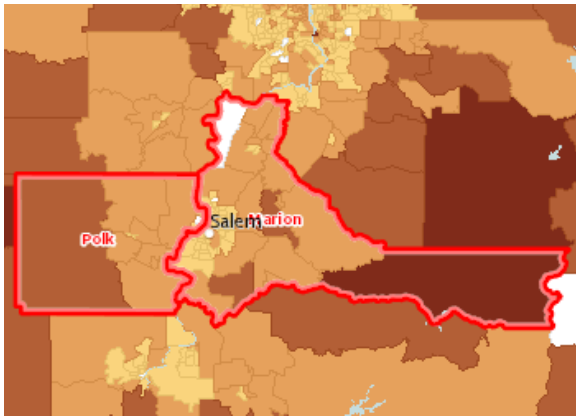
For this reporting period, a total of 4,203 residential addresses were identified as vacant in the report area, a vacancy rate of 2.5%, and 1,509 business addresses were also reported as vacant, a rate of 10.1% .

Report Area	Residential Addresses	Vacant Residential Addresses	Residential Vacancy Rate	Business Addresses	Vacant Business Addresses	Business Vacancy Rate
Report Area	170,977	4,203	2.5%	14,888	1,509	10.1%
Marion County, OR	136,482	3,205	2.3%	12,804	1,328	10.4%
Polk County, OR	34,495	998	2.9%	2,084	181	8.7%
Oregon	1,944,099	66,684	3.4%	187,462	18,764	10%
United States	146,832,025	3,825,190	2.6%	13,835,679	1,232,945	8.9%

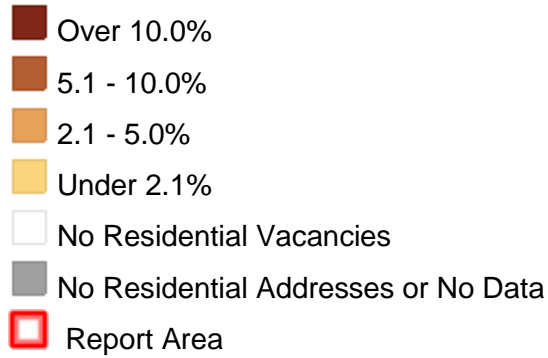


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Residential Vacancies, Percent by Tract, HUD 2016-Q4

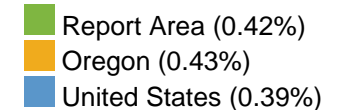
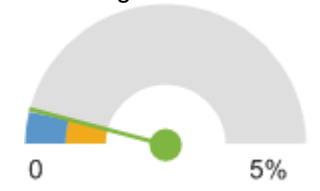


Number of Unsafe, Unsanitary Homes

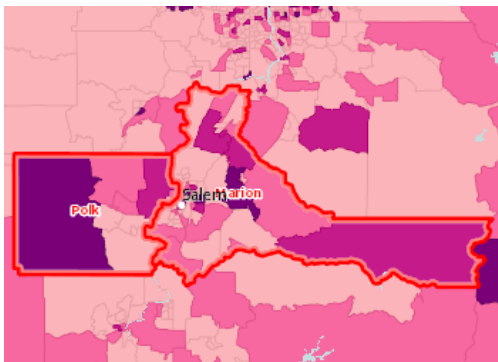
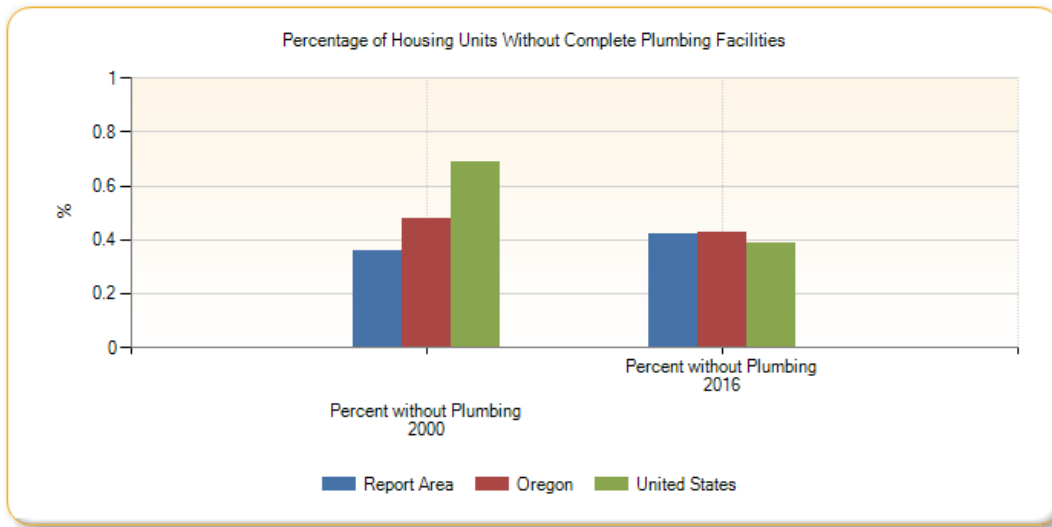
The number and percentage of occupied housing units without plumbing are shown for the report area. U.S. Census data shows 446 housing units in the report area were without plumbing in 2000 and ACS five year estimates show 603 housing units in the report area were without plumbing in 2016.

Report Area	Occupied Housing Units 2000	Housing Units without Plumbing 2000	Percent without Plumbing 2000	Occupied Housing Units 2016	Housing Units without Plumbing 2016	Percent without Plumbing 2016
Report Area	124,699	446	0.36%	143,921	603	0.42%
Marion County, OR	101,641	314	0.29%	115,196	476	0.41%
Polk County, OR	23,058	132	0.54%	28,725	127	0.44%
Oregon	1,333,723	7,025	0.48%	1,545,745	6,720	0.43%
United States	106,741,426	736,626	0.69%	117,706,238	453,650	0.39%

Percentage of Housing Units Without Complete Plumbing Facilities



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Decennial Census. 2011-15. Source geography: County



Housing Units Lacking Complete Plumbing Facilities, Percent by Tract, ACS 2011-15

- Over 2.0%
- 1.1 - 2.0%
- 0.1 - 1.0%
- 0.0%
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

211 Call Center

211 call centers are accessed by individuals looking for all kinds of assistance. During the 4th quarter of 2017 (July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017) 1,845 calls were made to Marion County which included 903 mobile apps, 128 texts, 31 emails, and 2,876 web search. 174 calls to Polk County 211 number including 120 mobile apps, 20 texts, 2 emails, and 462 web searches. These are the top ten needs identified from the 211 call centers:

Marion County	Polk County
1. Housing	1. Housing
2. Utility assistance	2. Food/meals
3. Food/meals	3. Utility assistance
4. Health care	4. Health care
5. Individual/family/Community Support	5. Individual/family/Community Support
6. Clothing, household, personal needs	6. Legal, Consumer/Public Safety Services
7. Mental Health/Addictions	7. Clothing, household, personal needs
8. Legal, Consumer/Public Safety Services	8. Mental Health/Addictions
9. Transportation	9. Transportation
10. Income support/assistance	10. Arts, culture and recreation

The majority of callers in Marion County received referrals to one or more of these four agencies: Community Action Agency, Salvation Army, Congregations Helping People, and NW Human Services. In Polk County most referrals were to Community Action Agency, Salvation Army, NW Human Services, Polk County Resource Centers and Department of Human Services. There were 259 instances in Marion County and 23 instances in Polk County where a referral was not available for the caller's request. In some cases, agencies are out of funding for a program; community need often outweighs the help available. Some services simply don't exist in a community. For example, there are often requests for free or low-cost burial services. The top needs in Marion County where a referral was not available: Gas money, housing search assistance, homeless motel vouchers, movers, moving expense assistance, repair services, household goods storage, automobile insurance payment assistance, return to point of origin, automobile loans, portable travel/storage containers and homeless safe parking programs.

The top needs in Polk County where a referral was not available: Repair services, nursing facilities, neighborhood multipurpose centers, meeting space, health/disability related support groups, ethnic oriented multipurpose centers, dental prosthodontics, drop in centers, ex-offender employment programs, air conditioners, public facility health inspection, household goods storage, automobile insurance payment assistance, homeless safe parking programs, assisted living facilities and homeless motel vouchers.

Child Abuse

The major problems facing families of abused and neglected children are drug and/or alcohol abuse, domestic violence, and parental involvement with law enforcement. Many families also have significant financial stress or unemployment issues. Some parents may have mental illness or were abused as children. There usually are several stress factors in families of child abuse/neglect victims.

Stress Factor	FFY 2014	FFY 2015	FFY 2016
Parent/caregiver alcohol or drug use	46.1%	47.2%	43.5%
Domestic Violence	31.3%	32.6%	33.7%
Parent/caregiver involvement with LEA	27.1%	27%	25.2%
Family Financial Distress	19.7%	18.4%	18.4%
Parent/caregiver mental illness	15.5%	15%	15%
Head of household unemployed	13.3%	14.6%	14.6%
Parent/caregiver history of abuse as child	12.7%	14.4%	14.4%
Child mental/physical/behavior disability	10.3%	11.4%	11.4%
New baby/pregnancy	10.1%	9.7%	9.7%
Inadequate housing	9.1%	8.9%	8.9%
Child Developmental Disability	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%
Heavy child care	2.5%	2.2%	2.2%
Parent Developmental Disability	2.3%	1.8%	1.8%

- At 46.1%, alcohol and drug issues represented the largest single family stress factor when child abuse/neglect was present.
- The next most common stressors were domestic violence (31.3%) and parent/caregiver involvement with law enforcement agencies (27.1%).

- During 2014, a total of 6,453 children were served in their homes, exclusive of children in post-substitute care who were on a trial home visit.
- Of all children served with an in-home case during 2014, 38.3% received services beyond case-management and safety assessment services while being served in-home.
- A total of 11,443 children spent at least one day in some kind of foster care with an average of 7,811 children on a daily basis.
- A total of 5,526 children were in family foster care on an average daily basis, with 44.3% placed with relatives.
- Of the total children served in foster care, 69.7% were White, 5.6% were American Indian or Alaska Native, 16.2% were Hispanic, 6.7% were Black or African American, 1.2% was Asian or Pacific Islander, and 0.6% did not have race recorded.
- Of all children in care on September 30, 2014, over 55 percent (55.3) had two or fewer placements.
- A total of 373 children and young adults were served in either professional shelter programs or residential treatment settings on an average daily basis.
- A total of 1,484 youth received independent living program services.
- Of all children leaving foster care, 58.5% were reunited with their families
- During Federal Fiscal Year 2016 (October 2015-September 2016), a total of 76,668 reports of abuse and neglect were received.
- A total of 38,086 of received reports were referred for investigation. A total of 37,320 investigations were completed, which includes reports that were referred in the previous year.
- Of all completed investigations, 7,677 were founded for abuse or neglect and involved 11,843 victims.
- Of all victims, 46.3% were younger than 6 years old.
- Of all types of maltreatment incidences, neglect was the most frequently identified type of maltreatment (42.9%), followed by threat of harm (40.7%).
- At 43.5% alcohol and drug issues represented the largest single family stress factor when child abuse/neglect was present.
- The next most common stressors were domestic violence (33.7%) and parent/caregiver involvement with law enforcement agencies (25.2%).
- During FFY 2016, a total of 6,066 children were served in their homes, exclusive of children in post-substitute care who were on a trial home visit.
- Of all children served with an in-home case during FFY 2016, a total of 41.8% received services beyond case-management and safety assessment services while being served in-home.

Drugs and Alcohol

Drug and alcohol abuse and addiction are significant issues in both Marion and Polk Counties and a contributing factor to abuse, illness, death and the removal of children from the home for safety reasons. The District Attorney's Office in Marion County collects data about children removed from their parent's custody due to drug use. In 2005 1,123 children were removed from their homes due to parent drug use. During the first quarter of 2015, 107 children were removed from their homes because of parental drug use. In 2005, 114 children were born who tested positive for drugs and taken into protective custody. Already during the first quarter of 2015, 2 children were born in Marion County who tested positive for drugs and were removed from their parent's care.

The number of cases that have involved methamphetamine in Marion County has remained constant over the past 10 years. In 2008 there were 906 and in 2014 865. Heroin, related cases, on the other hand, were at 55 in 2008, 208 in 2013 and then decreased in 2014 to 173.

In Marion County, alcohol and drug dependence or abuse has risen each year since 2006 in every age group, as has admitted use of marijuana, medically unnecessary prescription pain killers and other drugs. On a positive note, Marion County 8th and 11th graders show a reduction in their use of alcohol, marijuana, inhalants, medically unnecessary prescriptions pain killers and other drugs with steadily decreasing numbers since 2000.

In Polk County there has been a steady increase in the number of people reporting drug dependence or abuse, including marijuana, medically unnecessary prescription pain killers and other drugs among adults. Polk County youth show decreasing numbers who report binge drinking and alcohol use. However, the use of prescription drugs without doctor's orders and marijuana use is on the rise among Polk County 8th and 11th graders.

Treatment options for drug or alcohol addiction in Marion and Polk Counties are limited. There is one residential treatment program in Salem and several outpatient providers. In Polk County there are no residential treatment programs. There is an outpatient program in Dallas and one in West Salem.

In Marion and Polk County one of the top leading causes of homelessness is due to substance abuse. Between the year 2002 and 2012, 4,182 people died in Oregon due to unintentional and undetermined drug overdose. Oregon is ranked 4th in the Nation for the most illicit drug use. In Marion County there are drug abuse prevention resources that are targeted for teens, parents, and families. The Marion County Substance Abuse Prevention Program uses the science of prevention to prevent alcohol and drug abuse in our community, but access is limited.

- 17% of adults in Marion County smoke cigarettes
- 18% of 11th graders in Marion County have used marijuana in the last 30 days and only 36% of 11th graders see marijuana as harmful
- The alcohol-induced mortality rate in Marion County has been declining and is lower than the Oregon rate
- Marion County residents die at a lower rate from drug-induced mortality than Oregon residents. This may indicate lower drug use in Marion County than in the state of Oregon as a whole. However, more recently drug-induced mortality rates have been rising in the county
- Pregnant women in Marion County use tobacco at a slightly less rate than the Oregon rate.
- Substance abuse (alcohol, tobacco, and drugs) is in the top three health concerns for both Marion County Health and Social Service Partners and Marion County Community Members.

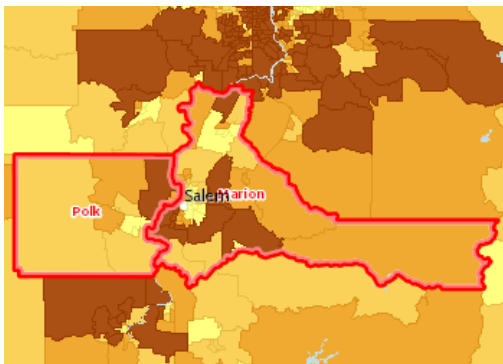
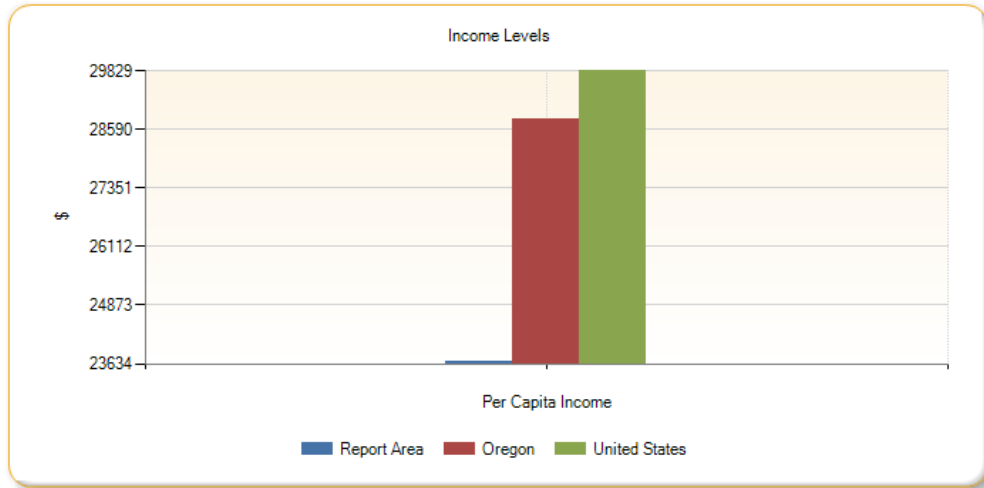
Income

Income Levels

Two common measures of income are Median Household Income and Per Capita Income, based on U.S. Census Bureau estimates. Both measures are shown for the report area below. The average Per Capita income for the report area is \$23,634.51, compared to a national average of \$29,829.

Report Area	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income
Report Area	no data	\$23,634.51
Marion County, OR	\$50,775	\$23,348
Polk County, OR	\$54,010	\$24,827
Oregon	\$53,270	\$28,822
United States	\$55,322	\$29,829

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County



Per Capita Income by Tract, ACS 2012-16

- Over 30,000
- 25,001 - 30,000
- 20,001 - 25,000
- Under 20,001
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

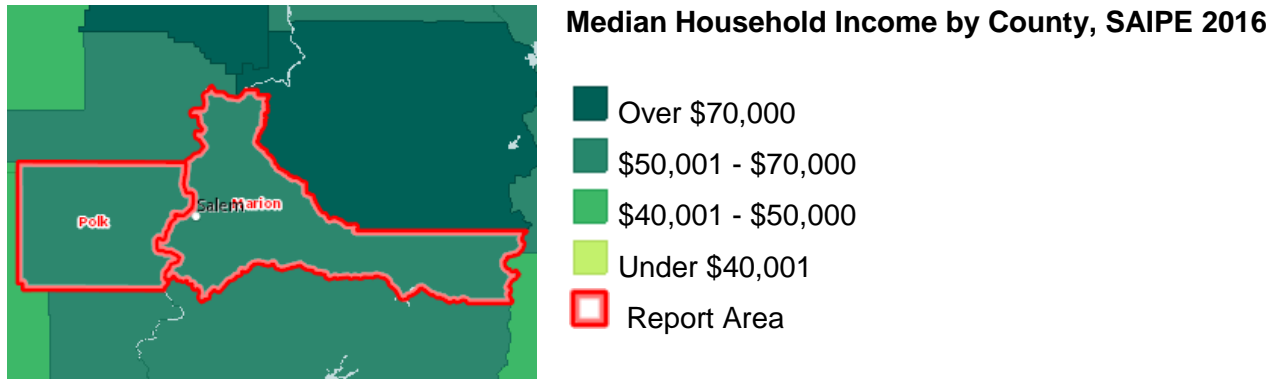
Household Income

Median annual household incomes in the report area for 2016 are shown in the table below. Since this reports a median amount, a "Report Area" value is not able to be calculated.

Report Area	Median Household Income
Marion County, OR	\$55,954
Polk County, OR	\$55,218

Oregon	\$57,379
United States	\$57,617

Data Source: US Census Bureau, Small Area Income Poverty Estimates. 2016. Source geography: County



Nutrition, Hunger and Poverty

Food insecurity in Oregon, according to the 2011 USDA report, is holding steady at around 13.6%, while nationally the rate has ranged from 14.5 to 14.9% in the past four years. At that rate, about 491,000 Oregonians are not always sure where their next meal is coming from, and lack consistent access to adequate amounts of nutritious foods.

Addressing hunger needs to be a top priority in the Oregon state budget. The General Fund Food Program leverages the power of the Oregon Food Bank Network to acquire and distribute food through 20 regional food banks and over 900 partner agencies. Farm Direct coupon programs help seniors on fixed incomes and low-income families get more healthy food on their tables by supporting Oregon farmers.

Recent data from Marion-Polk Food Share

- In all, one of every five area households ate from an emergency food box at least once during the year. And, among those eating from food boxes were an average of more than 16,000 children a month
- Children are especially vulnerable to even temporary food insecurity. Scientific evidence abounds linking hunger and poor nutrition to problems in mental development, physical health, academic achievement and behavior. Some of these problems carry over to adulthood reducing ones potential for economic productivity
- An average of 9,440 families each month accessed an emergency food box to help make ends meet. That average is 5% more than the previous year
- MPFS records show the rate of increase in need slowed this year. Looking back, the increase between fiscal years 2010 and 2011 was 14%; between 2011 and 2012, it was 22%; and between 2012 and 2014 it slowed to 5%
- Service statistics from July 1 through September 30 of this year (the first quarter of the 2013-2014 MPFS fiscal year) showed a monthly average of more than 9,600 families seeking emergency food boxes. That's up 600 from last year at the same time, a 6%

increase

- Children First for Oregon reported that more than 25,000 children in Marion County were living in poverty in 2011, and those being assisted by SNAP food stamps numbered 37,039. In Polk County, 3,303 children were living in poverty, and 4,812 children were assisted by SNAP
- An estimated 12.7 % of American households were food insecure at least some time during 2015, that percentage decreased by 2.2% from the year 2014. In Oregon about 16% of families were struggling to have enough food for everyone in their household. This high percentage makes Oregon the hungriest State in the Western United States
- Every month more than 40,000 individuals are eating at least one meal from the Marion-Polk Food Share network, and that includes 14,000 children.
- Throughout the state of Oregon about 644,000 individuals are food insecure, of those individuals 223,480 are children.
- 34% of the individuals receiving emergency food are children.
- 44,050 people living in Marion County are food insecure, which is at a 13.7% rate. In Polk county 10,860 people are food insecure, which is at a 14.2% rate.
- Across Oregon 27% of people receiving food said that long term unemployment was the cause of this. Long term unemployment is forcing individuals to seek emergency food. That compared to 22% in 2008 at the beginning of the recession.
- 72 % of people who receive food have incomes below the federal poverty level. With the help of a food pantry about 80% of households are able to meet their food needs for the month.
- Most adult emergency food recipients are working, retired, looking for work, or are disabled.
- 34% of those receiving emergency food are children.
- 18% of Marion County lives below the federal poverty level.

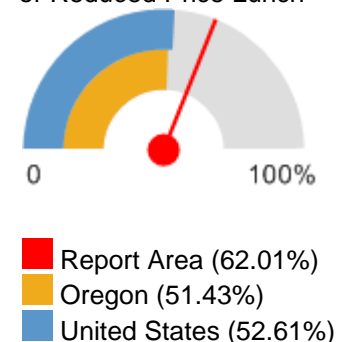
The cost of rent and/or housing plus the increasing cost of childcare have been two main contributors to food insecurity.

Free and Reduced Lunch Program

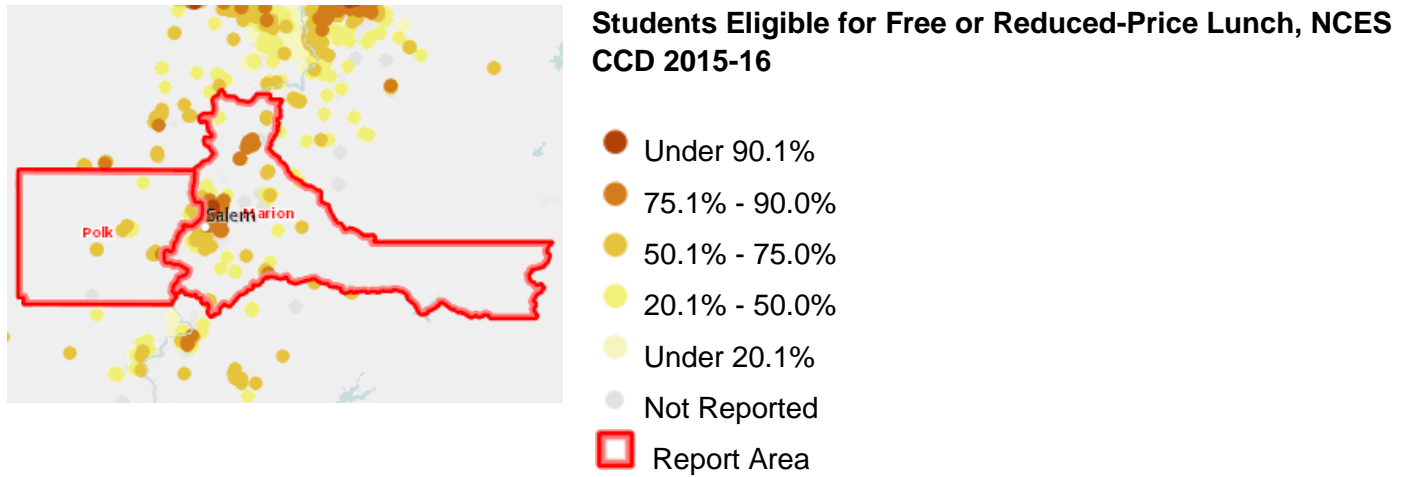
The following report shows that 40,793 students (or 62.01 percent) were eligible for free or reduced price lunches during the 2013 - 2014 school year, which is more than the national average of 52.35 percent.

Report Area	Total Students	Number Free/Reduced Price Lunch Eligible	Percent Free/Reduced Price Lunch Eligible
Report Area	65,784	40,793	62.01%
Marion County, OR	53,879	35,101	65.15%
Polk County, OR	11,905	5,692	47.81%
Oregon	568,062	282,506	51.43%
United States	50,611,787	25,893,504	52.61%

Percent Students Eligible for Free or Reduced Price Lunch



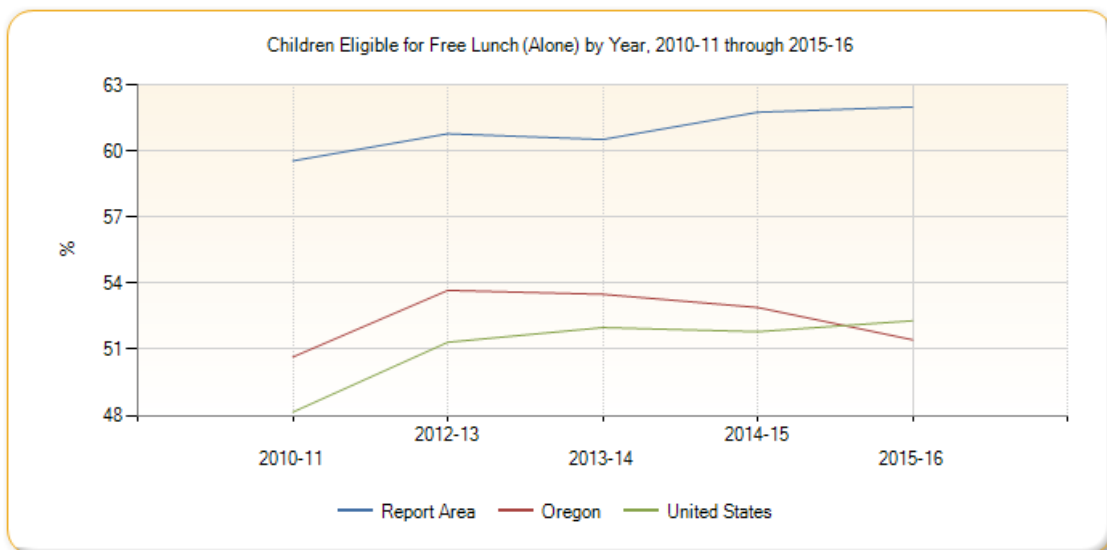
Data Source: National Center for Education Statistics, NCES - Common Core of Data. 2015-16. Source geography: Address



Children Eligible for Free Lunch (Alone) by Year, 2010-11 through 2015-16

The table below shows local, state, and National trends in student free and reduced lunch eligibility. *Note: Data for the 2011-12 school year are omitted due to lack of data for some states.*

Report Area	2010-11	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Report Area	59.56%	60.79%	60.53%	61.77%	62.01%
Marion County, OR	62.42%	63.32%	63.13%	65.05%	65.15%
Polk County, OR	46.44%	49.24%	47.1%	46.66%	47.81%
Oregon	50.65%	53.68%	53.5%	52.9%	51.43%
United States	48.15%	51.32%	51.99%	51.8%	52.3%

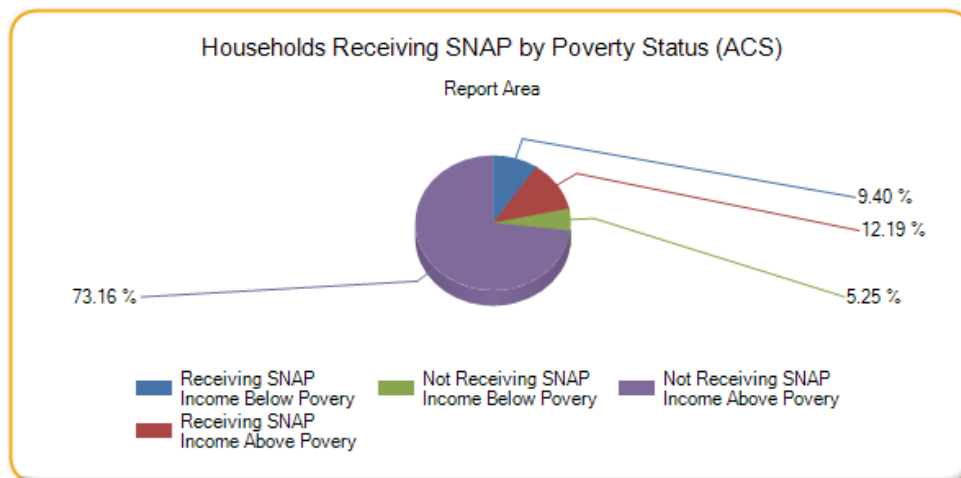


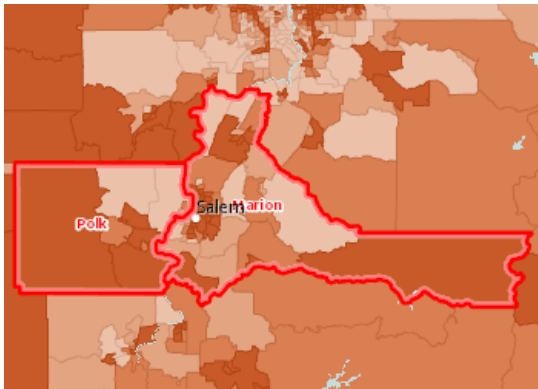
Households Receiving SNAP by Poverty Status (ACS)

The below table shows that according to the American Community Survey (ACS), 31,076 households (or 21.6%) received SNAP payments during 2016. During this same period there were 7,558 households with income levels below the poverty level that were not receiving SNAP payments.

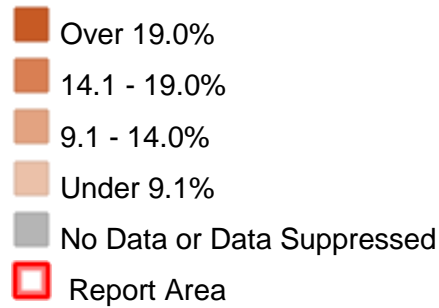
Report Area	Households Receiving SNAP Total	Households Receiving SNAP Percent	Households Receiving SNAP Income Below Poverty	Households Receiving SNAP Income Above Poverty	Households Not Receiving SNAP Total	Households Not Receiving SNAP Percent	Households Not Receiving SNAP Income Below Poverty	Households Not Receiving SNAP Income Above Poverty
Report Area	31,076	21.6%	13,525	17,551	112,845	78.4%	7,558	105,287
Marion County, OR	25,711	22.32%	10,970	14,741	89,485	77.68%	5,934	83,551
Polk County, OR	5,365	18.68%	2,555	2,810	23,360	81.32%	1,624	21,736
Oregon	289,944	18.76%	127,747	162,197	1,255,801	81.24%	95,129	1,160,672
United States	15,360,951	13.05%	7,727,684	7,633,267	102,355,286	86.95%	8,924,556	93,430,730

Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. 2012-16. Source geography: County





Households Receiving SNAP Benefits, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16



Health

According to the Community Health Assessment Marion County 2017 Update:

Key Demographic Finding for Marion County:

- A higher percentage of Marion County residents are under 25 than in the State of Oregon.
- A higher percentages of Marion County residents identify as Hispanic/Latino than in the State of Oregon.
- A higher percentage of Marion county residents speak a language other than English at home than in the State of Oregon.
- One third of the population of Marion County lives outside the five largest cities in the County (Salem, Keizer, Silverton, Stayton and Woodburn).

Key Socioeconomic Findings for Marion County:

- Marion County residents have a lower median household income than both the State of Oregon and the United States.
- A higher percentage of the population of Marion County are living below the federal poverty level than in both the State of Oregon and the United States.
- Marion County has a lower percentage of residents with a Bachelor’s degree or higher than both the State of Oregon and the United States.

Key Access to Care Finding for Marion County:

- A higher percentage of Marion County residents have public insurance or no insurance than in Oregon and the United States

Key Injury Prevention/Safety Findings for Marion County:

- Men die from injuries at higher rates than women in Marion County.
- The main causes of injury death in Marion County are: falls, poisoning and motor vehicle accidents.
- Persons in Marion County who identify as White, non-Hispanics are more likely to die of accidental injury than individuals who identify as Hispanic.

Key Mortality Finding for Marion County:

Marion County residents die at about the same rate than Oregon residents.

- The top five leading cause of death in Marion County are: 1) cancer, 2) heart disease, 3) unintentional injuries, 4) stroke, and 5) Chronic lower respiratory diseases
- Men die at higher rates than women in Marion County from suicide, heart disease, colon cancer, lung cancer, diabetes, and alcohol.
- Women die at higher rates than men in Marion County from Alzheimer's disease.
- Marion County residents die from suicide at a lower rate than Oregon residents. However, since 2013 the rate has been increasing and is approaching state levels. Neither Marion County nor Oregon has met the Healthy People 2020 goal for suicides. This indicator has been selected by the Community Health Improvement Partnership as a priority measure.

Key Maternal & Child Health Findings for Marion County:

- Marion County has a higher teen birth rate than in the State of Oregon
- A higher percentage of women in Marion County who identify as white, non-Hispanic receive first trimester prenatal care than women who identify as any other race or ethnicity.
- Tobacco use during pregnancy, while still high in Marion County has been decreasing since 2011.

Key Health Behavior Findings for Marion County:

- A little over 60% of Marion County adults 50-75 years of age are up to date on their colon cancer screenings, compared with the State of Oregon at just over 60%.
- The Marion County Hispanic teen pregnancy rate has dropped by nearly half from (~85 per 1,000 15-19 year old females) in 2010 to (~45 per 1,000 15-19 year old females) in 2015.
- A higher percentage of Marion County residents are considered to be obese (34%) than Oregon residents (27%).

Key Communicable Disease Finding for Marion County:

- Chlamydia incidence rates are increasing in Marion County. (450.6 per 100,000 in 2012 to 510.8 per 100,000 in 2016; a 13% increase).
- Gonorrhea incidence rates are increasing in Marion County. (32.7 per 100,000 in 2012 to 107.3 per 100,000 in 2016; a 228% increase).
- Syphilis incidence rates are increasing in Marion County (1.9 per 100,000 in 2012 to 17.2 per 100,000 in 2016; an 805% increase).

According to the Polk County Community Health Assessment 2017 update:

Key Demographic Finding for Polk County:

- About 84% of people in Polk County reside in an incorporated community: Salem, Dallas, Monmouth, Independence, Falls City, and Willamina.
- Polk County has a larger proportion of individuals between the ages of 0- 24 years old than in the State of Oregon and the United States.
- Polk County has a higher proportion of veterans than Oregon and the United States.

Key Socioeconomic Finding for Polk County:

- Polk County residents have a slightly higher median household income than Oregon residents and Americans in general.
- A higher percentage of Polk County residents under the age of 18 live below the federal poverty level than Oregon residents.

- Polk County has fewer people who did not complete high school than in the state of Oregon and the United States.

Key Access to Care Finding for Polk County:

- The uninsured rate in Polk County dropped 8% from 2012 (13%) to 2014 (5%).
- Gaps still exist in accessing needed care including vision and dental care in Polk County.

Key Injury Prevention/Safety Findings for Polk County:

- Men die at higher rates from injuries than women in Polk County.
- The main causes of injury death in Polk County are: falls, poisoning and motor vehicle accidents.

Key Mortality Findings for Polk County:

- Polk County residents die at a lower rate than the state of Oregon.
- The leading causes of death in Polk County are: heart disease, Alzheimer’s disease, and lung cancer.

Key Maternal & Child Health Findings for Polk County:

- The birth rate has steadily declined since 2009 in Polk County.
- The percentage of moms who receive first trimester prenatal care has been increasing since 2008 in Polk County.

Key Built Environment Findings for Polk County:

- Almost one third of Polk County residents believe their access to public transportation is poor.
- Almost one third of Polk County residents believe the county is an excellent place to raise a family.
- Almost one half of Polk County residents believe their access to healthy foods is good.

Key Health Behavior findings for Polk County:

- Racial and ethnic disparities exist in the Polk County teen pregnancy rate, however it has steadily declined since 2008.
- Alcohol impaired driving deaths in Polk County occur at a higher rate than in the State of Oregon.
- Tobacco, alcohol and marijuana use in youth increase with increasing grade levels in Polk County.

Key Communicable Disease Finding for Polk County:

- Syphilis rates in Oregon have increased dramatically while remaining stable in Polk County since 2011.
- Immunization rates for 2 years olds in Polk County are slightly lower than the state average.

Key Chronic Disease Findings for Polk County:

- The breast cancer incidence rate is higher in Polk County than in the state of Oregon.
- The prostate cancer rate in Polk County, although with racial and ethnic disparities, is overall higher than in the State of Oregon.

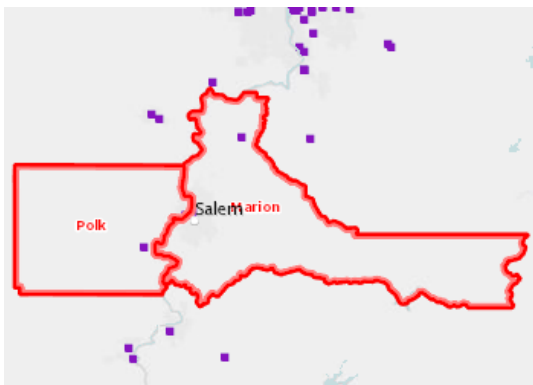
- The Age-Adjusted hospitalization rate due to diabetes has steadily increased in Polk County since 2007.

Federally Qualified Health Centers

Federally Qualified Health Centers in this selected area.

County	Provider Number	FQHC Name	Address	City	Phone
Marion County	PN: 381847	YAKIMA VALLEY FARM WORKERS CLINIC	1175 MOUNT HOOD AVENUE, P O BOX 66	WOODBURN	(503) 982-2000
Marion County	PN: 381850	NORTHWEST HUMAN SERVICES, INC	694 CHURCH STREET NE	SALEM	(503) 588-5828
Polk County	PN: 381930	WEST SALEM CLINIC MENTAL HEALTH	1245 EDGEWATER STREET NW	SALEM	(503) 588-5816
Polk County	PN: 381937	QUICK CARE CLINIC	1275 EDGEWATER STREET NW	SALEM	(503) 378-7526
Polk County	PN: 381810	WEST SALEM CLINIC	1233 EDGEWATER ST NW	SALEM	(503) 378-7526
Polk County	PN: 381851	NORTHWEST HUMAN SERVICES	180 ATWATER STREET	MONMOUTH	(503) 588-5828

Data Source: US Department of Health Human Services, Center for Medicare Medicaid Services, Provider of Services File. Dec. 2016. Source geography: County



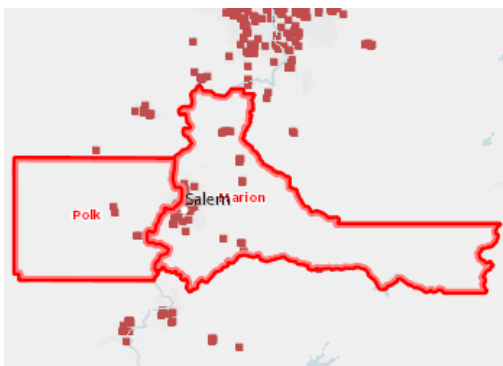
- Federally Qualified Health Centers, POS Dec. 2016
- Report Area

Medicare and Medicaid Providers

Total institutional Medicare and Medicaid providers, including hospitals, nursing facilities, Federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics and community mental health centers for the report area are shown. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, there were 54 active Medicare and Medicaid institutional service providers in the report area in the fourth quarter of 2016.

Report Area	Total Institutional Providers	Hospitals	Nursing Facilities	Federally Qualified Health Centers	Rural Health Clinics	Community Mental Health Centers
Report Area	54	6	12	6	6	0
Marion County, OR	45	5	10	2	6	0
Polk County, OR	9	1	2	4	0	0
Oregon	713	68	137	146	80	2
United States	72,892	7,175	15,652	7,666	4,156	163

Data Source: US Department of Health Human Services, Center for Medicare Medicaid Services, Provider of Services File. Dec. 2016. Source geography: County

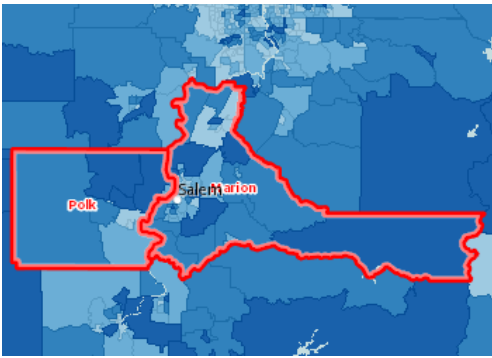


- All Providers of Service, POS Dec. 2016
- Report Area

Persons Receiving Medicare

Report Area	Persons Over 65 Receiving Medicare	Disabled Persons Receiving Medicare	Total Persons Receiving Medicare
Report Area	no data	no data	no data
Oregon	676,088	107,944	784,032
United States	48,262,205	8,890,790	57,152,995

Data Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. 2012-16. Source geography: County



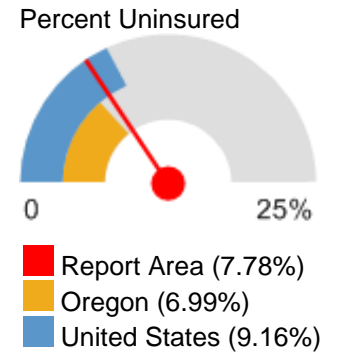
Insured, Medicare, Percent by Tract, ACS 2012-16

- Over 25.0%
- 20.1 - 25.0%
- 15.1 - 20.0%
- Under 15.1%
- No Data or Data Suppressed
- Report Area

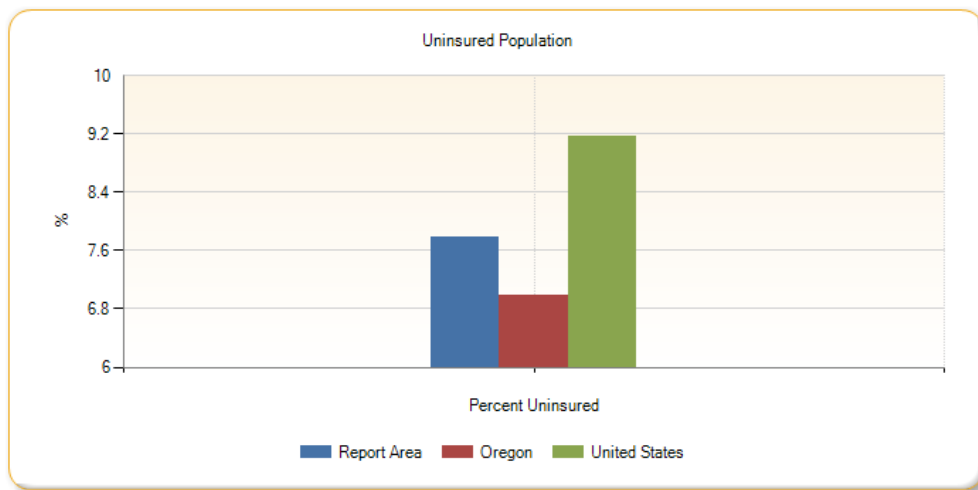
Uninsured Population

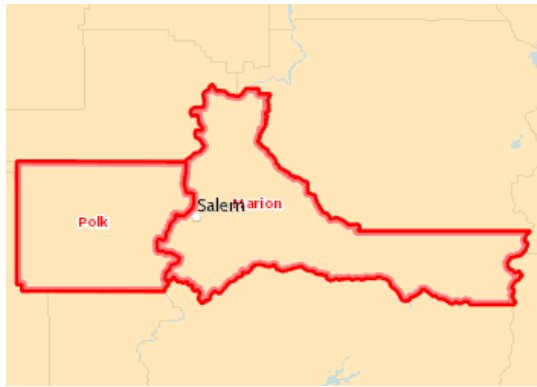
The uninsured population is calculated by estimating the number of persons eligible for insurance (generally those under 65) minus the estimated number of insured persons.

Report Area	Insurance Population (2016 Estimate)	Number Insured	Number Uninsured	Percent Uninsured
Report Area	404,997	303,652	31,504	8.9%
Marion County, OR	326,527	244,994	26,364	9.7%
Polk County, OR	78,470	58,658	5,140	8.1%
Oregon	3,982,267	3,024,852	278,293	6.99%
United States	318,558,162	237,874,187	29,165,227	9.16%

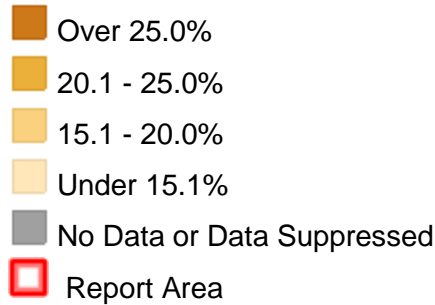


Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey. US Census Bureau, Small Area Health Insurance Estimates. 2015. Source geography: County





Uninsured Population, Percent by County, SAHIE 2015



Please see [Community Needs Assessment Online Tool footnotes](#) for information about the data background, analysis methodologies and other related notes.

Report prepared by [Community Commons](#), April 10, 2018.

Child Care

According to the Caring for Our Children Basics, Health and Safety Foundations for Early Care and Education report published by the Administration for Children and Families, the long-term success of children, and assist low-income working parents with the cost of child care. In partnership with families, all early care and education programs should support children's needs and age-appropriate progress across domains of language and literacy development; cognition and general knowledge; approaches to learning; physical health and well-being and motor development, and social and emotional development that will improve readiness for kindergarten. Head Start, Early Head Start, Pre-Kindergarten, and child care programs aim to support the ability of parents, teachers, child care providers and other community members to interact positively with children in stable and stimulating environments to help create a sturdy foundation for later school achievement, economic productivity, and responsible citizenship.

Licensing of center-based care and family child care homes is a process that establishes the minimum requirements necessary to protect the health and safety of children in care. State licensing requirements are regulatory requirements, including registration or certification requirements, established under State law necessary for a provider to legally operate and provide child care services.

What is Oregon's QRIS (Now Known as Spark)

Oregon's Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) is a program that raises the quality and consistency of child care and early learning programs across the state. The Quality Rating System recognizes, rewards and builds on what early learning and development programs are already doing well. It helps ensure children in QRIS programs are ready for kindergarten by connecting programs and providers with free tools, financial incentives and professional advice that they can put into practice with confidence.

Data on the following pages was provided by the Community Action Child Care Resource & Referral program with details about child care in Marion and Polk Counties.

Child Care Resource & Referral Of Marion, Polk & Yamhill Counties

A Program of Community Action Agency

Total number of ALL child care providers in SDA 3: 684

Number of Licensed Child Care Providers in SDA 3: 561

Number of SPARK Engaged Programs in Marion County: 40 Star Rated

	# Licensed	C2Q	3-Star	4-Star	5-Star
Certified Center	101	40	3	0	1
Certified Family	77	12	10	0	7
Registered Family	201	19	6	0	2
Head Start	11	0	0	0	11
Totals	390	71	19	0	21

Number of SPARK Engaged Programs in Polk County: 17 Star Rated

	# Licensed	C2Q	3-Star	4-Star	5-Star
Certified Center	21	4	3	2	4
Certified Family	17	7	2	0	0
Registered Family	36	5	2	0	0
Head Start	4	0	0	0	4
Totals	78	16	7	2	8

Number of SPARK Engaged Programs in Yamhill County: 24 Star Rated

	# Licensed	C2Q	3-Star	4-Star	5-Star
Certified Center	18	8	1	0	0
Certified Family	32	2	6	3	3
Registered Family	38	2	2	2	2
Head Start	5	0	0	0	5
Totals	93	12	9	5	10



Number of children in Marion County SPARK rated programs: **3,548**



Number of children in Polk County SPARK rated programs: **886**



Number of children in Yamhill County SPARK rated programs: **1,034**

Marion, Polk & Yamhill Child Care Cost Analysis by Age Group 2017

Monthly, FT Rates	
Age Group	AVERAGED
Under 12 months	\$612.00
Toddler	\$590.00
Preschool aged children in full time care	\$550.00
Preschool aged children in PT preschool program	\$337.00
First grade - 12 years, before and/or after school	\$411.00
First grade - 12 years, full time care in summer	\$534.00

Daily, FT Rates	
Age Group	AVERAGED
Under 12 months	\$28.00
Toddler	\$27.00
Preschool aged children in full time care	\$24.00
Preschool aged children in PT preschool program	\$32.00
First grade - 12 years, before and/or after school	\$20.00
First grade - 12 years, full time care in summer	\$24.00

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Findings, Analysis, and Goals

Through the analysis of data within this Community Needs Assessment, Marion and Polk counties are experiencing a number of persistent issues that affect people with low incomes in our service area. These issues include:

- High cost of living, driven mostly by the costs of housing
- Significant population of people that are chronically homeless with health, mental health and substance abuse tri-morbidity needs.
- Domestic violence remains a pervasive problem within our local communities and requires targeted strategies to reduce the impact on effected populations.
- Inadequate supply of high quality child care for low-income families and the subsidy to pay for it
- Inadequate public transportation in rural areas and in Salem on evenings and weekends
- Lack of living wage jobs
- Trauma and unmet mental health needs
- An increase of individuals that are elderly losing access to their housing due to rising cost of housing and eviction.
- The social service system is underfunded and strained to capacity but is strong and collaborative in its approach.
- Lack of availability of overnight services for youth ages 11-17 that have run away from home or are experiencing homelessness.
- Gaps in the availability of services to individuals with mental illness. People with significant need of resources and supports for mental health, substance abuse, and housing that have not committed crimes but are still falling through the cracks. Navigation supports are critical.
- There is a need for coaches to help low and moderate income people in need of support to apply for housing, fill out the applications comprehensively, and understand when and how to fill out waiver requests as they relate to applicant screening and selection criteria, etc.
- Regionally, there are communities of Pacific Islander and Native American children, individuals, and families that are experiencing a higher percentage of poverty for the number of people represented within the community as compared to other races and ethnicities living in Marion and Polk counties.

While it is difficult to fully attribute the causes of poverty to very specific things, we are able to display through the Community Assessment and dataset within Marion and Polk counties, many of the risk factors and barriers that contribute to causing the circumstances that people in need experience. The correlations and causations have too many variables to specifically identify the root cause. There are as many causes as there are individuals making it paramount to ensure that interventions and strategies are individualized based on the needs of the individual and family.

The Community Action Agency provides significant services to respond to many of the needs documented in this assessment, and our services are vital to the well-being of people moving to exit poverty. Continuing to provide these services and expand resources to meet the growing needs listed above is of the highest priority. Services to people in need clearly need to be based on individual connection. The relationships established by community partners in our service area are the key to addressing the immense needs of people in poverty. Everyone has infinite worth and value and it needs to be fostered. The worth of a person cannot be measured because everyone deserves to feel and understand that they have worth and value. The overarching lens that we all should wear is the opportunity to connect those that are disconnected, build relationships, and increase hope.

In reviewing, this needs assessment, The Board of Directors and Community Action Agency Leadership Team set priorities for adding or enhancing programs whenever we have the opportunity. Priorities for expanding current services are:

- More affordable, high-quality child care, especially for infants and toddlers
 - There is limited availability of odd hour, care for children with special needs, and infant care
 - There is a need for more Early Head Start and Early Head Start Child Care Partnership opportunities in Marion and Polk counties
- Develop and administer an overnight youth shelter for minors
 - Focus efforts on partnering with organizations addressing the epidemic sex trafficking of minors along the I-5 corridor and specifically where it intersects with Marion County.
- Expand homelessness prevention services through partnership with financial assistance programs and expansion of Community Action Agency services in the areas of:
 - Asset development services through partnership
 - Energy Efficiency/energy conservation services
 - Funding to provide water bill subsidy and payment assistance
 - Partnerships to increase training opportunities that lead to employment which provides a living wage.
 - Workforce development for adults that have barriers to employment, (i.e. previous incarceration, mental health or substance abuse history, etc.)
 - Co-location or administration of employment services through contract with Willamette Workforce Partnership or local workforce investment partners. Shared location services or separate staff working within HOME, ARCHES, and DeMuniz Resource Center.
- Continue to develop strategies for housing across the continuum, including permanent supportive housing, rapid-rehousing and Housing First, and home ownership/down payment assistance for low income families.
 - Continuum of Care funding will be made available for addressing domestic violence through bonus projects across the nation in the near future. We will work with our local partners addressing domestic violence to position them for this opportunity.
 - Develop a single point of entry (Coordinated Entry) agreed upon by all community sheltering, transitional housing, and housing entities in Marion and Polk counties. Solidifying this system will connect people in need to stable housing by identifying, evaluating, and connecting them to housing support services and housing resources. The Coordinated Entry system matches the right level of services and housing resources to the person facing a housing crisis. The ideal situation would ensure that all partners in the community are channeling eligible people through an agreed upon assessment and placement system.
- Funding for healthy homes initiative, to ensure that people's health and safety are prioritized to address mold, dry rot, and other dangerous conditions that lead to health issues for residents.
- Wherever possible, we need to integrate and structure services to streamline access and create efficiencies.
- To the extent possible, we will explore the integration of our services with services provided by other organizations in the more rural areas to extend our reach.
- Develop ways to ensure equity in access to individuals and families furthest from opportunity.
 - Focus partnerships within the community and work within the organization on meeting people where they are, ensuring that supports address the individual's or family's specific needs.
 - Continue efforts to shift the frame of reference and community culture so that partnerships are structured to wrap around people in need to create an environment that supports people who are often marginalized.
- Explore and expand partnerships with other community organizations to continue to address the social determinants of health. Social service organizations are performing community and economic development and reducing costs for other sectors. There needs to be more focus on partnerships with businesses and the community to ensure that we are all working on the same goals to help people exit poverty.

- Create co-location opportunities to bring mental health supports into ongoing case management within agency programs serving low-income individuals and families.
- Partner with the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program beginning in Marion County to enhance the resources available to the LEAD Navigator. Support efforts to expand and develop this program that focuses efforts on harm reduction to provide high users of the system with methods to address their needs and reduce unlawful behaviors. This strategy deals with the root causes of poverty, drug abuse, and homelessness to create long-term solutions to help individuals break patterns of concern.
- Within the community, it is exceedingly important to partner with organizations that specialize in working with communities of color. Reaching refugee populations that are in need of connection to resources for their children are a priority, through hiring culturally diverse individuals within those communities to facilitate services through relationships.

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