



Oklahoma



Although Oklahoma's afterschool program participation slipped slightly from 12 percent in 2009 to 11 percent in 2014, the state made gains in parent satisfaction with their child's afterschool program. In 2014, a higher percentage of Oklahoma parents are satisfied with their child's afterschool program overall when compared to 2009 (94 percent vs. 81 percent), its quality of care (88 percent vs. 74 percent), the variety of activities (88 percent vs. 68 percent) and the program cost (81 percent vs. 69 percent).



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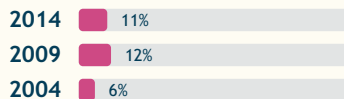
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Children in Afterschool -

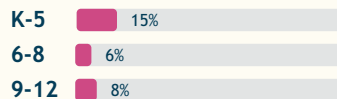
Afterschool program participation in Oklahoma



68,751 children in 2014

In 2014, 11% of Oklahoma's children participate in an afterschool program, compared to 12% in 2009 and 6% in 2004.

Children in an afterschool program, by grade



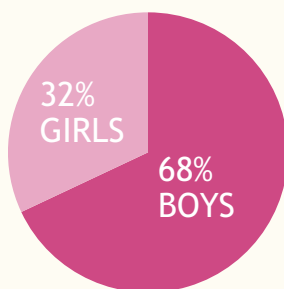
In 2014, 15% of Oklahoma's children in grades K-5 participate in an afterschool program, compared to 6% in grades 6-8 and 8% in grades 9-12.

Average time per week children spend in an afterschool program

2014
7 HOURS
3 DAYS

For the purposes of this study, timing was limited to 15 hours per week in afterschool care, reflecting the hours of 3 to 6 p.m.

Children in an afterschool program, by gender



Most families piece together a variety of afterschool solutions, with 72% of Oklahoma's K-12 children spending some portion of the hours after school in the care of a parent or guardian. Other afterschool arrangements include traditional child care centers (6%); sibling care (14%); and non-parental adult care, such as a grandparent or neighbor (23%).

Average weekly cost of afterschool programs

2014

49 \$

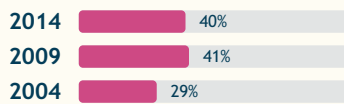
The average weekly cost only includes parents who report that they pay a fee for their child's afterschool program.

Children Unsupervised After School & Unmet Demand -

Children who would participate if an afterschool program were available

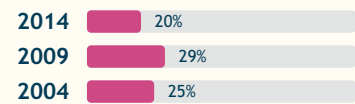
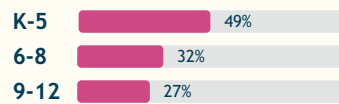
Children who would participate if an afterschool program were available, by grade level

Children unsupervised after school



230,198 children in 2014

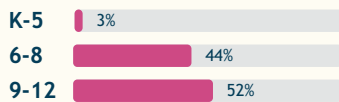
In 2014, 40% of Oklahoma's children would participate in an afterschool program if one were available, compared to 41% in 2009 and 29% in 2004.



130,367 children in 2014

In 2014, 20% of Oklahoma's children are alone and unsupervised between the hours of 3 and 6 p.m.

Children unsupervised after school, by grade



In 2014, 3% of Oklahoma's children in grades K-5 were unsupervised after school, compared to 44% in grades 6-8 and 52% in grades 9-12.

What barriers to afterschool program enrollment are Oklahoma families facing?

After lack of need, the predominant challenges parents face enrolling their child in an afterschool program include:

- Preference for alternative activities
- The afterschool programs are too expensive

Average time per week children spend alone & unsupervised after school

2014

7 HOURS

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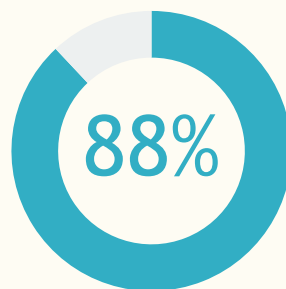
Parent Satisfaction with Afterschool Programs -

Parents satisfied with their child's afterschool program

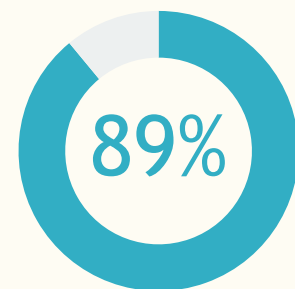


In 2014, 94% of Oklahoma's parents are satisfied with their child's afterschool program, compared to 81% in 2009 and 100% in 2004.

Parents satisfied with the quality of care in their child's afterschool program



Parents satisfied with the safe environment of their child's afterschool program



Top 5 activities/services offered by afterschool programs

- Opportunities for physical activity
- Opportunities for reading or writing
- Homework assistance
- Beverages, snacks and/or meals

Parents agree that afterschool programs help children gain workforce skills

Top 5 factors in parents' selection of an afterschool program

- Quality of care
- The hours meet parents' needs
- Their child enjoys the afterschool program

- STEM learning opportunities

61%

- Is a safe haven
- Knowledgeable and well-trained staff

Parents agree that afterschool programs reduce the likelihood that youth will engage in risky behaviors

66%

74%

of afterschool programs are located in a public school building

Parents agree that afterschool programs excite children about learning

60%

Most common afterschool program providers

1. Public school
2. YMCAs
3. Boys & Girls Clubs

Public Support for Afterschool Programs -

77%

of Oklahoma parents support public funding for afterschool programs, while just 12% report receiving government assistance with the cost of afterschool.

73%

of Oklahoma parents agree that afterschool programs help give working parents peace of mind about their children when they are at work.

75%

of parents agree that afterschool programs help parents keep their jobs.

Footnotes

In Oklahoma, 200 households and 777 children were screened for this study. According to the Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics data for 2011-2012, the total school enrollment in Oklahoma is 648,594, which is the foundation for all statewide projections in Oklahoma After 3PM.



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