



Oregon



Oregon is new to the list of top 10 states for afterschool, moving up from a “state on the move” in 2009. Oregon’s seventh place rank is due to strong overall parent satisfaction with their child’s afterschool program, as well as with specific aspects of the program, including the program’s quality of care, variety of activities and cost. However, the percentage of Oregon children who are alone and unsupervised after school is above the national average, and there remain more than 4 in 10 Oregon children not in an afterschool program who would be enrolled if a program were available to them.



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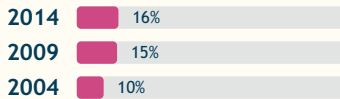
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Children in Afterschool

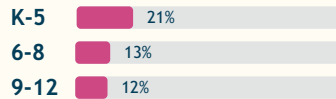
Afterschool program participation in Oregon



91,595 children in 2014

In 2014, 16% of Oregon’s children participate in an afterschool program, compared to 15% in 2009 and 10% in 2004.

Children in an afterschool program, by grade



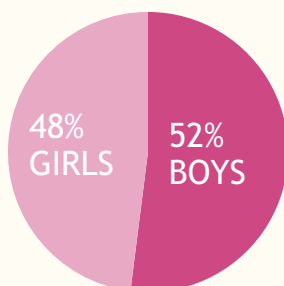
In 2014, 21% of Oregon’s children in grades K-5 participate in an afterschool program, compared to 13% in grades 6-8 and 12% in grades 9-12.

Average time per week children spend in an afterschool program

2014
8 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 Oregon’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 (15%); and non-parental adult care, such as a grandparent or neighbor (26%).

Average weekly cost of afterschool programs

2014

38 \$

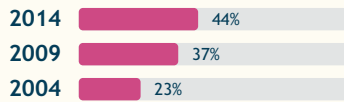
The average weekly cost only includes parents who report that they pay a fee for their child’s afterschool program.

Children Unsupervised After School & Unmet Demand

Children who would participate if an afterschool program were available

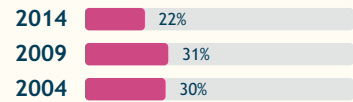
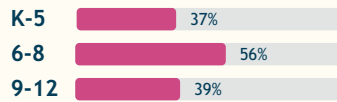
Children who would participate if an afterschool program were available, by grade level

Children unsupervised after school



221,708 children in 2014

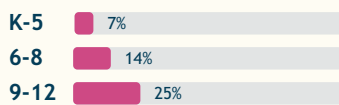
In 2014, 44% of Oregon's children would participate in an afterschool program if one were available, compared to 37% in 2009 and 23% in 2004.



131,779 children in 2014

In 2014, 22% of Oregon's children are alone and unsupervised between the hours of 3 and 6 p.m.

Children unsupervised after school, by grade



In 2014, 7% of Oregon's children in grades K-5 were unsupervised after school, compared to 14% in grades 6-8 and 25% in grades 9-12.

What barriers to afterschool program enrollment are Oregon families facing?

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

- Preference for alternative activities
- Lack of a safe way to get to and come home from afterschool programs

Average time per week children spend alone & unsupervised after school

2014

6 HOURS

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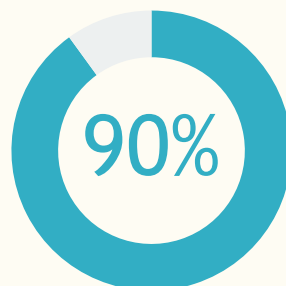
Parent Satisfaction with Afterschool Programs -

Parents satisfied with their child's afterschool program

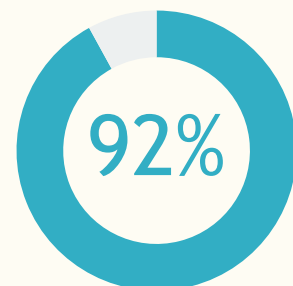


In 2014, 93% of Oregon's parents are satisfied with their child's afterschool program, compared to 92% in 2009 and 90% in 2004.

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

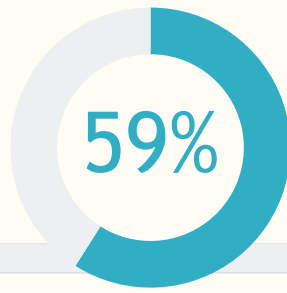
- Opportunities for physical activity
- Beverages, snacks and/or meals
- Homework assistance

Parents agree that afterschool programs help children gain workforce skills

Top 5 factors in parents' selection of an afterschool program

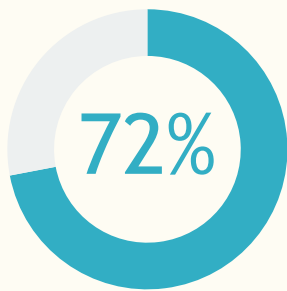
- The hours meet parents' needs
- Is a safe haven
- Their child enjoys the afterschool

- Opportunities for reading or writing
- Music or art



- program
- Quality of care
 - Physical activity opportunities

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



64%

of afterschool programs are located in a public school building

Parents agree that afterschool programs excite children about learning



Most common afterschool program providers

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

Public Support for Afterschool Programs -

83%

of Oregon parents support public funding for afterschool programs, while just 37% report receiving government assistance with the cost of afterschool.

65%

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

64%

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

Footnotes

In Oregon, 215 households and 773 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 Oregon is 590,938, which is the foundation for all statewide projections in Oregon After 3PM.



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