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Hawaii rounds out the top 10 states for afterschool. Similar to 2009, a strong afterschool participation rate—26 percent—is a primary contributing factor to its top 10 status. While more than 9 in 10 parents support public funding for afterschool programs and Hawaii continues to be among the states with the highest afterschool participation rates, the percentage of children in an afterschool program has continued to decrease, dropping from 35 percent in 2004 to 28 percent in 2009 to 26 percent in 2014. Similarly, the average amount of time Hawaii's children spend per week in afterschool programs decreased in 2014 compared to 2004 and 2009, dropping from approximately 9 hours to 7.63 hours.



Hawaii

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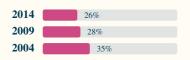
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## Children in Afterschool



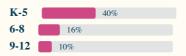
Afterschool program participation in



#### 54,184 children in 2014

In 2014, 26% of Hawaii's children participate in an afterschool program. compared to 28% in 2009 and 35% in 2004

Children in an afterschool program, by



In 2014, 40% of Hawaii's children in grades K-5 participate in an afterschool program, compared to 16% in grades 6-8 and 10% in grades 9-12.

Average time per week children spend in an afterschool program



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.□



Most families piece together a variety of afterschool solutions, with 60% of Hawaii'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 (13%); and non-parental adult care, such as a grandparent or neighbor (32%).

Average weekly cost of afterschool programs

2014



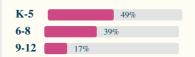
The average weekly cost only includes parents who report that they pay a fee for their child's afterschool program.

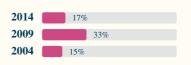
## Children Unsupervised After School & Unmet Demand



### 59,057 children in 2014

In 2014, 38% of Hawaii's children would participate in an afterschool program if one were available, compared to 39% in 2009 and 20% in 2004.





### 36,474 children in 2014

In 2014, 17% of Hawaii's children are alone and unsupervised between the hours of 3 and 6 p.m.

# Children unsupervised after school, by grade



In 2014, 17% of Hawaii's children in grades K-8 were unsupervised after school, compared to 40% in grades 9-12.

What barriers to afterschool program enrollment are Hawaii 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



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## Parent Satisfaction with Afterschool Programs

Parents satisfied with their child's□ afterschool program



In 2014, 89% of Hawaii's parents are satisfied with their child's afterschool□ program, compared to 93% 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

Parents agree that afterschool programs help children gain workforce skills

Top 5 factors in parents' selection of an afterschool program

- Opportunities for physical activity
- Homework assistance
- Music or art

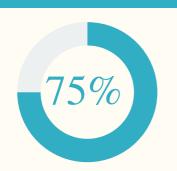
- The hours meet parents' needs
- Location is convenient
- Quality of care

- Before-school programs
- Opportunities for reading or writing



- Is a safe haven
- Their child enjoys the afterschool program

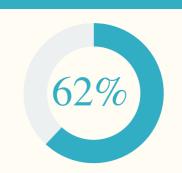
Parents agree that afterschool programs reduce the likelihood that youth will engage in risky behaviors



76%

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. Public school
- 2. YMCAs
- 3. Private school

# **Public Support for Afterschool Programs** •

93%

of Hawaii parents support public funding for afterschool programs, while just 16% report receiving government assistance with the cost of afterschool. 68%

of Hawaii parents agree that afterschool programs help give working parents peace of mind about their children when they are at work. 72%

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

### **Footnotes**

In Hawaii, 200 households and 382 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 Hawaii is 210,833, which is the foundation for all statewide projections in Hawaii After 3PM.



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