# CHILD CARE AND EDUCATION

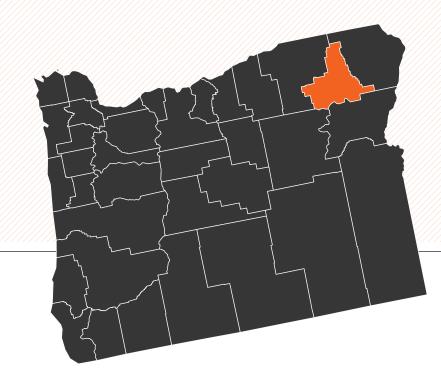
IN UNION COUNTY, OREGON

## 2016

This report answers basic policy-relevant questions about Oregon's children, families, and the child care and education system.

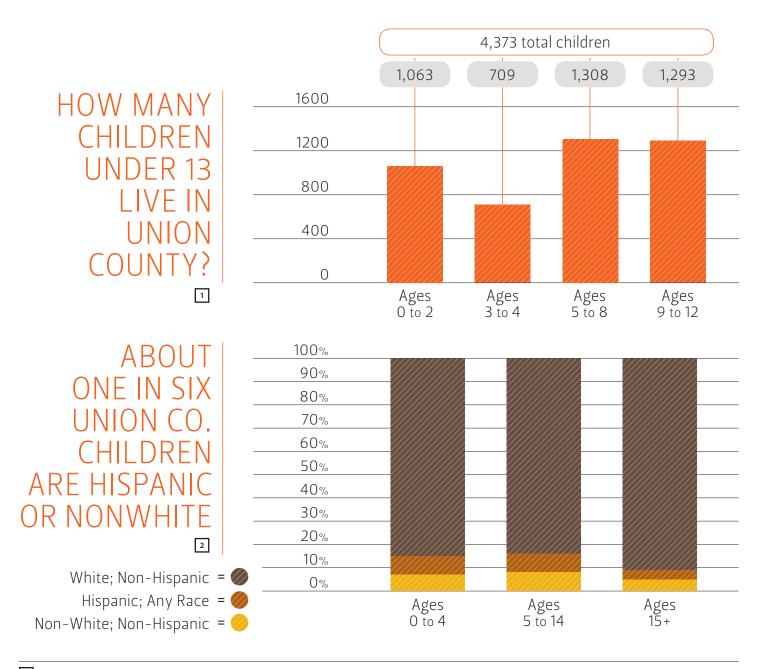
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# CHILD CARE AND EDUCATION IN OREGON

Growing awareness of the importance of the early years in a child's life increases the need to know more about Oregon's young children, their families, and the child care and education that exists to support them.

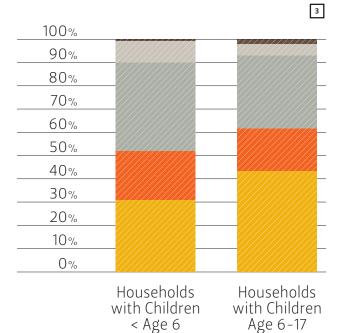


<sup>1 2016</sup> population estimates from the Center for Population Research at Portland State University.

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS), Tables B01001A-I, 2011-2015 five-year estimate.

## CHILD CARE AND **EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

### HOW MUCH CHILD CARE AND EDUCAT DO WE NEED



- = 2 Parents; Neither Employed
- = Single Parent; Not Employed
- = 2 Parents; 1 Employed
- = Single Parent; Employed
- = 2 Parents; Both Employed

over 1/2 children

have both parents employed or a single parent employed

HOW MUCH CHILD CARE DO WE HAVE RIGHT NOW?



children currently under age 13 living in Union Co.



slots in centers and family child care homes for children currently under age 13 living in Union Co.

330 slots in Child Care Centers

386 slots in Family Child Care Homes

UNION COUNTY CURRENTLY HAS **16 VISIBLE SLOTS** PER 100 CHILDREN



<sup>3</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS), B23008, 2011-2015 five-year estimate.

### PRESCHOOL USAGE IN UNION COUNTY

Participation of 3- and 4-year-old children in preschool has been found to help them in kindergarten. This is especially true for children furthest from opportunity.



= **48**% children enrolled in preschool in Union County

= **52**% children not enrolled in preschool in Union County

AFFORDABLE
IS CHILD
CARE AND
EDUCATION IN
UNION
COUNTY?



\$5,100

median annual price of toddler care in a child care center in Union County



\$7,282

median annual price of public university tuition in Oregon



**25**%

of a Union County minimum wage worker's annual earnings would be needed to pay the prices of child care for a toddler

The price of child care is over half the tuition at ———Oregon's public universities

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UNION CO.
CARE CENTER
TEACHER
EARNINGS

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