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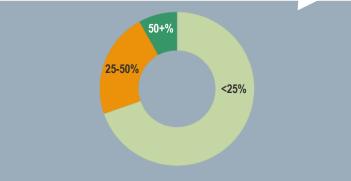
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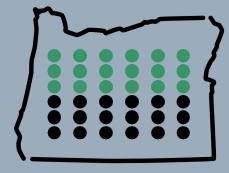
Public funding plays a major role in creating Oregon's child care supply—especially for preschoolers



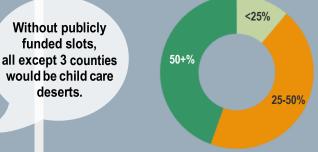
70% of Oregon counties have fewer than 25% publicly funded regulated infant/toddler slots



There are 3 preschool-age children for a single child care slot in Oregon



Half of Oregon counties are child care deserts for preschool-age children



Only 10% of Oregon counties have fewer than 25% publicly funded regulated preschool-age slots

Definitions: Infants & toddlers are 0-2 year olds. Preschool-age children are 3-5 year olds. Regulated child care includes certified centers, registered family homes, certified family homes, and exempt providers who have publicly funded slots. Publicly funded slots include Oregon Prenatal to Kindergarten, Early Head Start, Preschool Promise, Federal and Tribal Head Start, and Federal Migrant and Seasonal Head Start managed by Oregon Child Development Coalition.

*This report describes the supply of child care as of December 2022.

Reference: Oregon's Child Care Deserts 2022 Mapping Supply by Age Group and Percentage of Publicly Funded Slot, Oregon Child Care Research Partnership, Oregon State University. Full report can be found at health.oregonstate.edu/early-learners/supply

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