How do Oregon's child care facilities meet the needs of children across income levels?

Oregon Child Care Subsidy  What is it?
A program that helps eligible low-income families pay for child care when they are working by covering a portion of the total cost of child care. For more information on eligibility and application, visit the Oregon Department of Human Services Child Care Assistance Site.

Integration  Why?
Integration of children from all income groups in early learning programs is more likely to meet the needs of all children, especially those from low-income families.

Child Care Facilities  What types are there?
- Small Home-based: Serve up to 10 children in provider’s home
- Large Home-based: Serve up to 16 children in a single-family home
- Centers: Typically located in commercial buildings. The number of children served is license-dependent

In Oregon, children on subsidy are integrated in all types of child care facilities

Facilities that Serve Children on Subsidy  What is the Status?
In 2017, there were over 14,700 children whose parents received a child care subsidy. Findings below highlight how the needs of these low-income families are being met through subsidized child care.

*In 2020, what percent of child care facilities served at least one child whose family receives a subsidy?

- 43% Small Home-based
- 53% Large Home-based
- 55% Centers

*In 2020, what percent of facilities predominantly serve children on subsidy? Only a minority of facilities predominantly serve children on subsidy.
- 13% of Small Home-based facilities
- 20% of Large Home-based facilities
- 4% of Centers

*Findings are relatively stable over the last 10 years. See full report for detail: https://health.oregonstate.edu/early-learners/affordability

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