

Helping people remain self-sufficient:

Employment Related Day Care

Assists low-income employed families in paying child-care costs, so they can remain on the job. Families pay a portion of their day care bills, based on their income.

10,608 families served	(+ 229 from last month	+ 1,591 from one year ago)
19,870 children in day care ***	(+ 367 from last month	+ 472 from one year ago)

*** Effective 1/1/08 the data source for this report was updated.

Food Stamps

Provided to families on public assistance, employed low-income families and individuals, the elderly, and people with disabilities, to help them purchase food. The cost of benefits is paid by the federal government; administrative costs are shared by the state and federal governments.

251,348 statewide households served**	(+ 1,763 from previous month (+ 22,469 from one year ago)
485,547 persons served	(+ 3,140 from previous month (+ 43,154 from one year ago)
Total Food Stamp benefits issued: \$46,740,516	(+ \$ 325,797 from previous month (+ \$6,563,382 from one year ago)
Average benefit amount per household: \$185.96	

** Effective 2/1/08 the data source for this report was updated.

Medical Assistance Programs

*These programs, including the Oregon Health Plan, provide health coverage to low-income Oregonians. CAF and SPD handle eligibility for the programs; the Division of Medical Assistance Programs in the Department of Human Services is responsible for administering the programs, determining benefit packages and making payments to medical providers. **

442,574 people enrolled	(+ 4,387 from last month	+ 31,068 from one year ago)
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* CAF (Children, Adults and Families)

* SPD (Seniors and People with Disabilities)