

Major Findings

In the years 2005 through 2007, nearly 16 percent of residents had incomes below federal poverty level—down 1 percentage point from the 2000 Census. In Coos County, 54 percent of families headed by single mothers lived in poverty.

Coos County median household income was more than \$11,000 below the state median at \$36,271. Additionally, 48 percent of the county's schoolchildren qualified for federally funded free or reduced-price meals.

A single parent with one preschooler needed to earn \$12.77 an hour to afford basic expenses. Local nursing aides and sales clerks did not make that much. However, the average secretarial job in southwest Oregon paid just enough for such a family.

Since 2001, the number of jobs in the county grew 12 percent, for 2,500 new positions. Unemployment fell from its 2000 level, but remained above the state average at 6.7 percent.

	Coos County	Oregon	United States	
2007 (3 years avg)	Number in Poverty	9,786	488,896	38,567,903
	Percent in Poverty	15.6%	13.5%	13.3%
2000-2007	Percent change in Number in Poverty	5.7%	25.8%	13.8%
	Percent change in Population	1.2%	7.9%	6.2%
	Number of additional people in Poverty	+ 529	+ 100,156	+ 4,668,091
	Number of additional Population	+ 726	+ 263,630	+ 16,976,436

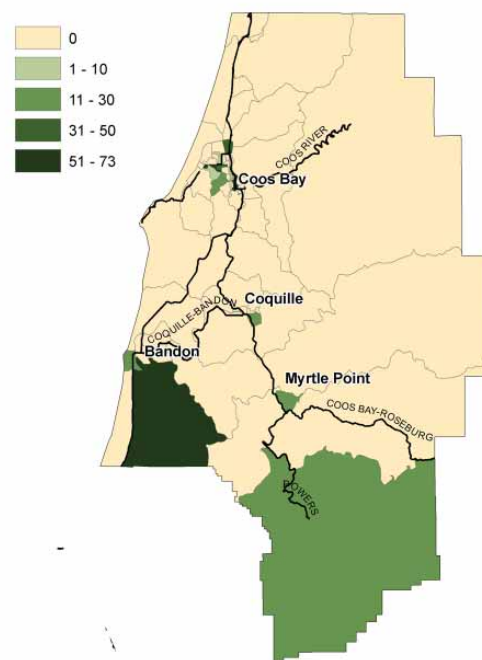
The employment sectors of Leisure and Hospitality and Education and Health Services (not including public school employees) saw job growth of 110 and 106 positions respectively. The following sectors lost jobs: Professional and Business Services (467), Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (126), and State Government (44). Leisure and Hospitality was the third largest employment sector, and paid the lowest average wages at \$15,070 per job.

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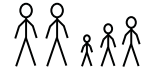
Affordable Housing Units by Census Block Group



Coos County

Basic Family Budget, an Alternative to the Federal Poverty Threshold

2007 Coos County's
Basic Family Budget



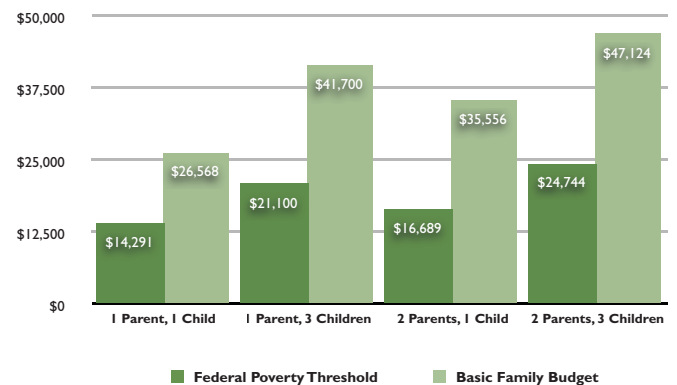
Householder(s)	1 Parent	1 Parent	2 Parents	2 Parents
Children	3-5 yr old	3-5 yr old, 6-8 yr old, and 9-11 yr old	3-5 yr old	3-5 yr old, 6-8 yr old, and 9-11 yr old
Housing	\$618	\$820	\$618	\$820
Food	\$316	\$615	\$512	\$774
Child Care	\$390	\$949	\$390	\$949
Transportation	\$390	\$390	\$524	\$524
Healthcare	\$247	\$308	\$359	\$424
Other Necessities	\$290	\$445	\$350	\$494
Taxes	-\$37	-\$52	\$210	-\$58
Monthly Total	\$2,214	\$3,475	\$2,963	\$3,927
Annual Total	\$26,568	\$41,700	\$35,556	\$47,124
Hourly Wage needed for Basic Family Budget	\$12.77	\$20.05	\$8.55	\$11.33
Federal Poverty Threshold (FPT)	\$14,291	\$21,100	\$16,689	\$24,744
Percent of Basic Family Budget	53.8%	50.6%	46.9%	52.5%

Low-Income Needs

Oregon Coast Community Action (ORCCA) identified the following as the primary needs for the low-income population of Coos County:

- Housing for homeless families, individuals, and teens and more affordable housing
- Food and emergency services programs
- Head Start, especially for health, nutrition, and physical activity
- Emergency medical resources
- Community outreach
- Energy assistance
- Providing emergency food and shelter services as provided by EFSP
- Children's advocacy, child care, and after-school services
- Transportation








Basic Family Budget vs. Federal Poverty Threshold



Population and Economy

Coos County Employment	2007 Number of Positions	2006-2007 Change in Number of Positions	2007 Percent Gain in Positions	2007 Average Pay Per Position
Industries with the Largest Number of Employees, 2007				
Local Government	4,864	18	0%	\$35,523
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	4,392	-126	-3%	\$28,840
Leisure & Hospitality	2,626	110	4%	\$15,070
Greatest Increase in the Number of Positions				
Leisure & Hospitality	2,626	110	4%	\$15,070
Education & Health Services	2,153	106	5%	\$27,594
Natural Resources & Mining	1,114	40	4%	\$39,516
Greatest Decrease in the Number of Positions				
Professional & Business Services	2,367	-467	-16%	\$24,366
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	4,392	-126	-3%	\$28,840
State Government	1,005	-44	-4%	\$25,092

Population Change Since 2000

	2000-2007 % Growth	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
OREGON	 9.0%	3,436,750	3,471,700	3,504,700	3,541,500	3,582,600	3,631,440	3,690,505	3,745,455
COOS	 0.4%	62,800	62,950	62,650	63,000	62,700	62,695	62,905	63,050
Bandon	 13.1%	2,860	2,880	2,870	2,960	2,990	3,065	3,115	3,235
Coos Bay	 5.4%	15,380	15,470	15,620	15,650	15,700	15,850	16,005	16,210
Coquille	 0.7%	4,185	4,190	4,200	4,180	4,180	4,205	4,210	4,215
Lakeside	 12.8%	1,370	1,370	1,420	1,420	1,420	1,420	1,440	1,545
Myrtle Point	 3.9%	2,445	2,460	2,460	2,480	2,490	2,510	2,535	2,540
North Bend	 3.0%	9,540	9,370	9,580	9,620	9,640	9,640	9,720	9,830
Powers	 -0.7%	735	730	730	730	730	730	730	730
Unincorporated	 -5.9%	26,285	26,480	25,770	25,960	25,550	25,275	25,150	24,745

Coos County

2007 Community Action Agency Activities

Homelessness and affordable housing

developed Coos County's 10-year plan to end homelessness

assisted Women's Safety and Resource Center to build new transitional housing for families

Hunger and food insecurity

offered Share Bear Snack Pack program to 150 local children whose homes had inadequate food for the weekends

constructed a small warehouse in Myrtle Point to support food pantries

provided over 100,000 pounds of high-quality food to local families on the South Coast through the Fresh Alliance

Head Start

established the Health in Action program at all Head Start sites focusing on physical activity

consolidated all Coos Bay and North Bend Head Start resources in a single building

Emergency medical resources

strengthened funding stream for emergency medical efforts

Energy assistance

offered free Energy Assistance Education classes

provided additional funds to families in need on the South Coast

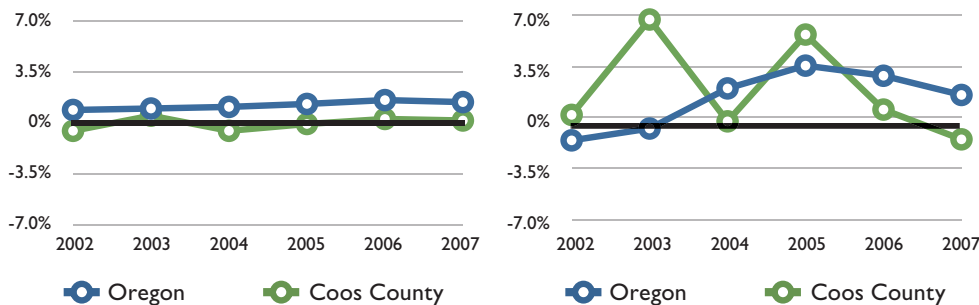
Self-sufficiency programs

developed Community Action Connect to bring local businesses, donors, and those in need together and provide a way for service agencies to fill the gaps between publicly funded services and individual and family self-sufficiency

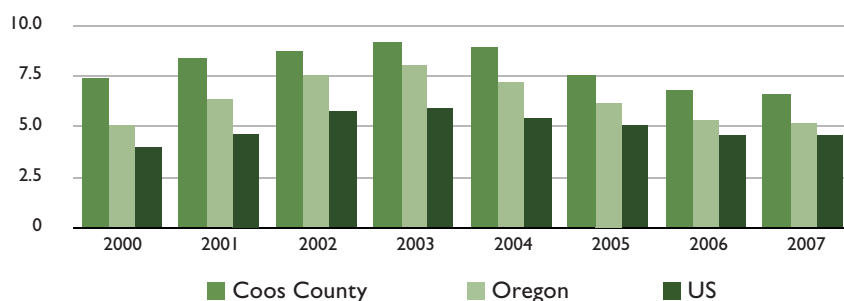
Increase capacities of local service programs

created a Resource Development Team to increase human service program capacity

Population Change vs. Employment Change Since 2001



Unemployment Rates



Birth Rates

2002-2005, average Birth Rate per 1,000

Coos County
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State of Oregon
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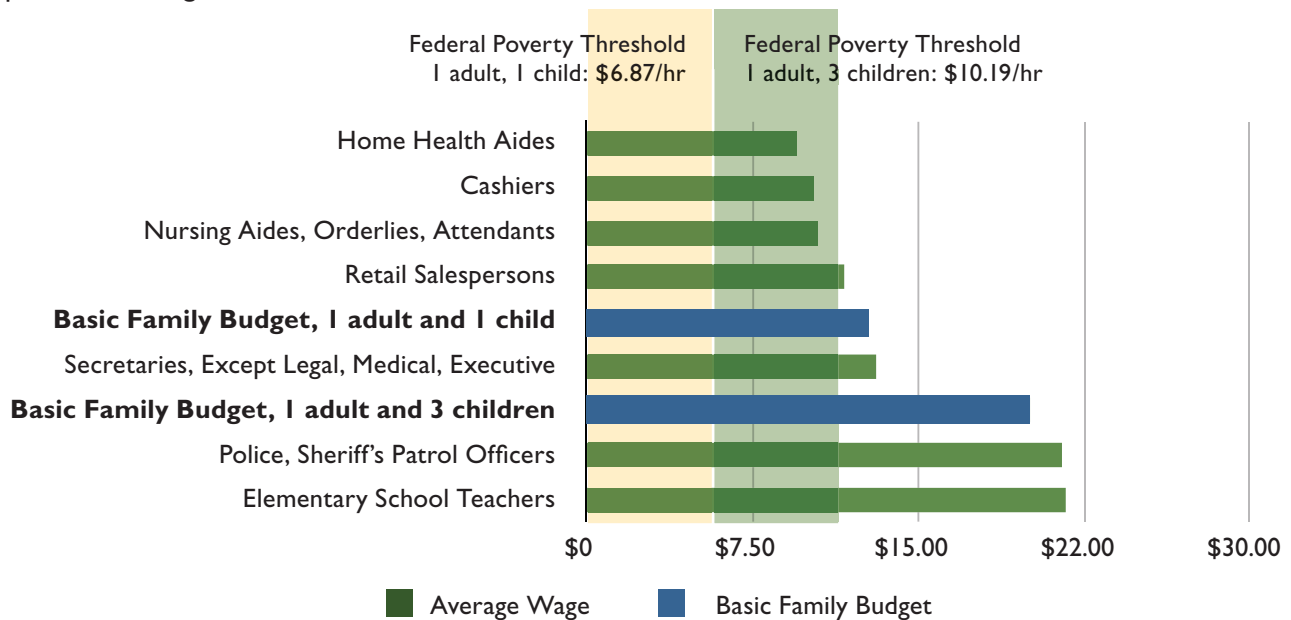
2002-2005, average Teenage Birth Rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19

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State of Oregon
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Average Hourly Wages 2007

Occupational Earnings



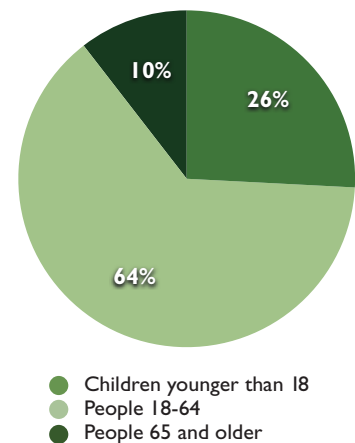
Poverty Population Characteristics

Poverty Rates by Age & Disability Status - 2005-2007 avg	% in Poverty	% of People in Poverty	% of all Population
Total Population	16%	-	-
Children younger than 18	21%	26%	19%
People 18-64	16%	64%	60%
People 65 and older	8%	10%	20%
People with a disability	22%	39%	27%

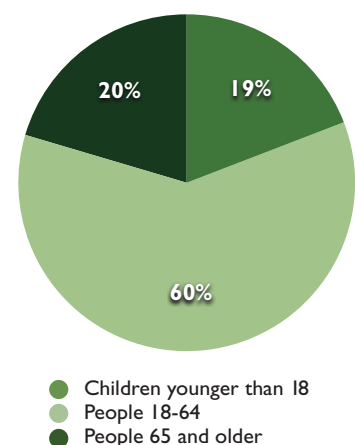
Poverty Rates by Family - 2005-2007 avg	% in Poverty	% of Families in Poverty	% of all Families
All Families	12%	-	-
Families with children under 18	22%	64%	33%
Single women with children under 18	54%	39%	8%

Poverty Rates by Race/Ethnicity - 2005-2007 avg	% in Poverty	% of People in Poverty	% of all Population
Total Population	16%	-	-
White	15%	92%	92%
Black	--	--	0%
American Indian	17%	3%	3%
Asian	--	--	1%
Pacific Islander	--	--	0%
Other	--	--	1%
2 or more races	14%	2%	3%
Hispanic origin	40%	11%	4%

Poverty by Age – 2007



Population by Age – 2007



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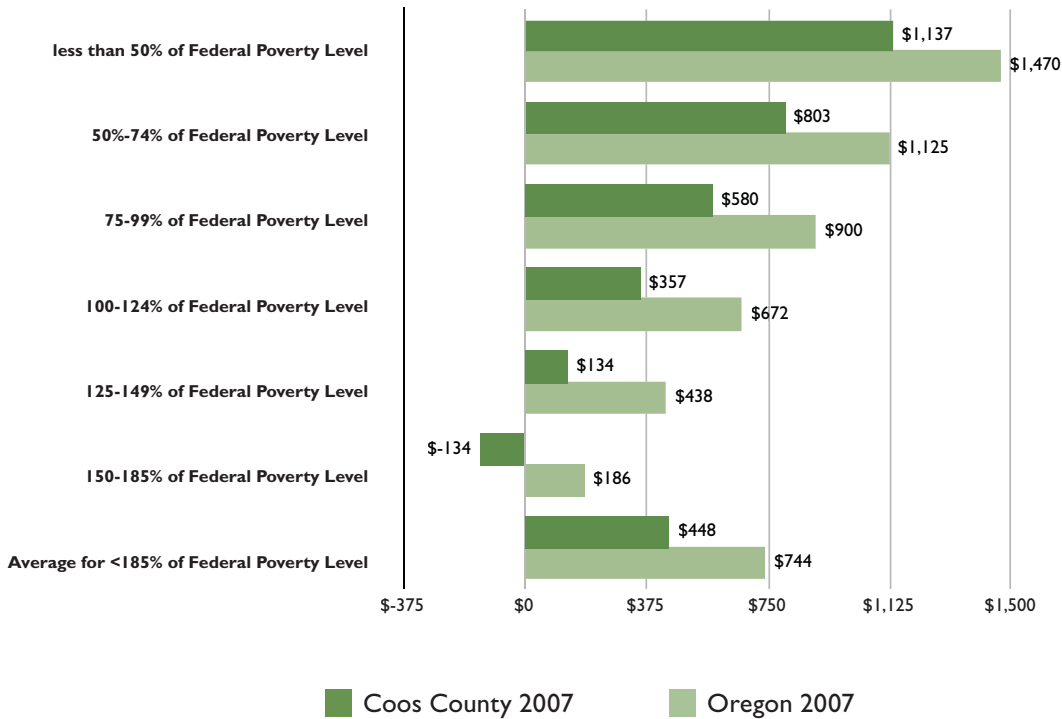
2005-2007 Household Incomes

	Coos County	Oregon	United States
Median Household Income	\$36,271	\$47,385	\$50,007
Owner Median Household Income	\$44,593	\$60,521	\$62,257
Renter Median Household Income	\$21,990	\$29,072	\$30,473
Total Households	27,364	1,447,409	111,609,629
Renters percent income spent on housing	29%	30%	30%
Owners percent income spent on housing	20%	23%	21%
Extremely Low Income (30% of Median Household Income)	\$10,881	\$14,216	\$15,002
Households earning 0-30% Median Household Income	3,895	181,434	14,381,176
Burdened households earning 0-30% Median Household Income	2,693	149,466	11,433,225
% Burdened	69%	82%	80%
Very Low Income (50% of Median Household Income)	\$18,136	\$23,693	\$25,004
Households earning 31-50% Median Household Income	2,596	135,298	10,783,159
Burdened households earning 31-50% Median Household Income	1,796	95,037	7,003,062
% Burdened	69%	70%	65%
Low Income (80% of Median Household Income)	\$29,017	\$37,908	\$40,006
Households earning 51-80% Median Household Income	3,953	231,309	17,296,662
Burdened households earning 51-80% Median Household Income	1,762	120,261	8,218,676
% Burdened	45%	52%	48%
Workforce (120% of Median Household Income)	\$43,525	\$56,862	\$60,008
Households earning 81-120% Median Household Income	4,630	257,185	18,942,358
Burdened households earning 81-120% Median Household Income	1,287	83,365	5,594,941
% Burdened	28%	32%	30%

Note: Burden is defined as spending more than 30 percent of household income on gross housing costs (includes utilities).

Energy

Individual Household Energy Shortfall



Health Indicators

2006 Percent of Population without Health Insurance (by Region)

Coos County	State of Oregon
16%	16%

2007 Number of Primary Care Providers per 100,000

Coos County	State of Oregon
95	112

2006 Percentage of 2 year olds who are "adequately" immunized

Coos County	State of Oregon
74%	71%

2002-2005, average % of adults who consume at least 5 servings of fruits & vegetables per day

Coos County	State of Oregon
22%	26%

2002-2005, average Percent of Adults who Smoke Cigarettes

Coos County	State of Oregon
27%	20%



Homeless veterans are among the 11,000 Oregonians who lack housing.

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How We Help

Coos County Services	2000	2004	2005	2006	2007
New units created with OHCS funding resources	16	10	39	0	61
OHCS funding for affordable housing	\$1,215,270	\$1,088,782	\$258,027	\$0	\$2,499,789
Single Family Loans for low-income households-#	43	19	18	14	31
Single Family Loans for low-income households-\$	\$3,049,097	\$1,767,800	\$1,982,959	\$1,772,335	\$4,286,368
Households receiving energy assistance-#	2,361	1,701	1,819	1,819	1,965
Units weatherized-#	--	92	67	80	58
Units weatherized-\$	--	\$255,796	\$216,297	\$306,489	\$314,576
Average per unit weatherized-\$	--	\$2,780	\$3,228	\$3,831	\$5,424
Oregon Health Plan enrollment-%	15%	15%*	14%	14%	14%
Students eligible for free/reduced lunch-#	4,109	4,511	4,273	3,928	3,979
Students eligible free/reduced lunch-%	44%	52%	50%	47%	48%
Population receiving Food Stamps-%	--	23%	22%	22%	22%
Population receiving TANF-%	--	3%	3%	3%	3%

* indicates that data cannot be compared to previous years due to changes in data collection.
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Homelessness

One Night Overview

Coos County 2008 One Night Count	
Total Homeless Households	170
Total Homeless Population	264
<i>Total in Emergency Shelter</i>	83
<i>Total in Transitional Housing</i>	152
<i>Total Turnaway & Street Count</i>	29
Chronically Homeless Population	48
Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth	0
Households with Children	47
Stated Causes of Homelessness:**	
Unemployed	52%
Couldn't afford rent	37%
Drug/Alcohol (Self)	32%
Mental or Emotional disorder	24%
Kicked out by family/friends	19%
Evicted by landlord	12%
Criminal History	12%
Domestic Violence	12%
Medical Problem	9%
Drug/Alcohol (In Home)	6%

**Respondents may give more than one reason

Risk Factors

2006-2007, school year
High School Dropout Rate

Coos
County
5%

State of
Oregon
4%

2005-2006, school year
Percent of 8th graders who
reported using illicit drugs in
the previous 30 days

Coos
County
2%

State of
Oregon
16%

2006
Criminal Offenses,
percent of population

Coos
County
12%

State of
Oregon
12%