# The state of financial wellness for Oregonians

Potential data types and sources for new statewide scorecard



## Summarizing Oregon financial wellness

 Create a new Oregon Financial Education or Wellness report card for policymakers and the public. When possible, aggregate data – including by race and ethnicity -- to identify areas of need and concern

> - Recommendations of the Financial Education Advisory Team, 2021



#### What will a scorecard do?

- 1. Augment and amplify existing programs
- 2. Improve visibility via outreach and tools
- 3. Enhance and promote equity
- 4. Be accessible to all
- 5. Leverage and support partnerships
- 6. Help advance public policy efforts
- 7. Set benchmarks and measure progress



#### Financial wellness summary

- How are Oregonians doing?
  - Metrics: how many data points?
  - Anecdotes: Examples of financial empowerment efforts statewide
  - Don't duplicate efforts: Cite other findings that highlight how Oregonians are faring



#### Financial wellness summary

- What can we illustrate with data?
  - Knowledge / understanding
  - Financial condition
  - Behavior



#### FINRA Financial Capability Study

- National and state-level
- 2021 data (embargoed), 2018, 2015
- Oversampled Oregon
  - O Normally 500 per state
  - 1,250 in Oregon in 2021 due to
    OregonSaves





#### FINRA Financial Capability Study

#### Oregon respondents = 1,250

Frontier	28
1	23
3	2 3
4	3
Rural	357
1	309
2	5
3	17
4	6
5	20
Urban	865
1	706
2 3	19
3	54
4	50
5	36

Urban/Rural/Frontier designation AND Ethnicity (1=White non-Hispanic; 2= Black non-Hispanic; 3 = Hispanic; 4= Asian non-Hispanic; 5= Other non-Hispanic)



#### **Building the summary**

**APRIL - MAY** 

**JUNE - AUG** 

**SEPT - NOV** 

- Interview experts and Oregon organizations about potential metrics
- Discuss report and goals with focus group (FEAT, others)
- Collect data and identify expertise
  - FINRA (National Financial Capability Study)
  - Prosperity Now!
  - US Census
  - AARP
  - Federal Reserve
  - Equifax
  - Oregon Coalition of Communities of Color (Wealth Gap report)
  - Georgetown Global Financial Literacy Excellence Center



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- Continue to collect and analyze data
- Data analysis with Office of Economic Analysis
- Identify whether to include policy goals with report, and how do we benchmark the data (August meeting)
- Identify public and nonprofit efforts statewide to feature as part of report
- Build graphics, collect photos and visuals



#### **Building the summary**

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**SEPT - DEC** 

- Update draft with 2021 detailed Census data (November release)
- Write, design and assemble draft report
- Seek input and edits (November meeting)
- Finalize for release, date TBA





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