



## 2015 REPORT ON POVERTY

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# POVERTY REPORT: OVERVIEW

- The Poverty Report was completed jointly by OHCS and Community Action Partnership of Oregon
- The report provides current information on poverty, income, unemployment, and homelessness from multiple data sources
- Data is presented at the state and county level in easy to use profiles
- The report includes an Executive Summary and Conclusion that provide national and state context.

# POVERTY REPORT: KEY FINDINGS

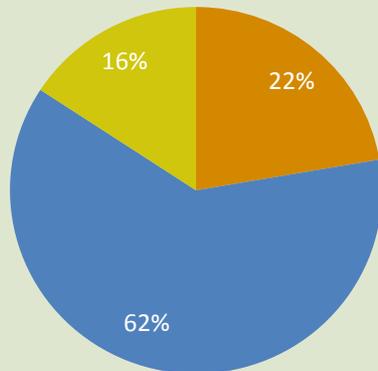
- The poverty rate in Oregon (16.2%) remained above the national poverty rate (15.4%).
- There were approximately 615,000 people living in poverty in Oregon in 2013, an increase of nearly 100,000 from 2010.
- Rural counties continued to face the highest poverty rates
  - Malheur, Benton, Sherman, Josephine, and Lake counties all had poverty rates over 20%.
- Children were disproportionately represented in the population living in poverty.
  - Children under 18 made up 22% of the total population, but 30% of the population in poverty.
- Poverty rates are significantly higher for people of color than for white Oregonians.
  - The poverty rate among whites was 14.7% and ranged from 15.9% for Asians to 34.1% for African Americans.

# EXAMPLE: DESCHUTES COUNTY

County Population	
Total Population (2009-2013)	160,565
# Change since 2000	45,198
% Change since 2000	28.1%

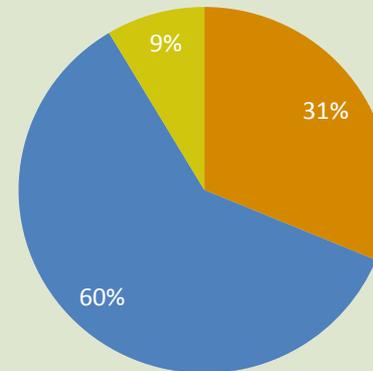
Poverty Rates (2009-2013)	Deschutes County	Oregon	United States
Number in Poverty	23,144	614,778	46,663,433
Percent in Poverty	14.5%	16.2%	15.4%

Population by Age (2009-2013)



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<b>Poverty Population Characteristics</b>			
<b>Poverty Rates by Age (2009-2013)</b>	<b>% in Poverty</b>	<b>% of People in Poverty</b>	<b>% of Total Population</b>
Total Population	15%	-	-
Children younger than 18	20%	31%	22%
People 18-64	14%	60%	62%
People 65 and older	8%	9%	16%
<b>Poverty Rates by Family (2009-2013)</b>	<b>% in Poverty</b>	<b>% of Families in Poverty</b>	<b>% of Total Families</b>
All Families	11%	-	-
Families with children under 18	17%	70%	44%
Single women with children under 18	34%	29%	9%
Families that worked full or part time	9%	62%	77%
<b>Poverty Rates by Race/Ethnicity (2009-2013)</b>	<b>% in Poverty</b>	<b>% of People in Poverty</b>	<b>% of Total Population</b>
Total Population	15%	-	-
White	14%	89%	93%
Black	24%	1%	0%
American Indian	29%	2%	1%
Asian	29%	2%	1%
Pacific Islander	8%	0%	0%
Other	24%	3%	2%
Mixed (2 or more races)	22%	3%	2%
Hispanic origin	32%	17%	8%

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Household Income and Housing Burden			
Household Incomes (2009-2013)	Deschutes County	Oregon	United States
Median Household Income	\$51,468	\$50,036	\$53,046
Renter Median Household Income	\$32,819	\$30,993	\$32,212
Owner Median Household Income	\$62,922	\$65,076	\$67,062
Total Households	64,460	1,512,705	116,444,395
Renters % of income spent on housing	31%	32%	31%
Owners % of income spent on housing	25%	23%	21%
<b>Extremely Low Income (30% of Median Household Income)</b>			
	\$15,440	\$15,011	\$15,914
Households earning 0-30% Median Household Income	5,525	176,505	15,151,390
Burdened households earning 0-30% Median Household Income	4,515	139,558	11,434,125
% Burdened	82%	79%	75%
<b>Very Low Income (50% of Median Household Income)</b>			
	\$25,734	\$25,018	\$26,523
Households earning 31-50% Median Household Income	7,350	173,495	13,825,610
Burdened households earning 31-50% Median Household Income	5,985	131,141	9,531,170
% Burdened	81%	76%	69%

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Deschutes County Services	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Affordable Rental Units funded by OHCS	161	44	40	30	211
OHCS funding for affordable housing	\$7,029,094	\$2,931,215	\$2,749,393	\$1,387,640	\$9,568,609
Households receiving energy assistance - #	4,737	4,350	4,371	4,287	3,081
Disconnects prevented = #	2,722	2,163	2,664	3,246	2,107
Restored utility - #	167	121	189	300	231
Household income for energy assistance - average \$	\$14,029	\$13,737	\$12,705	\$13,478	\$14,310
Students eligible for free-reduced lunch - #	9,882	11,212	12,459	11,586	11,538
Students eligible for free/reduced lunch - %	40%	47%	52%	48%	47%

Food Stamps and Temporary Assistance	Dec-11	Dec-12	Dec-13
Population Receiving Food Stamps - %	21.3%	21.0%	19.8%
Population Receiving TANF - %	2.1%	2.2%	2.1%

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Deschutes County Point-in-Time Count 2015	
Total Homeless Households	350
Total Homeless Persons	503
Total Sheltered Homeless	176
Total Unsheltered Homeless	327
Persons in Households with Adults and Children	179
Persons in Households without Children	312
Persons in Households with Only Children	12
Chronically Homeless Persons	186
Homeless Veterans	49
Chronically Homeless Veterans	24

# HOW TO USE THIS INFORMATION

- **Communicate:** cite and use the poverty statistics of each Oregon county for grant applications, talking points, reports, presentations and fundraisers.
- **Plan:** Determine the areas of highest need by county or statewide as a starting point for developing plans and priorities to reduce poverty.
- **Analyze:** Use the year-to-year comparisons to analyze progress of area programs, then modify, and expand the use of programs with the best results.