This Kids Count data book examined trends in the well-being of Oregon's children, focusing on the well-being of preteens. The statistical portrait is based on 12 indicators of child well-being: (1) juvenile arrests; (2) teen pregnancy; (3) suicide attempts for 10- to 17-year-olds; (4) high school dropout rate; (5) eighth grade reading proficiency; (6) eighth grade mathematics proficiency; (7) child abuse and neglect cases; (8) crimes against persons; (9) child deaths; (10) low birthweight infants; (11) infant mortality; and (12) child care supply. The report's introductory section discusses the preadolescent period as one of tremendous change marked by increased conflict at home, changing expectations at school and with peers, and greater exploration of the wider world. The section discusses the roots of adolescent problem behavior, focusing on violence in children's lives, substance abuse, mental health, and educational success. Proven strategies in each area are highlighted. The remainder of the report presents indicator data for the state and for each county. County data tables compare the current measure for each indicator to its 5-year average and with the state level. Overall, the report's findings indicate that 40 percent of Oregon middle school students reported being in a physical fight in the past year, 3 percent reported carrying a weapon to school in the past month, and 6 percent reported attempting suicide in the past month. Twenty-six percent of eighth graders reported drinking alcohol in the past month, 1 percent dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year, and between 20 and 25 percent fewer students met state reading or mathematics standards in Grade 8 than in Grade 3. The report concludes with data notes, data sources, and definitions. (KB)
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Kids in the Middle

Children are growing up fast in Oregon with little or no safety net. Schools are overwhelmed with meeting state standards, parents have no place to turn for help and we have dropped the ball on addressing community and state-wide solutions needed for our preteens.

Earlier and more frequently, Oregon's children are confronted with challenging situations that require mature contemplation and adult decision-making skills. As kids face these adult circumstances, many of their choices can lead them to a path of severe consequences and potentially lifelong ramifications.

Oregon can achieve better results for preteens through a more coordinated and intentional response from policy makers, schools, communities and parents. We need to do a better job of reducing risky and problem behavior among our preteen generation. A system-wide solution must include support for parents, schools and communities so they in turn can more effectively protect and promote a healthy and safe childhood. With sound investments in our children's future, we can turn the tide of increased violence, drug and alcohol use and educational failure.

Oregon's current public policy focus on early childhood is a commendable commitment; however, today and tomorrow's children over the age of eight must have our collective support for a continued, successful start. Using research proven practices and programs to reduce problem behavior in middle childhood will provide us with measurable results, healthier children and, ultimately, a better Oregon.
Extending Childhood

Pre-adolescence is a period of tremendous change for all of our children. Celebrity images, video war games, algebra tests and drinking parties are just some of the modern day issues many parents and children must contend with during the years between mid-elementary and high school. The transition from early childhood to a more independent pre-adolescent period is marked with increased conflict at home, changing expectations at school and with peers and greater exploration of the wider world.

Parents and children who have not laid a strong foundation in early childhood have a particularly difficult time in the transition years leading to adolescence. Children who do not learn standards for appropriate behavior and do not receive consistent consequences for negative behavior in early childhood will have a more challenging time later. These children face an uphill battle as they prepare to enter a school system with uncompromising rules and expectations.

Problem behavior among preteens also can be the result of stressful transitions encountered in these middle years. For many children, the natural vulnerability associated with the transitions in a preteen’s life can combine with a problematic peer group and a decrease in parental supervision to result in unsafe and risky behavior.

Preventing problem behavior among preteens is complex and challenging; however, researchers have identified some effective interventions. Schools can play a vital role in preventing and halting this behavior. For example, systematic interventions through school rules, behavior management in the classroom and incentives for appropriate behavior have demonstrated school-wide reductions of problem behavior. In addition, support for families and children who continue to show signs of trouble, such as parenting skills programs, is a critical and necessary second component of these prevention efforts.

The Roots of Adolescent Problem Behavior

Current research efforts are examining the common factors leading to adolescent problem behavior. Although the pattern of specific problem behaviors may vary, the behaviors themselves are all highly correlated with many of the same set of social and environmental factors. For example, delinquency, violence, substance abuse and early sexual behavior are all high-risk problem behaviors that are prefaced by similar environmental conditions. As many parents and teachers can attest, children who engage in these behaviors share
much in common. Some factors often consistent in problem behaviors include an overly harsh or overly permissive discipline style, poor parental monitoring, high levels of family conflict, a lack of positive family relationships and association with negative peer groups.

Parents or caregivers are the first and most important influence on children and their behavior. How parents interact with and discipline their children has been recognized by most behavioral science researchers to be a powerful predictor of problem behavior in children. Researchers have identified a coercive relationship between young children and parents that creates problems for later parent-child relationships. If coercive behaviors (i.e. whining, tantrums, violence) are not met with consistent boundaries and consequences when children are young, these children will learn to use coercion to get their way. As a result, they are more likely to experience difficulties in school and rejection from their peers in later childhood.

Researchers have found that preteens whose parents do not monitor their activities and friends are more likely to engage in problem behaviors. Yet during middle childhood and adolescence, parenting practices actually tend to weaken. During a time in which children need their parents’ involvement as much as ever, many parents begin to decrease efforts to keep track of their children’s friends and activities. If children engage in negative behavior during this period, the relationship between parents and preteens can be strained even further when parents try to intervene. Relationships that become strained can lead quickly to family conflict, and ultimately result in even less parental involvement in the lives of their children. In fact, research reveals parental monitoring tends to decrease as conflict in the family escalates.

Parents or caregivers are the first and most important influence on children and their behavior. Preteens who have not learned how to get along with adults and their peers are more likely to lack positive friendships and face rejection from their classmates. Unfortunately, the combination of peer rejection, non-attentive parents and academic difficulties often leads these children to peers that face similar difficulties and are also at high risk of problem behaviors. Children who spend time with other high-risk children are much more likely to begin experimenting with problem behaviors in their own lives.
Violence

High profile violence among children such as school shootings and murders are rare; yet many children experience the everyday violence of bullying, name-calling, fistfights and parental abuse. While school shootings may make headlines, the daily acts of aggressive behavior in Oregon schools and homes have long lasting ramifications for both aggressors and victims.

In Oregon, 40 percent of middle school students report getting in at least one physical fight in the past year. Approximately half of those students report getting in at least one fight on school property.

Even students who do not engage in physical fights can feel at risk of violence from their peers. In Oregon, more than one in three middle school students report being harassed at school and 17 percent of 7th and 8th graders report staying home from school at least one day in the previous month because they feared they would not be safe. This fear is not necessarily ungrounded, as 15 percent of middle school students report carrying a weapon in the past month and three percent report carrying that weapon to school.12

The beginning of violence in the preteen years is rooted in the same causes as other problem behaviors found in this age group. Poor parenting, rejection from peers and association with a negative group of friends can all open the door to violent behavior. It is critical for the health of all Oregon children to identify those preteens most at risk as soon as possible. Research shows that the earlier the onset and severity of antisocial behavior in childhood, the more likely the behavior will escalate to violence during middle childhood and/or adolescence.13

The American Psychological Association has identified specific risk factors as accelerators for violence in children's lives. These include:

- early involvement in drugs and alcohol;
- easy access to weapons, particularly handguns;
- association with antisocial peer groups; and
- pervasive exposure to violent acts in the media.14

Too often in Oregon the roots of violence begin at home. Children who are regularly treated with violence at home are more likely to react with violence toward other children and in stressful
PROVEN STRATEGIES

Life changed suddenly for David when he was eleven years old. After a peaceful middle class childhood in Eugene, David’s father abruptly left the family - his mom became clinically depressed and left David to care for his younger siblings.

In time David became angry and violent at school and home. He left behind his life of soccer and music lessons and made new friends with a crowd of kids who smoked marijuana, got into frequent fights and spent their time “hanging out” in downtown Eugene.

After several encounters with police, David was court-ordered to a special foster care placement. David was placed in Treatment Foster Care (TFC), created by and researched since before 1960 by Oregon Social Learning Center. TFC provides youth a home with specially trained foster parents and an array of support systems for the youth and the family including therapists, case managers and behavior specialists. Youth learn to meet behavior expectations through a strict point system that rewards youth with increased privileges. Parents receive counseling and parent training, and a caseworker oversees the multi-pronged support effort for the youth and family.

In a recent study of TFC results, participating youth were less likely to be arrested or engage in delinquent acts than those assigned to a traditional group home. In the year immediately following discharge, only 59 percent of TFC youth had an arrest versus a full 93 percent of group-home youth. Researchers found that the more foster parents supervised and disciplined the youth, built a positive relationship with the youth and minimized the youth’s interaction with other challenged youth, the stronger likelihood that the youth’s behavior would improve.

After several months of work with David and his mom in TFC, David was able to return home successfully. He does not plan to hang out with his old friends and now recognizes and avoids destructive behavior. David’s mom learned new ways to talk with him, and she learned how to use the same point system in their home that his foster parents used with him.

Violence in movies, video games and television also teaches children that violence is an appropriate response to conflict, with little consequence for the aggressor or the victim. Researchers have long linked the exposure to violence in the media to children’s aggressive behavior. One researcher, David Grossman, argues that the data supporting the link between TV violence and violent crime are more “scientifically sound” than the data linking smoking to cancer.
Substance Abuse

The consequences of alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse among middle school children in Oregon are felt far and wide. Substance abuse among preteens undermines motivation, interferes with cognitive processes and social relationships and can contribute to debilitating mood disorders. For society, it is a serious public health concern that has implications for school failure, mental health services, drug and alcohol treatment and juvenile crime.¹⁹

Oregon’s preteens report using drugs, tobacco and alcohol at alarming rates. According to a recent Oregon school survey, more than one in four 8th graders (26 percent) report drinking alcohol in the past month. Thirteen percent of 8th graders report using an illicit drug in the past month including marijuana, LSD, tranquilizers or cocaine. Marijuana was reportedly used by 9 percent of 8th graders in the past month. Thirteen percent of all 8th graders report smoking cigarettes in the past month.

Many of the risk factors for adolescent substance use are shared by other adolescent problem behaviors.¹⁸ These predictors include poor and inconsistent family management practices, family conflict, a low bonding to family, early and persistent problem behaviors, academic failure and a low degree of commitment to school.¹⁹ The greater the number of risk factors present, the greater the danger of substance abuse later in a child’s life.

Much of the current research reveals that the use of tobacco, alcohol or drugs may be a learned behavior, either from parents or peers.²⁰ If parents use drugs or have a positive attitude toward the use of drugs, adolescents are much more likely to use drugs — and in many instances, this leads to extended substance use by the child. For example, parental use of marijuana has been associated with their children’s use of other illegal drugs, including cocaine and barbituates.²¹
Tobacco and drug use by 8th graders has declined in recent years yet alcohol use remains high.

As in other problem behaviors, a preteen's friends can be one of the most telling predictors of substance use in adolescents, even more so than parents. Sibling influence also impacts strongly a child's decision-making. An older brother's advocacy of drug use has been shown to affect a younger brother's use.

Some areas of a child's life can protect them from the onset of drug and alcohol use. Even if risk factors are present, an engaged family and constructive support system that encourages and reinforces positive behaviors can effectively mitigate some risk factors. An engaged parent, coach or art instructor can make a measurable difference in helping a preteen make better choices when faced with peer pressure to use alcohol, tobacco or illicit drugs.

Prevention programs to mitigate risk factors can reduce adolescent substance abuse dramatically. Implementing research-based prevention strategies can help Oregon's "middle kids" avoid the adult consequences of substance abuse and provide the state with a more cost-effective means of addressing youth substance abuse - before it begins.

PROVEN STRATEGIES

"Even though we were just matched, my life has already changed," says 9 year old Danika of her experiences with her big sister in the Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) of Central Oregon. "Now that I am involved in the BBBS I can start doing more fun activities without worrying about my mom being with me. My big sister is very, very nice and makes me happy. I feel safe and comfortable when I am with her."

Big Brothers Big Sisters is a nationally recognized mentoring program for children between ages 6 and 15. The goal of the program is to introduce a positive role model into a child's life to build up self-esteem and confidence so they make better choices. Each child and volunteer spend time together on a weekly basis.

BBBS works with children before they are in need of serious intervention, and is proven to make a positive impact on these youth. A joint research program by Public/Private Ventures and the Ford Foundation has shown that children involved with a Big Brother or Big Sister for 18 months were found to be significantly less likely to skip classes, use illegal drugs, and start drinking than their peers.
Mental Health

For any sixth, seventh or eighth grader, the preteen years are challenging. This rapidly changing, inherently difficult time can spark or exacerbate mental health concerns for many of Oregon's children.

Mental health problems in children can encompass a wide range of diagnosable emotional, behavioral and mental disorders. They include depression, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, anxiety, conduct disorder and eating disorders. They can disrupt the child's ability to function at home, in school or in the community, and can ultimately lead to school failure, family conflicts, substance abuse, violence or suicide. Failure to receive adequate treatment for a mental health issue drastically increases the chances that the child will have difficulty with social interaction, violent behavior or more severe problems as an adult.

In Oregon, it is difficult to determine the exact number of children who struggle with depression or other mental health concerns. Unfortunately, suicide attempts are one of the only indicators we have for children who need help. Over the past five years, 618 children under the age of 14 were reported to have attempted suicide. In a 1999 survey of Oregon middle school students, 13 percent reported seriously considering suicide and 7 percent reported actually attempting suicide. Twenty-one percent of middle school children report feeling sad and hopeless enough to stop their usual activities for two consecutive weeks.

Left untreated, moderate depression is much more likely to progress to a more severe and debilitating stage, drastically increasing the risk for suicide. Depression is often seen concurrently with other problems, particularly antisocial behavior and substance use.\(^{26}\)

The causes of children's mental health concerns are complicated. Mental health problems in children can result from a complex relationship between biological, psychological, social and environmental factors. The "diathesis-stress" model of mental illness suggests that certain mental disorders are the result of two independent factors: a predisposition to an illness combined with stressful events. According to the model, predisposition and stress are complementary, and neither is sufficient by itself to produce a mental disorder.\(^{27}\)

Research has identified several risk factors associated with childhood mental disorders. In addition, genetic factors play a role in
Feelings of Sadness

21% of middle school students report feeling sad or hopeless for two or more consecutive weeks, so much that they stopped engaging in usual activities.

More than one in ten 8th grade girls report attempting suicide in the past year.

Self-Reported Suicide Attempts

Risk factors associated with mental health problems in children reveal a striking similarity to those risk factors that lead to problems in other areas. Recognizing the relationship between all risk factors is a critical element in identifying children at greatest risk and in developing effective prevention and treatment strategies.

When a child suffers from a mental health problem and needs treatment, it is often confusing for a family to know where to call — support and advice are frequently unavailable. The ability of an Oregon family to access the most appropriate mental health services for a child is further complicated by a system that is terribly fragmented.

Services are provided by many different sources: traditional medical facilities and primary care physicians, schools, private mental health clinics, public health and mental health programs, juvenile justice centers or a combination of sites. As a result, it is common for a child to experience a system of care that is ill equipped to meet his or her needs.

Evaluations indicate that well-coordinated and integrated systems of care are effective in improving functional behavior, reducing the use of more intensive treatments, increasing family participation and satisfaction.
Oregon's test scores demonstrate a marked decline in academic proficiency between third and eighth grade. Unfortunately, the transition from elementary to middle or junior high school creates a social and educational setting that is difficult for most children. Consequently, we again find this transitional age posing challenges for all kids in another critical facet of their development — education. Several large-scale investigations have concluded that the primary cause of the academic decline for preteens is the transition to middle school or junior high. The timing of this transition coincides with other important transitions in a young person's life creating an extra stress to endure.

Children engaged in problem behaviors are more likely to experience school failure during the preteen years. Many children become frustrated and are at risk of dropping out. Dropouts among seventh and eighth grade students are rare, but still a substantial problem for Oregon. Dropouts in ninth and tenth grade are a more prevalent occurrence and reveal a lack of preparedness for students to succeed in high school. Academically frustrated children also tend to be at greater risk for association with negative peer groups and participation in other risky behaviors such as drug and alcohol use.

As the cognitive and psychological development of children progresses towards the teen years, their needs, motivations, and self-esteem change. It is generally accepted among educational researchers that the motivation and orientation of academic achievement declines during middle childhood. A review of more than 20 studies shows declines in self-esteem, intrinsic motivation, attitudes towards school and perceived competence between mid-elementary school and middle-to-late high school. At the same time, students generally experience higher test anxiety resulting in lower test performance.

At the same time children need more independence and confidence in their school experience, the middle school or junior high environment appears to undermine both. The increase in classroom practices that rely on comparisons to other students, such as letter grading schemes,
Early Drop-out Rate
7th and 8th grade students

State of Oregon Department of Education

Study

Students participating in problem behaviors face particular challenges to academic success. In general, children who do not get along with their peers or teachers don’t do well in school. Research has shown the cause of this diminished academic achievement to be varied. Low intellectual abilities, poor parenting practices and frequent non-compliance with classroom and school rules result in interrupted learning and contribute to academic failure among antisocial students.
Measures of Child Well Being

Each year Children First for Oregon tracks and reports on 12 key measurements of child well being for the state and each county. In considering county rates it is also helpful to review the county's 5-year average rate and number of incidents as reported on each county's page (pp 32-66). Small numbers of incidents reported by the less populated counties may cause some rates to be misleading.
Juvenile Arrests
1999 Rate

Juvenile arrests per 1,000 children ages 0-17
Teen Pregnancy
1999 Rate

pregnancies per 1,000 girls ages 10-17
Suicide Attempts
1999 Rate

**Oregon**
- Baker
- Benton
- Clackamas
- Clatsop
- Columbia
- Coos
- Crook
- Curry
- Deschutes
- Douglas
- Gilliam
- Grant
- Harney
- Hood River
- Jackson
- Jefferson
- Josephine
- Klamath
- Lake
- Lane
- Lincoln
- Linn
- Malheur
- Marion
- Morrow
- Multnomah
- Polk
- Sherman
- Tillamook
- Umatilla
- Union
- Wallowa
- Wasco
- Washington
- Wheeler
- Yamhill

Reported suicide attempts per 100,000 children ages 10-17*

*Small numbers of incidences may create volatile rates in the less populated counties. Please see County Pages.
### High School Dropout

**1998/1999 Rate**

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**Visual Bar Graph**

- Each bar represents the dropout rate for each Oregon county.
- The x-axis indicates the dropout rates from 1% to 10%.
- The y-axis lists the counties from the north to the south in Oregon.
8th Grade Math Proficiency
2000 Assessment Levels

% of students who met or exceeded state math standards
Child Abuse and Neglect
1999 Victim Rate

confirmed victims per 1,000 children ages 0-17
Crimes Against Persons
1999 Rate

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Baker
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reported person crimes per 1,000 Oregonians
Child Deaths
1998 Rate

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Baker
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Clatsop
Columbia
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Crook
Curry
Deschutes
Douglas
Gilliam
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Low Birthweight Infants
1999 Rate

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Infant Mortality
1998 Rate

infant deaths before age one per 1,000 live births*

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Child Care Supply
1999 Rate

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Total child care spaces per 100 children ages 0-13
MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT PROFILE
17% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
40% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
14% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
15% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
13% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Statewide data

VIOLENCE
3,656 arrests were made among children under age 13 (5.7 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
3,402 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (12.2 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
39% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

26% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
14% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
6,895 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH
618 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (45 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
99,576 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION
879 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.0 percent).
22% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
25% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
23 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 24 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

STATE INDICATORS

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Student Expulsions
2,155 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.4% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

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Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

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POPULATION

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Baker County

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Student Expulsions

8 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.3% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon carrying
- alcohol or drugs
- other

![Pie chart](image)

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

![Bar graph](image)

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading
- math

![Bar graph](image)

MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT PROFILE

6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.

38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.

19% reported fighting on school property.

15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.

21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.

6% reported carrying a weapon to school.

6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.

14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.

12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 7

VIOLENCE

39 arrests were made among children under age 13 (12.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).

27 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (18 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).

37% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

24% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.

11% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.

16% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.

43 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

3 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (41 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).

491 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

3 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.7 percent).

15% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

29% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

18 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 17 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

7% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
12% reported purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
5% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
13% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
20% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
11% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 4

VIOLENCE

73 arrests were made among children under age 13 (5.8 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
48 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (8.3 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
46% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

23% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
9% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
141 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

22 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (77 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
2003 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

9 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.5 percent).
16% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
15% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
27 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 26 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

59 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.6% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math
### Clackamas County

#### Status of Oregon's Children 2000

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#### Middle School Student Profile

- 9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 40% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 20% reported fighting on school property.
- 14% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 13% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 5% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 11% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 19% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 10% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

#### Violence

- 133 arrests were made among children under age 13 (2.1 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
- 196 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (6.8 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).

#### Substance Abuse

- 27% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- 12% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
- 12% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.

#### Mental Health

- 43 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (31 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 10,058 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

#### Education

- 50 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.6 percent).
- 21% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 22% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 25 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 26 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

#### County Indicators

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MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT PROFILE

16% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
41% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
22% reported fighting on school property.
15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
4% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
11% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
20% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
14% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

VIOLENCE

42 arrests were made among children under age 13 (6.3 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
72 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (24.1 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
42% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

26% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
21% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
73 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

11 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (74 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
1,030 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

16 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.7 percent).
28% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
30% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
22 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 21 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

COUNTY INDICATORS

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Student Expulsions

73 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (1.3% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
Columbia County

Population

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Student Expulsions

64 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.7% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- Tobacco
- Drugs
- Alcohol

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- Reading
- Math

Violence

70 arrests were made among children under age 13 (8.2 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
21 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (5.0 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
33% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

Substance Abuse

31% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
25% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
117 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

Mental Health

8 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (40 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
1,380 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

Education

4 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.3 percent).
30% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
45% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
23 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 21 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT PROFILE

34% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
14% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
5% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
12% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 5

VIOLENCE

71 arrests were made among children under age 13 (6.7 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
138 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (27.4 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
37% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

23% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
12% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
15% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).
146 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

8 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (32 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
1,710 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

6 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.4 percent).
32% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
20% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
20 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 22 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

COUNTY INDICATORS

TEEN
Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000, ages 0-17) 830 58.3 13% Better 83.2 21% Worse
Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls, ages 10-17) 51 14.9 9% Better 15.7 6% Better
Suicide Attempts (per 100,000, ages 10-17) 21 298.0 76% Worse 258.4 42% Worse

SCHOOL
High School Dropouts 138 4.3% 13% Better NA 36% Better
8th Grade Reading Proficiency 411 55% 12% Better NA 14% Worse
8th Grade Math Proficiency 418 59% 16% Better NA 5% Better

SAFETY
Child Abuse & Neglect Victims (per 1,000) 473 33.2 37% Worse 21.6 146% Worse
Crimes Against Persons (per 1,000) 803 13.1 19% Better 15.8 4% Better
Child Deaths (per 100,000, ages 1-14) 4 35.8 30% Worse 41.0 60% Worse

EARLY CHILDHOOD
Low Birthweight infants (per 1,000 births) 33 51.0 3% Better 50.7 5% Better
Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births) 2 3.2 47% Better 5.6 41% Better
Child Supply (spaces per 100, ages 0-13) 2,259 23.1 32% Better NA 10% Better

Student Expulsions
62 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.6% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math

Coos County
Student Expulsions
4 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.1% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- other

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math

CROOK COUNTY

MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT PROFILE
9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

VIOLENCE
35 arrests were made among children under age 13 (10.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
17 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (11.4 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
18% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE
38% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
17% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
28% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
40 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH
0 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (0 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
530 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION
1 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.2 percent).
34% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
38% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
24 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 24 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

COUNTY INDICATORS

TEEN
- Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000, ages 0-17) 320 72.5 Better 83.3 51% Worse
- Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls, ages 10-17) 11 11.3 Better 17.3 29% Better
- Suicide Attempts (per 100,000, ages 10-17) 5 236.1 Worse 62.9 13% Worse

SCHOOL
- High School Dropouts 18 1.9% Better NA 71% Better
- 8th Grade Reading Proficiency 128 53% Worse NA 17% Worse
- 8th Grade Math Proficiency 104 44% Worse NA 21% Worse

SAFETY
- Child Abuse & Neglect Victims (per 1,000) 56 12.7 Worse 12.8 6% Better
- Crimes Against Persons (per 1,000) 169 10.1 Better 13.6 26% Better
- Child Deaths (per 100,000, ages 1-14) 2 59.7 Worse 30.1 167% Worse

EARLY CHILDHOOD
- Low Birthweight Infants (per 1,000 births) 17 78.7 Worse 61.6 46% Worse
- Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births) 1 4.3 Better 5.5 20% Better
- Child Care Supply (spaces per 100, ages 0-13) 513 16.8 Better NA 20% Worse
MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

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21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 5

VIOLENCE

7 arrests were made among children under age 13 (2.2 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
38 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (24.2 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
50% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

27% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
18% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
23% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
45 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

1 child age 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (12 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
505 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

2 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.4 percent).
24% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
22% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 19 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

94 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (2.9% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- alcohol or drugs
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- other

SubSTANCE ABUSE

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- Alcohol: County 0%, State 10%
- Tobacco: County 5%, State 6%
- Other: County 35%, State 15%

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- Reading: 88% 3rd graders, 83% 8th graders
- Math: 67% 3rd graders, 65% 8th graders
Deschutes County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

POPULATION

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Student Expulsions

76 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.4% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading
- math

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

VIOLENCE

268 arrests were made among children under age 13 (13.3 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
144 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (15.5 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
46% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

24% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
16% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
236 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

17 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (39 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
3,196 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

32 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.1 percent).
25% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
23% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
236 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 26 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

COUNTY INDICATORS

- TEEN
  - Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000, ages 0-17): 2,027
  - Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls, ages 10-17): 70
  - Suicide Attempts (per 100,000, ages 10-17): 18

- SCHOOL
  - High School Dropouts: 356
  - 8th Grade Reading Proficiency: 918
  - 8th Grade Math Proficiency: 785

- SAFETY
  - Child Abuse & Neglect Victims (per 1,000): 414
  - Crimes Against Persons (per 1,000): 1,472
  - Child Deaths (per 100,000, ages 1-14): 6

- EARLY CHILDHOOD
  - Low Birthweight Infants (per 1,000 births): 76
  - Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births): 9
  - Child Care Supply (spaces per 100, ages 0-13): 3,359
MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

34% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
14% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
5% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
12% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 5

VIOLENCE

85 arrests were made among children under age 13.*
135 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (15.5 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
35% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

24% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
16% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
234 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

37 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (87 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
2,978 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

14 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.5 percent).
23% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
37% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 20 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

COUNTY INDICATORS

TEEN
Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000, ages 0-17) 2,408 97.0 24% Worse 71.2 102% Worse
Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls, ages 10-17) 106 17.8 6% Worse 17.7 12% Worse
Suicide Attempts (per 100,000, ages 10-17) 49 394.6 Same 257.7 88% Worse

SCHOOL
High School Dropouts 377 7.0% 3% Better NA 6% Worse
8th Grade Reading Proficiency 773 59% 13% Better NA 8% Worse
8th Grade Math Proficiency 580 44% 8% Worse NA 21% Worse

SAFETY
Child Abuse & Neglect Victims (per 1,000) 364 14.7 20% Worse 13.6 9% Worse
Crimes Against Persons (per 1,000) 1,070 10.6 25% Worse 12.3 22% Better
Child Deaths (per 100,000, ages 1-14) .5 25.9 40% Better 34.8 16% Worse

EARLY CHILDHOOD
Low Birthweight Infants (per 1,000 births) 52 46.4 9% Better 55.7 14% Better
Mortality (per 1,000 live births) 9 7.9 25% Better 6.3 46% Worse
Child Supply (spaces per 100, ages 0-13) 3,089 18.3 3% Better NA 13% Worse

*Arrest of children under the age of 13 does not include county sheriff or City of Roseburg police arrests.

Student Expulsions
85 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.5% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

POPULATION

1999 % Change
TOTAL 100,850 47%
All Children 24,818 9%
Children ages 8-13 8,723 Same

85 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.5% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
Gilliam County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

POPULATION

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Student Expulsions

1 student grade K-12 was expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.3% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- Other
- Substance Abuse
- Schools

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- Tobacco: 0%
- Drugs: 10%
- Alcohol: 20%

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- Reading: 96%
- Math: 64%

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

- 9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 29% reported fighting on school property.
- 17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

VIOLENCE

- 3 arrests were made among children under age 13 (7.4 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
- 2 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (9.2 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- 28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
- 14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
- 17% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).
- 6 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

- 0 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (0 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 63 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

- 3 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (4.6 percent).
- 33% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 2% more students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 12 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 7 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT PROFILE

6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
19% reported fighting on school property.
15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 7

VIOLANCE

3 arrests were made among children under age 13 (2.0 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
11 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (15.5 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
46% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBLSTANCE ABUSE

50% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
25% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
23 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

0 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (0 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
242 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

1 seventh or eighth grader dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.4 percent).
22% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
26% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
16 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 13 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

1 student grade K-12 was expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.1% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

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Harney County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

### Population

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<td>Children ages 8-13</td>
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**Student Expulsions**

5 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.3% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- other

**Substance Abuse**

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

**Assessment Scores**

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading
- math

**Violence**

8 arrests were made among children under age 13 (5.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).

5 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (7.2 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).

60% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

**Substance Abuse**

28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).

14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).

17% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).

19 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

**Mental Health**

3 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (88 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).

232 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

**Education**

1 seventh or eighth grader dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.5 percent).

18% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

15% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

17 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 16 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.

38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.

19% reported fighting on school property.

15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.

21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.

6% reported carrying a weapon to school.

6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.

14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.

21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.

12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

**Source:** 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 7

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**MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE**

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

**VIOLENCE**

15 arrests were made among children under age 13 (3.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
47 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (25.9 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
34% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

22% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
11% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
14% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
46 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

**MENTAL HEALTH**

1 child age 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (11 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
656 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

**EDUCATION**

3 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.5 percent).
34% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
39% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 20 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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**Student Expulsions**

22 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.6% of all students).

**Substance Abuse**

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- Alcohol: 10%
- Tobacco: 7%
- Drugs: 5%

**Assessment Scores**

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- Reading: 86%
- Math: 57%
### Jackson County

#### Status of Oregon’s Children 2000

### POPULATION

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### Student Expulsions

116 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.4% of all students).

**Reported reasons for student expulsions:**
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

### Sub substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

### Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math

### MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

- 34% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 21% reported fighting on school property.
- 14% reported being purposely hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 5% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 12% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

*Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 5*

### VIOLENCE

- 303 arrests were made among children under age 13 (9.5 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
- 169 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (11.6 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 40% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

### SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- 18% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- 7% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
- 10% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
- 367 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

### MENTAL HEALTH

- 46 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (65 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 5,082 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

### EDUCATION

- 52 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.1 percent).
- 21% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 25% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

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VIOLANCE

114 arrests were made among children under age 13 (28.2 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
19 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (11.4 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
16% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

20% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
17% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
18% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
38 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

3 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (34 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
620 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

30 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (5.4 percent).
41% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
48% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
22 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 20 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

8 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.2% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- **Tobacco**
  - County: 0%
  - State: 10%

- **Drugs**
  - County: 20%
  - State: 30%

- **Alcohol**
  - County: 30%
  - State: 40%

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- **Reading**
  - 78% 3rd graders
  - 64% 8th graders

- **Math**
  - 46% 3rd graders
  - 33% 8th graders
Josephine County

**Population Summary**

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**Student Expulsions**

137 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (1.2% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- Weapon carrying
- Violent behavior
- Alcohol or drugs
- Other

**Substance Abuse**

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs in the past month:

- **Tobacco:**
  - Regional: 10%
  - State: 26%

- **Drugs:**
  - Regional: 9%
  - State: 13%

- **Alcohol:**
  - Regional: 5%
  - State: 11%

**Assessment Scores**

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- **Reading:**
  - 3rd graders: 86%
  - 8th graders: 57%
- **Math:**
  - 3rd graders: 78%
  - 8th graders: 47%

**Violence**

69 arrests were made among children under age 13 (5.4 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
79 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (13.3 per 1,000 children, ages 8-13).
46% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

**Substance Abuse**

23% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
12% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
15% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).
151 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

**Mental Health**

16 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (55 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
2,044 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

**Education**

28 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.5 percent).
34% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
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21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 23 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Klamath County

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
8% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

VIOLENCE

71 arrests were made among children under age 13 (5.83 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
133 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (24.4 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
34% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

20% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
8% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
11% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
148 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

24 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (89 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
1942 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

31 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.8 percent).
29% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
38% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 20 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

101 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.9% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

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Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

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Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

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<td>82%</td>
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Lake County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

### POPULATION

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<td>Children ages 8-13</td>
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Student Expulsions

6 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year, or 0.4% of all students.

**Reported reasons for student expulsions:**

- weapon carrying
- alcohol or drugs

### SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco: [Diagram]
- drugs: [Diagram]
- alcohol: [Diagram]

### MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

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44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
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**Source:** 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

### VIOLENCE

5 arrests were made among children under age 13 (3.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
20 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (28.9 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
20% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

### MENTAL HEALTH

1 child age 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (28 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
226 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

### EDUCATION

2 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.8 percent).
15% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
30% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
19 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 18 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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### REPORTED REASONS FOR STUDENT EXPULSIONS: (Diagram)

- weapon carrying
- alcohol or drugs

**Source:** 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

### ASSESSMENT SCORES

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading: [Diagram]
- math: [Diagram]

### VOTING

5 arrests were made among children under age 13 (3.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
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20% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

### MENTAL HEALTH

1 child age 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (28 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
226 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

### EDUCATION

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STUDENT PROFILE

7% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
12% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
5% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
13% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
20% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
11% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 4

VIOLENCE

365 arrests were made among children under age 13 (6.5 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
324 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (12.7 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
33% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

29% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
80% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
630 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

64 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (51 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
8909 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

74 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.0 percent).
22% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
27% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
24 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 24 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

128 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.3% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
Lincoln County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

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**Student Expulsions**

50 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.7% of all students).

**Substance Abuse**

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- *tobacco* 40%
- *drugs* 15%
- *alcohol* 35%

**Assessment Scores**

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- 3rd graders: reading 60%, math 60%
- 8th graders: reading 61%, math 57%

**Middle School Student Profile**

- 7% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 21% reported fighting on school property.
- 12% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 5% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 13% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 20% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 11% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

**Violence**

- 75 arrests were made among children under age 13 (10.4 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
- 104 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (30.8 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
- 68% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

**Substance Abuse**

- 38% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- 20% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
- 21% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
- 98 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

**Mental Health**

- 10 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (58 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 1,139 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

**Education**

- 2 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.2 percent).
- 14% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 5% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 26 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 25 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

**County Indicators**

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

7% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
39% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
12% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
18% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
5% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
13% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
20% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
11% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.
Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 4

VIOLENCE

134 arrests were made among children under age 13 (6.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
79 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (8.8 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
47% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
15% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
14% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).
240 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

24 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (55 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
3,228 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

12 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.4 percent).
18% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
28% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
24 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 24 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

Student Expulsions
77 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.4% of all students).
Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- county
- state

3rd graders
- percentage
- students

8th graders
- percentage
- students

Population
1999 % Change since 1990
TOTAL 103,000 +13%
All Children 26,896 +10%
Children ages 8-13 8,992 -9%

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Malheur County

**POPULATION**

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**Student Expulsions**

10 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.2% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- violent behavior
- other

**Substance Abuse**

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

**Assessment Scores**

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading
- math

**MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE**

- 6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 19% reported fighting on school property.
- 15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 7

**VIOLENCE**

- 88 arrests were made among children under age 13 (12.3 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
- 46 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (14.6 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
- 54% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

- 26% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- 6% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
- 9% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.

- 75 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

**MENTAL HEALTH**

- 2 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (14 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 1,136 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

**EDUCATION**

- 5 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.5 percent).
- 23% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 24% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 20 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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### Marion County

#### Middle School Student Profile

- 9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 41% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 21% reported fighting on school property.
- 15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 15% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 7% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 13% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

*Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 3*

#### Violence

- 502 arrests were made among children under age 13 (8.6 arrests per 1,000) children, ages 0-12.
- 300 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (12.2 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
- 37% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

#### Substance Abuse

- 25% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- 21% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
- 20% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
- 613 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

#### Mental Health

- 67 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (57 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 9,082 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

#### Education

- 80 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.0 percent).
- 25% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 31% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

#### Substance Abuse

- Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:
  - Alcohol: 30%
  - Tobacco: 22%
  - Other drugs: 18%

### County Indicators

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#### Safety

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Morrow County

Population

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Student Expulsions

6 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.3% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- Weapon carrying
- Alcohol or drugs

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- Tobacco: 0%
- Drugs: 10%
- Alcohol: 5%

Assessment Scores

- 79% reading proficiency
- 71% math proficiency

Middle School Student Profile

- 6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 19% reported fighting on school property.
- 15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 7

Violence

25 arrests were made among children under age 13 (10.5 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
31 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (28.6 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
23% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

Substance Abuse

- 28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
- 14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
- 17% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
- 27 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

Mental Health

- 0 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years.
- 375 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

Education

- 5 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.4 percent).
- 22% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 24% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 20 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 16 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

County Indicators

- Teen: Juvenile Arrests (per 1,000, ages 0-17) 160; Teen Pregnancy (per 1,000 girls, ages 10-17) 16; Suicide Attempts (per 100,000, ages 10-17) 4
- School: High School Dropouts 38; 8th Grade Reading Proficiency 85; 8th Grade Math Proficiency 73
- Safety: Child Abuse & Neglect Victims (per 1,000) 80; Crimes Against Persons (per 1,000) 192; Child Deaths (per 100,000, ages 1-14) 0
- Early Childhood: Low Birthweight Infants (per 1,000 births) 12; Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births) 0; Child Care Supply (spaces per 100, ages 0-13) 264
MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.

40% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.

20% reported fighting on school property.

14% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.

13% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.

3% reported carrying a weapon to school.

5% reported attempting suicide in the past year.

11% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.

19% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.

10% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 1

VIOLENCE

318 arrests were made among children under age 13 (2.7 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).

621 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (12.8 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).

37% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

24% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.

11% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.

12% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.

1,155 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

120 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (48 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).

18,210 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

251 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.9 percent).

21% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

25% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.

23 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 25 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

102 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.1% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading
- math
Polk County

Population

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Student Expulsions

56 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.9% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:
- Tobacco: 10%
- Drugs: 30%
- Alcohol: 20%

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- Reading: 80%
- Math: 76%

Middle School Student Profile

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
41% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
15% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
7% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
13% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 3

Violence

125 arrests were made among children under age 13 (10.8 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
55 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (9.9 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
49% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

Substance Abuse

29% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
19% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
15% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
88 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

Mental Health

7 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (28 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
1836 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

Education

6 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.6 percent).
26% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
36% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
24 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 21 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

County Indicators

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 6

VIOLANCE

0 arrests were made among children under age 13 (0.0 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
56 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (25.0 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).*
38% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
17% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).
6 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

0 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (0 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
56 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

0 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.0 percent).
5% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
8% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
14 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 12 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Tillamook County

Student Expulsions
18 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.5% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

- weapon
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- reading
- math

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
19% reported fighting on school property.
15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
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Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 7

VIOLENCE

104 arrests were made among children under age 13 (7.2 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
49 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (7.6 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
35% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUSTAINABLY ABUSE

30% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
16% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
159 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

15 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (49 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
2,285 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

36 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.7 percent).
28% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
20% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 19 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions

19 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.1% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math

Student Expulsions

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Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:
- tobacco
- drugs
- alcohol

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math
Student Expulsions
20 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.5% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:
- weapon carrying
- violent behavior
- alcohol or drugs
- other

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:
- alcohol
- drugs
- tobacco

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
- reading
- math

Violence
38 arrests were made among children under age 13 (7.9 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
34 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (14.8 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
32% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

Substance Abuse
22% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
15% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
14% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
68 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

Mental Health
2 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (18 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
77 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

Education
3 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.4 percent).
10% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
18% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 21 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

- 6% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
- 38% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
- 19% reported fighting on school property.
- 15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
- 21% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
- 6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
- 6% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
- 14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
- 21% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
- 12% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 7

VIOLENCE

- 1 arrest was made among children under age 13 (0.8 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
- 4 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (6.0 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
- 25% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

- 28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
- 14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
- 17% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month (regional data).
- 19 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

- 1 child age 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (30 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
- 208 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

- 0 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.0 percent).
- 11% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 7% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
- 15 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 15 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- Tobacco: 0%
- County: 8%
- State: 10%

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- Reading: 94% 84%
- Math: 84% 78%
Wasco County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

POPULATION

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Student Expulsions
0 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year.

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

- **Tobacco**
  - Wasco: 0%
  - Oregon: 10%
- **Drugs**
  - Wasco: 20%
  - Oregon: 30%
- **Alcohol**
  - Wasco: 5%
  - Oregon: 20%

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

- **Reading**
  - 3rd graders: 67%
  - 8th graders: 64%
- **Math**
  - 3rd graders: 57%
  - 8th graders: 44%

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

VIOLENCE

54 arrests were made among children under age 13 (12.0 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
56 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (25.0 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).*
38% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

40% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
16% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
21% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
52 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

3 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (30 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
715 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

6 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (1.0 percent).
15% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
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21 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 18 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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* Sherman and Wasco child abuse and neglect rates are combined.
MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
40% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
20% reported fighting on school property.
14% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
13% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
5% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
11% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
19% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
10% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 1

VIOLANCE

222 arrests were made among children under age 13 (2.6 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
241 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (6.8 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
35% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

21% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
11% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
8% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
811 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

40 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (23 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
13,159 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

86 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.8 percent).
19% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
20% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
25 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 26 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

COUNTY INDICATORS

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Student Expulsions

129 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.2% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse

Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
Wheeler County

STATUS OF OREGON'S CHILDREN 2000

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Student Expulsions
0 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year.

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

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0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50%
8th graders

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:

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Student Expulsions
9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
44% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
29% reported fighting on school property.
17% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
19% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
6% reported carrying a weapon to school.
10% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
15% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
15% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data – Region 6

VIOLENCE
0 arrests were made among children under age 13 (0.0 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
1 child age 8-13 is a known victim of abuse or neglect (8.6 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).

SUBSTANCE ABUSE
28% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month (regional data).
14% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month (regional data).
17% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
4 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH
0 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (0 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
40 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION
0 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.0 percent).
36% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
54% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
9 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 8 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT PROFILE

9% reported missing at least one day of school in the past month because they did not feel safe.
41% reported being in a physical fight in the past year.
21% reported fighting on school property.
15% reported being purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by an adult family member.
15% reported carrying a weapon such as a gun, knife or club in the past month.
3% reported carrying a weapon to school.
7% reported attempting suicide in the past year.
14% reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past year.
23% reported feeling sad or hopeless continuously for two weeks or more.
13% reported that they do not have a caring adult to talk to when worried or scared.

Source: 1999 YRBS Regional data - Region 3

VIOLENCE

155 arrests were made among children under age 13 (8.7 arrests per 1,000 children, ages 0-12).
99 children ages 8-13 are known victims of abuse or neglect (12.1 per 1,000 children ages 8-13).
40% of those abused or neglected children are victims of physical violence.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

25% of 8th grade students reported drinking alcohol in the past month.
9% of 8th grade students reported using illicit drugs in the past month.
13% of 8th grade students reported using tobacco in the past month.
203 children and youth are estimated to need treatment for alcohol or other drug abuse.

MENTAL HEALTH

16 children ages 8-13 attempted suicide in the past five years (42 per 100,000 children, ages 8-13).
2,789 children and youth are estimated to need some level of mental health services.

EDUCATION

18 seventh and eighth graders dropped out of school in the 1998-99 school year (0.7 percent).
27% fewer students met state reading standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
29% fewer students met state math standards in grade 8 compared to grade 3.
22 students are enrolled in the average secondary English class; 22 students are enrolled in the average secondary math class.

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Student Expulsions
89 students grades K-12 were expelled in the 1998-99 school year (0.6% of all students).

Reported reasons for student expulsions:

Substance Abuse
Percentage of 8th grade students who used alcohol, tobacco or other drugs in the past month:

Assessment Scores
Percentage of students meeting or exceeding state proficiency standards:
Beware of Small Numbers

Counties vary significantly in population, size, and geography and this variance should be considered when interpreting the differences among counties. Be aware that small counties may have a small number of events (e.g., child deaths, suicide attempts) that can cause rates to vary considerably from year to year; such variations may not reflect significant changes in the indicators. Rates based on less than five events are considered unstable. Similarly, percent changes in the rates are not reported for counties with less than 45,000 people.

Understand What is Being Measured

Several types of data information are available for each indicator, and it is important to distinguish among them. The number, rate, percentage change between years, the five-year average, and the county rate compared to Oregon are all very different measures. A relevant column heading explains the information presented in the county indicator box. To get a better understanding of how the indicators themselves are defined, refer to Definitions and Sources.

Let the Data User Beware

For many of these indicators, there are no perfect methods to measure data outcomes. Counties have varying reliability in their record keeping systems or resources committed to counting occurrences. For example, it is very difficult to get a perfect count on the number of teens who attempt suicide in a given year. In this year's data book, the Health Division's record of reported suicide attempts and the Youth Risk Behavior Survey self-reported suicide attempts are both provided. The difference between these two rates highlights the limitations of both administrative and survey data.

Children First relies on the data that is available from various state agencies. Many of these measures are in need of improvement. However, interpreted carefully, data presented here can be very useful tools for developing a meaningful assessment of child well-being.

Remember the Limits and Uses of Data

While these data provide important baseline information, they must be understood in a broader context. Remember that a data snapshot provides one way to look at how children are doing in the county. There are many other important perspectives to include and consider in piecing together an accurate composite. Some of the other sources of critical viewpoints include: human service agencies, government, schools, parents, and youth themselves.

**COUNTY INDICATORS KEY**

- **Current Number:** Number of incidents for the most recent year of data.
- **Current Rate:** County rate for the most recent year of data.
- **Rate Change from Previous Year:** Percentage change between rate in previous year and most recent year of data. Percentage change is not reported for counties with less than 45,000 people due to small number of events.
- **Average Rate Previous 5-years:** Average of the previous five years of data, not including most recent year of data.
- **Current Rate Compared to Oregon:** Comparison of most recent county rate with Oregon rate for same year.
- **NA:** Data not available.
ALCOHOL AND DRUG TREATMENT NEED The number of youth estimated to need treatment for alcohol or drug abuse (1999). Source: Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE The number of students in secondary English and math classes per teacher (1999-2000). Secondary grades are defined by non-self-contained classrooms, usually 6th through 12th grade. Source: Oregon Department of Education

CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT VICTIMS Number of confirmed child victims of abuse or neglect per 1,000 children under 18 years old. Also reported, confirmed victims of abuse and/or neglect among children ages 8-13 per 1,000 children ages 8-13 (1999). Data for Wasco and Sherman counties are combined. Source: State Office for Services to Children and Families

CHILD CARE SUPPLY Number of identified child care slots available for every 100 children under 13 years old (1999). Comparison to previous year and five year average not available in some counties due to change in methodology. Source: Child Care Division of the Oregon Employment Department

CHILD DEATHS Number of child deaths (ages 1-14) per 100,000 children (1998 - Provisional Data). Source: Center for Health Statistics, Oregon Health Division

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS The number of crimes against persons (negligent homicide, forcible rape, other sex crimes, kidnapping, robbery, aggravated assault, simple assault) reported per 1,000 Oregonians (1999). Source: Uniform Crime Reporting Program of the Department of State Police

HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT Percentage of students who dropped out of high school during the school year and did not complete a General Equivalency Degree (1998-99). Previous 5-year average not available due to change in methodology. Source: Oregon Department of Education

INFANT MORTALITY Number of infant deaths under one year of age per 1,000 live births (1998 - Provisional Data). Source: Center for Health Statistics, Oregon Health Division

JUVENILE ARRESTS Juvenile arrests per 1,000 children ages 0-17. Also reported, juvenile arrests per 1,000 children ages 0-12 (1999). Source: Uniform Crime Reporting Program of the Department of State Police

LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS Low birthweight infants born weighing less than 2500 grams per 1,000 births (1999 - Provisional Data). Source: Center for Health Statistics, Oregon Health Division

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE NEEDS Estimated need for mental health service among children and youth. Estimated need is determined by applying the national prevalence rate of 12% for children needing mental health services to county populations ages 0-17 (based on 1999 population estimates).


SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE DROPOUT The number and percentage of seventh and eighth grade students who leave school during the school year and whose records are not requested by another school or do not re-enroll in the same school the following year (1998-99). Source: Oregon Department of Education

STUDENT EXPULSIONS The number of students expelled from school during the 1998-99 school year reported by reason for expulsion. Source: Oregon Department of Education

SUBSTANCE ABUSE The percentage of 8th grade students who reported drinking alcohol, using illicit drugs, and/or using tobacco products within the previous 30 days in the Oregon Public Schools Drug Use Survey (2000). Regional data are reported for the following counties due to small numbers: Lake, Sherman, Wallows, Wheeler, Harney, Gilliam, Linn, Josephine, and Coos. Source: Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs Student Use Survey.

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS Number of reported suicide attempts resulting in hospitalization or death per 100,000 children ages 10-17 (1999 - Provisional Data). Also reported, the number and average rate of suicide attempts among children ages 8-13 between 1995 and 1999 per 100,000 children ages 8-13. Source: Center for Health Statistics, Oregon Health Division

TEEN PREGNANCY The sum of resident live births and induced abortions among females ages 10-17 per 1,000 females ages 10-17 (1999 - Provisional Data). Source: Oregon Department of Health Statistics, Oregon Health Division

YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY (YRBS) Data reported are from the 1999 Middle School Youth Risk Behavior Survey. Region totals are grade-adjusted but not weighted. Data provided in the following regions:

Region 1: Clackamas, Multnomah, Washington
Region 2: Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook
Region 3: Marion, Polk, Yamhill
Region 4: Benton, Lane, Lincoln, Linn
Region 5: Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine
Region 6: Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Sherman, Wasco, Wheeler
Region 7: Baker, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa

Source: Center for Health Statistics, Oregon Health Division

3RD and 8TH GRADE MATH PROFICIENCY Percentage of 3rd and 8th grade students who met or exceeded state standards in math (1999-00). Five year average not available due to change in methodology since 1995. Source: Oregon Department of Education

3RD and 8TH GRADE READING PROFICIENCY Percentage of 3rd and 8th grade students who met or exceeded state standards in reading (1999-00). Five year average not available due to change in methodology since 1995. Source: Oregon Department of Education

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