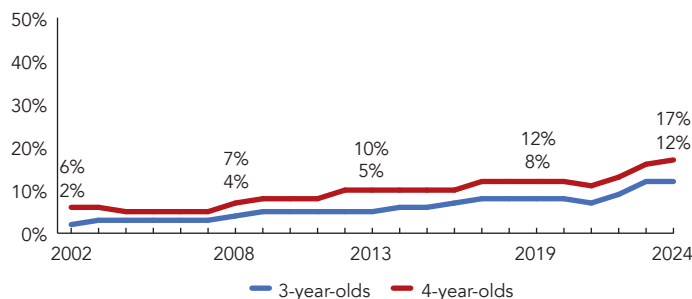
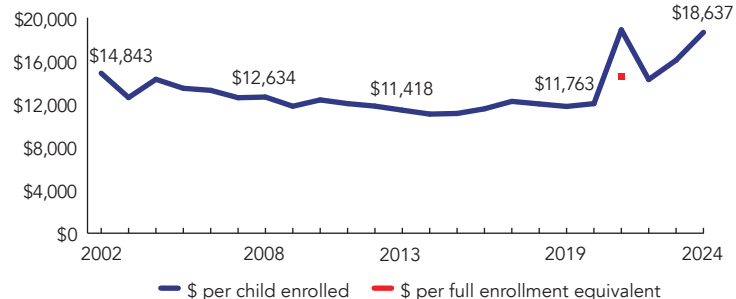


# Oregon

PERCENT OF STATE POPULATION ENROLLED



STATE SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED  
(2024 DOLLARS)



## OVERVIEW

During the 2023-2024 school year, Oregon preschool enrolled 12,597 children, an increase of 877 from the prior year. State spending totaled \$234,774,788, up \$46,644,445 (25%), adjusted for inflation, since last year. State spending per child equaled \$18,637 in 2023-2024, up \$2,585 from 2022-2023, adjusted for inflation. Oregon met an average of 7.6 of 10 quality standards benchmarks.

## WHAT'S NEW

On July 1, 2023, the Oregon Early Learning Division (ELD), which oversees the Oregon Prenatal to Kindergarten (OPK) program and Preschool Promise (PSP), transitioned out of the Department of Education and became its own department, the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELIC).

During the 2023-24 school year, both OPK and PSP amended their grant terms to allow programs to enter into two-year grants. The two-year grants provide families across the state with more stability and reduced stress knowing that their children can have continuity of services at a family preferred provider for two years. This change resulted in a significant increase in enrollment compared to previous years.

Also in 2023, the Oregon Legislature passed House Bill 5013 which allocated funds for the specific purpose to recruit and retain qualified staff for OPK, PSP, Relief Nurseries, and Healthy Families Oregon. DELIC was instructed to allocate up to \$25.6 million of its 2023-25 OPK budget, \$16.7 million of its 2023-25 PSP budget, \$1.7 million of its Relief Nurseries budget, and \$2.8 million of its 2023-25 Healthy Families Oregon budget to increases to provider rates by 7% over current service level funding for each of these programs.

## BACKGROUND

Oregon has two state-funded preschool programs: the Oregon Prenatal to Kindergarten (OPK) program (formerly the Oregon Pre-Kindergarten program), established in 1987, and Preschool Promise, launched in 2016.

OPK provides comprehensive child and family development services for 3- and 4-year-old children from low-income families and is funded using the state general fund and Early Learning Account to serve additional Head Start-eligible children. Funding is awarded through a competitive process to all grantees. OPK includes Region X, Region XI, and Region XII Head Start grantees, and, even though most of the funding goes to Head Start grantees, there are six non-affiliated organizations that receive OPK funding. OPK programs must follow federal Head Start Performance Standards and the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework. Eligibility for OPK also follows federal Head Start requirements.

Preschool Promise is a mixed-delivery program for children from families with incomes up to 200% FPL. The mixed-delivery model includes public schools, child care centers, family child care homes, Head Start/OPK, Relief Nurseries, Education Service Districts, and other community-based organizations. While funding for Preschool Promise was initially administered through Early Learning Hubs, grantees received grants directly from DELIC. Preschool Promise programs are required to participate in Spark, Oregon's quality recognition and improvement system.

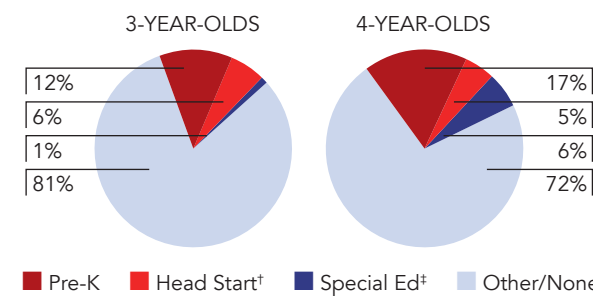
Oregon's overall support for state-funded preschool, including enrollment and funding for both OPK and PSP, is depicted in the first two pages of this state profile. The third page focuses solely on the OPK program, and the fourth page provides information on PSP.

OREGON STATE OVERVIEW

ACCESS

Total state pre-K enrollment .....	12,597
Special education enrollment, ages 3 and 4 .....	7,058
Federally funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4 .....	4,339
State-funded Head Start enrollment, ages 3 and 4.....	6,840

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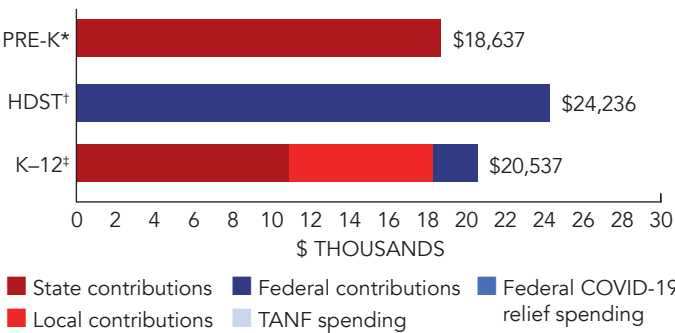


† Estimates children in Head Start not also enrolled in state pre-K.  
‡ Estimates children in special education not also enrolled in state pre-K or Head Start.

RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending .....	\$234,774,788
State Head Start spending .....	\$141,473,379
State spending per child enrolled .....	\$18,637
All reported spending per child enrolled* .....	\$18,637

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\* Pre-K programs may receive additional funds from federal or local sources that are not included in this figure.  
† Head Start per-child spending includes funding only for 3- and 4-year-olds.  
‡ K-12 expenditures include capital spending as well as current operating expenditures.

ACCESS RANKINGS	
4-YEAR-OLDS	3-YEAR-OLDS
34	14

RESOURCE RANKINGS	
STATE SPENDING	ALL REPORTED SPENDING
2	2

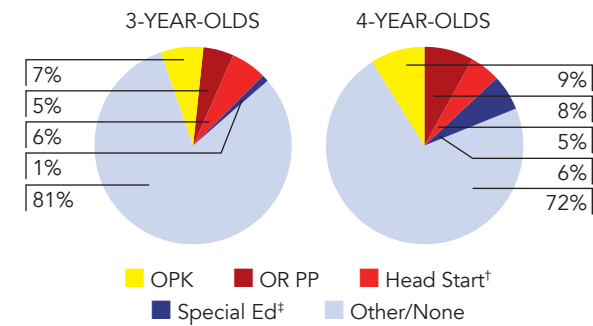
TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET
7.6

OREGON PRENATAL TO KINDERGARTEN (OPK)

ACCESS

Total state pre-K enrollment .....	6,840
School districts that offer state program .....	100% (counties)
Income requirement .....	100% FPL
Minimum hours of operation .....	3.5 hours/day
Operating schedule .....	Determined locally

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QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

POLICY	OPK REQUIREMENT	BENCHMARK	REQUIREMENT MEETS BENCHMARK?
Early learning & development standards	Comprehensive, aligned, supported, culturally sensitive	Comprehensive, aligned, supported, culturally sensitive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Curriculum supports	Approval process & supports	Approval process & supports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Teacher degree	AA	BA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teacher specialized training	ECE, CD	Specializing in pre-K	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assistant teacher degree	CDA	CDA or equivalent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff professional development	15 hours/year; PD plans; Coaching	For teachers & assistants: At least 15 hours/year; individual PD plans; coaching	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Maximum class size	17 (3-year-olds); 20 (4-year-olds)	20 or lower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff-child ratio	2:17 (3-year-olds); 1:10 (4-year-olds)	1:10 or better	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Screening & referral	Vision, hearing, health & more	Vision, hearing & health screenings; & referral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Continuous quality improvement system	Structured classroom observations; Data used for program improvement	Structured classroom observations; data used for program improvement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

For more information about the benchmarks, see the Executive Summary and Roadmap to State Profile Pages.

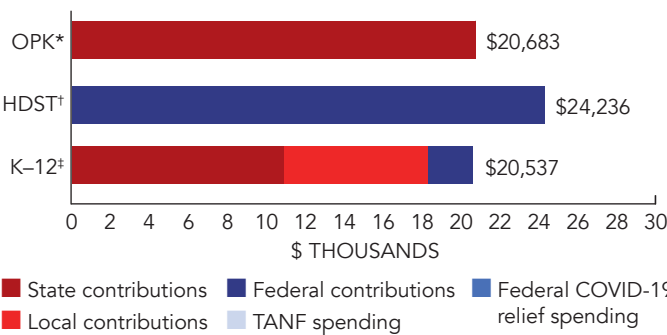
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RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending .....	\$141,473,379
Local match required? .....	No
State spending per child enrolled .....	\$20,683
All reported spending per child enrolled* .....	\$20,683

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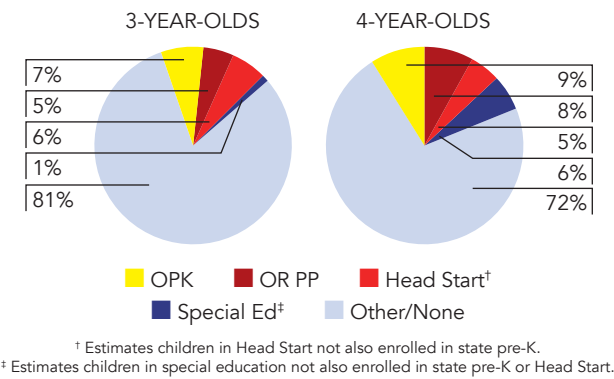


OREGON PRESCHOOL PROMISE

ACCESS

Total state pre-K enrollment.....	5,757
School districts that offer state program ...	100% (Early Learning Hub Regions); 97% (counties)
Income requirement .....	200% FPL
Minimum hours of operation.....	6 hours/day; 4 days/week
Operating schedule.....	School or academic year

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QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

POLICY	OR PP REQUIREMENT	BENCHMARK	REQUIREMENT MEETS BENCHMARK?
Early learning & development standards	Comprehensive, aligned, supported, culturally sensitive	Comprehensive, aligned, supported, culturally sensitive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Curriculum supports	Approval process & supports	Approval process & supports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Teacher degree	CDA	BA	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teacher specialized training	ECE or CDA	Specializing in pre-K	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assistant teacher degree	Other	CDA or equivalent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff professional development	20 hours/year; PD plans (teachers & assistants not meeting education requirements); Coaching	For teachers & assistants: At least 15 hours/year; individual PD plans; coaching	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maximum class size	18, or 20 with a waiver (3- & 4-year-olds)	20 or lower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Staff-child ratio	1:10 with 18, 1:9 with 20 (3- & 4-year-olds)	1:10 or better	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Screening & referral	Immunizations, Developmental; Referrals	Vision, hearing & health screenings; & referral	<input type="checkbox"/>
Continuous quality improvement system	Structured classroom observations; Data used for program improvement	Structured classroom observations; data used for program improvement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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RESOURCES

Total state pre-K spending .....	\$93,301,409
Local match required? .....	No
State spending per child enrolled .....	\$16,207
All reported spending per child enrolled* .....	\$16,207

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