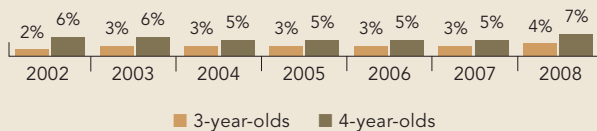
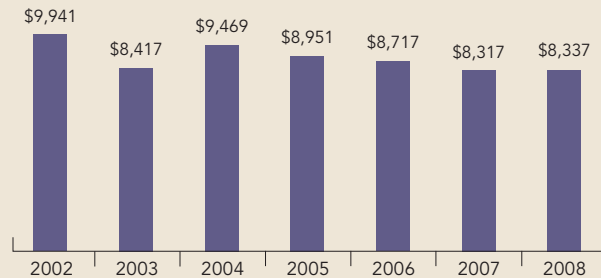


Oregon

PERCENT OF STATE POPULATION ENROLLED



STATE SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED
(2008 DOLLARS)



Established in 1987, the Oregon Head Start Prekindergarten program provides comprehensive child development services to 3- and 4-year-old children from low-income families. All programs must meet the federal Head Start Performance Standards and monitoring requirements in order to receive funding. State pre-K funding is awarded to any non-sectarian organizations through a competitive grant process. All federal Head Start grantees are jointly funded with both federal and state funding to expand their enrollment. Additionally, state funding is allocated to other entities such as public schools, private agencies, and universities meeting Head Start Performance Standards but not receiving federal Head Start funding. A state/federal partnership supporting a collaborative federal Head Start and state prekindergarten system has been established by a formal Memorandum of Understanding between the Oregon Department of Education and the Region X Office of Head Start.

In recent years, the Oregon Head Start Prekindergarten program has faced reductions in enrollment as a result of fluctuating funding. In an attempt to move toward access for all 3- and 4-year-olds, a \$39 million expansion provided an additional 3,068 slots for eligible children during the 2007-2009 biennium. During the 2007-2008, school year, 1,732 children were added to the program and another 1,300 children are expected to be enrolled in the 2008-2009 school year.

ACCESS RANKINGS	
4-YEAR-OLDS	3-YEAR-OLDS
31	14

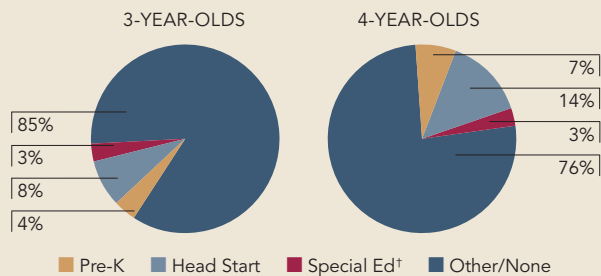
RESOURCES RANKINGS	
STATE SPENDING	ALL REPORTED SPENDING
2	4

OREGON HEAD START PREKINDERGARTEN

ACCESS

Total state program enrollment	5,098
School districts that offer state program	100% (counties)
Income requirement	80% to 90% of children must be at or below 100% FPL ¹
Hours of operation	Determined locally ²
Operating schedule	Determined locally ²
Special education enrollment	5,375
Federally funded Head Start enrollment	10,390
State-funded Head Start enrollment	4,884 ³

STATE PRE-K AND HEAD START ENROLLMENT AS PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL POPULATION



† This number represents children in special education who are not enrolled in state-funded pre-K or Head Start.

QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

POLICY	STATE PRE-K REQUIREMENT	BENCHMARK	DOES REQUIREMENT MEET BENCHMARK?	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> TOTAL BENCHMARKS MET 8 </div>
Early learning standards	Comprehensive	Comprehensive	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Teacher degree	BA (public), CDA (nonpublic) ⁴	BA	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Teacher specialized training	License + 15 hrs. ECE cr. (public); Meets CDA requirement (nonpublic) ⁴	Specializing in pre-K	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Assistant teacher degree	HSD or GED	CDA or equivalent	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Teacher in-service	15 clock hours/year ⁵	At least 15 hours/year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Maximum class size		20 or lower	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3-year-olds	17			
4-year-olds	20			
Staff-child ratio		1:10 or better	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3-year-olds	2:17			
4-year-olds	1:10			
Screening/referral and support services	Vision, hearing, health, dental, developmental, immunizations; and support services ⁶	Vision, hearing, health; and at least 1 support service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Meals	Lunch and either breakfast or snack ⁷	At least 1/day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Monitoring	Site visits and other monitoring	Site visits	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

RESOURCES

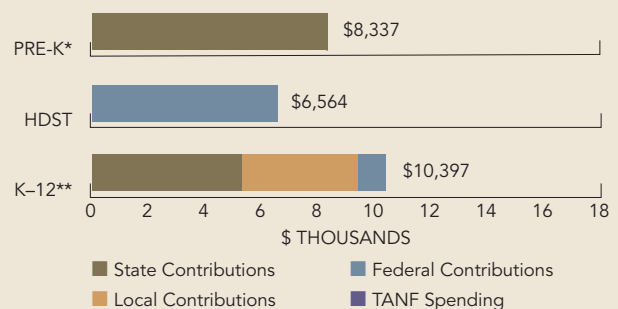
Total state pre-K spending	\$42,500,000 ⁸
Local match required?	No
State Head Start spending	\$42,500,000 ⁸
State spending per child enrolled	\$8,337
All reported spending per child enrolled*	\$8,337

* Pre-K programs may receive additional funds from federal or local sources that are not included in this figure.

**K-12 expenditures include capital spending as well as current operating expenditures.

Data are for the '07-'08 school year, unless otherwise noted.

SPENDING PER CHILD ENROLLED



¹ If a grantee has both federal Head Start and state pre-K funding, 90% of children must meet the income requirement. If a grantee only has state pre-K funding, 80% of children must meet the income requirement. In addition, effective December 2007, 35% of enrollment may be children whose family incomes are between 100% and 130% FPL after meeting the needs of children at 100% or below FPL.

² Programs must be offered for at least 3.5 hours per day. Most programs operate 3 or 4 days per week. All programs must operate a minimum of 32 weeks and 474 hours per year.

³ This number represents enrollment in the Oregon Head Start Prekindergarten program. All state-funded Head Start enrollment is through this program.

⁴ In nonpublic school grantee settings, half of grantee teachers must have at least an AA or higher degree in ECE or a related degree with a minimum of 15 ECE college credits. Requirements for public school teachers do not apply to classrooms run by agencies other than public schools, even if located in public schools.

⁵ Fifteen hours of teacher in-service per year are required in the new Head Start Reauthorization Act as of December 2007.

⁶ Support services include four annual parent conferences or home visits, parent education or job training, parenting support or training, parent involvement activities, health services for parents and children, information about nutrition, referral to social services, transition to kindergarten activities, mental health services, and community partnerships.

⁷ Programs are required to offer meals and snacks that provide at least one-third of the child's daily nutritional needs. In addition to lunches for all children, morning programs offer breakfast to all children and afternoon programs offer snacks to all children.

⁸ This figure represents the state contribution to the Oregon Head Start Prekindergarten program, which is a state-funded Head Start model. All state pre-K spending is therefore directed toward Head Start programs.