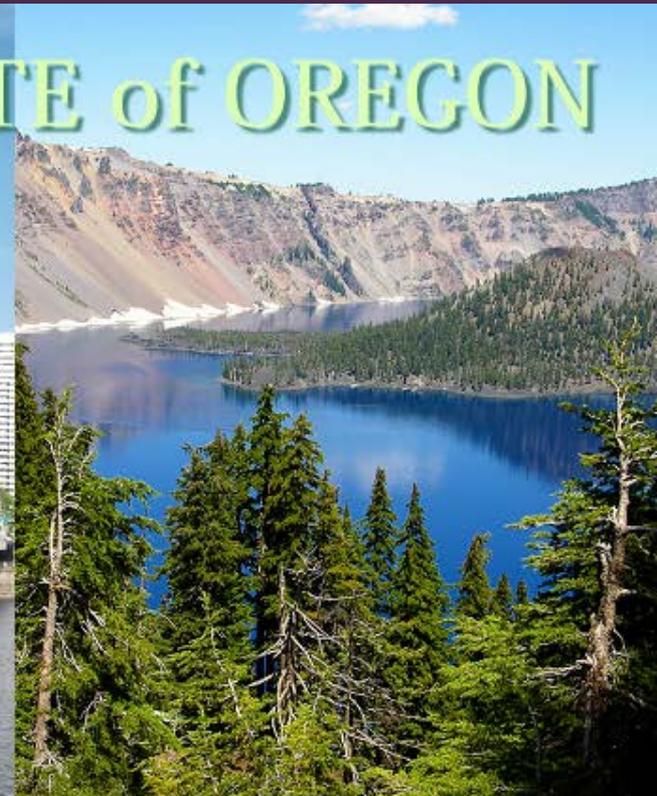


Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs

1983 – 2014: 30+ Years of Service

Strategic work of the OCHA



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OCHA History

- 1971 - Commission on Chicano Affairs
Created to address the concerns of migrant workers. Governor Tom McCall appointed 15 members to identify Hispanic concerns, educate themselves on policy and policy making, and seek methods for improving working conditions and community relations for Oregon's Hispanic population.
- 1981 - Governor's Commission on Hispanic Affairs .
Created by Governor Vic Atiyeh with nine appointed members .
- 1983 - Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs.
Created by the Legislative Assembly to work for the implementation of economic, social, legal, and political equality for Hispanics in Oregon.

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OCHA Statutory Mission

The Commission is authorized by ORS 185.310 - 185.330 to:

1. Monitor existing programs and legislation designed to meet the needs of Oregon's Hispanic population.
2. Identify and research issues affecting the Hispanic community and recommend actions to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly.
3. Maintain a liaison between the Hispanic community and state government.
4. Encourage Hispanic representation on state boards and commissions.
5. Improve the economic, social, legal and political equality and success of Latinos in Oregon.

OCHA Strategic Work

- Develop and advocate for legislation and administrative policy that improves success of Latinos in education, health, jobs/economy, safety/policing/justice, stable families and civic involvement
- Research and analyze issues pertinent to the Hispanic community and identify policy responses.
- Grow leadership within state government by Latinos
- Engagement statewide –to work collaboratively with partners and engage community to identify needs of Hispanic/Latino/and indigenous populations in Oregon
- Monitor existing programs that affect the Latino community within state government.

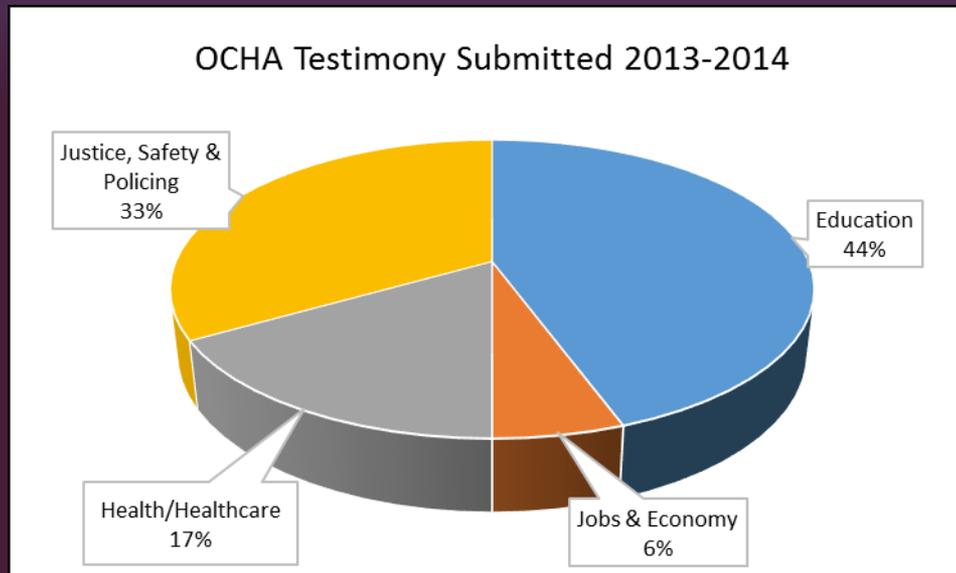
OCHA's Strategic Committees

The work of the committees is to research issues, engage partners and community, and suggest policy and legislation to the OCHA.

- Education
- Immigration reform
- Health

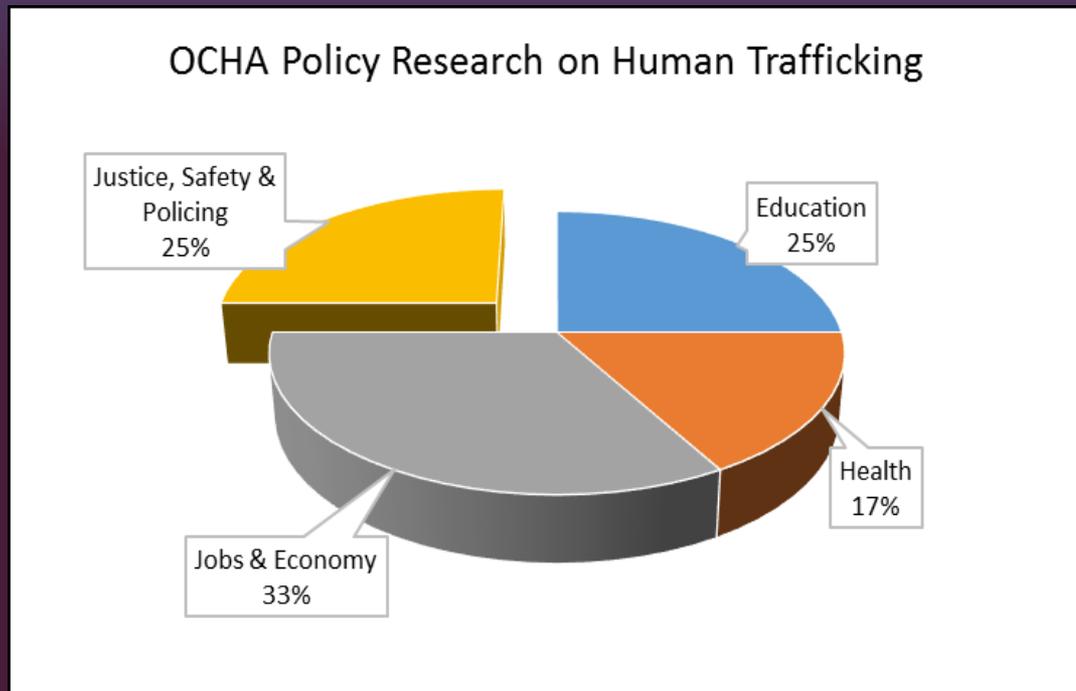
OCHA Legislative testimony 2013 - 14

- 18 Bills supported with testimony and other legislative support including:
 - 8 **Education**: CC grants for tuition support, > school lunch, and more.
 - 6 **Justice & Safety**: Drivers Card, Ending the death penalty, and more.
 - 3 **Health**: Culturally competent care, Traditional Health Works, and more.
 - 1 **Jobs/economy**: Small procurement contracting



OCHA Policy Research

- ❖ **Education disparity issue briefs:** OCHA/PSU/OEIB/Gov's Office
7 areas: ELL, Discipline, Parent engagement, and others guiding policy discussions
- ❖ **Human trafficking of children for sex:** OAC's/PSU/US Attorney/Gov's Office: longitudinal study of victims, sellers, buyers leading to policy areas



Children in sex trade in Mult. Co.

Table 1: Ethnicity (SARC & DHS)

Ethnicity	Frequency	Percent
African American	127	27.1
Asian	13	2.8
Asian American	2	0.4
Caucasian	190	40.5
Caucasian (Hispanic)	15	3.2
Caucasian (Hispanic); Native American	2	0.4
Caucasian/ African American	1	0.2
Guatemalan	1	0.2
Haitian	1	0.2
Hispanic	21	4.5
Hispanic/Latino	3	0.6
Middle Eastern	1	0.2
Native American	10	2.1
Pacific Islander	1	0.2
Peruvian/Caucasian	1	0.2
UTD	80	17.1
Total	469	100

* Source of UTD (Unable to Determine) cases: 61 from SARC, 19 from DHS.

Next steps in research: studying the sellers of kids for sex

Scope of work:

- Study characteristics of CSEC perpetrators in Multnomah County.
- Review history of arrests and convictions of individual perpetrators
- Compile demographic information of the perpetrators
- Prepare report on findings for OAC's and partners with policy implications by winter 2014

NEW AMERICANS IN OREGON

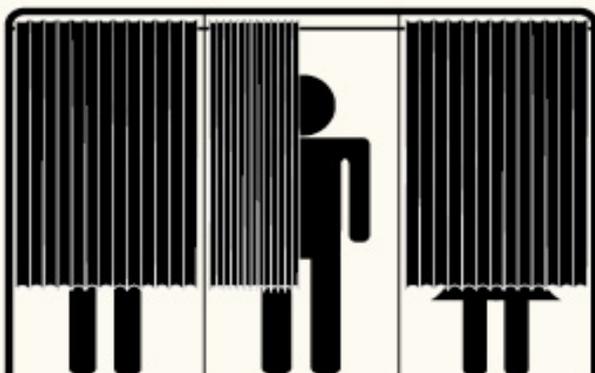


9.8% of Oregonians are foreign born.

15.5% of Oregonians are Latino or Asian.

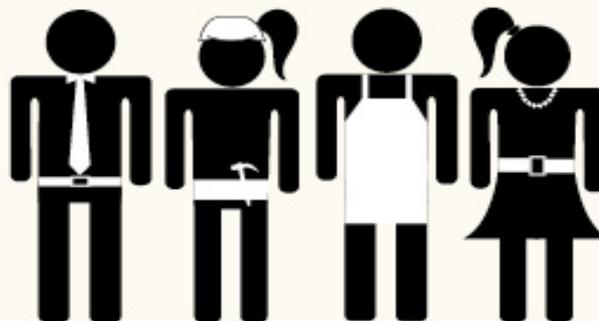
37.4% of immigrants in the state are eligible to vote.

5.8% of registered voters are New Americans.



Oregon has 7,506 foreign students who contribute **\$225.5 million** to the state economy.

33.6% of foreign-born adults have a bachelor's degree or higher.

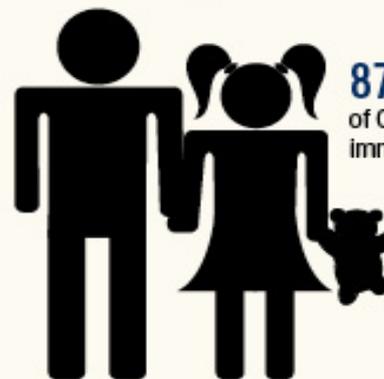


Asian-owned businesses in Oregon have sales and receipts of **\$3.2 billion**.

Latino-owned businesses in Oregon have sales and receipts of **\$1.7 billion**.

Immigrants are **12.5%** of the state's workforce. **5.3%** of the workforce is unauthorized.

The purchasing power of Oregon's Latino population and Asian population, respectively, is **\$7.5 billion** and **\$5.1 billion**.



87.1% of Oregon's children with immigrant parents are U.S. citizens.

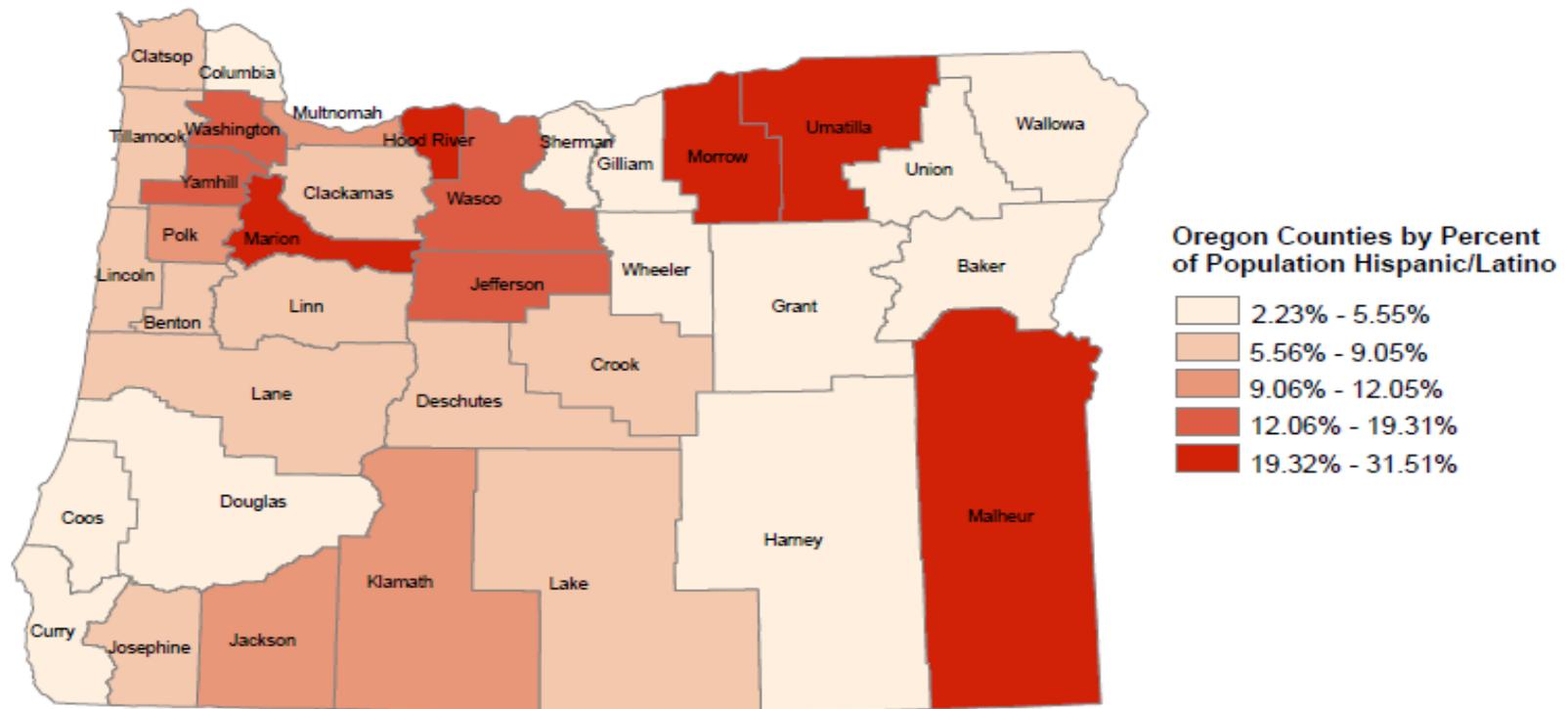
79.8% of children with immigrant parents are English proficient.

DID YOU KNOW? Oregon would lose **\$3.4 billion** in economic activity if all unauthorized immigrants were removed.

www.immigrationpolicy.org

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Latino Population Percentage (2010)



Source: Census 2010

Hispanic/Latino/Indigenous Organizations

- Oregon Latino Agenda for Action
- Oregon Hispanic Bar Association
- Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers
- Oregon Association of Latino Administrators
- Latino Health Coalition Network
- Oregon Latina Nurses Association
- Organización de Campesinos Indígenas de Oregón
- Oregon Child Development Coalition
- Oregon Human Development Corp.
- Rural Development Initiative
- Rural Organizing Project
- Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce
- Latino Alliance of Willamette Valley
- Hispanic Entrepreneurs, Rogue Valley
- Latino Network
- Centro Latinoamericano
- Centro Cultural
- Latino Community Association
- Adelante Mujeres
- Una Voz Unida
- PCUN
- CAUSA
- UNETE
- Latino Union Leadership Network

Web Resources

- Pew Hispanic Research Center <http://www.pewhispanic.org/>
- 150 years of Latino Contributions in Oregon
[http://www.oregon.gov/Hispanic/pdfs/150 Years of Latino Contributions in Oregon.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/Hispanic/pdfs/150_Years_of_Latino_Contributions_in_Oregon.pdf)
- Immigration Policy Center – “New Americans in the Beaver State: the Political and Economic Power of Immigrants, Latinos, & Asians in Oregon”
- Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs
[http://www.oregon.gov/Hispanic/about us.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/Hispanic/about_us.shtml)

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