

## Major Findings

The 2007 poverty rate for Josephine County was 17.9 percent, among the highest rates found among Oregon counties. The US Census Bureau estimated that 14,291 people in the county lived with incomes less than the federal poverty level in 2007. This represents a 28 percent increase from 2000.

Single mothers were especially hard hit; 57 percent of families with children under age 18 and headed by a single woman had incomes less than the poverty level. The leading cause of the increasing poverty was likely the high unemployment rate of 7.2 percent, which has increased from its 2000 and 2006 levels.

In 2007, six industries lost a total of 540 jobs; with the largest reduction a 13 percent drop in Construction (225 positions). A gain of 184 in (private) Education and Health Services partially compensated for the lost construction jobs, as both industries paid an average of about \$32,000 to \$34,000. Yet the county saw a net loss of 327 jobs or 1.3 percent of workers.

	Josephine County	Oregon	United States
2007	<b>Number in Poverty</b>	<b>14,291</b>	<b>474,189</b>
	<b>Percent in Poverty</b>	17.9%	12.9%
2000-2007	<b>Percent change in Number in Poverty</b>	27.7%	12.2%
	<b>Percent change in Population</b>	7.0%	7.2%
	<b>Number of additional people in Poverty</b>	<b>+ 3,098</b>	<b>+ 85,449</b>
	<b>Number of additional Population</b>	<b>+ 5,330</b>	<b>+ 20,199,253</b>

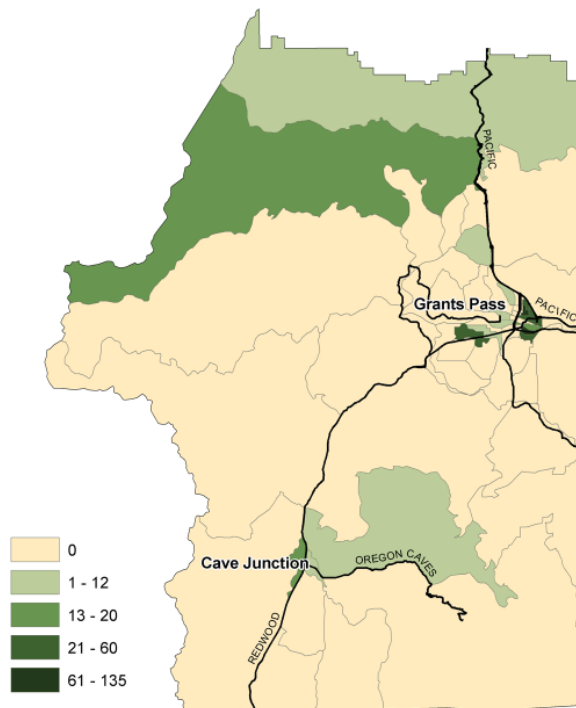
An OHCS analysis of living costs and wages showed that a single parent of a preschooler needed to earn \$13.28 per hour to pay for basic living needs. On average, Josephine County's nursing aides and retail sales made less than that amount.

## Community Action Agency

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## Affordable Housing Units by Census Block Group



# Josephine County

## Basic Family Budget, an Alternative to the Federal Poverty Threshold

2007 Josephine County's  
Basic Family Budget



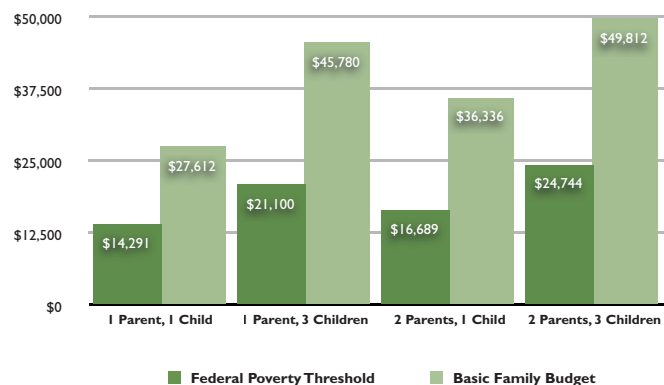
Householder(s)	1 Parent	1 Parent	2 Parents	2 Parents
Children	3-5 yr old	3-5 yr old, 6-8 yr old, and 9-11 yr old	3-5 yr old	3-5 yr old, 6-8 yr old, and 9-11 yr old
Housing	\$639	\$909	\$639	\$909
Food	\$316	\$615	\$512	\$774
Child Care	\$389	\$946	\$389	\$946
Transportation	\$390	\$390	\$524	\$524
Healthcare	\$247	\$308	\$359	\$424
Other Necessities	\$296	\$472	\$357	\$522
Taxes	\$24	\$175	\$248	\$52
Monthly Total	\$2,301	\$3,815	\$3,028	\$4,151
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$27,612</b>	<b>\$45,780</b>	<b>\$36,336</b>	<b>\$49,812</b>
Hourly Wage needed for Basic Family Budget	\$13.28	\$22.01	\$8.73	\$11.97
Federal Poverty Threshold (FPT)	\$14,291	\$21,100	\$16,689	\$24,744
<b>Percent of Basic Family Budget</b>	<b>51.8%</b>	<b>46.1%</b>	<b>45.9%</b>	<b>49.7%</b>

### Low-Income Needs

Umpqua Community Action Network (UCAN) identified the following needs for the low-income population of Josephine County:

- Food insecurity
- Healthcare
- Affordable housing
- Energy assistance
- Transportation






**Basic Family Budget vs. Federal Poverty Threshold**



## Population and Economy

Josephine County Employment	2007 Number of Positions	2006-2007 Change in Number of Positions	2007 Percent Gain in Positions	2007 Average Pay Per Position
Industries with the Largest Number of Employees, 2007				
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	5,316	-61	-1%	\$26,590
Education & Health Services	4,124	184	5%	\$33,855
Manufacturing	3,332	-130	-4%	\$32,428
Greatest Increase in the Number of Positions				
Education & Health Services	4,124	184	5%	\$33,855
Other Services	1,008	31	3%	\$18,374
Financial Activities	1,170	29	3%	\$35,418
Greatest Decrease in the Number of Positions				
Construction	1,528	-225	-13%	\$31,988
Manufacturing	3,332	-130	-4%	\$32,428
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	5,316	-61	-1%	\$26,590
Local Government	2,169	-54	-2%	\$37,552
Professional & Business Services	1,561	-36	-2%	\$32,440
State Government	812	-34	-4%	\$21,883

## Population Change Since 2000

	2000-2007 % Growth	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
OREGON	 9.0%	3,436,750	3,471,700	3,504,700	3,541,500	3,582,600	3,631,440	3,690,505	3,745,455
JOSEPHINE	 8.3%	76,050	76,850	77,650	78,350	78,600	79,645	81,125	82,390
Cave Junction	 23.0%	1,370	1,380	1,390	1,420	1,440	1,500	1,600	1,685
Grants Pass	 37.0%	23,170	23,670	23,870	24,470	24,790	26,085	30,930	31,740
Unincorporated	 -4.9%	51,510	51,800	52,390	52,460	52,370	52,060	48,595	48,965

# Josephine County

## 2007 Community Action Agency Activities

### Food Insecurity

increased emergency food distribution 41 percent in the last three years

distributed 1,454,386 pounds of food in 32,569 food boxes through 34 agencies and supplemental

### Healthcare

provided more than 5,600 rides to medical appointments through a contract with TransLink, using nine volunteer drivers

### Affordable Housing

provided 455 households with emergency housing assistance

offered comprehensive case management, long-term rental assistance and self-sufficiency services through home visits that include budgeting and goal-setting education to 43 households

### Energy Assistance

provided emergency energy assistance to 3,950 households

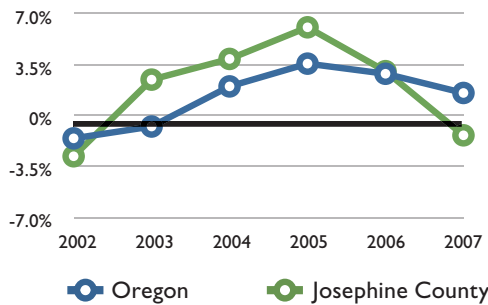
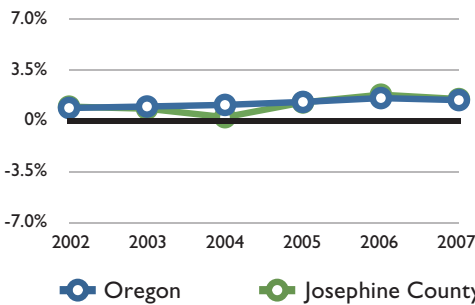
offered 85 households emergency firewood

### Transportation

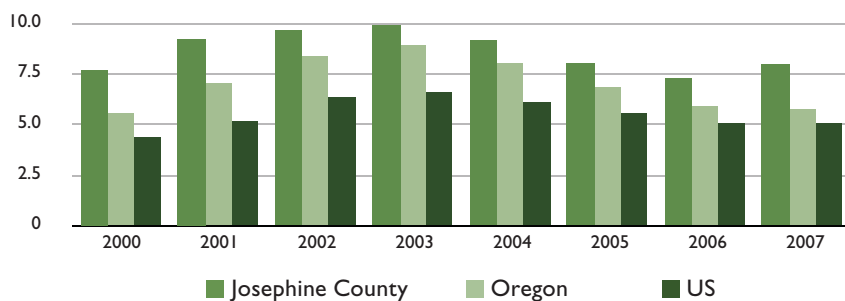
transportation routes connecting rural areas to the city where people can access services have proliferated with ridership up 12 percent per year

Rogue Community College, the Job Council and the Oregon Department of Human Services pays for bus passes for students and clients

## Population Change vs. Employment Change Since 2001



## Unemployment Rates



### Birth Rates

2002-2005, average Birth Rate per 1,000

Josephine County

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State of Oregon

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2002-2005, average Teenage Birth Rate per 1,000 females ages 15-19

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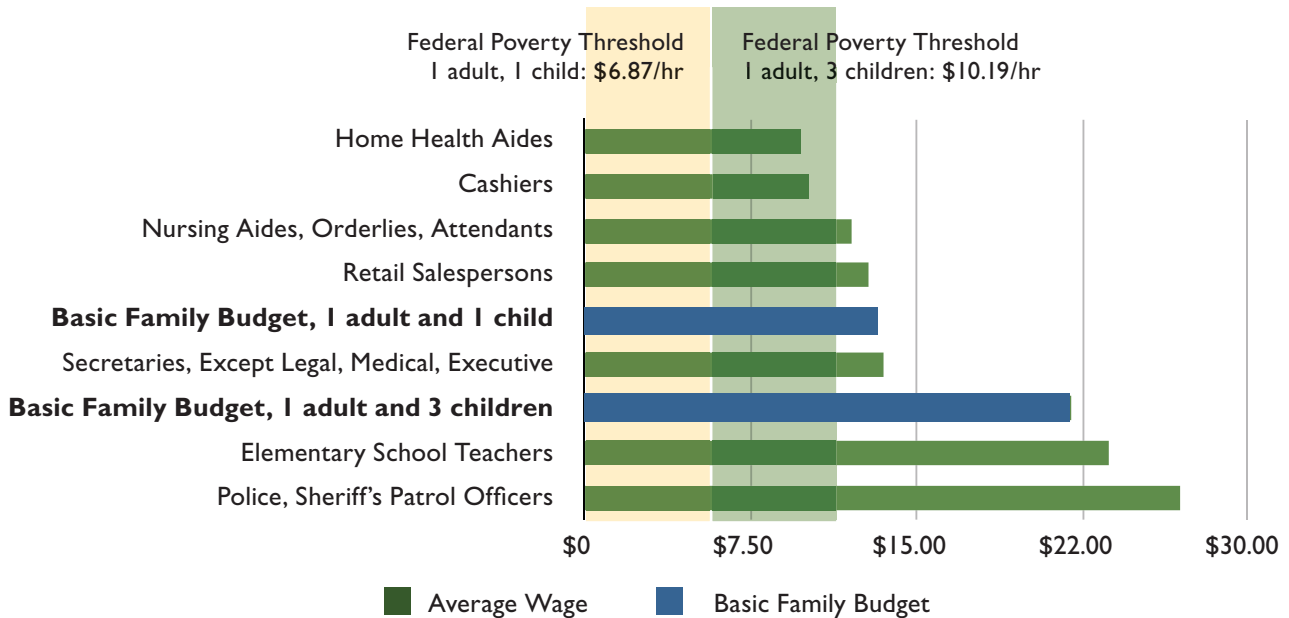
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State of Oregon

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## Average Hourly Wages 2007

### Occupational Earnings



## Poverty Population Characteristics

Poverty Rates by Age & Disability Status - 2007	% in Poverty	% of People in Poverty	% of all Population
Total Population	18%	-	-
Children younger than 18	27%	31%	20%
People 18-64	17%	57%	59%
People 65 and older	11%	12%	20%
People with a disability	22%	29%	23%

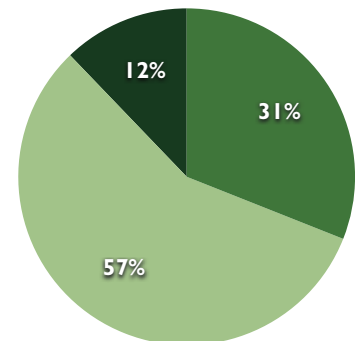
  

Poverty Rates by Family - 2007	% in Poverty	% of Families in Poverty	% of all Families
All Families	15%	-	-
Families with children under 18	25%	74%	43%
Single women with children under 18	57%	34%	9%

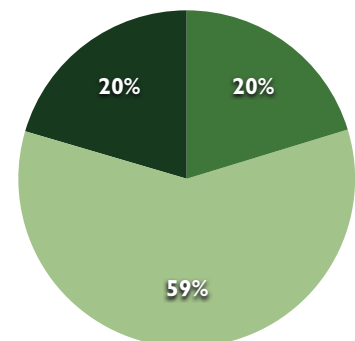
Poverty Rates by Race/Ethnicity - 2005-2007 avg	% in Poverty	% of People in Poverty	% of all Population
Total Population	15%	-	-
White	15%	88%	93%
Black	--	--	0%
American Indian	52%	5%	2%
Asian	--	--	1%
Pacific Islander	--	--	0%
Other	16%	1%	1%
2 or more races	26%	5%	3%
Hispanic origin	35%	12%	5%

## Poverty by Age – 2007



Children younger than 18  
People 18-64  
People 65 and older

## Population by Age – 2007



Children younger than 18  
People 18-64  
People 65 and older

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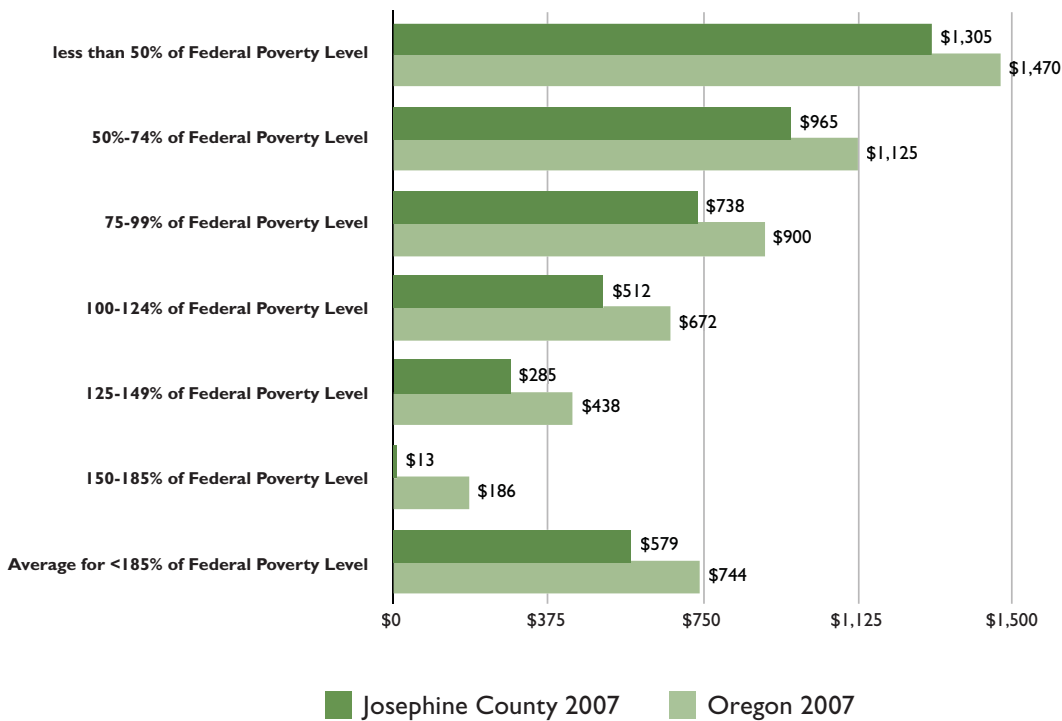
## 2007 Household Income

	Josephine County	Oregon	United States
<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$37,312</b>	<b>\$48,730</b>	<b>\$50,740</b>
Owner Median Household Income	\$46,396	\$61,690	\$63,059
Renter Median Household Income	\$21,748	\$30,186	\$30,915
Total Households	33,947	1,471,965	112,377,977
Renters percent income spent on housing	39%	29%	30%
Owners percent income spent on housing	20%	23%	22%
<b>Extremely Low Income (30% of Median Household Income)</b>	<b>\$11,194</b>	<b>\$14,619</b>	<b>\$15,222</b>
Households earning 0-30% Median Household Income	4,341	179,761	14,253,915
Burdened households earning 0-30% Median Household Income	3,523	149,621	11,355,585
% Burdened	81%	83%	80%
<b>Very Low Income (50% of Median Household Income)</b>	<b>\$18,656</b>	<b>\$24,365</b>	<b>\$25,370</b>
Households earning 31-50% Median Household Income	2,894	139,492	10,880,250
Burdened households earning 31-50% Median Household Income	2,349	96,863	7,043,215
% Burdened	81%	69%	65%
<b>Low Income (80% of Median Household Income)</b>	<b>\$29,850</b>	<b>\$38,984</b>	<b>\$40,592</b>
Households earning 51-80% Median Household Income	5,234	238,001	17,456,318
Burdened households earning 51-80% Median Household Income	2,684	122,962	8,364,889
% Burdened	51%	52%	48%
<b>Workforce (120% of Median Household Income)</b>	<b>\$44,774</b>	<b>\$58,476</b>	<b>\$60,888</b>
Households earning 81-120% Median Household Income	5,576	263,859	19,191,149
Burdened households earning 81-120% Median Household Income	2,578	85,103	5,823,144
% Burdened	46%	32%	30%

Note: Burden is defined as spending more than 30 percent of household income on gross housing costs (includes utilities).

## Energy

### Individual Household Energy Shortfall



## Health Indicators

2006 Percent of Population without Health Insurance (by Region)

Josephine County	State of Oregon
<b>16%</b>	<b>16%</b>

2007 Number of Primary Care Providers per 100,000

Josephine County	State of Oregon
<b>95</b>	<b>112</b>

2006 Percentage of 2 year olds who are "adequately" immunized

Josephine County	State of Oregon
<b>70%</b>	<b>71%</b>

2002-2005, average % of adults who consume at least 5 servings of fruits & vegetables per day

Josephine County	State of Oregon
<b>23%</b>	<b>26%</b>

2002-2005, average Percent of Adults who Smoke Cigarettes

Josephine County	State of Oregon
<b>28%</b>	<b>20%</b>



Children represent 30 percent of the state's homeless population.

# Josephine County

## How We Help

Josephine County Services	2000	2004	2005	2006	2007
New units created with OHCS funding resources	0	0	0	0	0
OHCS funding for affordable housing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,821	\$0
Single Family Loans for low-income households-#	31	12	7	9	19
Single Family Loans for low-income households-\$	\$2,560,367	\$1,630,383	\$1,092,365	\$1,474,009	\$3,468,638
Households receiving energy assistance-#	3,259	2,747	3,028	3,044	3,161
Units weatherized-#	--	101	130	118	100
Units weatherized-\$	--	\$312,457	\$370,187	\$418,042	\$348,524
Average per unit weatherized-\$	--	\$3,094	\$2,848	\$3,543	\$3,485
Oregon Health Plan enrollment-%	19%	17%*	15%	15%	14%
Students eligible for free/reduced lunch-#	5,688	6,090	6,070	5,955	5,856
Students eligible free/reduced lunch-%	49%	52%	52%	51%	51%
Population receiving Food Stamps-%	--	24%	24%	23%	24%
Population receiving TANF-%	--	4%	4%	4%	4%

\* indicates that data cannot be compared to previous years due to changes in data collection.  
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## Homelessness

### One Night Overview

Josephine County 2008 One Night Count	
Total Homeless Households	<b>489</b>
<b>Total Homeless Population</b>	<b>736</b>
<i>Total in Emergency Shelter</i>	<b>163</b>
<i>Total in Transitional Housing</i>	<b>44</b>
<i>Total Turnaway &amp; Street Count</i>	<b>529</b>
<b>Chronically Homeless Population</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>Unaccompanied Pregnant Youth</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Households with Children</b>	<b>99</b>
Stated Causes of Homelessness:**	
Couldn't afford rent	<b>41%</b>
Unemployed	<b>37%</b>
Drug/Alcohol (Self)	<b>35%</b>
Kicked out by family/friends	<b>27%</b>
Mental or Emotional disorder	<b>21%</b>
Criminal History	<b>19%</b>
Evicted by landlord	<b>18%</b>
Domestic Violence	<b>16%</b>
Drug/Alcohol (In Home)	<b>15%</b>
Poor Rental History	<b>14%</b>

\*\*Respondents may give more than one reason

### Risk Factors

2006-2007, school year  
High School Dropout Rate

Josephine  
County  
**4%**

State of  
Oregon  
**4%**

2005-2006, school year  
Percent of 8th graders who  
reported using illicit drugs in  
the previous 30 days

Josephine  
County  
**n/a**

State of  
Oregon  
**16%**

2006  
Criminal Offenses,  
percent of population

Josephine  
County  
**8%**

State of  
Oregon  
**12%**