

## Malheur County

OREGON BENCHMARK	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2005	Rank	Trend <sup>#</sup>	3-YEAR AVERAGES <sup>^</sup>		
											State Target			County	Rural	State
4 Net Job Growth	11.8	10.6	-1.0	3.1	4.1	-8.4	-14.6	-7.3	5.2			34	↓	-5.6	2.2	-0.2
5 Professional Services	27.1%	27.5%	27.1%	29.0%	31.2%	28.4%	34.3%	33.0%	32.1%		80%	22	↑	33.1%	36.0%	73.2%
11 Income per Capita	72.1%	69.4%	68.5%	62.6%	63.7%	57.6%	58.7%	59.9%			97%	34	↓	58.7%	74.4%	92.3%
12 Wages	\$21,458	\$22,058	\$23,418	\$24,353	\$24,141	\$24,464	\$25,163	\$25,583	\$25,595		\$30,431	32	↑	\$25,447	\$27,570	\$35,299
15 Unemployment	151.9%	169.4%	204.4%	219.0%	190.0%	180.9%	153.4%	161.7%	185.5%		115%	26	↓	166.5%	153.4%	133.5%
18 Ready-to-learn		58.1%			65.1%		64.3%		80.8%		85%	29	↑	70.1%	n/a	74.2%
19a 3rd Grade Reading <sup>#</sup>	90.1%	71.8%	72.1%	75.8%	78.0%	74.9%	75.8%	86.9%	80.7%	84.0%	90%	21	↑	83.9%	85.1%	84.3%
19b 3rd Grade Math <sup>#</sup>	73.1%	48.4%	58.0%	61.3%	63.4%	65.1%	71.2%	80.0%	74.1%	81.9%	81%	30	↑	78.7%	81.1%	82.5%
20a 8th Grade Reading <sup>#</sup>	88.1%	59.4%	47.1%	39.3%	60.2%	55.1%	63.2%	57.2%	60.5%	50.3%	71%	29	↑	56.0%	56.9%	62.1%
20b 8th Grade Math <sup>#</sup>	79.7%	40.3%	38.1%	37.2%	48.2%	48.3%	49.5%	54.5%	50.7%	51.5%	69%	32	↑	55.2%	56.1%	60.9%
22 HS Dropout	5.6%	7.7%	7.8%	6.0%	3.1%	3.1%	3.2%	2.6%	3.1%		5.4%	16	↑	3.0%	3.8%	5.1%
23 HS Degree*	1990: 69.9%				71.0%	(decennial census data only)					93%	36	↑	70.4%	78.6%	83.3%
26a BS Degree*	1990: 13.1%				11.1%	(decennial census data only)					38%	34	↓	12.1%	14.6%	22.9%
Related to 31 Voting	70.7%		52.8%		80.6%		68.0%		84.4%			30	↑	76.2%	76.5%	77.6%
39 Teen Pregnancy	21.9	16.8	17.5	9.8	17.8	14.1	12.1	14.2	-			30	↑	13.5	11.2	11.3
40 Prenatal Care	62.8%	66.5%	70.8%	72.3%	73.4%	72.1%	68.8%	71.2%	-		85%	33	↑	70.7%	79.2%	81.4%
41 Infant Mortality	4.2	8.4	13.1	8.0	3.8	6.4	8.3	15.4	-		5.1	28	↓	10.0	8.4	5.6
43 HIV	2	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	2		282	13	↔	1.0	26.0	291.0
45 Early Death	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	47.6	38.0	57.8	53.8			54.3	8	↓	49.8	64.7	53.5
48 Child Care Availability	0.0	0.0	8.9	15.0	14.4	13.4	13.6	n/a	14.3		25	27	↑	13.8	16.0	17.7
49a 8th Grade Alcohol Use			24.2%		25.5%	28.0%	19.4%	26.6%	30.5%	33.5%	21%	18	↓	30.2%	30.2%	28.3%
49b 8th Grade Drug Use			16.5%		6.3%	18.4%	19.1%	18.9%	17.7%	16.7%	15%	18	↓	17.8%	18.2%	17.1%
49c 8th Grade Cigarette Use			24.3%		8.5%		12.3%		9.0%		16%	9	↑	9.9%	14.1%	10.6%
50a Child Abuse	15.4	20.5	16.9	15.8	11.1	9.6	7.7	9.1	14.8		6.2	9	↑	10.5	13.7	10.8
52a Alcohol Use During Preg	2.5%	0.9%	0.2%	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.6%	0.2%	-		2%	2	↑	0.4%	1.4%	1.3%
52b Tobacco Use During Preg	7.7%	10.6%	9.0%	7.5%	6.3%	9.1%	8.1%	9.1%	-		9%	4	↓	8.8%	18.4%	12.3%
53 Poverty		19.6%	20.4%	18.6%	19.1%	20.2%	19.7%				12%	36	↓	19.7%	13.8%	11.0%
58 Independent Seniors	96.6%	96.5%	97.1%	97.4%	97.6%	97.8%	97.9%	96.7%	97.1%		98%	24	↑	97.2%	96.2%	97.4%
61 Overall Crime Rate	167.6	150.5	123.7	126.0	144.4	143.0	144.1	156.0	-		125	30	↓	147.7	118.2	126.9
61a Person Crimes	20.9	15.1	12.3	10.5	11.7	10.5	9.5	10.2	-		13	19	↑	10.1	10.7	11.8
61b Property Crimes	73.9	67.1	62.2	45.2	50.9	53.0	52.2	48.2	-		67	17	↑	51.1	47.9	68.9
61c Behavior Crimes	75.2	71.6	51.9	70.4	81.8	79.5	82.4	97.6	-		45	35	↓	86.5	56.3	46.2
62 Juvenile Arrests	31.9	32.4	30.2	21.0	28.4	23.1	10.7	18.1	-			25	↑	17.3	17.4	16.1
62a Juv. Arrests-Person	5.2	5.3	5.0	3.1	5.8	2.0	1.2	3.3	-		4.4	2	↑	2.2	4.2	3.9
62b Juv. Arrests-Property	26.7	27.1	25.2	17.9	22.6	21.1	9.5	14.8	-		15.5	29	↑	15.1	13.3	12.2
73 Home Ownership*	(1990: 64.1%)				63.8%	(decennial census data only)					70%	28	↓	64.0%	67.8%	63.7%
74a Cost Burdened Renters*	(1990: 71%)				66.7%	(decennial census data only)					70%	21	↑	68.8%	68.4%	70.5%
74b Cost Burdened Owners*	(1990: 41.6%)				31.5%	(decennial census data only)					38%	21	↑	36.5%	37.4%	39.1%
83 Solid Waste	1280.7	1451.0	1309.3	1336.6	1344.1	1312.2	1379.9	1313.0	1360.0		1575	9	↓	1351.0	1665.1	1594.6

↑ Improving Trends = 24

↓ Worsening Trends = 14

↔ No Change = 1

<sup>^</sup> These columns average rates for each of the three most recent years of data, giving equal weight to each.<sup>#</sup> The trend compares 1996 or the earliest to the latest year of data shown here. Data for benchmarks 19a & b, 20a & b, and 22 is comparable from 1997 on. See benchmark pages for details.

\* For Benchmarks 23, 26a, 73, 74a and 74b, decennial census data allow 11-year averages only.