

Wasco County

OREGON BENCHMARK	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2005	Rank	Trend [#]	3-YEAR AVERAGES [^]		
											State Target			County	Rural	State
4 Net Job Growth	0.7	8.8	26.9	12.0	5.0	15.5	-5.8	-35.8	7.7		35	↑	-11.3	2.2	-0.2	
5 Professional Services**	33.2%	30.8%	29.1%	28.5%	36.7%	31.0%	39.0%	38.6%	37.6%		80%	18	↑	38.4%	36.0%	73.2%
11 Income per Capita	84.5%	84.9%	83.7%	81.5%	79.3%	76.1%	74.9%	74.7%			97%	22	↓	75.2%	74.4%	92.3%
12 Wages	\$24,107	\$25,247	\$25,714	\$25,838	\$26,339	\$26,709	\$26,259	\$26,123	\$25,894		\$30,431	30	↑	\$26,092	\$27,570	\$35,299
15 Unemployment	153.7%	173.5%	175.6%	176.2%	155.0%	187.2%	170.7%	176.7%	163.6%		115%	29	↓	170.5%	153.4%	133.5%
18 Ready-to-learn		42.2%			57.5%		72.6%		58.9%		85%	34	↑	63.0%	n/a	74.2%
19a 3rd Grade Reading [#]	93.3%	74.1%	77.3%	77.6%	66.9%	75.2%	82.9%	76.5%	80.1%	83.2%	90%	33	↑	79.9%	85.1%	84.3%
19b 3rd Grade Math [#]	85.2%	53.4%	64.0%	61.5%	64.3%	56.4%	69.6%	62.2%	71.1%	76.9%	81%	35	↑	70.0%	81.1%	82.5%
20a 8th Grade Reading [#]	90.5%	48.7%	49.8%	48.1%	57.2%	50.4%	64.1%	62.0%	52.9%	55.8%	71%	23	↑	56.9%	56.9%	62.1%
20b 8th Grade Math [#]	79.7%	37.7%	47.6%	42.5%	43.5%	47.1%	52.1%	55.1%	52.3%	63.0%	69%	22	↑	56.8%	56.1%	60.9%
22 HS Dropout	5.8%	8.9%	8.3%	8.0%	6.6%	6.5%	3.4%	2.1%	2.6%		5.4%	12	↑	2.7%	3.8%	5.1%
23 HS Degree*	1990: 81.2%				82.1%	(decennial census data only)					93%	20	↑	79.7%	78.6%	83.3%
26a BS Degree*	1990: 15.7%				15.7%	(decennial census data only)					38%	19	↑	15.1%	14.6%	22.9%
Related to 31 Voting	72.1%		63.4%		80.1%		71.4%		89.2%			18	↑	80.3%	76.5%	77.6%
39 Teen Pregnancy	18.7	19.7	13.9	16.0	20.8	15.3	7.1	9.4	-			23	↑	10.6	11.2	11.3
40 Prenatal Care	79.5%	82.3%	84.4%	85.2%	85.2%	84.5%	85.1%	87.4%	-		85%	8	↑	85.7%	79.2%	81.4%
41 Infant Mortality	6.9	6.8	6.4	10.6	6.5	0.0	3.4	7.6	-		5.1	5	↓	3.7	8.4	5.6
43 HIV	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	2		282	13	↓	1.0	26.0	291.0
45 Early Death**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	61.4	54.0	71.2	50.7			54.3	16	↑	58.6	64.7	53.5
48 Child Care Availability	15.9	16.8	12.0	19.2	16.2	19.5	21.4	n/a	25.8		25	1	↑	22.2	16.0	17.7
49a 8th Grade Alcohol Use**			21.7%		40.0%	18.3%	29.8%	23.8%	36.5%	27.4%	21%	16	↓	29.2%	30.2%	28.3%
49b 8th Grade Drug Use**			23.9%		16.2%	18.6%	22.2%	14.9%	25.6%	18.5%	15%	24	↑	19.7%	18.2%	17.1%
49c 8th Grade Cigarette Use**			23.7%		20.3%		11.1%		9.9%		16%	25	↑	13.8%	14.1%	10.6%
50a Child Abuse**	17.9	33.7	29.5	25.5	18.0	15.8	14.4	21.2	22.0		6.2	30	↓	19.2	13.7	10.8
52a Alcohol Use During Preg	1.7%	1.0%	1.0%	1.8%	0.7%	1.4%	2.8%	0.8%	-		2%	24	↑	1.7%	1.4%	1.3%
52b Tobacco Use During Preg	21.2%	23.5%	20.7%	16.0%	19.2%	18.4%	19.0%	16.0%	-		9%	21	↑	17.8%	18.4%	12.3%
53 Poverty		12.9%	13.4%	12.9%	12.4%	13.2%	13.2%				12%	20	↓	12.9%	13.8%	11.0%
58 Independent Seniors	96.2%	96.4%	97.0%	94.4%	97.0%	94.4%	94.3%	90.4%	91.0%		98%	32	↓	91.9%	96.2%	97.4%
61 Overall Crime Rate	140.8	156.3	175.6	145.5	151.9	125.1	137.3	143.4	-		125	27	↓	135.3	118.2	126.9
61a Person Crimes	13.4	15.6	14.3	12.0	12.8	9.8	10.9	12.4	-		13	23	↑	11.0	10.7	11.8
61b Property Crimes	68.5	72.4	77.3	63.5	63.9	56.1	62.2	70.8	-		67	28	↓	63.0	47.9	68.9
61c Behavior Crimes	58.5	66.4	82.3	68.2	75.2	59.1	64.1	60.3	-		45	27	↓	61.2	56.3	46.2
62 Juvenile Arrests	35.1	29.8	30.9	35.6	20.2	18.7	14.3	9.8	-			15	↑	14.3	17.4	16.1
62a Juv. Arrests-Property	8.0	6.2	5.6	6.1	5.4	3.8	2.3	1.0	-		4.4	2	↑	2.4	4.2	3.9
62b Juv. Arrests-Property	27.1	23.6	25.3	29.5	14.8	14.9	12.0	8.8	-		15.5	18	↑	11.9	13.3	12.2
73 Home Ownership*	(1990: 65.1%)				68.4%	(decennial census data only)					70%	22	↑	66.7%	67.8%	63.7%
74a Cost Burdened Renters*	(1990: 65%)				71.7%	(decennial census data only)					70%	20	↓	68.3%	68.4%	70.5%
74b Cost Burdened Owners*	(1990: 28.4%)				39.0%	(decennial census data only)					38%	8	↓	33.7%	37.4%	39.1%
83 Solid Waste	1521.3	1624.7	1536.9	1585.0	1519.3	1481.1	1548.4	1539.0	1589.0		1575	19	↓	1588.8	1665.1	1594.6

↑ Improving Trends = 25

↓ Worsening Trends = 14

↔ No Change = 0

^ These columns average rates for each of the three most recent years of data, giving equal weight to each.

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.

** Data from two or more small counties were combined. See benchmark pages for details.