



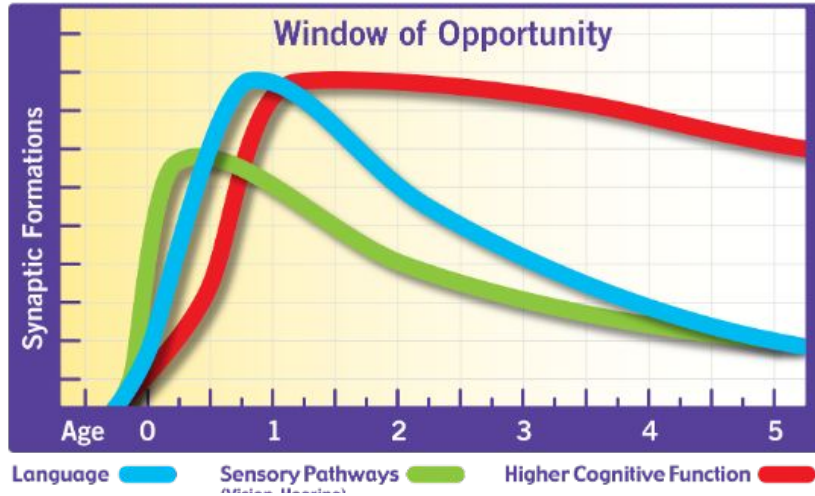
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SB 690: Perinatal Housing Stability as Public Health

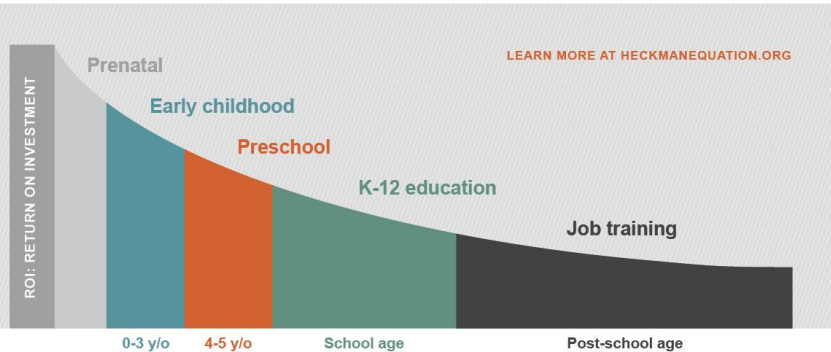
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Human Brain Development

Synapse Formation Dependent on Early Experiences



Return on Investment
Economic impact of investing in early childhood learning.



HOUSING

Prioritize pregnant people and families with babies for **rental assistance, eviction protection, and emergency housing assistance**, and increase the supply of **family-sized affordable housing** units.

ENDING CHILD POVERTY

Expand the **Oregon tax credits for kids** and provide **direct assistance to families** during the prenatal and postpartum periods.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

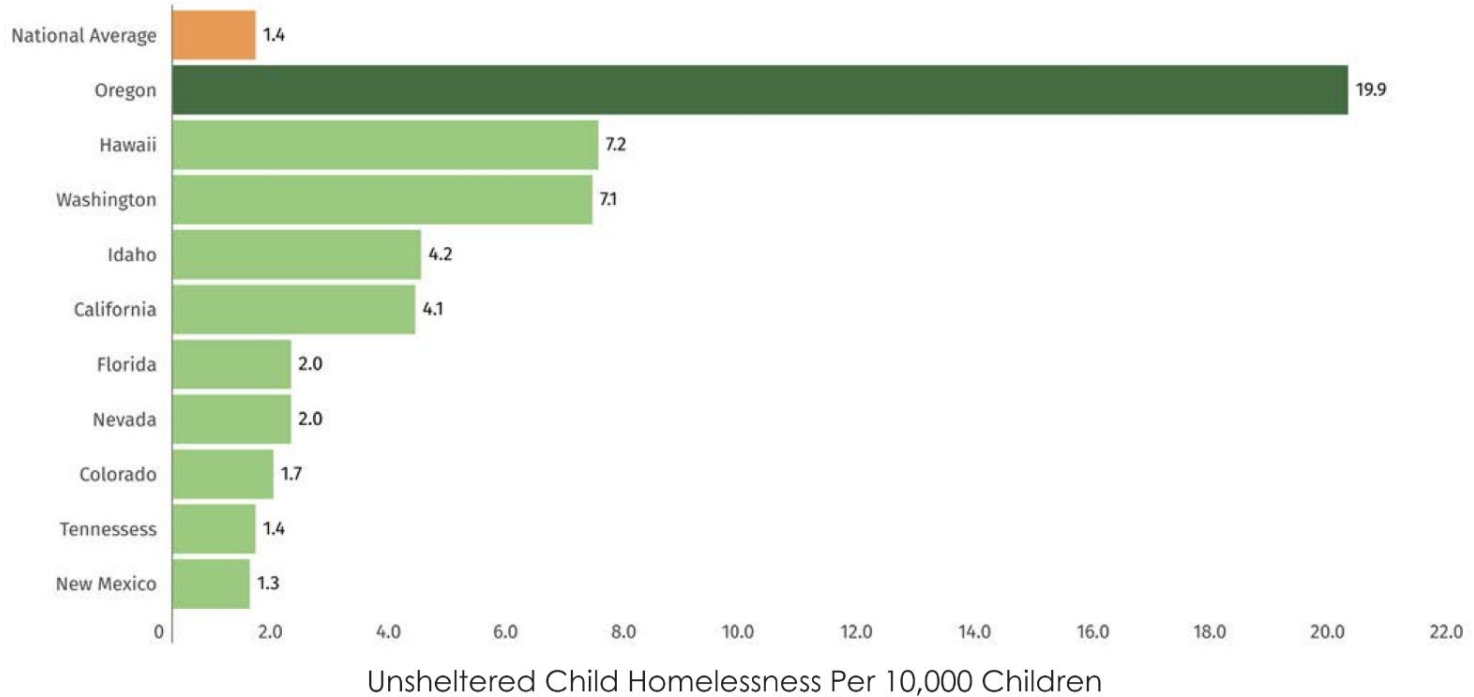
Expand availability of **integrated maternal substance use and mental health treatments** using evidence-based interventions including **Project Nurture/Nurture Oregon**.

PERINATAL WORKFORCE

Increase the numbers of **traditional health workers, including doulas, lactation counselors, and community health workers, as well as peer support specialists**, through trainings and financial incentives.

Figure 32

Oregon ranks worst in the country for unsheltered homelessness among children according to 2023 PIT data



Source: OHCS Tabulation of Point-in-Time Survey Data, 2007 - 2023

2024 State of the State's Housing

Keeping Babies Housed



Braid funding between **6-month HRSN** housing benefit for CCO members and **additional support from ODHS** before handing off to **PHAs**

Preventing nonpayment evictions for those in process of applying for/receiving HRSN housing benefits

Allocating **specific resources within the OHCS Oregon Rehousing Initiative** for the target **perinatal population**. This would also help perinatal families be eligible for existing Long-Term Rental Assistance.

Discussion/Feedback
