OREGON CHILD CARE CENTERS

Staff-to-child ratios at a glance

Oregon's ratios and maximum group sizes for licensed child care centers. Print it, pin it up by the door.

Group	Ages	Staff : children	Max group
Infants and toddlers	6 weeks to 24 months	**1 : 4**	**8**
Older toddlers	24 to 36 months	**1 : 5**	**10**
Preschool	36 months to school age	**1 : 10**	**20**
School age	school age (kindergarten and up)	**1 : 15**	**30**

- **Mixed ages:** a mixed group must meet the ratio and group size of its youngest child, unless the center has 16 or fewer children on site (or a licensed capacity of 16 or fewer) and uses the state's Mixed-Age Ratio Table.
- **Older centers and school-age centers:** centers first certified on or before July 15, 2001 may use Table 3B instead (1:4 with 8 to 30 months, then 1:10 with 20 to school age); centers that care only for school-age children are certified under OAR 414-310.
- **Rest time:** one staff member may watch a resting group with no infants while all the children settle, sleep or wake, if enough staff on site can be called to meet the ratio; once two or more children are up or active, the full ratio applies.

Source: OAR 414-305-0400, Table 3A (Division 305 effective January 1, 2024, with updates effective September 1, 2026), read on November 24, 2026. This sheet is a summary, not legal advice: always check the current regulation and your licensing consultant.