

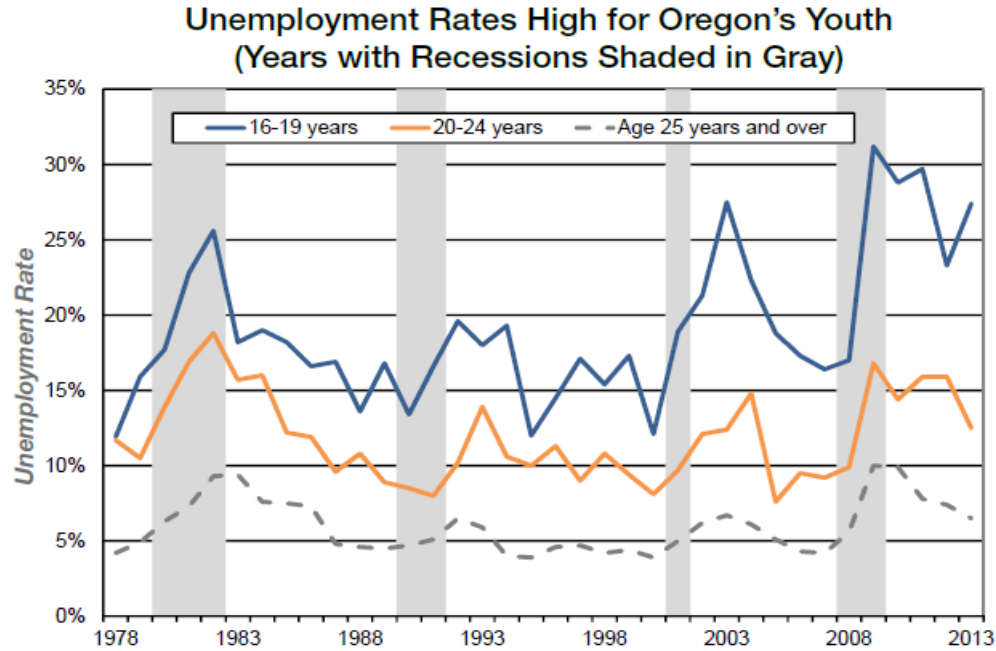
Youth Workforce

Senate Workforce

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Endangered: Youth in the Labor Force



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

Graph 1

Missed Opportunity for Experience

➤ Youth who are not working are missing:

- Preparation for self-sufficiency later in life
- Development of work ethics
- Opportunity for career exploration
- Income that can be saved for future needs

Youth Workforce Development

- Youth Development Council
- Oregon Youth Conservation Corps
- National Career Readiness Certificate

Local Perspective



+3,100

Since the program's inception in 2009

- 76% were youth of color
- 93% of youth were low-income
- 89% of youth completed their work experience and received a positive evaluation from their supervisor
- 92% of participating employers would recommend the program to colleagues
- 93% of youth returned to high school, post-secondary school, or became employed

Public-private partnership

- Private sector businesses
- Local governments – cities and counties
- School districts
- Foundation community
- Federal Dept. of Labor

32,970



600

Oregon Youth deserve
an opportunity to
work!