



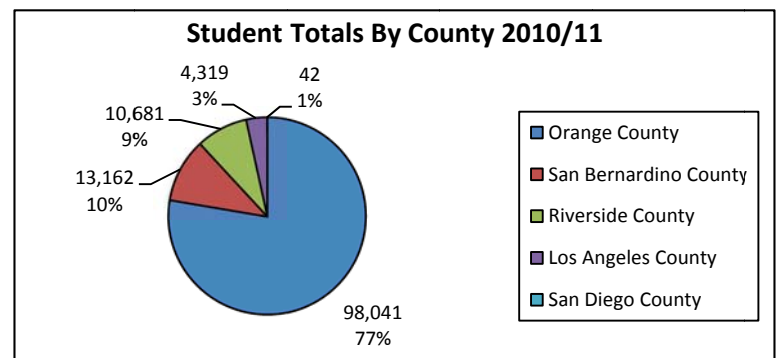
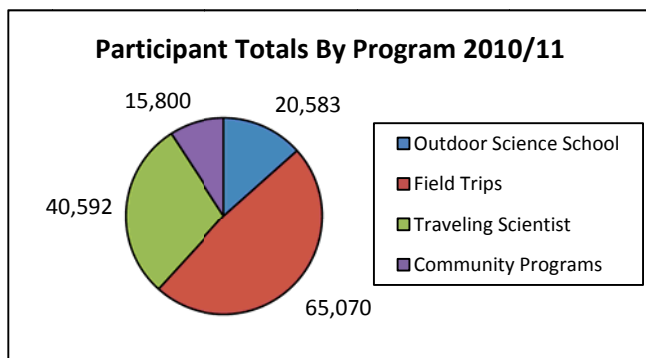
Inside the Outdoors Foundation Snapshot

What is Inside the Outdoors?	Inside the Outdoors (ITO) is the self-supporting environmental and outdoor education program for the Orange County Department of Education. Through Inside the Outdoors programs, children have fun and memorable hands-on experiences in the natural world. Student programs enhance lessons from the classroom and community programs offer the chance for families to explore and learn together.
What makes Inside the Outdoors exemplary?	All ITO curriculum is aligned with the California Content Standards and in 2008, ITO was the proud recipient of the following awards: Governor's Environmental and Economic Leadership Award for Children's Environmental Education, California School Boards Association Golden Bell Award and the Editor's Choice Award for Favorite Day Camp from Parenting OC magazine. In 2010 ITO received Sempra Energy Foundation's Environmental Champion Award and in 2011 the Costa Mesa Planning Commission's Mesa Green Design Award.
What community need do we meet?	A growing body of research is showing that outdoor education and activity helps make children healthier, happier, and smarter . There is an alarming growth in the rates of obesity, health issues, and social problems in America's children. This coincides with an equally alarming drop in children's participation in nature-based play and activities. Studies show improvements in health metrics, social skills, and academic scores when children participate in outdoor education and other nature-based activities.
What is the Inside the Outdoors Foundation?	The Inside the Outdoors Foundation supports the mission and vision of Inside the Outdoors by generating sustainable financial and community resources, raising awareness, championing programs, and supporting the needs of Inside the Outdoors stakeholders and participants.
What are our programs?	ITO offers 4 types of programs : 1) week-long overnight science camps; 2) local same-day field trips; 3) in-classroom Traveling Scientist programming; and 4) community, family, and after-school offerings (including summer day camps).
How many children do we serve?	ITO provides educational programs to over 142,000 children annually in Orange (77%), San Bernardino (10%), Los Angeles (3%), Riverside (9%), and San Diego (1%) Counties. Over 60% of these children receive full or partial ITO scholarships and would otherwise be unable to benefit from our programs. An additional 15,800 family and community members participate in our community programs, most of which are provided at minimal or no cost to participants.
Where do we provide programs?	In 2011/12, ITO will provide outdoor education and experiences for children, families, and communities at 3 leased sites in the San Bernardino Mountains, at 13 local parks, beaches, reserves, and historical sites in Orange and Los Angeles Counties, at our ITO-owned Rancho Soñado facility in Orange County, and at community venues throughout the Southland.
How are we supported?	While ITO is backed by the credibility of the Orange County Department of Education, we are not funded by them. ITO is funded through a mix of participant fees, grants, and donations. The need for scholarships is growing as education funding declines and schools and families struggle to provide experiential learning for children. ITO relies on the support of individual donors and institutional funders to provide over \$5,000,000 a year in scholarships and support to low-income children, to provide community programs for families, and to expand outreach in underserved communities.
What is the history of Inside the Outdoors?	ITO was founded in 1974 and served 500 students at a single Outdoor Science School site that year. In 1980, ITO added local field trip programs and served 9,000 students. In 1987, ITO began providing its in-class Traveling Scientist curricula. Participation in ITO programs has grown steadily and over 142,000 children per year participate in our programs . In 2007, ITO introduced family, community, and after school programs. These innovative and popular offerings are broadening ITO's impact and helping make ITO an integral part of our local communities.



Inside the Outdoors Programs and Participation – 2010/11

Program	Description	Participation
Outdoor Science School (established 1974)	Residential 4- or 5-day programs at 4 leased sites in the San Bernardino Mountains. 5 th and 6 th grade students.	20,583
Field Trips (established 1980)	Elementary school day outings at 12 locations in Orange and Los Angeles (1 site) Counties. Includes teacher training programs.	65,070
Traveling Scientist (established 1987)	In-class elementary day and after school programs at local schools throughout Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties.	40,592
Community Programs (established 2007)	Family interactive activities such as Community Nature Days, guided hikes, nature art events. Includes summer day camps and partnership programs with after-school providers.	15,800
Annual Total		142,045



Participating Districts by County (OSS, Field Trips and Traveling Scientist) – 2010/11

Orange	Students	Orange (cont.)	Students	San Bernardino (cont.)	Students	Los Angeles	Students
Garden Grove	12,136	Fountain Valley	1,085	Trona Joint	19	San Marino	1,153
Anaheim City	11,853	Centralia	1,054	Morongo	16	Private Schools - LA	605
Newport-Mesa	10,836	Huntington Beach	822	Baker Valley	11	Pomona	521
Private Schools - OC	8,704	Public Charter - OC	609	Total	13,162	San Gabriel	497
Santa Ana	7,967	Savana	434			Walnut Valley	455
Orange	7,821	Laguna Beach	85			Lowell Joint	269
Capistrano	4,439	Total	98,041	Riverside	Students	Norwalk-La Mirada	242
Westminster	4,160			Corona-Norco	4,247	Lawndale	126
Tustin	3,415	San Bernardino	Students	Moreno Valley	1,700	Rowland	101
Magnolia	2,733	Fontana	3,811	Val Verde	1,158	El Segundo	92
Placentia-Yorba Linda	2,229	Ontario-Montclair	2,451	Riverside	1,071	Rowland	89
Ocean View	2,100	Rialto	2,446	Palm Springs	601	ABC Unified	83
OCDE	1,955	San Bernardino City	2,278	Alvord	559	Hacienda-La Puente	65
Irvine	1,949	Upland	734	Jurupa	510	Public Charter - LA	21
Fullerton	1,895	Chino Valley	362	Perris	401	Total	4,319
Saddleback Valley	1,823	Redlands	261	Desert Sands	185		
Buena Park	1,785	Private Schools - SB	237	Lake Elsinore	109	San Diego	Students
Brea Olinda	1,612	Oro Grande	152	Hemet	75	Public Charter - SD	42
Colton Joint	1,584	Silver Valley	129	Cochella Valley	46	Total	42
La Habra	1,522	Victor	114	Private Schools - RS	19		
Cypress	1,434	Mountain View	74	Total	10,681		
Fountain Valley	1,085	Yucaipa-Calimesa	67				



Inside the Outdoors Scholarships

