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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas County's Payroll Employers Add Jobs in March

Douglas County's payroll employers added a seasonally adjusted 150 jobs in March after a gain of 220 in February and a loss of 30 in January. Douglas County has gained back 69% of the jobs lost in April and May at the onset of the COVID-19 crisis.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in March, there was a large gain in leisure and hospitality (100). Smaller gains occurred in construction (20) and private education and health services (20). There was a relatively large loss in professional and business services (-20).

Government gained 80 jobs from gains in local government of 60 and federal government of 20.

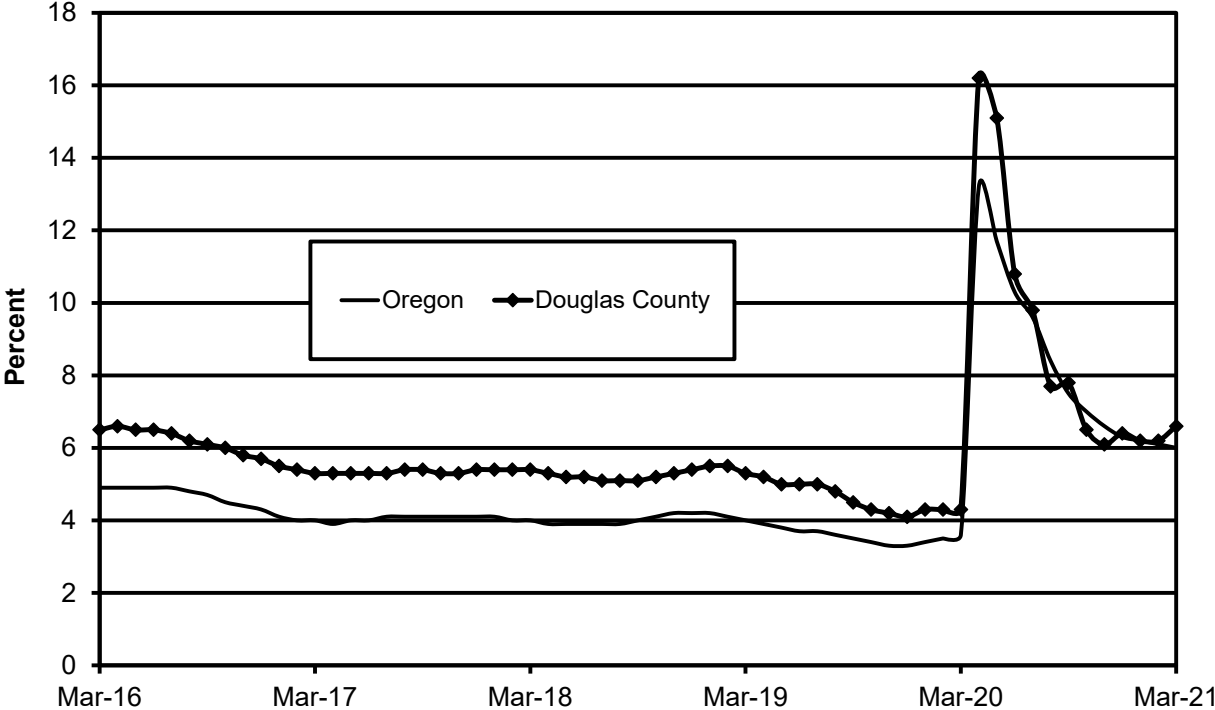
When comparing March 2021 with March 2020, total nonfarm employment is down 1,080 jobs, or 2.8%. All major private industry sectors are down over the year except wholesale trade (50). Food and beverage stores, a subcategory of retail trade, had a relatively large gain of 70 and state government had a gain of 20.

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 6.6% in March compared with a revised 6.2% in February. The rate is up from 4.3% in March 2020. The Douglas County rate had been tracking closely with the statewide and national rates before March. The Oregon seasonally adjusted March rate was 6.0% and the U.S. rate was 6.0% in March.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the April county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, May 25th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for April on Tuesday, May 18th.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2021	February 2021	March 2020	February 2021	March 2020
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	48,789	48,455	46,437	334	2,352
Unemployed	3,544	3,249	2,522	295	1,022
Unemployment rate	7.3%	6.7%	5.4%	0.6	1.9
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.6%	6.2%	4.3%	0.4	2.3
Employed	45,245	45,206	43,915	39	1,330
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	37,640	37,440	38,710	200	-1,070
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	38,050	37,900	39,130	150	-1,080
Total private	30,020	29,900	30,890	120	-870
Mining, logging, and construction	2,680	2,650	2,730	30	-50
Mining and logging	990	980	1,010	10	-20
Construction	1,690	1,670	1,720	20	-30
Manufacturing	4,670	4,680	4,700	-10	-30
Durable goods	4,230	4,240	4,250	-10	-20
Wood product manufacturing	2,970	2,980	2,960	-10	10
Nondurable goods	440	440	450	0	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,000	7,000	7,150	0	-150
Wholesale trade	880	880	830	0	50
Retail trade	4,700	4,690	4,770	10	-70
Food and beverage stores	1,090	1,100	1,020	-10	70
General merchandise stores	1,110	1,120	1,130	-10	-20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,420	1,430	1,550	-10	-130
Information	280	280	290	0	-10
Financial activities	1,350	1,350	1,460	0	-110
Professional and business services	3,340	3,360	3,450	-20	-110
Education and health services	6,280	6,260	6,340	20	-60
Leisure and hospitality	3,190	3,090	3,490	100	-300
Food services and drinking places	2,520	2,450	2,740	70	-220
Other services	1,230	1,230	1,280	0	-50
Government	7,620	7,540	7,820	80	-200
Federal government	1,450	1,430	1,440	20	10
State government	730	730	710	0	20
Local government	5,440	5,380	5,670	60	-230
Indian tribal	1,010	990	1,050	20	-40
Local education	3,010	2,980	3,170	30	-160
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,420	1,410	1,450	10	-30

The most recent month is preliminary, the prior month is revised. Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees who worked or received pay for the period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly payroll employment and labor force data for Oregon's metropolitan areas and counties. The estimates of monthly job gains and losses are based on a survey of businesses. The estimates of unemployment are based on a survey of households and other sources.

The Oregon Employment Department payroll employment estimates are revised quarterly using information from unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use data from this *official Oregon series* unless noted.

The department also makes the BLS-produced nonfarm payroll employment series for metropolitan areas available. These are revised annually by BLS.

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