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## **Employment in South Coast: March 2021**

### **South Coast Payroll Employment Continues to Recover**

Coos County total payroll employment rose by 80 jobs in March. Gains were estimated in leisure and hospitality (+40); manufacturing (+40); and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+20). Employment fell in professional and business services (-40), and in retail trade (-20). Government employment rose by 40 jobs with the local government component accounting for the increase.

Coos County's total payroll employment fell by 970 jobs over the year, a drop of 4.2%. Coos County job losses over the year were estimated in leisure and hospitality (-230); private education and health services (-130); transportation, warehousing, and utilities (-70); professional and business services (-40); and wholesale trade (-20). Industries gaining jobs were manufacturing (+90), and food and beverage stores (+60). Government employment fell by 520 jobs with declines estimated in local government education (-380); Indian tribal local government (-110); and local government excluding education and tribal (-30).

Curry County payroll employment was essentially unchanged in March. Leisure and hospitality, and construction employment rose by 10 jobs each while manufacturing employment slipped by 20.

Over the past year, Curry County payroll employment fell by 350 jobs, a loss of 5.4%. Leisure and hospitality had the largest job loss among the county's industry sectors, down by 170. Other industries losing jobs since March 2020 included construction (-50); manufacturing (-30); mining and logging (-20); and private education and health services (-20). Both health care and retail trade added 20 jobs. Government employment fell by 80 over the year, with losses in both local government excluding education services (-50) and local education (-20).

### **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 25<sup>th</sup>, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for April on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

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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### Coos County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2021	February 2021	March 2020	February 2021	March 2020
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	27,502	27,447	26,281	55	1,221
Unemployed	2,152	2,078	1,388	74	764
Unemployment rate	7.8%	7.6%	5.3%	0.2	2.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7.3%	7.1%	4.2%	0.2	3.1
Employed	25,350	25,369	24,893	-19	457
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	22,220	22,140	23,190	80	-970
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	22,300	22,310	23,280	-10	-980
Total private	16,880	16,840	17,300	40	-420
Mining, logging, and construction	1,380	1,370	1,400	10	-20
Mining and logging	400	400	390	0	10
Construction	980	970	1,010	10	-30
Manufacturing	1,710	1,670	1,620	40	90
Wood product manufacturing	840	810	790	30	50
Food manufacturing	340	340	320	0	20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,160	4,160	4,240	0	-80
Wholesale trade	400	400	420	0	-20
Retail trade	2,980	3,000	2,970	-20	10
Food and beverage stores	870	870	810	0	60
General merchandise stores	730	750	720	-20	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	780	760	850	20	-70
Information	150	140	160	10	-10
Financial activities	820	830	840	-10	-20
Professional and business services	2,280	2,320	2,270	-40	10
Education and health services	3,350	3,360	3,480	-10	-130
Leisure and hospitality	2,490	2,450	2,720	40	-230
Other services	540	540	570	0	-30
Government	5,340	5,300	5,890	40	-550
Federal government	290	290	300	0	-10
State government	460	470	480	-10	-20
Local government	4,590	4,540	5,110	50	-520
Indian tribal	680	670	790	10	-110
Local education	1,540	1,530	1,920	10	-380
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,370	2,340	2,400	30	-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 pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.



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### Curry County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	March 2021	February 2021	March 2020	February 2021	March 2020
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	8,990	9,011	8,703	-21	287
Unemployed	763	739	538	24	225
Unemployment rate	8.5%	8.2%	6.2%	0.3	2.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7.4%	7.2%	4.6%	0.2	2.8
Employed	8,227	8,272	8,165	-45	62
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	6,150	6,160	6,500	-10	-350
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,360	6,350	6,720	10	-360
Total private	4,920	4,930	5,190	-10	-270
Mining, logging, and construction	500	490	590	10	-90
Mining and logging	110	110	130	0	-20
Construction	390	380	460	10	-70
Manufacturing	640	660	670	-20	-30
Wood product manufacturing	510	510	520	0	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,230	1,230	1,200	0	30
Retail trade	1,020	1,020	1,000	0	20
Information	30	30	30	0	0
Financial activities	320	330	330	-10	-10
Professional and business services	280	280	270	0	10
Education and health services	830	830	850	0	-20
Health care	560	560	540	0	20
Leisure and hospitality	910	900	1,080	10	-170
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	30	30	40	0	-10
Accommodation and food services	880	870	1,040	10	-160
Other services	180	180	170	0	10
Government	1,230	1,230	1,310	0	-80
Federal government	80	80	90	0	-10
State government	100	110	100	-10	0
Local government	1,050	1,040	1,120	10	-70
Local education	400	390	420	10	-20
Local government excluding educational services	650	650	700	0	-50

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