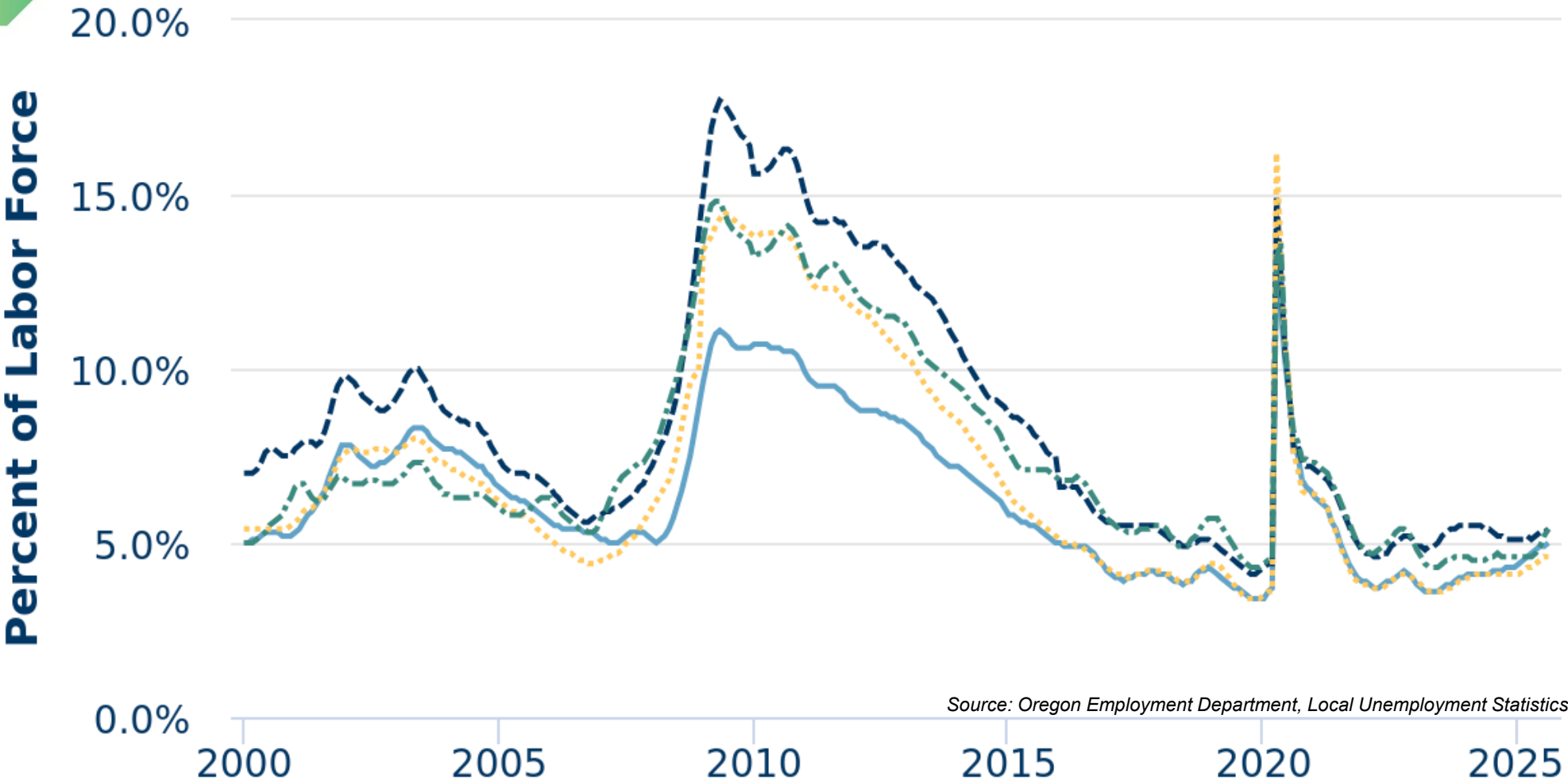


# NAVIGATING CAREER TRANSITIONS

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NOVEMBER 19TH, 2025

Unemployment Rate



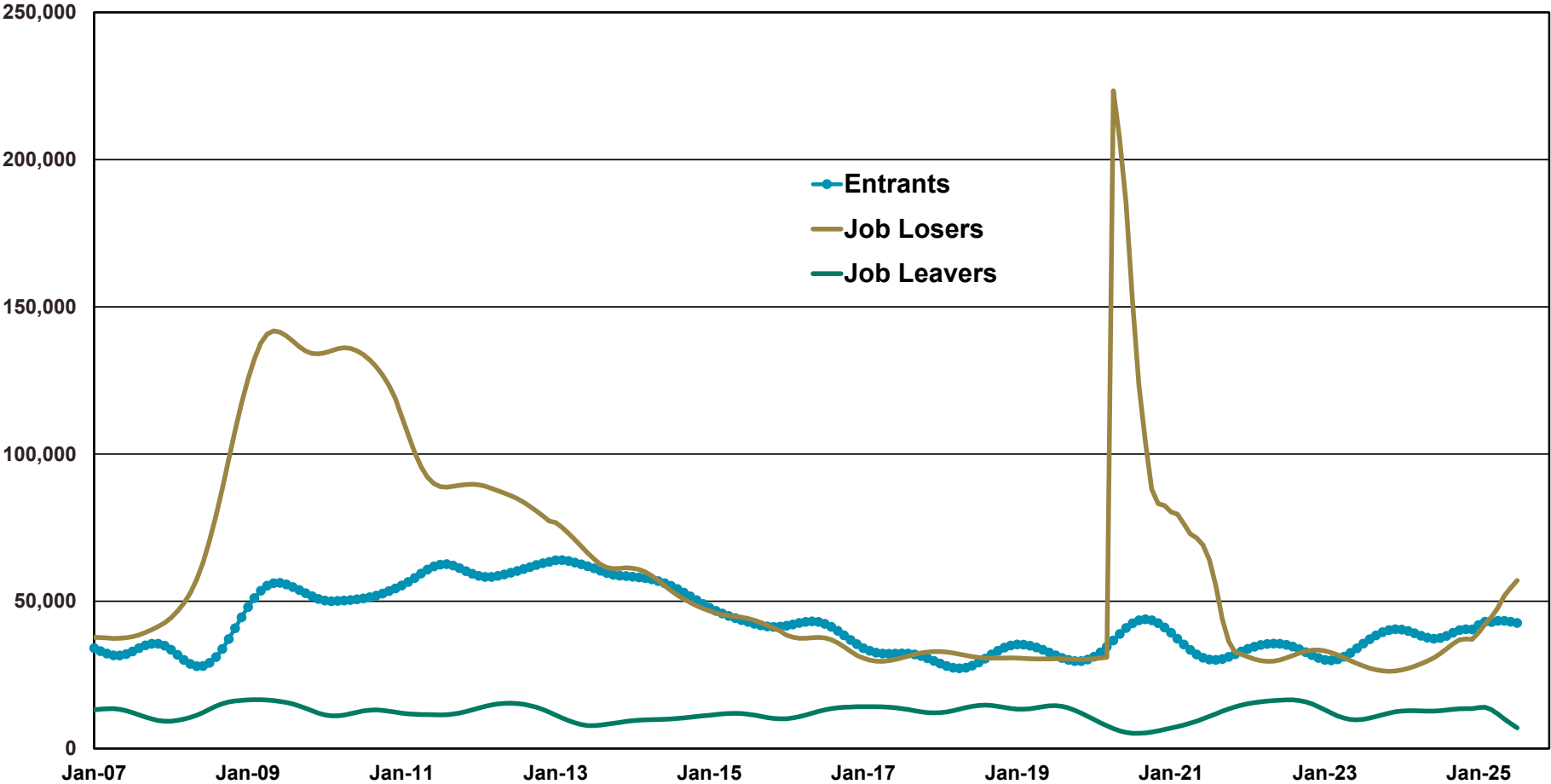
Source: Oregon Employment Department, Local Unemployment Statistics

August 2025

- Oregon (Seasonally Adjusted): **5.0%**
- Crook County (Seasonally Adjusted): **5.4%**
- Deschutes County (Seasonally Adjusted): **4.6%**
- Jefferson County (Seasonally Adjusted): **5.4%**

# WHY IS IT IMPORTANT? WHY ARE OREGONIANS UNEMPLOYED?

Oregon Unemployment by Reason [Trend]



**New or returning to the workforce**  
42,700 (40%)

**Lost job**  
57,100 (53%)

**Left job voluntarily**  
7,000 (7%)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Current Population Survey

Oregon Private Job Vacancies by Industry, Summer 2025

Industry	Vacancies
All Industries	53,642
Health care and social assistance	12,542
Retail trade	6,075
Construction	6,047
Leisure and hospitality	4,553
Professional, scientific, and technical services	4,390
Management, administrative, and waste services	3,567
Financial activities	3,486
Other services	3,402
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,207
Wholesale trade	1,803
Manufacturing	1,452
Information	1,310
Private educational services	1,223
Natural resources and mining	585

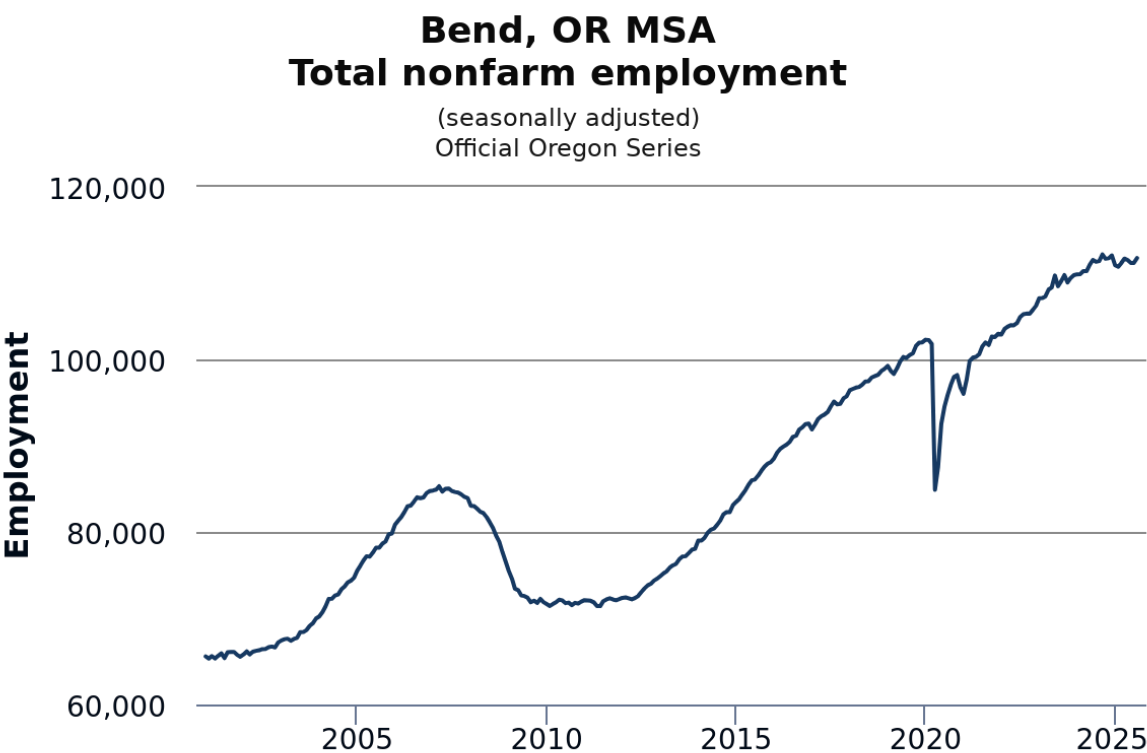
Health care and social assistance represented 23% of all vacancies, with 12,500. Retail trade had 6,100 and construction had 6,000.

*Note: The Oregon Job Vacancy Survey includes only private-sector businesses with two or more employees.*

Source: Oregon Employment Department

# BEND MSA NONFARM HOLDING STEADY

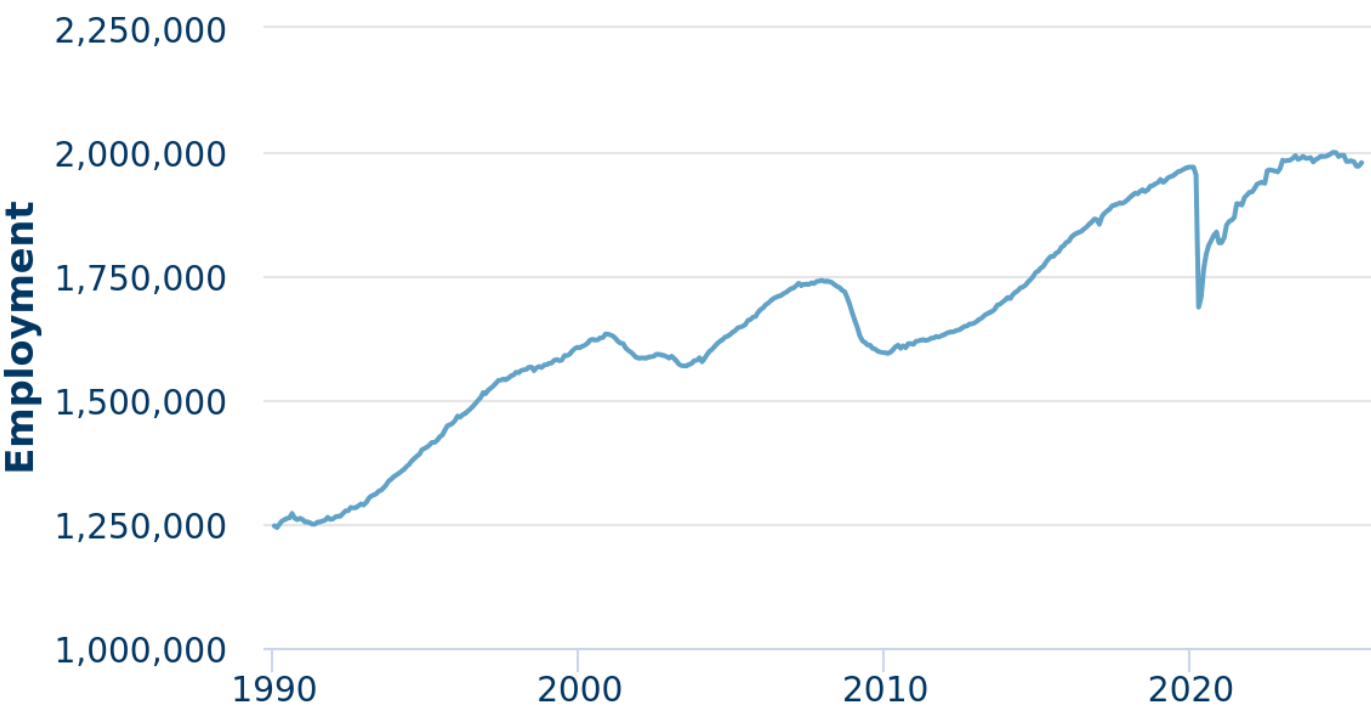
EMPLOYERS **ADDED 6,900** OREGON  
NONFARM PAYROLLS JOBS IN AUGUST



Source: Oregon Employment Department QualityInfo.org

# Oregon Total nonfarm employment

(seasonally adjusted)  
Official Oregon Series

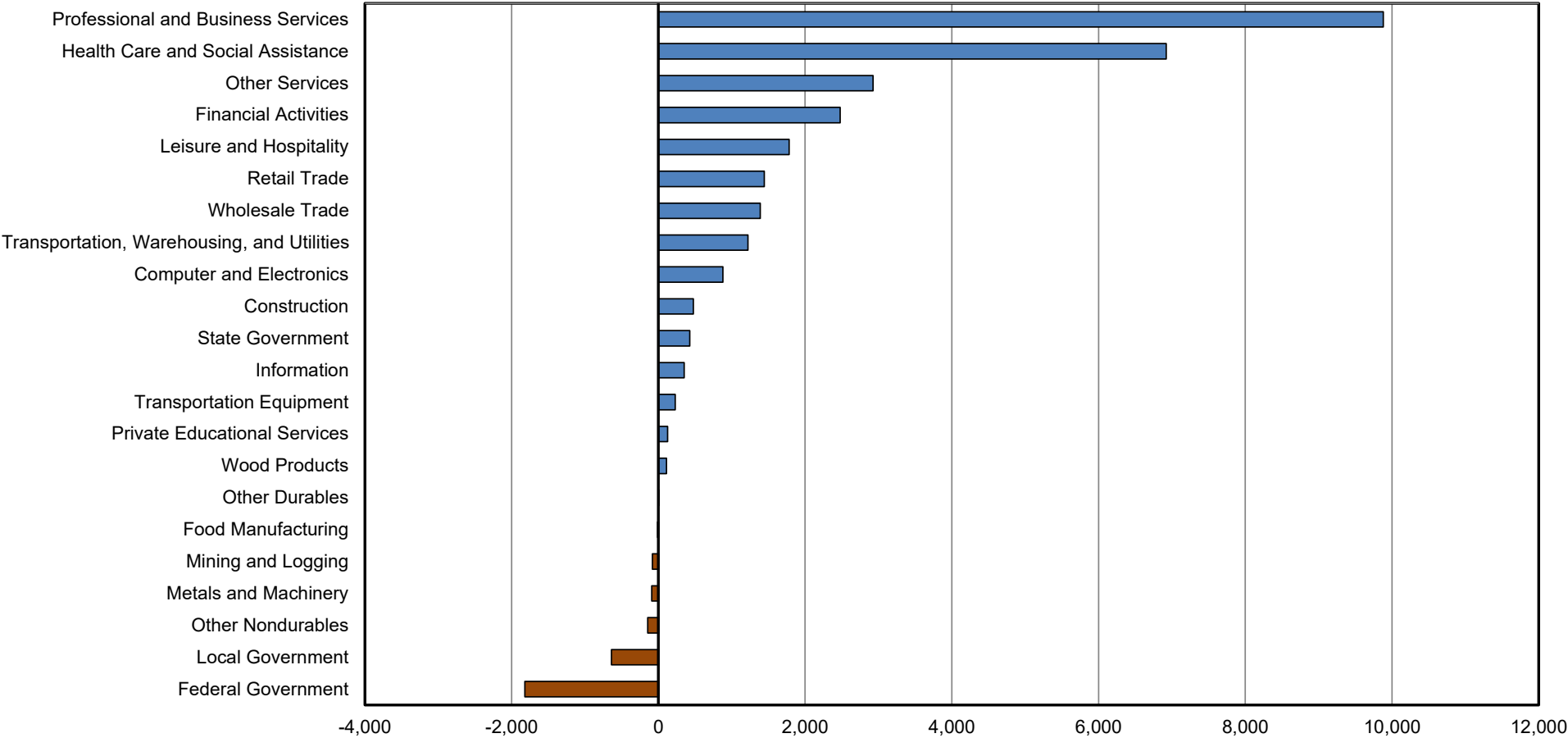


EMPLOYERS **ADDED 560** CENTRAL OREGON  
NONFARM PAYROLLS JOBS IN AUGUST

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Estimates

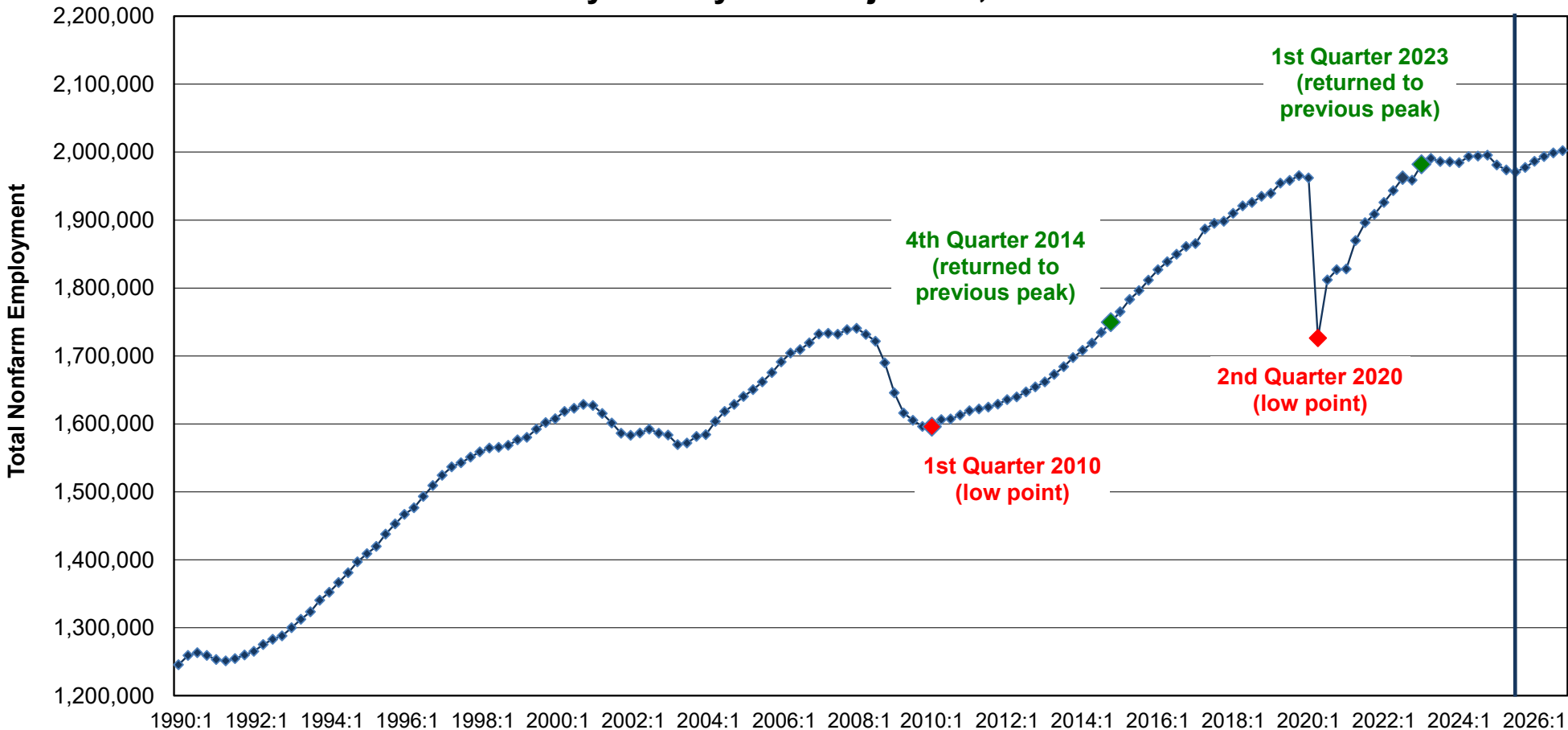
OEA EXPECTS OREGON TO GAIN ABOUT 28,100 JOBS IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS

Expected Job Changes by Industry Sector Over The Year  
(3Q2025 - 3Q2026)



Source: Oregon Employment Department analysis using Oregon Office of Economic Analysis Forecast, September 2025

Oregon Nonfarm Payroll Employment  
Quarterly History and Projection, 1990-2026



Source: Office of Economic Analysis, Department of Administrative Services, September 2025

# CENTRAL OREGON PROJECTED TO SEE THE FASTEST GROWTH IN EDUCATION & HEALTH SERVICES

## Industry Employment Projections, 2023-2033 Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties

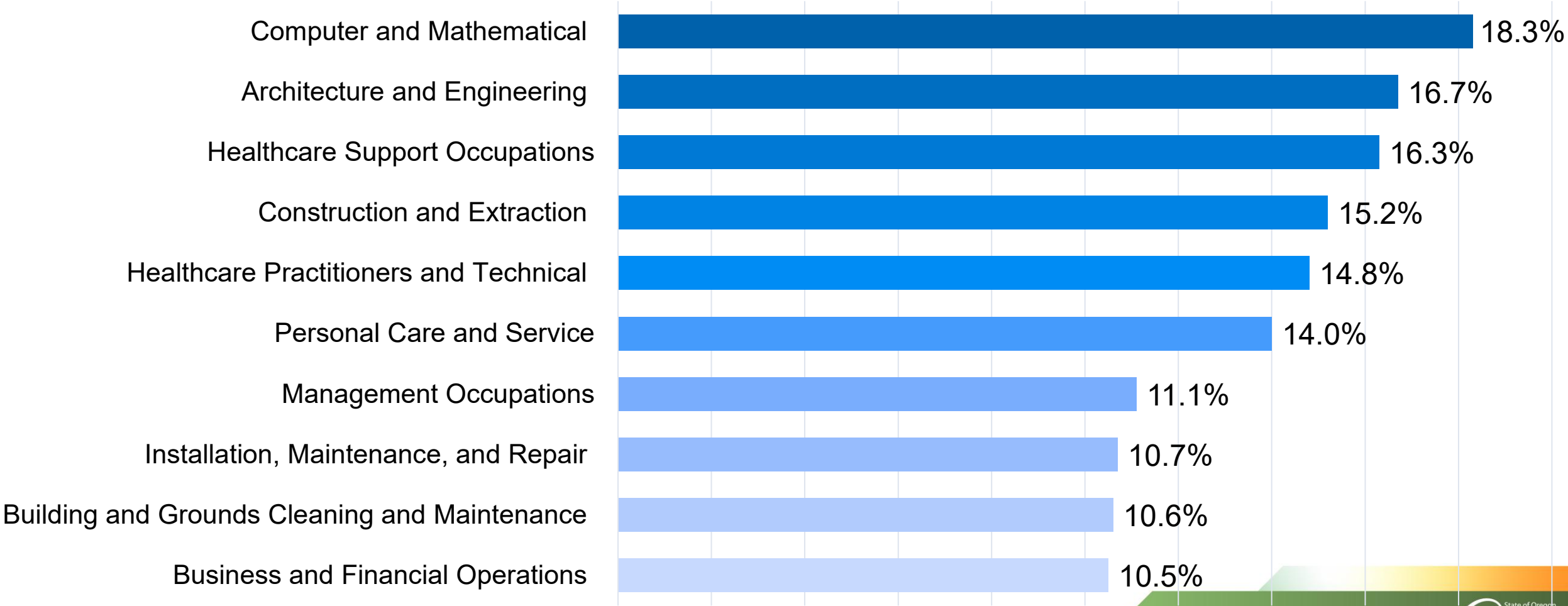
	2023	2033	Change	% Change
<b>Total employment</b>	<b>114,760</b>	<b>124,630</b>	<b>9,870</b>	<b>9%</b>
Total payroll employment	107,800	117,140	9,340	9%
<b>Total private</b>	<b>93,940</b>	<b>102,970</b>	<b>9,030</b>	<b>10%</b>
Mining and logging	290	280	-10	-3%
Construction	8,690	9,860	1,170	13%
Manufacturing	8,180	8,820	640	8%
Trade, transportation, and utilities	18,800	19,590	790	4%
Information	2,090	2,330	240	11%
Financial activities	5,670	5,870	200	4%
Professional and business services	11,650	13,120	1,470	13%
Private educational and health services	17,340	19,690	2,350	14%
Leisure and hospitality	15,950	17,820	1,870	12%
Other services	4,120	4,370	250	6%
<b>Government</b>	<b>13,860</b>	<b>14,170</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>2%</b>
Self-employment	6,960	7,490	530	8%

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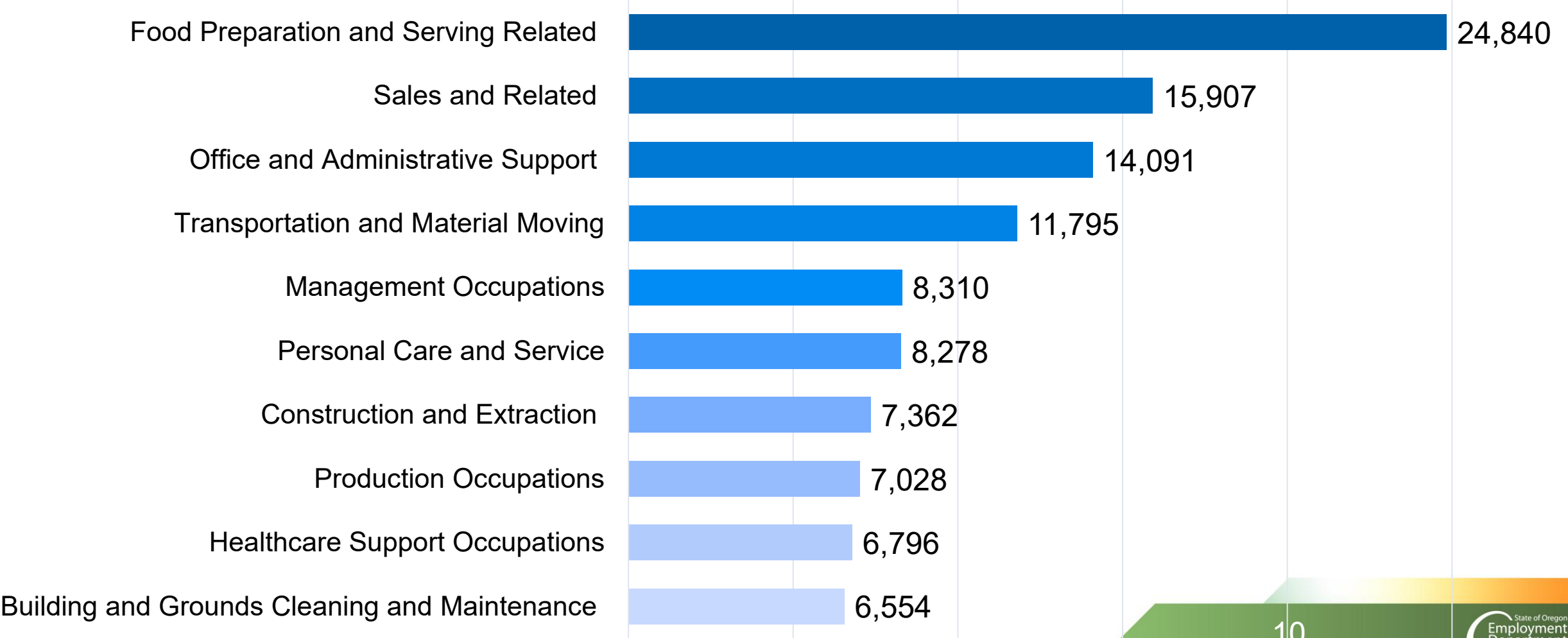
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# Top 10 Occupational Groups Projected to Grow Fastest in Central Oregon, 2023-2033

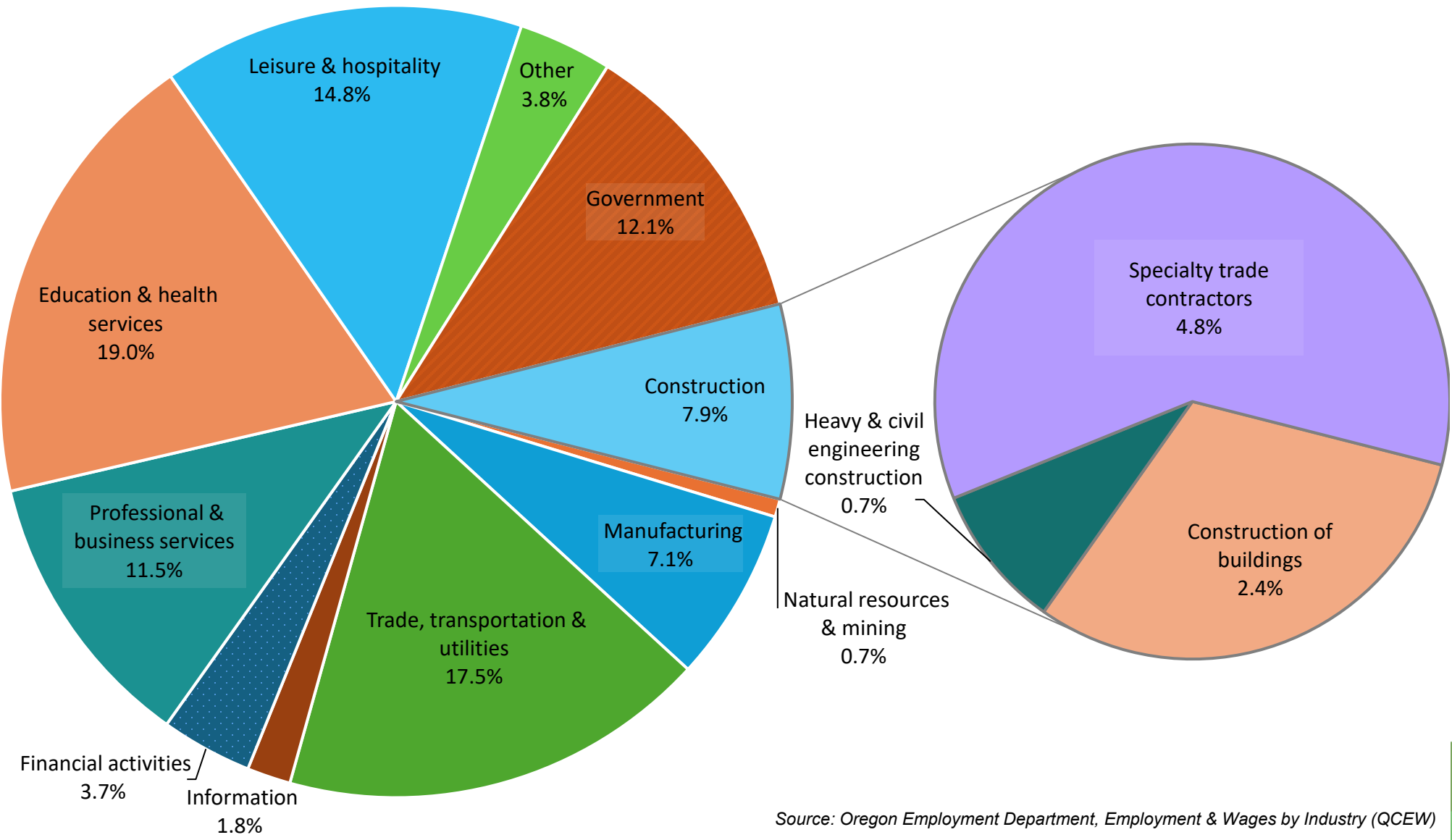


# Top 10 Central Oregon Occupational Groups by Total Projected Openings, 2023-2033



# WHAT INDUSTRIES DO INDIVIDUALS WORK IN? WHERE DO THEY END UP?

Average Share of **Covered Employment by Industry**,  
Deschutes County, 1st Quarter 2025



Source: Oregon Employment Department, Employment & Wages by Industry (QCEW)

# INDUSTRY GROWTH – BEND CITY LIMITS

## Bend City Limit Private Employment by Industry, 2017-2024

Industries	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
<b>Total private coverage</b>	<b>48,534</b>	<b>50,278</b>	<b>51,277</b>	<b>48,233</b>	<b>50,667</b>	<b>52,368</b>	<b>53,353</b>	<b>54,787</b>
Information	1,357	1,606	1,595	1,322	1,328	1,303	1,309	1,408
Financial activities	2,298	2,172	2,249	2,238	2,634	2,507	2,417	2,535
Construction	3,423	3,795	3,794	3,783	4,062	4,066	4,072	4,160
Education and health services	10,213	10,505	11,187	11,196	11,568	11,677	12,356	13,469
Professional and business services	7,482	7,910	7,956	7,846	7,688	8,015	8,203	8,277
Manufacturing	3,172	3,325	3,188	2,985	3,270	3,435	3,297	3,236
Trade, transportation and utilities	11,080	11,020	11,008	10,639	11,109	10,864	11,115	11,030
Leisure and hospitality	7,414	7,740	8,035	6,154	6,761	8,268	8,113	8,260
All Other	2,095	2,205	2,265	2,070	2,247	2,233	2,471	2,412

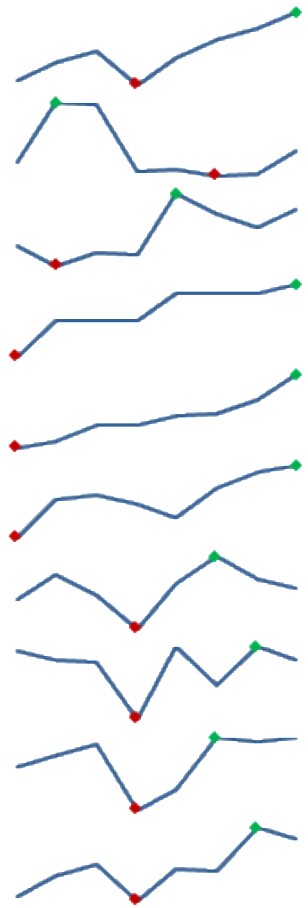
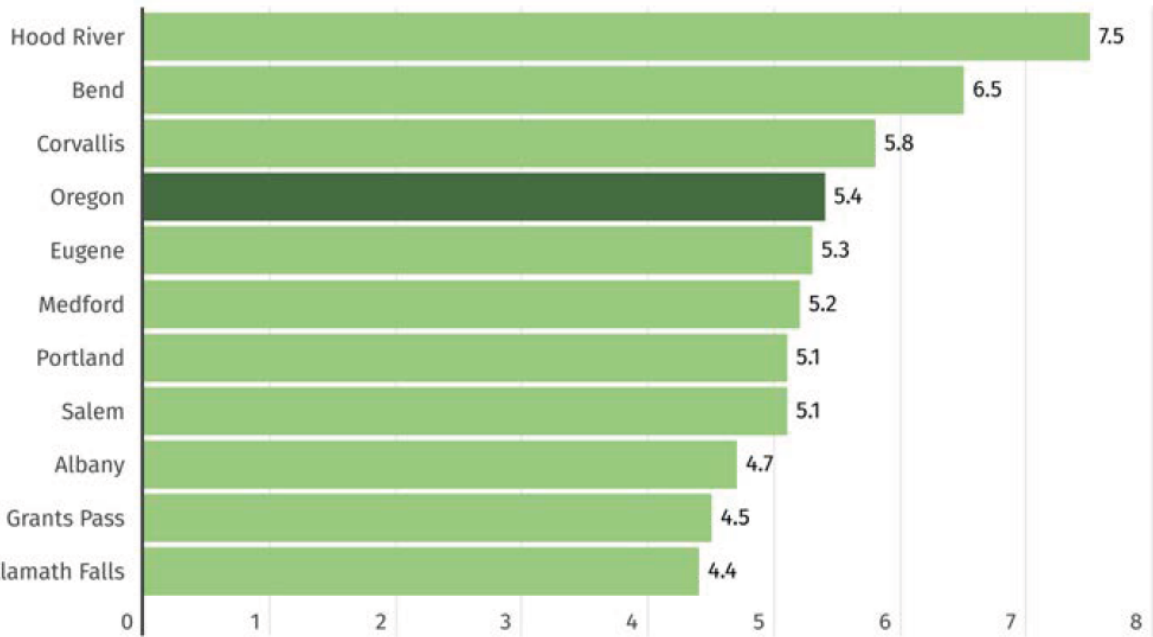


Figure 9  
**Hood River and Bend were most expensive places to purchase home in 2023, high wages in Portland cushion housing affordability compared with other parts of the state**



Source: OHCS Tabulation of National Association of Realtors MLS Data, Median Sales Price, Seasonally and Inflation Adjusted, 2014 – 2023; American Community Survey, 1-Year Estimates S1901, 2014 – 2023; HUD, Median Family Income Limits, 2023

“In a healthy housing market, the sales price of a home shouldn’t exceed 3 to 5 times the median annual income.”

- Oregon Housing and Community Services

# HAVE YOU BEEN ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN A BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) SURVEY? *PLEASE DO!*

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Employment*	Unemployment*	Occupational Wages*
Job vacancies*	Productivity	Occupational Employment*
Consumer spending patterns	Workplace injuries	Compensation
Long-term employment projections*	Employer-provided benefits	Price movements

*\* Collected and produced by Oregon Employment Department*

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# Thank You!

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