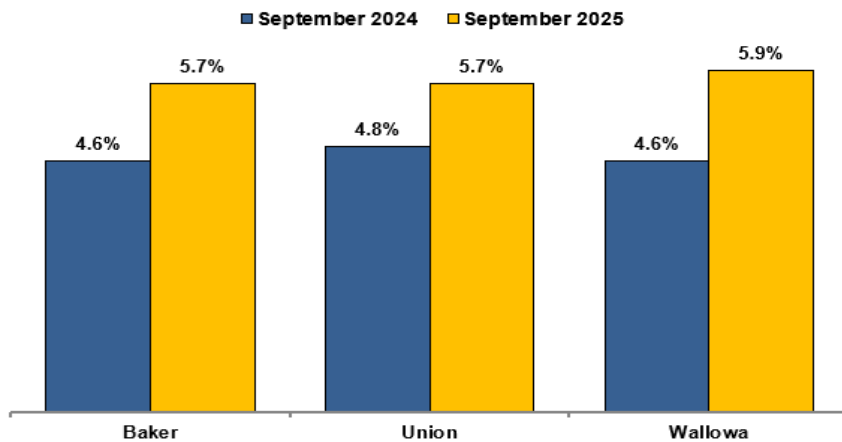


Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)



Source: Oregon Employment Department, LAUS

Unemployment Rate News

The September 2025 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.2 percentage point in both Baker and Wallowa counties, and by 0.1 in Union County over the previous month.

All three counties' rates were above Oregon's statewide rate of 5.2% and the national rate of 4.4%. Oregon's rate increased by 0.2 over the previous month and the national rate increased by 0.1 percentage point.

Nonfarm Employment Change

September 2024 to September 2025

Baker County lost an estimated 70 jobs over the year while gaining 40 jobs over the previous month. The private sector decreased 60 and the public sector decreased by 10 jobs over the year.

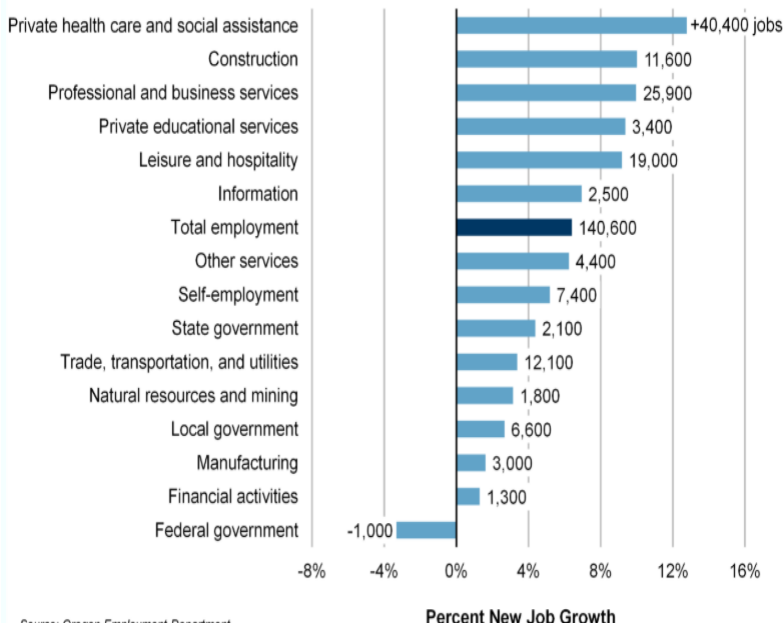
Union County employment decreased by an estimated 120 jobs over the year, but added 80 over the previous month. The public sector added 10 jobs while the private sector dropped 130 positions.

Wallowa County gained an estimated 20 jobs over the year and 30 from the previous month. The public sector lost 20 jobs while the private sector increased by 40.

Baker		Union		Wallowa	
Total Nonfarm Employment	(70)	Total Nonfarm Employment	(120)	Total Nonfarm Employment	20
Private Education / Health Services	70	Financial Activities	100	Transportation / Warehousing / Utilities	60
Construction	40	Local Government	50	Financial Activities	30
State Government	10	Professional / Business Services	20	Local Government	10
Retail Trade	(80)	Construction	(80)	Manufacturing	(20)
Financial Activities	(30)	Transportation / Warehousing / Utilities	(60)	Professional / Business Services	(20)
Other Services	(30)	Manufacturing	(40)	Federal Government	(20)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, CES

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