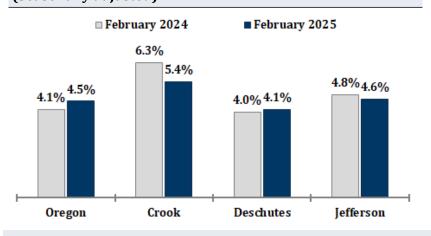


Central Oregon Economic Indicators



February 2025 Data

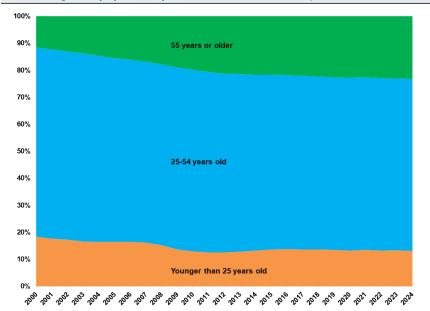
Local Area Unemployment Rates (Seasonally adjusted)



Graph of the Month (Central Oregon)

Age of the Workforce

Source: Oregon Employment Department, US Census Bureau QWI



Using data from the U.S. Census Bureau's Quarterly Workforce Indicators, we can gain an insight into the age of the workforce.

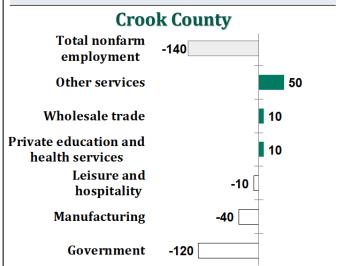
In 2000, 18.4% of workers in Central Oregon were younger than 25, 70% were between the ages of 25 and 54, and 11.6% were older than 55.

Since 2000, the share of workers 55 and older has doubled, growing to 23.2% in 2024. As a result, the shares of those between 25 and 54 years old has shrunk to 63.8% of the workforce, and those younger than 25 years old has shrunk to 13.1%.

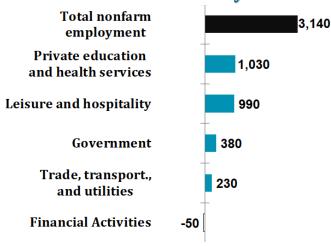
This shouldn't be a surprise; in 2000 baby boomers were between 36 and 54 years old. In 2024 they were between 60 and 78 years old.

Select Industry Gains and Losses

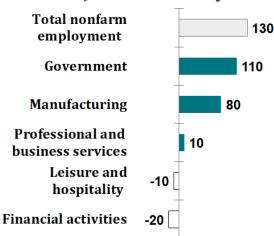
(Over-the-year net employment change)



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