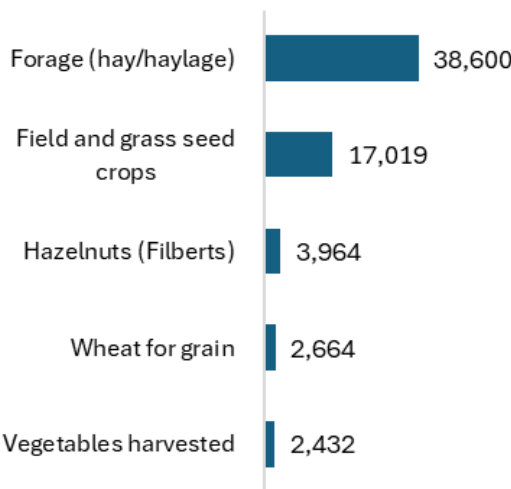


# LANE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

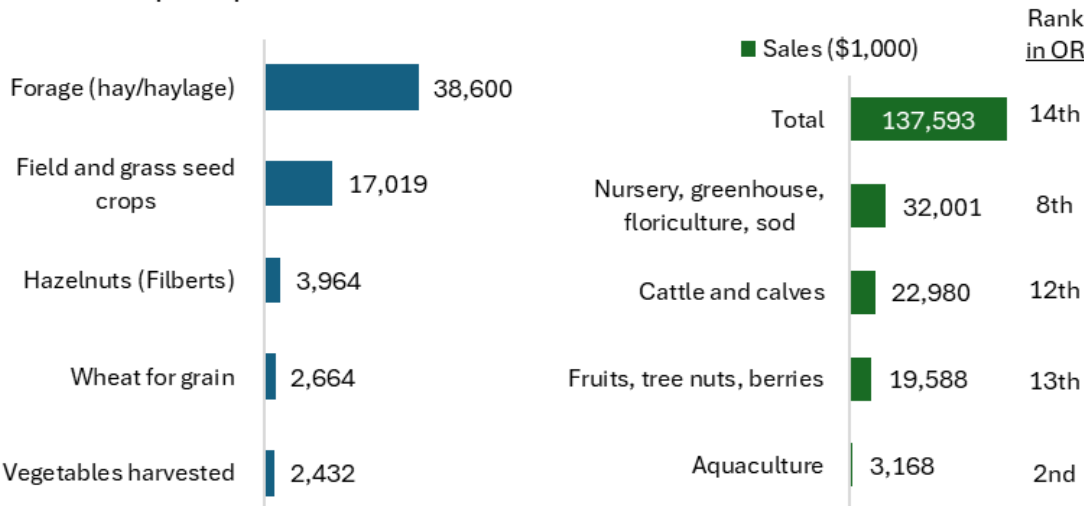
August 2024

**Graph of the Month:** Every 5 years, the Department of Agriculture releases the [Census of Agriculture](#), the most comprehensive data source on farms and their products in the U.S. Lane sold nearly \$140 million worth of agricultural products in 2022. Production was diverse, with livestock, vegetables, nuts, nursery products and aquaculture represented.

Top Crops in Acres



Market Value of Products Sold



Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2022 Census of Agriculture

## Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes

July 2023 to July 2024

**Private Education and Health Services:** 1,800 (+6%)  
**Manufacturing:** -200 (-1%)  
**Leisure and Hospitality:** 1,500 (+9%)  
**Professional and Business Services:** -300 (-2%)  
**All Industries:** 5,000 (+3%)

Employment change from February 2020 ([seasonally adjusted](#)):  
 -1,200 (-1%)

Source: [Oregon Employment Department Current Employment Estimates](#)

## News and Articles

QualityInfo: [Labor Underutilization Remains Relatively Low in Oregon](#) by Gail Krumenauer

QualityInfo: [2024 Oregon Wage Information](#) by Jason Payton

QualityInfo: [Spring 2024 Hiring Among Oregon's Private Employers](#) by Anna Johnson

## Latest Lane County Economic Data

Unemployment rate: [4.2%](#)  
 (seasonally adjusted)

Change from previous year: [+0.5 pct. points](#)

Average hourly wage for all occupations in Lane: [\\$29.78](#)

Average hourly wage in Oregon: [\\$33.06](#)

Business highlights: [new openings, closings & hiring events](#)

- **Closure:** Big Lots, a discount retail chain, will close stores, including in Eugene.
- **Closure:** Big City Gamin', a sports bar and arcade in Eugene, will close.
- **New Construction:** Homes for Good, an 81-unit affordable housing project with an early learning center, will open in Eugene.

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