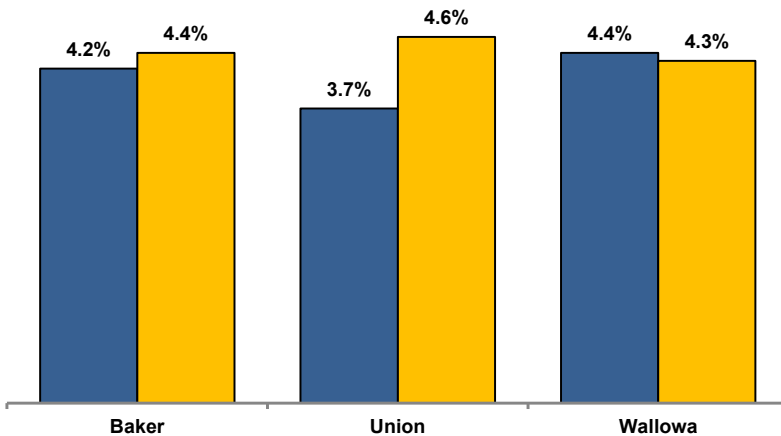


**Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)**

■ June 2023 ■ June 2024



**Unemployment Rate News**

Wallowa County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for June 2024 was 4.3%, while Baker County came in at 4.4% and Union County at 4.6%. All three counties' rates were above the statewide rate and the national rate, both at 4.1%.

Wallowa County's rate tied for 19th lowest among Oregon's 36 counties for the month while Baker County's ranked 21st and Union County's ranked in a three-way tie for 23rd.

Wallowa County's rate was below its June 2023 rate while Baker and Union counties' rates were up over the year.

Wallowa County's June 2024 rate was its lowest June rate since comparable statistics began in 1990. Baker County's tied for its second lowest and Union County's was its third lowest. Over the same period, Wallowa County's rate tied for its lowest rate for any month.

**Nonfarm Employment Change**

June 2023 to June 2024

Baker County lost an estimated 60 jobs over the year. The private sector decreased by 70 jobs. Leisure and hospitality led losses while transportation, warehousing, and utilities led gains. The public sector increased by 10 jobs with gains in state government partially offset by losses in local government while federal government went unchanged.

Union County saw a net change of zero jobs over the year. The private sector lost 60 jobs led by losses in manufacturing and leisure and hospitality. Private education and health services and financial activities led gains. The public sector added 60 jobs with gains in local government and state government while federal government went unchanged.

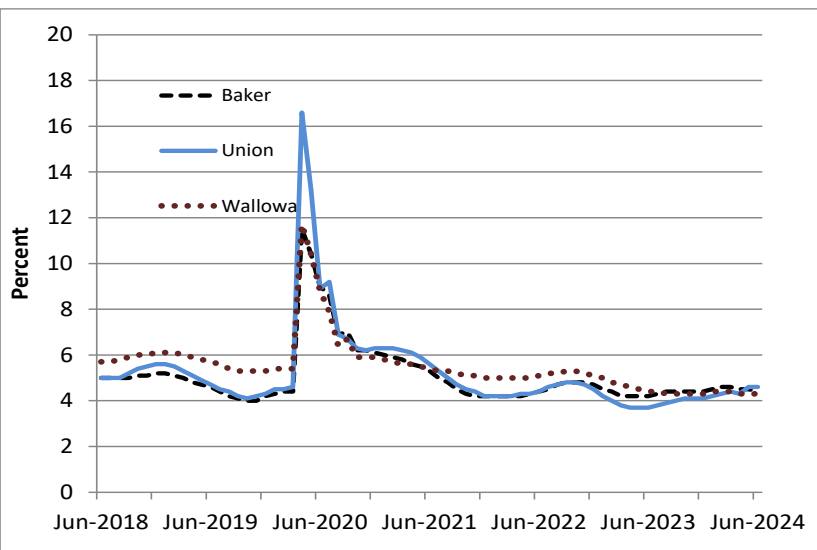
Wallowa County saw a net change of zero jobs over the year. The private sector decreased by 20 jobs led by losses in transportation, warehousing, and utilities; and financial activities. Private education and health services, leisure and hospitality, and wholesale and retail trade led gains. The public sector added 20 jobs with gains in federal government and state government overcoming a loss in local government.

**Notable Industry Gains and Losses**

Over-the-Year Employment Change from June 2023

	<u>Baker</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>Wallowa</u>
↑	Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities (+20)	Local Government (+50)	Private Education/Health Services (+20)
	State Government (+20)	Financial Activities (+40)	Leisure/Hospitality (+20)
	Wholesale Trade (+10)	Private Education/Health Services (+40)	Wholesale/Retail Trade (+20)
	Manufacturing (+10)	Construction (+30)	Federal Government (+20)
		Wholesale Trade (+10)	State Government (+20)
↓	Leisure/Hospitality (-30)	Manufacturing (-100)	Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities (-30)
	Retail Trade (-20)	Leisure/Hospitality (-60)	Construction (-20)
	Private Education/Health Services (-20)	Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities (-20)	Financial Activities (-20)

**Unemployment rates remain near historical lows**



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