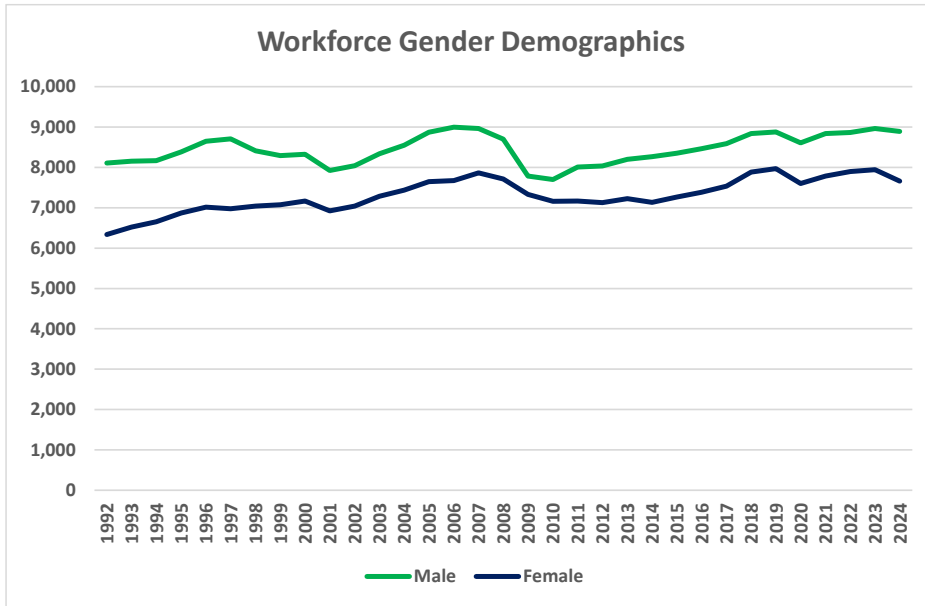


Special Topic: Workforce Gender Demographics



Gender demographics are available from the U.S. Census QWI Explorer for Coos County beginning in 1992. Female representation in the workforce has ranged from a low of 44% to a high of 48% depending on the year. In 2009 women represented approximately 48.5% of the workforce, a record high.

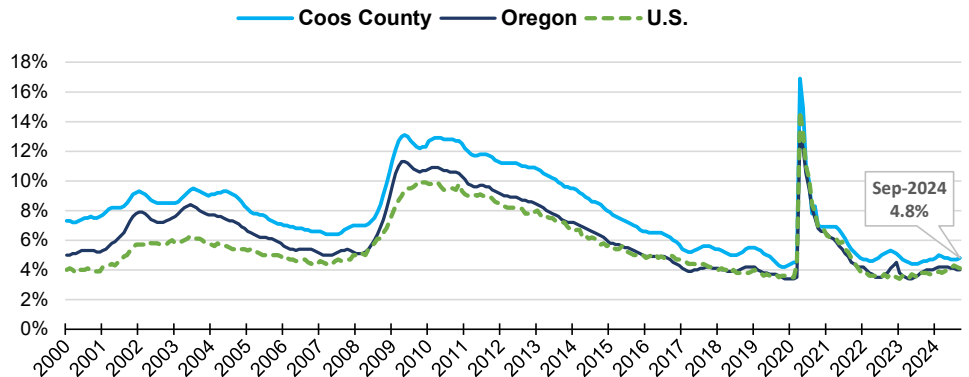
Male representation in the workforce was the highest proportionally in 1992 with 56.1%. There was a convergence in 2009-2010 when there was near equal representation, a difference of 3-3.6%. A noticeable decline in male representation took place from 2007-2010 when nearly 2,000 men left the workforce. Since then the balance has been relatively stable.

Source: Oregon Employment Department and U.S. Census Quarterly Workforce Indicators

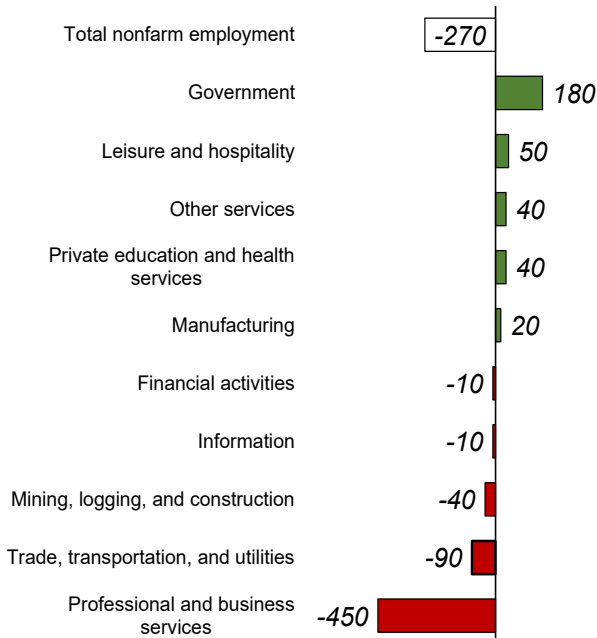
Unemployment Rate at 4.8%

- Unemployment rate September 2023 was 4.6%
- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate edged up slightly compared to last three months

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Source: Oregon Employment Department, LAUS



Industry Employment Change: Sep 2023 to Sep 2024

Coos County employment declined by 270 jobs over the year

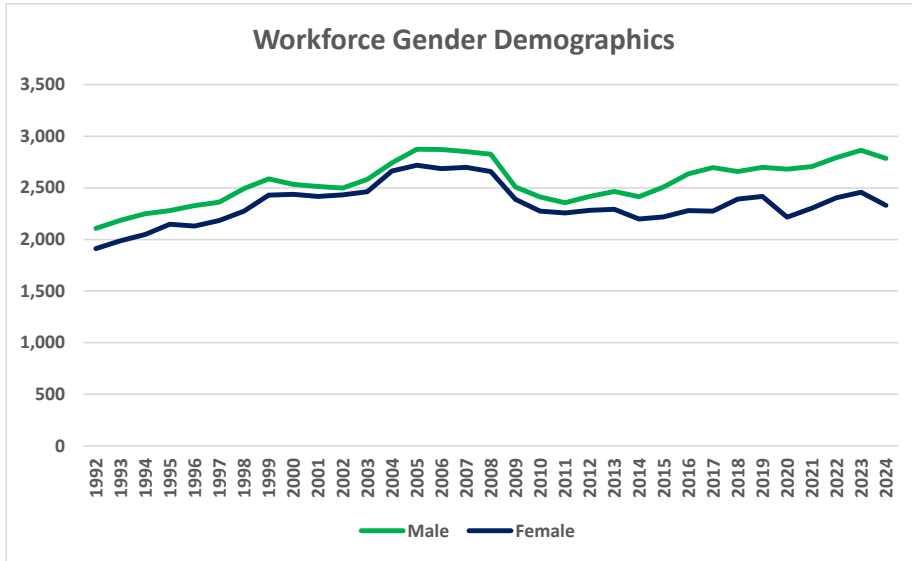
- Employment down **1.2%** in the past year
- [Detailed September Employment Press Release](#)

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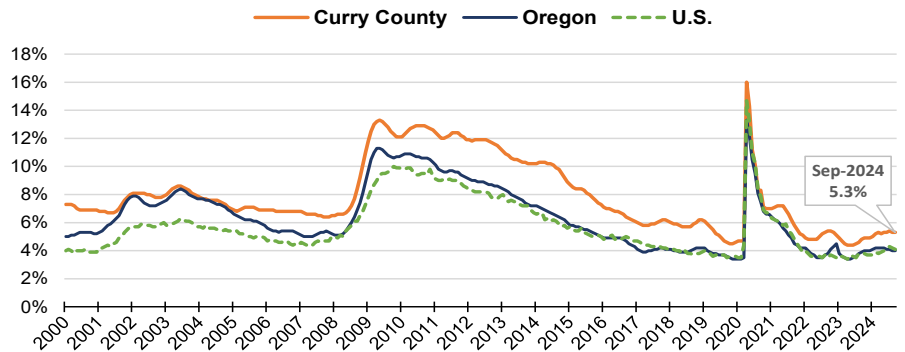
Gender demographics are available from the U.S. Census QWI Explorer for Curry County beginning in 1992. Female representation in the workforce has ranged from a low of 45% to a high of 49% depending on the year. In 2002 and 2004 women represented approximately 49.3% of the workforce, record highs.

Male representation in the workforce was the highest proportionally in 2020 with 54.7%. There was a convergence leading up to 2002 when there was near equal representation, a difference of 1.4%. From 2011 on there's been a general divergent trend with the male population accounting for 8.9% more of the workforce as of 2024.

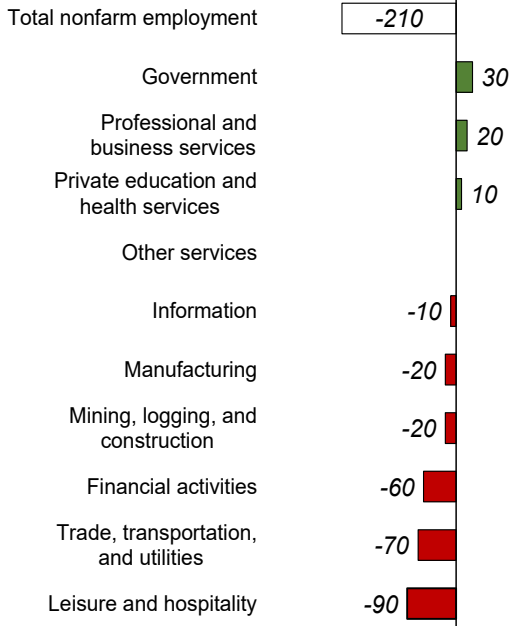
Unemployment Rate at 5.3%

- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in September 2023 was 4.8%
- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate stable compared to last month

[More info on unemployment](#)



Source: Oregon Employment Department, LAUS



Source: Oregon Employment Department, CES

Industry Employment Change: Sep 2023 to Sep 2024

Curry County employment declined by **210 jobs** over the year

- Employment down **2.9%** in the past year
- [Detailed September Employment Press Release](#)

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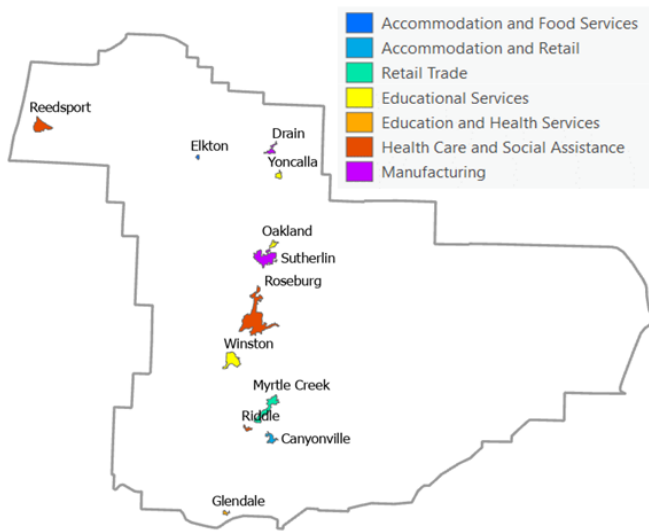
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DOUGLAS COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

October 2024

Graph of the Month: In addition to county level employment and wages, the Oregon Employment Department also produces geocoded data for subcounty regions. This month I looked at our most recent release (2023) to map the largest industries of employment for each of the cities of Douglas County. Reach out if you'd like to access local area data.

Leading Industry of Employment by Area, 2023



Area	Top Industry and Percent of Employment
Douglas County	20%
Reedsport	22%
Drain	28%
Elkton	42%
Yoncalla	39%
Canyonville	80%
Oakland	31%
Sutherlin	23%
Roseburg	30%
Winston	19%
Myrtle Creek	20%
Riddle	29%
Glendale	49%
Outside UGBs	30%

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Geocoded QCEW

Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes

September 2023 to September 2024

Government: 200 (+3%)

Manufacturing: 80 (+2%)

Professional and Business Services:

-90 (-3%)

Education and Health Services: -110 (-2%)

All Industries: 260 (+1%)

Employment change from February 2020 (seasonally adjusted):

-240 (-1%)

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

News and Articles

QualityInfo: [Oregon Economic Update: Softening but Stable](#) by Amy Vander Vliet

QualityInfo: [The Diversity of Oregon's Industries](#) by Jake Procino

QualityInfo: [Oregon's Marijuana Industry and Employment Trends](#) by Guy Tauer

Latest Douglas County Economic Data

Unemployment rate: [5.0%](#)
 (seasonally adjusted)

Change from previous year: [+0.3 pct. points](#)

Average job vacancies in Southwestern Oregon, Summer 2024: [2,326](#)

Percentage of vacancies considered difficult to fill by employers (statewide): [51%](#)

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

- **New Firm:** Oregon Sourdough, a bakery, opened in Roseburg.
- **New Firm:** Pacific Northwest Power Equipment opened in Sutherlin.
- **New Firm:** Mid Town Grill will open in Winston.

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