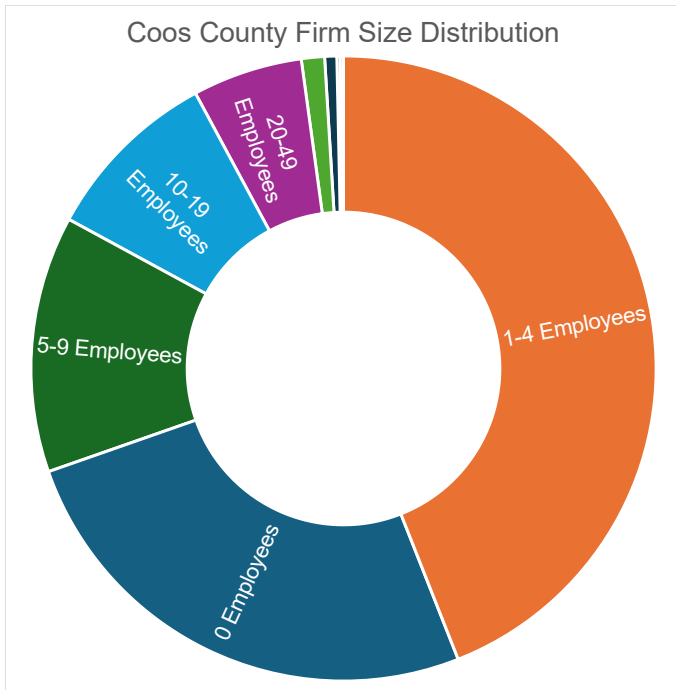


**Special Topic: Private Firm Size Distribution**



The vast majority of private firms in Coos County have fewer than five employees as of July 2020. These 1,223 firms made up 69.6% of all firms and employed 1,530 workers. At the other end of the size spectrum there were 38 firms with 50 employees or more which were 2.2% of all firms that added 6,755 jobs.

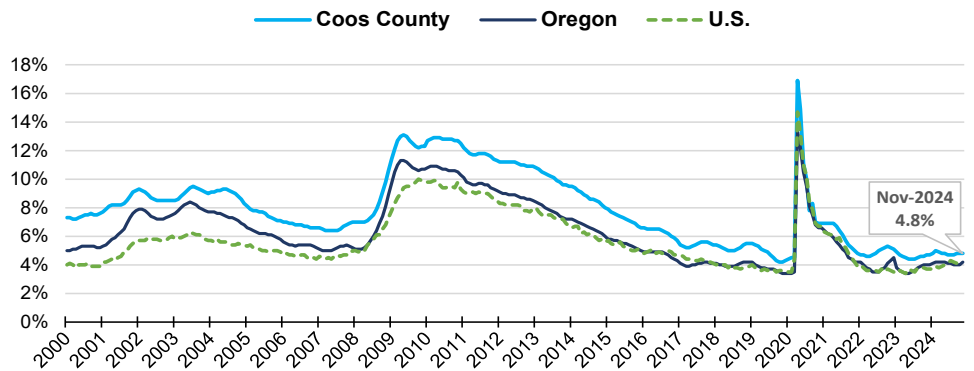
There was not a significant difference in the average quarterly wages paid out by smaller firms compared to larger firms. Firms with fewer than five employees paid an average quarterly wage of \$10,080. Firms with 250-500 employees paid an average quarterly wage of \$13,890.

Source: Oregon Employment Department

**Unemployment Rate at 4.8%**

- Unemployment rate November 2023 was 4.7%
- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate stable the past three months

[More info on unemployment](#)



Source: Oregon Employment Department, LAUS

**Industry Employment Change: Nov 2023 to Nov 2024**

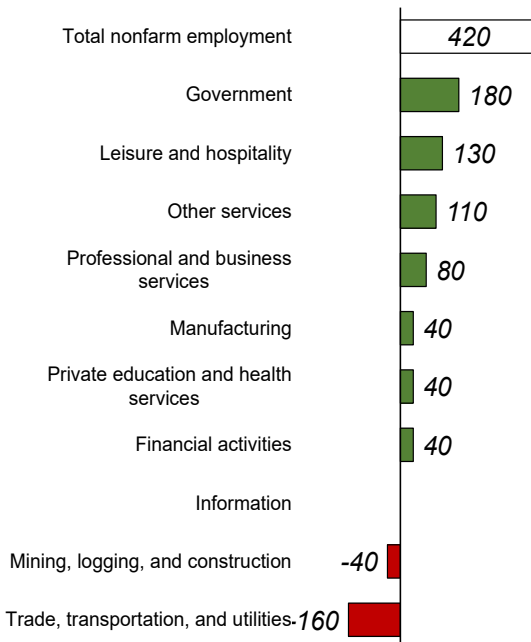
Coos County employment increased by 420 jobs over the year

- Employment up 1.8% in the past year
- [Detailed November Employment Press Release](#)

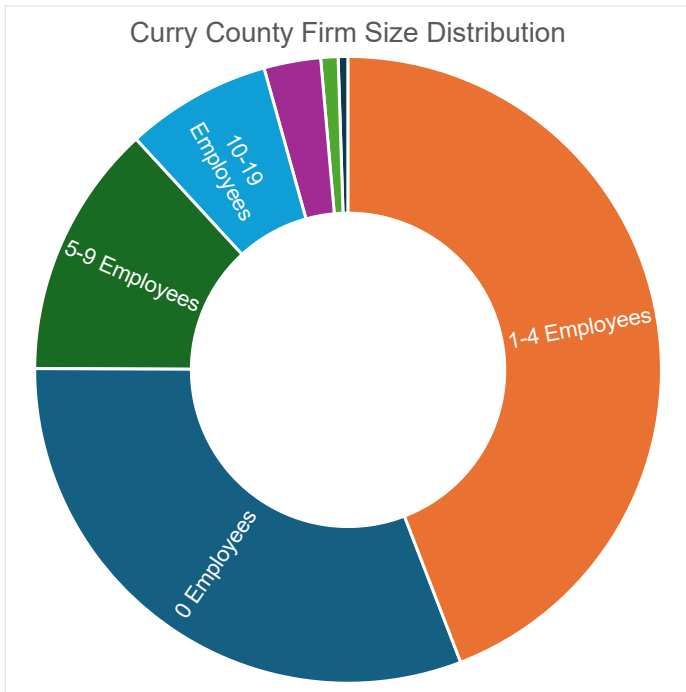
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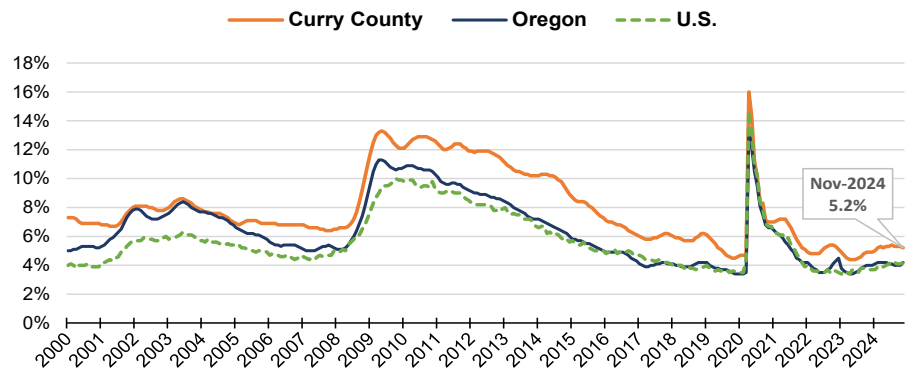
The vast majority of private firms in Curry County have fewer than five employees as of July 2020. These 590 firms made up 75.1% of all firms and employed 666 workers. At the other end of the size spectrum there were 11 firms with 50-249 employees which were 1.4% of all firms that added 1,380 jobs.

The average quarterly wage paid out by firms with fewer than five employees was \$9,480. Larger firms in the 100-249 employee category paid around \$5,000 more compared to these smaller firms. Large firms paid an average quarterly wage of 15,810.

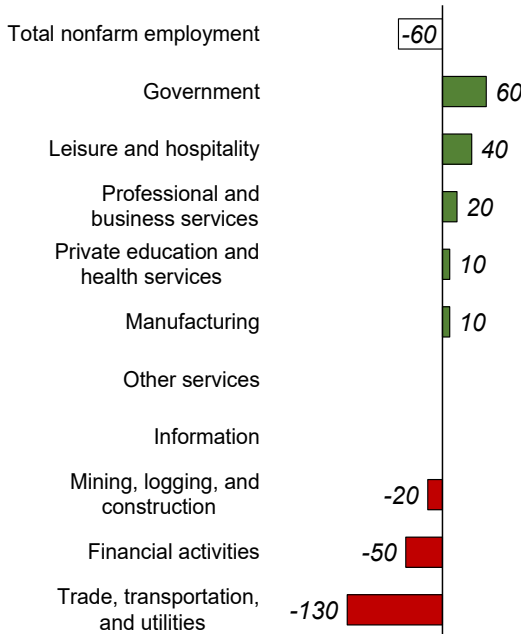
**Unemployment Rate at 5.2%**

- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in November 2023 was 4.9%
- Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remains stable

[More info on unemployment](#)



Source: Oregon Employment Department, LAUS



**Industry Employment Change: Nov 2023 to Nov 2024**

Curry County employment declined by **60 jobs** over the year

- Employment down **0.9%** in the past year
- [Detailed November Employment Press Release](#)

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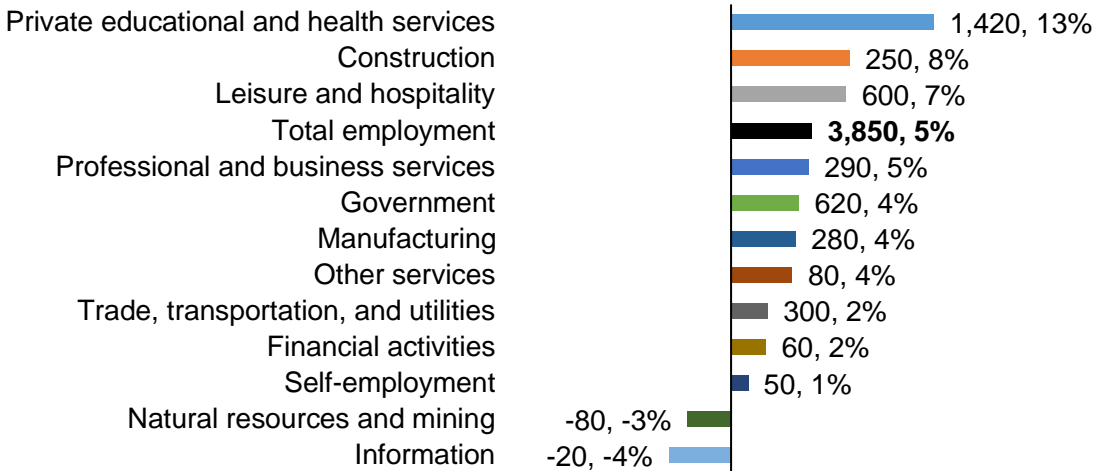
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# DOUGLAS COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

**December 2024**

**Graph of the Month:** The newest release of our [10-year employment projections](#) data shows broad-based growth in Southwestern Oregon. Health care, construction, and hospitality are projected to grow faster than average, with natural resources and information projected to employ fewer by 2033.

## Industry Employment Change, 2023-2033 Southwestern Oregon



Source: Oregon Employment Department, 2022-2032 Industry Employment Projections

## Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes

November 2023 to November 2024

**Government:** 200 (+3%)

**Leisure and Hospitality:** -70 (-2%)

**Manufacturing:** 130 (+3%)

**Retail Trade:** -120 (-2%)

**All Industries:** 180 (+1%)

**Employment change from February 2020 ([seasonally adjusted](#)):**  
 -200 (-0%)

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

## News and Articles

QualityInfo: [Oregon Hourly Earnings Surpass Inflation](#) by David Cooke

QualityInfo: [Oregon's Forest Sector Employment Totaled 62,300 in 2023](#) by Anna Johnson

QualityInfo: [10-Year Occupational Projections Show Broad-Based Job Opportunities](#) Statewide by Sarah Cunningham

## Latest Douglas County Economic Data

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

Change from previous year: [+0.2 pct. points](#)

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

- **New Construction:** Oak Street Commons – a workforce housing development consisting of 12 cottages, two nine-plexes, one four-plex, and 36 single family homes – will open in Sutherlin.
- **New Firm:** Garden Buffet, a Chinese restaurant, opened in Roseburg.
- **Closure:** Albertsons in Roseburg will close, laying off 87.
- **Closure:** Harvard Shoe Repair in Roseburg closed due to a fire.

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