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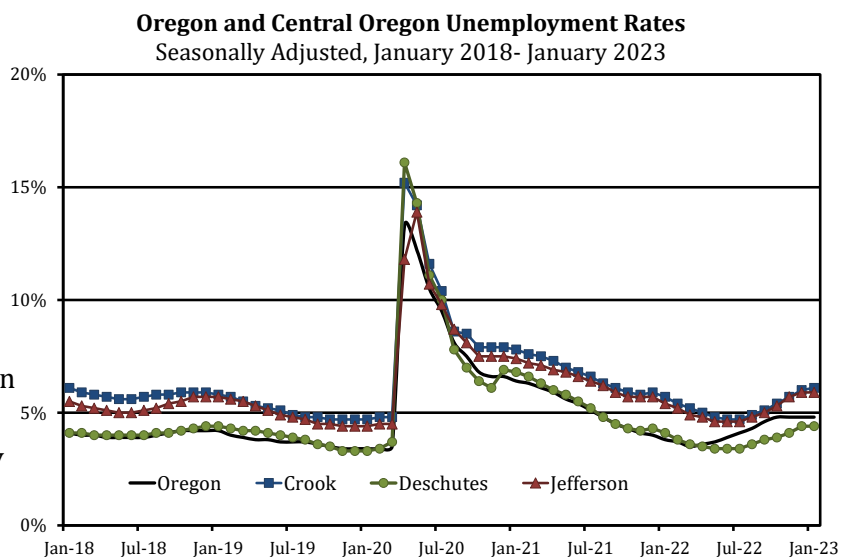
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Employment in Central Oregon: January 2023

January job losses were concentrated in retail trade and professional and business services. Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates were little changed for Central Oregon in January.

Crook County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.1 percentage point in January to 6.1%. The unemployment rate is 1.4 percentage points above the record low set before the pandemic when it was 4.7%.

Crook County cut 90 nonfarm jobs in January, falling to 7,170. Employment levels in Crook County are up 12.7% from pre-pandemic levels (+840 jobs).



The county added 240 jobs in the last year (+3.5%). Crook County's rate of job growth remains among the fastest of Oregon's 36 counties over the past year. Job gains remain concentrated in information (+180 jobs), manufacturing (+50), education and health services (+50), and professional and business services (+40).

Deschutes County (Bend-Redmond MSA): The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held steady at 4.4% in January from a revised 4.4% in December. The unemployment rate in January remains 1.1 percentage points above its record low of 3.3% before the onset of the pandemic.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that Deschutes County lost 920 jobs in January, falling to 90,430. Retail trade cut 420 jobs in January, dropping its total to 11,400. Professional and business services lost 200 jobs, falling to 11,190, and mining, logging and construction shed 170, cutting its total to 8,050. Private education and health services rose by 70 jobs to 15,480 and leisure and hospitality increased its total by 50 to reach 13,470. Local government education cut 130 jobs in January, falling to 4,350. January seasonally adjusted employment exceeded pre-pandemic levels by 3,570 jobs or 4.0%.

Total nonfarm employment expanded by 3.8% (+3,310 jobs) from January 2022. Leisure and hospitality led private industry with an over-the-year gain of 1,360 jobs (+11.2%). Professional and business services also expanded, adding 640 jobs (+6.1%). Education and health services also rose by 590 jobs (+4.0%). Retail trade cut 100 jobs (-0.9%), falling to 11,400.

Jefferson County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held steady at 5.9% in January. The unemployment rate was 4.4% in January 2019 through January 2020, before the first impacts from COVID-19.

Total nonfarm employment rose by 20 in January, with government climbing by 40 and private industry shedding 20 jobs. Manufacturing (-10), wholesale trade (-10), and leisure and hospitality (-10) cut jobs in January. Jefferson County has risen 70 jobs above its pre-pandemic employment level (+1.0%).

Jefferson County's total nonfarm employment grew by 220 jobs over the past year (+4.2%). Job gains were concentrated in manufacturing (+80 jobs), leisure and hospitality (+60 jobs), and education and health services (+40). Indian tribal government rose by 40 in January to reach 770.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the February county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Mar 28 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for February on Tuesday, Mar 21.

Crook County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	January 2023	December 2022	January 2022	December 2022	January 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	11,178	11,153	11,029	25	149
Unemployed	844	762	701	82	143
Unemployment rate	7.6%	6.8%	6.4%	0.8	1.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>6.1%</i>	<i>6.0%</i>	<i>5.7%</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>0.4</i>
Employed	10,334	10,391	10,328	-57	6
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	7,170	7,260	6,930	-90	240
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>7,470</i>	<i>7,410</i>	<i>7,220</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>250</i>
Total private	5,980	6,050	5,730	-70	250
Mining, logging, and construction	840	850	930	-10	-90
Mining and logging	70	70	60	0	10
Construction	770	780	870	-10	-100
Manufacturing	750	750	700	0	50
Wood product manufacturing	420	410	370	10	50
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,140	1,170	1,150	-30	-10
Wholesale trade	340	340	330	0	10
Retail trade	600	620	610	-20	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	200	210	210	-10	-10
Information	630	630	450	0	180
Financial activities	210	210	200	0	10
Professional and business services	570	590	530	-20	40
Private education and health services	820	810	770	10	50
Leisure and hospitality	740	750	730	-10	10
Other services	280	290	270	-10	10
Government	1,190	1,210	1,200	-20	-10
Federal government	220	230	230	-10	-10
State government	140	140	120	0	20
Local government	830	840	850	-10	-20

The most recent month is preliminary, the prior month is revised. Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence.

Employed includes payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants.

Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

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Bend-Redmond MSA (Deschutes County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	January 2023	December 2022	January 2022	December 2022	January 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	103,306	103,082	102,172	224	1,134
Unemployed	5,436	5,094	4,643	342	793
Unemployment rate	5.3%	4.9%	4.5%	0.4	0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.4%	4.4%	4.1%	0.0	0.3
Employed	97,870	97,988	97,529	-118	341
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	90,430	91,350	87,120	-920	3,310
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	91,950	91,650	89,220	300	2,730
Total private	80,870	81,690	77,520	-820	3,350
Mining, logging, and construction	8,050	8,220	7,700	-170	350
Manufacturing	6,220	6,220	6,030	0	190
Durable goods	3,840	3,830	3,720	10	120
Trade, transportation, and utilities	16,140	16,690	16,180	-550	-40
Wholesale trade	2,370	2,390	2,370	-20	0
Retail trade	11,400	11,820	11,500	-420	-100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,370	2,480	2,310	-110	60
Information	1,800	1,820	1,770	-20	30
Financial activities	5,380	5,400	5,310	-20	70
Professional and business services	11,190	11,390	10,550	-200	640
Private education and health services	15,480	15,410	14,890	70	590
Leisure and hospitality	13,470	13,420	12,110	50	1,360
Accommodation and food services	10,840	10,840	9,980	0	860
Other services	3,140	3,120	2,980	20	160
Government	9,560	9,660	9,600	-100	-40
Federal government	830	830	800	0	30
State government	860	860	910	0	-50
Local government	7,870	7,970	7,890	-100	-20
Local education	4,350	4,480	4,610	-130	-260

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Jefferson County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	January 2023	December 2022	January 2022	December 2022	January 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	10,237	10,228	10,114	9	123
Unemployed	730	656	642	74	88
Unemployment rate	7.1%	6.4%	6.3%	0.7	0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.9%	5.9%	5.4%	0.0	0.5
Employed	9,507	9,572	9,472	-65	35
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,510	6,490	6,260	20	250
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,740	6,570	6,480	170	260
Total private	4,310	4,330	4,090	-20	220
Mining, logging, and construction	150	150	160	0	-10
Mining and logging	10	10	10	0	0
Construction	140	140	150	0	-10
Manufacturing	1,290	1,300	1,210	-10	80
Wood product manufacturing	960	970	900	-10	60
Trade, transportation, and utilities	980	990	940	-10	40
Wholesale trade	180	190	180	-10	0
Retail trade	700	700	670	0	30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	100	100	90	0	10
Information	50	50	50	0	0
Financial activities	130	130	140	0	-10
Professional and business services	190	190	170	0	20
Private education and health services	700	690	660	10	40
Leisure and hospitality	630	640	570	-10	60
Other services	190	190	190	0	0
Government	2,200	2,160	2,170	40	30
Federal government	100	100	120	0	-20
State government	310	300	290	10	20
Local government	1,790	1,760	1,760	30	30
Indian tribal	770	740	770	30	0

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The Oregon Employment Department payroll employment estimates are revised quarterly using information from unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use data from this *official Oregon series* unless noted.

The department also makes the BLS-produced nonfarm payroll employment series for metropolitan areas available. These are revised annually by BLS.

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