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Employment in Central Oregon: June 2024

Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates decreased throughout Central Oregon over the month of June, and both Crook and Deschutes counties saw total nonfarm employment increase over the month.

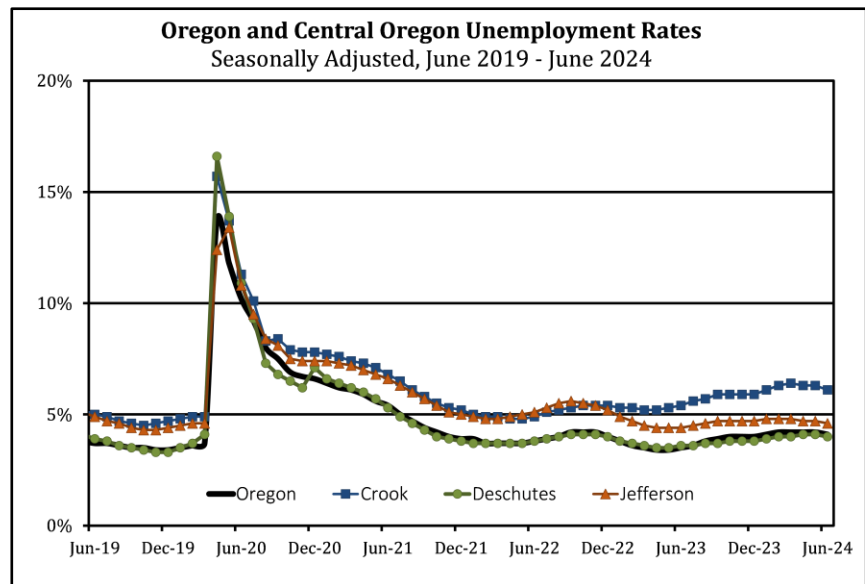
Crook County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased over the month of June and is now 6.1%, down from 6.3% in May—in June of last year, it was 5.4%. The unemployment rate remains 1.6 percentage points above the record low set before the pandemic when it was 4.5%.

Crook County gained 160 jobs (+2.2%) in June, with most gains occurring in the public sector (+100 jobs) and most losses occurring in private education and health services (-20 jobs). Employment levels in Crook County are now 8.8% above pre-pandemic levels in February 2020 (+590 jobs).

The county lost 70 jobs in the last year (-0.9%). Job losses were concentrated in construction (-160 jobs), information (-30 jobs), and other services (-10 jobs). Marginal gains were concentrated in private education and health services (+40 jobs); and trade, transportation, and utilities (+30 jobs).

Deschutes County (Bend-Redmond MSA): The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased from 4.1% in May to 4.0% in June. June's unemployment rate remains 0.6 percentage point above its record low of 3.4% before the onset of the pandemic.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that Deschutes County gained 420 jobs (+0.4%) from May to June. Most gains were concentrated in accommodation and food services (+710 jobs), with minor gains in financial activities (+30 jobs) and mining, logging, and construction (+30 jobs). Total nonfarm employment is now 95,300.



Total nonfarm employment declined by 1.1% (-1,070 jobs) from June 2023 to June 2024. Over the year, job gains were concentrated in private education and health services (+670 jobs). Other notable job gains took place in durable goods (+70 jobs) and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+60 jobs). Over-the-year losses occurred in leisure and hospitality (-510 jobs); retail trade (-400 jobs); professional and business services (-320 jobs); government (-190 jobs); and mining, logging, and construction (-140 jobs).

Jefferson County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased slightly over the month of June and is now 4.6%. The unemployment rate was 4.4% from October 2019 to December 2019, shortly before the first impacts from COVID-19.

Total nonfarm employment decreased by 80 jobs in June (-1.2%). Private-sector job gains were concentrated in leisure and hospitality (+40 jobs), with marginal gains in other services (+10 jobs), and financial activities (+10 jobs). Total nonfarm seasonally adjusted employment is now -1.8% (-120 jobs) below the pre-pandemic employment level.

Jefferson County's total nonfarm employment decreased by 110 jobs over the past year (-1.6%). Job gains were concentrated in private education and health services (+30 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+30 jobs); professional and business services (+20 jobs); and other services (+20 jobs). Losses were concentrated in manufacturing (-130 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-40 jobs); and the public sector (-40 jobs).

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the July county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, August 20, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, August 14.



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Crook County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	June 2024	May 2024	June 2023	May 2024	June 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	11,363	11,232	11,275	131	88
Unemployed	601	597	563	4	38
Unemployment rate	5.3%	5.3%	5.0%	0.0	0.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.1%	6.3%	5.4%	-0.2	0.7
Employed	10,762	10,635	10,712	127	50
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	7,420	7,260	7,490	160	-70
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7,260	7,210	7,330	50	-70
Total private	6,040	5,980	6,130	60	-90
Mining, logging, and construction	700	690	860	10	-160
Mining and logging	50	50	50	0	0
Construction	650	640	810	10	-160
Manufacturing	750	750	730	0	20
Wood product manufacturing	380	380	380	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,270	1,260	1,240	10	30
Wholesale trade	340	340	330	0	10
Retail trade	680	670	660	10	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	250	250	250	0	0
Information	520	510	550	10	-30
Financial activities	240	240	240	0	0
Professional and business services	590	570	570	20	20
Private education and health services	870	890	830	-20	40
Leisure and hospitality	840	810	840	30	0
Other services	260	260	270	0	-10
Government	1,380	1,280	1,360	100	20
Federal government	360	330	320	30	40
State government	140	120	120	20	20
Local government	880	830	920	50	-40

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.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees who worked or received pay for the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.



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

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	June 2024	May 2024	June 2023	May 2024	June 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	107,389	107,223	105,822	166	1,567
Unemployed	3,969	3,852	3,633	117	336
Unemployment rate	3.7%	3.6%	3.4%	0.1	0.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.0%	4.1%	3.6%	-0.1	0.4
Employed	103,420	103,371	102,189	49	1,231
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	95,300	94,880	96,370	420	-1,070
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	94,750	95,050	94,710	-300	40
Total private	84,520	83,930	85,400	590	-880
Mining, logging, and construction	8,210	8,180	8,350	30	-140
Manufacturing	6,190	6,260	6,390	-70	-200
Durable goods	3,950	3,940	3,880	10	70
Trade, transportation, and utilities	16,480	16,460	16,800	20	-320
Wholesale trade	2,430	2,420	2,410	10	20
Retail trade	11,550	11,560	11,950	-10	-400
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,500	2,480	2,440	20	60
Information	1,750	1,740	1,830	10	-80
Financial activities	5,190	5,160	5,180	30	10
Professional and business services	11,290	11,360	11,610	-70	-320
Private education and health services	16,870	16,960	16,200	-90	670
Leisure and hospitality	15,130	14,420	15,640	710	-510
Accommodation and food services	12,410	11,700	12,690	710	-280
Other services	3,410	3,390	3,400	20	10
Government	10,780	10,950	10,970	-170	-190
Federal government	1,100	1,110	1,000	-10	100
State government	1,150	1,130	1,100	20	50
Local government	8,530	8,710	8,870	-180	-340
Local education	4,790	4,960	5,200	-170	-410

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Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Official Oregon Series. Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees who worked or received pay for the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.



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Jefferson County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	June 2024	May 2024	June 2023	May 2024	June 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	10,504	10,627	10,504	-123	0
Unemployed	441	418	426	23	15
Unemployment rate	4.2%	3.9%	4.1%	0.3	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.6%	4.7%	4.4%	-0.1	0.2
Employed	10,063	10,209	10,078	-146	-15
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,820	6,900	6,930	-80	-110
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,590	6,730	6,700	-140	-110
Total private	4,570	4,530	4,640	40	-70
Mining, logging, and construction	170	170	170	0	0
Mining and logging	10	10	10	0	0
Construction	160	160	160	0	0
Manufacturing	1,180	1,190	1,310	-10	-130
Wood product manufacturing	880	890	980	-10	-100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	930	940	970	-10	-40
Wholesale trade	180	180	170	0	10
Retail trade	640	650	690	-10	-50
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	110	110	110	0	0
Information	50	50	50	0	0
Financial activities	160	150	160	10	0
Professional and business services	280	280	260	0	20
Private education and health services	750	750	720	0	30
Leisure and hospitality	810	770	780	40	30
Other services	240	230	220	10	20
Government	2,250	2,370	2,290	-120	-40
Federal government	90	90	110	0	-20
State government	360	360	350	0	10
Local government	1,800	1,920	1,830	-120	-30
Indian tribal	760	860	800	-100	-40

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