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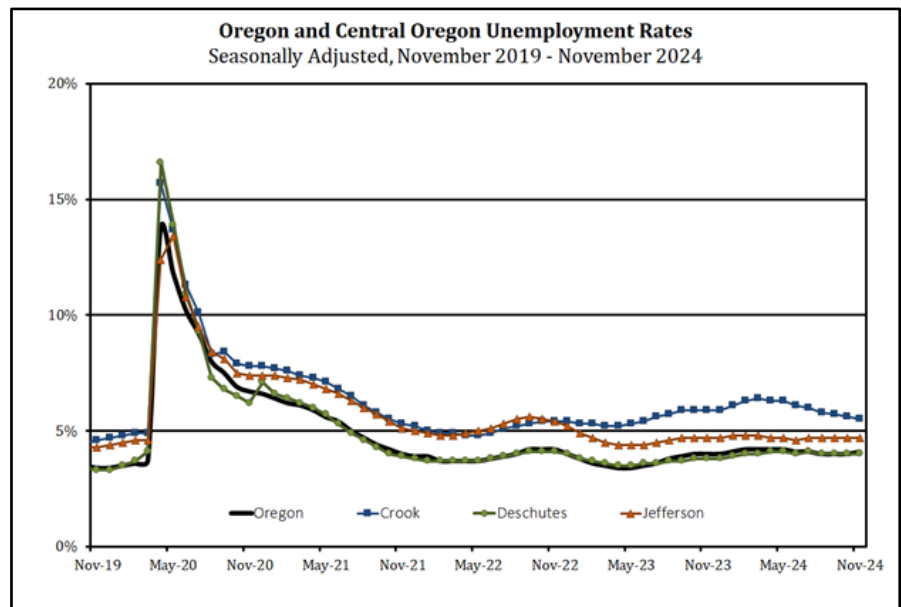
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Employment in Central Oregon: November 2024

Total nonfarm employment increased year-over-year across all three Central Oregon counties. Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates remained stable in November, showing little to no change.

Crook County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased marginally over the month of November and is now 5.5%, down from 5.6% in October—in November of last year, it was 5.9%. The unemployment rate is 1.0 percentage point above the record low set before the pandemic when it was 4.5%.

Crook County lost 120 jobs (-1.6%) in November, with most losses occurring in the public sector (-70 jobs); and leisure and hospitality (-40 jobs). Gains were minimal and seen in wood product manufacturing, information, and other services (+10 jobs each).



The county gained 150 jobs in the last year (+2.1%). Notable job gains were seen in leisure and hospitality (+60 jobs), other services (+50 jobs), and information (+40 jobs). Private job losses were concentrated in manufacturing (-20 jobs) and mining and logging (-20 jobs).

Deschutes County (Bend-Redmond MSA): The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained unchanged from October to November at 4.0%. November’s unemployment rate remains 0.7 percentage point above its record low of 3.3% before the onset of the pandemic.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that Deschutes County lost 360 jobs (-0.4%) from October to November and total nonfarm employment is now 98,520. Job losses were concentrated in leisure and

hospitality (-450 jobs) and financial activities (-130 jobs). Most gains were seen in trade, transportation, and utilities (+200 jobs) and private education and health services (+130 jobs).

Total nonfarm employment increased by 4.2% (+4,010 jobs) from November 2023 to November 2024. Over-the-year job gains were concentrated in private education and health services (+1,470 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+880 jobs); and the public sector (+790 jobs). Other notable gains took place in trade, transportation, and utilities (+300 jobs); and mining, logging, and construction (+220 jobs). The only over-the-year losses occurred in the financial activities industry with a loss of 30 jobs over the year.

Jefferson County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged in November, holding firm at 4.7%. Last year the unemployment rate was also 4.7% in November. Shortly before the first impacts from COVID-19 were felt the unemployment rate was 4.3%.

Total nonfarm employment lost 10 jobs in November (-0.1%) with losses concentrated in leisure and hospitality (-40 jobs). Construction, retail trade, financial activities, and other services lost 10 jobs each. Over-the-month job gains were concentrated primarily within manufacturing (+50 jobs); and the public sector (+20 jobs).

Jefferson County's total nonfarm employment increased by 140 jobs over the past year (+2.1%). Job gains were concentrated in manufacturing (+90 jobs); the public sector (+70 jobs); and private education and health services (+50 jobs). Losses were mainly seen in construction (-40 jobs), financial activities (-30 jobs), and professional and business services (-20 jobs).

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Jan. 28, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Thursday, Jan. 23.



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Crook County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	November 2024	October 2024	November 2023	October 2024	November 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	11,275	11,417	11,068	-142	207
Unemployed	551	536	630	15	-79
Unemployment rate	4.9%	4.7%	5.7%	0.2	-0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Employed	10,724	10,881	10,438	-157	286
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	7,460	7,580	7,310	-120	150
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>7,470</i>	<i>7,460</i>	<i>7,320</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>150</i>
Total private	6,210	6,260	6,020	-50	190
Mining, logging, and construction	820	830	830	-10	-10
Mining and logging	40	40	60	0	-20
Construction	780	790	770	-10	10
Manufacturing	730	720	750	10	-20
Wood product manufacturing	380	370	390	10	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,260	1,270	1,240	-10	20
Wholesale trade	350	350	340	0	10
Retail trade	660	660	660	0	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	250	260	240	-10	10
Information	540	530	500	10	40
Financial activities	230	240	230	-10	0
Professional and business services	580	590	570	-10	10
Private education and health services	900	900	860	0	40
Leisure and hospitality	830	870	770	-40	60
Other services	320	310	270	10	50
Government	1,250	1,320	1,290	-70	-40
Federal government	310	370	270	-60	40
State government	120	120	120	0	0
Local government	820	830	900	-10	-80

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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	November 2024	October 2024	November 2023	October 2024	November 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	106,435	106,877	105,693	-442	742
Unemployed	3,923	3,853	3,803	70	120
Unemployment rate	3.7%	3.6%	3.6%	0.1	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Employed	102,512	103,024	101,890	-512	622
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	98,520	98,880	94,510	-360	4,010
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>98,030</i>	<i>97,950</i>	<i>94,990</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>3,040</i>
Total private	86,740	87,100	83,520	-360	3,220
Mining, logging, and construction	8,400	8,360	8,180	40	220
Manufacturing	6,340	6,430	6,200	-90	140
Durable goods	4,050	4,050	3,880	0	170
Trade, transportation, and utilities	17,370	17,170	17,070	200	300
Wholesale trade	2,490	2,510	2,460	-20	30
Retail trade	12,240	12,080	12,050	160	190
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,640	2,580	2,560	60	80
Information	1,790	1,780	1,790	10	0
Financial activities	5,180	5,310	5,210	-130	-30
Professional and business services	11,790	11,840	11,610	-50	180
Private education and health services	17,850	17,720	16,380	130	1,470
Leisure and hospitality	14,470	14,920	13,590	-450	880
Accommodation and food services	11,910	12,330	11,190	-420	720
Other services	3,550	3,570	3,490	-20	60
Government	11,780	11,780	10,990	0	790
Federal government	1,000	1,060	970	-60	30
State government	1,150	1,140	1,110	10	40
Local government	9,630	9,580	8,910	50	720
Local education	5,810	5,660	5,230	150	580

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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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	November 2024	October 2024	November 2023	October 2024	November 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	10,426	10,489	10,199	-63	227
Unemployed	428	428	441	0	-13
Unemployment rate	4.1%	4.1%	4.3%	0.0	-0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Employed	9,998	10,061	9,758	-63	240
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,730	6,740	6,590	-10	140
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>6,810</i>	<i>6,730</i>	<i>6,670</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>140</i>
Total private	4,400	4,430	4,330	-30	70
Mining, logging, and construction	140	150	180	-10	-40
Mining and logging	10	10	10	0	0
Construction	130	140	170	-10	-40
Manufacturing	1,270	1,220	1,180	50	90
Wood product manufacturing	980	930	880	50	100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	940	950	940	-10	0
Wholesale trade	170	170	180	0	-10
Retail trade	660	670	650	-10	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	110	110	110	0	0
Information	50	50	50	0	0
Financial activities	130	140	160	-10	-30
Professional and business services	220	220	240	0	-20
Private education and health services	770	770	720	0	50
Leisure and hospitality	660	700	660	-40	0
Other services	220	230	200	-10	20
Government	2,330	2,310	2,260	20	70
Federal government	100	90	100	10	0
State government	340	340	340	0	0
Local government	1,890	1,880	1,820	10	70
Indian tribal	850	850	800	0	50

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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.

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