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Employment in Clatsop County: September 2023

Seasonally adjusted employment up by 10 in September

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 10 in September to 18,870 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A decrease of 330 jobs was expected for the month, but the county only lost 320 jobs. The private sector lost 420 jobs, and total government employment increased by 100. Leisure and hospitality lost 270 jobs. Food manufacturing and retail trade each lost 50 jobs. Local education gained 130 jobs.

September's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 100 jobs, an increase of 0.6%. The county lost 4,140 jobs in March 2020 as the pandemic hit and as of September remained 460 jobs below the pre-pandemic level of September 2019. Some major industries gained jobs over the past year, but others have plateaued or shed a few. Private education and health services was up 150 jobs. Professional and business services was up 110 jobs. Manufacturing dropped 180 jobs. Leisure and hospitality was down 90 jobs.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.6% in September. It was unchanged from 3.6% in August. The rate was 4.7% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 3.5% in September, and the national rate was 3.8%.

Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the October county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Nov. 21, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for October on Wednesday, Nov. 15.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	September 2023	August 2023	September 2022	--Change From--	
				August 2023	September 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	19,484	19,840	20,071	-356	-587
Unemployed	655	720	853	-65	-198
Unemployment rate	3.4%	3.6%	4.2%	-0.2	-0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.6%	3.6%	4.7%	0.0	-1.1
Employed	18,829	19,120	19,218	-291	-389
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	19,380	19,700	19,290	-320	90
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	18,870	18,860	18,770	10	100
Total private	16,780	17,200	16,710	-420	70
Mining, logging, and construction	1,190	1,180	1,210	10	-20
Mining and logging	90	90	130	0	-40
Construction	1,100	1,090	1,080	10	20
Manufacturing	1,770	1,820	1,950	-50	-180
Durable goods	410	410	430	0	-20
Wood product manufacturing	250	250	260	0	-10
Nondurable goods	1,360	1,410	1,520	-50	-160
Food manufacturing	570	640	750	-70	-180
Paper manufacturing	700	700	690	0	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,610	3,670	3,570	-60	40
Wholesale trade	190	190	190	0	0
Retail trade	3,130	3,180	3,070	-50	60
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	290	300	310	-10	-20
Information	150	140	150	10	0
Financial activities	720	740	720	-20	0
Professional and business services	1,000	1,020	890	-20	110
Private education and health services	2,550	2,540	2,400	10	150
Leisure and hospitality	5,140	5,410	5,230	-270	-90
Accommodation and food services	4,810	5,030	4,900	-220	-90
Accommodation	1,570	1,620	1,640	-50	-70
Food services and drinking places	3,240	3,410	3,260	-170	-20
Other services	650	680	590	-30	60
Government	2,600	2,500	2,580	100	20
Federal government	170	180	180	-10	-10
State government	340	340	350	0	-10
Local government	2,090	1,980	2,050	110	40
Local education	1,010	880	1,000	130	10
Local government excluding educational services	1,080	1,100	1,050	-20	30

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.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	<u>September 2023</u>	<u>August 2023</u>	<u>September 2022</u>
United States	3.8	3.8	3.5
State of Oregon	3.5	3.4	4.6
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	3.8	3.8	5.0
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	3.6	3.7	4.5
Corvallis (Benton County)	2.9	2.7	3.9
Eugene (Lane County)	3.7	3.8	5.0
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	4.7	4.7	6.2
Medford (Jackson County)	4.1	4.1	5.1
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	3.4	3.3	4.3
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	3.5	3.5	4.7
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	4.1	4.1	5.3
Benton	2.9	2.7	3.9
Clackamas	3.2	3.2	4.1
Clatsop	3.6	3.6	4.7
Columbia	4.1	4.1	5.2
Coos	4.3	4.3	5.8
Crook	5.5	5.4	6.0
Curry	4.4	4.3	6.0
Deschutes	3.6	3.7	4.5
Douglas	4.5	4.5	5.8
Gilliam	4.2	4.0	3.9
Grant	5.0	5.0	6.8
Harney	3.8	3.9	5.6
Hood River	2.8	2.7	4.1
Jackson	4.1	4.1	5.1
Jefferson	4.5	4.4	6.2
Josephine	4.7	4.7	6.2
Klamath	5.1	5.2	6.5
Lake	4.7	4.7	6.1
Lane	3.7	3.8	5.0
Lincoln	4.1	4.1	5.7
Linn	3.8	3.8	5.0
Malheur	3.6	3.6	5.0
Marion	3.5	3.5	4.7
Morrow	3.4	3.3	4.5
Multnomah	3.4	3.3	4.2
Polk	3.5	3.5	4.6
Sherman	3.8	3.8	3.5
Tillamook	3.7	3.7	4.9
Umatilla	3.8	3.9	5.1
Union	3.7	3.8	5.2
Wallowa	4.4	4.5	6.0
Wasco	3.7	3.7	4.6
Washington	3.0	3.0	3.7
Wheeler	3.1	3.0	3.5
Yamhill	3.2	3.2	4.2

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly payroll employment and labor force data for Oregon's metropolitan areas and counties. The estimates of monthly job gains and losses are based on a survey of businesses. The estimates of unemployment are based on a survey of households and other sources.

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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