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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas County's Unemployment Rate Drops to 4.6% in July

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 4.6% in July compared with a revised 4.8% in June. The rate is down from 5.2% in July 2022. Douglas County's record low unemployment rate was set in November 2019 at 4.3%. The Oregon seasonally adjusted July rate was 3.4% and the U.S. rate was 3.5%.

Douglas County payroll employment increased a seasonally adjusted 20 jobs in July after increases of 20 in June and 130 in May. Recent benchmark revisions show that Lane County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment was slightly higher than originally estimated. Douglas County has gained back 81% of the jobs lost in March and April 2020 at the onset of the COVID-19 crisis.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in July, there were seasonal gains in leisure and hospitality (90) and construction (40). There was an additional gain of 90 in professional and business services. There was a loss of 30 in transportation, warehousing, and utilities.

Government lost 630 jobs from a seasonal loss of 630 in local education due to summer break.

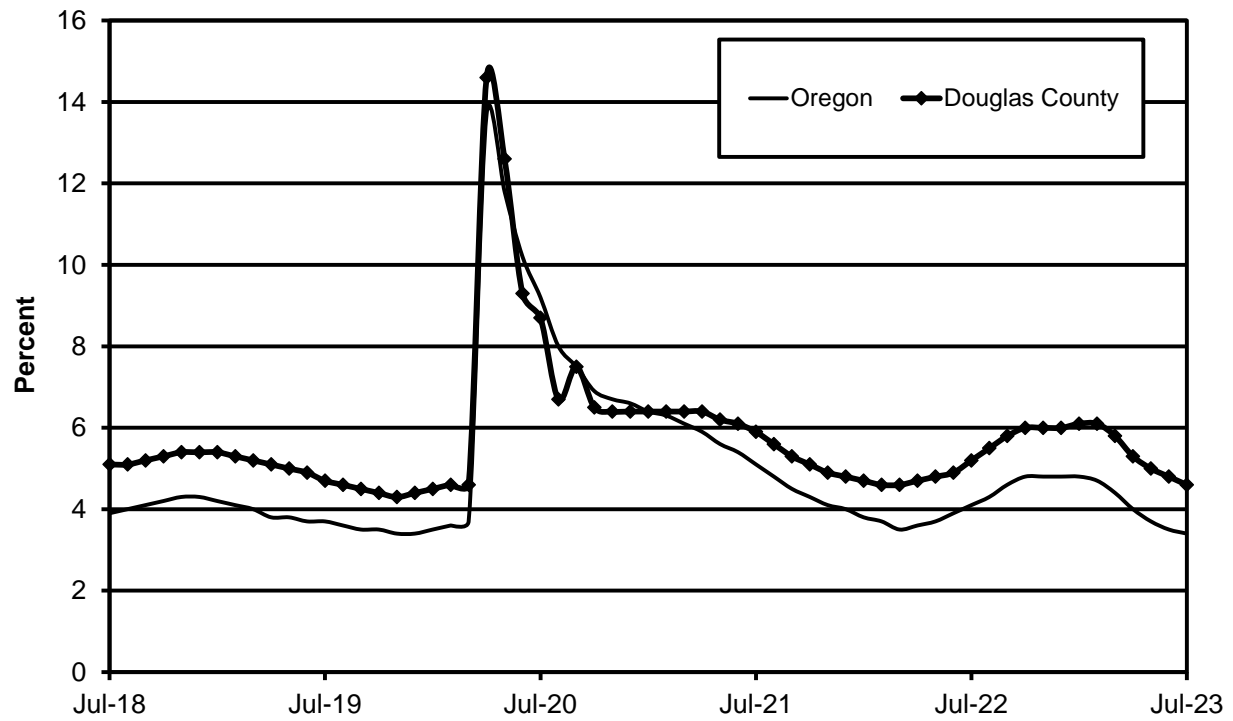
When comparing July 2023 with July 2022, total nonfarm employment decreased 180 jobs, or 0.5%. Private-sector over-the-year gains were seen in leisure and hospitality (230), private education and health services (150), and other services (150). There were relatively large losses in professional and business services (-280), manufacturing (-190), and retail trade (-160).

Government gained 110 jobs over the year from gains in local government (160) that were countered by losses in state government (-30) and federal government (-20).

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Sep. 19th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for August on Wednesday, Sep. 13th.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023	July 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	46,212	46,166	48,039	46	-1,827
Unemployed	2,199	2,049	2,598	150	-399
Unemployment rate	4.8%	4.4%	5.4%	0.4	-0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.6%	4.8%	5.2%	-0.2	-0.6
Employed	44,013	44,117	45,441	-104	-1,428
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,560	38,920	38,740	-360	-180
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	38,530	38,510	38,710	20	-180
Total private	31,480	31,210	31,770	270	-290
Mining and logging	910	910	990	0	-80
Mining, logging, and construction	2,760	2,720	2,830	40	-70
Construction	1,850	1,810	1,840	40	10
Manufacturing	4,610	4,610	4,800	0	-190
Durable goods	4,110	4,120	4,250	-10	-140
Wood product manufacturing	2,660	2,670	2,830	-10	-170
Nondurable goods	500	490	550	10	-50
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,130	7,140	7,350	-10	-220
Wholesale trade	940	950	1,020	-10	-80
Retail trade	4,770	4,740	4,930	30	-160
Food and beverage retailers	1,130	1,120	1,140	10	-10
General merchandise retailers	1,140	1,140	1,140	0	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,420	1,450	1,400	-30	20
Information	300	300	290	0	10
Financial activities	1,370	1,350	1,440	20	-70
Professional and business services	3,170	3,080	3,450	90	-280
Private education and health services	6,720	6,690	6,570	30	150
Leisure and hospitality	4,030	3,940	3,800	90	230
Food services and drinking places	3,080	3,030	2,880	50	200
Other services	1,390	1,380	1,240	10	150
Government	7,080	7,710	6,970	-630	110
Federal government	1,480	1,480	1,500	0	-20
State government	710	710	740	0	-30
Local government	4,890	5,520	4,730	-630	160
Indian tribal	1,090	1,070	1,050	20	40
Local education	2,280	2,910	2,210	-630	70
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,520	1,540	1,470	-20	50

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.

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.

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