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## **Employment in Douglas County**

### **Douglas County Nonfarm Employment Drops by 150 Jobs in July**

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment dropped 150 jobs in July after a gain of 120 in June and a gain of 10 in May.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in July, there were gains in construction (50) and retail trade (40).

Government dropped 620 jobs in August, from a seasonal loss of 650 jobs in local education due to summer break and a loss of 10 in noneducation local government. These losses were countered by gains of 30 in federal government and 10 in state government.

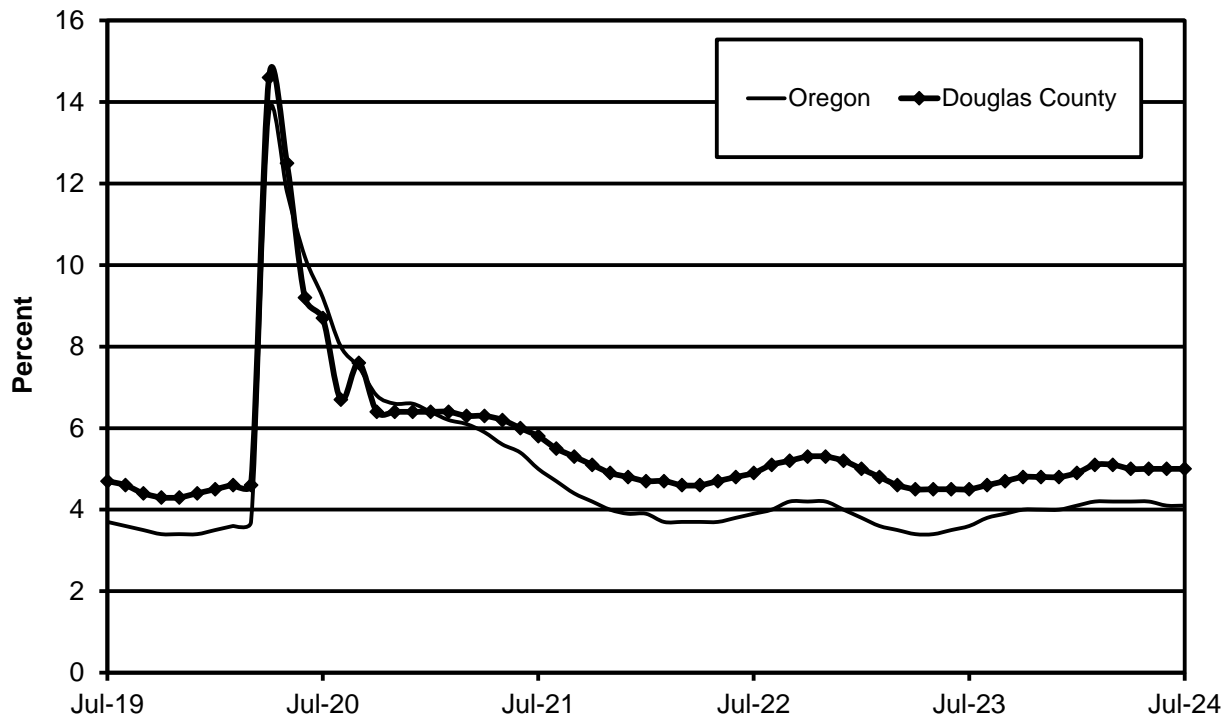
When comparing July 2024 with July 2023, total nonfarm employment decreased 150 jobs, or -0.4%. Private-sector over-the-year gains were seen transportation, warehousing and utilities (60). Government gained 150 jobs over the year from gains in local government (120) and federal government (30).

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged at 5.0% in July compared with a revised 5.0% in June. The rate is up from 4.5% in July 2023. Douglas County's record low unemployment rate was set in October 2019 at 4.3%. The Oregon seasonally adjusted July rate was 4.1% and the U.S. rate was 4.3%.

#### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for August on Wednesday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates



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## Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2024	June 2024	July 2023	June 2024	July 2023
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	47,836	47,735	47,357	101	479
Unemployed	2,624	2,300	2,214	324	410
Unemployment rate	5.5%	4.8%	4.7%	0.7	0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>5.0%</i>	<i>5.0%</i>	<i>4.5%</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.5</i>
Employed	45,212	45,435	45,143	-223	69
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	38,660	39,180	38,810	-520	-150
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>38,650</i>	<i>38,800</i>	<i>38,780</i>	<i>-150</i>	<i>-130</i>
Total private	31,400	31,300	31,700	100	-300
Mining, logging, and construction	2,740	2,680	2,800	60	-60
Mining and logging	890	880	920	10	-30
Construction	1,850	1,800	1,880	50	-30
Manufacturing	4,640	4,660	4,710	-20	-70
Durable goods	4,120	4,150	4,200	-30	-80
Wood product manufacturing	2,670	2,660	2,750	10	-80
Nondurable goods	520	510	510	10	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,260	7,200	7,210	60	50
Wholesale trade	910	890	930	20	-20
Retail trade	4,880	4,840	4,870	40	10
Food and beverage retailers	1,170	1,170	1,070	0	100
General merchandise retailers	1,140	1,120	1,150	20	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,470	1,470	1,410	0	60
Information	340	330	320	10	20
Financial activities	1,450	1,430	1,430	20	20
Professional and business services	2,980	2,980	3,100	0	-120
Private education and health services	6,730	6,750	6,880	-20	-150
Leisure and hospitality	3,960	3,950	4,000	10	-40
Food services and drinking places	3,050	3,070	3,070	-20	-20
Other services	1,300	1,320	1,250	-20	50
Government	7,260	7,880	7,110	-620	150
Federal government	1,510	1,480	1,480	30	30
State government	730	720	730	10	0
Local government	5,020	5,680	4,900	-660	120
Indian tribal	1,110	1,110	1,090	0	20
Local education	2,390	3,040	2,320	-650	70
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,520	1,530	1,490	-10	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.

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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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