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Employment in Jackson County: June 2024 **Leisure and Hospitality Adds Most Jobs Over the Month**

Total payroll employment in Jackson County rose by 380 jobs in June. Job gains were estimated in leisure and hospitality (+310); private education and health services (+70); and construction (+40). Professional and business services (-50) and retail trade (-20) were the only industries with slight employment declines over the month. Government employment was unchanged in June. A loss of 80 jobs in local government education was mostly offset by gains in state government (+30), and federal government (+20).

Over the past year payroll employment in the Medford MSA (Jackson County) rose by 160 jobs, an increase of 0.2%. Since June 2023, industries adding jobs included private education and health services (+1,080) and construction (+50). Industries with over-the-year losses were manufacturing (-380); leisure and hospitality (-350); retail trade (-250); transportation, warehousing, and utilities (-140); professional and business services (-130); other services (-90); financial activities (-60); wholesale trade (-30); and information (-20).

Government employment climbed by 470 jobs over the year. Local government (+310), state government (+100), and federal government (+60) all gained jobs over the past 12 months. Jackson County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was estimated at 4.7% in June, little changed from May and up from 4.1% in June 2023.

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

Notes:

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.

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Medford-Ashland MSA (Jackson County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	June 2024	May 2024	June 2023	May 2024	June 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	107,727	107,179	105,206	548	2,521
Unemployed	5,061	4,616	4,428	445	633
Unemployment rate	4.7%	4.3%	4.2%	0.4	0.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.7%	4.8%	4.1%	-0.1	0.6
Employed	102,666	102,563	100,778	103	1,888
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	89,900	89,520	89,740	380	160
Total private	77,530	77,150	77,840	380	-310
Mining, logging, and construction	5,960	5,920	5,900	40	60
Mining and logging	460	460	450	0	10
Construction	5,500	5,460	5,450	40	50
Manufacturing	6,840	6,850	7,220	-10	-380
Trade, transportation, and utilities	18,910	18,900	19,330	10	-420
Wholesale trade	2,600	2,590	2,630	10	-30
Retail trade	12,920	12,940	13,170	-20	-250
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,390	3,370	3,530	20	-140
Information	930	920	950	10	-20
Financial activities	3,710	3,710	3,770	0	-60
Professional and business services	8,090	8,140	8,220	-50	-130
Private education and health services	19,640	19,570	18,560	70	1,080
Health care and social assistance	18,610	18,550	17,510	60	1,100
Leisure and hospitality	10,860	10,550	11,210	310	-350
Accommodation and food services	9,400	9,150	9,530	250	-130
Other services	2,590	2,590	2,680	0	-90
Government	12,370	12,370	11,900	0	470
Federal government	1,970	1,950	1,910	20	60
State government	1,360	1,330	1,260	30	100
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	9,040	9,090	8,730	-50	310
Local education	5,740	5,820	5,640	-80	100

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: 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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