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Employment in Jackson County: November 2024 **Total Employment Down Slightly Over the Year**

Total payroll employment in Jackson County fell by 390 jobs in November with several industries posting monthly job declines. Leisure and hospitality showed the largest drop, down by 290 jobs. Others with estimated employment losses included financial activities (-90); manufacturing (-60); construction (-50); and professional and business services (-50). A couple industries added jobs in November. Health care and social assistance employment rose by 100, and transportation, warehousing, and utilities gained 40 jobs over the month. Government employment slipped by 110 jobs with losses in local (-70), federal (-30), and state government (-10).

Over the past year, payroll employment in the Medford MSA (Jackson County) dipped by 90 jobs, a decrease of 0.1%. Since November 2023 industries adding jobs were private education and health services (+970); transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+70); and mining and logging (+20). Industries with over-the-year losses included retail trade (-500), manufacturing (-260), financial activities (-220), construction (-70), and information (-40).

Government employment rose by 190 jobs over the year. Local government (+110), federal government (+50), and state government (+30) gained jobs over the past 12 months.

Jackson County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was estimated at 4.7% in November, little changed from October and up slightly from 4.5% in November 2023.

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. 28th, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Thursday, Jan. 23rd.

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.

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. These preliminary estimates of jobs and other labor force data are produced in cooperation with the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, are based largely on a survey of businesses and a survey of households, and are subject to later revision.

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

	--Change From--				
	November 2024	October 2024	November 2023	October 2024	November 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	106,625	107,871	106,059	-1,246	566
Unemployed	4,436	4,475	4,336	-39	100
Unemployment rate	4.2%	4.1%	4.1%	0.1	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.7%	4.6%	4.5%	0.1	0.2
Employed	102,189	103,396	101,723	-1,207	466
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	90,680	91,070	90,770	-390	-90
Total private	78,440	78,720	78,720	-280	-280
Mining, logging, and construction	5,870	5,920	5,920	-50	-50
Mining and logging	490	490	470	0	20
Construction	5,380	5,430	5,450	-50	-70
Manufacturing	6,690	6,750	6,950	-60	-260
Trade, transportation, and utilities	19,870	19,660	20,330	210	-460
Wholesale trade	2,600	2,620	2,630	-20	-30
Retail trade	13,710	13,520	14,210	190	-500
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,560	3,520	3,490	40	70
Information	900	900	940	0	-40
Financial activities	3,500	3,590	3,720	-90	-220
Professional and business services	8,200	8,250	8,210	-50	-10
Private education and health services	20,350	20,290	19,380	60	970
Health care and social assistance	19,190	19,090	18,280	100	910
Leisure and hospitality	10,360	10,650	10,550	-290	-190
Accommodation and food services	8,920	9,130	9,070	-210	-150
Other services	2,700	2,710	2,720	-10	-20
Government	12,240	12,350	12,050	-110	190
Federal government	1,950	1,980	1,900	-30	50
State government	1,240	1,250	1,210	-10	30
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	9,050	9,120	8,940	-70	110
Local education	5,870	5,900	5,840	-30	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: 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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