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Employment in Josephine County: April 2023

Private Education and Health Services Adds Most Jobs Over the Year

Total payroll employment in Josephine County increased by 140 jobs in April. Industries adding jobs over the month included private education and health services (+50), leisure and hospitality (+50), construction (+20), other services (+20), and manufacturing (+20). Government employment fell by 20 jobs over the month with the loss in local government education (-20).

Over the past year, payroll employment in the Grants Pass MSA (Josephine County) declined by 260 jobs, a loss of 1.0%. Industries adding jobs since April 2022 included private education and health services (+290), other services (+120), and construction (+30). Industries losing jobs over the year were professional and business services (-200), leisure and hospitality (-200), retail trade (-170), manufacturing (-170) and construction (-20).

Government employment rose by 150 jobs over the year. A gain of 140 jobs in local government education, and 20 jobs in state government accounted for the yearly gain. Josephine County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was estimated at 5.5% in April, down slightly from 6.0% in March and above the April 2022 rate at 4.8%.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, June 21st, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Wednesday, June 14th.

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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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Grants Pass MSA (Josephine County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

			--Change From--		
	April 2023	March 2023	April 2022	March 2023	April 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	35,702	36,206	36,618	-504	-916
Unemployed	1,376	1,843	1,721	-467	-345
Unemployment rate	3.9%	5.1%	4.7%	-1.2	-0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.5%	6.0%	4.8%	-0.5	0.7
Employed	34,326	34,363	34,897	-37	-571
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	27,070	26,930	27,330	140	-260
Total private	23,580	23,420	23,990	160	-410
Mining, logging, and construction	1,300	1,280	1,280	20	20
Mining and logging	70	70	80	0	-10
Construction	1,230	1,210	1,200	20	30
Manufacturing	2,860	2,840	3,030	20	-170
Wood product manufacturing	520	520	550	0	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	5,390	5,380	5,660	10	-270
Wholesale trade	680	680	780	0	-100
Retail trade	4,210	4,200	4,380	10	-170
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	500	500	500	0	0
Information	250	250	250	0	0
Financial activities	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
Professional and business services	1,830	1,840	2,030	-10	-200
Private education and health services	5,850	5,800	5,560	50	290
Leisure and hospitality	3,380	3,330	3,580	50	-200
Other services	1,020	1,000	900	20	120
Government	3,490	3,510	3,340	-20	150
Federal government	270	270	270	0	0
State government	430	430	410	0	20
Local government	2,790	2,810	2,660	-20	130
Local education	1,920	1,920	1,780	0	140
Local government excluding educational services	870	890	880	-20	-10

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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