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Employment in South Coast: March 2024 **Coos County Adds Jobs While Curry County Loses Jobs Over the Year**

Coos County total payroll employment rose by 130 jobs in March. Job gains were small but dispersed among several industries. Those adding jobs included leisure and hospitality; transportation, warehousing, and utilities; and retail trade, each adding 20 jobs over the month. Manufacturing employment declined by 20 jobs in March. Government employment increased by 50 jobs in March with jobs added in local (+30), state (+10), and federal government (+10).

Coos County payroll employment rose by 220 jobs over the past year. Gains were estimated in professional and business services (+50), private education and health services (+40), leisure and hospitality (+40), and wholesale trade (+40). Industries with job losses since March 2023 included manufacturing (-70); retail trade (-70); and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (-60).

Curry County payroll employment was unchanged in March. Leisure and hospitality added 30 jobs, the only published sector with a notable employment gain. Slight decreases in other sectors left the total nonfarm payroll count at 6,520.

Over the past year, Curry County lost 190 payroll employment jobs. Industries with estimated job gains included private education and health services (+30) and wood product manufacturing (+30). Industries showing slight job losses since March 2023 included retail trade (-120), construction (-60), and leisure and hospitality (-40).

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Coos County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2024	February 2024	March 2023	February 2024	March 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	27,496	27,503	26,823	-7	673
Unemployed	1,400	1,526	1,350	-126	50
Unemployment rate	5.1%	5.5%	5.0%	-0.4	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.8%	4.8%	5.6%	0.0	-0.8
Employed	26,096	25,977	25,473	119	623
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	23,560	23,430	23,340	130	220
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	23,570	23,550	23,370	20	200
Total private	17,670	17,590	17,680	80	-10
Mining, logging, and construction	1,440	1,430	1,410	10	30
Mining and logging	350	350	330	0	20
Construction	1,090	1,080	1,080	10	10
Manufacturing	1,440	1,460	1,510	-20	-70
Wood product manufacturing	750	760	750	-10	0
Food manufacturing	230	240	300	-10	-70
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,310	4,270	4,400	40	-90
Wholesale trade	480	480	440	0	40
Retail trade	2,960	2,940	3,030	20	-70
Food and beverage retailers	850	850	880	0	-30
General merchandise retailers	730	710	740	20	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	870	850	930	20	-60
Information	140	140	150	0	-10
Financial activities	880	880	880	0	0
Professional and business services	2,520	2,510	2,470	10	50
Private education and health services	3,300	3,290	3,260	10	40
Leisure and hospitality	3,080	3,060	3,040	20	40
Other services	560	550	560	10	0
Government	5,890	5,840	5,660	50	230
Federal government	330	320	310	10	20
State government	450	440	430	10	20
Local government	5,110	5,080	4,920	30	190
Indian tribal	880	880	830	0	50
Local education	1,740	1,740	1,750	0	-10
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,490	2,460	2,340	30	150

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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Curry County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	March 2024	February 2024	March 2023	February 2024	March 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	9,054	9,060	9,025	-6	29
Unemployed	524	574	434	-50	90
Unemployment rate	5.8%	6.3%	4.8%	-0.5	1.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.1%	4.9%	5.6%	0.2	-0.5
Employed	8,530	8,486	8,591	44	-61
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,520	6,520	6,710	0	-190
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,660	6,710	6,860	-50	-200
Total private	5,290	5,280	5,440	10	-150
Mining, logging, and construction	470	460	520	10	-50
Mining and logging	110	110	100	0	10
Construction	360	350	420	10	-60
Manufacturing	650	660	640	-10	10
Wood product manufacturing	530	540	500	-10	30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,250	1,260	1,350	-10	-100
Retail trade	970	980	1,090	-10	-120
Information	50	50	50	0	0
Financial activities	310	320	330	-10	-20
Professional and business services	330	330	320	0	10
Private education and health services	860	860	830	0	30
Health care	600	600	570	0	30
Leisure and hospitality	1,180	1,150	1,220	30	-40
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	40	40	40	0	0
Accommodation and food services	1,140	1,110	1,180	30	-40
Other services	190	190	180	0	10
Government	1,230	1,240	1,270	-10	-40
Federal government	100	100	90	0	10
State government	140	140	130	0	10
Local government	990	1,000	1,050	-10	-60
Local education	350	360	360	-10	-10
Local government excluding educational services	640	640	690	0	-50

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