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Employment in South Coast: October 2024 South Coast Employment Mixed Over the Year as Coos County Sees Gains

Coos County total payroll employment rose by 260 jobs in October. Industries with estimated job losses in October were leisure and hospitality (-70), and food manufacturing (-20). Local government added 310 jobs over the month with an increase in local government education (+300) and a slight bump in local government excluding education and tribal (+10).

Since October 2023, Coos County has gained 470 payroll jobs, an increase of 2.0%. Employment gains occurred in other services (+100); leisure and hospitality (+70); professional and business services (+80); manufacturing (+80); and private education and health services (+60). The largest job loss occurred in retail trade, down by 100 jobs. Other industries with job losses included wholesale trade (-40), and mining and logging (-30). Government employment rose by 230 jobs over the year, with local government (+220) and state government (+10) accounting for the gain.

Curry County payroll employment fell by 120 jobs in October. Leisure and hospitality lost 70 jobs while trade, transportation, and utilities employment slipped by 30. Both state and federal government lost 10 jobs over the month.

Over the past year, Curry County lost 100 payroll employment jobs. Industries showing job declines since October 2023 included retail trade (-70), financial activities (-50), and private education and health services (-30). Leisure and hospitality (+50), and professional and business services (+30) added jobs since October 2023. Government employment rose by 40, with the increase occurring in local government excluding educational services.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the November county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Dec. 24th, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for November on Wednesday, Dec. 18th.

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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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Coos County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

				Change From	
	October	September	October	September	October
	2024	2024	2023	2024	2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	27,014	26,861	26,668	153	346
Unemployed	1,203	1,224	1,108	-21	95
Unemployment rate	4.5%	4.6%	4.2%	-0.1	0.3
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	4.8%	4.7%	4.6%	0.1	0.2
Employed	25,811	25,637	25,560	174	251
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	23,670	23,410	23,200	260	470
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	23,570	23,410	23,100	160	470
Total private	17,750	17,800	17,510	-50	240
Mining, logging, and construction	1,500	1,490	1,520	10	-20
Mining and logging	330	330	360	0	-30
Construction	1,170	1,160	1,160	10	10
Manufacturing	1,510	1,500	1,430	10	80
Wood product manufacturing	750	740	710	10	40
Food manufacturing	260	280	260	-20	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,130	4,130	4,290	0	-160
Wholesale trade	420	420	460	0	-40
Retail trade	2,880	2,880	2,980	0	-100
Food and beverage retailers	810	810	860	0	-50
General merchandise retailers	710	720	720	-10	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	830	830	850	0	-20
Information	140	140	140	0	0
Financial activities	880	890	850	-10	30
Professional and business services	2,390	2,390	2,310	0	80
Private education and health services	3,370	3,360	3,310	10	60
Leisure and hospitality	3,170	3,240	3,100	-70	70
Other services	660	660	560	0	100
Government	5,920	5,610	5,690	310	230
Federal government	310	310	310	0	0
State government	460	460	450	0	10
Local government	5,150	4,840	4,930	310	220
Indian tribal	900	900	870	0	30
Local education	1,730	1,430	1,690	300	40
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,520	2,510	2,370	10	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

				Change From	
	October 2024	September 2024	October 2023	September 2024	October 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	8,967	9,095	8,942	-128	25
Unemployed	408	418	369	-10	39
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.6%	4.1%	0.0	0.5
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	5.3%	5.3%	4.9%	0.0	0.4
Employed	8,559	8,677	8,573	-118	-14
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,700	6,820	6,800	-120	-100
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	6,630	6,590	6,720	40	-90
Total private	5,350	5,450	5,490	-100	-140
Mining, logging, and construction	490	490	500	0	-10
Mining and logging	100	100	110	0	-10
Construction	390	390	390	0	0
Manufacturing	650	660	640	-10	10
Wood product manufacturing	540	540	510	0	30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,160	1,190	1,310	-30	-150
Retail trade	950	960	1,020	-10	-70
Information	50	40	50	10	0
Financial activities	310	310	360	0	-50
Professional and business services	370	370	340	0	30
Private education and health services	820	820	850	0	-30
Health care	580	570	580	10	0
Leisure and hospitality	1,300	1,370	1,250	-70	50
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	40	40	30	0	10
Accommodation and food services	1,260	1,330	1,220	-70	40
Other services	200	200	190	0	10
Government	1,350	1,370	1,310	-20	40
Federal government	100	110	100	-10	0
State government	140	150	150	-10	-10
Local government	1,110	1,110	1,060	0	50
Local education	360	360	370	0	-10
Local government excluding educational services	750	750	690	0	60

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