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## **Employment in Clatsop County: November 2021**

### **Employment rose by 40 more than expected in November**

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 40 in November to 18,580 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A loss of 280 jobs was expected for the month, but the county shed only 240 jobs. The private sector lost 260 jobs, and total government employment was up by 20. Leisure and hospitality and food manufacturing (which includes seafood processing) each dropped 130 jobs. Professional and business services cut 40 jobs. Transportation, warehousing, and utilities (which includes delivery services) added 40 jobs before the holidays. Local government added 40 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

November's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 260 jobs, an increase of 1.4%. The county lost 4,160 jobs in April 2020 as the pandemic hit, and it remains 790 jobs below the pre-pandemic level of November 2019. Some major industries gained jobs over the past year but others have plateaued or shed a few. Leisure and hospitality added back 100 jobs. Retail trade regained 70 jobs. On the other hand, food manufacturing and financial activities each cut 60 jobs. Local government education added back 110 jobs over the year.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.8% in November. It was essentially unchanged from 5.1% in October. The rate was 7.1% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 4.2% in November, and the national rate was 4.2%.

Clatsop County's unadjusted unemployment rate was even lower (3.8%) in November. Every county in Oregon had an unadjusted unemployment rate under 5% in November and three-fourths of the counties had rates that were under 4%. The only comparable period in the last 20 years with such low unemployment rates across the state was in the fall of 2019.

### **Next News Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Jan. 25, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Wednesday, Jan. 19.

## Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	November 2021	October 2021	November 2020	October 2021	November 2020
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	19,432	19,765	19,211	-333	221
Unemployed	737	735	1,292	2	-555
Unemployment rate	3.8%	3.7%	6.7%	0.1	-2.9
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.8%	5.1%	7.1%	-0.3	-2.3
Employed	18,695	19,030	17,919	-335	776
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	18,250	18,490	17,990	-240	260
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	18,580	18,540	18,320	40	260
Total private	15,580	15,840	15,390	-260	190
Mining, logging, and construction	1,220	1,240	1,230	-20	-10
Mining and logging	140	140	160	0	-20
Construction	1,080	1,100	1,070	-20	10
Manufacturing	1,650	1,770	1,690	-120	-40
Durable goods	430	420	410	10	20
Wood product manufacturing	260	260	260	0	0
Nondurable goods	1,220	1,350	1,280	-130	-60
Food manufacturing	470	600	530	-130	-60
Paper manufacturing	670	660	680	10	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,700	3,640	3,590	60	110
Wholesale trade	190	190	190	0	0
Retail trade	3,170	3,150	3,100	20	70
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	340	300	300	40	40
Information	140	140	130	0	10
Financial activities	680	690	740	-10	-60
Professional and business services	840	880	810	-40	30
Education and health services	2,480	2,490	2,470	-10	10
Leisure and hospitality	4,310	4,440	4,210	-130	100
Accommodation and food services	4,030	4,170	3,950	-140	80
Accommodation	1,360	1,410	1,330	-50	30
Food services and drinking places	2,670	2,760	2,620	-90	50
Other services	560	550	520	10	40
Government	2,670	2,650	2,600	20	70
Federal government	180	180	220	0	-40
State government	310	330	330	-20	-20
Local government	2,180	2,140	2,050	40	130
Local education	1,110	1,090	1,000	20	110
Local government excluding educational services	1,070	1,050	1,050	20	20

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.

**Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)**

	<u>November 2021</u>	<u>October 2021</u>	<u>November 2020</u>
United States	4.2	4.6	6.7
State of Oregon	4.2	4.4	6.6
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.7	4.9	6.7
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	4.6	4.9	6.2
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.2	3.4	4.9
Eugene (Lane County)	4.6	4.9	6.6
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	5.3	5.5	6.8
Medford (Jackson County)	4.6	4.8	6.5
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.1	4.4	7.2
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.1	4.4	5.9
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	4.4	4.7	6.5
Benton	3.2	3.4	4.9
Clackamas	3.8	4.1	6.4
Clatsop	4.8	5.1	7.1
Columbia	4.8	5.0	7.1
Coos	5.3	5.6	7.1
Crook	5.9	6.2	7.8
Curry	5.8	6.1	7.0
Deschutes	4.6	4.9	6.2
Douglas	5.1	5.3	6.5
Gilliam	4.2	4.5	5.6
Grant	6.2	6.4	7.7
Harney	4.8	4.9	5.6
Hood River	3.9	4.2	5.2
Jackson	4.6	4.8	6.5
Jefferson	5.6	5.8	7.4
Josephine	5.3	5.5	6.8
Klamath	6.0	6.3	7.5
Lake	5.0	5.2	5.4
Lane	4.6	4.9	6.6
Lincoln	5.7	6.1	8.0
Linn	4.7	4.9	6.7
Malheur	3.8	3.9	4.8
Marion	4.2	4.4	6.1
Morrow	4.0	4.2	4.8
Multnomah	4.4	4.7	7.7
Polk	4.0	4.2	5.7
Sherman	3.8	3.9	4.8
Tillamook	4.5	4.8	6.5
Umatilla	4.5	4.7	5.7
Union	4.7	5.0	6.2
Wallowa	5.1	5.3	6.1
Wasco	4.7	5.0	6.0
Washington	3.5	3.7	5.8
Wheeler	2.8	2.8	4.5
Yamhill	3.8	4.1	5.8

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

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.

The department also makes the BLS-produced nonfarm payroll employment series for metropolitan areas available. These are revised annually by BLS.

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