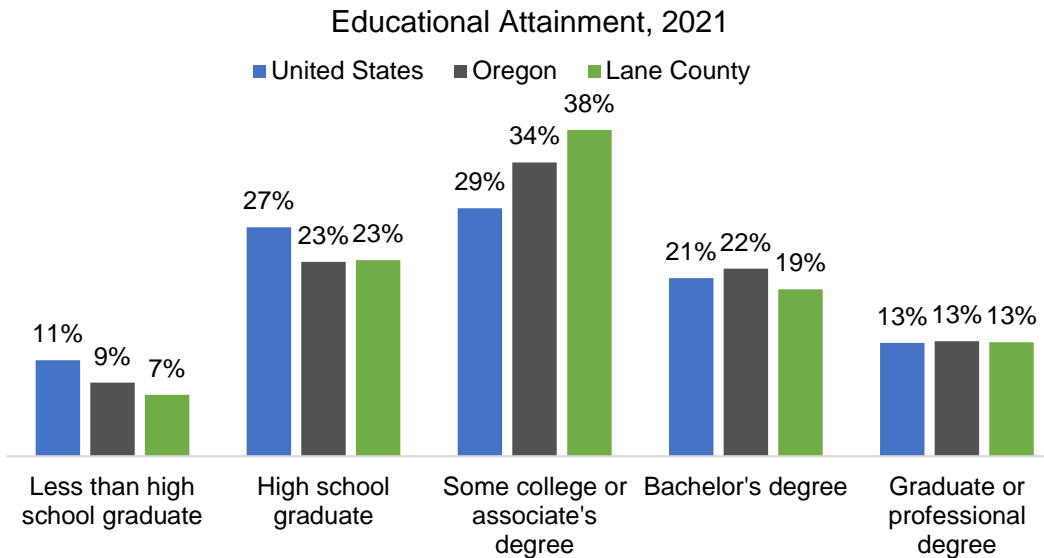


# LANE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

## September 2023

**Graph of the Month:** It's back to school time, a good opportunity to catch up on education data. In 2021, more of the Lane County population had graduated high school than the U.S. population. However, there was a slightly lower percentage with a bachelor's or higher than in the state and nation.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey

### Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes August 2022 to August 2023

**Private Education and Health Services:** 1,300 (+5%)  
**Professional and Business Services:** 600 (+4%)  
**All Industries:** 1,000 (+1%)

**Manufacturing:** -300 (-2%)  
**Financial Activities:** -200 (-2%)

**Employment change from February 2020 (seasonally adjusted):**  
 -4,300 (-3%)

Source: [Oregon Employment Department Current Employment Estimates](#)

### News and Articles

Quality Info: [Oregon Ties for Third Nationally in Share of Same-Sex Couple Households](#) in 2021 by *Shaun Barrick*

QualityInfo: [Oregon's Labor Leverage Ratio Shows a Slightly Looser Labor Market](#) by *Henry Fields*

Oregon Office of Economic Analysis Blog: [2022 Migration: Who Left?](#)

### Latest Lane County Economic Data

Unemployment rate: [3.8%](#)  
 (seasonally adjusted)

Change from previous year: [-1.0 pct. points](#)

Business highlights: [new openings, closings & hiring events](#)

- **New Firm:** Katlin's House, a detox facility dedicated to helping youth recover from their addictions, opened in Springfield.
- **New Construction:** The Ponds on Alexander, a 186-unit apartment housing development, will open in Eugene next year.
- **Closure:** The Country Inn Event Center in Eugene will close.
- **Closure:** PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center University District, a hospital in Eugene, will close.

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