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Employment in Clatsop County: February 2023

Seasonally adjusted employment up by 10 in February

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 10 in February to 18,940 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 120 jobs was expected for the month, but the county added 130 jobs. The private sector grew by 90 jobs, and total government employment rose by 40. The leisure and hospitality industry added 80 jobs. Private education and health services rose by 30. On the other hand, professional and business services shed 30 jobs. Local government education added 40 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

February's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 310 jobs, an increase of 1.7%. The county lost 4,820 jobs in April 2020 as the pandemic hit, and it remains 320 jobs below the pre-pandemic level of February 2019. Some major industries gained jobs over the past year but others have plateaued or shed a few. Leisure and hospitality added 160 jobs over the previous year. Food manufacturing was up 130 jobs. Other services gained 40 jobs. Professional and business services lost 40 jobs over the year.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.6% in February. It was essentially unchanged from 4.7% in January. The rate was 4.3% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 4.7% in February, and the national rate was 3.6%.

Next News Releases

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

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	February 2023	January 2023	February 2022	January 2023	February 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	18,993	18,988	19,186	5	-193
Unemployed	927	1,048	823	-121	104
Unemployment rate	4.9%	5.5%	4.3%	-0.6	0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.6%	4.7%	4.3%	-0.1	0.3
Employed	18,066	17,940	18,363	126	-297
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	18,280	18,150	17,970	130	310
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>18,940</i>	<i>18,930</i>	<i>18,610</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>330</i>
Total private	15,660	15,570	15,340	90	320
Mining, logging, and construction	1,140	1,120	1,130	20	10
Mining and logging	120	120	130	0	-10
Construction	1,020	1,000	1,000	20	20
Manufacturing	1,760	1,770	1,600	-10	160
Durable goods	430	450	410	-20	20
Wood product manufacturing	240	250	250	-10	-10
Nondurable goods	1,330	1,320	1,190	10	140
Food manufacturing	560	540	430	20	130
Paper manufacturing	690	700	690	-10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,510	3,520	3,500	-10	10
Wholesale trade	190	190	180	0	10
Retail trade	3,020	3,020	3,000	0	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	300	310	320	-10	-20
Information	160	150	140	10	20
Financial activities	690	690	710	0	-20
Professional and business services	800	830	840	-30	-40
Private education and health services	2,420	2,390	2,440	30	-20
Leisure and hospitality	4,590	4,510	4,430	80	160
Accommodation and food services	4,370	4,240	4,170	130	200
Accommodation	1,470	1,460	1,340	10	130
Food services and drinking places	2,900	2,780	2,830	120	70
Other services	590	590	550	0	40
Government	2,620	2,580	2,630	40	-10
Federal government	170	180	170	-10	0
State government	320	320	320	0	0
Local government	2,130	2,080	2,140	50	-10
Local education	1,080	1,040	1,100	40	-20
Local government excluding educational services	1,050	1,040	1,040	10	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: 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>February 2023</u>	<u>January 2023</u>	<u>February 2022</u>
United States	3.6	3.4	3.8
State of Oregon	4.7	4.8	3.7
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.9	4.9	4.4
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	4.4	4.4	3.8
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.7	3.7	3.0
Eugene (Lane County)	5.0	4.9	4.3
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	6.2	6.3	5.0
Medford (Jackson County)	5.2	5.1	4.4
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.2	4.1	3.9
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.6	4.6	4.0
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.1	5.0	4.2
Benton	3.7	3.7	3.0
Clackamas	4.0	3.9	3.7
Clatsop	4.6	4.7	4.3
Columbia	5.1	5.1	4.6
Coos	5.8	5.8	5.0
Crook	6.2	6.1	5.4
Curry	6.1	6.1	5.6
Deschutes	4.4	4.4	3.8
Douglas	5.9	5.8	4.9
Gilliam	3.9	4.0	3.5
Grant	6.5	6.7	5.6
Harney	5.4	5.5	4.5
Hood River	3.7	3.7	3.3
Jackson	5.2	5.1	4.4
Jefferson	5.8	5.9	5.2
Josephine	6.2	6.3	5.0
Klamath	6.6	6.5	5.7
Lake	6.1	6.1	5.1
Lane	5.0	4.9	4.3
Lincoln	5.8	5.8	5.4
Linn	4.9	4.9	4.4
Malheur	4.7	4.7	3.6
Marion	4.5	4.5	4.0
Morrow	4.3	4.3	3.6
Multnomah	4.2	4.2	4.2
Polk	4.5	4.4	3.8
Sherman	3.6	3.5	3.6
Tillamook	4.7	4.7	4.2
Umatilla	5.3	5.1	4.1
Union	5.0	5.0	4.2
Wallowa	5.8	5.6	4.9
Wasco	4.4	4.3	4.2
Washington	3.6	3.6	3.3
Wheeler	3.2	3.2	3.1
Yamhill	4.1	4.0	3.7

(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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