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Employment in Clatsop County: August 2023

Seasonally adjusted employment down by 40 in August

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment decreased by 40 in August to 18,870 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 90 jobs was expected for the month, but the county only added 50 jobs. The private sector was unchanged, and total government employment increased by 50. Food manufacturing added 20 jobs. Accommodation, a component of leisure and hospitality, lost 30 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

August's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 40 jobs, an increase of 0.2%. The county lost 4,140 jobs in March 2020 as the pandemic hit, and was 390 jobs below the pre-pandemic level of August 2019. Some major industries gained jobs over the past year but others have plateaued or shed a few. Private education and health services was up 120 jobs. Professional and business services was up 100 jobs. Manufacturing dropped 190 jobs. Local education was down 60 jobs.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.6% in August. It was essentially unchanged from 3.6% in July. The rate was 4.6% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 3.4% in August, and the national rate was 3.8%.

Next News Releases

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

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	August 2023	July 2023	August 2022	July 2023	August 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	19,839	19,781	20,442	58	-603
Unemployed	719	710	941	9	-222
Unemployment rate	3.6%	3.6%	4.6%	0.0	-1.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.6%	3.6%	4.6%	0.0	-1.0
Employed	19,120	19,071	19,501	49	-381
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	19,710	19,660	19,670	50	40
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	18,870	18,910	18,830	-40	40
Total private	17,220	17,220	17,130	0	90
Mining and logging	90	90	130	0	-40
Mining, logging, and construction	1,180	1,170	1,210	10	-30
Construction	1,090	1,080	1,080	10	10
Manufacturing	1,820	1,810	2,010	10	-190
Durable goods	410	410	420	0	-10
Wood product manufacturing	250	260	260	-10	-10
Nondurable goods	1,410	1,400	1,590	10	-180
Food manufacturing	640	620	790	20	-150
Paper manufacturing	700	700	720	0	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,670	3,670	3,640	0	30
Wholesale trade	190	200	190	-10	0
Retail trade	3,180	3,180	3,130	0	50
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	300	290	320	10	-20
Information	140	140	150	0	-10
Financial activities	740	740	740	0	0
Professional and business services	1,020	1,040	920	-20	100
Private education and health services	2,540	2,550	2,420	-10	120
Leisure and hospitality	5,430	5,440	5,430	-10	0
Accommodation and food services	5,050	5,060	5,080	-10	-30
Accommodation	1,620	1,650	1,690	-30	-70
Food services and drinking places	3,430	3,410	3,390	20	40
Other services	680	660	610	20	70
Government	2,490	2,440	2,540	50	-50
Federal government	180	180	190	0	-10
State government	340	340	350	0	-10
Local government	1,970	1,920	2,000	50	-30
Local education	870	830	930	40	-60
Local government excluding educational services	1,100	1,090	1,070	10	30

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>August 2023</u>	<u>July 2023</u>	<u>August 2022</u>
United States	3.8	3.5	3.7
State of Oregon	3.4	3.4	4.3
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	3.8	3.9	4.7
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	3.7	3.7	4.3
Corvallis (Benton County)	2.7	2.7	3.7
Eugene (Lane County)	3.8	3.9	4.8
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	4.7	4.7	5.9
Medford (Jackson County)	4.1	4.3	4.9
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	3.3	3.3	4.1
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	3.5	3.5	4.5
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	4.1	4.1	5.1
Benton	2.7	2.7	3.7
Clackamas	3.2	3.2	4.0
Clatsop	3.6	3.6	4.6
Columbia	4.1	4.1	4.9
Coos	4.3	4.4	5.6
Crook	5.4	5.3	5.8
Curry	4.3	4.4	5.8
Deschutes	3.7	3.7	4.3
Douglas	4.5	4.6	5.5
Gilliam	4.0	3.8	4.0
Grant	5.0	5.1	6.6
Harney	3.9	3.9	5.3
Hood River	2.7	2.7	3.9
Jackson	4.1	4.3	4.9
Jefferson	4.5	4.5	5.9
Josephine	4.7	4.7	5.9
Klamath	5.2	5.4	6.2
Lake	4.7	4.8	5.8
Lane	3.8	3.9	4.8
Lincoln	4.1	4.2	5.5
Linn	3.8	3.9	4.7
Malheur	3.6	3.7	4.7
Marion	3.5	3.6	4.5
Morrow	3.3	3.3	4.4
Multnomah	3.3	3.3	4.0
Polk	3.5	3.6	4.4
Sherman	3.8	3.7	3.4
Tillamook	3.7	3.7	4.7
Umatilla	3.9	4.0	5.0
Union	3.8	3.9	5.0
Wallowa	4.5	4.7	5.8
Wasco	3.7	3.8	4.4
Washington	3.0	3.0	3.6
Wheeler	3.0	3.0	3.4
Yamhill	3.2	3.3	4.0

(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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