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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas County Employment Decreases 160 in February

Douglas County payroll employment decreased a seasonally adjusted 160 jobs in February after a loss of 100 in January and a gain of 160 in December. Douglas County has gained back 80% of the jobs lost in March and April 2020 at the onset of the COVID-19 crisis.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in February, there were gains in leisure and hospitality (50) and construction (20). There were losses in professional and business services (-40); retail trade (-30); and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (-20).

Government gained 80 jobs from gains of 50 in local government and 30 in federal government.

When comparing February 2023 with February 2022, total nonfarm employment increased by 40 jobs, or 0.1%. Private-sector over-the-year gains were seen in private education and health services (220) and wholesale trade (30). There were relatively large losses in professional and business services (-290), leisure and hospitality (-100), and financial activities (-40).

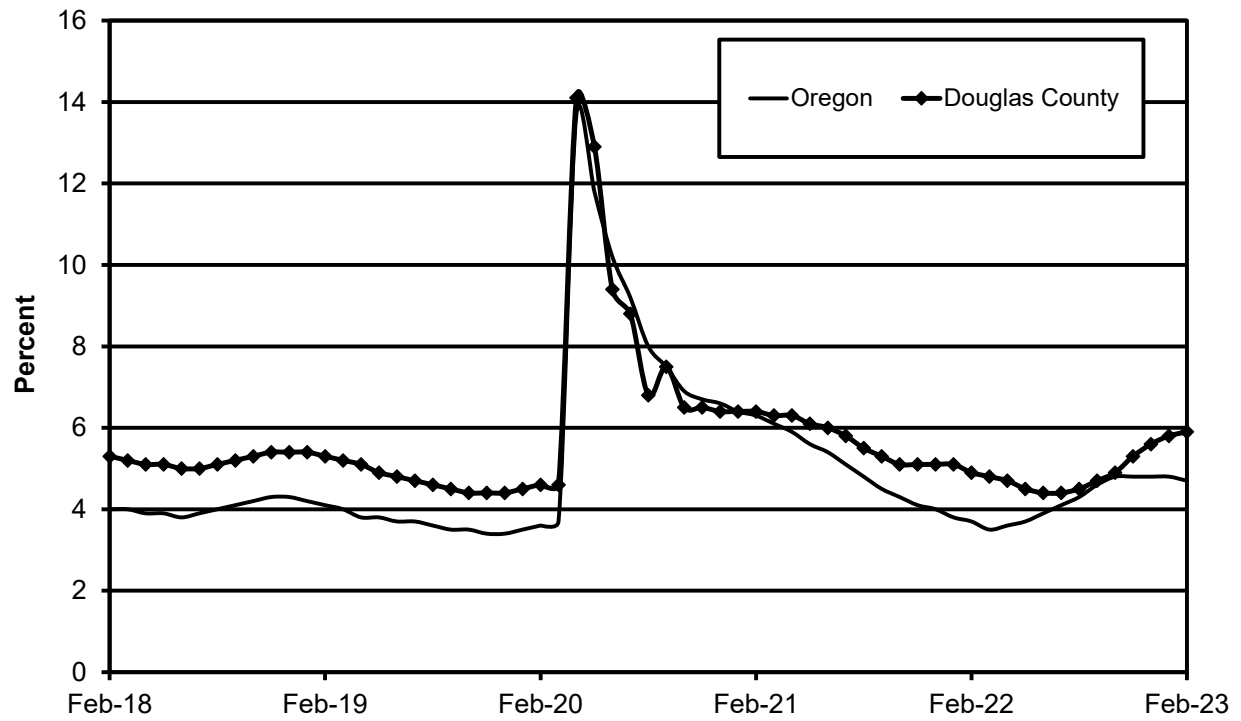
Government gained 210 jobs over the year from a gain of 230 jobs in local government that was countered by a loss of 20 in federal government.

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was essentially unchanged at 5.9% in February compared with a revised 5.8% in January. The rate is up from 4.9% in February 2022. Douglas County's record low unemployment rate was set in October 2019 and again in June 2022 at 4.4%. The Oregon seasonally adjusted February rate was 4.7% and the U.S. rate was 3.6%.

Next Press Releases

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

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Douglas 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	46,913	47,207	47,864	-294	-951
Unemployed	2,864	3,087	2,357	-223	507
Unemployment rate	6.1%	6.5%	4.9%	-0.4	1.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.9%	5.8%	4.9%	0.1	1.0
Employed	44,049	44,120	45,507	-71	-1,458
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,180	38,130	38,120	50	60
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	38,500	38,660	38,460	-160	40
Total private	30,640	30,670	30,790	-30	-150
Mining, logging, and construction	2,670	2,650	2,720	20	-50
Mining and logging	950	950	980	0	-30
Construction	1,720	1,700	1,740	20	-20
Manufacturing	4,670	4,670	4,670	0	0
Durable goods	4,180	4,180	4,190	0	-10
Wood product manufacturing	2,750	2,760	2,780	-10	-30
Nondurable goods	490	490	480	0	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,360	7,410	7,370	-50	-10
Wholesale trade	1,030	1,030	1,000	0	30
Retail trade	4,860	4,890	4,890	-30	-30
Food and beverage retailers	1,160	1,160	1,090	0	70
General merchandise retailers	1,150	1,190	1,120	-40	30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,470	1,490	1,480	-20	-10
Information	280	290	290	-10	-10
Financial activities	1,330	1,320	1,370	10	-40
Professional and business services	3,050	3,090	3,340	-40	-290
Private education and health services	6,510	6,520	6,290	-10	220
Leisure and hospitality	3,410	3,360	3,510	50	-100
Food services and drinking places	2,690	2,680	2,820	10	-130
Other services	1,360	1,360	1,230	0	130
Government	7,540	7,460	7,330	80	210
Federal government	1,370	1,340	1,390	30	-20
State government	710	710	710	0	0
Local government	5,460	5,410	5,230	50	230
Indian tribal	1,100	1,090	990	10	110
Local education	2,850	2,820	2,820	30	30
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,510	1,500	1,420	10	90

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 period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.

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.

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