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## **Employment in South Coast: February 2023 Local Education Job Gains Boost Employment Total**

Coos County total payroll employment rose by 270 jobs in February. Most of the increase was due to a seasonally typical gain of 250 jobs in local government education. Other industries adding jobs were professional and business services (+40) and leisure and hospitality (+30). A few industries posted small declines including retail trade (-20) and food manufacturing (-20).

Coos County payroll employment rose by 350 jobs over the past year. Gains were posted in professional and business services (+100); transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+50); and leisure and hospitality (+40). Industries with estimated job losses over the year were construction (-90), retail trade (-30), other services (-20), and mining and logging (-20). Government employment climbed by 260 jobs with gains in local government excluding education and tribal (+150) and Indian tribal (+90).

Curry County payroll employment gained 60 jobs in February. Construction had the largest increase, up by 20 jobs. Small gains in service-related industries accounted for the other jobs added.

Over the past year, Curry County payroll employment was unchanged. Losses were estimated in leisure and hospitality (-70), financial activities (-30), and manufacturing (-20). A few industries added jobs since February 2022 including other services (+40), retail trade (+30), and health care (+30).

### **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 25<sup>th</sup>, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for March on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

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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## Coos County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	February 2023	January 2023	February 2022	January 2023	February 2022
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	26,363	26,470	26,627	-107	-264
Unemployed	1,456	1,648	1,274	-192	182
Unemployment rate	5.5%	6.2%	4.8%	-0.7	0.7
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.8%	5.8%	5.0%	0.0	0.8
Employed	24,907	24,822	25,353	85	-446
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	22,740	22,470	22,390	270	350
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	22,940	22,970	22,570	-30	370
Total private	17,040	17,020	16,960	20	80
Mining, logging, and construction	1,320	1,320	1,430	0	-110
Mining and logging	370	370	390	0	-20
Construction	950	950	1,040	0	-90
Manufacturing	1,550	1,560	1,520	-10	30
Wood product manufacturing	810	810	780	0	30
Food manufacturing	270	290	270	-20	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,350	4,380	4,330	-30	20
Wholesale trade	440	440	440	0	0
Retail trade	3,010	3,030	3,040	-20	-30
Food and beverage retailers	900	900	900	0	0
General merchandise retailers	760	770	750	-10	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	900	910	850	-10	50
Information	140	140	150	0	-10
Financial activities	820	830	830	-10	-10
Professional and business services	2,320	2,280	2,220	40	100
Private education and health services	3,170	3,170	3,130	0	40
Leisure and hospitality	2,790	2,760	2,750	30	40
Other services	580	580	600	0	-20
Government	5,700	5,450	5,430	250	270
Federal government	310	310	300	0	10
State government	410	420	410	-10	0
Local government	4,980	4,720	4,720	260	260
Indian tribal	810	810	720	0	90
Local education	1,780	1,530	1,760	250	20
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,390	2,380	2,240	10	150

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.



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### Curry County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	February 2023	January 2023	February 2022	January 2023	February 2022
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	8,848	8,934	9,147	-86	-299
Unemployed	545	665	493	-120	52
Unemployment rate	6.2%	7.4%	5.4%	-1.2	0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.1%	6.1%	5.6%	0.0	0.5
Employed	8,303	8,269	8,654	34	-351
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	6,560	6,500	6,560	60	0
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,770	6,770	6,770	0	0
Total private	5,330	5,270	5,360	60	-30
Mining, logging, and construction	540	520	530	20	10
Mining and logging	110	110	110	0	0
Construction	430	410	420	20	10
Manufacturing	640	640	660	0	-20
Wood product manufacturing	510	510	530	0	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,370	1,370	1,340	0	30
Retail trade	1,100	1,100	1,070	0	30
Information	50	50	40	0	10
Financial activities	310	310	340	0	-30
Professional and business services	320	310	320	10	0
Private education and health services	820	810	820	10	0
Health care	570	560	540	10	30
Leisure and hospitality	1,050	1,040	1,120	10	-70
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	30	30	30	0	0
Accommodation and food services	1,020	1,010	1,090	10	-70
Other services	230	220	190	10	40
Government	1,230	1,230	1,200	0	30
Federal government	90	90	90	0	0
State government	120	120	110	0	10
Local government	1,020	1,020	1,000	0	20
Local education	360	360	360	0	0
Local government excluding educational services	660	660	640	0	20

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