



# Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

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For the week ending November 7, 2008

## OREGON COAST

- The sluggish economy and subsequent drop in demand for wood products has forced **South Coast Lumber Co.** to reduce its **Brookings** operations. *Curry Coastal Pilot, 11-3-08*
- The **Samaritan Toledo Clinic** has undergone an expansion project and added a primary health care provider to its staff. *News Times, 10-22-08*
- **Georgia-Pacific** has laid off 30 people at its **Coos Bay** mill due to the housing slump. *KMTR.com, 11-3-08*

## SOUTHERN OREGON

- **The Lighthouse Center Oregon**, a nonprofit meditation retreat and organic farm in **Umpqua**, will open the **Lighthouse Center Bakery & Café** in January. *The News-Review, 10-26-08*
- **Best Auto Service Center** has opened in **Grants Pass**. It services and repairs foreign and domestic autos. *Grants Pass Daily Courier, 10-27-08*
- **D.R. Johnson Lumber Co.** in **Riddle** has furloughed workers at its sawmill due to slow activity in the lumber market. *The News-Review, 10-19-08*

## CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **Fox Hollow Childcare Center** in **Bend** has closed due to low enrollment. *Bend Bulletin, 10-31-08*
- **One Street Down Café** has opened in **Redmond**. *Redmond Spokesman, 10-22-08*
- A **Wal-Mart** store planned for **The Dalles** will employ 300 to 400 people. About 75 percent will be full-time positions. *The Dalles Chronicle, 10-20-08*
- **Pronghorn Resort** in **Bend** has cut 40 jobs. It will also scale back some of its operations, including closing its family recreation building during most of winter. It will also close its downtown Bend sales office. *Bend Bulletin, 10-29-08*
- **O Mo Mo!**, a trendy teens clothing retailer, will open in the **Old Mill District** in **Bend**. *Bend Bulletin, 10-24-08*

## EASTERN OREGON

- **TK's Eats-N-Treats Mmm** hamburger stand has opened in **Pendleton**. *East Oregonian*, 11-2-08
- **Northwood Manufacturing**, one of Union County's largest private-sector employers, laid off 68 workers indefinitely due to poor market conditions. It makes travel trailers, fifth-wheels, and truck campers at its plant at in **La Grande**. *The Observer*, 10-29-08
- **Reclaim**, the first-of-its-kind tire recycling plant at the **Port of Morrow** in **Boardman**, is hiring workers and easing into production. It will eventually employ about 40 people and recycle 5.4 million tires a year. *East Oregonian*, 11-2-08

## PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Tektronix Inc.** has laid off another 150 employees at its **Washington County** headquarters, the latest in a series of job cuts that began a year ago when **Danaher Corp.** bought the company. *The Oregonian*, 11-4-08
- **Vidloop**, an Internet technology startup in **Portland**, has laid off nine of its 37 employees. *Portland Business Journal*, 11-4-08
- **Providence Bridgeport Health Center**, an 80,000-square-foot medical facility, will open in **Tigard**. It will offer family medicine, dermatology, sleep disorder treatment, rehabilitation services, and laboratory services. *Portland Business Journal*, 10-20-08
- **Qsent Inc.** in **Beaverton** is reducing its payroll from 60 people to fewer than 15. *Portland Business Journal*, 11-4-08
- **RS Medical** in **Vancouver**, a manufacturer and marketer of medical equipment, has laid off 80 people at its headquarters. Another 44 were cut from remote sales locations. *The Columbian*, 11-4-08

## WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **FedEx Ground** has opened a 50,000-square-foot warehouse in **Salem**. It will employ about 90 people. *Statesman Journal*, 10-29-08
- **Cafe Zenon**, a 27-year-old downtown **Eugene** landmark, has closed. It employed 44 people. *Register Guard*, 10-29-08
- **Yuppy Puppy Boutique** has opened in **Salem**. It offers matching T-shirts for pets and their owners, custom pet jewelry, fragrances, nail polish, and even dog wigs. *Statesman Journal*, 11-4-08
- **Thai Beer** restaurant has opened in **West Salem**. *Statesman Journal*, 11-5-08
- **Gibson Motor Company**, a Ford and Mercury dealer in **Junction City**, has closed. It sold Model T's when it first opened in 1921. *Register-Guard*, 11-6-08