



Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

For the week ending August 7, 2009

OREGON COAST

- The **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration** plans to move its **Marine Operations Center-Pacific** from Seattle to **Newport**. The Port of Newport will lease property and construct facilities for the center, which employs about 175 people. *News Times, 8-5-09*
- **Encore Dance Studio** opened in **Warrenton**. *Daily Astorian, 8-4-09*
- **Reedsport Natural Foods**, a combination market-café-bakery, has opened. *The World, 8-5-09*
- **Frills** has opened in **Seaside**. It offers gourmet cupcakes and all-natural frozen yogurt. *Coast River Business Journal, 8-1-09*
- **El Tejabancito de Oaxaca** taco stand opened in **Garibaldi**. It employs two people. *Headlight Herald, 7-29-09*
- **Larcin Realty Group** opened in **Seaside**. *Daily Astorian, 7-30-09*

SOUTHERN OREGON

- **Timothy Allen Olson Massage** opened in **Ashland**. *Daily Tidings, 8-1-09*
- **Yummies Cake & Ice Cream Parlor** opened in **Sutherlin**. *The News-Review, 7-26-09*

CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **Olive Garden** restaurant will open in **Bend** this winter. *Bend Bulletin, 8-2-09*
- **SoccerZone** in **Bend** is closing. *Bend Bulletin, 7-30-09*
- **Kohl's** department store will open in **Bend** early next year. *Bend Bulletin, 7-23-09*
- **Willows Childcare** in **Prineville** closed due to lack of enrollment. *Central Oregonian, 7-29-09*
- **Material Girl Fabrics** opened in **Redmond**. *Redmond Spokesman, 7-29-09*
- **Cooks 'n Counters Kitchen Supply** in **Redmond** will close by the end of the month. *Bend Bulletin, 8-4-09*

EASTERN OREGON

- **Drew Industries Inc.** of White Plains, N.Y., will open a recreational vehicle window and door manufacturing plant in **Pendleton** that will employ up to 80 people. It will operate as **Kinro Manufacturing Inc.** and begin operations on September 30. *East Oregonian, 8-4-09.*
- The **Wallowa-Whitman National Forest** will get approximately \$15 million of stimulus money through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Some of those funds will be used to pave a nine-mile stretch of the Elkhorn Drive Scenic Byway, creating an estimated 59 jobs, and some will be used for hazardous fuels reduction projects, creating about 60 jobs. *Baker City Herald, 7-15-09*

PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Zieman Manufacturing**, a maker of parts for recreational vehicles, will expand its **McMinnville** plant and add 35 jobs. *The Oregonian, 8-6-09*
- The **City of Portland's Bureau of Development Services** will shed about 150 of its 300 employees by October 1, due to stalled construction projects. *The Oregonian, 8-3-09*
- **SplashCast** in **Portland**, a tech start-up which developed high-quality video applications for use on social networking sites, is closing. As of December, it employed 11 people. *Portland Business Journal, 8-5-09*
- **Willamette Valley Limo** opened in **McMinnville**. It specializes in wine tours. *News-Register, 7-11-09*
- **Sinju Sushi**, a Japanese restaurant, opened at **Clackamas Town Center**. *Clackamas Review, 7-28-09*
- **Portland-based Northwest Natural Gas Co.** will cut its workforce by between 50 to 100 positions by the end of the year as it adjusts to slower customer growth. *Portland Business Journal, 8-4-09*

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **Stainthorp's Pianos and Musical Goods** in **Lebanon** is closing. *Lebanon Express, 7-28-09*
- **Thai Fusion** opened in **Salem**. It offers curry dishes, basil catfish, seafood, and other traditional Thai dishes. *Statesman Journal, 7-29-09*
- **Snow Miracle**, which sells frozen fruit-and-juice treats, opened in north **Eugene**. Its treats are made from fruits and juices that have been frozen to 25 degrees below zero and shaved to a fluffy consistency. *Register-Guard, 7-29-09*
- **Acupuncture Ecology** opened in **Corvallis**. It offers acupuncture, Chinese herbal formulas, qigong, and lifestyle consultation. *Corvallis Gazette-Times, 8-3-09*
- **St. Vincent de Paul** opened a thrift store in the former Michael's craft store in northeast **Salem**. *Statesman Journal, 7-25-09*