



Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

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OREGON COAST

- **Native American Technology Corporation (NATECH)** in **Coos Bay** was awarded an \$8-million contract from the Federal Aviation Administration to upgrade FAA infrastructure in multiple states. It plans to add seven to 10 workers. *Oregon Business, 12-09*
- **Lyster's Bait and Tackle** in **Barview** closed. *Headlight Herald, 12-9-09*
- The **Alsea Bay Market** in **Waldport** closed and is headed for a public auction along with the **Yachats Village Market** as part of a foreclosure proceeding. *South Lincoln County News, 12-9-09*
- The **Chetco River Inn** near **Brookings** closed. *Curry Coastal Pilot, 12-19-09*
- **Georgia-Pacific** will indefinitely shut down one of its older paper machines at the **Wauna Mill** near **Astoria**. It will affect 28 employees, but it isn't known whether any of them will be laid off. *Daily Astorian, 12-4-09*
- **Recycle Video Games** opened in **Tillamook**. It offers used video games and equipment. *Headlight Herald, 12-16-09*

SOUTHERN OREGON

- Eugene-based wood products firm **Murphy Co.** signed an agreement to purchase **Panel Products** plywood plant in **Rogue River**. Murphy may restart operations in January after completing some repairs. *Medford Mail Tribune, 12-10-09*
- **Calypso Nail Salon** opened in **Roseburg**. *The News-Review, 12-20-09*
- The **Hearts With a Mission House**, a shelter for at-risk youth ages 10 to 17, opened in **Medford**. *KDRV.com, 12-21-09*
- **Firehouse Dance Hall** opened in **Medford**. In addition to dance lessons and swing dance events, the space will be available to rent for other types of dances, parties, classes, and meetings. *Medford Mail Tribune, 11-21-09*

CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **10 Barrel Brewing** will build a brew pub in **Bend**. *Bend Bulletin, 12-19-09*
- **Long John Silver's** and **A&W** restaurants in **Klamath Falls** have closed for the winter months. *Herald and News, 12-13-09*

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EASTERN OREGON

- **Spic'y Creations** – a gift, coffee, and pastry shop – opened in **La Grande**. *The Observer*, 12-9-09
- After sitting empty for 10 years, the remodeled **Sundowner Motel** in **Hines** reopened. *Burns Times-Herald*, 12-9-09

PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Carlisle Interconnect Technologies** will close its **Vancouver** cable manufacturing plant by June. About 150 people will lose their jobs or be relocated to one of the company's three other U.S. facilities. Several of its high tech, aerospace, and military production programs will also go elsewhere. *The Columbian*, 12-17-09
- **Oregon Indoor Organics** opened in **Rainier**. It offers indoor growing equipment and supplies. *South County Spotlight*, 12-2-09
- **Wal-Mart** will build an 86,000-square-foot store at Hayden Meadows in **north Portland** that will employ about 300 people. A timetable has not been set for construction. The company also plans to expand its store on Southeast 82nd Avenue in order to accommodate a full grocery. It will hire roughly 100 new workers as a result. *Portland Business Journal*, 12-22-09
- **H & M**, a Swedish clothing chain, will open a store at **Pioneer Place** in **Portland** next year. *The Oregonian*, 12-19-09
- **Jimmy's Restaurant** will open in **Sandy**. It will offer American and international cuisine. *Sandy Post*, 12-15-09
- **Izzy's Restaurant** in **Newberg**, which closed last winter, has reopened. *Newberg Graphic*, 12-15-09
- **Eddie Bauer** will close 11 stores, including **The Metropolitan** store in **Portland's Pearl District**. *Portland Business Journal*, 12-22-09

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- The transportation equipment manufacturing industry in **Lane County**, which is dominated by RV manufacturers, has declined rapidly during the current recession, going from 4,500 workers in 2005 to a low of 900 in 2009. Experts expect a slow recovery, especially for high-end RVs costing a \$1 million or more. *Register-Guard*, 12-13-09
- **Alcyone Cafe and Catering** will open in **Salem**. It will offer sandwiches, soups, vegetarian dishes, and gluten-free menu options. *Statesman Journal*, 12-23-09
- **WG Development** will build a \$5-million, 15,000-square-foot family practice clinic for the **Oregon Medical Group** in the Santa Clara area of **Eugene**. Plans call for groundbreaking in 2010 and completion in the fall of 2011. The project had been put on hold for a year and a half due to poor local economic conditions. *Register-Guard*, 12-22-09