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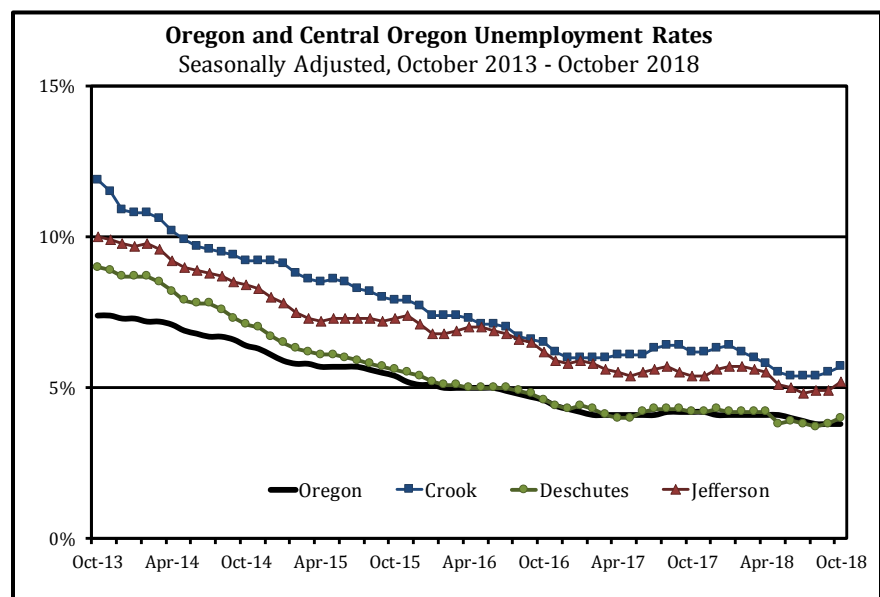
Employment in Central Oregon: October 2018

Unemployment levels ticked up slightly in October across Central Oregon and unemployment rates are largely unchanged over the past year for all three counties. Recent revisions using payroll tax records revealed that hiring was slower than initially estimated for much of Central Oregon. Although the region continues to add jobs, the pace of hiring slowed compared to the first half of 2018.

Crook County: The unemployment rate ticked up to 5.7 percent in October from 5.5 percent in September. The rate is down slightly from this time last year when it was 6.2 percent.

Crook County shed 60 jobs in October, fairly typical changes for this time of year.

Recent revisions from payroll tax records through the first half of 2018 confirmed that the employment situation is little changed over the past year. The county added 70 nonfarm jobs from last October, a growth of only 1.2 percent.



Deschutes County (Bend-Redmond MSA): The unemployment rate was 4.0 percent in October, a slight increase from 3.8 percent in September. The rate is largely unchanged from this time last year when it was 4.2 percent.

Deschutes County lost 390 jobs in October, typical losses for this time of year. Seasonal losses were concentrated in accommodation and food services, which shed 1,250 jobs from September.

Job growth continues at an elevated pace, however recent revisions revealed that the pace of growth was slower than initially estimated. The county added 3,720 jobs from this time last year (+4.5%). All major industry sectors added jobs over the past year with the largest gains in construction, health care, retail trade, and professional and business services. Public sector employment was also up significantly over the past year due to strong gains in local government education.

Jefferson County: The unemployment rate rose to 5.2 percent in October, a statistically significant increase from 4.9 percent in September. The rate is largely unchanged from 5.4 percent this time last year.

Jefferson County lost 80 jobs in October, typical changes for this time of year.

The county added 270 jobs in the past year (+4.2%). Recent revisions using payroll tax records revealed that hiring was stronger through the first half of 2018 than initially estimated. The strong job growth was primarily due to gains in manufacturing and professional and business services.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the November county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Thursday, December 27th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Tuesday, December 18th.



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Crook County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	October 2018	September 2018	October 2017	September 2018	October 2017
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	9,439	9,540	9,642	-101	-203
Unemployed	515	470	550	45	-35
Unemployment rate	5.5%	4.9%	5.7%	0.6	-0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.7%	5.5%	6.2%	0.2	-0.5
Employed	8,924	9,070	9,092	-146	-168
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	5,900	5,960	5,830	-60	70
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5,760	5,750	5,690	10	70
Total private	4,550	4,610	4,500	-60	50
Mining, logging, and construction	430	430	400	0	30
Mining and logging	70	70	60	0	10
Construction	360	360	340	0	20
Manufacturing	660	670	600	-10	60
Wood product manufacturing	390	390	390	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	970	960	1,180	10	-210
Wholesale trade	210	210	350	0	-140
Retail trade	570	570	570	0	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	190	180	260	10	-70
Information	190	180	170	10	20
Financial activities	210	210	190	0	20
Professional and business services	350	370	360	-20	-10
Education and health services	750	740	630	10	120
Leisure and hospitality	740	790	720	-50	20
Other services	250	260	250	-10	0
Government	1,350	1,350	1,330	0	20
Federal government	310	330	290	-20	20
State government	150	150	240	0	-90
Local government	890	870	800	20	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 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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Bend-Redmond MSA (Deschutes County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	October 2018	September 2018	October 2017	September 2018	October 2017
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	96,165	96,848	94,665	-683	1,500
Unemployed	3,753	3,408	3,792	345	-39
Unemployment rate	3.9%	3.5%	4.0%	0.4	-0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.0%	3.8%	4.2%	0.2	-0.2
Employed	92,412	93,440	90,873	-1,028	1,539
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	86,680	87,070	82,960	-390	3,720
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	86,050	86,060	82,640	-10	3,410
Total private	76,220	77,130	72,820	-910	3,400
Mining, logging, and construction	7,570	7,470	7,040	100	530
Manufacturing	5,750	5,820	5,560	-70	190
Durable goods	3,500	3,500	3,540	0	-40
Trade, transportation, and utilities	16,320	16,050	15,500	270	820
Wholesale trade	2,060	2,050	1,980	10	80
Retail trade	11,990	11,770	11,510	220	480
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,270	2,230	2,010	40	260
Information	1,880	1,870	1,780	10	100
Financial activities	5,090	5,110	4,850	-20	240
Professional and business services	10,450	10,520	10,160	-70	290
Education and health services	13,780	13,620	12,980	160	800
Leisure and hospitality	12,320	13,640	12,100	-1,320	220
Accommodation and food services	10,570	11,820	10,280	-1,250	290
Other services	3,060	3,030	2,850	30	210
Government	10,460	9,940	10,140	520	320
Federal government	990	1,030	950	-40	40
State government	880	870	1,170	10	-290
Local government	8,590	8,040	8,020	550	570
Local education	5,150	4,620	4,810	530	340

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Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Official Oregon Series. 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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Jefferson County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	October 2018	September 2018	October 2017	September 2018	October 2017
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	10,208	10,368	10,094	-160	114
Unemployed	497	456	481	41	16
Unemployment rate	4.9%	4.4%	4.8%	0.5	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.2%	4.9%	5.4%	0.3	-0.2
Employed	9,711	9,912	9,613	-201	98
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,670	6,750	6,400	-80	270
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,610	6,610	6,340	0	270
Total private	4,250	4,310	3,940	-60	310
Mining, logging, and construction	150	150	140	0	10
Mining and logging	20	20	20	0	0
Construction	130	130	120	0	10
Manufacturing	1,210	1,190	1,130	20	80
Wood product manufacturing	840	820	750	20	90
Trade, transportation, and utilities	920	940	910	-20	10
Wholesale trade	210	210	190	0	20
Retail trade	590	600	600	-10	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	120	130	120	-10	0
Information	30	30	30	0	0
Financial activities	130	130	130	0	0
Professional and business services	290	310	200	-20	90
Education and health services	670	660	590	10	80
Leisure and hospitality	650	700	610	-50	40
Other services	200	200	200	0	0
Government	2,420	2,440	2,460	-20	-40
Federal government	120	120	130	0	-10
State government	290	300	380	-10	-90
Local government	2,010	2,020	1,950	-10	60
Indian tribal	1,020	1,020	970	0	50

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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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