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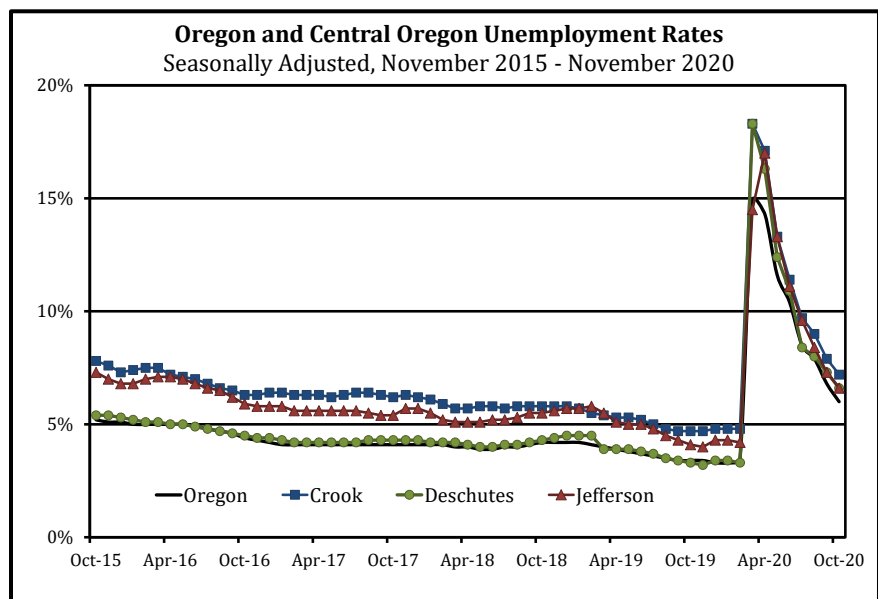
Employment in Central Oregon: November 2020

The employment recovery from the COVID-19 shock slowed dramatically across Central Oregon in November. It is important to note that these slowing rates of job growth do not capture the two-week COVID freeze at the end of the November, which occurred after the reference week for these estimates.

Crook County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 7.2% in November, down from 7.9% in October. The unemployment rate remains significantly higher than in November 2019 when it was 4.7%.

The recovery from the COVID-19 shock stalled in November with total nonfarm employment unchanged on a seasonally adjusted basis.

Crook County has added back 330 of the 520 jobs lost, 63% of all jobs lost. Employment in leisure and hospitality is down 140 jobs from last November with manufacturing not far behind (-110 jobs). Despite these large losses the construction, information, and professional sectors continued to grow.



Deschutes County (Bend-Redmond MSA): The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 6.6% in November, down from 7.3% in October. The rate remains up from November 2019 when it was 3.3%.

Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment rose by only 380 (+0.5%); the rate of growth averaged closer to 1.2% a month over the three previous months.

Deschutes County has recovered 9,250 of the 15,340 jobs lost, roughly 60% of all jobs lost. The slowdown in the recovery does not coincide with the COVID freeze, which began after the reference

period for these November estimates. Job losses over the past year remain concentrated in leisure and hospitality with employment down nearly 2,500 jobs from last November. Manufacturing continues to struggle with employment down more than 800 jobs and the recovery slowing. Local government education began posting notable losses compared with last year (-730 jobs) as schools remain largely online.

Jefferson County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.6% in November, down from 7.3% in October. The rate was 4.1% in November 2019.

Jefferson County shed 40 jobs in November on a seasonally adjusted basis, following a revised gain of 70 jobs in October.

The recovery took a step back in November. The county has only added back 440 of the 730 jobs lost, 60% of all jobs lost. Similar to other parts of Central Oregon the employment losses over the past year are concentrated in leisure and hospitality and manufacturing. However, local government is down significantly in Jefferson County due to losses in Indian tribal (-130 jobs).

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Jan. 26 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Wednesday, Jan. 20.



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Crook County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	--Change From--	
				October 2020	November 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	10,226	10,445	9,494	-219	732
Unemployed	690	751	416	-61	274
Unemployment rate	6.7%	7.2%	4.4%	-0.5	2.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7.2%	7.9%	4.7%	-0.7	2.5
Employed	9,536	9,694	9,078	-158	458
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,330	6,470	6,420	-140	-90
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>6,370</i>	<i>6,370</i>	<i>6,460</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>-90</i>
Total private	5,080	5,150	5,130	-70	-50
Mining, logging, and construction	840	860	670	-20	170
Mining and logging	50	50	50	0	0
Construction	790	810	620	-20	170
Manufacturing	570	570	680	0	-110
Wood product manufacturing	300	300	390	0	-90
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,090	1,090	1,120	0	-30
Wholesale trade	310	310	340	0	-30
Retail trade	570	570	570	0	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	210	210	210	0	0
Information	290	290	240	0	50
Financial activities	200	210	210	-10	-10
Professional and business services	490	490	430	0	60
Education and health services	730	740	760	-10	-30
Leisure and hospitality	630	660	770	-30	-140
Other services	240	240	250	0	-10
Government	1,250	1,320	1,290	-70	-40
Federal government	260	310	240	-50	20
State government	120	130	170	-10	-50
Local government	870	880	880	-10	-10

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

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	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	October 2020	November 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	95,857	97,197	95,449	-1,340	408
Unemployed	5,178	5,885	2,831	-707	2,347
Unemployment rate	5.4%	6.1%	3.0%	-0.7	2.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.6%	7.3%	3.3%	-0.7	3.3
Employed	90,679	91,312	92,618	-633	-1,939
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	82,860	83,010	88,150	-150	-5,290
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>82,480</i>	<i>82,100</i>	<i>87,990</i>	<i>380</i>	<i>-5,510</i>
Total private	73,600	73,830	78,090	-230	-4,490
Mining, logging, and construction	7,220	7,330	7,420	-110	-200
Manufacturing	4,970	5,050	5,780	-80	-810
Durable goods	3,190	3,180	3,500	10	-310
Trade, transportation, and utilities	16,270	16,080	16,400	190	-130
Wholesale trade	2,210	2,200	2,310	10	-100
Retail trade	11,780	11,670	11,880	110	-100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,280	2,210	2,210	70	70
Information	1,610	1,610	1,840	0	-230
Financial activities	4,820	4,830	4,980	-10	-160
Professional and business services	10,780	11,040	10,630	-260	150
Education and health services	14,200	14,100	14,640	100	-440
Leisure and hospitality	10,680	10,740	13,160	-60	-2,480
Accommodation and food services	9,850	10,120	10,870	-270	-1,020
Other services	3,050	3,050	3,240	0	-190
Government	9,260	9,180	10,060	80	-800
Federal government	940	1,060	930	-120	10
State government	900	900	930	0	-30
Local government	7,420	7,220	8,200	200	-780
Local education	4,050	3,950	4,780	100	-730

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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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	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	October 2020	November 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	10,056	10,418	9,892	-362	164
Unemployed	636	687	376	-51	260
Unemployment rate	6.3%	6.6%	3.8%	-0.3	2.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.6%	7.3%	4.1%	-0.7	2.5
Employed	9,420	9,731	9,516	-311	-96
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,280	6,400	6,550	-120	-270
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,330	6,370	6,600	-40	-270
Total private	3,980	4,020	4,140	-40	-160
Mining, logging, and construction	140	150	140	-10	0
Mining and logging	10	10	10	0	0
Construction	130	140	130	-10	0
Manufacturing	1,220	1,200	1,260	20	-40
Wood product manufacturing	870	860	870	10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	890	890	840	0	50
Wholesale trade	200	190	180	10	20
Retail trade	590	600	570	-10	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	100	100	90	0	10
Information	20	20	40	0	-20
Financial activities	120	130	130	-10	-10
Professional and business services	190	190	210	0	-20
Education and health services	630	630	680	0	-50
Leisure and hospitality	590	620	650	-30	-60
Other services	180	190	190	-10	-10
Government	2,300	2,380	2,410	-80	-110
Federal government	130	140	120	-10	10
State government	300	300	300	0	0
Local government	1,870	1,940	1,990	-70	-120
Indian tribal	820	890	950	-70	-130

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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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