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Employment in Clatsop County: December 2018

Employment Climbs by 40 more than Expected in December

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment grew by 40 jobs in December to 18,820 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A loss of 310 jobs was expected for the month, but the county shed only 270 jobs. The private sector lost 250 jobs, and total government employment dipped by 20. Leisure and hospitality shed 170 jobs, construction cut 40, and food manufacturing trimmed 30 jobs. Education and health services added 40 jobs. Local government shed 40 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

December's total nonfarm employment numbers show a gain of 40 jobs compared with one year before, an increase of 0.2 percent. The industries adding the most jobs over the year were retail trade (+220) and leisure and hospitality (+200). Professional and business services (-150), construction (-80), and local government excluding education (-80) cut the most jobs. Nearly 100 state government jobs were reclassified into private-sector education and health services.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.3 percent in December, essentially unchanged from the previous month (4.2%) and the year before (4.2%). The county's rate was also about the same as the statewide rate (4.1%) and the national rate (3.9%).

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the January county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, March 12, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for January on Tuesday, March 5.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	December 2018	November 2018	December 2017	November 2018	December 2017
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	18,549	18,937	18,536	-388	13
Unemployed	854	818	798	36	56
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.3%	4.3%	0.3	0.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%	0.1	0.1
Employed	17,695	18,119	17,738	-424	-43
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	18,140	18,410	18,100	-270	40
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	18,820	18,780	18,780	40	40
Total private	15,340	15,590	15,190	-250	150
Mining, logging, and construction	1,070	1,120	1,170	-50	-100
Mining and logging	180	190	200	-10	-20
Construction	890	930	970	-40	-80
Manufacturing	1,670	1,700	1,710	-30	-40
Durable goods	470	470	480	0	-10
Wood product manufacturing	250	250	260	0	-10
Nondurable goods	1,200	1,230	1,230	-30	-30
Food manufacturing	440	470	440	-30	0
Paper manufacturing	690	690	720	0	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,570	3,580	3,350	-10	220
Wholesale trade	210	200	220	10	-10
Retail trade	3,010	3,030	2,790	-20	220
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	350	350	340	0	10
Information	130	130	140	0	-10
Financial activities	690	700	700	-10	-10
Professional and business services	750	760	900	-10	-150
Education and health services	2,390	2,350	2,340	40	50
Leisure and hospitality	4,470	4,640	4,270	-170	200
Accommodation and food services	4,220	4,370	4,030	-150	190
Accommodation	1,360	1,390	1,210	-30	150
Food services and drinking places	2,860	2,980	2,820	-120	40
Other services	600	610	610	-10	-10
Government	2,800	2,820	2,910	-20	-110
Federal government	220	200	220	20	0
State government	320	320	370	0	-50
Local government	2,260	2,300	2,320	-40	-60
Local education	1,200	1,210	1,180	-10	20
Local government excluding educational services	1,060	1,090	1,140	-30	-80

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.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	<u>December 2018</u>	<u>November 2018</u>	<u>December 2017</u>
United States	3.9	3.7	4.1
State of Oregon	4.1	3.9	4.1
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.9	4.8	4.6
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	4.4	4.1	4.3
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.3	3.3	3.2
Eugene (Lane County)	4.6	4.5	4.3
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	5.9	5.8	5.4
Medford (Jackson County)	5.1	4.9	4.7
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.1	4.0	3.9
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.5	4.5	4.1
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.3	5.2	5.6
Benton	3.3	3.3	3.2
Clackamas	3.9	3.8	3.8
Clatsop	4.3	4.2	4.2
Columbia	5.0	4.9	5.0
Coos	5.5	5.3	5.5
Crook	5.9	5.8	6.3
Curry	6.5	6.2	6.2
Deschutes	4.4	4.1	4.3
Douglas	5.4	5.2	5.3
Gilliam	4.6	4.6	4.2
Grant	7.4	7.1	6.6
Harney	6.2	5.9	6.8
Hood River	3.5	3.4	3.3
Jackson	5.1	4.9	4.7
Jefferson	5.5	5.4	5.6
Josephine	5.9	5.8	5.4
Klamath	6.6	6.3	6.1
Lake	6.0	5.8	5.6
Lane	4.6	4.5	4.3
Lincoln	5.0	4.8	4.8
Linn	4.9	4.8	4.6
Malheur	4.9	4.7	4.3
Marion	4.5	4.3	4.2
Morrow	4.6	4.5	3.9
Multnomah	3.7	3.6	3.6
Polk	4.7	4.6	4.2
Sherman	4.0	4.0	4.0
Tillamook	4.6	4.4	4.2
Umatilla	4.9	4.7	4.8
Union	5.6	5.4	5.2
Wallowa	6.2	6.1	5.5
Wasco	4.3	4.2	4.0
Washington	3.5	3.4	3.5
Wheeler	4.2	3.9	3.4
Yamhill	3.8	3.9	3.6

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

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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