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## **Employment in Clatsop County: March 2019**

### **Employment Rose by 90 more than Expected in March**

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 90 jobs in March to 19,000 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 120 jobs was expected for the month, but the county added 210 jobs. The private sector grew by 230 jobs, and total government employment decreased by 20. Leisure and hospitality gained 190 jobs. Trade, transportation, and utilities grew by 30. Local government education shed 40 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

March's total nonfarm employment numbers show a gain of 180 jobs compared with one year before, an increase of 1.0 percent. The industries changing the most over the year were retail trade (+200 jobs) and leisure and hospitality (+90 jobs).

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.5 percent in March, essentially unchanged from the previous month (4.6%) but slightly higher than the year before (4.1%). The county's rate was also about the same as the statewide rate (4.4%) but slightly higher than the national rate (3.8%).

#### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the April county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, May 21, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for April on Tuesday, May 14.

## Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2019	February 2019	March 2018	February 2019	March 2018
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	19,025	18,979	18,964	46	61
Unemployed	888	974	900	-86	-12
Unemployment rate	4.7%	5.1%	4.7%	-0.4	0.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.5%	4.6%	4.1%	-0.1	0.4
Employed	18,137	18,005	18,064	132	73
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	18,440	18,230	18,260	210	180
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	19,000	18,910	18,820	90	180
Total private	15,570	15,340	15,340	230	230
Mining, logging, and construction	1,080	1,080	1,090	0	-10
Mining and logging	170	170	190	0	-20
Construction	910	910	900	0	10
Manufacturing	1,640	1,650	1,650	-10	-10
Durable goods	460	460	460	0	0
Wood product manufacturing	260	260	260	0	0
Nondurable goods	1,180	1,190	1,190	-10	-10
Food manufacturing	430	440	410	-10	20
Paper manufacturing	670	670	700	0	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,520	3,490	3,310	30	210
Wholesale trade	200	190	200	10	0
Retail trade	3,010	3,000	2,810	10	200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	310	300	300	10	10
Information	150	150	140	0	10
Financial activities	750	750	760	0	-10
Professional and business services	750	740	770	10	-20
Education and health services	2,400	2,390	2,410	10	-10
Leisure and hospitality	4,680	4,490	4,590	190	90
Accommodation and food services	4,390	4,200	4,340	190	50
Accommodation	1,440	1,380	1,400	60	40
Food services and drinking places	2,950	2,820	2,940	130	10
Other services	600	600	620	0	-20
Government	2,870	2,890	2,920	-20	-50
Federal government	220	210	200	10	20
State government	310	310	290	0	20
Local government	2,340	2,370	2,430	-30	-90
Local education	1,220	1,260	1,280	-40	-60
Local government excluding educational services	1,120	1,110	1,150	10	-30

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>March 2019</u>	<u>February 2019</u>	<u>March 2018</u>
United States	3.8	3.8	4.0
State of Oregon	4.4	4.4	4.1
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.9	5.1	4.7
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	4.7	4.6	4.2
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.4	3.4	3.1
Eugene (Lane County)	4.6	4.7	4.3
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	5.4	5.6	5.2
Medford (Jackson County)	4.9	5.0	4.8
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	3.8	3.8	3.7
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.3	4.5	4.1
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.5	5.6	5.6
Benton	3.4	3.4	3.1
Clackamas	3.9	4.0	3.6
Clatsop	4.5	4.6	4.1
Columbia	5.2	5.3	5.1
Coos	5.9	5.9	5.5
Crook	6.5	6.3	6.0
Curry	6.4	6.7	6.1
Deschutes	4.7	4.6	4.2
Douglas	5.9	5.9	5.4
Gilliam	5.0	5.0	3.4
Grant	8.4	8.7	7.3
Harney	6.9	7.1	6.3
Hood River	3.9	3.8	3.2
Jackson	4.9	5.0	4.8
Jefferson	6.2	6.0	5.6
Josephine	5.4	5.6	5.2
Klamath	7.3	7.4	6.3
Lake	6.8	6.7	5.6
Lane	4.6	4.7	4.3
Lincoln	5.1	5.2	4.8
Linn	4.9	5.1	4.7
Malheur	5.0	5.0	4.5
Marion	4.5	4.6	4.3
Morrow	4.9	4.8	4.2
Multnomah	3.9	3.9	3.7
Polk	4.5	4.7	4.2
Sherman	4.0	3.9	3.7
Tillamook	4.6	4.7	4.3
Umatilla	5.7	5.7	5.0
Union	6.0	6.1	5.4
Wallowa	6.5	6.5	5.9
Wasco	5.0	5.0	4.1
Washington	3.6	3.7	3.4
Wheeler	5.1	4.7	2.9
Yamhill	3.9	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

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

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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