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## **Employment in Clatsop County: July 2020**

### **Employment grows by 80 more than expected in July**

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 80 in July to 15,910 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 130 jobs was expected for the month, but the county added 210 jobs. The private sector added 570 jobs, and total government employment fell by 360. Leisure and hospitality added 410 jobs with the accommodations segment adding 270 jobs and the food services and drinking places portion adding 100. Retail trade and food manufacturing each added 50 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes. The job growth in July was a sharp slowdown from the 1,600 jobs added in June.

July's total nonfarm employment numbers were still down from the previous year by 3,560 jobs, a decrease of 17.6 percent. Every major industry lost jobs over the year, though leisure and hospitality has borne the brunt of the recession with the loss of 2,040 jobs over the year – a drop of 35.8 percent.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped again from last month. It was 12.9 percent in July, down from 15.5 percent in June and the second-highest rate in the state after Lincoln County (15.2%). It was 3.8 percent the year before. The county's unemployment rate reached a peak of 11.9 percent during the Great Recession. The statewide unemployment rate was 10.4 percent in July, and the national rate was 10.2 percent. Clatsop and Lincoln counties have a larger share of their employment in the leisure and hospitality industry than other Oregon counties and this industry was especially affected by COVID-19 restrictions.

### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, September 22, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for August on Tuesday, September 15.

## Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2020	June 2020	July 2019	June 2020	July 2019
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	18,447	19,631	20,228	-1,184	-1,781
Unemployed	2,288	3,030	718	-742	1,570
Unemployment rate	12.4%	15.4%	3.5%	-3.0	8.9
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	12.9%	15.5%	3.8%	-2.6	9.1
Employed	16,159	16,601	19,510	-442	-3,351
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	16,690	16,480	20,250	210	-3,560
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>15,910</i>	<i>15,830</i>	<i>19,300</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>-3,390</i>
Total private	14,540	13,970	17,720	570	-3,180
Mining, logging, and construction	1,090	1,080	1,240	10	-150
Mining and logging	150	150	170	0	-20
Construction	940	930	1,070	10	-130
Manufacturing	1,890	1,830	1,970	60	-80
Durable goods	410	390	440	20	-30
Wood product manufacturing	250	240	260	10	-10
Nondurable goods	1,480	1,440	1,530	40	-50
Food manufacturing	690	640	720	50	-30
Paper manufacturing	710	720	710	-10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,340	3,290	3,670	50	-330
Wholesale trade	180	170	220	10	-40
Retail trade	2,940	2,890	3,160	50	-220
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	220	230	290	-10	-70
Information	120	120	150	0	-30
Financial activities	740	730	820	10	-80
Professional and business services	820	790	1,000	30	-180
Education and health services	2,250	2,280	2,480	-30	-230
Leisure and hospitality	3,660	3,250	5,700	410	-2,040
Accommodation and food services	3,400	3,030	5,360	370	-1,960
Accommodation	1,440	1,170	1,750	270	-310
Food services and drinking places	1,960	1,860	3,610	100	-1,650
Other services	630	600	690	30	-60
Government	2,150	2,510	2,530	-360	-380
Federal government	170	180	210	-10	-40
State government	360	360	360	0	0
Local government	1,620	1,970	1,960	-350	-340
Local education	580	910	810	-330	-230
Local government excluding educational services	1,040	1,060	1,150	-20	-110

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>July 2020</u>	<u>June 2020</u>	<u>July 2019</u>
United States	10.2	11.1	3.7
State of Oregon	10.4	11.6	3.7
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	10.0	10.8	4.3
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	10.8	12.4	3.8
Corvallis (Benton County)	7.7	8.6	3.0
Eugene (Lane County)	10.2	11.6	4.1
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	10.6	11.5	4.9
Medford (Jackson County)	10.4	11.6	4.3
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	11.0	11.6	3.6
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	9.6	10.7	4.1
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	10.3	10.9	4.7
Benton	7.7	8.6	3.0
Clackamas	9.9	11.0	3.4
Clatsop	12.9	15.5	3.8
Columbia	10.2	11.4	4.5
Coos	11.4	12.7	5.0
Crook	11.7	13.3	5.2
Curry	11.9	13.7	5.2
Deschutes	10.8	12.4	3.8
Douglas	9.8	10.8	5.0
Gilliam	8.3	8.7	3.4
Grant	11.5	11.9	6.3
Harney	8.2	8.4	5.1
Hood River	8.6	10.1	2.8
Jackson	10.4	11.6	4.3
Jefferson	11.3	13.3	5.0
Josephine	10.6	11.5	4.9
Klamath	11.0	12.2	6.0
Lake	8.1	8.1	5.2
Lane	10.2	11.6	4.1
Lincoln	15.2	17.3	4.4
Linn	10.0	10.8	4.3
Malheur	7.1	7.3	4.1
Marion	9.3	10.4	4.0
Morrow	6.0	6.6	4.0
Multnomah	12.7	13.6	3.3
Polk	8.8	9.7	4.2
Sherman	7.8	8.9	3.4
Tillamook	11.3	12.8	3.9
Umatilla	7.7	8.6	4.3
Union	10.2	10.4	4.8
Wallowa	9.8	10.6	5.7
Wasco	9.2	11.1	4.1
Washington	9.2	9.9	3.1
Wheeler	5.3	5.7	4.5
Yamhill	9.0	10.0	3.5

(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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