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Employment in Clatsop County: October 2020

Employment rose by 50 more than expected in October

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 50 in October to 17,770 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A loss of 460 jobs was expected for the month, but the county shed only 410 jobs. The private sector lost 400 jobs, and total government employment fell by 10. Leisure and hospitality shed 180 jobs. Food manufacturing cut 100 jobs and retail trade was down 50 jobs. Professional and business services, which includes temporary help firms, lost 40 jobs and other services trimmed 30 jobs. Local government education added 50 jobs, but the federal government cut 40 jobs as Census 2020 work wound down. Other industries had smaller changes.

October's total nonfarm employment numbers were still down from the previous year by 1,480 jobs, a decrease of 7.7 percent. Most major industries lost jobs over the year, though leisure and hospitality has borne the brunt of the recession with the loss of 720 jobs over the year – a drop of 14.4 percent.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped again from last month. It was 7.3 percent in October, down from 8.5 percent in September. It was 3.3 percent the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 6.9 percent in October, and the national rate was 6.9 percent.

Next Press Releases

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

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	October 2020	September 2020	October 2019	September 2020	October 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	19,603	18,952	19,446	651	157
Unemployed	1,325	1,449	590	-124	735
Unemployment rate	6.8%	7.6%	3.0%	-0.8	3.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7.3%	8.5%	3.3%	-1.2	4.0
Employed	18,278	17,503	18,856	775	-578
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	17,740	18,150	19,220	-410	-1,480
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	17,770	17,720	19,250	50	-1,480
Total private	15,060	15,460	16,520	-400	-1,460
Mining, logging, and construction	1,280	1,250	1,230	30	50
Mining and logging	170	170	170	0	0
Construction	1,110	1,080	1,060	30	50
Manufacturing	1,830	1,950	1,820	-120	10
Durable goods	410	410	440	0	-30
Wood product manufacturing	240	250	250	-10	-10
Nondurable goods	1,420	1,540	1,380	-120	40
Food manufacturing	620	720	570	-100	50
Paper manufacturing	720	730	730	-10	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,440	3,490	3,580	-50	-140
Wholesale trade	230	230	200	0	30
Retail trade	2,880	2,930	3,080	-50	-200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	330	330	300	0	30
Information	110	110	150	0	-40
Financial activities	700	710	780	-10	-80
Professional and business services	610	650	810	-40	-200
Education and health services	2,250	2,250	2,520	0	-270
Leisure and hospitality	4,290	4,470	5,010	-180	-720
Accommodation and food services	4,150	4,280	4,730	-130	-580
Accommodation	1,370	1,480	1,550	-110	-180
Food services and drinking places	2,780	2,800	3,180	-20	-400
Other services	550	580	620	-30	-70
Government	2,680	2,690	2,700	-10	-20
Federal government	220	260	180	-40	40
State government	340	350	330	-10	10
Local government	2,120	2,080	2,190	40	-70
Local education	1,010	960	1,090	50	-80
Local government excluding educational services	1,110	1,120	1,100	-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.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	<u>October 2020</u>	<u>September 2020</u>	<u>October 2019</u>
United States	6.9	7.9	3.6
State of Oregon	6.9	7.9	3.4
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	7.0	8.3	3.9
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	7.3	8.0	3.4
Corvallis (Benton County)	5.3	5.6	2.7
Eugene (Lane County)	7.3	8.5	3.5
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	7.2	8.3	4.5
Medford (Jackson County)	7.6	8.7	3.8
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	6.9	8.2	3.3
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	6.8	7.8	3.7
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	6.6	7.5	4.1
Benton	5.3	5.6	2.7
Clackamas	6.7	7.6	3.1
Clatsop	7.3	8.5	3.3
Columbia	7.2	8.1	4.1
Coos	7.3	8.7	4.2
Crook	8.0	9.0	4.7
Curry	7.4	8.7	4.5
Deschutes	7.3	8.0	3.4
Douglas	6.5	7.8	4.3
Gilliam	5.6	6.5	3.6
Grant	7.4	8.5	5.9
Harney	6.3	6.9	4.1
Hood River	5.3	6.0	2.7
Jackson	7.6	8.7	3.8
Jefferson	7.5	8.4	4.3
Josephine	7.2	8.3	4.5
Klamath	7.7	8.6	5.6
Lake	5.8	6.5	4.3
Lane	7.3	8.5	3.5
Lincoln	8.7	10.6	3.8
Linn	7.0	8.3	3.9
Malheur	5.2	5.8	3.6
Marion	6.5	7.5	3.5
Morrow	5.1	5.4	3.6
Multnomah	8.3	9.6	2.9
Polk	6.1	7.1	3.7
Sherman	5.5	6.5	3.2
Tillamook	6.7	8.1	3.4
Umatilla	6.0	6.4	4.0
Union	6.2	6.9	4.1
Wallowa	6.6	7.6	5.1
Wasco	6.0	6.7	3.6
Washington	5.9	6.6	2.7
Wheeler	4.1	4.2	3.9
Yamhill	6.0	6.8	3.0

(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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