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Employment in Clatsop County: August 2021

Employment rose by 250 more than expected in August

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 250 in August to 18,550 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A loss of 140 jobs was expected for the month, but the county added 110 jobs. The private sector accounted for 10 jobs, and government employment was up by 100. Food services and drinking places added 40 jobs, but accommodations (the lodging industry) shed 30 jobs. Local government education added 70 jobs, and local government excluding education added 30 more. Other industries had smaller changes.

August's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 950 jobs, an increase of 5.2%. The county lost 4,160 jobs in April 2020 as the pandemic hit, and it remains 790 jobs below the pre-pandemic level of August 2019. Most major industries gained jobs over the past year. Leisure and hospitality added back 360 jobs. Trade, transportation, and utilities recovered 160 jobs, and private education and health services added 80 jobs. Professional and business services regained 100 jobs. Local government education was up 200 jobs over the year.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.8% in August. It was down slightly from 6.3% in July. The rate was 9.1% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 4.9% in August, and the national rate was 5.2%.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the September county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Oct. 26, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for September on Tuesday, Oct. 19.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	August 2021	July 2021	August 2020	July 2021	August 2020
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	20,524	20,588	19,646	-64	878
Unemployed	943	1,010	1,711	-67	-768
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.9%	8.7%	-0.3	-4.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.8%	6.3%	9.1%	-0.5	-3.3
Employed	19,581	19,578	17,935	3	1,646
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	19,310	19,200	18,360	110	950
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	18,550	18,300	17,630	250	920
Total private	16,650	16,640	15,990	10	660
Mining, logging, and construction	1,270	1,260	1,260	10	10
Mining and logging	150	150	170	0	-20
Construction	1,120	1,110	1,090	10	30
Manufacturing	1,940	1,940	1,930	0	10
Durable goods	410	420	390	-10	20
Wood product manufacturing	260	260	240	0	20
Nondurable goods	1,530	1,520	1,540	10	-10
Food manufacturing	800	780	770	20	30
Paper manufacturing	660	660	690	0	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,680	3,690	3,520	-10	160
Wholesale trade	190	190	190	0	0
Retail trade	3,180	3,200	3,060	-20	120
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	310	300	270	10	40
Information	130	130	120	0	10
Financial activities	710	700	760	10	-50
Professional and business services	960	970	860	-10	100
Education and health services	2,430	2,450	2,350	-20	80
Leisure and hospitality	4,950	4,930	4,590	20	360
Accommodation and food services	4,630	4,620	4,300	10	330
Accommodation	1,570	1,600	1,480	-30	90
Food services and drinking places	3,060	3,020	2,820	40	240
Other services	580	570	600	10	-20
Government	2,660	2,560	2,370	100	290
Federal government	210	220	250	-10	-40
State government	410	400	350	10	60
Local government	2,040	1,940	1,770	100	270
Local education	940	870	740	70	200
Local government excluding educational services	1,100	1,070	1,030	30	70

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>August 2021</u>	<u>July 2021</u>	<u>August 2020</u>
United States	5.2	5.4	8.4
State of Oregon	4.9	5.2	8.4
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	5.4	5.8	7.9
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	5.4	5.6	8.2
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.8	4.1	6.1
Eugene (Lane County)	5.5	5.8	8.2
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	6.0	6.3	8.3
Medford (Jackson County)	5.2	5.5	8.1
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.9	5.3	8.6
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.9	5.2	7.0
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.1	5.4	7.4
Benton	3.8	4.1	6.1
Clackamas	4.7	5.1	7.9
Clatsop	5.8	6.3	9.1
Columbia	5.6	6.0	8.1
Coos	6.3	6.6	8.5
Crook	6.8	7.1	9.0
Curry	6.7	7.0	8.9
Deschutes	5.4	5.6	8.2
Douglas	5.9	6.1	7.2
Gilliam	5.0	5.1	6.3
Grant	6.7	6.9	8.5
Harney	5.1	5.1	6.3
Hood River	4.7	4.9	6.5
Jackson	5.2	5.5	8.1
Jefferson	6.3	6.6	8.9
Josephine	6.0	6.3	8.3
Klamath	6.8	7.0	8.6
Lake	5.4	5.5	6.1
Lane	5.5	5.8	8.2
Lincoln	6.9	7.2	11.0
Linn	5.4	5.8	7.9
Malheur	4.2	4.3	5.2
Marion	5.0	5.3	7.1
Morrow	4.5	4.7	5.4
Multnomah	5.4	5.8	10.2
Polk	4.8	5.1	6.6
Sherman	4.1	4.3	6.2
Tillamook	5.4	5.8	8.2
Umatilla	5.2	5.5	7.0
Union	5.5	5.8	7.3
Wallowa	5.4	5.4	7.0
Wasco	5.4	5.6	7.2
Washington	4.2	4.5	7.3
Wheeler	3.0	3.2	4.1
Yamhill	4.7	5.0	7.0

(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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