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Employment in Clatsop County: March 2022

Employment rose by 20 more than expected in March

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 20 in March to 18,420 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 10 jobs was expected for the month, but the county added 30 jobs. The private sector added 40 jobs, and total government employment fell by 10. Leisure and hospitality added 80 jobs. Food manufacturing cut 30 jobs. Local government cut 20 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

March's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 140 jobs, an increase of 0.8%. The county lost 4,820 jobs in April 2020 as the pandemic hit, and it remains 940 jobs below the pre-pandemic level of March 2019. Some major industries gained jobs over the past year but others have plateaued or shed a few. Leisure and hospitality added back 170 jobs over the previous year. Retail trade regained 30 jobs, and manufacturing added 40. On the other hand, private education and health services cut 70 jobs. Local government added 60 jobs over the year.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.0% in March. It was essentially unchanged from 4.2% in February. The rate was 7.2% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 3.8% in March, and the national rate was 3.6%.

Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the April county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, May 24, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for April on Wednesday, May 18.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2022	February 2022	March 2021	February 2022	March 2021
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	19,320	19,274	19,489	46	-169
Unemployed	857	860	1,492	-3	-635
Unemployment rate	4.4%	4.5%	7.7%	-0.1	-3.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.0%	4.2%	7.2%	-0.2	-3.2
Employed	18,463	18,414	17,997	49	466
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	17,820	17,790	17,680	30	140
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	18,420	18,400	18,260	20	160
Total private	15,220	15,180	15,090	40	130
Mining, logging, and construction	1,120	1,130	1,170	-10	-50
Mining and logging	140	140	150	0	-10
Construction	980	990	1,020	-10	-40
Manufacturing	1,640	1,670	1,600	-30	40
Durable goods	430	430	410	0	20
Wood product manufacturing	250	260	250	-10	0
Nondurable goods	1,210	1,240	1,190	-30	20
Food manufacturing	450	480	450	-30	0
Paper manufacturing	680	670	670	10	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,580	3,590	3,530	-10	50
Wholesale trade	180	180	180	0	0
Retail trade	3,070	3,070	3,040	0	30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	330	340	310	-10	20
Information	130	130	130	0	0
Financial activities	700	690	700	10	0
Professional and business services	770	780	810	-10	-40
Education and health services	2,450	2,450	2,520	0	-70
Leisure and hospitality	4,280	4,200	4,110	80	170
Accommodation and food services	4,070	4,010	3,860	60	210
Accommodation	1,410	1,380	1,320	30	90
Food services and drinking places	2,660	2,630	2,540	30	120
Other services	550	540	520	10	30
Government	2,600	2,610	2,590	-10	10
Federal government	170	170	210	0	-40
State government	320	310	330	10	-10
Local government	2,110	2,130	2,050	-20	60
Local education	1,050	1,050	1,030	0	20
Local government excluding educational services	1,060	1,080	1,020	-20	40

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 2022</u>	<u>February 2022</u>	<u>March 2021</u>
United States	3.6	3.8	6.0
State of Oregon	3.8	4.0	6.1
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.3	4.4	6.9
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	3.6	3.8	6.4
Corvallis (Benton County)	2.9	3.0	4.7
Eugene (Lane County)	4.1	4.3	6.8
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	4.8	5.0	6.7
Medford (Jackson County)	4.2	4.4	6.5
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	3.8	3.9	6.5
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	3.8	4.0	5.8
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	3.9	4.1	6.2
Benton	2.9	3.0	4.7
Clackamas	3.5	3.6	6.0
Clatsop	4.0	4.2	7.2
Columbia	4.4	4.5	6.9
Coos	4.8	5.0	7.5
Crook	4.9	5.2	7.4
Curry	5.1	5.3	7.6
Deschutes	3.6	3.8	6.4
Douglas	4.6	4.7	6.8
Gilliam	3.3	3.5	6.0
Grant	5.0	5.4	7.8
Harney	4.0	4.3	5.5
Hood River	3.0	3.2	5.1
Jackson	4.2	4.4	6.5
Jefferson	4.6	4.8	7.2
Josephine	4.8	5.0	6.7
Klamath	5.3	5.5	7.4
Lake	4.6	4.7	6.0
Lane	4.1	4.3	6.8
Lincoln	5.0	5.2	8.1
Linn	4.3	4.4	6.9
Malheur	3.4	3.5	4.9
Marion	3.7	3.9	5.9
Morrow	3.4	3.5	5.0
Multnomah	4.0	4.1	6.8
Polk	3.7	3.8	5.8
Sherman	3.2	3.4	4.8
Tillamook	3.8	3.9	6.5
Umatilla	3.9	4.0	6.1
Union	3.8	4.0	6.5
Wallowa	4.4	4.7	5.6
Wasco	3.9	4.1	6.0
Washington	3.1	3.3	5.2
Wheeler	3.0	3.0	4.3
Yamhill	3.4	3.5	5.7

(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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