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Employment in Morrow & Umatilla Counties: June 2019

Job Losses Weigh on Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities

Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was little changed in June, falling by 0.1 percentage point to 5.0 percent. Ranked among Oregon's 36 counties, Umatilla County placed 23rd in June, tied with Baker County. In June 2018, Umatilla County's 4.8 percent seasonally adjusted unemployment rate ranked 21st.

Umatilla County's nonfarm employment total fell to 28,500 in June, a loss of 20 jobs. Private industry cut its employment total by 210 jobs, falling to 21,020 and government rose by 190 to 7,480. Private industry job losses were heaviest in transportation, warehousing, and utilities, where a loss of 120 jobs cut its total to 2,540. Education and health services also pulled back in June, falling to 3,830, a loss of 90. Manufacturing (-30) and retail trade (-30) also cut jobs in June.

Umatilla County's total private employment rose by 50 jobs over the year ending in June and government rose by 20. Transportation, warehousing, and utilities lost 170 jobs over the year, cutting its total to 2,540, a loss of 6.3 percent. Professional and business services cut 120 jobs over the year, falling to 1,290 (-8.5%). Leisure and hospitality led private industry job growth with an over-the-year increase of 120, rising to 2,680 (+4.7%). Education and health services rose by 100 jobs to reach 2,680 (+2.7%). Mining, logging, and construction (+60); wholesale trade (+30); retail trade (+20); and financial activities (+20); also added jobs. In government, Indian tribal government cut 20 jobs, falling to 1,700, but state government rose by 20 to reach 1,460.

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell by 0.1 percentage point in June, to 4.3 percent, ranking 12th (out of 36 counties), tied with Gilliam, Lane, and Polk counties. Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate ranked 11th in June 2018, at 4.1 percent.

Morrow County's nonfarm employment fell to 5,170 in June, a loss of 10 jobs. Private industry cut 50 jobs, falling to 4,100 and government rose by 40 to reach 1,070. Construction (-20), and education and health services (110) cut jobs in June. Federal government rose by 20 jobs in June to reach 70, while state and local government each chipped in 10.

Morrow County's private-industry employment rose by 170 jobs over the year, an increase of 4.3 percent. Professional and business services led private industry, climbing by 50 jobs to reach 260. Financial activities (+20), manufacturing (+10), retail trade (+10), and education and health services

(+10) also rose over the year. Government cut 30 jobs over the year with a loss of 40 in local government partially offset by an increase of 20 in state government.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the July 2019 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on August 20th, 2019 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on August 13th, 2019.

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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Morrow County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	June 2019	May 2019	June 2018	May 2019	June 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	5,712	5,656	5,753	56	-41
Unemployed	241	182	254	59	-13
Unemployment rate	4.2%	3.2%	4.4%	1.0	-0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.3%	4.4%	4.1%	-0.1	0.2
Employed	5,471	5,474	5,499	-3	-28
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	5,170	5,180	5,030	-10	140
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5,120	5,100	4,980	20	140
Total private	4,100	4,150	3,930	-50	170
Mining and logging	30	30	30	0	0
Construction	110	130	120	-20	-10
Manufacturing	1,810	1,810	1,800	0	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	700	720	710	-20	-10
Wholesale trade	110	120	110	-10	0
Retail trade	290	290	280	0	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	300	310	320	-10	-20
Financial activities	100	100	80	0	20
Professional and business services	260	260	210	0	50
Education and health services	240	260	230	-20	10
Leisure and hospitality	190	190	190	0	0
Government	1,070	1,030	1,100	40	-30
Federal government	70	50	80	20	-10
State government	90	80	70	10	20
Local government	910	900	950	10	-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.

Umatilla County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

			--Change From--		
	June 2019	May 2019	June 2018	May 2019	June 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	37,613	36,750	37,865	863	-252
Unemployed	1,615	1,387	1,717	228	-102
Unemployment rate	4.3%	3.8%	4.5%	0.5	-0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.0%	5.1%	4.8%	-0.1	0.2
Employed	35,998	35,363	36,148	635	-150
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	28,500	28,520	28,450	-20	50
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	27,970	28,230	27,920	-260	50
Total private	21,020	21,230	20,990	-210	30
Mining, logging, and construction	1,360	1,350	1,300	10	60
Manufacturing	3,410	3,440	3,430	-30	-20
Durable goods	1,480	1,480	1,450	0	30
Nondurable goods	1,930	1,960	1,980	-30	-50
Food manufacturing	1,650	1,680	1,700	-30	-50
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,660	6,800	6,780	-140	-120
Wholesale trade	950	940	920	10	30
Retail trade	3,170	3,200	3,150	-30	20
Food and beverage stores	710	700	690	10	20
General merchandise stores	780	790	780	-10	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,540	2,660	2,710	-120	-170
Information	180	170	180	10	0
Financial activities	840	830	820	10	20
Professional and business services	1,290	1,270	1,410	20	-120
Education and health services	3,830	3,920	3,730	-90	100
Nursing and residential care facilities	990	990	980	0	10
Leisure and hospitality	2,680	2,670	2,560	10	120
Accommodation and food services	2,530	2,510	2,400	20	130
Other services	770	780	780	-10	-10
Government	7,480	7,290	7,460	190	20
Federal government	520	490	510	30	10
State government	1,460	1,450	1,440	10	20
Local government	5,500	5,350	5,510	150	-10
Indian tribal	1,700	1,690	1,720	10	-20
Local education	2,520	2,600	2,520	-80	0
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,280	1,060	1,270	220	10

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