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Employment in Morrow & Umatilla Counties: October 2019

Leisure and Hospitality Cut Jobs in October

Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell by 0.1 percentage point in October to 5.2 percent. Ranked among Oregon's 36 counties, Umatilla County placed 25th in October, tied with Coos. In October 2018, Umatilla County's 4.9 percent seasonally adjusted unemployment rate ranked 20th.

Umatilla County's nonfarm employment total rose to 28,700 in October, an increase of 180 jobs. Private industry cut 130 jobs, falling to 21,260, while government rose by 310 to reach 7,440. Accommodation and food services cut 80 jobs in October, falling to 2,490. Retail trade (-20), manufacturing (-10), wholesale trade (-10), financial activities (-10), professional and business services (-10), and education and health services (-10) all cut jobs in October. Local government education led the public sector, rising by 350 jobs to reach 2,610. Federal government (-20), state government (-10), and other local (-10) all cut jobs in October.

Umatilla County's total private employment rose by 80 jobs over the year ending in October and government rose by 40. Information led private industry, rising by 150 jobs to reach 440. Mining, logging, and construction continued to impress, adding 100 jobs over the year to total 1,380. Retail trade performed exceptionally, rising by 80 jobs (+2.5%) to 3,240. Education and health services (+40), and wholesale trade (+30) also rose over the year. State government led the public sector, rising by 50 jobs to 1,520.

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held steady in October at 4.5 percent, ranking 13th (out of 36 counties), tied with Lane, Malheur, Polk, and Wasco. Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate also ranked 13th in October 2018, at 4.5 percent.

Morrow County's nonfarm employment fell to 5,070 in October, a loss of 50 jobs. Private industry cut 80 jobs, falling to 3,980 and government increased its total by 30, rising to 1,090. Professional and business services cut 80 jobs in October, falling to 250. Manufacturing (-10) and retail trade (-10) also cut jobs in October. Construction (+10) and leisure and hospitality (+10) produced small job gains. Local government led the public sector in October, rising by 30 jobs and increasing its total to 960.

Morrow County's private-industry employment fell by 10 jobs over the year ending in October. Construction cut 40 jobs, falling to 100. Retail trade lost 30, dropping its total to 240. Manufacturing rose by 100 jobs over the year to total 1,930, and professional and business services increased its total by 20 to reach 250. Local government led the public sector, rising by 40 jobs to 960.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the November 2019 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on December 24th, 2019 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for November on December 17th, 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--				
	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	September 2019	October 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	5,850	5,958	5,857	-108	-7
Unemployed	193	219	222	-26	-29
Unemployment rate	3.3%	3.7%	3.8%	-0.4	-0.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	0.0	0.0
Employed	5,657	5,739	5,635	-82	22
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	5,070	5,120	5,030	-50	40
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5,030	5,000	4,990	30	40
Total private	3,980	4,060	3,990	-80	-10
Mining and logging	30	30	30	0	0
Construction	100	90	140	10	-40
Manufacturing	1,930	1,940	1,840	-10	90
Trade, transportation, and utilities	680	690	720	-10	-40
Wholesale trade	120	120	120	0	0
Retail trade	240	250	270	-10	-30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	320	320	330	0	-10
Financial activities	90	90	90	0	0
Professional and business services	250	330	230	-80	20
Education and health services	260	260	250	0	10
Leisure and hospitality	200	190	200	10	0
Government	1,090	1,060	1,040	30	50
Federal government	60	60	60	0	0
State government	70	70	60	0	10
Local government	960	930	920	30	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--				
	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	September 2019	October 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	37,339	37,957	37,158	-618	181
Unemployed	1,421	1,620	1,504	-199	-83
Unemployment rate	3.8%	4.3%	4.0%	-0.5	-0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.2%	5.3%	4.9%	-0.1	0.3
Employed	35,918	36,337	35,654	-419	264
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	28,700	28,520	28,580	180	120
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	28,320	28,220	28,200	100	120
Total private	21,260	21,390	21,180	-130	80
Mining, logging, and construction	1,380	1,380	1,280	0	100
Manufacturing	3,320	3,330	3,410	-10	-90
Durable goods	1,370	1,350	1,400	20	-30
Nondurable goods	1,950	1,980	2,010	-30	-60
Food manufacturing	1,670	1,710	1,710	-40	-40
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,670	6,700	6,730	-30	-60
Wholesale trade	950	960	920	-10	30
Retail trade	3,240	3,260	3,160	-20	80
Food and beverage stores	660	660	700	0	-40
General merchandise stores	780	750	770	30	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,480	2,480	2,650	0	-170
Information	440	430	290	10	150
Financial activities	810	820	820	-10	-10
Professional and business services	1,360	1,370	1,410	-10	-50
Education and health services	3,850	3,860	3,810	-10	40
Nursing and residential care facilities	990	980	970	10	20
Leisure and hospitality	2,640	2,710	2,630	-70	10
Accommodation and food services	2,490	2,570	2,480	-80	10
Other services	790	790	800	0	-10
Government	7,440	7,130	7,400	310	40
Federal government	500	520	500	-20	0
State government	1,520	1,530	1,470	-10	50
Local government	5,420	5,080	5,430	340	-10
Indian tribal	1,730	1,730	1,740	0	-10
Local education	2,610	2,260	2,610	350	0
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,080	1,090	1,080	-10	0

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