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Employment in Morrow & Umatilla Counties: November 2020

Employment Little Changed in November

In November, Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell by 0.8 percentage point to 5.0%. Ranked among Oregon's 36 counties, Umatilla County placed eighth in November, tied with Gilliam. Over the year, Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 1.2 percentage points.

Umatilla County's nonfarm employment total rose to 27,720 in November, an increase of just 10 jobs. Private industry held steady in November at 20,430, while government rose by 10 to total 7,290.

Umatilla County's total private employment fell by 660 jobs over the year ending in November (-3.1%) and government cut 340 (-4.5%). COVID-19 impacts in leisure and hospitality idled 390 jobs, dropping is total to 2,260, a loss of 14.7%. Manufacturing trimmed its payrolls by 120 jobs, falling to 3,140, an over-the-year loss of 3.7%. Other services trimmed its payrolls by 60 jobs, falling to 680 (-8.1%). Professional and business services cut 40, falling to 1,180 (-3.3%). COVID-19 related job losses were also felt in wholesale trade (-30) and financial activities (-30). Retail trade rose by 40 (1.2%) over the year, climbing to 3,280. Government job losses hit local education (-270), Indian tribal (-40), and federal (-30).

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell by 0.6 percentage point in November to 4.3%. Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate ranked third lowest out of 36 Oregon counties, tied with Sherman. Over the year, Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.8 percentage point.

Morrow County's nonfarm employment fell by 20 in November to total 4,870. Private industry cut 10 jobs, falling to 3,910, and government shed 10, dropping to 960.

Morrow County's private-industry employment fell by 60 jobs over the year ending in November, a loss of 1.5%. COVID-19 impacts in manufacturing idled 150 jobs, cutting its total to 1,730 (-8.0%). Trade, transportation, and utilities cut its payrolls by 40 jobs, falling to 640 (-5.9%). Construction lost 30 jobs over the year (-33.3%), while leisure and hospitality rose by 10 to reach 230 (+4.5%). Professional and business services helped to offset over-the-year COVID-19 losses, adding 120 jobs to total 430 (+38.7%). Local government lost 80 jobs, trimming its total to 850, a loss of 8.6%.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December 2020 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Jan. 26 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Wednesday, Jan. 20.

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--				
	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	October 2020	November 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	5,715	5,953	5,592	-238	123
Unemployed	221	243	179	-22	42
Unemployment rate	3.9%	4.1%	3.2%	-0.2	0.7
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.3%	4.9%	3.5%	-0.6	0.8
Employed	5,494	5,710	5,413	-216	81
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	4,870	4,890	5,010	-20	-140
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4,860	4,840	5,000	20	-140
Total private	3,910	3,920	3,970	-10	-60
Mining and logging	20	20	20	0	0
Construction	60	60	90	0	-30
Manufacturing	1,730	1,740	1,880	-10	-150
Trade, transportation, and utilities	640	640	680	0	-40
Wholesale trade	120	120	120	0	0
Retail trade	240	240	250	0	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	280	280	310	0	-30
Financial activities	80	80	90	0	-10
Professional and business services	430	430	310	0	120
Education and health services	260	260	250	0	10
Leisure and hospitality	230	230	220	0	10
Government	960	970	1,040	-10	-80
Federal government	60	60	50	0	10
State government	50	50	60	0	-10
Local government	850	860	930	-10	-80

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--		
	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	October 2020	November 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	36,804	38,102	36,003	-1,298	801
Unemployed	1,708	1,995	1,277	-287	431
Unemployment rate	4.6%	5.2%	3.5%	-0.6	1.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>5.0%</i>	<i>5.8%</i>	<i>3.8%</i>	<i>-0.8</i>	<i>1.2</i>
Employed	35,096	36,107	34,726	-1,011	370
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	27,720	27,710	28,720	10	-1,000
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>27,400</i>	<i>27,350</i>	<i>28,390</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>-990</i>
Total private	20,430	20,430	21,090	0	-660
Mining, logging, and construction	1,290	1,320	1,290	-30	0
Manufacturing	3,140	3,180	3,260	-40	-120
Durable goods	1,360	1,370	1,370	-10	-10
Nondurable goods	1,780	1,810	1,890	-30	-110
Food manufacturing	1,460	1,480	1,610	-20	-150
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,860	6,720	6,750	140	110
Wholesale trade	890	900	920	-10	-30
Retail trade	3,280	3,240	3,240	40	40
Food and beverage stores	710	710	640	0	70
General merchandise stores	870	830	810	40	60
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,690	2,580	2,590	110	100
Information	430	430	440	0	-10
Financial activities	810	820	840	-10	-30
Professional and business services	1,180	1,220	1,220	-40	-40
Education and health services	3,780	3,770	3,900	10	-120
Nursing and residential care facilities	1,000	990	1,010	10	-10
Leisure and hospitality	2,260	2,280	2,650	-20	-390
Accommodation and food services	2,170	2,190	2,530	-20	-360
Other services	680	690	740	-10	-60
Government	7,290	7,280	7,630	10	-340
Federal government	450	480	480	-30	-30
State government	1,520	1,520	1,520	0	0
Local government	5,320	5,280	5,630	40	-310
Indian tribal	1,700	1,700	1,740	0	-40
Local education	2,530	2,490	2,800	40	-270
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,090	1,090	1,090	0	0

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