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Employment in Douglas County: July 2019 **Douglas County's July Unemployment Rate Holds Steady**

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted July unemployment rate remained at 5.3 percent compared with a revised 5.3 percent in June. This month's rate is unchanged from the July 2018 rate of 5.3 percent. Oregon's seasonally adjusted July unemployment rate was 4.0 percent; the national rate was 3.7 percent.

The county's net total payroll employment decreased by 680 jobs in July due to the beginning of summer break in local education. There were seasonal gains in construction (+70 jobs) and leisure and hospitality (+60). There was a seasonal loss in local government education (-940). There were additional large gains in retail trade (+50) and professional and business services (+50). There was an additional relatively large over-the-month loss in education and health services (-20).

Douglas County added 200 jobs over the year ending in July for a 0.5 percent annual growth rate. In the private sector, retail trade (+160), construction (+90) and manufacturing (+70), added the most jobs. Relatively large over-the-year losses were reported in professional and business services (-200) and mining and logging (-80).

Government employment was flat over the year from gains in federal government (+80) and state government (+20) that were countered by a loss of 100 in local government.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, September 24th, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for August on Tuesday, September 17th.



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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2019	June 2019	July 2018	June 2019	July 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	46,406	46,173	46,755	233	-349
Unemployed	2,525	2,350	2,499	175	26
Unemployment rate	5.4%	5.1%	5.3%	0.3	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	0.0	0.0
Employed	43,881	43,823	44,256	58	-375
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,110	38,790	37,910	-680	200
Total private	31,130	30,910	30,930	220	200
Mining, logging, and construction	2,860	2,790	2,850	70	10
Mining and logging	980	980	1,060	0	-80
Construction	1,880	1,810	1,790	70	90
Manufacturing	4,980	4,980	4,910	0	70
Durable goods	4,520	4,530	4,470	-10	50
Wood product manufacturing	3,190	3,200	3,190	-10	0
Nondurable goods	460	450	440	10	20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,990	6,930	6,850	60	140
Wholesale trade	650	640	650	10	0
Retail trade	4,800	4,750	4,640	50	160
Food and beverage stores	1,080	1,060	1,050	20	30
General merchandise stores	1,100	1,110	1,100	-10	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,540	1,540	1,560	0	-20
Information	270	270	270	0	0
Financial activities	1,460	1,460	1,420	0	40
Professional and business services	3,730	3,680	3,930	50	-200
Education and health services	5,760	5,780	5,720	-20	40
Leisure and hospitality	3,710	3,650	3,670	60	40
Food services and drinking places	2,840	2,800	2,800	40	40
Other services	1,370	1,370	1,310	0	60
Government	6,980	7,880	6,980	-900	0
Federal government	1,620	1,610	1,540	10	80
State government	740	730	720	10	20
Local government	4,620	5,540	4,720	-920	-100
Indian tribal	1,050	1,050	1,070	0	-20
Local education	2,100	3,040	2,210	-940	-110
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,470	1,450	1,440	20	30

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.

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.

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