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## **Employment in Lincoln County: August 2020**

### **Employment climbs by 230 more than expected in August**

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 230 in August to 15,960 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 50 jobs was expected for the month, but the county's total nonfarm employment increased by 280. The private sector added all 280 jobs and net government employment was unchanged. The leisure and hospitality sector added 220 jobs. The federal government added 60 jobs, mostly due to the 2020 Census. Indian tribal government cut 60 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

August's total nonfarm employment numbers show a loss of 2,870 jobs compared with one year before, a decrease of 14.6 percent. Almost every major industry lost jobs over the year. Leisure and hospitality accounted for most of the drop with a loss of 1,290 jobs, down 24.2 percent from the year before.

Lincoln County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped from last month. It was 10.6 percent in August, down from 15.5 percent in July. It was 4.2 percent the year before. Lincoln County had the highest rate in the state and it was the only county with a double-digit rate. The county's unemployment rate reached a peak of 12.6 percent during the Great Recession. The statewide unemployment rate was 7.7 percent in August, and the national rate was 8.4 percent.

#### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the September county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, October 20, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for September on Tuesday, October 13.

## Lincoln County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	August 2020	July 2020	August 2019	July 2020	August 2019
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	20,469	20,824	21,669	-355	-1,200
Unemployed	2,025	3,074	899	-1,049	1,126
Unemployment rate	9.9%	14.8%	4.1%	-4.9	5.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>10.6%</i>	<i>15.5%</i>	<i>4.2%</i>	<i>-4.9</i>	<i>6.4</i>
Employed	18,444	17,750	20,770	694	-2,326
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	16,810	16,530	19,680	280	-2,870
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>15,960</i>	<i>15,730</i>	<i>18,690</i>	<i>230</i>	<i>-2,730</i>
Total private	13,380	13,100	15,940	280	-2,560
Mining, logging, and construction	890	880	930	10	-40
Mining and logging	140	140	140	0	0
Construction	750	740	790	10	-40
Manufacturing	1,170	1,180	1,580	-10	-410
Durable goods	170	170	170	0	0
Nondurable goods	1,000	1,010	1,410	-10	-410
Food manufacturing	480	480	560	0	-80
Trade, transportation, and utilities	2,940	2,920	3,450	20	-510
Retail trade	2,560	2,550	2,910	10	-350
Food and beverage stores	740	740	790	0	-50
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	230	230	350	0	-120
Information	100	100	140	0	-40
Financial activities	900	890	850	10	50
Professional and business services	920	910	1,080	10	-160
Education and health services	1,980	1,960	2,070	20	-90
Leisure and hospitality	4,050	3,830	5,340	220	-1,290
Accommodation and food services	3,880	3,720	5,090	160	-1,210
Accommodation	1,580	1,540	2,160	40	-580
Food services and drinking places	2,300	2,180	2,930	120	-630
Other services	430	430	500	0	-70
Government	3,430	3,430	3,740	0	-310
Federal government	410	350	350	60	60
State government	310	300	350	10	-40
Local government	2,710	2,780	3,040	-70	-330
Indian tribal	850	910	1,010	-60	-160
Local education	700	690	750	10	-50
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,160	1,180	1,280	-20	-120

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>August 2020</u>	<u>July 2020</u>	<u>August 2019</u>
United States	8.4	10.2	3.7
State of Oregon	7.7	10.4	3.6
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	7.5	10.0	4.2
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	7.7	10.9	3.7
Corvallis (Benton County)	5.7	7.7	2.9
Eugene (Lane County)	7.5	10.3	4.1
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	8.2	10.6	4.8
Medford (Jackson County)	7.7	10.4	4.2
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	8.3	11.0	3.5
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	7.3	9.7	3.9
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	7.8	9.8	4.5
Benton	5.7	7.7	2.9
Clackamas	7.5	10.0	3.4
Clatsop	8.7	12.3	3.6
Columbia	7.8	10.3	4.4
Coos	8.4	11.4	4.7
Crook	8.9	11.4	5.0
Curry	9.0	12.0	5.0
Deschutes	7.7	10.9	3.7
Douglas	7.3	9.8	4.8
Gilliam	6.2	8.1	3.4
Grant	8.9	10.7	6.1
Harney	6.8	7.9	4.9
Hood River	6.2	8.4	2.8
Jackson	7.7	10.4	4.2
Jefferson	9.1	11.1	4.8
Josephine	8.2	10.6	4.8
Klamath	8.6	10.9	5.9
Lake	6.3	7.9	5.0
Lane	7.5	10.3	4.1
Lincoln	10.6	15.5	4.2
Linn	7.5	10.0	4.2
Malheur	5.9	6.9	4.0
Marion	6.8	9.2	3.9
Morrow	5.2	6.0	3.9
Multnomah	9.7	12.3	3.2
Polk	6.7	8.8	4.1
Sherman	6.6	7.8	3.5
Tillamook	7.7	11.0	3.8
Umatilla	6.8	7.9	4.2
Union	7.2	10.4	4.6
Wallowa	7.4	9.3	5.5
Wasco	6.8	9.0	4.0
Washington	6.7	9.2	3.0
Wheeler	4.4	4.9	4.2
Yamhill	6.6	9.1	3.4

(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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