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Oregon Recovers Nearly One-Third of COVID-19 Job Losses

Oregon's total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 56,600 jobs in June, following a gain of 26,100 jobs in May. Over the past two months, employers added back nearly one-third of the jobs that were cut in March and April.

Over-the-month job gains in June were largest in **leisure and hospitality** (+31,400 jobs); **retail trade** (+6,800); **health care and social assistance** (+6,200); and **other services** (+5,700). None of the major industries cut a substantial number of jobs in June.

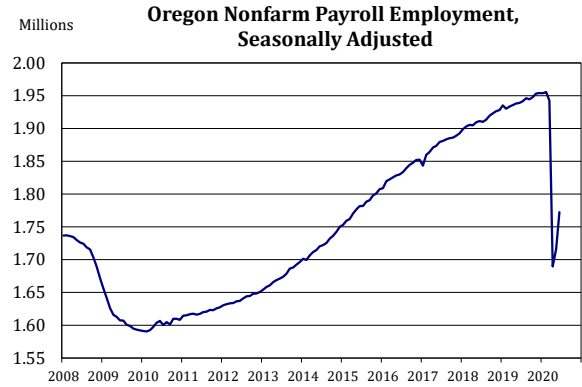
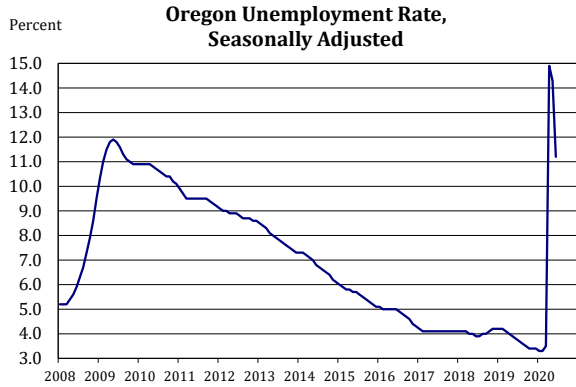
Several major industries have regained around half the jobs they lost in March and April. **Leisure and hospitality** added a total of 47,600 jobs in May and June, which was 39 percent of the 121,500 jobs the industry cut during March and April. **Health care and social assistance** added 15,700 jobs in May and June, recovering 59 percent of the 26,800 jobs it lost the prior two months. Similarly, **retail trade** bounced back by 11,500 jobs, or 49 percent, in the past two months, from the 23,300 jobs it shed in March and April.

However, many of the larger industries haven't seen a substantial rebound in the past two months, including **professional and business services**, which cut 20,200 jobs in March and April, but has only regained 1,900 jobs during May and June. Fairing even worse were the several industries that have shown no net jobs recovery over the past two months. **Manufacturing** employed 181,000 in June, which was 2,400 jobs below its April total. Also in the past two months, **government** cut 9,100 jobs between April and June, during which time **management of companies and enterprises** cut 1,000 jobs and **information** cut 600 jobs.

Oregon's unemployment rate dropped to 11.2 percent in June from 14.3 percent, as revised, in May. In June, Oregon's unemployment rate was very close to the U.S. unemployment rate; the U.S. rate dropped to 11.1 percent in June from 13.3 percent in May.

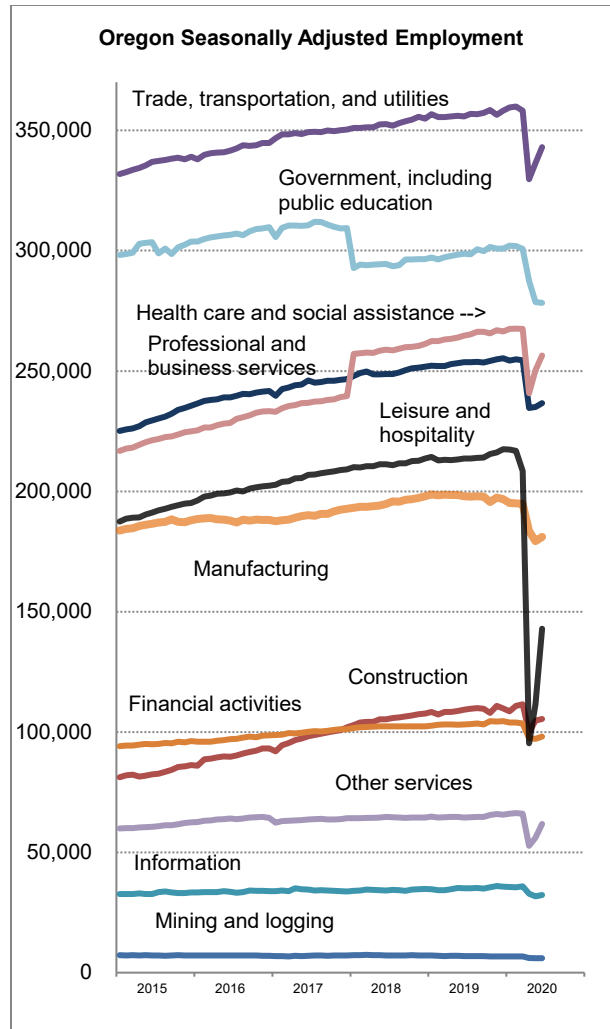
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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the June county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, July 21st, and the next statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Tuesday, August 18th.



Seasonal Expectations and Over-the-Month Employment Changes May to June 2020

INDUSTRY	Normal Seasonal Movement	Unadjusted Change	Seasonally Adjusted Change
Total nonfarm payroll employment	6,400	63,000	56,600
Total private	6,100	63,000	56,900
Mining and logging	100	100	0
Construction	2,000	2,700	700
Manufacturing	2,000	3,700	1,700
Wholesale trade	-100	-500	-400
Retail trade	600	7,400	6,800
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	600	800	200
Information	0	500	500
Financial activities	300	1,200	900
Professional and business services	600	2,100	1,500
Private educational services	-1,600	100	1,700
Health care and social assistance	-1,700	4,500	6,200
Leisure and hospitality	4,400	35,800	31,400
Other services	-1,100	4,600	5,700
Government	300	0	-300



Notes:

All numbers in the above narrative are seasonally adjusted.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly Oregon payroll employment and labor force data. 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.

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