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Employment in South Central Oregon: June 2022

The rate of job growth slowed in June for both Klamath and Lake counties. Local unemployment levels were unchanged in June at very low levels for the regional economy.

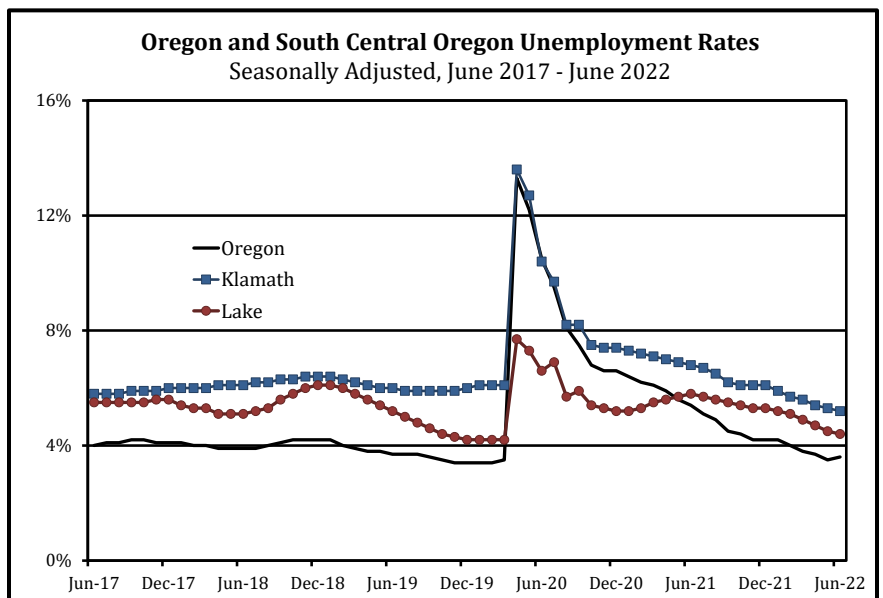
Klamath County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.2% in June, little changed from 5.3% in May. The unemployment rate is significantly lower than levels from before the first impacts of COVID-19 when it was 5.8% in February 2020.

Klamath County added 160 jobs in June, slower growth than typically expected this time of year. Despite weaker hiring in June, the spring hiring period (April-June) was consistent with seasonal norms. Employment levels in Klamath County remain down 1.5% (-350 jobs) from levels in February 2020 before the onset of the pandemic.

Klamath County added 490 jobs in the past year (+2.1%). Job gains continue to be widespread with notable gains over the past year in construction (+90 jobs); education and health services (+90); local government education (+90); and manufacturing (+80). Total nonfarm employment growth was moderated by losses in professional and business services (-120 jobs) and federal government (-70).

Lake County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.4% in June, little changed from 4.5% in May. The rate was 3.8% in February 2020, before the impacts of COVID-19 were first felt.

Lake County added 80 jobs in June, a stronger gain than typical for this time of year. As of June 2022 total nonfarm employment levels remain down around 60 jobs (-2.5%) from levels before the onset of the pandemic in February 2020.



Lake County's total nonfarm employment is unchanged from last year. These losses continue to be concentrated in professional and business services and local government. A loss of 30 jobs in professional and business services and 20 jobs in federal government were overcome by small gains in other industry sectors.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the July county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Aug. 23 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, Aug. 17.



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Klamath County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	June 2022	May 2022	June 2021	May 2022	June 2021
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	30,448	30,417	30,397	31	51
Unemployed	1,558	1,286	2,182	272	-624
Unemployment rate	5.1%	4.2%	7.2%	0.9	-2.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.2%	5.3%	6.8%	-0.1	-1.6
Employed	28,890	29,131	28,215	-241	675
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	23,430	23,270	22,940	160	490
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	22,860	22,950	22,390	-90	470
Total private	18,310	18,200	17,860	110	450
Mining, logging, and construction	1,240	1,210	1,150	30	90
Mining and logging	130	130	130	0	0
Construction	1,110	1,080	1,020	30	90
Manufacturing	1,830	1,830	1,750	0	80
Durable goods	1,630	1,630	1,550	0	80
Wood product manufacturing	1,310	1,320	1,230	-10	80
Nondurable goods	200	200	200	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,660	4,680	4,510	-20	150
Wholesale trade	790	780	750	10	40
Retail trade	3,170	3,210	3,120	-40	50
Food and beverage stores	620	630	620	-10	0
General merchandise stores	830	850	840	-20	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	700	690	640	10	60
Information	110	110	110	0	0
Financial activities	920	920	880	0	40
Professional and business services	1,640	1,610	1,760	30	-120
Education and health services	4,210	4,270	4,120	-60	90
Leisure and hospitality	2,800	2,670	2,740	130	60
Other services	900	900	840	0	60
Government	5,120	5,070	5,080	50	40
Federal government	770	730	840	40	-70
State government	560	500	540	60	20
Local government	3,790	3,840	3,700	-50	90
Local education	2,310	2,370	2,220	-60	90

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.



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	June 2022	May 2022	June 2021	--Change From--	
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Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	3,769	3,708	3,829	61	-60
Unemployed	161	140	234	21	-73
Unemployment rate	4.3%	3.8%	6.1%	0.5	-1.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.4%	4.5%	5.8%	-0.1	-1.4
Employed	3,608	3,568	3,595	40	13
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	2,390	2,310	2,390	80	0
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	2,330	2,310	2,330	20	0
Total private	1,190	1,160	1,190	30	0
Mining, logging, and construction	110	110	110	0	0
Mining and logging	20	20	20	0	0
Construction	90	90	90	0	0
Manufacturing	220	220	220	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	340	330	340	10	0
Retail trade	250	250	240	0	10
Information	20	20	20	0	0
Financial activities	40	40	40	0	0
Professional and business services	70	70	100	0	-30
Education and health services	110	110	110	0	0
Leisure and hospitality	190	190	180	0	10
Other services	90	70	70	20	20
Government	1,200	1,150	1,200	50	0
Federal government	240	230	260	10	-20
State government	180	170	170	10	10
Local government	780	750	770	30	10

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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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