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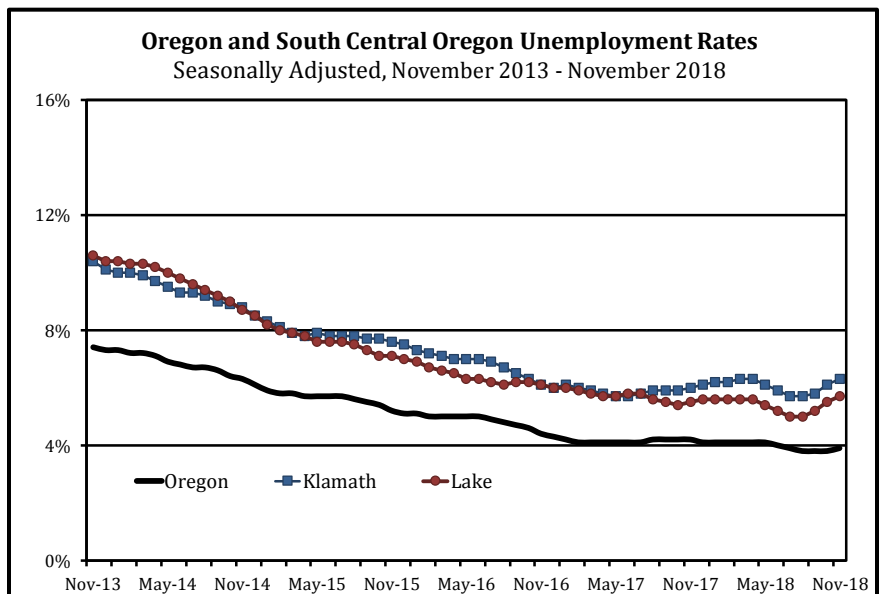
Employment in South Central Oregon: November 2018

Unemployment levels continued to trend up in both Klamath and Lake Counties. Klamath County posted the first significant over-the-year job losses in several years, while Lake County's employment situation is largely unchanged over the past year.

Klamath County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.3 percent in November, a slight increase from 6.1 percent in October. The unemployment rate is slightly higher than this time last year when it was 6.0 percent.

Klamath County shed 470 jobs in November, larger losses than typically expected this time of year.

Employment levels are down 330 jobs from this time last year (-1.4%). This is the largest rate of over-the-year job losses in Klamath County since November 2012. Losses were concentrated in manufacturing, leisure and hospitality, local government, and federal government.



Lake County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.7 percent in November, up from 5.5 percent in October. The rate was also 5.5 percent in November 2017.

Lake County shed 80 jobs in November, a larger decrease than typical for this time of year. Over the past year employment levels are essentially unchanged.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, January 22nd and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Tuesday, January 15th.



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Klamath County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

| | November 2018 | October 2018 | November 2017 | --Change From-- | |
|---|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | | | | October 2018 | November 2017 |
| Labor Force Status | | | | | |
| Civilian labor force | 29,267 | 30,037 | 30,291 | -770 | -1,024 |
| Unemployed | 1,801 | 1,705 | 1,751 | 96 | 50 |
| Unemployment rate | 6.2% | 5.7% | 5.8% | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| <i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i> | 6.3% | 6.1% | 6.0% | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Employed | 27,466 | 28,332 | 28,540 | -866 | -1,074 |
| Nonfarm Payroll Employment | | | | | |
| Total nonfarm employment | 22,980 | 23,450 | 23,310 | -470 | -330 |
| <i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i> | 22,800 | 23,020 | 23,130 | -220 | -330 |
| Total private | 17,920 | 18,260 | 17,640 | -340 | 280 |
| Mining, logging, and construction | 1,040 | 1,070 | 1,000 | -30 | 40 |
| Mining and logging | 90 | 90 | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| Construction | 950 | 980 | 910 | -30 | 40 |
| Manufacturing | 1,760 | 1,780 | 1,860 | -20 | -100 |
| Durable goods | 1,570 | 1,590 | 1,650 | -20 | -80 |
| Wood product manufacturing | 1,260 | 1,270 | 1,320 | -10 | -60 |
| Nondurable goods | 190 | 190 | 210 | 0 | -20 |
| Trade, transportation, and utilities | 4,660 | 4,640 | 4,480 | 20 | 180 |
| Wholesale trade | 840 | 820 | 810 | 20 | 30 |
| Retail trade | 3,000 | 3,000 | 2,910 | 0 | 90 |
| Food and beverage stores | 570 | 580 | 500 | -10 | 70 |
| General merchandise stores | 790 | 780 | 830 | 10 | -40 |
| Transportation, warehousing, and utilities | 820 | 820 | 760 | 0 | 60 |
| Information | 130 | 130 | 150 | 0 | -20 |
| Financial activities | 880 | 880 | 870 | 0 | 10 |
| Professional and business services | 2,190 | 2,220 | 2,260 | -30 | -70 |
| Education and health services | 4,130 | 4,130 | 3,720 | 0 | 410 |
| Leisure and hospitality | 2,370 | 2,650 | 2,560 | -280 | -190 |
| Other services | 760 | 760 | 740 | 0 | 20 |
| Government | 5,060 | 5,190 | 5,670 | -130 | -610 |
| Federal government | 740 | 890 | 860 | -150 | -120 |
| State government | 450 | 450 | 760 | 0 | -310 |
| Local government | 3,870 | 3,850 | 4,050 | 20 | -180 |
| Local education | 2,400 | 2,380 | 2,620 | 20 | -220 |

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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| | | | | October 2018 | November 2017 |
| Labor Force Status | | | | | |
| Civilian labor force | 3,443 | 3,524 | 3,479 | -81 | -36 |
| Unemployed | 201 | 178 | 187 | 23 | 14 |
| Unemployment rate | 5.8% | 5.1% | 5.4% | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| <i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i> | 5.7% | 5.5% | 5.5% | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Employed | 3,242 | 3,346 | 3,292 | -104 | -50 |
| Nonfarm Payroll Employment | | | | | |
| Total nonfarm employment | 2,200 | 2,280 | 2,210 | -80 | -10 |
| <i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i> | 2,220 | 2,250 | 2,230 | -30 | -10 |
| Total private | 1,100 | 1,120 | 1,100 | -20 | 0 |
| Mining, logging, and construction | 110 | 110 | 120 | 0 | -10 |
| Mining and logging | 40 | 40 | 50 | 0 | -10 |
| Construction | 70 | 70 | 70 | 0 | 0 |
| Manufacturing | 190 | 190 | 200 | 0 | -10 |
| Trade, transportation, and utilities | 330 | 330 | 340 | 0 | -10 |
| Retail trade | 230 | 220 | 230 | 10 | 0 |
| Information | 20 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Financial activities | 40 | 40 | 50 | 0 | -10 |
| Professional and business services | 70 | 70 | 70 | 0 | 0 |
| Education and health services | 100 | 100 | 70 | 0 | 30 |
| Leisure and hospitality | 190 | 200 | 180 | -10 | 10 |
| Other services | 50 | 60 | 50 | -10 | 0 |
| Government | 1,100 | 1,160 | 1,110 | -60 | -10 |
| Federal government | 210 | 270 | 230 | -60 | -20 |
| State government | 180 | 180 | 210 | 0 | -30 |
| Local government | 710 | 710 | 670 | 0 | 40 |

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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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