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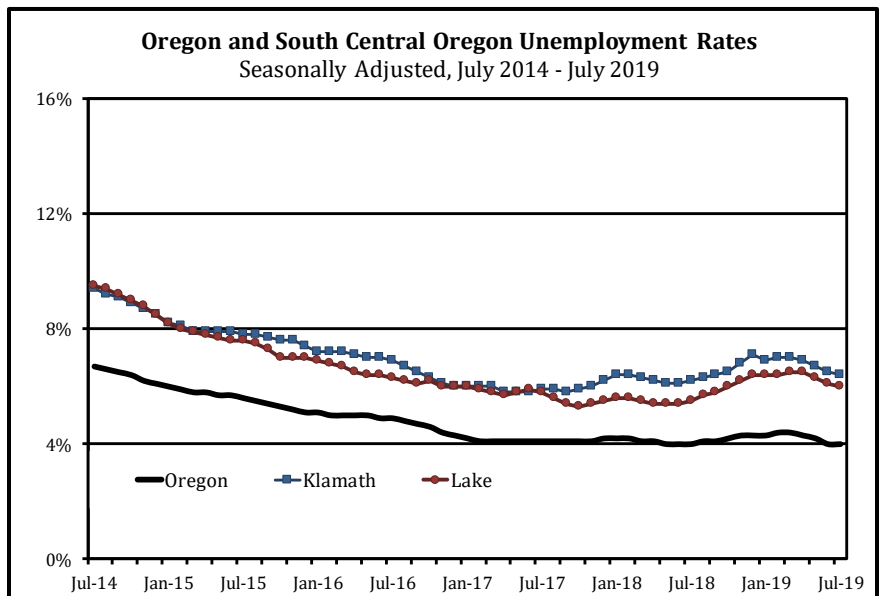
## Employment in South Central Oregon: July 2019

Recent revisions confirmed that the employment and unemployment situation in Klamath and Lake counties remain little changed over the past year.

**Klamath County:** The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.4 percent in July, largely unchanged from 6.5 percent in June. The rate was 6.2 percent last July.

Klamath County shed 730 jobs in July, large losses than typically expected this time of year. The bulk of the job losses were due to summer break for local schools.

Recent revisions revealed that employment levels were slightly lower than initially estimated. The county shed 90 jobs over the past year (-0.4%). There were notable job losses since July 2018 in professional and business services (-300 jobs) and manufacturing (-90 jobs). These losses were largely overcome by gains in local education, health care, and retail trade.



**Lake County:** The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was largely unchanged at 6 percent in July. The rate is up slightly from this time last year when it was 5.5 percent.

Lake County added 30 jobs in July, stronger hiring than typically expected this time of year due to strong gains from federal government agencies. Total nonfarm employment is unchanged from this time last year. Losses in leisure and hospitality were largely negated by modest growth in local government.

**Next Press Releases**

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



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## Klamath County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2019	June 2019	July 2018	June 2019	July 2018
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	29,095	29,382	29,457	-287	-362
Unemployed	1,756	1,632	1,714	124	42
Unemployment rate	6.0%	5.6%	5.8%	0.4	0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.4%	6.5%	6.2%	-0.1	0.2
Employed	27,339	27,750	27,743	-411	-404
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	22,770	23,500	22,860	-730	-90
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	22,810	22,960	22,900	-150	-90
Total private	17,910	17,880	18,260	30	-350
Mining, logging, and construction	1,060	1,040	1,090	20	-30
Mining and logging	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	960	940	990	20	-30
Manufacturing	1,730	1,720	1,820	10	-90
Durable goods	1,530	1,530	1,620	0	-90
Wood product manufacturing	1,230	1,230	1,300	0	-70
Nondurable goods	200	190	200	10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,510	4,490	4,530	20	-20
Wholesale trade	720	740	750	-20	-30
Retail trade	2,990	2,970	2,950	20	40
Food and beverage stores	530	540	530	-10	0
General merchandise stores	830	830	810	0	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	800	780	830	20	-30
Information	140	140	140	0	0
Financial activities	870	860	880	10	-10
Professional and business services	1,900	1,900	2,200	0	-300
Education and health services	4,060	4,130	3,960	-70	100
Leisure and hospitality	2,860	2,820	2,880	40	-20
Other services	780	780	760	0	20
Government	4,860	5,620	4,600	-760	260
Federal government	1,020	980	960	40	60
State government	510	500	500	10	10
Local government	3,330	4,140	3,140	-810	190
Local education	1,910	2,670	1,740	-760	170

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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### Lake County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	July 2019	June 2019	July 2018	June 2019	July 2018
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	3,627	3,543	3,648	84	-21
Unemployed	178	175	163	3	15
Unemployment rate	4.9%	4.9%	4.5%	0.0	0.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.0%	6.1%	5.5%	-0.1	0.5
Employed	3,449	3,368	3,485	81	-36
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	2,360	2,330	2,360	30	0
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	2,250	2,230	2,250	20	0
Total private	1,170	1,110	1,200	60	-30
Mining, logging, and construction	110	100	120	10	-10
Mining and logging	40	30	50	10	-10
Construction	70	70	70	0	0
Manufacturing	190	190	200	0	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	350	340	340	10	10
Retail trade	240	240	240	0	0
Information	20	20	20	0	0
Financial activities	40	40	40	0	0
Professional and business services	70	70	80	0	-10
Education and health services	90	90	90	0	0
Leisure and hospitality	200	180	220	20	-20
Other services	100	80	90	20	10
Government	1,190	1,220	1,160	-30	30
Federal government	330	280	330	50	0
State government	190	190	190	0	0
Local government	670	750	640	-80	30

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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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