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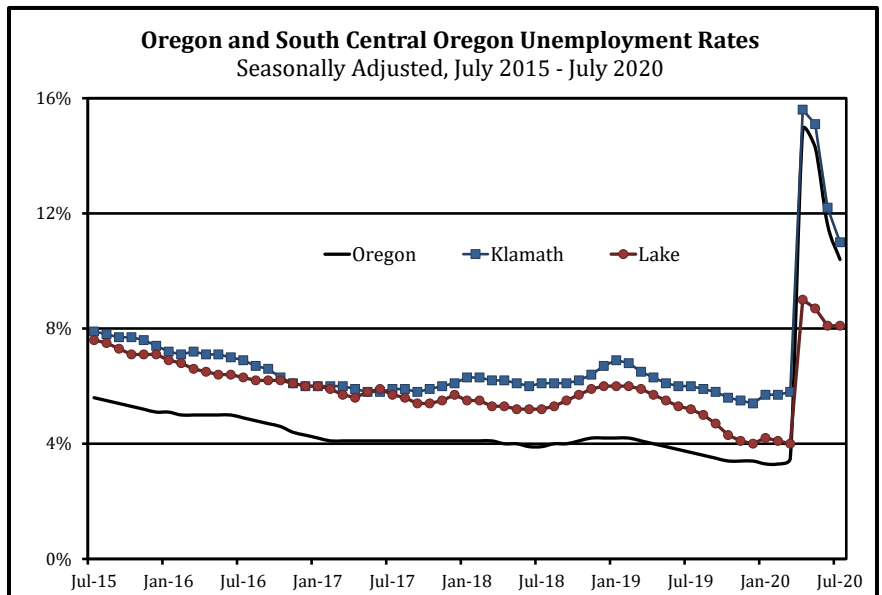
Employment in South Central Oregon: July 2020

The employment recovery slowed dramatically in both Klamath and Lake counties in July, following much stronger job growth earlier in the summer.

Klamath County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 11.0 percent in July, down from 12.2 percent in June. The unemployment rate is much higher than before the COVID-19 crisis; it was 5.8 percent in March 2020.

The jobs recovery slowed in Klamath County in July, following more dramatic improvement in June. Total nonfarm employment rose by 150 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis in July after a gain of 370 in June.

Klamath County shed around 2,600 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis during the peak of the COVID-19 crisis, or roughly 11.5 percent of total nonfarm jobs. As of July around 540 of those jobs have been added back, representing roughly 21 percent of the jobs lost. The hard hit industries remain largely unchanged with employment down significantly over the past year in leisure and hospitality (-800 jobs); professional and business services (-450 jobs); public education (-260 jobs); and manufacturing (-140 jobs).



Lake County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 8.1 percent in July, unchanged from June. The rate remains up from before the COVID-19 crisis; it was 4.0 percent in March 2020.

Lake County shed 60 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis in July, essentially negating the gains seen in June. These losses were concentrated in local government.

Total nonfarm employment remains down significantly since the onset of the COVID-19 crisis. Lake County lost around 300 jobs during the peak of the crisis and has only regained around 30 jobs. As of July total nonfarm employment is down 11.3 percent from before the crisis.

Next Press Releases

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



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Klamath County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2020	June 2020	July 2019	June 2020	July 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	28,109	29,716	29,548	-1,607	-1,439
Unemployed	2,968	3,424	1,682	-456	1,286
Unemployment rate	10.6%	11.5%	5.7%	-0.9	4.9
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>11.0%</i>	<i>12.2%</i>	<i>6.0%</i>	<i>-1.2</i>	<i>5.0</i>
Employed	25,141	26,292	27,866	-1,151	-2,725
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	20,820	21,180	23,050	-360	-2,230
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>20,860</i>	<i>20,710</i>	<i>23,090</i>	<i>150</i>	<i>-2,230</i>
Total private	16,160	15,970	18,210	190	-2,050
Mining, logging, and construction	1,050	1,020	1,130	30	-80
Mining and logging	110	100	100	10	10
Construction	940	920	1,030	20	-90
Manufacturing	1,600	1,600	1,740	0	-140
Durable goods	1,420	1,420	1,540	0	-120
Wood product manufacturing	1,120	1,120	1,230	0	-110
Nondurable goods	180	180	200	0	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,300	4,260	4,490	40	-190
Wholesale trade	700	710	760	-10	-60
Retail trade	2,920	2,880	3,010	40	-90
Food and beverage stores	580	580	560	0	20
General merchandise stores	880	850	850	30	30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	680	670	720	10	-40
Information	110	110	130	0	-20
Financial activities	850	840	900	10	-50
Professional and business services	1,560	1,530	2,010	30	-450
Education and health services	3,840	3,880	4,090	-40	-250
Leisure and hospitality	2,110	2,020	2,910	90	-800
Other services	740	710	810	30	-70
Government	4,660	5,210	4,840	-550	-180
Federal government	950	920	930	30	20
State government	510	510	510	0	0
Local government	3,200	3,780	3,400	-580	-200
Local education	1,670	2,230	1,930	-560	-260

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 2020	June 2020	July 2019	June 2020	July 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	3,672	3,747	3,826	-75	-154
Unemployed	254	279	171	-25	83
Unemployment rate	6.9%	7.4%	4.5%	-0.5	2.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	8.1%	8.1%	5.2%	0.0	2.9
Employed	3,418	3,468	3,655	-50	-237
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	2,240	2,260	2,390	-20	-150
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	2,130	2,190	2,280	-60	-150
Total private	1,090	1,070	1,210	20	-120
Mining, logging, and construction	130	130	130	0	0
Mining and logging	30	30	50	0	-20
Construction	100	100	80	0	20
Manufacturing	190	190	210	0	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	310	310	330	0	-20
Retail trade	220	220	240	0	-20
Information	20	20	20	0	0
Financial activities	40	40	40	0	0
Professional and business services	80	80	80	0	0
Education and health services	80	80	100	0	-20
Leisure and hospitality	160	150	200	10	-40
Other services	80	70	100	10	-20
Government	1,150	1,190	1,180	-40	-30
Federal government	300	300	330	0	-30
State government	180	180	190	0	-10
Local government	670	710	660	-40	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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