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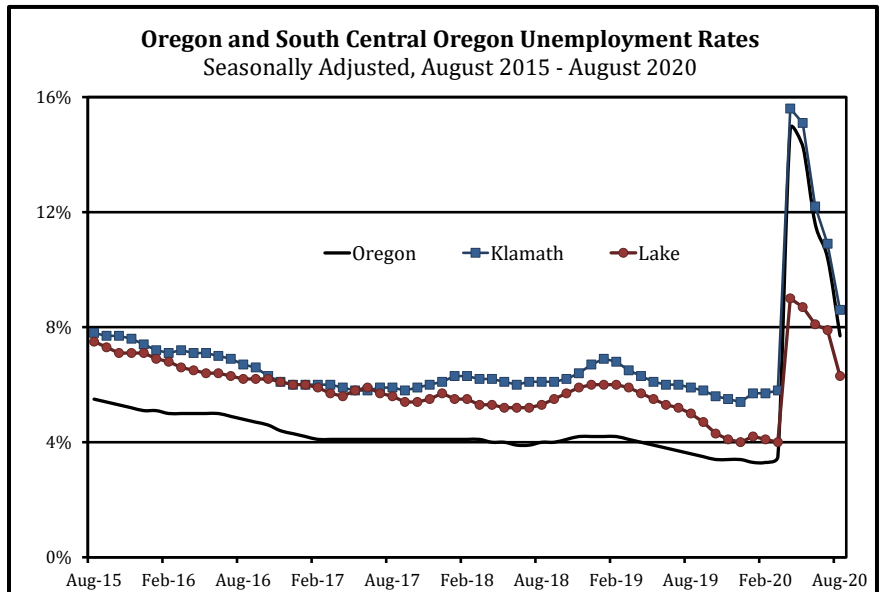
Employment in South Central Oregon: August 2020

Klamath and Lake counties continued their employment recovery in August. Job gains have been more incremental since moving into Phase 2 of reopening at the beginning of summer.

Klamath County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 8.6 percent in August, down from 10.9 percent in July. Despite the dramatic improvement, the unemployment rate remains higher than before the COVID-19 crisis; it was 5.8 percent in March 2020.

Klamath County continued to recover from the COVID-19 crisis in August, adding 140 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis, which was similar to the gains posted in July.

As of August Klamath County added back 670 of the 2,600 (~26%) jobs lost during the COVID-19 crisis. Leisure and hospitality remains the hardest hit industry with employment levels down 830 from this time last year. The leisure sector has seen little improvement since June when the county moved into Phase 2 of reopening. Other hard hit sectors include public education (-300 jobs); professional and business services (-270 jobs); and manufacturing (-160 jobs).



Lake County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.3 percent in August, down from 7.9 percent in July. The rate remains up from before the COVID-19 crisis; it was 4.0 percent in March 2020.

Lake County added 50 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis in August, rebounding from a loss of 60 jobs in July.

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 regained around 80 jobs. As of August total nonfarm employment is down 9.1 percent from before the crisis.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the September county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, October 20th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for September on Tuesday, October 13th.



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Klamath County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

			--Change From--		
	August 2020	July 2020	August 2019	July 2020	August 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	28,237	28,157	29,574	80	-1,337
Unemployed	2,243	3,002	1,631	-759	612
Unemployment rate	7.9%	10.7%	5.5%	-2.8	2.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	8.6%	10.9%	5.9%	-2.3	2.7
Employed	25,994	25,155	27,943	839	-1,949
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	21,120	20,810	23,100	310	-1,980
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	20,990	20,850	22,960	140	-1,970
Total private	16,380	16,160	18,190	220	-1,810
Mining, logging, and construction	1,070	1,050	1,110	20	-40
Mining and logging	110	110	110	0	0
Construction	960	940	1,000	20	-40
Manufacturing	1,590	1,600	1,750	-10	-160
Durable goods	1,400	1,420	1,550	-20	-150
Wood product manufacturing	1,120	1,120	1,230	0	-110
Nondurable goods	190	180	200	10	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,370	4,310	4,550	60	-180
Wholesale trade	720	690	770	30	-50
Retail trade	2,960	2,940	3,040	20	-80
Food and beverage stores	570	580	570	-10	0
General merchandise stores	890	880	830	10	60
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	690	680	740	10	-50
Information	110	110	130	0	-20
Financial activities	850	850	900	0	-50
Professional and business services	1,600	1,560	1,870	40	-270
Education and health services	3,940	3,840	4,130	100	-190
Leisure and hospitality	2,090	2,100	2,920	-10	-830
Other services	760	740	830	20	-70
Government	4,740	4,650	4,910	90	-170
Federal government	1,020	940	940	80	80
State government	520	510	510	10	10
Local government	3,200	3,200	3,460	0	-260
Local education	1,660	1,670	1,960	-10	-300

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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	August 2020	July 2020	August 2019	July 2020	August 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	3,714	3,678	3,831	36	-117
Unemployed	185	256	168	-71	17
Unemployment rate	5.0%	7.0%	4.4%	-2.0	0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.3%	7.9%	5.0%	-1.6	1.3
Employed	3,529	3,422	3,663	107	-134
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	2,280	2,240	2,390	40	-110
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	2,180	2,130	2,290	50	-110
Total private	1,100	1,090	1,200	10	-100
Mining, logging, and construction	130	130	140	0	-10
Mining and logging	30	30	50	0	-20
Construction	100	100	90	0	10
Manufacturing	190	190	200	0	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	320	310	340	10	-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	90	80	100	10	-10
Leisure and hospitality	160	160	200	0	-40
Other services	70	80	80	-10	-10
Government	1,180	1,150	1,190	30	-10
Federal government	320	300	330	20	-10
State government	180	180	190	0	-10
Local government	680	670	670	10	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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