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Employment in South Coast: December 2019

Seasonal Leisure and Hospitality Losses Reduce Payroll Employment

Coos County total payroll employment slipped by 60 jobs in December. The largest decline was in leisure and hospitality, which had a seasonally typical loss of 50 jobs. Other industries with small estimated job losses included professional and business services (-30); construction (-20); and retail trade (-20). Somewhat offsetting those losses, industries gaining jobs in December were transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+50) and private education and health services (+40).

Coos County had an estimated gain of 390 jobs over the year. Industries adding jobs included leisure and hospitality (+100); retail trade (+100); private education and health services (+100); and professional and business services (+30). Job losses were estimated in wood product manufacturing (-60) and mining and logging (-20). Government employment rose by 80 over the year, with gains in Indian tribal local government (+60) and state government (+30). Slight losses were tallied in local government education (-40).

Curry County total nonfarm payroll fell by 90 jobs over the month. A seasonally typical loss of 70 jobs in leisure and hospitality and a decline of 20 manufacturing jobs accounted for most of the month's loss. Other industries showed little change in December.

Curry County nonfarm employment gained 30 jobs over the year. Industries adding jobs included manufacturing (+60), and financial activities (+20). On the other hand, job losses were estimated in leisure and hospitality (-50), and construction (-10). Government employment was up by just 10 jobs since December 2018. Local government gained 20 jobs while state government employment declined by 10 over the last year.

Looking ahead to 2020, many forecasts are calling for continued, but slower job growth as this economic expansion grows long in the tooth entering its 11th year. Our current stretch of historically low unemployment rates and slower labor force growth in recent months are headwinds to job growth in the coming year.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the January county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, March 10th, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for January on Tuesday, March 3rd.

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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Coos County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	December 2019	November 2019	December 2018	November 2019	December 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	26,054	26,181	26,446	-127	-392
Unemployed	994	1,028	1,543	-34	-549
Unemployment rate	3.8%	3.9%	5.8%	-0.1	-2.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.7%	5.0%	5.8%	-0.3	-1.1
Employed	25,060	25,153	24,903	-93	157
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	23,140	23,200	22,750	-60	390
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	22,940	23,000	22,560	-60	380
Total private	17,290	17,340	16,980	-50	310
Mining, logging, and construction	1,390	1,420	1,410	-30	-20
Mining and logging	430	440	450	-10	-20
Construction	960	980	960	-20	0
Manufacturing	1,680	1,680	1,740	0	-60
Wood product manufacturing	840	840	900	0	-60
Food manufacturing	340	330	300	10	40
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,400	4,370	4,280	30	120
Wholesale trade	390	390	390	0	0
Retail trade	3,050	3,070	2,950	-20	100
Food and beverage stores	840	840	810	0	30
General merchandise stores	760	770	710	-10	50
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	960	910	940	50	20
Information	190	190	180	0	10
Financial activities	790	800	770	-10	20
Professional and business services	2,150	2,180	2,120	-30	30
Education and health services	3,380	3,340	3,280	40	100
Leisure and hospitality	2,750	2,800	2,650	-50	100
Other services	560	560	550	0	10
Government	5,850	5,860	5,770	-10	80
Federal government	300	300	310	0	-10
State government	500	510	470	-10	30
Local government	5,050	5,050	4,990	0	60
Indian tribal	830	840	770	-10	60
Local education	1,840	1,850	1,880	-10	-40
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,380	2,360	2,340	20	40

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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Curry County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	December 2019	November 2019	December 2018	November 2019	December 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	8,599	8,702	8,633	-103	-34
Unemployed	385	411	627	-26	-242
Unemployment rate	4.5%	4.7%	7.3%	-0.2	-2.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.1%	5.4%	6.8%	-0.3	-1.7
Employed	8,214	8,291	8,006	-77	208
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,560	6,650	6,530	-90	30
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,650	6,680	6,620	-30	30
Total private	5,240	5,330	5,220	-90	20
Mining, logging, and construction	510	500	520	10	-10
Mining and logging	130	120	130	10	0
Construction	380	380	390	0	-10
Manufacturing	700	720	640	-20	60
Wood product manufacturing	520	510	470	10	50
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,210	1,200	1,210	10	0
Retail trade	990	990	1,020	0	-30
Information	50	50	50	0	0
Financial activities	370	370	350	0	20
Professional and business services	280	280	270	0	10
Education and health services	830	840	840	-10	-10
Health care	580	580	570	0	10
Leisure and hospitality	1,100	1,170	1,150	-70	-50
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	40	40	40	0	0
Accommodation and food services	1,060	1,130	1,110	-70	-50
Other services	190	200	190	-10	0
Government	1,320	1,320	1,310	0	10
Federal government	80	90	80	-10	0
State government	100	100	110	0	-10
Local government	1,140	1,130	1,120	10	20
Local education	400	400	420	0	-20
Local government excluding educational services	740	730	700	10	40

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