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## **Employment in South Coast: November 2020** **South Coast Not Immune From Slowing Recovery Trend**

Coos County total payroll employment fell by 60 jobs in November. The largest decline was estimated in leisure and hospitality, down by 80 jobs. Job loss also occurred in manufacturing, down by 30 jobs, with the reduction in the food manufacturing component. Construction and federal government employment each shed 30 jobs in November. A couple sectors added jobs over the month including local government education (+50); and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+20).

Coos County's total payroll employment fell by 1,450 jobs over the year, a drop of 6.2%. Coos County job losses were widespread outside of a few jobs gained over the year in construction (+80) and general merchandise stores (+30). Sectors with job loss included leisure and hospitality (-240); private education and health services (-230); retail trade (-110); professional and business services (-80); and other services (-70). Government employment fell by 600 over the year with losses estimated in local education (-400) and Indian tribal local government (-150).

Curry County lost 190 payroll jobs in November. Leisure and hospitality employment fell by 110 jobs and government employment slipped by 40 jobs. Construction employment dipped by 30 jobs. Over the year, payroll employment fell by 210 jobs or a loss of 2.9%. Industries shedding the most jobs since November 2019 were construction (-50); financial activities (-40); and manufacturing (-30). A few industries had estimated jobs gains over the year including retail trade and health care, each adding 30 jobs.

"On Nov. 18th, Oregon implemented a 'freeze' to combat the rise of COVID-19 in the state. This employment press release covers the employment situation just prior to the ongoing freeze, which has affected employers and tens of thousands of workers in recent weeks," said Gail Krumenauer, State Employment Economist with the Oregon Employment Department.

## Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Jan. 26, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Wednesday, Jan. 20.

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

	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	--Change From--	
				October 2020	November 2019
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	26,130	26,624	25,951	-494	179
Unemployed	1,597	1,823	963	-226	634
Unemployment rate	6.1%	6.8%	3.7%	-0.7	2.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.5%	7.2%	4.0%	-0.7	2.5
Employed	24,533	24,801	24,988	-268	-455
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	21,760	21,820	23,210	-60	-1,450
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	21,560	21,780	23,000	-220	-1,440
Total private	16,510	16,620	17,360	-110	-850
Mining, logging, and construction	1,500	1,520	1,430	-20	70
Mining and logging	410	400	420	10	-10
Construction	1,090	1,120	1,010	-30	80
Manufacturing	1,520	1,550	1,640	-30	-120
Wood product manufacturing	750	740	790	10	-40
Food manufacturing	260	300	320	-40	-60
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,130	4,100	4,280	30	-150
Wholesale trade	410	410	410	0	0
Retail trade	2,920	2,910	3,030	10	-110
Food and beverage stores	800	810	810	-10	-10
General merchandise stores	780	770	750	10	30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	800	780	840	20	-40
Information	150	150	160	0	-10
Financial activities	790	790	810	0	-20
Professional and business services	2,250	2,260	2,330	-10	-80
Education and health services	3,080	3,080	3,310	0	-230
Leisure and hospitality	2,570	2,650	2,810	-80	-240
Other services	520	520	590	0	-70
Government	5,250	5,200	5,850	50	-600
Federal government	280	310	300	-30	-20
State government	480	490	550	-10	-70
Local government	4,490	4,400	5,000	90	-510
Indian tribal	660	650	810	10	-150
Local education	1,460	1,410	1,860	50	-400
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,370	2,340	2,330	30	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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	November 2020	October 2020	November 2019	October 2020	November 2019
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	8,846	9,238	8,732	-392	114
Unemployed	538	605	385	-67	153
Unemployment rate	6.1%	6.5%	4.4%	-0.4	1.7
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.3%	7.3%	4.4%	-1.0	1.9
Employed	8,308	8,633	8,347	-325	-39
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	6,420	6,610	6,660	-190	-240
Total private	5,210	5,350	5,330	-140	-120
Mining, logging, and construction	520	550	580	-30	-60
Mining and logging	120	120	130	0	-10
Construction	400	430	450	-30	-50
Manufacturing	640	640	670	0	-30
Wood product manufacturing	500	500	500	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,250	1,250	1,220	0	30
Retail trade	1,040	1,040	1,010	0	30
Information	20	20	40	0	-20
Financial activities	310	320	350	-10	-40
Professional and business services	280	280	290	0	-10
Education and health services	840	830	830	10	10
Health care	610	600	580	10	30
Leisure and hospitality	1,160	1,270	1,170	-110	-10
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	40	40	40	0	0
Accommodation and food services	1,120	1,230	1,130	-110	-10
Other services	190	190	180	0	10
Government	1,210	1,260	1,330	-50	-120
Federal government	90	130	90	-40	0
State government	110	120	110	-10	0
Local government	1,010	1,010	1,130	0	-120
Local education	380	380	420	0	-40
Local government excluding educational services	630	630	710	0	-80

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