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Employment in South Coast: December 2020 Pandemic Impacts Varied Among South Coast Industries

Coos County total payroll employment fell by 40 jobs in December. The largest declines were estimated in local government education and leisure and hospitality, down by 60 and 40 jobs, respectively. Job loss also occurred in professional and business services, down by 30 jobs and in retail trade (-20). A couple sectors adding jobs over the month were private education and health services (+40) and manufacturing (+20).

Coos County's total payroll employment fell by 1,340 jobs over the year, a drop of 5.8%. The job losses were widespread outside of a few jobs gained over the year in construction (+40) and general merchandise stores (+20). Sectors with job loss included private education and health services (-170); leisure and hospitality (-150); retail trade (-110); manufacturing (-110); professional and business services (-100); and other services (-60). Government employment fell by 560 over the year with losses estimated in local education (-450); Indian tribal local government (-150); and state government (-50).

Curry County lost 130 payroll jobs in December. Leisure and hospitality employment fell by 170 jobs while 20 jobs were added in professional and business services. Over the year, payroll employment fell by 310 jobs or a loss of 4.7%. Industries shedding the most jobs since December 2019 were leisure and hospitality (-120); financial activities (-30); manufacturing (-30); and construction (-20). A few industries had estimated jobs gains over the year including retail trade, professional and business services, and health care, each adding 20 jobs.

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 9th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for January on Tuesday, March 2nd.

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 2020	November 2020	December 2019	November 2020	December 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	26,481	26,427	25,815	54	666
Unemployed	1,626	1,631	996	-5	630
Unemployment rate	6.1%	6.2%	3.9%	-0.1	2.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.4%	6.6%	4.0%	-0.2	2.4
Employed	24,855	24,796	24,819	59	36
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	21,830	21,870	23,170	-40	-1,340
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	21,730	21,670	23,070	60	-1,340
Total private	16,550	16,600	17,330	-50	-780
Mining, logging, and construction	1,480	1,490	1,440	-10	40
Mining and logging	410	410	410	0	0
Construction	1,070	1,080	1,030	-10	40
Manufacturing	1,540	1,520	1,650	20	-110
Wood product manufacturing	750	750	790	0	-40
Food manufacturing	280	270	330	10	-50
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,110	4,120	4,290	-10	-180
Wholesale trade	400	400	410	0	-10
Retail trade	2,900	2,920	3,010	-20	-110
Food and beverage stores	800	800	810	0	-10
General merchandise stores	760	770	740	-10	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	810	800	870	10	-60
Information	150	150	160	0	-10
Financial activities	780	790	820	-10	-40
Professional and business services	2,220	2,250	2,320	-30	-100
Education and health services	3,140	3,100	3,310	40	-170
Leisure and hospitality	2,610	2,650	2,760	-40	-150
Other services	520	530	580	-10	-60
Government	5,280	5,270	5,840	10	-560
Federal government	290	290	300	0	-10
State government	480	490	530	-10	-50
Local government	4,510	4,490	5,010	20	-500
Indian tribal	670	660	810	10	-140
Local education	1,400	1,460	1,850	-60	-450
Local government excluding education and tribal	2,440	2,370	2,350	70	90

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 2020	November 2020	December 2019	November 2020	December 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	8,871	8,908	8,620	-37	251
Unemployed	589	548	389	41	200
Unemployment rate	6.6%	6.2%	4.5%	0.4	2.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.4%	6.3%	4.3%	0.1	2.1
Employed	8,282	8,360	8,231	-78	51
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	6,300	6,430	6,610	-130	-310
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6,370	6,450	6,680	-80	-310
Total private	5,090	5,220	5,250	-130	-160
Mining, logging, and construction	530	520	560	10	-30
Mining and logging	120	120	130	0	-10
Construction	410	400	430	10	-20
Manufacturing	640	650	670	-10	-30
Wood product manufacturing	490	500	510	-10	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,260	1,250	1,230	10	30
Retail trade	1,040	1,040	1,020	0	20
Information	20	20	40	0	-20
Financial activities	320	310	350	10	-30
Professional and business services	300	280	280	20	20
Education and health services	840	840	830	0	10
Health care	600	610	580	-10	20
Leisure and hospitality	990	1,160	1,110	-170	-120
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	40	40	40	0	0
Accommodation and food services	950	1,120	1,070	-170	-120
Other services	190	190	180	0	10
Government	1,210	1,210	1,360	0	-150
Federal government	80	90	80	-10	0
State government	110	110	110	0	0
Local government	1,020	1,010	1,170	10	-150
Local education	380	380	420	0	-40
Local government excluding educational services	640	630	750	10	-110

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