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## **Employment in Yamhill County: December 2018**

### **Yamhill County's Unemployment Rate at 3.8 Percent**

Yamhill County's unemployment rate was 3.8 percent in December, essentially unchanged from its November revised rate of 3.9 percent. Oregon's unemployment rate was 4.1 percent in December, up from its revised November rate of 3.9 percent.

Yamhill County's employment loss in December was smaller than normal; total nonfarm employment decreased 240 jobs, when a decrease of roughly 290 jobs would be expected. Seasonally adjusted employment increased 50 between November and December. Yamhill County's employment level was 2,210, or 6.9 percent, above its pre-recession employment peak in August 2007.

Yamhill County's employment decreased 70 over the past year, down less than 1 percent. Oregon's employment was up 1.5 percent over the past year. Yamhill County's private-sector employment was up 630 over the past year. Public-sector employment was down 700 over the past 12 months, with state government dropping 320 jobs.

The drop in state government jobs is caused by the reclassification of approximately 320 home care workers from state government to private-sector health care and social assistance. The reclassification will affect over-the-year private-sector and government change figures through December 2018. It does not affect total payroll employment levels.

The fastest-growing private-sector industries over the past year included: construction (+130 jobs, or 6.7%); information (+10 jobs, or 4.5%); and leisure and hospitality (+110 jobs, or 3.0%).

### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the January county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, March 12 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Tuesday, March 5.



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### Yamhill County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	December 2018	November 2018	December 2017	November 2018	December 2017
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	54,496	54,926	54,572	-430	-76
Unemployed	1,960	2,042	1,859	-82	101
Unemployment rate	3.6%	3.7%	3.4%	-0.1	0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.8%	3.9%	3.6%	-0.1	0.2
Employed	52,536	52,884	52,713	-348	-177
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	34,540	34,780	34,610	-240	-70
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	34,120	34,070	34,200	50	-80
Total private	30,440	30,590	29,810	-150	630
Mining, logging, and construction	2,290	2,270	2,160	20	130
Mining and logging	220	210	220	10	0
Construction	2,070	2,060	1,940	10	130
Manufacturing	6,740	6,810	6,750	-70	-10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,900	4,920	4,900	-20	0
Wholesale trade	600	610	620	-10	-20
Retail trade	3,810	3,810	3,730	0	80
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	640	650	630	-10	10
Food and beverage stores	920	940	930	-20	-10
General merchandise stores	720	750	760	-30	-40
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	490	500	550	-10	-60
Information	230	230	220	0	10
Financial activities	1,230	1,240	1,200	-10	30
Professional and business services	1,890	1,890	1,900	0	-10
Education and health services	8,300	8,310	7,930	-10	370
Educational services	3,350	3,350	3,380	0	-30
Health care and social assistance	4,950	4,960	4,550	-10	400
Leisure and hospitality	3,760	3,810	3,650	-50	110
Other services	1,100	1,110	1,100	-10	0
Government	4,100	4,190	4,800	-90	-700
Federal government	440	430	460	10	-20
State government	210	210	530	0	-320
Local government	3,450	3,550	3,810	-100	-360
Local education	1,810	1,830	2,270	-20	-460
Local government excluding educational services	1,640	1,720	1,540	-80	100

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.

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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