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July 2019 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

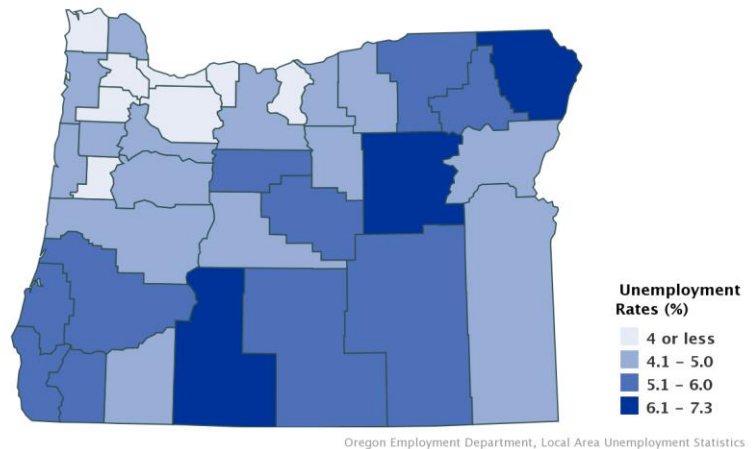
Benton County had Oregon's lowest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 3.1 percent in July 2019. Other counties with some of the lowest unemployment rates in June included Washington (3.3%), Hood River (3.4%), and Multnomah (3.5%). Seven counties had unemployment rates at or below the national rate of 3.7 percent. Eight of Oregon's counties had unemployment rates below the statewide rate of 4.0 percent.

Grant County registered the highest unemployment rate for the month at 7.3 percent. Other counties with some of the highest unemployment rates in July were Wallowa and Klamath (6.4%).

July 2019 unemployment rates for almost all of Oregon's counties were similar to what they were in July 2018. Only Wheeler County had a change greater than 1 percentage point, with an increase of 1.4 percentage points in its unemployment rate over the past year. Sherman County's unemployment rate decreased 0.6 percentage point over the past year, the most of any county.

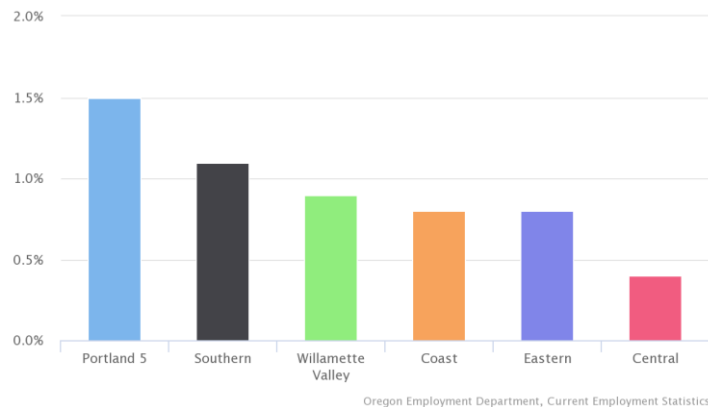
Total nonfarm payroll employment rose in all six of Oregon's broad regions between July 2018 and July 2019. The largest job gains occurred in the Portland area (+1.5%). Southern Oregon (+1.1%), the Willamette Valley (0.9%), the Coast (+0.8%), Eastern Oregon (+0.8%), and Central Oregon (+0.4%) also saw employment growth over the past year.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate, July 2019



Over-the-Year Employment Growth by Region

July 2018 to July 2019, Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment



Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for August on Tuesday, September 17, 2019. The August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, September 24, 2019.



Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	July 2019					June 2019					July 2018				
	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR
United States	164,941,000	158,385,000	6,556,000	4.0	3.7	164,120,000	157,828,000	6,292,000	3.8	3.7	163,734,000	157,004,000	6,730,000	4.1	3.9
State of Oregon	2,135,330	2,045,421	89,909	4.2	4.0	2,118,160	2,034,327	83,833	4.0	4.0	2,125,001	2,035,626	89,375	4.2	4.0
Metropolitan Statistical Areas:															
Albany (Linn County)	58,597	55,691	2,906	5.0	4.6	58,984	56,313	2,671	4.5	4.6	58,524	55,662	2,862	4.9	4.6
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	97,935	94,108	3,827	3.9	4.2	96,447	92,695	3,752	3.9	4.2	96,624	92,839	3,785	3.9	4.1
Corvallis (Benton County)	46,811	45,018	1,793	3.8	3.1	49,299	47,659	1,640	3.3	3.2	46,525	44,806	1,719	3.7	3.1
Eugene (Lane County)	179,837	171,497	8,340	4.6	4.3	181,341	173,435	7,906	4.4	4.3	181,002	172,539	8,463	4.7	4.4
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	36,344	34,429	1,915	5.3	5.2	36,509	34,676	1,833	5.0	5.2	35,993	33,981	2,012	5.6	5.4
Medford (Jackson County)	105,991	100,426	5,565	5.3	4.7	105,721	100,897	4,824	4.6	4.7	104,249	99,051	5,198	5.0	4.7
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	1,336,280	1,282,366	53,914	4.0	3.8	1,319,700	1,268,443	51,257	3.9	3.7	1,319,780	1,267,414	52,366	4.0	3.8
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	205,985	196,603	9,382	4.6	4.2	203,531	194,954	8,577	4.2	4.2	205,437	196,285	9,152	4.5	4.3
Counties:															
Baker	6,987	6,667	320	4.6	5.0	7,037	6,726	311	4.4	5.1	7,023	6,684	339	4.8	5.3
Benton	46,811	45,018	1,793	3.8	3.1	49,299	47,659	1,640	3.3	3.2	46,525	44,806	1,719	3.7	3.1
Clackamas	222,596	213,979	8,617	3.9	3.6	219,580	211,425	8,155	3.7	3.6	220,831	212,227	8,604	3.9	3.7
Clatsop	20,132	19,377	755	3.8	4.0	19,870	19,118	752	3.8	4.0	20,060	19,322	738	3.7	4.0
Columbia	24,698	23,448	1,250	5.1	4.7	24,355	23,202	1,153	4.7	4.8	24,565	23,251	1,314	5.3	5.1
Coos	26,584	25,122	1,462	5.5	5.3	26,433	25,076	1,357	5.1	5.3	26,542	25,124	1,418	5.3	5.3
Crook	9,658	9,141	517	5.4	5.6	9,575	9,089	486	5.1	5.7	9,701	9,163	538	5.5	5.9
Curry	9,027	8,573	454	5.0	5.5	8,945	8,479	466	5.2	5.7	9,150	8,657	493	5.4	5.9
Deschutes	97,935	94,108	3,827	3.9	4.2	96,447	92,695	3,752	3.9	4.2	96,624	92,839	3,785	3.9	4.1
Douglas	46,406	43,881	2,525	5.4	5.3	46,173	43,823	2,350	5.1	5.3	46,755	44,256	2,499	5.3	5.3
Gilliam	905	870	35	3.9	4.1	897	862	35	3.9	4.3	869	834	35	4.0	3.9
Grant	3,193	3,034	159	5.0	7.3	3,209	3,050	159	5.0	7.5	3,181	3,031	150	4.7	6.7
Harney	3,502	3,342	160	4.6	5.8	3,415	3,258	157	4.6	6.0	3,525	3,352	173	4.9	5.9
Hood River	16,329	15,793	536	3.3	3.4	14,475	14,000	475	3.3	3.5	16,435	15,872	563	3.4	3.3
Jackson	105,991	100,426	5,565	5.3	4.7	105,721	100,897	4,824	4.6	4.7	104,249	99,051	5,198	5.0	4.7
Jefferson	10,361	9,868	493	4.8	5.4	10,333	9,864	469	4.5	5.5	10,510	10,002	508	4.8	5.3
Josephine	36,344	34,429	1,915	5.3	5.2	36,509	34,676	1,833	5.0	5.2	35,993	33,981	2,012	5.6	5.4
Klamath	29,095	27,339	1,756	6.0	6.4	29,382	27,750	1,632	5.6	6.5	29,457	27,743	1,714	5.8	6.2
Lake	3,627	3,449	178	4.9	6.0	3,543	3,368	175	4.9	6.1	3,648	3,485	163	4.5	5.5
Lane	179,837	171,497	8,340	4.6	4.3	181,341	173,435	7,906	4.4	4.3	181,002	172,539	8,463	4.7	4.4
Lincoln	21,892	20,916	976	4.5	4.6	21,538	20,580	958	4.4	4.6	22,229	21,206	1,023	4.6	4.8
Linn	58,597	55,691	2,906	5.0	4.6	58,984	56,313	2,671	4.5	4.6	58,524	55,662	2,862	4.9	4.6
Malheur	12,467	11,868	599	4.8	4.4	12,432	11,905	527	4.2	4.5	12,566	11,949	617	4.9	4.4
Marion	165,585	158,136	7,449	4.5	4.2	163,582	156,756	6,826	4.2	4.2	165,205	157,888	7,317	4.4	4.2
Morrow	5,906	5,579	327	5.5	4.4	5,689	5,450	239	4.2	4.3	5,856	5,610	246	4.2	4.2
Multnomah	462,976	445,979	16,997	3.7	3.5	457,247	441,011	16,236	3.6	3.5	459,488	442,136	17,352	3.8	3.6
Polk	40,400	38,467	1,933	4.8	4.3	39,949	38,198	1,751	4.4	4.3	40,232	38,397	1,835	4.6	4.3
Sherman	919	883	36	3.9	3.7	923	891	32	3.5	3.7	950	911	39	4.1	4.3
Tillamook	12,498	12,004	494	4.0	4.1	12,217	11,728	489	4.0	4.2	12,354	11,850	504	4.1	4.3
Umatilla	37,852	35,462	2,390	6.3	5.2	37,430	35,835	1,595	4.3	5.0	37,431	35,623	1,808	4.8	4.8
Union	12,044	11,490	554	4.6	5.1	12,109	11,559	550	4.5	5.2	12,034	11,481	553	4.6	5.1
Wallowa	3,487	3,326	161	4.6	6.4	3,422	3,251	171	5.0	6.3	3,505	3,356	149	4.3	6.1
Wasco	16,333	15,768	565	3.5	4.4	16,686	16,120	566	3.4	4.5	16,500	15,951	549	3.3	4.0
Washington	327,840	316,215	11,625	3.5	3.3	323,803	312,749	11,054	3.4	3.3	325,301	313,462	11,839	3.6	3.4
Wheeler	729	695	34	4.7	4.8	732	696	36	4.9	4.9	745	722	23	3.1	3.4
Yamhill	55,788	53,581	2,207	4.0	3.6	54,878	52,832	2,046	3.7	3.6	55,433	53,202	2,231	4.0	3.8

(1) Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

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