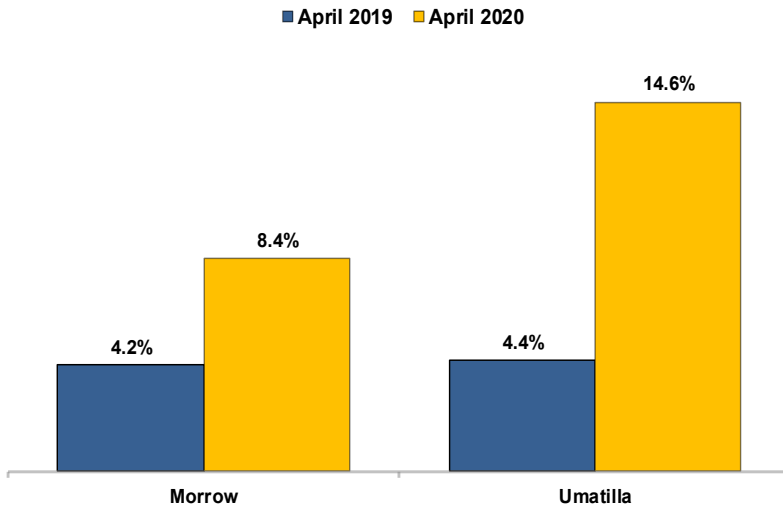


**Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)**



**Unemployment Rate News**

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2020 was 8.4 percent, while Umatilla County came in at 14.6 percent. Morrow County's rate was well below Oregon's statewide rate of 14.2 percent and the national rate of 14.7 percent.

Morrow County's rate ranked second lowest among Oregon's 36 counties for the month while Umatilla County's ranked in a tie for 19th.

Both counties had higher seasonally adjusted unemployment rates in April 2020 than the previous April due to the effects of COVID-19.

Morrow County (+4.2 percentage points) ranked fourth among Oregon's counties for smallest over-the-year change. Umatilla County (+10.2) ranked 21st.

**Nonfarm Employment Change**

April 2019 to April 2020

Morrow County dropped an estimated 80 jobs over the year. The private sector decreased by 40 jobs. Construction, manufacturing, and leisure and hospitality led private industry losses. Professional and business services was the only industry to add jobs. The public sector lost 40 jobs with a loss in local government while federal and state government were unchanged.

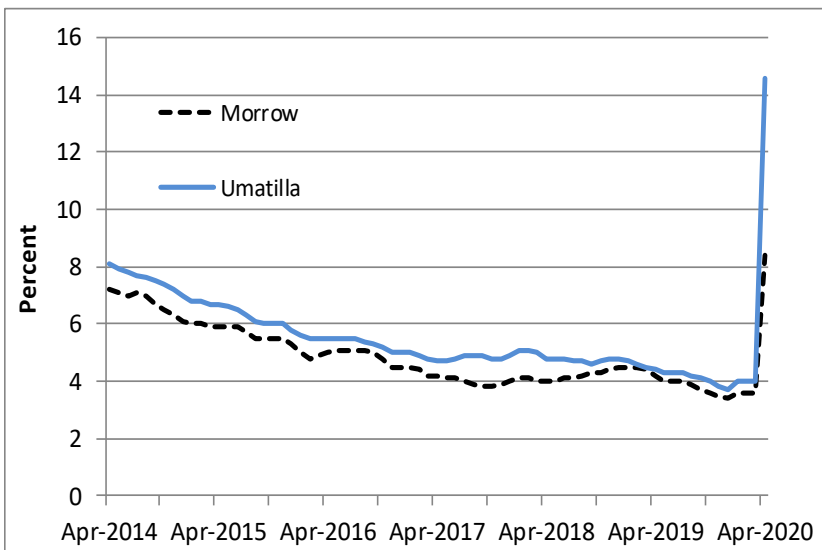
Umatilla County employment decreased by an estimated 3,720 jobs over the year. The private sector dropped 2,710 jobs led by losses in leisure and hospitality; manufacturing; transportation, warehousing, and utilities; and retail trade. Information was the only industry to add jobs. The public sector dropped 1,110 jobs with losses in Indian tribal, local education, and other local government overcoming a gain in state government while federal government was unchanged.

**Notable Industry Gains and Losses**

Over-the-Year Employment Change from April 2019

	<u>Morrow</u>	<u>Umatilla</u>
	Professional/Business Services (+180)	Information (+20)
	Construction (-90)	Leisure/Hospitality (-920)
	Manufacturing (-60)	Manufacturing (-900)
	Leisure/Hospitality (-40)	Indian Tribal (-780)
	Local Government (-40)	Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities (-270)
	Retail Trade (-30)	Local Education (-250)
	Private Education/Health Services (-30)	Retail Trade (-230)

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