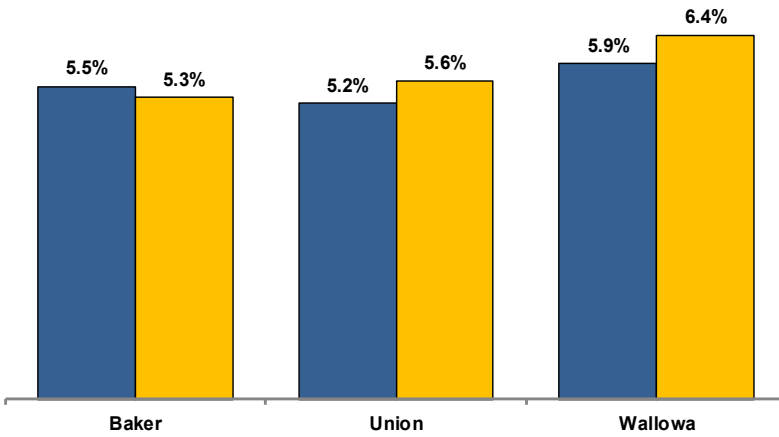


Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

■ April 2018 ■ April 2019



Unemployment Rate News

Baker County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2019 was 5.3 percent while Union County came in at 5.6 percent and Wallowa County at 6.4 percent. All three were above Oregon's statewide rate of 4.3 percent and the national rate of 3.6 percent.

Baker County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2019 was lower than the previous year while Union and Wallowa counties' rates were higher.

Baker County's April 2019 rate is its lowest April rate since comparable statistics began in 1990. Union and Wallowa counties had lower April rates in 2018, 2017, and 2007.

Baker County's rate ranked in a tie for 23rd lowest among Oregon's 36 counties while Union County's ranked in a four-way tie for 25th and Wallowa County's ranked 32nd.

Nonfarm Employment Change

April 2018 to April 2019

Baker County gained an estimated 170 jobs over the year. The private sector added 210 jobs led by gains in manufacturing, education and health services, and retail trade. The public sector dropped 40 jobs with losses in state government and local government.

Union County employment increased an estimated 260 jobs over the year. The private sector increased by 190 jobs led by gains in construction, retail trade, education and health services, and leisure and hospitality. The public sector increased by 70 jobs with a gain in local government.

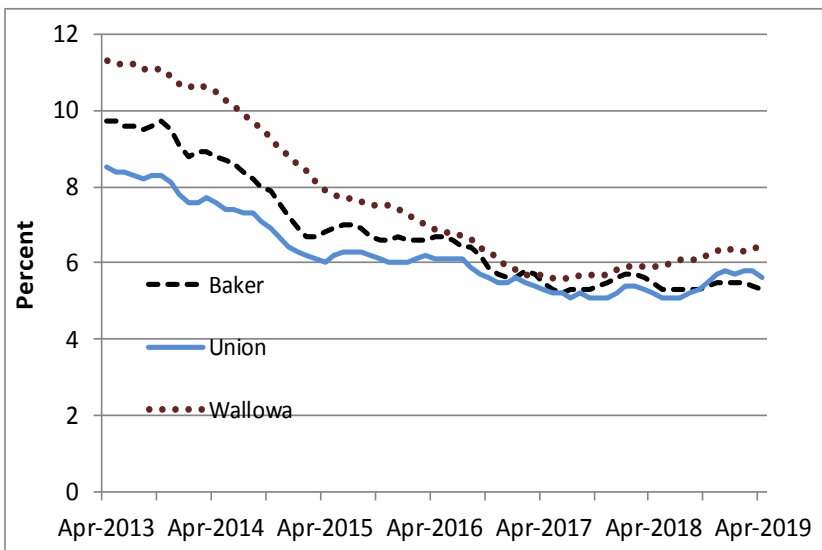
Wallowa County added an estimated 140 jobs over the year. The private sector added 110 jobs led by gains in manufacturing, financial activities, and education and health services. The public sector added 30 jobs with gains in federal government, state government, and local government.

Notable Industry Gains and Losses

Over-the-Year Employment Change from April 2018

	<u>Baker</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>Wallowa</u>
	Manufacturing (+70)	Construction (+70)	Manufacturing (+30)
	Private Education/Health Services (+60)	Retail Trade (+70)	Financial Activities (+30)
	Retail Trade (+60)	Local Government (+70)	Private Education/Health Services (+30)
	Professional/Business Services (+20)	Leisure/Hospitality (+40)	Transportation/Warehousing/Utilities (+10)
	Mining/Logging (-20)	Information (-20)	Leisure/Hospitality (-10)
	State Government (-20)	Other Services (-20)	
	Local Government (-20)		

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