Unemployment Rate News

Union County’s seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for September 2020 was 6.9 percent, while Baker County came in at 7.6 percent and Wallowa County at 7.7 percent. All three were below Oregon’s statewide rate of 8.0 percent and the national rate of 7.9 percent.

Union County’s rate ranked in a tie for 13th lowest among Oregon’s 36 counties for the month while Baker County’s ranked in a tie for 18th and Wallowa County’s came in at 20th.

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

Wallowa County (+2.4 percentage points) ranked in a tie for sixth among Oregon’s counties for smallest over-the-year change. Union County (+2.6) ranked eighth while Baker County (+3.4) tied for 15th.

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