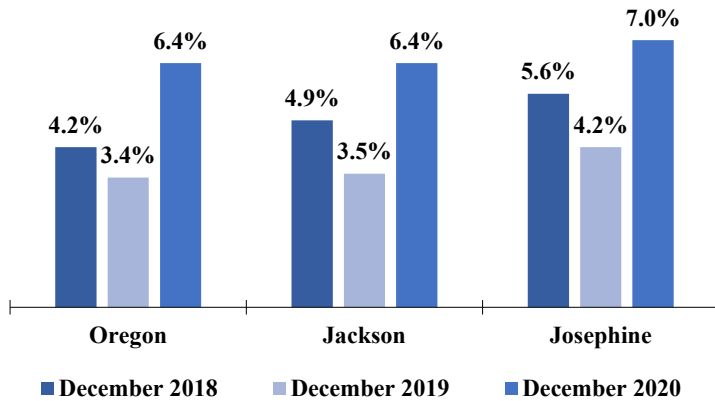


Jackson & Josephine Counties

January 2021 Edition

Statewide and Local Unemployment Rates (Seasonally adjusted)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics



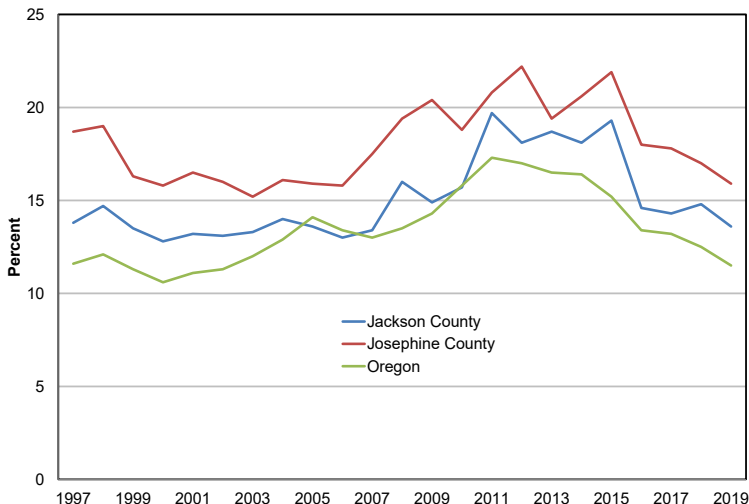
In December 2020, Jackson County's unemployment rate was 6.4%, up 2.9 percentage points from last year. Josephine County's unemployment rate was 7.0%, up 2.8 percentage points over last year. Leisure and hospitality, which includes accommodation and food services, continues to account for the largest industry losses.

The Graph of the Month is from Guy Tauer, Regional Economist. The Census Bureau's Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program show continuing improvement in the share of the Rogue Valley population living in poverty. The all age poverty rate declined from 14.8% in 2018 to 13.6% in 2019 in Jackson County. Josephine County's poverty rate, while still higher than Jackson's, also declined over the year from 17.0% to 15.9%. Both counties have trended lower since the peaks after the Great Recession. You can read more in this [article](#).

Monthly Graph

Rogue Valley Poverty Rates, All Ages

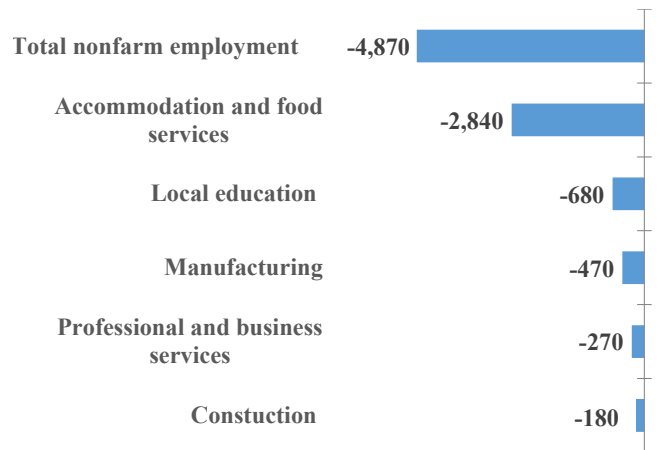
Source: Oregon Employment Department and U.S. Census Bureau Small Area and Poverty Estimates



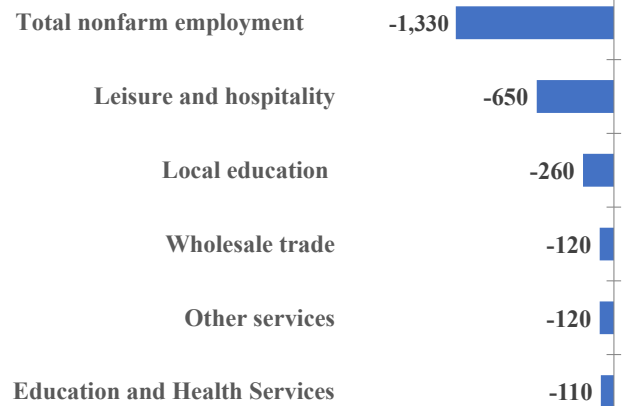
Selected Industry Gains and Losses (Over-the-year net employment change)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Estimates

Jackson County



Josephine County



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