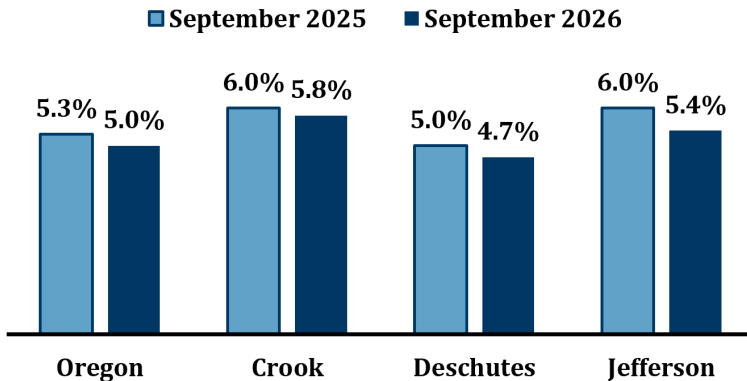




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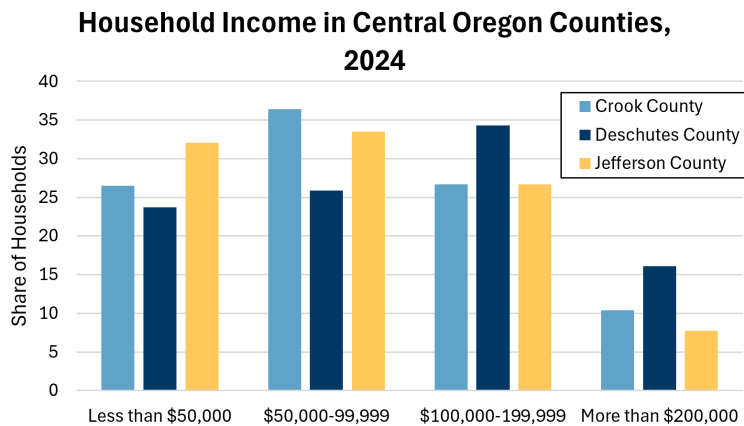
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Local Area Unemployment Rates (Seasonally adjusted)



Graph of the Month

Household Income in Central Oregon, 2024



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, S1901

In 2024, Deschutes County had the highest average household income in Central Oregon at \$127,840, surpassing not only Crook and Jefferson county averages but also the nation (\$114,300) and Oregon (\$110,900). Household income disparity is more intensely experienced in Deschutes County, which had a higher share of households who made more than \$200,000 over the past 12 months compared to both the nation and Oregon. The average household income in Crook County was \$104,050. In Jefferson County, the average household income was \$93,090.

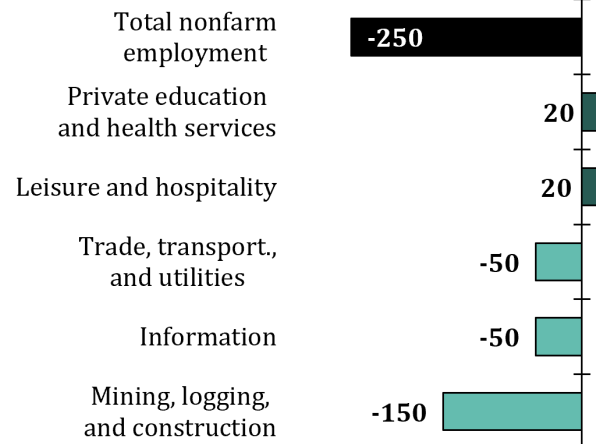
Another way to analyze income trends is to look at the median household income for an area. For data that is heavily skewed towards one side or is organized in intervals that don't have a limit (such as "More than \$200,000"), the median provides a clearer insight to the "average" household's experience since it dampens the effect outliers, like extremely high earners, have on the data. In Deschutes County, the median household income was \$100,740. In Crook and Jefferson counties, the median household incomes were \$81,970 and \$76,260, respectively.

In the past ten years, the average household income in Deschutes and Jefferson counties has increased by about 19%. Crook County has seen a dramatic increase in average household income, rising about 52% over the same period.

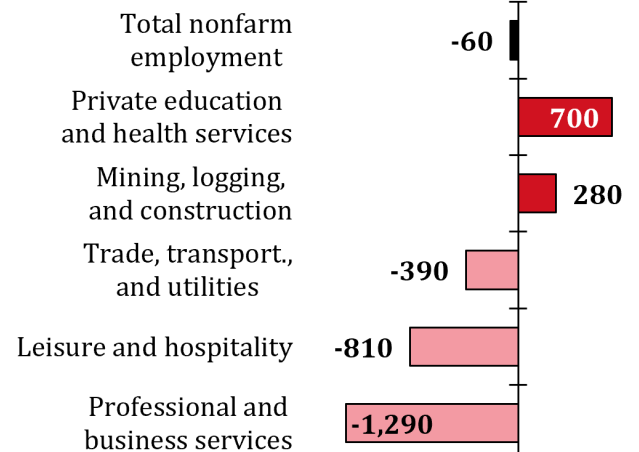
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(Over-the-year net employment change, September 2026)

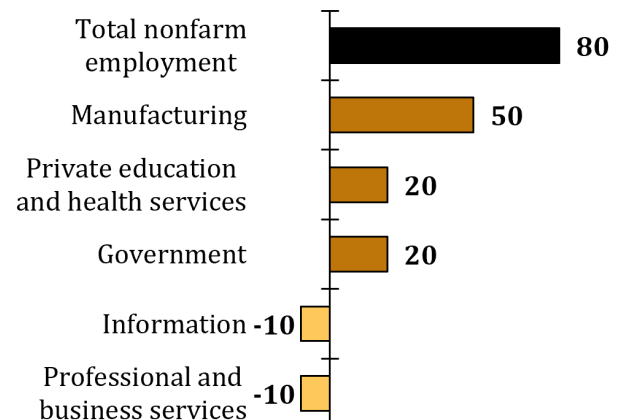
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