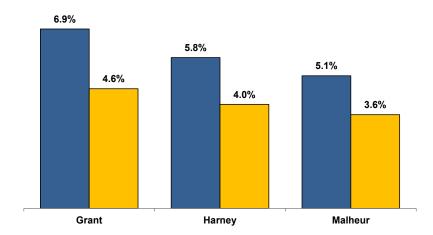
Southeast Oregon Economic Indicators

Grant, Harney, and Malheur February 2024 (January Data)

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

■January 2023 ■January 2024



Unemployment Rate News

Malheur County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January 2024 was 3.6%, while Harney County came in at 4.0% and Grant County at 4.6%. Malheur and Harney counties' rates were below Oregon's statewide rate of 4.1%. Malheur County's rate was below the national rate of 3.7%.

Malheur County's rate tied for seventh lowest among Oregon's 36 counties for the month while Harney County's tied for 17th and Grant County's ranked in a three-way tie for 27th.

All three counties' rates were below their January 2023 rates.

All three counties' January 2024 rates were their lowest January rates since comparable statistics began in 1990. Over the same period, Grant County's rate was its lowest rate for any month, Harney County's was its second lowest, and Malheur County's tied for its second lowest.

Nonfarm Employment Change

January 2023 to January 2024

Grant County added an estimated 90 jobs over the year. The private sector increased by 30 jobs led by a gain in construction. Wholesale trade led losses. The public sector added 60 jobs with gains in local government and federal government overcoming a loss in state government.

Harney County lost an estimated 50 jobs over the year. The private sector dropped 70 jobs led by losses in retail trade and professional and business services. No private industries added jobs The public sector increased by 20 jobs with gains in federal government and state government while local government was unchanged.

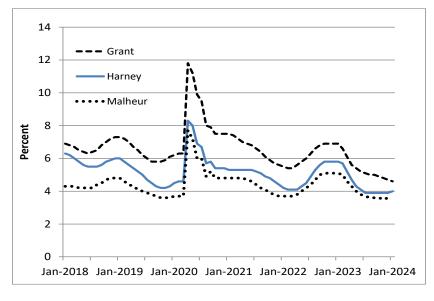
Malheur County employment increased by an estimated 280 jobs over the year. The private sector dropped 50 jobs with losses led by retail trade and other services. Education and health services led gains. The public sector increased by 330 jobs with gains in local government, state government, and federal government.

Notable Industry Gains and Losses

Over-the-Year Employment Change from January 2023

	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Harney</u>	<u>Malheur</u>
	Local Government (+60)	State Government (+10)	Local Government (+270)
	Construction (+40)	Federal Government (+10)	
	Other Services (+10)		Services (+80)
	Financial Activities (+10)		State Government (+50)
	Private Education/Health Services (+10)		Mining/Logging/ Construction (+30)
			Leisure/Hospitality (+20)
	Wholesale Trade (-20)	Professional/Business Services (-20)	Retail Trade (-100)
	Retail Trade (-10)		Other Services (-50)
	Professional/Business	Retail Trade (-20)	Transportation/
	Services (-10)	Wholesale Trade (-10)	Warehousing/Utilities (-20)
	State Government (-10)	Other Services (-10)	Manufacturing (-20)

Unemployment rates remain at or near record lows



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