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Employment in Clatsop County: February 2024

Seasonally adjusted employment increased by 40 in February

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 40 in February to 19,610 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. An increase of 170 jobs was expected for the month, and the county added 210 jobs. The private sector added 130 jobs, and total government employment increased by 80. Food services and drinking places added 60 jobs. Retail trade and information each lost 10 jobs. Local education added 60 jobs.

February's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 520 jobs, an increase of 2.8%. Some major industries gained jobs over the past year, but others have plateaued or shed a few. Private education and health services added 130 jobs. Nondurable goods manufacturing added 110 jobs. Information dropped 30 jobs. Local government added 80 jobs.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.9% in February. It was up from 3.7% in January. The rate was 4.7% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 4.2% in February, and the national rate was 3.9%.

Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the March county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, April 23, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for March on Wednesday, April 17.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	February 2024	January 2024	February 2023	January 2024	February 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	19,882	19,597	19,017	285	865
Unemployed	969	978	816	-9	153
Unemployment rate	4.9%	5.0%	4.3%	-0.1	0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.9%	3.7%	4.7%	0.2	-0.8
Employed	18,913	18,619	18,201	294	712
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	18,960	18,750	18,440	210	520
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	19,610	19,570	19,070	40	540
Total private	16,240	16,110	15,820	130	420
Mining, logging, and construction	1,130	1,120	1,120	10	10
Mining and logging	90	90	90	0	0
Construction	1,040	1,030	1,030	10	10
Manufacturing	1,780	1,740	1,660	40	120
Durable goods	430	430	420	0	10
Wood product manufacturing	260	260	250	0	10
Nondurable goods	1,350	1,310	1,240	40	110
Food manufacturing	570	540	450	30	120
Paper manufacturing	700	690	700	10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,590	3,590	3,590	0	0
Wholesale trade	200	190	190	10	10
Retail trade	3,050	3,060	3,060	-10	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	340	340	340	0	0
Information	110	120	140	-10	-30
Financial activities	760	760	720	0	40
Professional and business services	950	940	900	10	50
Private education and health services	2,660	2,630	2,530	30	130
Leisure and hospitality	4,690	4,650	4,590	40	100
Accommodation and food services	4,450	4,390	4,320	60	130
Accommodation	1,420	1,420	1,370	0	50
Food services and drinking places	3,030	2,970	2,950	60	80
Other services	570	560	570	10	0
Government	2,720	2,640	2,620	80	100
Federal government	180	170	170	10	10
State government	320	320	310	0	10
Local government	2,220	2,150	2,140	70	80
Local education	1,150	1,090	1,110	60	40
Local government excluding educational services	1,070	1,060	1,030	10	40

The most recent month is preliminary, the prior month is revised. Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence.

Employed includes payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants.

Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees who worked or received pay for the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	<u>February 2024</u>	<u>January 2024</u>	<u>February 2023</u>
United States	3.9	3.7	3.6
State of Oregon	4.2	4.1	3.6
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.4	4.1	5.1
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	3.8	3.7	4.7
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.4	3.3	3.8
Eugene (Lane County)	4.3	4.1	5.1
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	5.3	5.1	6.4
Medford (Jackson County)	4.5	4.3	5.4
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.0	3.8	4.3
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.1	3.9	4.7
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	4.4	4.3	5.4
Benton	3.4	3.3	3.8
Clackamas	3.6	3.5	4.1
Clatsop	3.9	3.7	4.7
Columbia	4.8	4.6	5.3
Coos	4.8	4.6	5.8
Crook	6.1	5.8	6.2
Curry	4.9	4.7	6.1
Deschutes	3.8	3.7	4.7
Douglas	4.9	4.7	6.1
Gilliam	5.2	4.9	3.8
Grant	4.5	4.6	6.6
Harney	4.2	4.0	5.7
Hood River	3.2	3.1	4.0
Jackson	4.5	4.3	5.4
Jefferson	4.6	4.5	6.0
Josephine	5.3	5.1	6.4
Klamath	5.1	5.0	6.7
Lake	5.2	5.2	6.3
Lane	4.3	4.1	5.1
Lincoln	4.3	4.2	5.8
Linn	4.4	4.1	5.1
Malheur	3.7	3.6	5.0
Marion	4.0	3.8	4.7
Morrow	3.5	3.4	4.5
Multnomah	3.9	3.7	4.3
Polk	4.1	3.9	4.7
Sherman	4.3	4.1	3.7
Tillamook	4.0	3.8	4.9
Umatilla	3.8	3.8	5.5
Union	4.1	3.9	5.2
Wallowa	4.2	4.1	6.2
Wasco	3.9	3.8	4.9
Washington	3.5	3.4	3.8
Wheeler	2.9	2.8	3.4
Yamhill	3.8	3.6	4.3

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly payroll employment and labor force data for Oregon's metropolitan areas and counties. The estimates of monthly job gains and losses are based on a survey of businesses. The estimates of unemployment are based on a survey of households and other sources.

The Oregon Employment Department payroll employment estimates are revised quarterly using information from unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use data from this *official Oregon series* unless noted.

The department also makes the BLS-produced nonfarm payroll employment series for metropolitan areas available. These are revised annually by BLS.

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