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Employment in Morrow & Umatilla Counties: July 2024

Unemployment Rates Remain Relatively Low in July

Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.1 percentage point to 4.0% in July. Ranked among Oregon's 36 counties, Umatilla County placed 12th, tied with three other counties. Over the year, Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell by 0.3 percentage point. It ranked as the county's lowest July rate since comparable statistics began in 1990.

Umatilla County's nonfarm employment total fell to 29,520 in July, a loss of 720 jobs. Private industry added 30 jobs in July, climbing to 22,180, and government dropped 750, falling to 7,340. Private education and health services increased its total in July, climbing to 4,410, a gain of 40. Leisure and hospitality added 20 jobs. Private job losses were led by a drop of 30 jobs in transportation, warehousing, and utilities. In the public sector, local education decreased by 930 jobs as schools shuttered jobs for the summer break. Other local government increased by 90 jobs, Indian tribal rose by 50, federal government added 40, and state government went unchanged.

Umatilla County's total private industry employment decreased by 500 jobs over the year ending in July (-2.2%). Professional and business services led private-industry decline, falling by 650 jobs resulting mostly from a non-economic code change (a correction or reclassification in our administrative records). Leisure and hospitality dropped 190 jobs and retail trade cut 130. Private education and health services increased by 150 jobs (+3.5%) over the year. Mining, logging, and construction added 110 and manufacturing rose by 90. Government employment increased by 190 jobs over the year, led by a gain of 90 in other local government. Local education rose by 80 jobs, federal government increased by 40, and state government added 10, while Indian tribal cut 30 jobs.

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage point in July to 3.7%, ranking in a tie for sixth among Oregon counties with Clackamas County. Over the year, Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.3 percentage point. It ranked as the county's second lowest July rate behind only July 2023.

Morrow County's nonfarm employment fell to 5,650 in July, a loss of 210 jobs. Private industry dropped 20 jobs, slipping to 4,740 jobs, while government decreased by 190, falling to 910. Transportation, warehousing, and utilities and private education and health services dropped 10 jobs each. Gains were

confined to construction, up 10. In the public sector, local government dropped 200 jobs as schools shut down for summer, while federal government added 10 jobs and state government went unchanged.

Morrow County's private-industry employment rose by 160 jobs over the year ending in July (+3.5%). Private industry's over-the-year growth was led by construction (+100), followed by manufacturing and private education and health services, each up 30. Small losses were spread across several other industries. Government employment fell by 90 jobs over the year, with local government shedding 80 jobs and federal government cutting 10, while state government held steady.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Sept. 24, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, Sept. 18.



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Morrow County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2024	June 2024	July 2023	June 2024	July 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	6,274	6,179	6,389	95	-115
Unemployed	274	218	240	56	34
Unemployment rate	4.4%	3.5%	3.8%	0.9	0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.7%	3.6%	3.4%	0.1	0.3
Employed	6,000	5,961	6,149	39	-149
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	5,650	5,860	5,580	-210	70
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5,680	5,770	5,620	-90	60
Total private	4,740	4,760	4,580	-20	160
Mining and logging	30	30	30	0	0
Construction	320	310	220	10	100
Manufacturing	1,620	1,620	1,590	0	30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	840	850	860	-10	-20
Wholesale trade	100	100	110	0	-10
Retail trade	290	290	290	0	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	450	460	460	-10	-10
Financial activities	70	70	80	0	-10
Professional and business services	380	380	360	0	20
Private education and health services	310	320	280	-10	30
Leisure and hospitality	260	260	270	0	-10
Government	910	1,100	1,000	-190	-90
Federal government	70	60	80	10	-10
State government	50	50	50	0	0
Local government	790	990	870	-200	-80

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.



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Civilian labor force	39,102	39,292	39,409	-190	-307
Unemployed	1,736	1,459	1,739	277	-3
Unemployment rate	4.4%	3.7%	4.4%	0.7	0.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.0%	3.9%	4.3%	0.1	-0.3
Employed	37,366	37,833	37,670	-467	-304
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	29,520	30,240	29,830	-720	-310
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	29,870	29,810	30,170	60	-300
Total private	22,180	22,150	22,680	30	-500
Mining, logging, and construction	1,600	1,590	1,490	10	110
Manufacturing	2,770	2,760	2,680	10	90
Durable goods	1,220	1,220	1,090	0	130
Nondurable goods	1,550	1,540	1,590	10	-40
Food manufacturing	1,190	1,180	1,210	10	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,820	6,850	6,860	-30	-40
Wholesale trade	970	960	950	10	20
Retail trade	3,390	3,400	3,520	-10	-130
Food and beverage retailers	720	720	750	0	-30
General merchandise retailers	940	960	960	-20	-20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,460	2,490	2,390	-30	70
Information	750	750	720	0	30
Financial activities	860	870	880	-10	-20
Professional and business services	1,280	1,270	1,930	10	-650
Private education and health services	4,410	4,370	4,260	40	150
Nursing and residential care facilities	1,020	1,010	960	10	60
Leisure and hospitality	2,870	2,850	3,060	20	-190
Accommodation and food services	2,730	2,700	2,770	30	-40
Other services	820	840	800	-20	20
Government	7,340	8,090	7,150	-750	190
Federal government	560	520	520	40	40
State government	1,630	1,630	1,620	0	10
Local government	5,150	5,940	5,010	-790	140
Indian tribal	1,900	1,850	1,930	50	-30
Local education	1,840	2,770	1,760	-930	80
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,410	1,320	1,320	90	90

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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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