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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas County Employers Add 70 Jobs in August

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment rose by 70 jobs in August after a loss of 110 in July and a gain of 120 in June.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in August, there were relatively large gains in retail trade (30); professional and business services (30); transportation, warehousing, and utilities (20); and private education and health services (20). There was a large loss in leisure and hospitality (-50).

Government gained 80 jobs in August, due to a gain of 80 in local government.

When comparing August 2024 with August 2023, total nonfarm employment decreased 110 jobs, or -0.3%. Private-sector over-the-year gains were seen transportation, warehousing, and utilities (70); other services (70); retail trade (50); manufacturing (20); and financial activities (20). There were relatively large losses in private education and health services (-170); professional and business services (-140); and construction (-70).

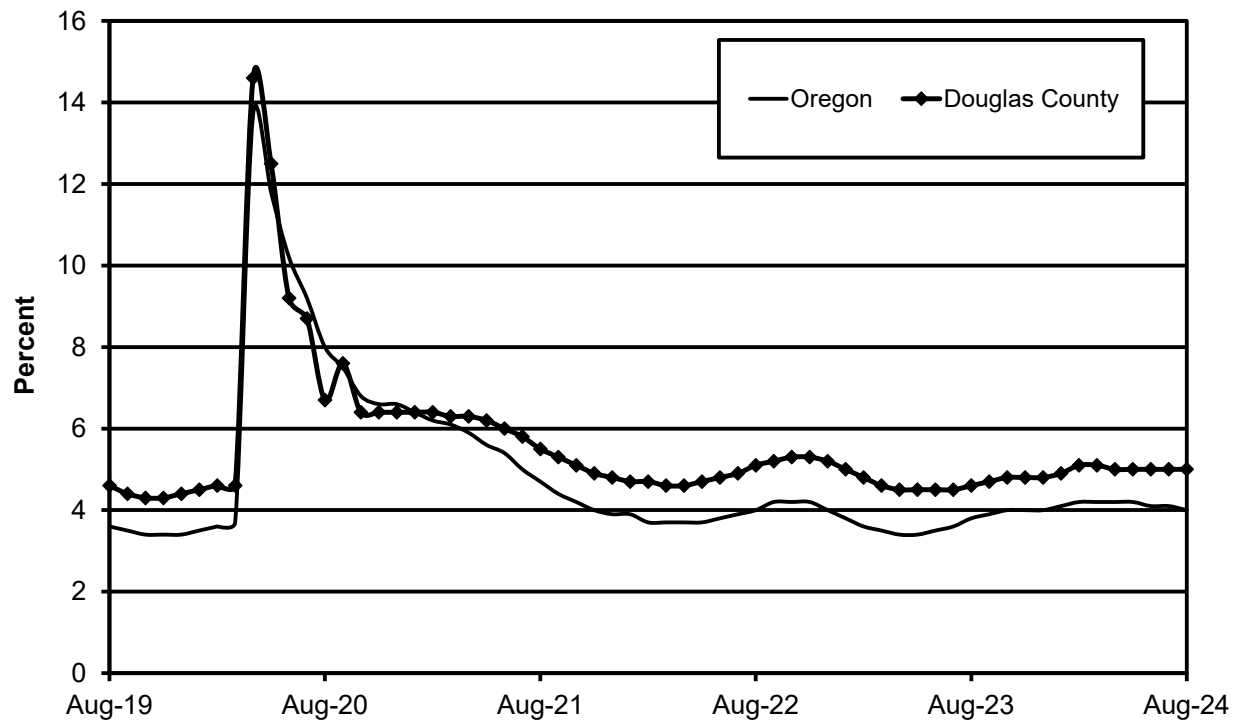
Government gained 130 jobs over the year from gains in local government (100), federal government (20), and state government (10).

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged at 5.0% in August compared with a revised 5.0% in July. The rate is up from 4.6% in August 2023. Douglas County's record low unemployment rate was set in October 2019 at 4.3%. The Oregon seasonally adjusted August rate was 4.0% and the U.S. rate was 4.2%.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the September county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for September on Wednesday, Oct. 16th.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	August 2024	July 2024	August 2023	July 2024	August 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	47,997	47,888	47,529	109	468
Unemployed	2,465	2,600	2,319	-135	146
Unemployment rate	5.1%	5.4%	4.9%	-0.3	0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.0%	5.0%	4.6%	0.0	0.4
Employed	45,532	45,288	45,210	244	322
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,840	38,700	38,930	140	-90
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	38,760	38,690	38,870	70	-110
Total private	31,450	31,390	31,670	60	-220
Mining, logging, and construction	2,710	2,710	2,810	0	-100
Mining and logging	890	890	920	0	-30
Construction	1,820	1,820	1,890	0	-70
Manufacturing	4,650	4,640	4,630	10	20
Durable goods	4,130	4,120	4,150	10	-20
Wood product manufacturing	2,680	2,670	2,710	10	-30
Nondurable goods	520	520	480	0	40
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,300	7,240	7,190	60	110
Wholesale trade	910	900	920	10	-10
Retail trade	4,900	4,870	4,850	30	50
Food and beverage retailers	1,180	1,170	1,070	10	110
General merchandise retailers	1,150	1,140	1,140	10	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,490	1,470	1,420	20	70
Information	330	330	320	0	10
Financial activities	1,450	1,450	1,430	0	20
Professional and business services	3,010	2,980	3,150	30	-140
Private education and health services	6,750	6,730	6,920	20	-170
Leisure and hospitality	3,950	4,000	3,990	-50	-40
Food services and drinking places	3,020	3,070	3,070	-50	-50
Other services	1,300	1,310	1,230	-10	70
Government	7,390	7,310	7,260	80	130
Federal government	1,510	1,510	1,490	0	20
State government	730	730	720	0	10
Local government	5,150	5,070	5,050	80	100
Indian tribal	1,120	1,120	1,090	0	30
Local education	2,470	2,440	2,420	30	50
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,560	1,510	1,540	50	20

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.

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.

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