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## **Employment in Lane County (Eugene MSA)**

### Lane County's Payroll Employment Drops by 200 in September

Lane County's payroll employment decreased a seasonally adjusted 200 jobs in September after no change in August and a loss of 800 in July. The county has regained 83% of the jobs lost in March and April 2020 at the onset of the COVID-19 crisis.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in September, there was a small gain in transportation, warehousing, and utilities (100). There were relatively large losses in private education and health services (-300), leisure and hospitality (-300), and retail trade (-200).

Government gained 2,500 jobs in September due to a seasonal gain caused by the beginning of a new school year of 2,700 in local education that was countered by loss of 200 in noneducation local government.

When comparing September 2023 with September 2022, total nonfarm employment is up a seasonally adjusted 300 jobs, or 0.2%. There were over-the-year gains in professional and business services (900); private education and health services (800); and other services (500). There were losses in administrative and support services (-500), manufacturing (-300), and financial activities (-300).

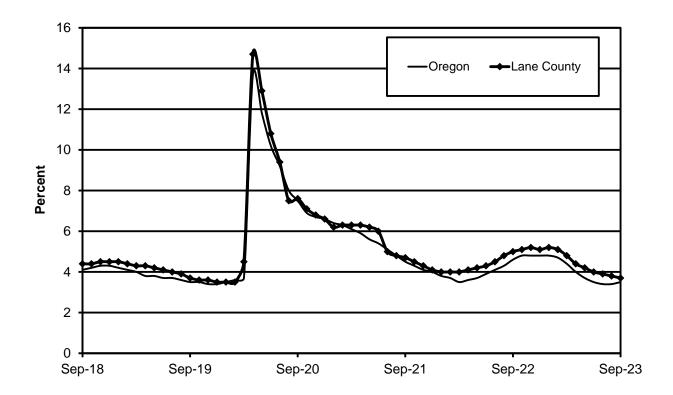
There was an over-the-year decrease of 600 in government due to a loss of 1,000 in local education that was countered by increases of 300 in noneducation local government and 100 in state government.

Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 3.7% in September compared with a revised 3.8% in August. The rate is lower than the 5.0% recorded in September 2022. Lane County's record low rate was 3.5% in December 2019. The Oregon seasonally adjusted September rate was 3.5% and the U.S. rate was 3.8%.

#### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the October county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for October on Wednesday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.

# **Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates**





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#### **Eugene MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment**

				Change From	
	September	August	September	August	September
	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	176,528	176,432	182,823	96	-6,295
Unemployed	6,691	7,336	8,659	-645	-1,968
Unemployment rate	3.8%	4.2%	4.7%	-0.4	-0.9
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	3.7%	3.8%	5.0%	-0.1	-1.3
Employed	169,837	169,096	174,164	741	-4,327
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	162,100	160,500	160,400	1,600	1,700
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted	162,100	162,300	161,800	-200	300
Total private	134,700	135,600	132,400	-900	2,300
Mining, logging, and construction	8,900	9,100	8,800	-200	100
Mining and logging	800	900	800	-100	0
Construction	8,100	8,200	8,000	-100	100
Manufacturing	14,700	14,700	15,000	0	-300
Durable goods	9,200	9,200	9,600	0	-400
Wood product manufacturing	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0
Nondurable goods	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	30,000	30,100	30,000	-100	0
Wholesale trade	6,300	6,300	6,200	0	100
Retail trade	20,100	20,300	20,200	-200	-100
Food and beverage retailers	5,000	5,000	5,200	0	-200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,600	3,500	3,600	100	0
Information	2,000	2,000	1,900	0	100
Financial activities	8,700	8,700	9,000	0	-300
Professional and business services	19,200	19,200	18,300	0	900
Administrative and support services	6,800	6,800	7,300	0	-500
Private education and health services	28,400	28,700	27,600	-300	800
Health care and social assistance	26,700	26,800	25,700	-100	1,000
Leisure and hospitality	17,600	17,900	17,100	-300	500
Accommodation and food services	15,000	15,200	15,100	-200	-100
Food services and drinking places	13,700	13,900	13,500	-200	200
Other services	5,200	5,200	4,700	0	500
Government	27,400	24,900	28,000	2,500	-600
Federal government	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0
State government	1,900	1,900	1,800	0	100
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	23,600	21,100	24,300	2,500	-700
Local education	15,700	13,000	16,700	2,700	-1,000

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: Official Oregon Series. Data are by place of w ork and cover full- and part-time employees w ho w orked or received pay for the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family w orkers, 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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