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## **Employment in Lincoln County: August 2023**

### **Seasonally adjusted employment increased by 60 in August**

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 60 in August to 18,520 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 100 jobs was expected for the month, but the county's total nonfarm employment rose by 160. The private sector added 110 jobs. Food manufacturing gained 40 jobs. Other private industries had smaller changes. Government employment increased by 50.

August's total nonfarm employment numbers show a gain of 470 jobs compared with one year before, an increase of 2.5%. The county lost 4,270 jobs in March 2020 as the pandemic hit, and it remained 130 jobs below its pre-pandemic employment of August 2019. Accommodation and food services was up 280 jobs over the year to August and other services grew by 150 jobs. On the other hand, construction was down 70 jobs compared with the previous year. Private education and health services shed 60 jobs over the year. Local government, including tribal and education, added 170 jobs over the past year.

Lincoln County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.1% in August, essentially unchanged from 4.2% in July. It was 5.5% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 3.4% in August, and the national rate was 3.8%.

### **Next News Releases**

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

## Lincoln County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	August 2023	July 2023	August 2022	July 2023	August 2022
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	21,772	21,690	22,084	82	-312
Unemployed	905	909	1,210	-4	-305
Unemployment rate	4.2%	4.2%	5.5%	0.0	-1.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.1%	4.2%	5.5%	-0.1	-1.4
Employed	20,867	20,781	20,874	86	-7
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	19,360	19,200	18,890	160	470
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	18,520	18,460	18,080	60	440
Total private	15,640	15,530	15,370	110	270
Mining and logging	130	130	130	0	0
Mining, logging, and construction	910	900	980	10	-70
Construction	780	770	850	10	-70
Manufacturing	1,150	1,120	1,180	30	-30
Durable goods	150	160	160	-10	-10
Nondurable goods	1,000	960	1,020	40	-20
Food manufacturing	400	360	430	40	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,330	3,310	3,290	20	40
Retail trade	2,870	2,850	2,810	20	60
Food and beverage retailers	780	780	790	0	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	280	280	310	0	-30
Information	110	110	120	0	-10
Financial activities	1,000	990	1,060	10	-60
Professional and business services	1,060	1,050	1,100	10	-40
Private education and health services	2,090	2,070	2,150	20	-60
Leisure and hospitality	5,390	5,370	5,040	20	350
Accommodation and food services	5,110	5,090	4,830	20	280
Accommodation	2,080	2,060	1,960	20	120
Food services and drinking places	3,030	3,030	2,870	0	160
Other services	600	610	450	-10	150
Government	3,720	3,670	3,520	50	200
Federal government	330	320	330	10	0
State government	360	350	330	10	30
Local government	3,030	3,000	2,860	30	170
Indian tribal	920	910	850	10	70
Local education	820	810	790	10	30
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,290	1,280	1,220	10	70

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>August 2023</u>	<u>July 2023</u>	<u>August 2022</u>
United States	3.8	3.5	3.7
State of Oregon	3.4	3.4	4.3
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	3.8	3.9	4.7
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	3.7	3.7	4.3
Corvallis (Benton County)	2.7	2.7	3.7
Eugene (Lane County)	3.8	3.9	4.8
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	4.7	4.7	5.9
Medford (Jackson County)	4.1	4.3	4.9
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	3.3	3.3	4.1
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	3.5	3.5	4.5
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	4.1	4.1	5.1
Benton	2.7	2.7	3.7
Clackamas	3.2	3.2	4.0
Clatsop	3.6	3.6	4.6
Columbia	4.1	4.1	4.9
Coos	4.3	4.4	5.6
Crook	5.4	5.3	5.8
Curry	4.3	4.4	5.8
Deschutes	3.7	3.7	4.3
Douglas	4.5	4.6	5.5
Gilliam	4.0	3.8	4.0
Grant	5.0	5.1	6.6
Harney	3.9	3.9	5.3
Hood River	2.7	2.7	3.9
Jackson	4.1	4.3	4.9
Jefferson	4.5	4.5	5.9
Josephine	4.7	4.7	5.9
Klamath	5.2	5.4	6.2
Lake	4.7	4.8	5.8
Lane	3.8	3.9	4.8
Lincoln	4.1	4.2	5.5
Linn	3.8	3.9	4.7
Malheur	3.6	3.7	4.7
Marion	3.5	3.6	4.5
Morrow	3.3	3.3	4.4
Multnomah	3.3	3.3	4.0
Polk	3.5	3.6	4.4
Sherman	3.8	3.7	3.4
Tillamook	3.7	3.7	4.7
Umatilla	3.9	4.0	5.0
Union	3.8	3.9	5.0
Wallowa	4.5	4.7	5.8
Wasco	3.7	3.8	4.4
Washington	3.0	3.0	3.6
Wheeler	3.0	3.0	3.4
Yamhill	3.2	3.3	4.0

(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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