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Employment in South Central Oregon: June 2024

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held steady in Klamath County, while in Lake County, the unemployment rate decreased over the month of June. Both counties saw employment gains over the month.

Klamath County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in June was 5.4%, unchanged from May's rate. The unemployment rate in June 2023 was 5.1%.

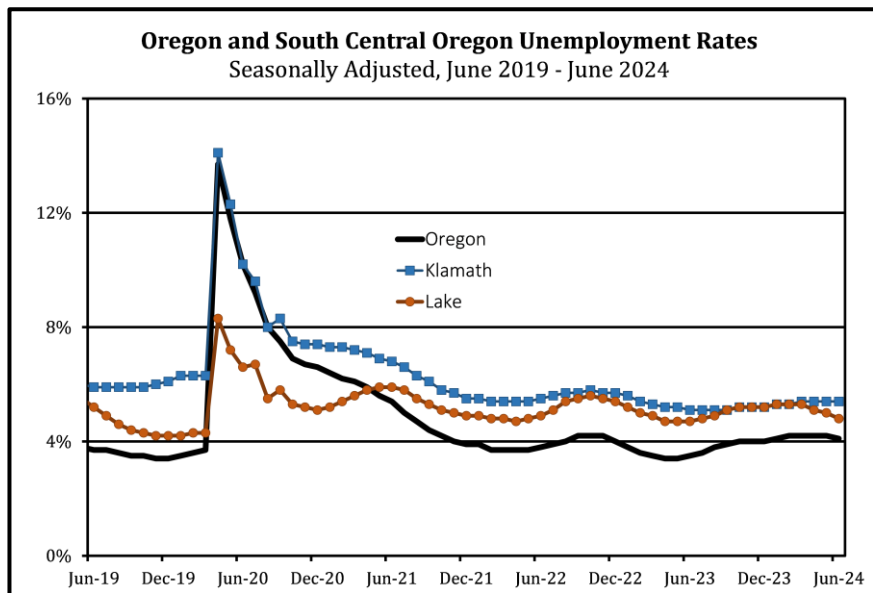
Klamath County gained 270 jobs (+1.1%) in June, with the majority of gains taking place in leisure and hospitality (+140 jobs) and trade, transportation, and utilities (+50 jobs). Seasonally adjusted employment levels in Klamath County are now 2.4% (+550 jobs) above levels in February 2020 before the onset of the pandemic.

Klamath County gained 250 jobs in the past year (+1.0%). Notable private-sector job losses over the past year were

seen in manufacturing (-120 jobs); trade, transportation, and utilities (-110 jobs); and mining, logging, and construction (-60 jobs). In the public sector, government employment was up by 330 jobs over the year, with the largest gains taking place in local government (+200 jobs). Total nonfarm employment losses were also offset by gains in private education and health services (+160 jobs), other services (+60 jobs), and leisure and hospitality (+40 jobs).

Lake County: The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased from 5.0% in May to 4.8% in June—last June it was 4.7%. The unemployment rate was 4.2% in January 2020, before the impacts of COVID-19 were first felt.

Lake County employment increased by 70 jobs in June (+3.1%), with the only notable monthly gains in the public sector (+50 jobs); other services (+20 jobs); professional business services (+10 jobs); and



mining, logging, and construction (+10 jobs). Losses were concentrated in private education and health services (-10 jobs) and manufacturing (-10 jobs). As of June 2024, seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment levels remain 170 jobs (-7.1%) below the pre-pandemic February 2020 employment levels.

Lake County's total nonfarm employment is down by 130 jobs (-5.3%) year-over-year. Gains were marginal and concentrated in other services (+10 jobs). These gains were overshadowed by losses in the public sector (-100 jobs), with most of the losses taking place in local government (-100 jobs). Smaller losses were also seen in trade, transportation, and utilities (-20 jobs); leisure and hospitality (-10 jobs); and mining, logging, and construction (-10 jobs). All other major industries saw little to no change over the year.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the July county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, August 20, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, August 14.



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Klamath County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	June 2024	May 2024	June 2023	May 2024	June 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	30,482	30,266	29,987	216	495
Unemployed	1,453	1,387	1,378	66	75
Unemployment rate	4.8%	4.6%	4.6%	0.2	0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.4%	5.4%	5.1%	0.0	0.3
Employed	29,029	28,879	28,609	150	420
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	24,280	24,010	24,030	270	250
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	23,760	23,710	23,510	50	250
Total private	18,600	18,380	18,680	220	-80
Mining, logging, and construction	1,230	1,190	1,290	40	-60
Mining and logging	90	90	90	0	0
Construction	1,140	1,100	1,200	40	-60
Manufacturing	1,640	1,640	1,760	0	-120
Durable goods	1,530	1,520	1,590	10	-60
Wood product manufacturing	1,220	1,210	1,280	10	-60
Nondurable goods	110	120	170	-10	-60
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,530	4,480	4,640	50	-110
Wholesale trade	770	770	780	0	-10
Retail trade	3,110	3,060	3,180	50	-70
Food and beverage retailers	640	640	650	0	-10
General merchandise retailers	850	830	840	20	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	650	650	680	0	-30
Information	120	110	120	10	0
Financial activities	880	880	890	0	-10
Professional and business services	1,710	1,670	1,750	40	-40
Private education and health services	4,650	4,710	4,490	-60	160
Leisure and hospitality	2,870	2,730	2,830	140	40
Other services	970	970	910	0	60
Government	5,680	5,630	5,350	50	330
Federal government	850	790	800	60	50
State government	650	610	570	40	80
Local government	4,180	4,230	3,980	-50	200
Local education	2,530	2,600	2,390	-70	140

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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Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	3,614	3,536	3,731	78	-117
Unemployed	154	145	152	9	2
Unemployment rate	4.3%	4.1%	4.1%	0.2	0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.8%	5.0%	4.7%	-0.2	0.1
Employed	3,460	3,391	3,579	69	-119
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	2,310	2,240	2,440	70	-130
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	2,220	2,210	2,350	10	-130
Total private	1,180	1,160	1,210	20	-30
Mining, logging, and construction	100	90	110	10	-10
Mining and logging	20	20	20	0	0
Construction	80	70	90	10	-10
Manufacturing	200	210	200	-10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	340	340	360	0	-20
Retail trade	240	240	240	0	0
Information	20	20	20	0	0
Financial activities	50	50	50	0	0
Professional and business services	90	80	90	10	0
Private education and health services	110	120	110	-10	0
Leisure and hospitality	160	160	170	0	-10
Other services	110	90	100	20	10
Government	1,130	1,080	1,230	50	-100
Federal government	220	200	230	20	-10
State government	200	190	190	10	10
Local government	710	690	810	20	-100

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