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Employment in Clatsop County: December 2017

Employment Gains 10 more than Expected in December

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment inched up by 10 jobs in December to 18,520 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A loss of 330 jobs was expected for the month, but the county shed only 320 jobs. The private sector cut all 320 jobs, and government employment was unchanged. Leisure and hospitality shed 160 jobs, food manufacturing cut 70, and professional and business services also dropped 70 jobs. Private education and health services added 40 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

December's total nonfarm employment numbers show a gain of 140 jobs compared with one year before, an increase of 0.8 percent. The industries adding the most jobs over the year were retail trade (+220), leisure and hospitality (+120), and local government education (+60). State government cut 90 jobs over the year, other services fell by 80, private education and health services lost 70 jobs, and paper manufacturing shed 60.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.1 percent in December, essentially unchanged from the previous month (4.3%) and the year before (4.3%). The county's rate was the same as the statewide rate (4.1%) and the national rate (4.1%).

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the January county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, March 13, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for January on Tuesday, March 6.

CLATSOP COUNTY CURRENT LABOR FORCE AND INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT**(by place of residence)**

	December 2017	November 2017	December 2016	Change From November 2017	Change From December 2016
Civilian labor force	18,749	19,288	18,313	-539	436
Unemployed	788	779	815	9	-27
Unemployment rate	4.2%	4.0%	4.5%	0.2	-0.3
Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted	4.1%	4.3%	4.3%	-0.2	-0.2
Total Employment	17,961	18,509	17,498	-548	463

CLATSOP COUNTY NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT**(by place of work)**

	December 2017	November 2017	December 2016	Change from November 2017	Change from December 2016
TOTAL NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT					
Total nonfarm	17,820	18,140	17,680	-320	140
Total nonfarm, seasonally adjusted	18,520	18,510	18,380	10	140
TOTAL PRIVATE	14,870	15,190	14,730	-320	140
Mining and logging	180	190	190	-10	-10
Construction	860	890	840	-30	20
Manufacturing	1,640	1,720	1,710	-80	-70
Durable goods	480	480	470	0	10
Wood product manufacturing	260	260	250	0	10
Nondurable goods	1,160	1,240	1,240	-80	-80
Food manufacturing	390	460	390	-70	0
Paper manufacturing	700	700	760	0	-60
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,450	3,430	3,250	20	200
Wholesale trade	190	190	220	0	-30
Retail trade	2,910	2,910	2,690	0	220
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	350	330	340	20	10
Information	150	150	150	0	0
Financial activities	680	700	650	-20	30
Professional and business services	890	960	890	-70	0
Education and health services	2,280	2,240	2,350	40	-70
Leisure and hospitality	4,170	4,330	4,050	-160	120
Accommodation and food services	3,920	4,080	3,810	-160	110
Accommodation	1,160	1,210	1,180	-50	-20
Food services and drinking places	2,760	2,870	2,630	-110	130
Other services	570	580	650	-10	-80
GOVERNMENT	2,950	2,950	2,950	0	0
Federal government	210	200	200	10	10
State government	360	370	450	-10	-90
Local government	2,380	2,380	2,300	0	80
Local education	1,250	1,250	1,190	0	60
Local government excluding education	1,130	1,130	1,110	0	20
Labor-management disputes	0	0	0	0	0

The most recent month is preliminary, the prior month is revised. Prepared by the Oregon Employment Department in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Labor Force Status: Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm 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>December 2017</u>	<u>November 2017</u>	<u>December 2016</u>
United States	4.1	4.1	4.7
State of Oregon	4.1	4.2	4.5
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	4.4	4.4	5.0
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	4.1	4.1	4.4
Corvallis (Benton County)	3.1	3.2	3.6
Eugene (Lane County)	4.2	4.3	4.7
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	5.3	5.4	5.7
Medford (Jackson County)	4.6	4.8	5.3
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	3.8	3.9	4.3
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.0	4.2	4.5
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.5	5.5	5.8
Benton	3.1	3.2	3.6
Clackamas	3.9	4.0	4.0
Clatsop	4.1	4.3	4.3
Columbia	5.1	5.4	5.7
Coos	5.4	5.6	6.0
Crook	6.2	6.3	6.4
Curry	6.3	6.5	6.5
Deschutes	4.1	4.1	4.4
Douglas	5.3	5.5	6.0
Gilliam	4.0	4.5	4.4
Grant	6.4	6.2	7.3
Harney	6.5	6.4	5.7
Hood River	3.2	3.5	4.0
Jackson	4.6	4.8	5.3
Jefferson	5.3	5.4	6.0
Josephine	5.3	5.4	5.7
Klamath	5.9	6.0	6.3
Lake	5.4	5.4	6.0
Lane	4.2	4.3	4.7
Lincoln	4.6	4.8	5.2
Linn	4.4	4.4	5.0
Malheur	4.4	4.6	5.1
Marion	4.0	4.0	4.5
Morrow	4.2	4.5	4.6
Multnomah	3.7	3.8	3.9
Polk	4.2	4.2	4.7
Sherman	4.2	4.9	4.3
Tillamook	4.2	4.4	4.6
Umatilla	4.8	4.9	5.1
Union	5.2	5.3	5.6
Wallowa	5.3	5.3	6.2
Wasco	4.1	4.2	4.1
Washington	3.5	3.6	3.7
Wheeler	3.3	3.7	4.5
Yamhill	3.7	3.9	4.2

(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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