

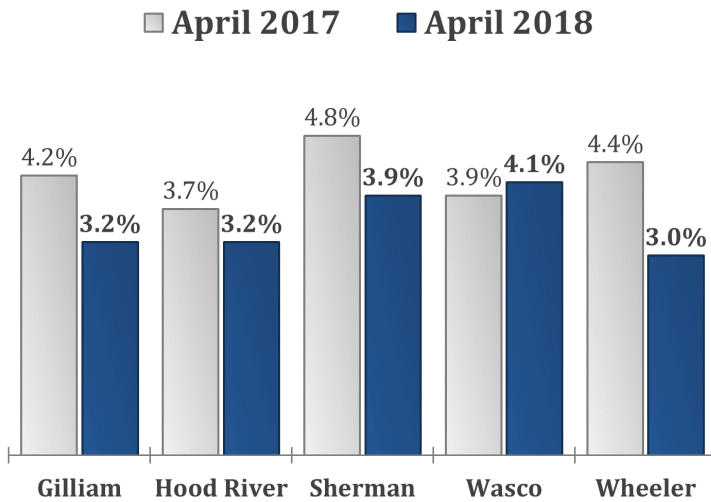


Columbia Gorge Economic Indicators

(April 2018 data)

May 2018 Edition

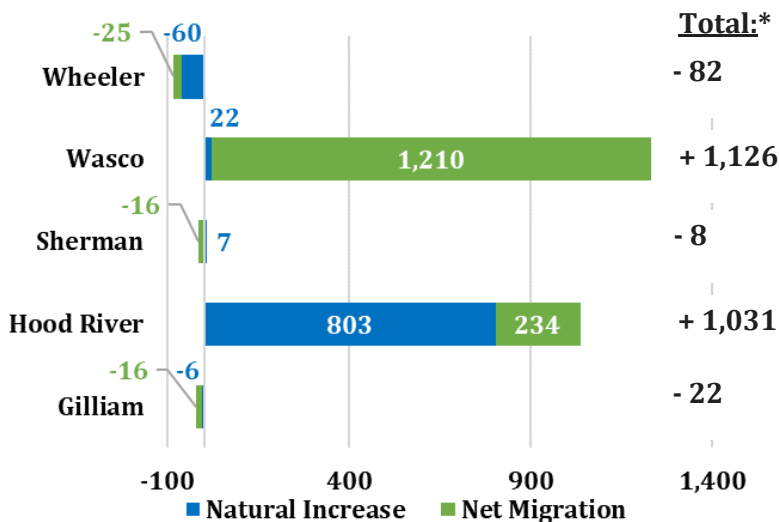
Local Area Unemployment Rates (Seasonally-adjusted)



Graph of the Month

Components of Population Growth (2010 to 2017)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates

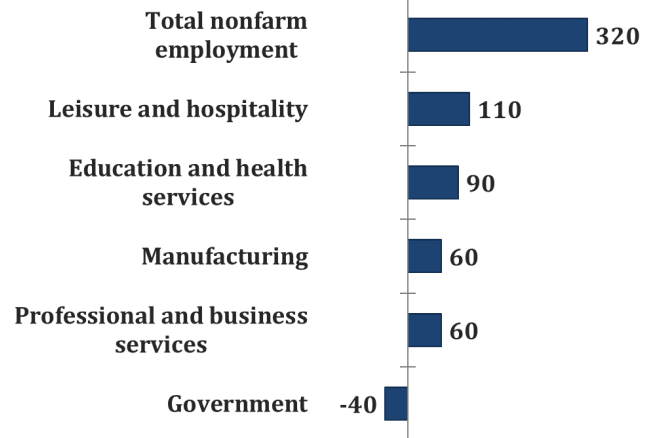


Columbia Gorge counties are all experiencing different population growth stories. While Wasco County's population growth is largely due to in-migration, Hood River County's growth is largely attributed to the number of births outpacing deaths. Wheeler, Sherman, and Gilliam have experienced marginal declines in their populations.

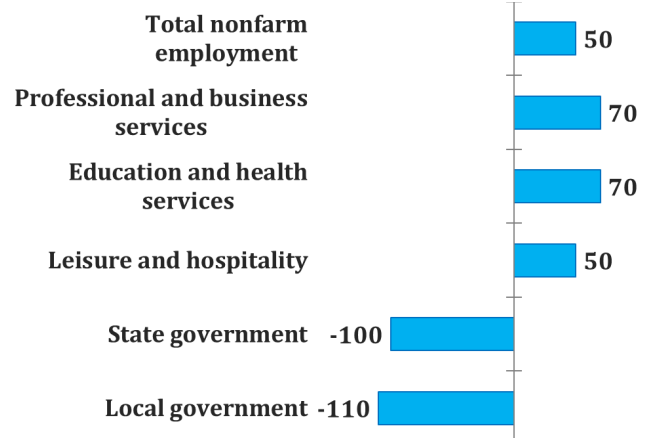
* Total population change includes a residual that cannot be attributed to any specific demographic component.

Industry Gains and Losses (Over-the-year net employment change)

Hood River County



Wasco County



Largest Changes

Gilliam

Professional and business services (+40)

Sherman

Trade, transportation, and utilities (-25)

Wheeler

No significant changes