

KLAMATH AND LAKE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

May 2016

Total Nonfarm Employment

Klamath County — 22,190 jobs, up by 290 over the year

Lake County — 2,060 jobs, down by 40 over the year

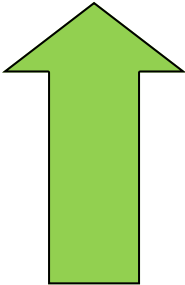
Unemployment Rates, April 2016

Klamath County — 6.7 %

Lake County — 6.4 %

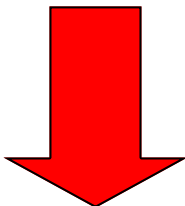
Oregon — 4.5 %

U.S. — 5.0 %



Growth industries, over the year

Klamath — government, private educational & health services; leisure & hospitality; professional & business services;



Industries posting job losses

Klamath — retail trade, manufacturing, local government education;

Lake — manufacturing, construction;

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Tourism is Not Big in Every Community

Oregon has a booming tourism industry, which has supported strong job growth over the years. In 2015, leisure and hospitality employment surpassed the pre-recessionary peak by 11 percent. It is one of the fastest growing industries, providing almost 11 percent of all jobs in Oregon.

Though Klamath County's leisure and hospitality has been one of the few growing industries in recent years, it is yet to fully recover from the recession. However, the share of tourism related jobs remains at about 11 percent, same as in Oregon.

Only 7 percent of Lake County's jobs are in leisure and hospitality, and the employment level remains at about 70 percent of the 2007 peak. It seems tourism has not become as big of an industry in Lake County compared with other parts of Oregon.

Seasonal fluctuations are the norm for the industry. However, Lake County's tourism employment also tends to fluctuate significantly from year to year —see the graph below.

Leisure and Hospitality Employment
 Year over year, in percent

