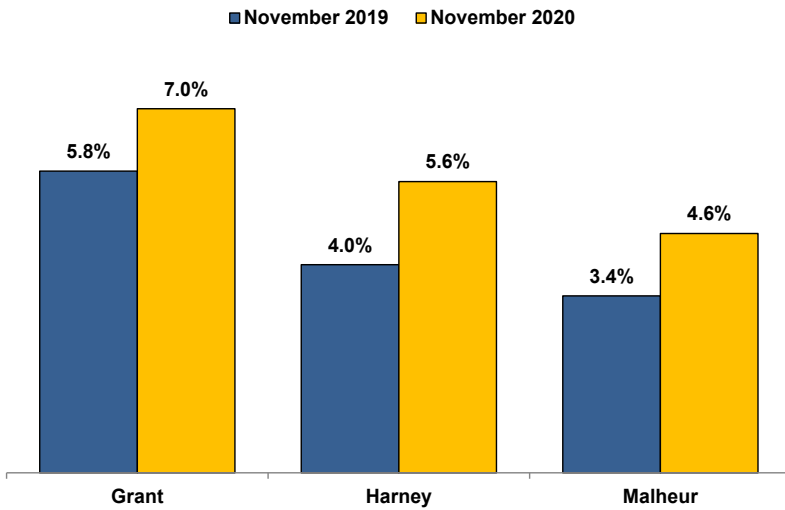


**Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)**



**Unemployment Rate News**

Malheur County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November 2020 was 4.6%, while Harney County came in at 5.6% and Grant County at 7.0%. Malheur and Harney counties' rates were below Oregon's statewide rate of 6.0% and the national rate of 6.7%.

Malheur County's rate ranked fifth lowest among Oregon's 36 counties for the month while Harney County's ranked 16th and Grant County's sat at 33rd.

All three counties had higher seasonally adjusted unemployment rates in November 2020 than the previous November due to the effects of COVID-19.

Malheur and Grant counties (+1.2 percentage points) ranked in a four-way tie for sixth among Oregon's counties for smallest over-the-year change while Harney County (+1.6) ranked in a three-way tie for 12th.

**Nonfarm Employment Change**

November 2019 to November 2020

Grant County lost an estimated 80 jobs over the year. The private sector dropped 50 jobs with small losses spread across several industries overcoming a small gain in retail trade. The public sector lost 30 jobs with losses in local and federal government.

Harney County dropped an estimated 50 jobs over the year. The private sector lost 40 jobs with small losses spread across several industries. No industries added jobs. The public sector dropped 10 jobs with a loss in local government overcoming a gain in state government.

Malheur County employment decreased by an estimated 90 jobs over the year. The private sector dropped 90 jobs led by losses in education and health services, leisure and hospitality, and professional and business services. Retail trade and transportation, warehousing, and utilities led industries adding jobs. The public sector saw a net change of zero jobs with gains in state and federal government overcoming a loss in local government.

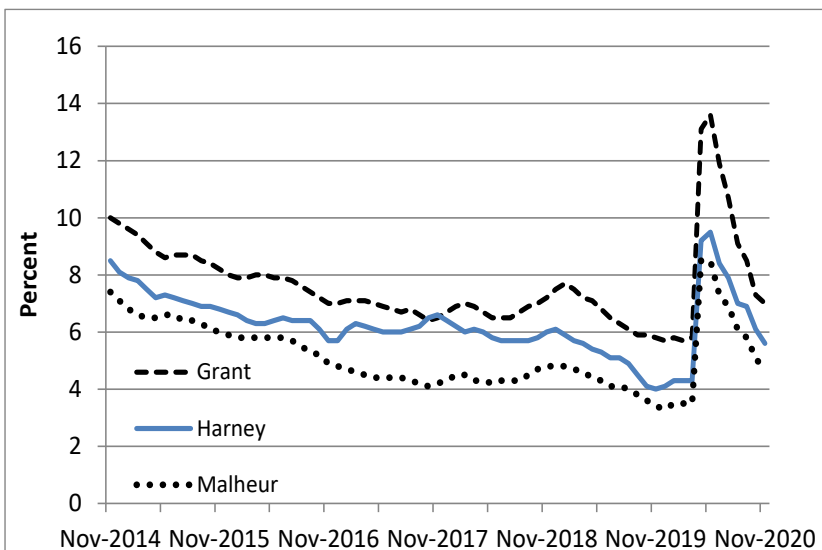
**Notable Industry Gains and Losses**

Over-the-Year Employment Change from November 2019



Grant	Harney	Malheur
Retail Trade (+10)	State Government (+10)	Retail Trade (+80)
		Transportation/ Warehousing/Utilities (+70)
		State Government (+60)
Local Government (-20)	Local Government (-20)	Local Government (-100)
Other Services (-10)	Wholesale Trade (-10)	Private Education/Health Services (-90)
Construction (-10)	Transportation/ Warehousing/Utilities (-10)	Leisure/Hospitality (-50)
Manufacturing (-10)	Private Education/Health Services (-10)	Information (-30)
Mining/Logging (-10)	Retail Trade (-10)	Professional/Business Services (-40)
Private Education/Health Services (-10)		

**Unemployment rate dropping after sharp rise due to COVID-19**



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