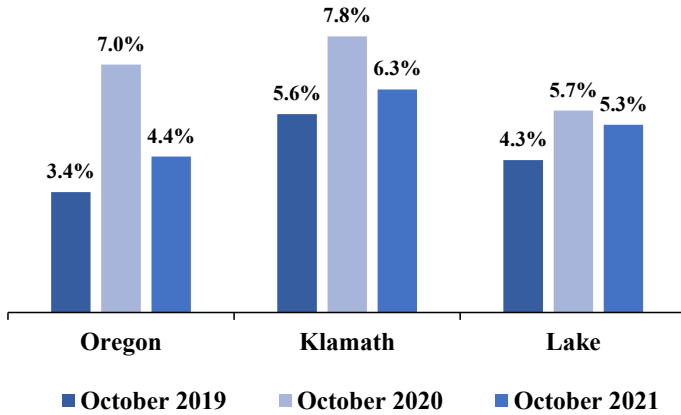


Klamath & Lake Counties

November 2021 Edition

Statewide and Local Unemployment Rates (Seasonally adjusted)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics



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

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Estimates

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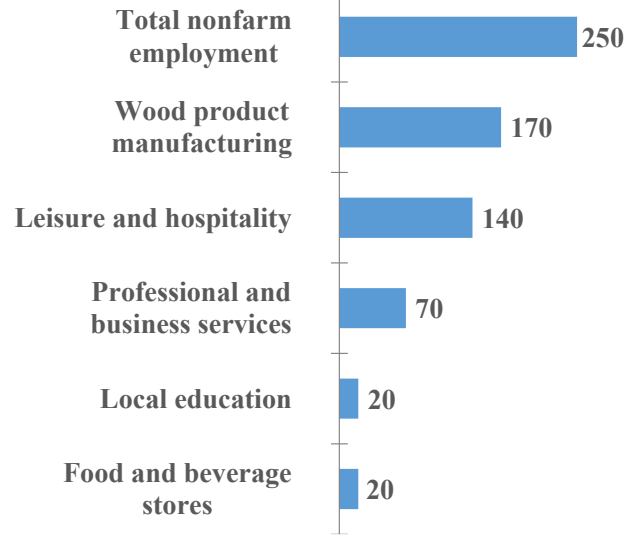


Table of the Month Annual Average Wages Adjusted for Inflation

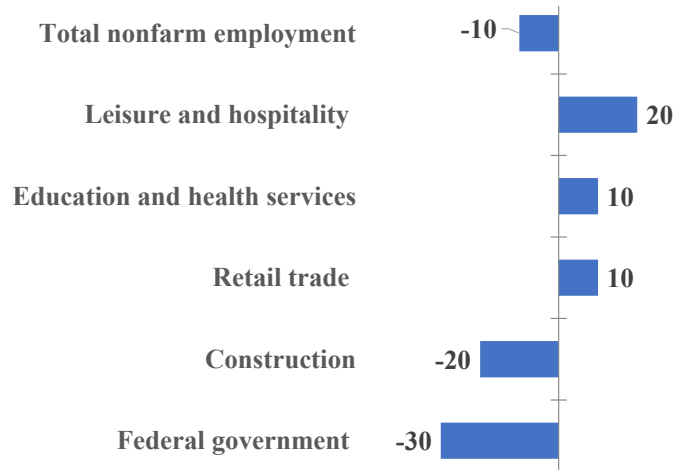
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Area	2010	2020	2020 Change
Oregon	\$49,005	\$59,927	\$10,922
Jackson County	\$40,417	\$48,106	\$7,689
Coos County	\$37,338	\$43,445	\$6,107
Lake County	\$38,014	\$43,781	\$5,767
Douglas County	\$39,578	\$44,929	\$5,351
Josephine County	\$36,900	\$41,622	\$4,722
Curry County	\$35,338	\$39,434	\$4,096
Klamath County	\$39,153	\$42,995	\$3,842

The table of the month is from an [article](#) written by Erik Knoder, a Regional Economist in the Research Department of the Oregon Employment Department.

Wages are increasing in 2021, but inflation is increasing more rapidly for many workers. All of the Oregon counties saw an increase in inflation-adjusted wages between 2010 and 2020. Overall, Oregon had an increase in annual average wage of \$10,922 after adjusting for inflation. Most of this was driven by the wage data from the Portland Metro area. One cause of the large increases in average wages is the loss of lower wage jobs during the pandemic, including the leisure and hospitality industry. Klamath County added jobs but lost jobs in manufacturing, finance, and professional business services. We are seeing that employers are recovering more lower wage jobs that can drive wages down. Time will tell as we continue our pandemic recovery how wage growth will be impacted over the long run.

Lake County



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