

Employment report for August shows decline



Oregon's Employment Declines in August. In August, Oregon's nonfarm payroll employment dropped by 9,500 jobs, following a revised gain of 7,400 in July. This was the first decline in seven months, dating back to January when employment dropped by 1,300.

The August jobs report indicates that Oregon's over-the-year job growth, while strong, has slowed. Between August 2016 and August 2017, payroll employment expanded by 44,600 jobs, or 2.4 percent. This is a reduction from the 3.1 percent job-growth rate seen through July.

"August's job losses were an unusually sharp departure from months of very large job gains," said Nick Beleiciks, Oregon's state employment economist. "But looking past recent gains and losses, Oregon's over-the-year job growth continues to be very good."

The decline in August was concentrated in four of the 14 broad industry groups: leisure and hospitality (-3,600 jobs), government (-3,200), fi-

ancial activities (-1,300), and wholesale trade (1,300). None of the major industries added more than 400 jobs.

The drop in leisure and hospitality came on the heels of unusually strong hiring in June and July. The industry's employment of 206,800 in August is back on the trend line established during the prior 18 months. These restaurants, hotels, and other entertainment establishments now employ 7,100 more workers than in August 2016, an increase of 3.6 percent in the past 12 months.

Similarly, the August government job loss offset the robust hiring in the spring and early summer: While 3,200 jobs were cut in August, 3,500

jobs were added during the prior three months.

Oregon's unemployment rate rose to 4.1 percent in August from 3.8 percent in July. The rate remained near its all time low of 3.6 percent reached in May. Oregon's rate was significantly below its year-ago rate of 5.0 percent in August 2016. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.4 percent in August 2017.

These preliminary estimates of jobs and other labor force data are produced in cooperation with the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, are based largely on a survey of businesses and a survey of households, and are subject to later revision.

LORANE NEWS

Today, Wednesday, September 20 is Crow Middle/High School open House at 6 p.m. Congratulations to the Kindergarten, 4, 5, and 6 grades for perfect attendance since school started this fall. Homecoming Week is scheduled for October 2 - 6 at Crow Middle/High School. NO SCHOOL on October 13 for State wide In-Service. Booster Club Auction and Carnival 3-5p.m. on October 14 in the high school gym. Mark your calendars for an exciting Preservation and Canning clinic including dinner on Friday night at Lorane Grange on October 20 through October 22. All attending the dessert and bingo last Friday at the Grange had a great time. Bingo is back and they hope to see all of you who missed this one next month. Lorane Grange will host a baked potato bar with all the trimmings followed by Bingo on Friday, October 27. Plan on an exciting evening at Applegate Elementary on Saturday, October 28 for the FREE Harvest Festival/Carnival from 6 - 8:30 pm. Mark your calendars.

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THE CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTERSTATE COOPERATIVE PROCUREMENT

Pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 279A.220 and City Contracting Rule 137-046-0460, notice is hereby given that the City of Cottage Grove intends to enter into a contract with Motorola Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$267,074.74, for the purchase of multi-band portable and mobile radios, dispatch radio consoles, and related software and hardware equipment. The contract is based on the terms of an interstate cooperative procurement administered by Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (HGAC), in accordance with ORS 279A.220. The purpose of this notice is to provide information to the public and invite interested persons an opportunity to submit written comment. Written comments and protests must be delivered to the City of Cottage Grove no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 27, 2017. Written protests received after this deadline will not be considered. Submittals should be addressed to Chief Scott Shepherd, 400 E Main St., Cottage Grove, Oregon 97424, and shall provide a detailed factual and legal basis for the comment/complaint and the relief requested. Protests will be handled pursuant to City Contracting Rule 137-046-0460, 137-046-0470 and ORS 279A.225.

DATED THIS 18th DAY OF September 2017.
Scott Shepherd,
City of Cottage Grove, Chief of Police
PUBLISHED: Wednesday, September 20th, 2017

Tests

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Lincoln (Grade 8): 60.2
London (Grade 5): 81.8

Kennedy: 33.3
Cottage Grove High School: 85.9

SLSD Average: 71.1

State Averages
All Grades: 61.4
High School: 56
Grade 5: 65.1
Grade 8: 61.8



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In Honor of All Veterans

The Cottage Grove Sentinel is preparing to publish its "Salute to Vets" a special section devoted to all military veterans who are Cottage Grove-area residents or have a connection to this area.

If you are interested in sharing your military story in the annual Veterans Day publication, or in updating information that we have published previously, please complete the form below and submit it to the Cottage Grove Sentinel. Service photographs are also welcome.

Submit forms and photos (preferably) by e-mail to cgnews@cgsentinel.com; or by mail to Cottage Grove Sentinel, Attn: Caitlyn May, PO Box 35, Cottage Grove, OR 97424; or drop forms off at the Cottage Grove Sentinel, 116 6th Street, Cottage Grove.

Please be sure that all materials are carefully labeled with your name and phone number. **ALL FORMS AND PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY OCTOBER 31, 2017.**

Thank you for participating in this project to remember and honor our veterans.

Name: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Branch of Service: _____

Rank Achieved (optional): _____

Dates Served: _____

Where did you serve? _____

Special Information (E.G., POW): _____

Has your veterans information been published previously in the Cottage Grove Sentinel Veterans Publication?
YES NO

Do we have your military photo(s) on file? YES NO

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