

OSCRTN NETWORK MEETING ZOOM JULY 29, 2020

WELCOME

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Oregon South Coast Regional Tourism Network (OSCRTN)

Who We Are: We are a region-wide, cross-sector of independent individuals and organizations who collaborate to enhance economic development through sustainable tourism.

What We Do: We focus on leveraging relationships, opportunities and dollars. We work to create consensus around priorities that will set up other tourism organizations for success. We collaborate with regional tourism organizations in a strategic direction that will lay the groundwork to develop the Southern Oregon Coast into a destination.

Where: We engage the counties of Coos, Curry and Coastal Douglas. All areas share a similar landscape, economy and tourism opportunities.

Why: We are doing work that has not been done in this region before. We have completed two Rural Tourism Studios, created four regionally focused tourism jobs and have successfully gained the support of the state tourism agency, Travel Oregon, through our extensive regional collaborative accomplishments.

How We Work:

- Strengthen regional relationships and build trust
- Respect diverse perspectives while exploring opportunities to develop tourism collaboration opportunities
- Understand the individual and organizational issues that hinder tourism collaboration and help overcome them
- Leverage existing activities for increased economic impact and resources to avoid duplication of effort and resources

- Share information to enhance regional knowledge
- Inform elected officials, local businesses, nonprofits, public agencies, and individual residents on the importance and value of tourism as an economic driver
- Actively participate in the network and regional conversations

We believe collaboration can strengthen our region.

Current Projects:

• Kayak Launch Project: TSOC and the Network are currently in the process of installing the second of 14 kayak launches along the Oregon Coast, Reedsport to Brookings~Harbor.

The Reedsport location will be installed by the end of August. We are also working on Lakeside, North Bend, and Port Orford locations at this time.

If anyone has a location that they would like to recommend, please contact TSOC.

- Marketing Update: All marketing has been paused until further notice. Outbound Newsletter launch has been paused and social media has been brought in house. Strategic marketing plan has been modified.
- COVID Marketing Campaign: We are in the process of creating a Friends & Family marketing campaign that is scheduled after labor day.

The campaign will be social media strong and will focus on interstate travel and regional pride for all of the wonderful things that the South Coast has to offer during this difficult time.

Community Co-op opportunities will be available

• Whiskey Run Mountain Biking Trail: Funding for phase 3, the final phase, of the Whiskey Run Trails project has begun.

Keynote Speaker - Alex Campbell

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Statewide Gatherings, Indoor Social Get-Together Guidance

• https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/le2351G.pdf

The "Reopening Guidance Tool" which is a great "cheat sheet":

• https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/le2689.pdf

The school reopening metrics, which I covered mostly verbally, are at:

https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Emerging%20Respitory%20Infections/Ready-Schools-Safe-Learners-Community-COVID-19-Metrics.pdf

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

Business Oregon Business Finance Programs: http://www.oregon4biz.com/assets/docs/Biz-Fin-Table.pdf

CCD Business Development Corporation Small Business Resources Contact:
Theresa Haga Executive Director/Finance Manager
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www.ccdbusiness.org

For a pdf. of available funding opportunities from CCD, (as of 7/2020), email: <u>barbdunham@travelsouthernorcoast.com</u>

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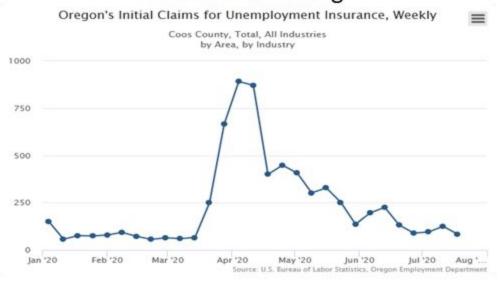


South Coast Economic and Workforce Update

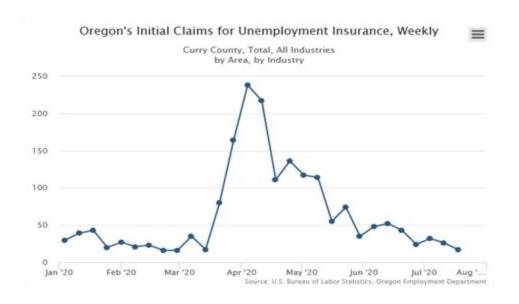
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Pandemic-Related Boost in Unemployment Claims is Receding

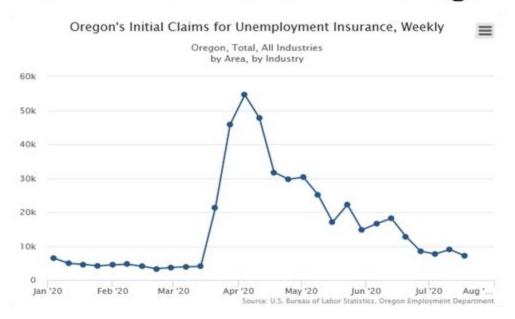


17 Initial Claims week ending March 14, 2020 17 Initial Claims week ending July 18, 2020

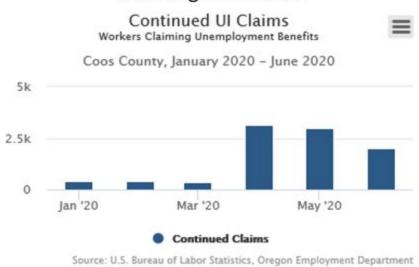


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Trends are similar around Oregon

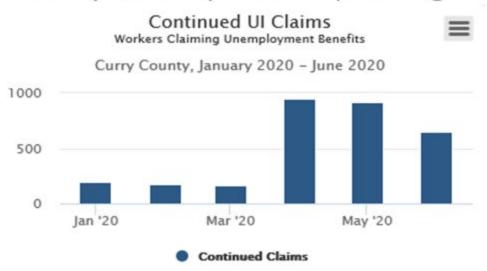


Initial unemployment claims have fallen, continued claims for unemployment insurance remains high- but trending lower too



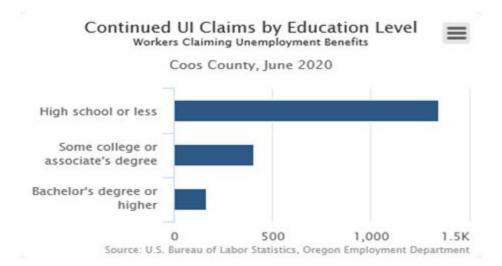
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Curry County also improving



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Oregon Employment Department

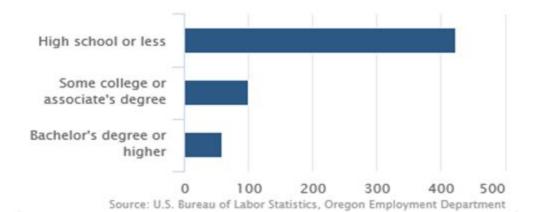
Demographics of June UI claimants



Continued UI Claims by Education Level Workers Claiming Unemployment Benefits

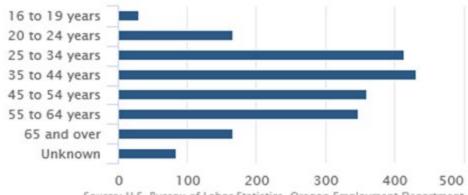
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Curry County, June 2020



Continued UI Claims by Age Group Workers Claiming Unemployment Benefits

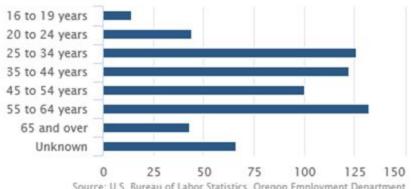
Coos County, June 2020



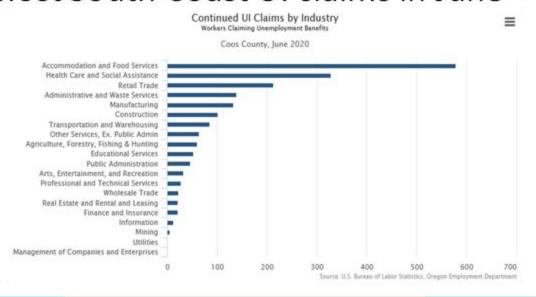
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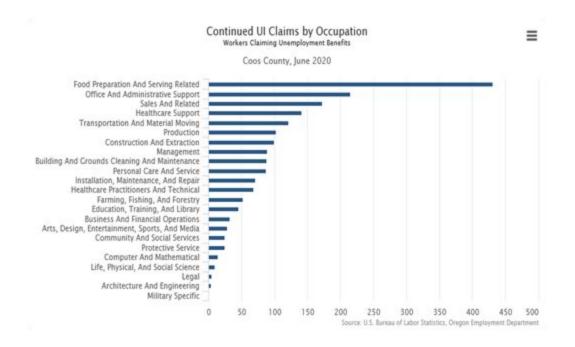
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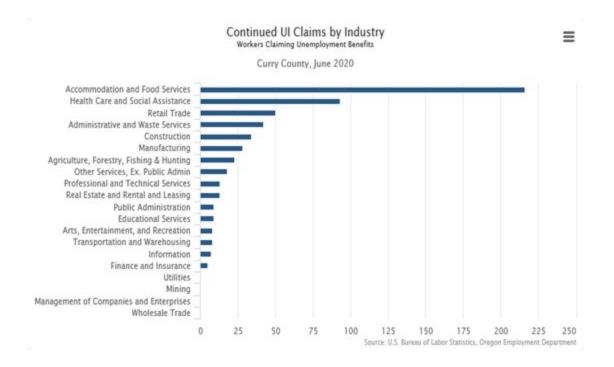


Industries and Occupations with most South Coast UI claims in June

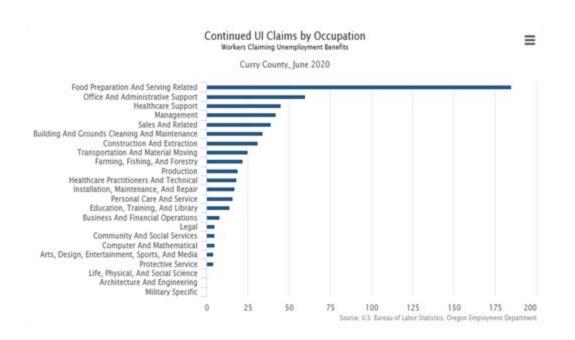








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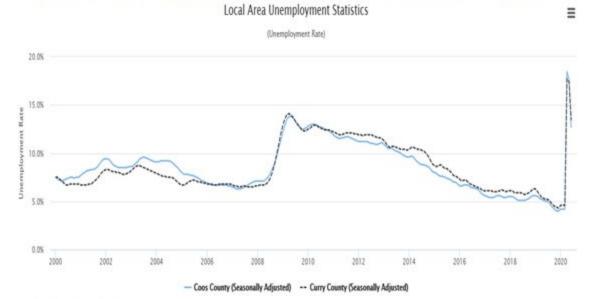
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Industries with most pandemic-related UI claims have a larger share of employment in Southwestern Oregon than U.S.

Location Quotients** A measure of concentration of employment			
	Coos	Curry	Douglas
Construction	0.9	1.25	0.8
Manufacturing	0.8	1.16	1.4
Retail trade	1.25	1.4	1.2
Health Care and Social			1 - 4.1 (
Assistance**	1	N/A	1.06
Accommodations and			
Food Services	1.24	2.04	1
Other services	1.05	1.09	1.3
** LQ private sector only			

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Quarterly Census of Employment and Wage 3Q 2019

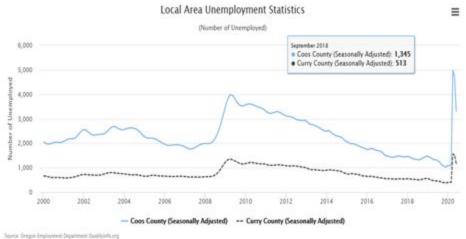
Unemployment rates peaked at 18.5% in Coos and 17.7 percent in Curry in April, now at 12.6 and 13.4% in June



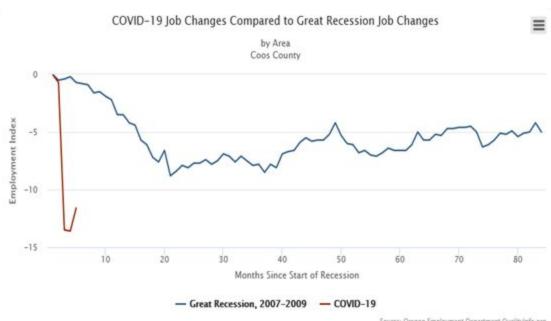
Source: Oregon Employment Department Quality info.org



We tend to talk about the unemployment rate, but how many of our friends and neighbors at the South Coast are unemployed? About 4,500 in June

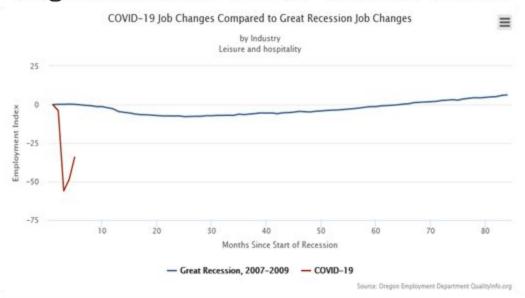


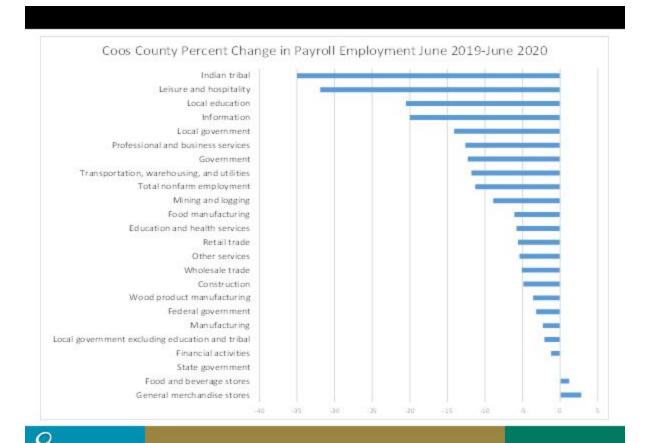


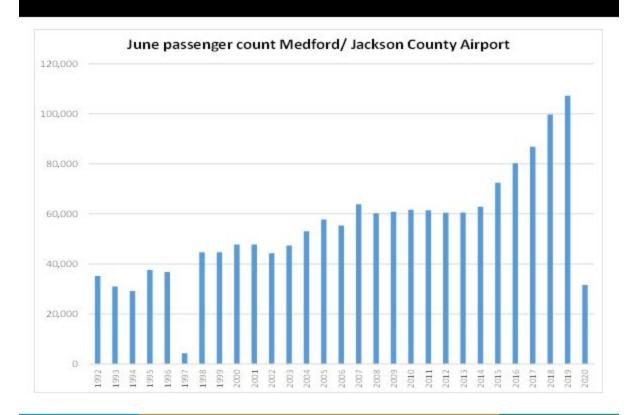


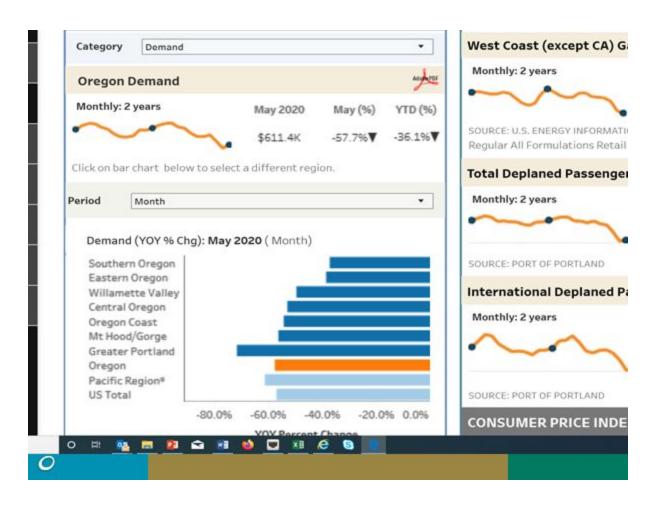
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Leisure and Hospitality accounts for largest share of COVID-related losses





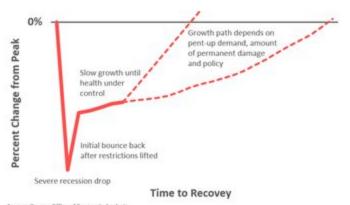






Preliminary Economic Outlook

COVID-19: The Square Root Recovery?



- Sudden stop of economic activity leads to neardepression
- Growth rebounds strongly once restrictions lift this summer, however recovery is incomplete, takes economy from depression to severe recession
- Slow growth through 2021 until medical treatment is widely available
- Growth after that determined by how much permanent damage is done to economy in meantime

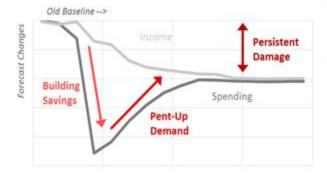
Source: Oregon Office of Economic Analysis



Pent-up demand and permanent damage

Pent-Up Demand and Persistent Damage

Changes from Previous Forecast



Source: Oregon Office of Economic Analysis

- Forecast based on adjusting IHS spending outlook lower given OEA's more severe recession and new Oregon income outlook
- Today economy is seeing savings build, spending dropping faster than income in part as households cannot spend as much as normal, savings rate skyrocketing
- Once restrictions begin to lift, consumer spending will rebound
- However macro economic outlook is lower than before







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