



OREGON EMPLOYMENT FAST FACTS -- JANUARY 2009

Current and comparative Oregon employment economic data:

Monthly Data	DEC 2008	NOV 2008	DEC 2007
Civilian Labor Force	1,979,986	1,980,637	1,945,636
Employment	1,805,167	1,826,065	1,840,244
Unemployment	174,819	154,572	105,392
Unemployment Rate (not seasonally adjusted)	8.8 <i>(7.1 all US)</i>	7.8 <i>(6.5 all US)</i>	5.4 <i>(4.8 all US)</i>
Total Unemployment Rate (seasonally adjusted) (TUR is usually the rate reported in the press)	9.0 <i>(7.2 all US)</i>	8.0 <i>(6.7 all US)</i>	5.6 <i>(4.9 all US)</i>

(January 2009 employment data will be released Monday, February 16, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.)

Annual Data <i>(Calendar Year (CY)2008=1/01/08-12/31/08)</i>	CY 2008	CY 2007	CY 2006
Average Benefit Check Amount <i>(Regular Program Claim week)</i>	294.29	\$280.00	\$264.07
Average Duration <i>Regular Program (in weeks)</i>	14.0	14.1	14.5
First payments <i>(Number of First payments on Regular claim in year)</i>	200,713	140,636	127,902
Number of Exhaustees <i>(Exhausted all Regular Program benefits available)</i>	56,146	40,295	39,530
Percentage that exhausted Regular Program benefits <i>(Percentage with a 1st payment that exhaust Regular benefits)</i>	28.0%	28.7%	30.9%
Initial Claims Filed <i>(All programs combined)</i>	584,306	381,833	345,220
Weeks Claimed <i>(All programs combined)</i>	3,703,371	2,352,627	2,193,667
Non-Monetary Determinations <i>(All programs)</i>	143,674	125,616	128,676
Appeals <i>(All programs combined)</i>	21,499	19,927	19,960

