



# Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

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For the week ending November 21, 2008

## OREGON COAST

- **Southwestern Oregon Community College** will eliminate as many as 18 jobs as part of a plan to cover a \$2.9-million budget shortfall. Employees will also take seven days of unpaid time off between January 1 and June 15. *The World, 11-12-08*
- The **Fred Wahl** shipyard in **Toledo** will close at the end of the month, laying off eight people. *News Times, 11-14-08*
- **Helping Hands** thrift store has opened in **Seaside**. *Daily Astorian, 11-13-08*
- **The Drunken Monk**, an art and home décor store, has opened in **Lincoln City**. *News Guard, 11-19-08*
- **The Penny-Wise Thrift Store** has opened in **Warrenton**. The nonprofit was established to raise money for a foster care facility. *Daily Astorian, 11-13-08*

## SOUTHERN OREGON

- **Goin' Postal** has opened in **Sutherlin**. It offers a variety of shipping services and postal products. *The News-Review, 11-9-08*
- **Touch of Style**, a full-service beauty salon, has opened in **Grants Pass**. *Grants Pass Daily Courier, 10-27-08*
- **North River Boats** in **Green** has temporarily laid off 57 workers. The curtailment will continue until next month when work will resume for the 2009 retail season. *The News-Review, 11-13-08*

## CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **Shari's** restaurant has opened in **The Dalles**. *Portland Business Journal, 11-19-08*
- Several businesses in **Madras** including **Radio Shack**; **Raining Fresh Daisies**, a scrapbooking store; **The Apple Peddler Restaurant**; **World of Treasures**, an antique and used furniture store; **The Burger Works**; and **WeBeGames** rental store have closed or will close. *Madras Pioneer, 11-20-08*
- **Sisters Women's Gym** has opened in **Sisters**. *The Nugget, 11-18-08*

## EASTERN OREGON

- **Pioneer Hi-Bred**, a seed production company, plans to build a \$15-million plant in **Hermiston**. It will open next year and employ 14 people. *East Oregonian*, 11-7-08
- **Primos** restaurant will open in **Island City**. It offers a pizza buffet and arcade-style games. It will initially employ 32 people. *The Observer*, 11-19-08

## PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Oregon Museum of Science and Industry** in **Portland** will lay off 20 workers and reduce expenses by 10 percent as a result of reduced attendance and revenues. *Portland Business Journal*, 11-19-08
- **Slow Train Coffee** has opened in **Sheridan**. *The Sun*, 11-5-08
- **Boise Inc.** will permanently halt pulp and freesheet paper operations at its **St. Helens** mill, eliminating 300 of the mill's 470 jobs within two months. *South County Spotlight*, 11-18-08
- **Kentrox Inc.** in **Beaverton**, a maker of telecom network equipment, has laid off about 28 people. *Portland Business Journal*, 11-19-08
- **Zoom Care PC** will open an urgent care clinic in **Hillsboro**. *Portland Business Journal*, 11-3-08
- **The Museum of Contemporary Craft** in **Portland's Pearl District** has laid off seven people. *Portland Business Journal*, 11-5-08
- **Evraz Oregon Steel Spiral Pipe Mill** in **Portland** is laying off 130 workers due to a massive drop in demand for steel. *KGW.com*, 11-19-08
- **Sylvan Learning Centers**, a K-12 tutoring service, has closed its two **Vancouver** offices. *The Columbian*, 11-10-08

## WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **Northwest Web** – a 36-year-old printing company – has closed, laying off 85 employees at its **Eugene** and **Forest Grove** operations. *The Register-Guard*, 11-17-08
- **Straight from New York Pizza** has opened a third **Salem** location. *Statesman Journal*, 11-12-08
- **Oregon Medical Group** plans to build a clinic in north **Eugene**. *Register-Guard*, 10-29-08
- **Cedar Tree Wellness** has opened in **Corvallis**. It specializes in individual, couples, and family counseling, and offers private yoga sessions for people dealing with cancer, depression, and anxiety. *Corvallis Gazette-Times*, 11-17-08
- **Remedy Massage** has opened in **Salem**. It specializes in Shiatsu massage and acupuncture point therapy. *Statesman Journal*, 10-30-08