The Oregon Employment Department’s Workforce and Economic Research Division is dedicated to providing quality labor market information to policymakers, businesses, and jobseekers so they can make informed decisions in the labor market.

Part of accomplishing that mission is to have regional staff around the state who specialize in producing regional estimates, and providing that information to local customers. The following is a brief summary of what our regional staff specialize in, what regions of the state they cover, as well as their current contact information.

**Workforce analysts** provide objective workforce information to Oregon business and education customers, as well other customers with links to these groups. Their primary customers include employers, employer associations, students and education focused groups, Local Workforce Boards and similar entities. Workforce analysts create customized workforce information products in response to customer inquiries that are based on an understanding of labor market economics and a deep knowledge of current workforce issues and education system needs.

**Regional economists** are regional economic experts who estimate and analyze employment trends, and disseminate that information to a broad audience. Regional economists are responsible for developing preliminary and revised monthly estimates of employment and unemployment, and analyzing industrial and occupational projections of employment. They supply area economic information and serve as a local resource for economic, demographic, and census-related data.

Our workforce analysts and regional economists are regional subject matter experts. If you have a need for labor market information, published resources or services from our Division please contact our staff. Our team will work together to identify the subject matter expert best suited to help you.

**Example Research Products**
- Local employment trends
- Local area unemployment rates
- Labor market information presentations
- Special reports
- In-depth economic articles
- Education-related publications
- Industry employment estimates
- Occupational wage estimates
- Occupation-related training information

For more information about the labor market, visit our website [www.QualityInfo.org](http://www.QualityInfo.org).

To contact the Research staff specializing in your local area please see the contact information and reference maps. Regional contact information may also be found by clicking on the Local Areas map on our website, [www.QualityInfo.org](http://www.QualityInfo.org).
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