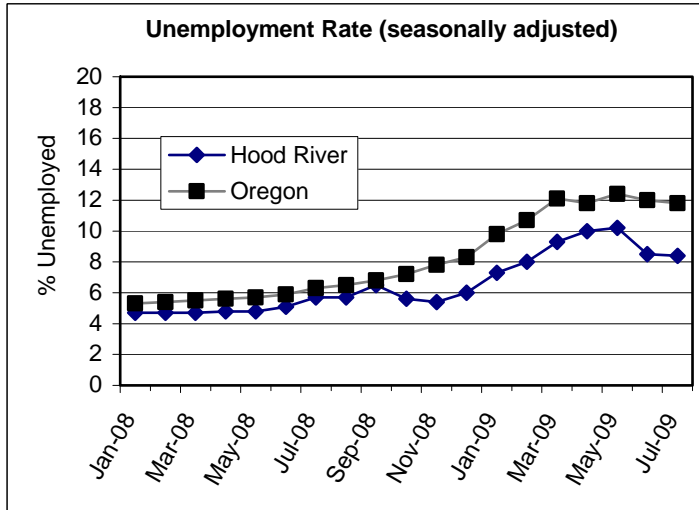


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### Hood River County

#### Unemployment Rate Trends



This year compared to last:

July 2009 8.4%  
July 2008 5.7%

Between January 2008 and now:

Lowest 4.7% (Mar 2008)  
Highest 10.2% (May 2009)

#### Trends in new Unemployment Claims

This year compared to last:

July 2009 124  
July 2008 121

Between January 2008 and now:

Lowest 62 (Sep 2008)  
Highest 292 (Dec 2008)

Source: Oregon Employment Department

UNEMPLOYMENT

#### Trends in Number of Employed

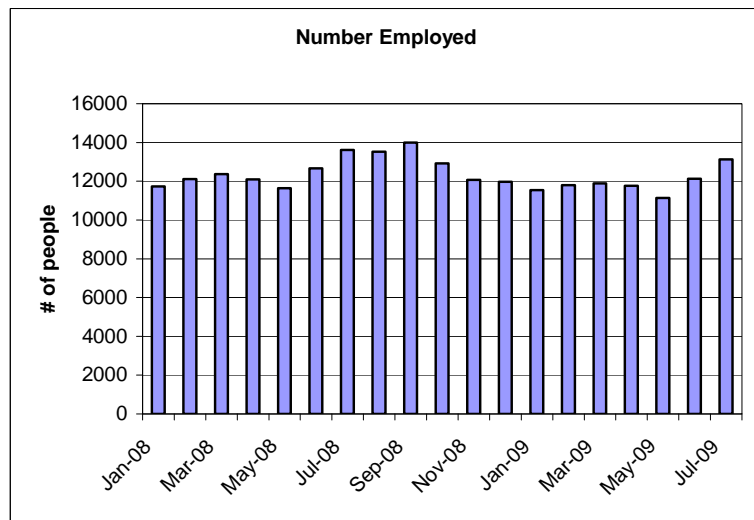
This year compared to last:

July 2009 13,119  
July 2008 13,608

Between January 2008 and now:

Lowest 11,129 (May 2009)  
Highest 13,996 (Sep 2008)

Source: Oregon Employment Department



JOBS

ABOUT

HOOD RIVER COUNTY	2000	2007
Population	20,411	21,470
Percent in Poverty	14.2	12.7
Percent Rural	57.4	N/A

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; Population Resource Center at Portland State University. "Rural" is defined by the US Census Bureau using a complex formula. In simplest terms, rural refers to the population that lives in settlements of less than 2500 people, or in open country.



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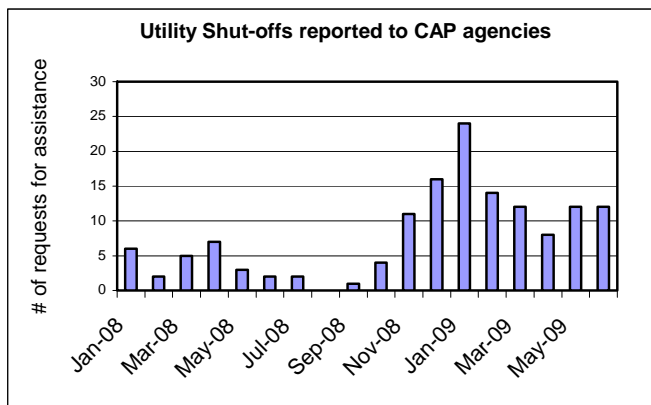


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#### HOUSING ASSISTANCE



#### Trends in the number of utility shut-off notices reported by Community Action Agency clients

This year compared to last:

June 2009      12  
 June 2008      2

Between January 2008 and now:

Lowest            0 (Aug 2008)  
 Highest          24 (Jan 2009)

Source: Community Action Partnership of Oregon

#### Trends in Food Stamp use (recipients per thousand population, right, and total number of recipients)

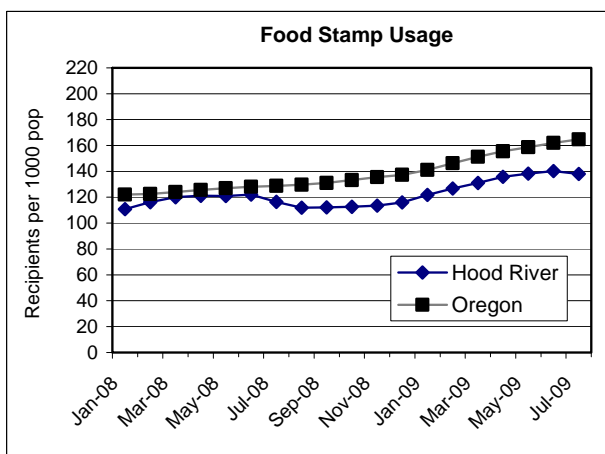
This year compared to last:

	Rate per thousand	Number
July 2009	137.9	2,983
July 2008	116.3	2,496

Between January 2008 and now:

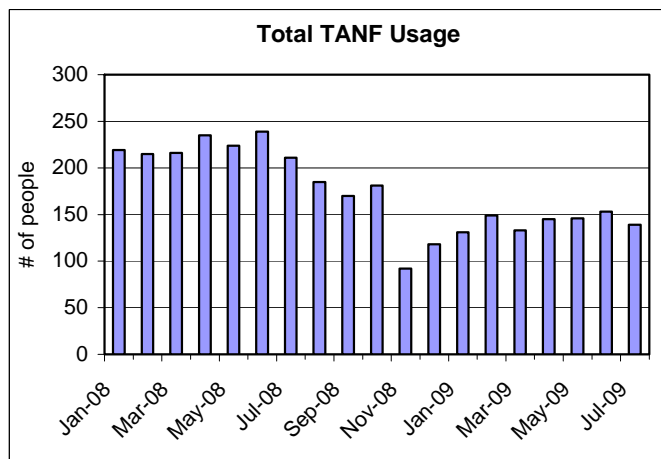
	Rate per thousand	Number
Lowest	110.8 (Jan 2008)	2,379 (Jan 2008)
Highest	140.2 (Jun 2009)	3,031 (Jun 2009)

Source: Oregon Department of Human Services



#### FOOD ASSISTANCE

#### INCOME ASSISTANCE



#### Trends in TANF use (recipients per thousand population and total number of recipients, left)

This year compared to last:

	Rate per thousand	Number
July 2009	5.9	139
July 2008	8.3	211

Between January 2008 and now:

	Rate per thousand	Number
Lowest	3.7 (Nov 2008)	92 (Nov 2008)
Highest	9.9 (Apr 2009)	239 (Jun 2008)

Source: Oregon Department of Human Services



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