# OREGON EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2024 LEGISLATIVE DAYS

Interim Senate Labor and Business Committee Monday, September 23, 2024, 3:00 pm

**Supplemental Materials** 



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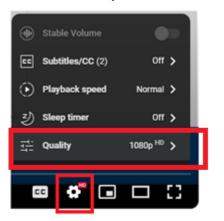
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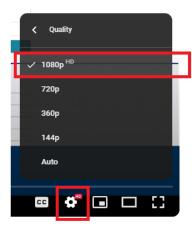


### **Frances Online Claimant Portal Demo**



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Direct Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7is5GWMtizA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7is5GWMtizA</a>

Also accessible via OED's YouTube page at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@ORGovEmployment">https://www.youtube.com/@ORGovEmployment</a>

### **UI Status Messages**

#### **Initial claims and restarts:**

- Draft Saved
- Submitted
- Identity Verification Required
- More Information Required
- Processing
- Ready to Claim

### **Weekly claims**

- In progress statuses:
  - Ready to File
  - Filed
  - In Review
  - Processing

More information about status messages is available at:

https://unemployment.oregon.gov/frances-status

### **❖** Payment statuses:

- Payment Started
- Payment in Progress
- Paid

### No payment or reduced payment statuses:

- Waiting Week
- Denied
- Payment Reduced
- Excess Hours
- Excess Earnings
- Maximum Benefit Amount Reached

#### Miscellaneous statuses:

- Overpayment
- Canceled
- Not Filed



### **Paid Leave Oregon Program Participant Demographics**

### Relative Paid Leave Oregon Claimant Comparison to Oregon Employees by Age

Aug. 14, 2023 – March 31, 2024 (Rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent)

Claimant's Age	Percent of Paid Leave Oregon Claimant Applications	Percent of Oregon Employees
16 - 19	0.3%	3.9%
20 - 24	4.8%	9.7%
25 - 29	12.6%	11.2%
30 - 34	19.0%	11.7%
35 - 44	28.5%	22.4%
45 - 54	16.8%	19.4%
55 - 59	7.4%	8.5%
60 - 64	6.5%	7.1%
65 - 74	3.6%	5.2%
75+	0.4%	0.9%
Source: Oregon Employment Department, Paid Leave Oregon Division		

### Relative Paid Leave Oregon Claimant Comparison to Oregon Employees by Gender

Aug. 14, 2023 – March 31, 2024 (Rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent)

Gender	Percent of Paid Leave Oregon Claimants	Percent of Oregon Employees
Male	37.0%	47.9%
Female	57.8%	42.2%
Other	N/A	10.0%
Prefer not to say/Other	5.3%	10.0%
Source: Oregon Employment Department, Paid Leave Oregon Division		

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### **Paid Leave Oregon Program Participant Demographics**

### Relative Paid Leave Oregon Claimant Comparison to Oregon Employees by Racial-Ethnic Identity

Aug. 14, 2023 – March 31, 2024 (Rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent)

Race/Ethnic	Percent of Paid Leave Oregon Claimants	Percent of Oregon Employees	
American Indian	2.8%	2.7%	
Asian	5.2%	5.3%	
Black	3.3%	3.3%	
Hispanic	12.2%	11.7%	
Other	2.5%	2.3%	
Prefer not to say/Other	10.5%	10.3%	
White	63.6%	64.4%	
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Source: Oregon Employment Department, Paid Leave Oregon Division



### Paid Leave Oregon Program Participant Demographics

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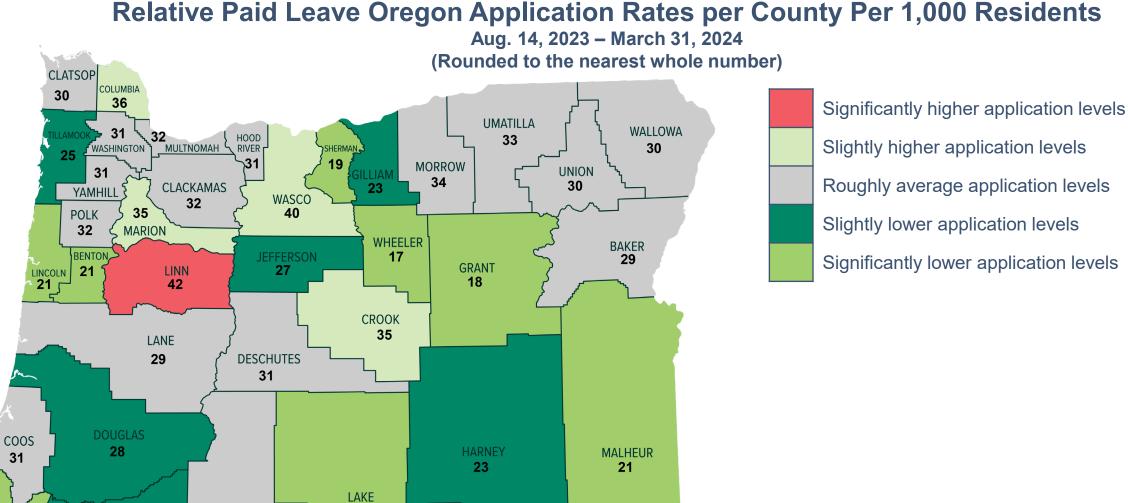
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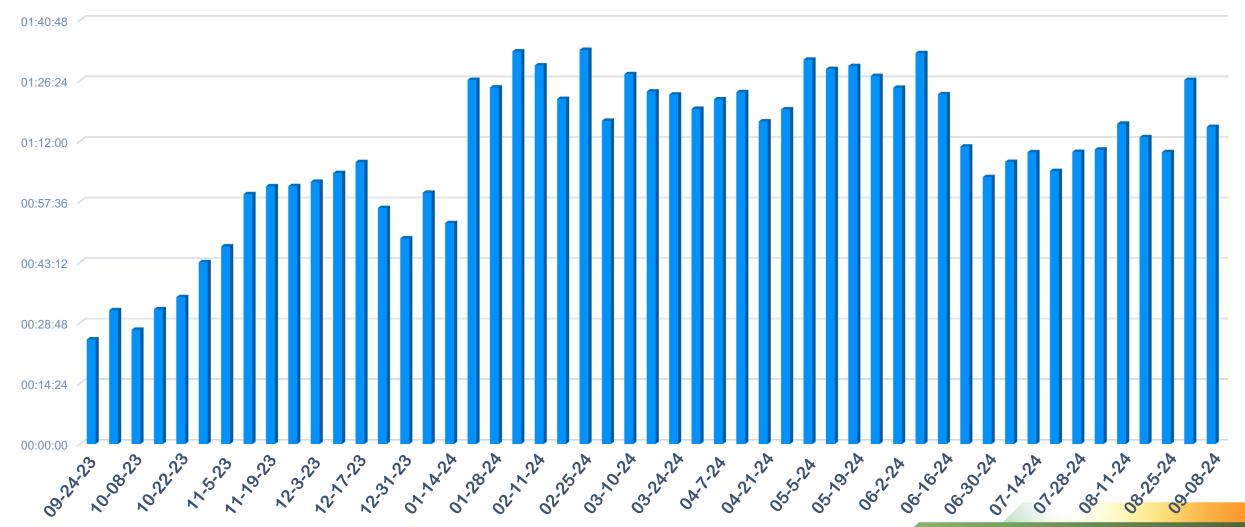
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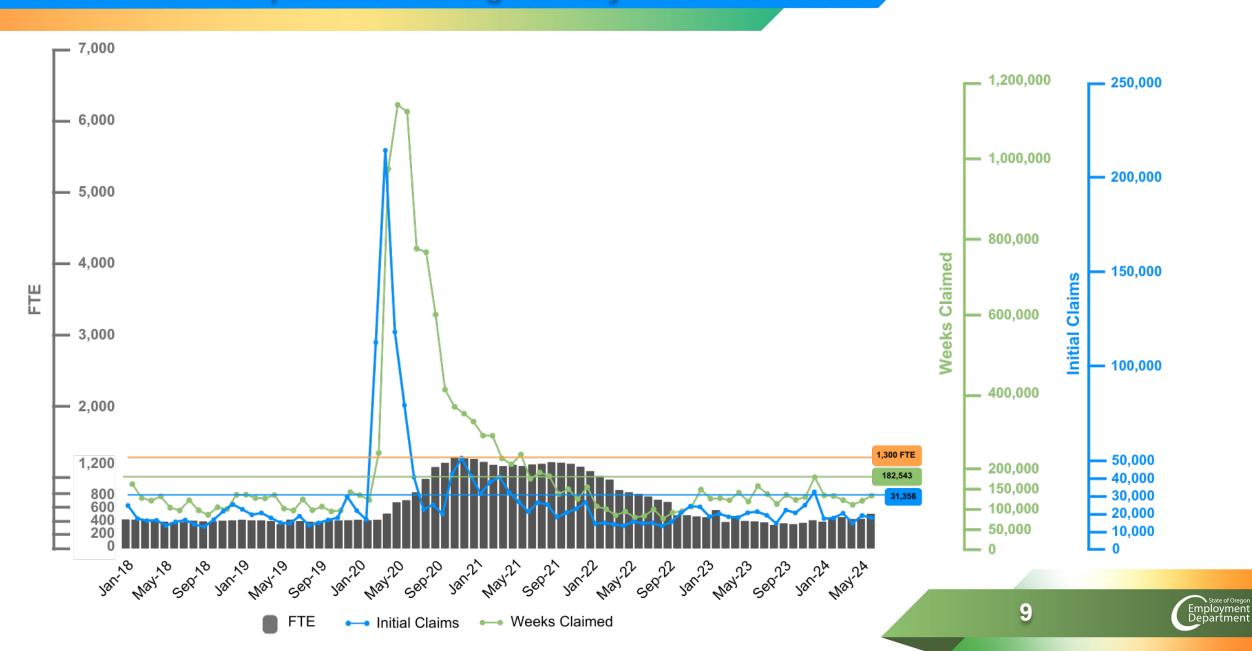
### Relative Paid Leave Oregon Application Rates per County Per 1,000 Residents



### UI Average Call Wait Times 09/23 through 09/24



### **UI Workload Compared to Staffing January 2018 – June 2024**



### UI Workload Compared to Staffing January 2018 – June 2024

### **January 2018:**

- Oregon's Civilian Labor Force\* was 2,080,689
- Existing funding did not provide the quality of customer service Oregonians needed

### March 2020 – May 2023 (COVID-19 Pandemic):

- Increased and expanded customer service to better meet public expectations
- Federal funding provided for staffing to support new services including:
  - More options for communication with customers about their UI claims (e.g. secure emails, web messages, live-chat, etc.)
  - Increased language access
  - Fraud prevention strategies to mitigate more frequent attempts to steal money from the UI Trust Fund

### **July 2024:**

- Oregon's Civilian Labor Force\* was 2,192,472
- Risk of economic downturn in present day could lead to greater impact than before
- Slightly more equipped to provide customer service but Frances Online rollout demonstrated that our capabilities are still far less than needed
- Greater need than ever to support Oregonians



<sup>\*</sup> The Civilian Labor force is anyone 16+ years old who is working (e.g. on a company payroll, or self-employed, or farm work, etc.), and also includes anyone 16+ who is not working, but has actively been seeking work in the past 4 weeks and is able and available to accept work if it's offered.

### **Legislative Concepts for 2025**

- LC 479 Housekeeping Changes
- LC 483 Other Agency Information Sharing
- LC 486 Paid Leave Oregon Technical Changes
- LC 488 Paid Leave Oregon Penalty and Interest Waiver
- LC 493 Repeal Reduction to UI Benefits due to Disqualification
- LC 496 Placeholder for Supplemental Employment Department Administrative Fund (SEDAF)

## THANK YOU!

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