Columbia County

FY13 Proposed Budget

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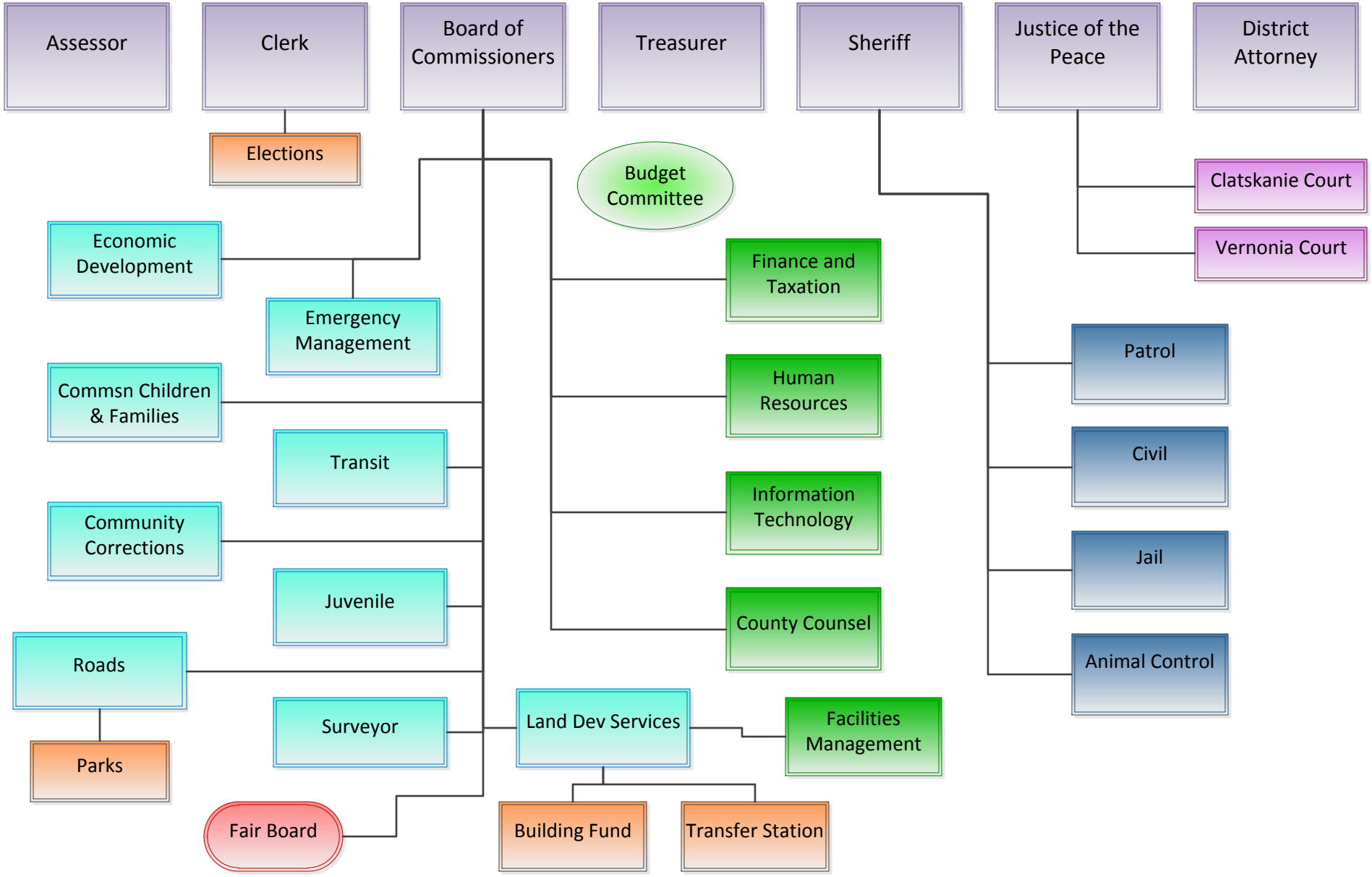

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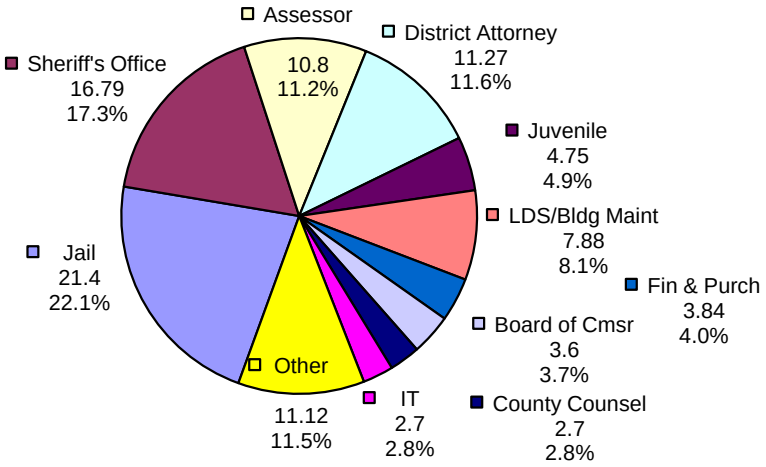
General Fund Proposed Budget Staffing Analysis

FTE by Department FY2012-13



FTE = Full Time Equivalent

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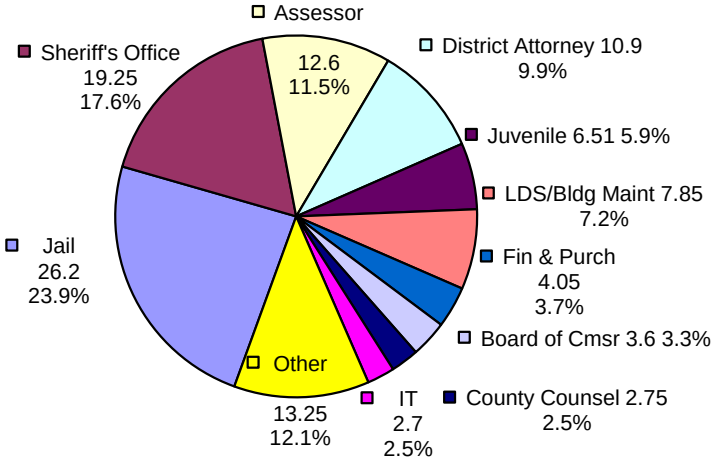

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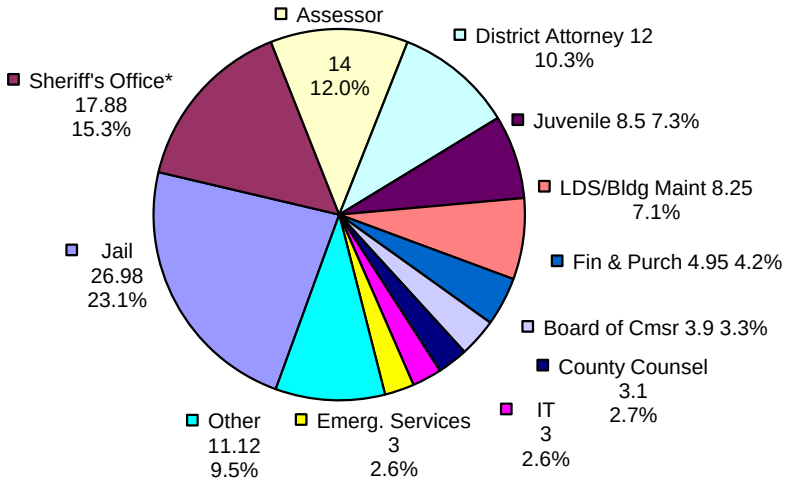


Columbia County
Budgeted Position History

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
Board of Commissioners 100-01						
Commissioners	EL	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.70	2.70
Board Secretary	22	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90	0.90
Total Department		**4.00**	**4.00**	**3.90**	**3.60**	**3.60**
Assessor 100-02						
Assessor	EL	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Chief Cartographer	E05	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Office Manager II	E04	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Sales Data Analyst	26	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
GIS Programmer-Cartographer	26	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Cartographer Drafter	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.00
Property Appraiser II	26	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.80	2.70
Property Appraiser I	25	1.50	1.49	2.00	2.70	1.80
Assessment Clerk II	22	2.00	3.00	2.00	1.80	1.80
Assessment Clerk I	21	2.00	0.00	1.00	0.90	0.00
Total Department		**14.50**	**13.49**	**14.00**	**12.60**	**10.80**
Tax Office 100-03						
Director, Finance & Taxation	E08	0.80	0.80	0.20	0.18	0.18
Administrator, Tax & Grants	E02	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.45	0.50
Accountant I	23	0.60	0.60	0.35	0.14	0.05
Accounting Clerk I	20	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.59	0.86
Total Department		**2.90**	**2.90**	**1.55**	**1.36**	**1.59**
County Clerk 100-04						
Personnel-County Clerk	EL	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Admin. Asst.	23	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Clerk I	20	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.49	0.00
Total Department		**3.00**	**2.50**	**2.50**	**2.29**	**1.80**
Elections 100-05						
Elections Supervisor	27	1.00	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.54
Part Time Help	NA	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Total Department		**1.50**	**1.40**	**1.40**	**1.40**	**1.04**

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
Sheriff (Includes Animal Services) 100-06						
Sheriff	EL	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.50
Office Manager II	23	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.45	0.45
Senior Civil Deputy	S125	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Civil Deputy	S123	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Evidence Tech	NA	0.99	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.60
Civil Clerk	S122	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.50
PT Office Assistant	NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.98
Undersheriff	E06	2.00	1.00	0.50	0.44	0.25
Sergeant	S107	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.75	1.50
Deputy Sheriff	S103	9.00	5.98	9.00	7.00	7.00
Marine Sergeant	S107	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.25	0.50
Marine Deputy Sheriff	S103	2.00	1.40	1.40	2.00	2.00
Animal Control Officer	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	1.00
Animal Care Specialist	NA	0.98	1.47	1.47	1.47	0.49
Kennel Worker	NA	1.48	1.48	0.49	0.20	0.49
Reductions to be determined		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1.47)
Total Department		**23.45**	**18.82**	**20.35**	**19.25**	**16.79**
Jail 100-08						
Sheriff	EL	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.50
Undersheriff	E06	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.75
Jail Manager	E06	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Office Manager II	23	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.45	0.45
Corrections Clerk - 128	S128	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.00
Corrections Sargeant	S137	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	5.00
Corrections Nurse	S145	1.49	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Maintenance Mechanic II	25	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Corrections Deputy	S133	18.00	17.00	16.00	17.00	16.00
Corrections Tech	S131	4.00	0.42	3.00	1.00	0.98
CH Security & Transport Deputy	NA	1.98	0.00	0.98	2.25	1.70
Reductions to be determined		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(4.98)
Total Department		**31.47**	**24.42**	**26.98**	**26.20**	**21.40**
Economic Development 100-09						
Transit Program Admin	E05	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.45	0.23
Economic Development Director	E05	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Total Department		**1.00**	**1.00**	**1.00**	**1.45**	**1.23**

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
Surveyor 100-11						
County Surveyor	E04	0.50	0.20	0.38	0.18	0.18
Deputy Surveyor	E04	0.75	0.20	0.20	0.27	0.00
Survey Technician	24	0.95	0.30	0.50	0.45	0.27
Total Department		**2.20**	**0.70**	**1.08**	**0.90**	**0.45**
District Attorney 100-12						
District Attorney	EL	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Chief Deputy DA	E09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.90
Deputy DA 2	E07	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.44	1.44
Deputy DA 1	EO5	2.60	2.20	2.30	1.53	1.80
Office Manager	E04	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Legal Secretary	24	4.70	3.00	2.70	2.43	2.43
Support Enforcement	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	1.00
Child Support Enf Agent	22	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Victims Assist Coord	E01	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Total Department		**14.30**	**12.20**	**12.00**	**10.90**	**11.27**
Justice Court 100-14						
Justice of the Peace	NA	1.00	0.80	0.75	0.68	0.68
Justice Court Clerk	23	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
PT Justice Court Clerk	NA	0.25	0.25	0.35	0.45	0.35
Total Department		**2.25**	**2.05**	**2.10**	**2.03**	**1.93**
Firing Range 100-15						
Undersheriff	E06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00
Civil Clerk	S122	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00
Rangemaster	NA	0.00	0.00	0.49	0.00	0.00
Total Department		**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.49**	**0.16**	**0.00**
Juvenile Department 100-18						
Juvenile Director	E07	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.17	0.25
Juvenile Supervisor	EO5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.90
Diversion Coordinator	21	0.00	0.25	0.25	0.20	0.20
Lead Juvenlie PO	27	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.00
Juvenile Probabtion Officer III	25/26	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.45
Juvenile Probation Officer II	25	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.70	1.80
Secretary	23/24	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Office Specialist	21	1.00	0.70	1.00	0.49	0.00
Juvenile Counselor	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
PT Help	NA	0.98	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Total Department		**8.98**	**8.20**	**8.50**	**6.51**	**4.75**

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
County Counsel 100-19						
County Counsel	E10	0.90	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Of Counsel	NA	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.00	0.00
Assistant County Counsel	E07	0.90	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Paralegal/NatRes Admin	E04	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Total Department		**3.00**	**3.20**	**3.10**	**2.70**	**2.70**
Veteran's Service 100-35 (outsourced CAT)						
Total Department	NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Emergency Services 100-44						
EM Director	E05	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
HSEM Coordinator	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.48	0.90
UASI Grant Coordinator	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.00
Total Department		**3.00**	**3.00**	**3.00**	**2.28**	**1.80**
Finance/Purchasing/PR 100-45						
Director, Finance and Taxation	E08	0.20	0.20	0.80	0.72	0.72
Finance Administrator	E02	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.35	1.31
Accountant I	23	0.50	0.50	1.15	0.77	0.86
Purchasing Coordinator	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
Senior Accountant	25	0.65	0.65	1.00	0.00	0.00
Accounting Clerk I	20	1.00	0.49	0.50	1.22	0.95
Total Department		**3.35**	**2.84**	**4.95**	**4.06**	**3.84**
Land Development Services 100-49						
LDS Director	E07	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.45	0.45
Office Manager (CBA)	26	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
LDS Secretary	22	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.49
Planning Division Manager	E05	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Planner I	25	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Planner II	26	2.00	1.49	2.00	1.80	0.90
Environmental Services Specialist	27	2.00	1.20	1.00	0.90	0.90
Code Enforcement Officer	25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.63	0.63
Building Services Manager	E06	0.00	0.25	0.25	0.23	0.45
Permit Specialist	23	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00
Maintenance Mechanic I	23	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.45	0.68
Maintenance Mechanic II	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.35	1.58
Total Department		**9.50**	**7.44**	**8.25**	**7.85**	**7.88**

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
Information Technology 100-50						
Computer Tech Senior	27	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Computer Tech II	26	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Computer Tech I	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Total Department		**3.00**	**3.00**	**3.00**	**2.70**	**2.70**
Human Resources 100-60						
Director, HR & IT	E08	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.90
Office Specialist	21	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.38
Total Department		**1.49**	**1.49**	**1.49**	**1.39**	**1.28**
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		**132.89**	**112.65**	**119.64**	**109.63**	**96.85**
Road Department 201						
Director, Public Works	E09	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Assistant Director, Public Works	E05	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.00
Engineering Coordinator	27	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Engineering Intern	26	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00
Office Manager	26	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Office Specialist	21	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Transportation Planner	27	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
District Supervisor	27	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Crew Leadworker	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Sign Maintenance Worker	23	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Road Maintenance Worker II	23	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00
Road Maintenance Worker I	22	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00
Supervisor, Mechanic	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mechanic	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Lube Service Worker	21	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Department		**26.50**	**25.50**	**25.50**	**25.50**	**23.00**
Parks 202						
Assistant Director, Public Works	E05	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Department Secretary	23	0.80	0.80	0.80	1.00	1.00
Parks Maintenance Worker II	22	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Park Host	NA	2.00	1.75	1.75	1.40	1.75
Park Host-Big Eddy	NA	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
Total Department		**4.70**	**4.45**	**4.45**	**4.30**	**4.65**

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
Communtiy Corrections 203						
Director	E07	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.75
Probation Officer I	P1	4.60	6.00	3.00	5.00	0.50
A & D Eval. Spec	NA	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.49
Probation Officer II	P2	3.00	1.00	4.00	1.00	5.00
Split Juv/Cmty Crctns PO	27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45
Office Manager	E04	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Clerical Specialist	22	1.00	1.00	0.49	0.33	0.33
Case Aid	20	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Lead Probation Officer	27	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
EM PreTrial	28	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Work Crew Supervisor	24	3.00	1.30	1.60	1.98	1.98
Office Specialist	21	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Office Assistant	NA	1.00	0.49	0.50	0.49	0.49
Temp Help	NA	0.00	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.59
Total Department		**19.09**	**14.77**	**14.57**	**13.78**	**13.58**
Fairboard Fund 204						
Fair Administrator	E04	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.53	0.00
Total Department		**1.00**	**1.00**	**1.00**	**0.53**	**0.00**
Commission on Children & Family 205						
CCCCF Director	E05	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Fiscal Assistant	23	0.33	0.25	0.37	0.37	0.49
Program Coordinator	NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.13
Total Department		**1.33**	**1.25**	**1.37**	**1.54**	**1.62**
Solid Waste Transfer Station 207						
LDS Director	E07	0.00	0.20	0.20	0.18	0.18
Building Services Manager	E06	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.45	0.00
Solid Waste Program AdminIstrat	24	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	0.00
Recycle Center Supervisor	23	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Code Enforcement Officer	25	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.27	0.27
Maintenance Mechanic II	25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.23
Maintenance Mechanic I	23	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.45	0.23
LDS Secretary	22	0.30	0.25	0.00	0.25	0.00
Total Department		**3.80**	**4.95**	**3.70**	**2.95**	**0.91**

	Range	Adopted 2008-09	Adopted 2009-10	Adopted 2010-11	Adopted 2011-12	Proposed 2012-2013
Corner Preservation Fund 209						
County Surveyor	E04	0.50	0.80	0.80	0.36	0.72
Deputy Surveyor	E04	0.25	0.80	0.62	0.63	0.00
Survey Technician	24	1.05	0.70	0.50	0.45	0.63
Total Department		**1.80**	**2.30**	**1.92**	**1.44**	**1.35**
Inmate Benefit Expense Fund 210						
Corrections Clerk -128	S122	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.50
Total Department		**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.50**	**0.50**	**0.50**
Columbia County Rider 216						
Transit Program Coordinator	E04	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Transit Program Administrator	E05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.68
Transit Coordinator	E04	0.00	0.49	0.00	1.00	1.00
Total Department		**1.00**	**1.49**	**1.00**	**2.45**	**2.68**
Building Services Fund 217						
LDS Director	E07	0.40	0.20	0.20	0.18	0.18
Building Services Manager	E10	0.50	0.25	0.25	0.23	0.45
Bldg Inspection Supervisor	28	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.63	0.63
inspector I	27	1.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.49
Inspector II	27	2.49	2.98	3.00	0.90	0.05
Plans Examiner III	27	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.90	0.00
Permit Specialist	23	1.50	1.50	1.25	0.68	0.68
LDS Director (electrical)	E07	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09
Bldg Inspection Supervisor	28	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.27	0.27
Electrical Inspector	27	1.00	0.00	0.25	0.20	0.05
Inspector II	27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.00
Inspector I	27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00
Permit Specialist	23	0.50	0.50	0.25	0.23	0.23
Total Department		**9.98**	**6.53**	**7.30**	**4.66**	**3.12**
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS		**69.20**	**62.24**	**61.31**	**57.65**	**51.41**
GRAND TOTAL		**202.09**	**174.89**	**180.95**	**167.28**	**148.26**

Collective Bargaining Agreements
Description and Expiration Dates

As of 4/29/12

AFSCME Local 1442
Courthouse unit - all represented employees in County Courthouse and other departments not part of below
Current CBA: January 1, 2009 - June 30, 2013
FY13 Budgeted Members: 42

AFSCME Local 697
All represented employees in the Road and Parks Departments
Current CBA: July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2015
FY13 Budgeted Members: 22

Columbia County Deputy Sheriffs' Association (CCDSA)
All represented employees in the Sheriff's Office
Current CBA: July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013
FY13 Budgeted Members: 35

Federation of Parole/Probation Officers (FOPPO)
All represented Adult Parole & Probation Officers
Current CBA: July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2015
FY13 Budgeted Members: 5

Health Insurance LOA
July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2012

A health insurance recommendation was made by the Health Benefits Committee on April 19, 2012, if the unions support them, will result in a savings of approximately 5% in medical insurance rates relative those included in the FY13 proposed budget.

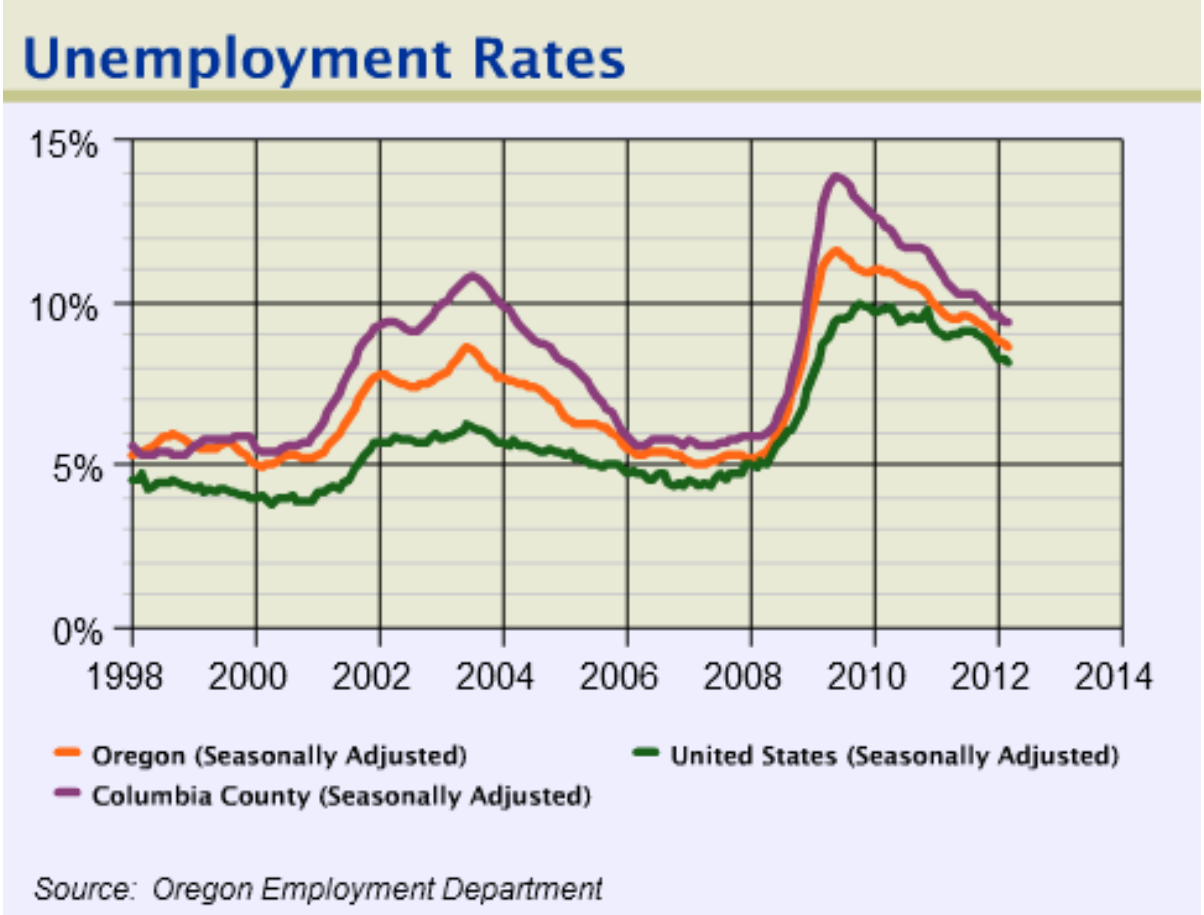
Table 16A. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Selected areas, by expenditure category and commodity and service group-Continued

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

Item and Group	Portland-Salem, OR-WA		St. Louis, MO-IL		San Diego, CA		San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	
	Annual average 2011	Percent change from 2010 to 2011	Annual average 2011	Percent change from 2010 to 2011	Annual average 2011	Percent change from 2010 to 2011	Annual average 2011	Percent change from 2010 to 2011
Expenditure category								
All items [3]	224.590	2.9	209.776	3.2	252.910	3.0	233.390	2.6
All items (1967=100) [4]	657.508	-	623.070	-	855.165	-	717.506	-
Food and beverages [3]	210.332	3.2	220.351	3.0	233.676	4.2	233.749	2.7
Food [3]	211.596	3.2	218.648	3.1	231.376	4.7	233.682	2.9
Food at home	202.616	4.6	208.724	4.1	220.848	5.9	230.382	3.5
Food away from home [5]	226.254	1.7	234.771	1.6	241.680	2.7	237.163	2.0
Alcoholic beverages [5]	198.658	3.5	219.682	1.1	249.780	-.5	239.522	.5
Housing [3]	215.235	1.7	195.106	2.1	275.606	.8	248.980	1.5
Shelter	246.518	1.9	220.779	1.9	309.211	.8	279.114	1.6
Rent of primary residence [3 6]	239.829	2.8	200.806	2.4	301.030	.9	304.693	2.3
Owners' equivalent rent of residences [6 7]	255.940	1.6	229.587	1.6	329.832	.6	303.345	1.3
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence [6 7]	255.940	1.6	229.587	1.6	329.832	.6	303.345	1.3
Fuels and utilities	240.765	5.8	202.164	8.5	241.257	3.5	284.237	2.7
Household energy	201.654	5.2	182.163	7.6	199.176	3.3	288.614	-.3
Energy services [6]	248.569	5.0	186.302	7.4	195.728	3.1	287.393	-.6
Electricity [6]	280.844	7.4	179.367	11.9	182.447	3.9	302.116	-2.6
Utility (piped) gas service [6]	180.348	-1.7	168.333	-.5	171.949	-.6	235.188	4.7
Household furnishings and operations	108.663	-3.1	127.709	-3.3	175.441	-1.9	128.871	-.1
Apparel [3]	119.051	5.6	145.811	4.4	130.757	4.3	114.125	4.5
Transportation [3]	233.977	6.9	199.384	8.7	222.685	11.1	190.778	7.1
Private transportation	235.372	7.4	200.306	8.5	214.652	11.2	181.129	7.7
Motor fuel	316.939	25.7	320.285	26.0	303.864	24.0	288.451	22.5
Gasoline (all types)	319.721	25.6	315.535	25.8	304.328	23.7	287.484	22.2
Gasoline, unleaded regular [8]	317.637	25.9	307.599	26.4	316.991	24.1	289.126	22.6
Gasoline, unleaded midgrade [8 9]	270.585	24.7	359.767	24.7	259.978	23.0	264.994	21.3
Gasoline, unleaded premium [8]	294.732	24.0	304.625	23.8	306.140	22.5	266.817	20.7
Medical care [3]	460.134	3.7	373.854	1.9	391.870	2.0	400.156	2.5
Recreation [10]	102.407	-.5	115.057	-.2	141.778	2.1	110.338	.5
Education and communication [10]	109.286	.0	138.726	1.7	141.920	4.3	143.201	.6
Other goods and services [3]	448.803	2.5	301.865	2.0	363.975	1.2	391.432	.4
Commodity and service group								
All items [3]	224.590	2.9	209.776	3.2	252.910	3.0	233.390	2.6
Commodities	174.843	3.5	184.517	5.0	196.562	5.6	177.450	4.6
Commodities less food and beverages	157.026	3.7	164.482	6.1	176.321	6.4	144.219	5.8
Nondurables less food and beverages	197.770	8.7	223.131	9.4	198.571	10.0	184.263	8.3
Durables	113.648	-2.1	110.368	.5	152.840	.0	105.775	1.9
Services	274.638	2.4	237.043	2.0	303.086	1.7	280.305	1.6
Special aggregate indexes								
All items less medical care [3]	213.989	2.8	201.592	3.3	246.162	3.1	226.530	2.6
All items less shelter	217.394	3.3	208.075	3.8	232.106	4.7	216.504	3.2
Commodities less food	158.400	3.7	167.415	6.0	179.731	6.1	148.713	5.5
Nondurables	203.359	5.9	222.852	6.3	217.951	7.2	211.018	5.4
Nondurables less food	196.680	8.3	224.574	8.9	203.833	9.2	188.835	7.7
Services less rent of shelter [7]	317.800	2.9	260.513	2.2	312.432	3.4	297.094	1.6
Services less medical care services	261.433	2.2	224.697	2.1	294.147	1.7	272.436	1.6
Energy [3]	257.197	17.1	242.268	17.6	258.627	16.7	292.027	13.8
All items less energy	225.037	1.8	209.528	1.9	254.071	1.9	233.051	1.9
All items less food and energy [3]	229.239	1.6	208.265	1.6	259.451	1.5	233.648	1.7

See footnotes at end of table.

Columbia County Unemployment Rate

In March 2012, according to the Oregon Employment Department, Columbia County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 9.4%, higher than the comparable state rate of 8.6%. Compared to other counties, Columbia County is in the middle third of rates ranging from 6.7% to 13.5%.

The chart shows trends for Columbia County relative the state of Oregon and the US as a whole.