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Employment in Clatsop County: April 2021

Employment fell by 110 more than expected in April

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment decreased by 110 in April to 18,010 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 410 jobs was expected for the month, but the county added 300 jobs. The private sector accounted for 270 jobs, and total government employment was up 30. Leisure and hospitality added 210 jobs. Food manufacturing added 30 jobs, but private education and health services cut 30. Local government education added 30 jobs in April. Other industries had smaller changes.

April's total nonfarm employment numbers were up from the previous year by 3,520 jobs, an increase of 24.5%. The county lost 4,160 jobs in April 2020 as the pandemic hit, and it remains 640 jobs below its pre-pandemic employment this April. Most major industries gained jobs over the year. Leisure and hospitality added back 2,250 jobs. Trade, transportation, and utilities recovered 560 jobs; private education and health services added 260 jobs; and professional and business service regained 220 jobs.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged from last month. It was 7.2% in April, the same as in March. It was 21.8% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 6.0% in April, and the national rate was 6.1%.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, June 22, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Tuesday, June 15.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021	April 2020
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	19,810	19,638	18,255	172	1,555
Unemployed	1,389	1,532	3,967	-143	-2,578
Unemployment rate	7.0%	7.8%	21.7%	-0.8	-14.7
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7.2%	7.2%	21.8%	0.0	-14.6
Employed	18,421	18,106	14,288	315	4,133
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	17,910	17,610	14,390	300	3,520
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	18,010	18,120	14,470	-110	3,540
Total private	15,310	15,040	11,860	270	3,450
Mining, logging, and construction	1,170	1,150	1,130	20	40
Mining and logging	160	160	160	0	0
Construction	1,010	990	970	20	40
Manufacturing	1,730	1,690	1,700	40	30
Durable goods	420	410	400	10	20
Wood product manufacturing	270	270	250	0	20
Nondurable goods	1,310	1,280	1,300	30	10
Food manufacturing	530	500	510	30	20
Paper manufacturing	700	700	730	0	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,500	3,490	2,940	10	560
Wholesale trade	180	180	170	0	10
Retail trade	3,050	3,030	2,520	20	530
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	270	280	250	-10	20
Information	110	110	120	0	-10
Financial activities	730	730	690	0	40
Professional and business services	750	730	530	20	220
Education and health services	2,510	2,540	2,250	-30	260
Leisure and hospitality	4,300	4,090	2,050	210	2,250
Accommodation and food services	3,950	3,780	1,900	170	2,050
Accommodation	1,300	1,250	640	50	660
Food services and drinking places	2,650	2,530	1,260	120	1,390
Other services	510	510	450	0	60
Government	2,600	2,570	2,530	30	70
Federal government	200	200	190	0	10
State government	340	340	330	0	10
Local government	2,060	2,030	2,010	30	50
Local education	1,010	980	1,000	30	10
Local government excluding educational services	1,050	1,050	1,010	0	40

The most recent month is preliminary, the prior month is revised. Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence.

Employed includes payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants.

Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees who worked or received pay for the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020
United States	6.1	6.0	14.8
State of Oregon	6.0	6.0	13.2
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	6.8	6.9	13.9
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	6.3	6.4	16.2
Corvallis (Benton County)	4.7	4.7	9.9
Eugene (Lane County)	6.7	6.8	14.4
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	6.8	6.7	13.9
Medford (Jackson County)	6.4	6.5	14.1
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	6.3	6.5	13.1
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	5.9	5.8	11.6
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	6.0	6.2	11.2
Benton	4.7	4.7	9.9
Clackamas	6.1	6.0	12.5
Clatsop	7.2	7.2	21.8
Columbia	7.0	6.9	13.6
Coos	7.5	7.5	16.5
Crook	7.6	7.4	15.4
Curry	7.9	7.6	15.5
Deschutes	6.3	6.4	16.2
Douglas	6.8	6.8	14.2
Gilliam	6.1	6.0	8.5
Grant	7.7	7.8	11.4
Harney	5.5	5.5	7.8
Hood River	5.3	5.1	13.0
Jackson	6.4	6.5	14.1
Jefferson	7.0	7.2	12.0
Josephine	6.8	6.7	13.9
Klamath	7.6	7.4	13.8
Lake	5.8	6.0	7.7
Lane	6.7	6.8	14.4
Lincoln	8.3	8.1	23.7
Linn	6.8	6.9	13.9
Malheur	5.0	4.9	7.7
Marion	6.1	5.9	11.7
Morrow	5.3	5.0	7.2
Multnomah	6.8	6.8	14.2
Polk	6.0	5.8	11.3
Sherman	5.0	4.8	10.6
Tillamook	6.6	6.5	16.0
Umatilla	6.3	6.1	12.5
Union	6.5	6.5	16.3
Wallowa	5.6	5.6	11.0
Wasco	6.2	6.0	12.2
Washington	5.3	5.2	10.7
Wheeler	3.3	4.3	5.2
Yamhill	5.9	5.7	11.9

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly payroll employment and labor force data for Oregon's metropolitan areas and counties. The estimates of monthly job gains and losses are based on a survey of businesses. The estimates of unemployment are based on a survey of households and other sources.

The Oregon Employment Department payroll employment estimates are revised quarterly using information from unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use data from this *official Oregon series* unless noted.

The department also makes the BLS-produced nonfarm payroll employment series for metropolitan areas available. These are revised annually by BLS.

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