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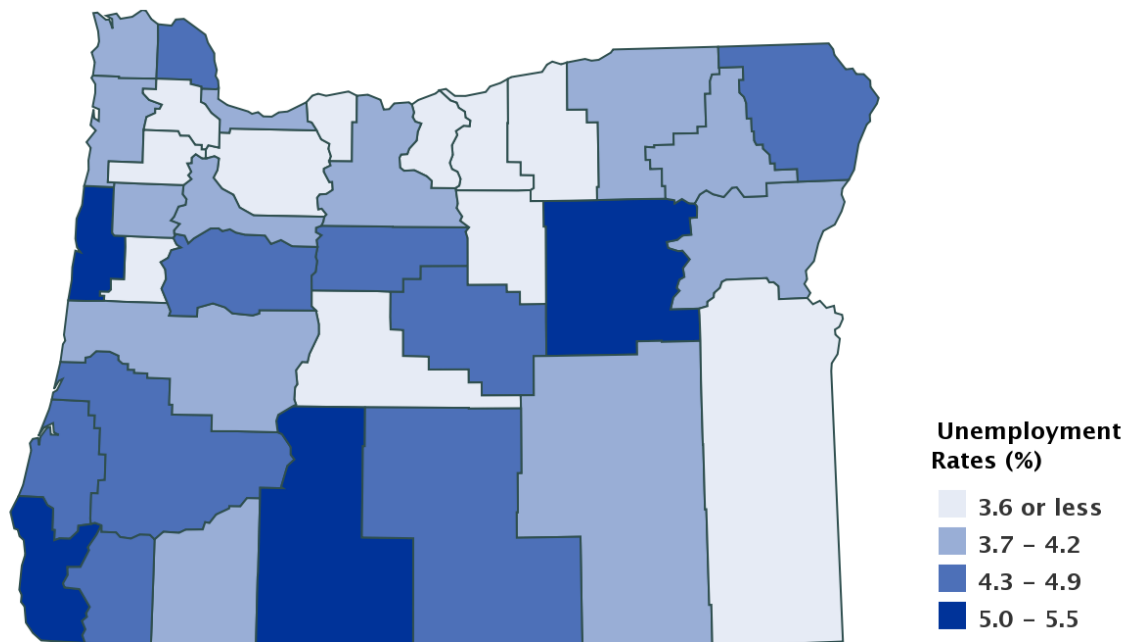
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## March 2022 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

In March, unemployment rates declined in 35 of Oregon's 36 counties. Wheeler County's unemployment did not decline, but held steady over the month. Fifteen counties had unemployment rates at or below the statewide rate of 3.8% in March.

Klamath County had Oregon's highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate (5.3%) in March. Other counties with relatively high unemployment rates were Curry (5.1%), Lincoln (5.0%), and Grant (5.0%). Benton County registered the lowest unemployment in March, at 2.9%. Other counties with some of the lowest unemployment rates in March included Hood River (3.0%), Wheeler (3.0%), and Washington (3.1%).

### Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate, March 2022

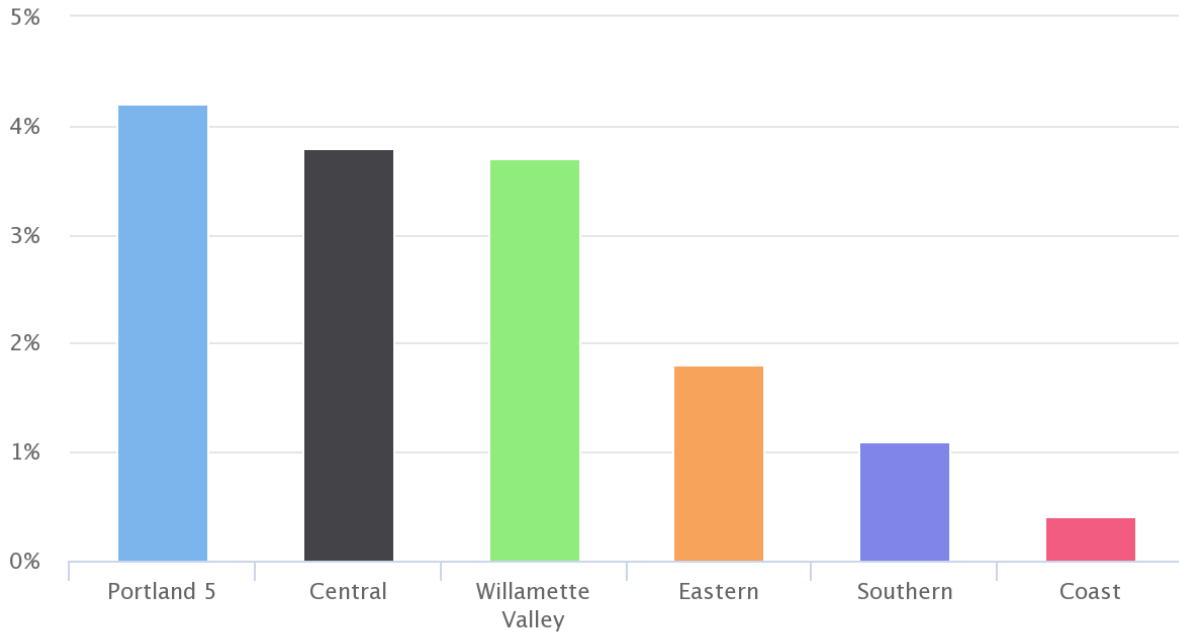


Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Between March 2021 and March 2022, total nonfarm employment rose in each of the six broad regions across Oregon. The five Portland metro counties in Oregon had combined job growth of 4.2% over the year, the fastest rate of any region. Employment also grew at a relatively fast pace in the Central Oregon region (3.8%) and the Willamette Valley (3.7%). Growth occurred at a slower pace in Eastern Oregon (1.8%), Southern Oregon (1.1%), and along the Coast (0.4%).

## Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region

March 2021 to March 2022, Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment



Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Statistics

### Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for April 2022 on Wednesday, May 18, 2022. The April 2022 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, May 24, 2022.

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Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	March 2022					February 2022					March 2021				
	Civilian		Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian		Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian		Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR
	Labor Force	Employed				Labor Force	Employed				Labor Force	Employed			
United States	164,274,000	158,106,000	6,168,000	3.8	3.6	163,725,000	156,942,000	6,782,000	4.1	3.8	160,397,000	150,493,000	9,905,000	6.2	6.0
State of Oregon	2,203,720	2,115,933	87,787	4.0	3.8	2,184,960	2,099,472	85,488	3.9	4.0	2,144,981	2,005,159	139,822	6.5	6.1
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</b>															
Albany (Linn County)	62,182	59,430	2,752	4.4	4.3	61,778	59,091	2,687	4.3	4.4	60,767	56,629	4,138	6.8	6.9
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	105,645	101,391	4,254	4.0	3.6	104,967	100,746	4,221	4.0	3.8	101,851	94,822	7,029	6.9	6.4
Corvallis (Benton County)	50,062	48,575	1,487	3.0	2.9	49,563	48,185	1,378	2.8	3.0	47,599	45,279	2,320	4.9	4.7
Eugene (Lane County)	187,605	179,769	7,836	4.2	4.1	185,109	177,544	7,565	4.1	4.3	182,447	170,181	12,266	6.7	6.8
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	37,694	35,718	1,976	5.2	4.8	37,374	35,453	1,921	5.1	5.0	37,177	34,375	2,802	7.5	6.7
Medford (Jackson County)	108,753	104,034	4,719	4.3	4.2	108,084	103,516	4,568	4.2	4.4	107,686	100,370	7,316	6.8	6.5
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	1,392,585	1,337,843	54,742	3.9	3.8	1,382,785	1,329,255	53,530	3.9	3.9	1,339,834	1,255,648	84,186	6.3	6.5
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	212,683	204,297	8,386	3.9	3.8	209,752	201,659	8,093	3.9	4.0	208,316	195,471	12,845	6.2	5.8
<b>Counties:</b>															
Baker	7,572	7,214	358	4.7	3.9	7,497	7,141	356	4.7	4.1	7,478	6,960	518	6.9	6.2
Benton	50,062	48,575	1,487	3.0	2.9	49,563	48,185	1,378	2.8	3.0	47,599	45,279	2,320	4.9	4.7
Clackamas	230,520	222,228	8,292	3.6	3.5	228,771	220,786	7,985	3.5	3.6	222,198	208,711	13,487	6.1	6.0
Clatsop	19,320	18,463	857	4.4	4.0	19,274	18,414	860	4.5	4.2	19,489	17,997	1,492	7.7	7.2
Columbia	25,548	24,373	1,175	4.6	4.4	25,363	24,220	1,143	4.5	4.5	24,603	22,997	1,696	6.9	6.9
Coos	27,142	25,787	1,355	5.0	4.8	27,073	25,761	1,312	4.8	5.0	27,226	25,090	2,136	7.8	7.5
Crook	11,190	10,579	611	5.5	4.9	11,114	10,486	628	5.7	5.2	10,766	9,874	892	8.3	7.4
Curry	9,072	8,555	517	5.7	5.1	9,034	8,529	505	5.6	5.3	9,172	8,402	770	8.4	7.6
Deschutes	105,645	101,391	4,254	4.0	3.6	104,967	100,746	4,221	4.0	3.8	101,851	94,822	7,029	6.9	6.4
Douglas	48,030	45,668	2,362	4.9	4.6	47,854	45,560	2,294	4.8	4.7	48,261	44,729	3,532	7.3	6.8
Gilliam	1,034	995	39	3.8	3.3	1,024	993	31	3.0	3.5	928	868	60	6.5	6.0
Grant	3,209	2,978	231	7.2	5.0	3,161	2,920	241	7.6	5.4	3,248	2,911	337	10.4	7.8
Harney	3,739	3,551	188	5.0	4.0	3,663	3,455	208	5.7	4.3	3,791	3,528	263	6.9	5.5
Hood River	14,710	14,233	477	3.2	3.0	14,352	13,902	450	3.1	3.2	14,284	13,494	790	5.5	5.1
Jackson	108,753	104,034	4,719	4.3	4.2	108,084	103,516	4,568	4.2	4.4	107,686	100,370	7,316	6.8	6.5
Jefferson	10,630	10,051	579	5.4	4.6	10,470	9,890	580	5.5	4.8	10,664	9,769	895	8.4	7.2
Josephine	37,694	35,718	1,976	5.2	4.8	37,374	35,453	1,921	5.1	5.0	37,177	34,375	2,802	7.5	6.7
Klamath	29,741	27,941	1,800	6.1	5.3	29,602	27,727	1,875	6.3	5.5	29,836	27,315	2,521	8.4	7.4
Lake	3,612	3,398	214	5.9	4.6	3,613	3,400	213	5.9	4.7	3,764	3,481	283	7.5	6.0
Lane	187,605	179,769	7,836	4.2	4.1	185,109	177,544	7,565	4.1	4.3	182,447	170,181	12,266	6.7	6.8
Lincoln	20,946	19,807	1,139	5.4	5.0	20,846	19,730	1,116	5.4	5.2	21,228	19,437	1,791	8.4	8.1
Linn	62,182	59,430	2,752	4.4	4.3	61,778	59,091	2,687	4.3	4.4	60,767	56,629	4,138	6.8	6.9
Malheur	12,825	12,346	479	3.7	3.4	12,581	12,100	481	3.8	3.5	12,780	12,107	673	5.3	4.9
Marion	169,938	163,192	6,746	4.0	3.7	167,541	161,015	6,526	3.9	3.9	166,546	156,184	10,362	6.2	5.9
Morrow	6,065	5,849	216	3.6	3.4	5,938	5,726	212	3.6	3.5	5,950	5,634	316	5.3	5.0
Multnomah	476,892	457,800	19,092	4.0	4.0	473,755	455,045	18,710	3.9	4.1	461,698	429,531	32,167	7.0	6.8
Polk	42,745	41,105	1,640	3.8	3.7	42,211	40,644	1,567	3.7	3.8	41,770	39,287	2,483	5.9	5.8
Sherman	955	922	33	3.5	3.2	937	903	34	3.6	3.4	985	934	51	5.2	4.8
Tillamook	12,181	11,647	534	4.4	3.8	12,112	11,616	496	4.1	3.9	12,225	11,377	848	6.9	6.5
Umatilla	37,960	36,326	1,634	4.3	3.9	37,503	35,873	1,630	4.3	4.0	37,519	35,091	2,428	6.5	6.1
Union	12,342	11,767	575	4.7	3.8	12,242	11,682	560	4.6	4.0	12,278	11,368	910	7.4	6.5
Wallowa	3,499	3,283	216	6.2	4.4	3,507	3,297	210	6.0	4.7	3,464	3,181	283	8.2	5.6
Wasco	13,146	12,575	571	4.3	3.9	12,949	12,363	586	4.5	4.1	13,045	12,160	885	6.8	6.0
Washington	339,340	328,552	10,788	3.2	3.1	336,622	326,261	10,361	3.1	3.3	326,399	308,551	17,848	5.5	5.2
Wheeler	742	719	23	3.1	3.0	747	722	25	3.3	3.0	726	694	32	4.4	4.3
Yamhill	57,130	55,108	2,022	3.5	3.4	56,728	54,775	1,953	3.4	3.5	55,134	51,930	3,204	5.8	5.7

(1) Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

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