NORTHWEST OREGON ECONOMIC UPDATE

FOR NORTHWEST OREGON WORKS
AT TILLAMOOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
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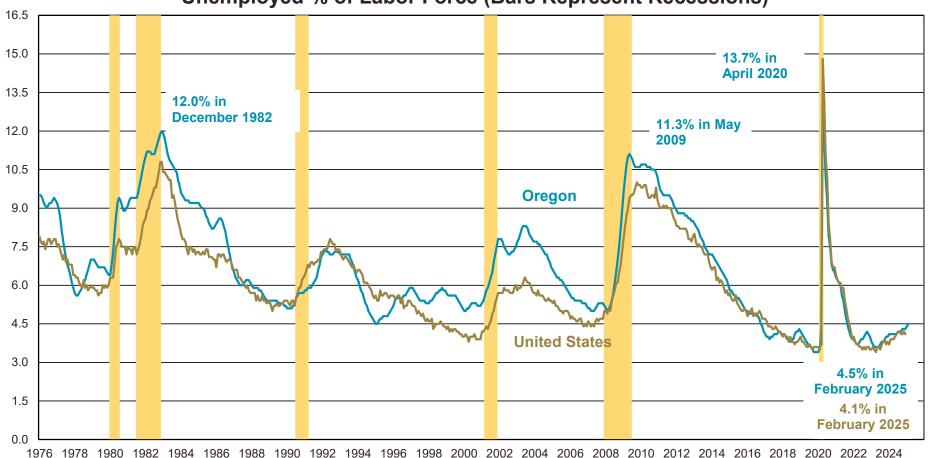


STATEWIDE



OREGON'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WAS 4.5% IN FEBRUARY.

Oregon's Unemployment Rate Was 4.5% in February 2025 Unemployed % of Labor Force (Bars Represent Recessions)

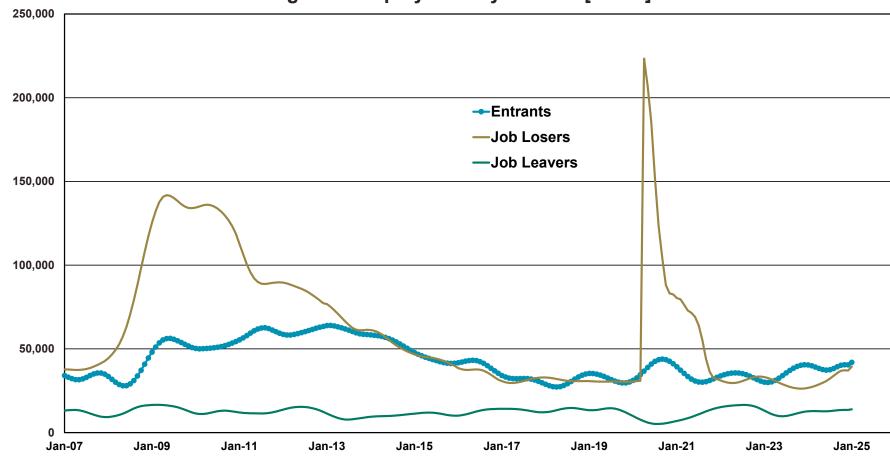


Source: Oregon Employment Department and National Bureau of Economic Research



WHY ARE OREGONIANS UNEMPLOYED?





New or returning to the workforce 43,500 (44%)

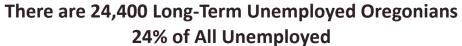
Lost job 42,000 (42%)

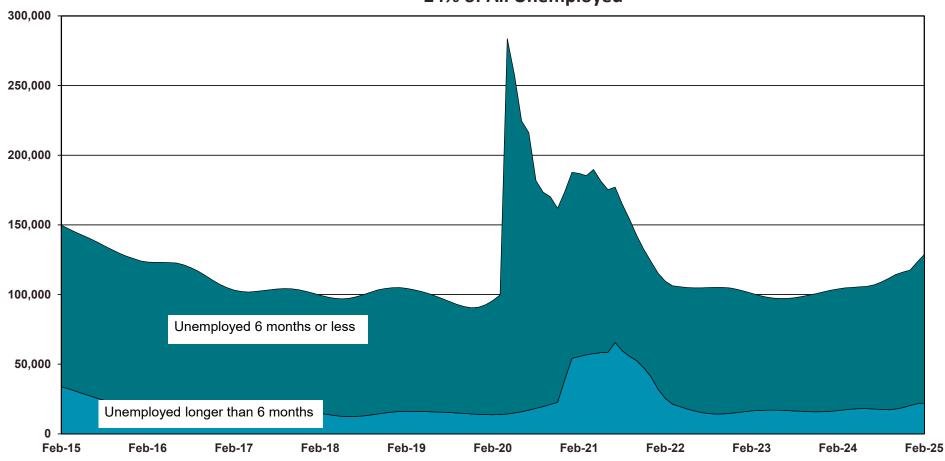
Left job voluntarily 14,400 (14%)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Current Population Survey



ONE OUT OF FOUR UNEMPLOYED OREGONIANS HAVE BEEN OUT OF WORK FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS.

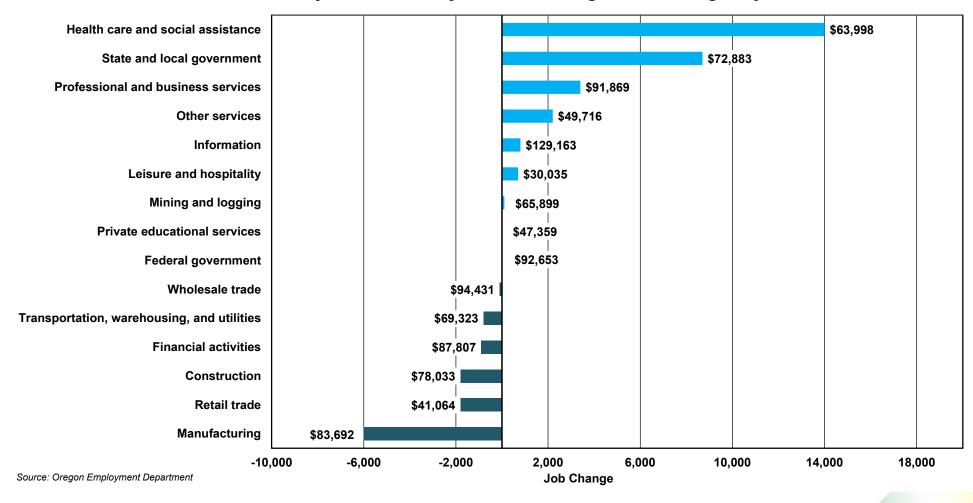




Source: Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

OREGON'S JOB GAINS HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATED IN HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE.

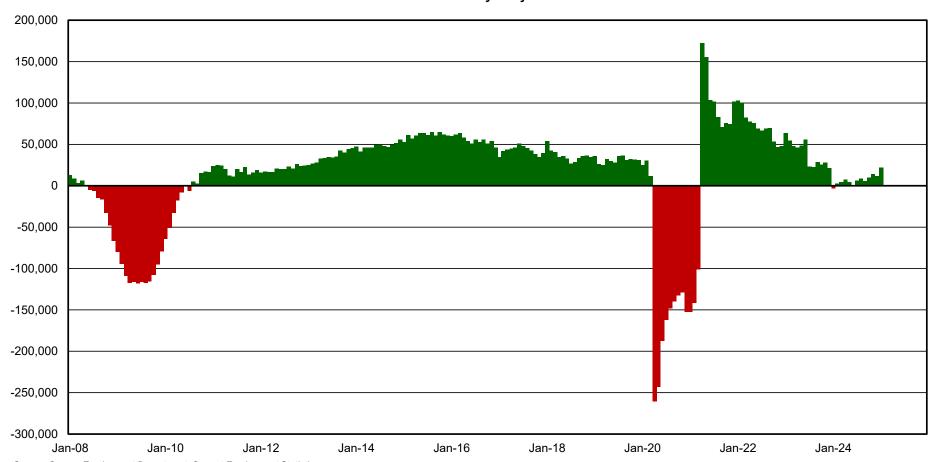
Oregon Job Change and Average Pay by Industry February 2024 - February 2025 Job Change, 2023 Average Pay

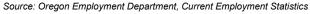


EMPLOYMENT GREW BY 18,500 JOBS FROM FEBRUARY 2024 TO FEBRUARY 2025.

Oregon's Year-Over-Year Job Growth/Decline

Seasonally Adjusted



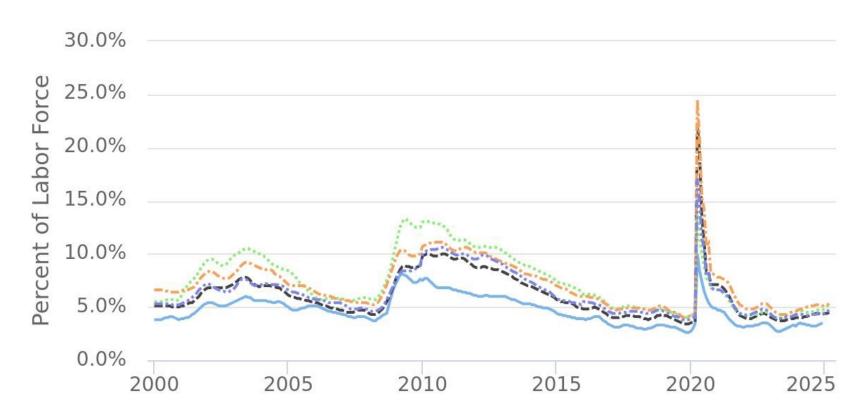


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UNEMPLOYMENT LOW, BUT INCREASING

Unemployment Rate



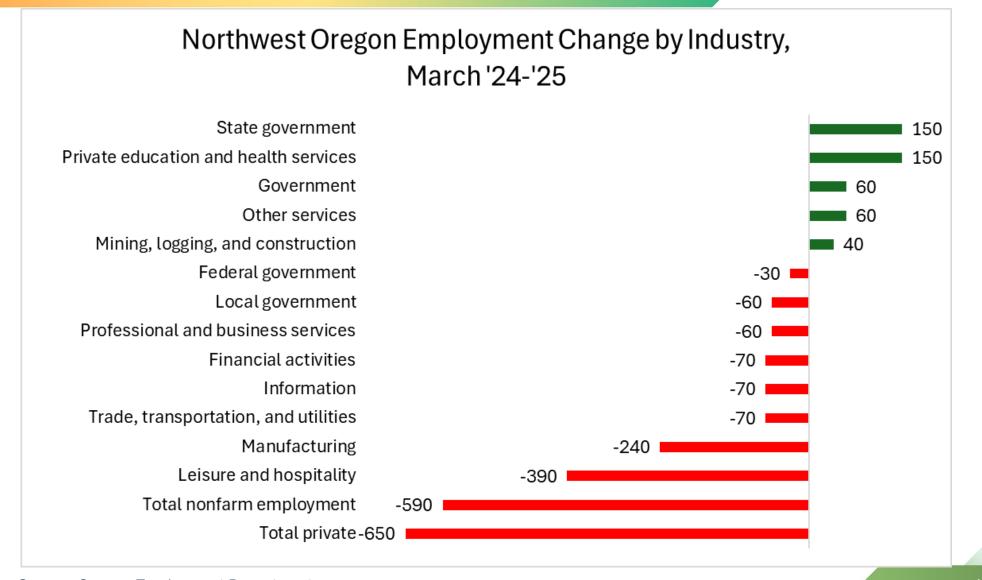
— Benton County (Seasonally Adjusted) -- Clatsop County (Seasonally Adjusted)

···· Columbia County (Seasonally Adjusted) - Lincoln County (Seasonally Adjusted)

- Tillamook County (Seasonally Adjusted)



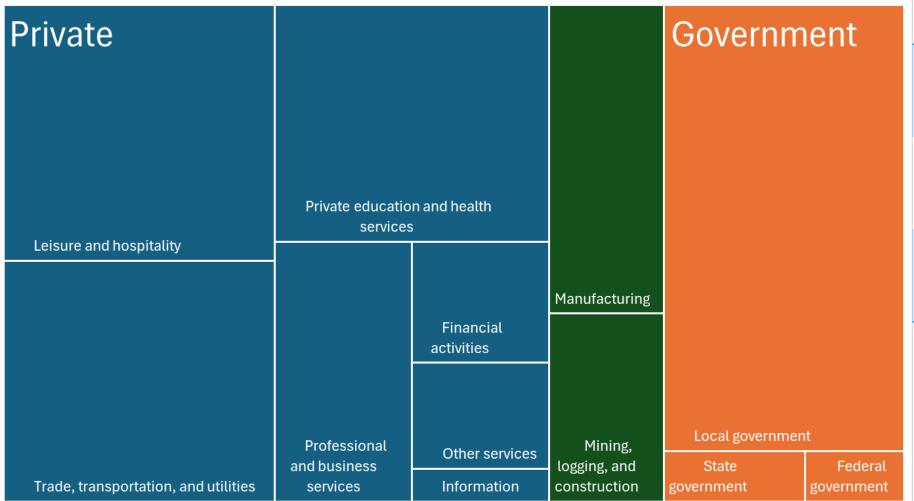
NONFARM EMPLOYMENT FELL BY 0.6% IN NWO, STATE GOV'T UP 10%





LOCAL GOV'T LEADS SPRING EMPLOYMENT IN NORTHWEST

Northwest Oregon Employment by Industry, March 2025



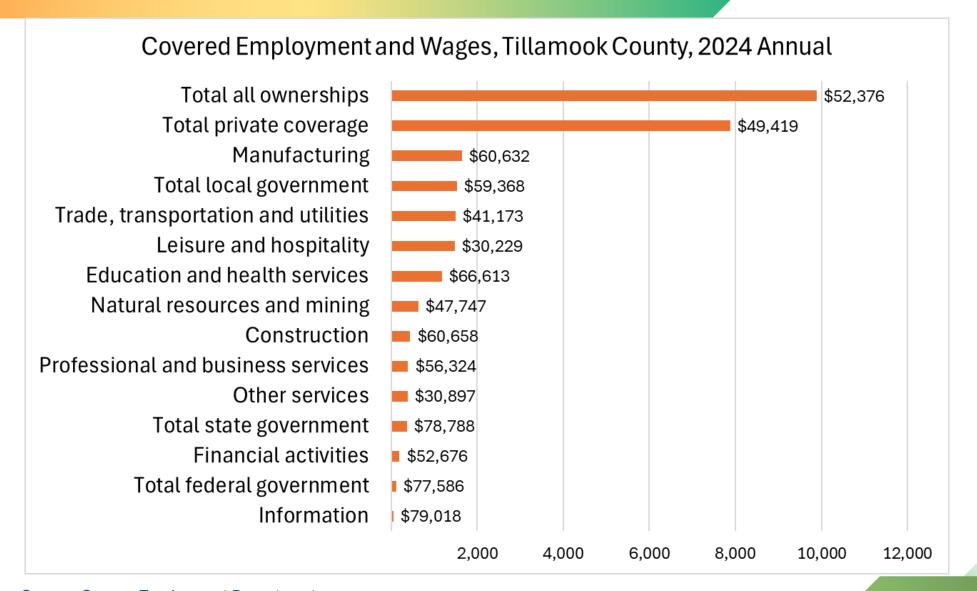
Total nonfarm	103,600
Private- Goods	13,160
Private- Services	62,770
Gov't	27,670



TILLAMOOK COUNTY

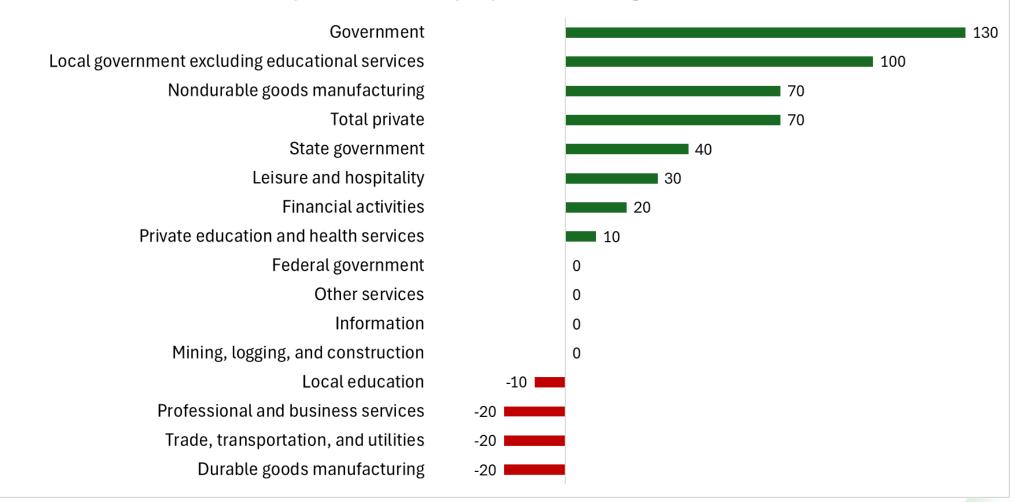


MANUFACTURING, LOCAL GOV'T, TRADE TOP INDUSTRIES FOR EMPLOYMENT

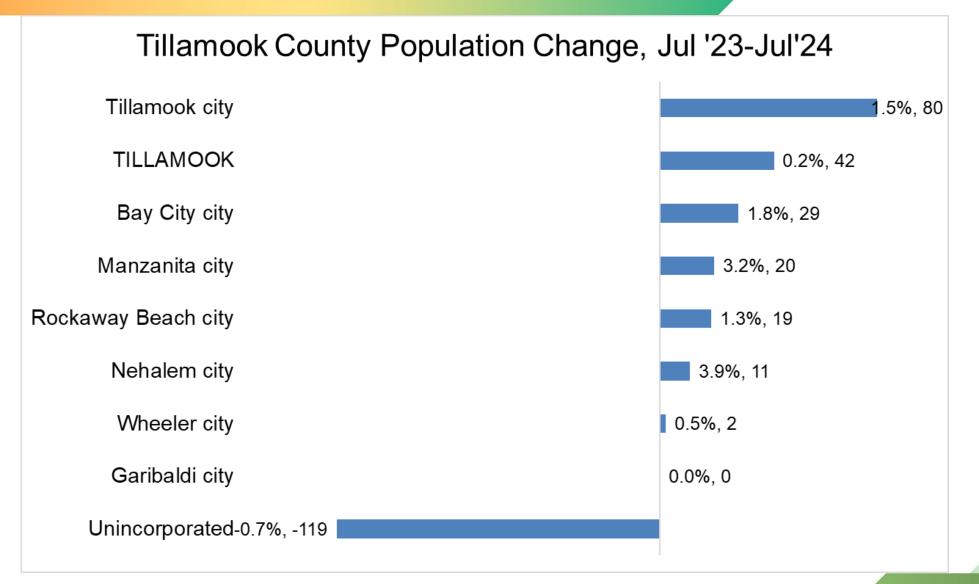


TOTAL NONFARM EMPLOYMENT UP BY 200 (2.1%)

Tillamook County Nonfarm Employment Change, March '24-March '25



POPULATION GREW BY 0.2% COUNTYWIDE, UNINCORPORATED POPULATION FELL





LOCAL GOV'T, MANUFACTURING, AND HEALTHCARE LEAD SECTOR WAGES

Tillamook County GDP (2023) in Millions	\$1,503
Personal Current Transfer Receipts	\$492
Dividends, Interest, and Rent	\$467
Total Government Wages	\$191
Proprietors' Income	\$152
Manufacturing Wages	\$132
Healthcare Wages	\$90
Total Direct Travel Spending (2023)	\$277 (+4.4%)
Per Capita Personal Income	\$61,950

CURRENT EVENTS

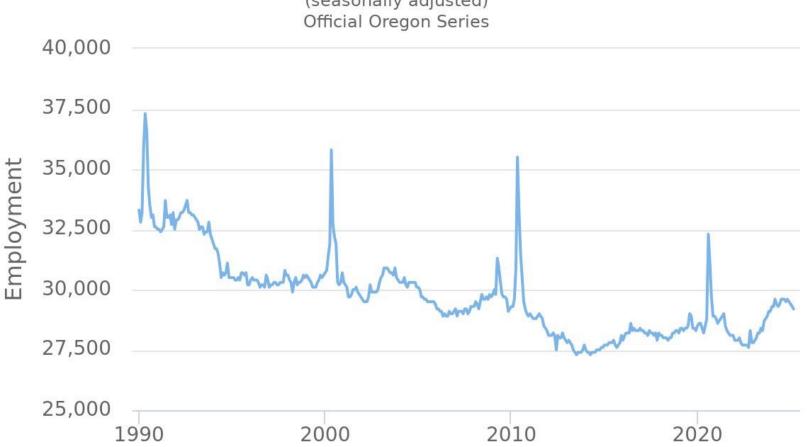
Federal gov't employment and tariffs



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT DOWN OTY BY 400 IN MARCH

Oregon **Federal government**

(seasonally adjusted)



March 2025	29,200	
Watch 2025	(-1.3% OTY)	
February 2025	29,300	
March 2024	29,600	

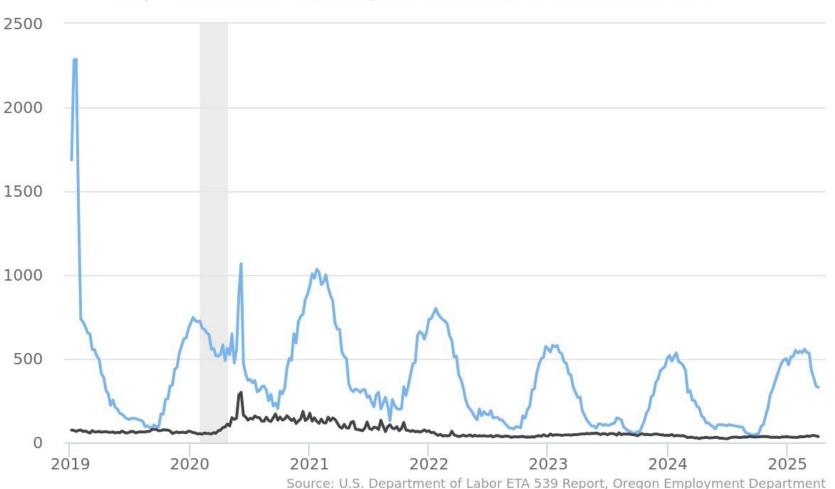
Source: Oregon Employment Department QualityInfo.org



UI CLAIMS FOR FEDERAL WORKERS NOW AVAILABLE ON QUALITY INFO

Oregon Continued Claims for Federal Government Workers, Weekly

Gray = recession as defined by National Bureau of Economic Research



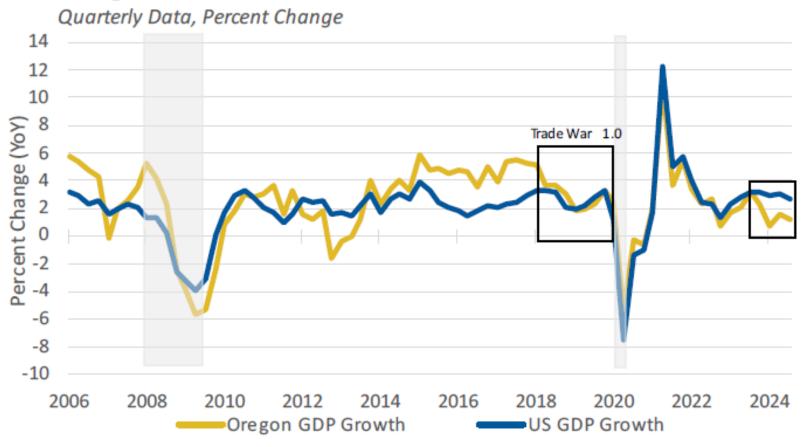
You can find initial and continued claims data for Federal Workers under the 'Tools' tab on our website, or follow the link here:

https://qualityinfo.org/web/guest/ui-claims



EMPLOYMENT IMPACTS OF TARIFFS UNKNOWN, BUT OREGON EXPORT SECTORS AT RISK

Oregon and US Real GDP Growth Over Time



Bureau of Economic Analysis/Haver Analytics Shaded areas indicate U.S. recessions.

"The state is in a precarious position heading into a possible escalation of trade tensions in the near term, given an elevated export share of GDP. The three biggest export sectors are, respectively, computer & electronic products, transportation equipment and machinery, and the three largest export destinations are Mexico, China and Canada (comprising over 50% of total exports in 2023)."

-Oregon Office of Economic Analysis, March 2025 Economic and Revenue Forecast



HAVE YOU BEEN ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN A BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) SURVEY? *PLEASE DO!*

BLS survey information is gathered to create data for businesses, jobseekers, workers and policy-makers about the economy including:

Employment*	Unemployment*	Occupational Wages*
Job vacancies*	Productivity	Occupational Employment*
Consumer spending patterns	Workplace injuries	Compensation
Long-term employment projections*	Employer-provided benefits	Price movements

^{*} Collected and produced by Oregon Employment Department

Your response is vital to ensuring accurate, complete, and unbiased data that is representative of the people and businesses in Oregon and the United States.

Your confidential responses are protected by federal and state law and strict security policies that prohibit us from releasing any information that could reveal the identity of you or your business without your consent.



Thank You!

Please scan the QR code for a short survey.



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