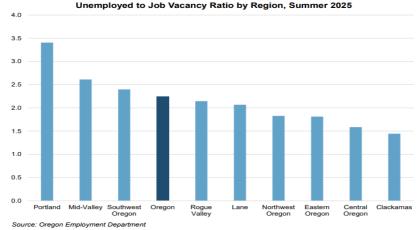
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Federal Government Shutdown Pauses Employment Reports

After being delayed by the federal shutdown, Oregon's local monthly employment reports for September will be released on Tuesday, December 16th. In the meantime, I'll be highlighting other recent data releases from our programs. We will return to the regular schedule of monthly local data releases in 2026.



Job Vacancy Survey News

According to the <u>Summer 2025 Job Vacancy Survey</u>, 50% of job vacancies had an hourly wage falling between \$15 and \$24.99. Hourly wages of \$25 and up accounted for 34%, while less than \$15 per hour was 2% of job vacancies during the third quarter.

In other news from the survey, health care and social assistance represented 23% of all vacancies with retail trade and construction each accounting for 11%.

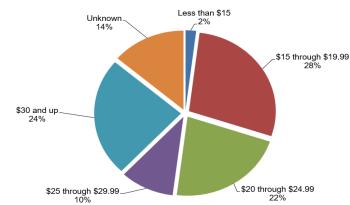
Oregon Private Job Vacancies by Industry, Summer 2025

Industry	Vacancies
All Industries	53,642
Health care and social assistance	12,542
Retail trade	6,075
Construction	6,047
Leisure and hospitality	4,553
Professional, scientific, and technical services	4,390
Management, administrative, and waste services	3,567
Financial activities	3,486
Other services	3,402
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,207
Wholesale trade	1,803
Manufacturing	1,452
Information	1,310
Private educational services	1,223
Natural resources and mining	585
Source: Oregon Employment Department	

Unemployment News

In the third quarter of 2025, Oregon reported 120,300 unemployed individuals alongside 53,600 job vacancies, leading to a ratio of 2.2 unemployed persons for each job vacancy. This marks an increase from the second quarter, where the statewide ratio stood at 1.8. Notably, Eastern Oregon reported a comparatively low ratio of 1.8 unemployed persons per job vacancy over the summer.

Oregon Job Vacancies by Hourly Wage, Summer 2025



Source: Oregon Employment Department

News and Articles

Where Do Oregon Higher Education Graduates Work and What Do They Earn? by Guy Tauer

<u>Career and Technical Education in Oregon</u> by Nelson Gomes

Unwrapping Holiday Hiring by Luke Coury

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