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## **Employment in Morrow & Umatilla Counties: April 2025**

Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage point to 5.0% in April. Over the year, Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.7 percentage point. It tied as the county's fourth lowest April rate since comparable statistics began in 1990.

Umatilla County's nonfarm employment total rose by 120 jobs to 30,180 in April. Private industry increased by 130 jobs in April, rising to 22,300, and government dropped 10 jobs to 7,880. Mining, logging, and construction increased its total in April, climbing to 1,560, a gain of 60. Leisure and hospitality added 40 jobs, rising to 2,850. Manufacturing followed, adding 30 jobs to total 2,700. In the public sector, local education decreased by 40 jobs, federal government added 20 jobs, Indian tribal added 10, and state government and other local government held steady.

Umatilla County's total private industry employment increased by 110 jobs over the year ending in April (+0.5%). Private education and health services led private-industry gains, rising by 230 jobs (+5.3%), followed by information, up 90 jobs (+11.8%) over the year. Retail trade led losses, falling by 140 jobs (-4.1%). Leisure and hospitality dropped 50 jobs over the year. Government employment decreased by 80 jobs over the year, led by a loss of 120 in local education. Other local government fell by 30 jobs, federal government decreased by 10, state government added 80, and Indian tribal held steady.

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage point in April to 4.8%. Over the year, Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.9 percentage point.

Morrow County's nonfarm employment increased to 5,780 in April, a gain of 20 jobs. Private industry increased by 20 jobs, rising to 4,930 jobs, and government held steady at 850. Professional and business services increased by 30 jobs to lead gains. Manufacturing; transportation, warehousing, and utilities; and leisure and hospitality dropped 10 jobs each to lead losses. In the public sector, federal government, state government, and local government all held steady.

Morrow County's private-industry employment rose by 190 jobs over the year ending in April (+4.0%). Private industry's over-the-year growth was led by a gain in construction, up 50 jobs, followed by gains of 20 jobs each in retail trade and professional and business services. Losses were confined to wholesale trade and transportation, warehousing, and utilities, down 10 jobs each. Government

employment fell by 230 jobs over the year, with local government shedding 230 jobs, while federal government and state government held steady.

**Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, June 24, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Wednesday, June 18.



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## Morrow County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	April 2025	March 2025	April 2024	March 2025	April 2024
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	6,153	6,195	6,181	-42	-28
Unemployed	253	324	221	-71	32
Unemployment rate	4.1%	5.2%	3.6%	-1.1	0.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>4.8%</i>	<i>4.7%</i>	<i>3.9%</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>0.9</i>
Employed	5,900	5,871	5,960	29	-60
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	5,780	5,760	5,820	20	-40
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>5,780</i>	<i>5,770</i>	<i>5,820</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>-40</i>
Total private	4,930	4,910	4,740	20	190
Mining and logging	30	30	20	0	10
Construction	360	360	310	0	50
Manufacturing	1,610	1,620	1,610	-10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	850	860	850	-10	0
Wholesale trade	100	100	110	0	-10
Retail trade	310	310	290	0	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	440	450	450	-10	-10
Financial activities	70	70	70	0	0
Professional and business services	400	370	380	30	20
Private education and health services	340	340	330	0	10
Leisure and hospitality	240	250	240	-10	0
Government	850	850	1,080	0	-230
Federal government	50	50	50	0	0
State government	50	50	50	0	0
Local government	750	750	980	0	-230

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.



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	April 2025	March 2025	April 2024	March 2025	April 2024
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	36,979	36,839	36,673	140	306
Unemployed	1,768	1,979	1,392	-211	376
Unemployment rate	4.8%	5.4%	3.8%	-0.6	1.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>5.0%</i>	<i>4.9%</i>	<i>4.3%</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>0.7</i>
Employed	35,211	34,860	35,281	351	-70
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	30,180	30,060	30,150	120	30
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>30,100</i>	<i>30,110</i>	<i>30,070</i>	<i>-10</i>	<i>30</i>
Total private	22,300	22,170	22,190	130	110
Mining, logging, and construction	1,560	1,500	1,550	60	10
Manufacturing	2,700	2,670	2,730	30	-30
Durable goods	1,180	1,150	1,250	30	-70
Nondurable goods	1,520	1,520	1,480	0	40
Food manufacturing	1,190	1,190	1,130	0	60
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,780	6,790	6,930	-10	-150
Wholesale trade	1,020	1,010	1,010	10	10
Retail trade	3,260	3,270	3,400	-10	-140
Food and beverage retailers	680	680	700	0	-20
General merchandise retailers	930	940	950	-10	-20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,500	2,510	2,520	-10	-20
Information	850	830	760	20	90
Financial activities	890	900	880	-10	10
Professional and business services	1,330	1,320	1,310	10	20
Private education and health services	4,570	4,580	4,340	-10	230
Nursing and residential care facilities	1,060	1,060	1,030	0	30
Leisure and hospitality	2,850	2,810	2,900	40	-50
Accommodation and food services	2,660	2,620	2,760	40	-100
Other services	770	770	790	0	-20
Government	7,880	7,890	7,960	-10	-80
Federal government	480	460	490	20	-10
State government	1,710	1,710	1,630	0	80
Local government	5,690	5,720	5,840	-30	-150
Indian tribal	1,810	1,800	1,810	10	0
Local education	2,740	2,780	2,860	-40	-120
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,140	1,140	1,170	0	-30

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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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