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Employment in Morrow & Umatilla Counties: July 2025

Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage point to 5.3% in July. Ranked among Oregon's 36 counties, Umatilla County tied with Baker and Linn counties for 21st. Over the year, Umatilla County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.8 percentage point.

Umatilla County's nonfarm employment total fell by 670 jobs to 29,800 in July. Private industry increased by 250 jobs in July, rising to 22,450, and government dropped 920 jobs to total 7,350. Leisure and hospitality increased its total in July, climbing to 3,040, a gain of 110. Private education and health services added 80 jobs, rising to 4,600. Transportation, warehousing, and utilities added 40 jobs to total 2,450. Manufacturing saw the largest loss, dropping 30 jobs to total 2,500. In the public sector, local education decreased by 1,090 jobs, while Indian tribal added 100 jobs, other local government increased by 50, federal government added 20, and state government held steady.

Umatilla County's total private industry employment decreased by 60 jobs over the year ending in July (-0.3%). Retail trade led losses, falling by 200 jobs (-5.8%). Leisure and hospitality dropped 70 jobs over the year. Private education and health services led private-industry gains, rising by 170 jobs (+3.8%), followed by information, up 100 jobs (+12.5%) over the year. Government employment decreased by 10 jobs over the year, led by a loss of 50 jobs in local education. Federal government fell by 20 jobs, state government added 50, other local government rose by 10, and Indian tribal held steady.

Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased by 0.1 percentage point in July to 4.9%, ranking in a tie with Clatsop and Wasco counties for 16th among Oregon counties. Over the year, Morrow County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 1.0 percentage point.

Morrow County's nonfarm employment decreased to 5,730 in July, a loss of 120 jobs. Private industry increased by 40 jobs, rising to 4,790 jobs, and government dropped 160 jobs to total 940. Construction increased by 20 jobs to lead gains. Losses were confined to private education and health services, down 10. In the public sector, local government decreased by 170 jobs, while state government held steady and federal government added 10 jobs.

Morrow County's private-industry employment rose by 10 jobs over the year ending in July (+0.2%). Private industry's over-the-year growth was led by a gain in construction, up 30 jobs, followed by a gain of 20 jobs in transportation, warehousing, and utilities. Professional and business services led losses,

down 140 jobs. Government employment rose by 20 jobs over the year, with local government adding 30 jobs, federal government dropping 10, and state government holding steady.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the August county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Sept. 23, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for August on Wednesday, Sept. 17.



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Morrow County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	July 2025	June 2025	July 2024	June 2025	July 2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	6,345	6,296	6,379	49	-34
Unemployed	335	318	289	17	46
Unemployment rate	5.3%	5.1%	4.5%	0.2	0.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>4.9%</i>	<i>5.0%</i>	<i>3.9%</i>	<i>-0.1</i>	<i>1.0</i>
Employed	6,010	5,978	6,090	32	-80
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	5,730	5,850	5,700	-120	30
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>5,790</i>	<i>5,740</i>	<i>5,760</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>30</i>
Total private	4,790	4,750	4,780	40	10
Mining and logging	30	30	30	0	0
Construction	390	370	360	20	30
Manufacturing	1,540	1,530	1,540	10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	860	850	870	10	-10
Wholesale trade	90	90	120	0	-30
Retail trade	300	300	300	0	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	470	460	450	10	20
Financial activities	70	70	70	0	0
Professional and business services	220	210	360	10	-140
Private education and health services	330	340	330	-10	0
Leisure and hospitality	240	240	240	0	0
Government	940	1,100	920	-160	20
Federal government	60	50	70	10	-10
State government	50	50	50	0	0
Local government	830	1,000	800	-170	30

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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Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	37,838	37,728	37,481	110	357
Unemployed	2,191	1,967	1,836	224	355
Unemployment rate	5.8%	5.2%	4.9%	0.6	0.9
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>5.3%</i>	<i>5.2%</i>	<i>4.5%</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>0.8</i>
Employed	35,647	35,761	35,645	-114	2
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	29,800	30,470	29,870	-670	-70
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>30,130</i>	<i>30,100</i>	<i>30,200</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>-70</i>
Total private	22,450	22,200	22,510	250	-60
Mining, logging, and construction	1,690	1,680	1,650	10	40
Manufacturing	2,500	2,530	2,530	-30	-30
Durable goods	980	1,020	1,030	-40	-50
Nondurable goods	1,520	1,510	1,500	10	20
Food manufacturing	1,180	1,170	1,140	10	40
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,730	6,680	7,030	50	-300
Wholesale trade	1,020	1,010	1,040	10	-20
Retail trade	3,260	3,260	3,460	0	-200
Food and beverage retailers	700	700	690	0	10
General merchandise retailers	910	910	1,030	0	-120
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	2,450	2,410	2,530	40	-80
Information	900	880	800	20	100
Financial activities	860	860	860	0	0
Professional and business services	1,340	1,310	1,340	30	0
Private education and health services	4,600	4,520	4,430	80	170
Nursing and residential care facilities	1,060	1,050	1,030	10	30
Leisure and hospitality	3,040	2,930	3,110	110	-70
Accommodation and food services	2,740	2,740	2,790	0	-50
Other services	790	810	760	-20	30
Government	7,350	8,270	7,360	-920	-10
Federal government	550	530	570	20	-20
State government	1,710	1,710	1,660	0	50
Local government	5,090	6,030	5,130	-940	-40
Indian tribal	1,880	1,780	1,880	100	0
Local education	1,840	2,930	1,890	-1,090	-50
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,370	1,320	1,360	50	10

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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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