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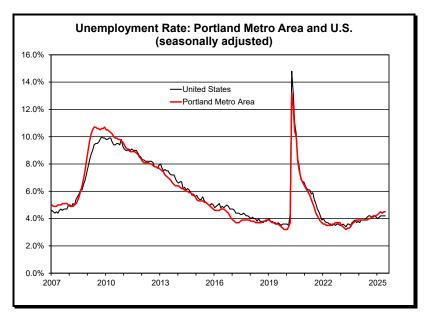
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Employment and Unemployment in the Portland Metropolitan Area June 2025

The Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate was 4.5% in June, unchanged from May and higher than the year-ago rate of 3.9%. Approximately 65,600 area residents were unemployed; 13,000 more than a year ago. The statewide rate was 4.9% and national rate was 4.1% in June.

The metro area's seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment declined by 4,400 jobs following a loss of 2,800 (revised) in May.

Most broad industries underperformed seasonal norms for June except for information, which added several hundred jobs more than typical; leisure and hospitality, which performed in line with seasonal trends; and private education and health services, which also followed seasonal patterns.



Professional and business services shed 2,000 jobs when a gain of several hundred has been the norm for the past five years (outside of the pandemic). All published components contributed to June's decline. Note that revisions are common in this industry as more data becomes available, and June might not be an exception.

Retail trade cut 400 jobs in a month that typically sees the start of seasonal (summer) hiring. Construction, another sector that ramps up during the summer, added less than half the typical number of jobs for June as it continues its downward trend. Finally, manufacturing didn't experience the typical June gains in the nondurable goods component.

Next Press Release

The Oregon Employment Department will release the Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Tuesday, August 19.

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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Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

			Change From		
	June	May	June	May	June
	2025	2025	2024	2025	2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	1,378,795	1,371,781	1,378,130	7,014	665
Unemployed	65,610	60,165	52,620	5,445	12,990
Unemployment rate	4.8%	4.4%	3.8%	0.4	1.0
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	4.5%	4.5%	3.9%	0.0	0.6
Employed	1,313,185	1,311,616	1,325,510	1,569	-12,325
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	1,247,200	1,250,800	1,253,500	-3,600	-6,300
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	1,243,800	1,248,200	1,248,500	-4,400	-4,700
Total private	1,084,900	1,087,400	1,092,200	-2,500	-7,300
Mining, logging, and construction	81,400	81,000	83,900	400	-2,500
Mining and logging	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0
Construction	80,300	79,900	82,800	400	-2,500
Construction of buildings	21,100	20,900	21,700	200	-600
Residential building construction	13,000	12,900	13,400	100	-400
Nonresidential building construction	8,100	8,000	8,300	100	-200
Heavy and civil engineering construction	7,600	7,500	7,300	100	300
Specialty trade contractors	51,600	51,500	53,800	100	-2,200
Manufacturing	117,600	117,600	123,900	0	-6,300
Durable goods	87,200	87,300	92,100	-100	-4,900
Wood product manufacturing	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	-100
Primary metal manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,500	0	-100
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	11,700	11,700	12,000	0	-300
Machinery manufacturing	9,100	9,100	9,200	0	-100
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	36,700	36,800	40,100	-100	-3,400
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	31,200	31,300	34,300	-100	-3,100
Electronic instrument manufacturing	4,200	4,200	4,300	0 -100	-100 -200
Transportation equipment manufacturing Nondurable goods	6,500 30,400	6,600 30,300	6,700 31,800	100	-200 -1,400
Food manufacturing	13,900	13,800	14,300	100	-1,400 -400
Paper manufacturing	2,200	2,200	2,500	0	-400 -300
Trade, transportation, and utilities	219,100	219,200	222,100	-100	-3.000
Wholesale trade	56,300	55,800	57,900	500	-1,600
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	30,400	30,100	31,000	300	-600
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	20,400	20,200	21,100	200	-700
Wholesale trade agents and brokers	5,500	5,500	5,800	0	-300
Retail trade	112,100	112,500	113,500	-400	-1,400
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	14,200	14,200	14,300	0	-100
Food and beverage retailers	25,200	25,300	25,200	-100	0
General merchandise retailers	21,900	22,000	22,400	-100	-500
Clothing, accessories, shoe, and jewelry retailers	10,000	9,900	10,200	100	-200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	50,700	50,900	50,700	-200	0
Utilities	2,900	2,900	2,700	0	200
Transportation and warehousing	47,800	48,000	48,000	-200	-200
Air transportation	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	100
Truck transportation	10,700	10,700	10,900	0	-200
Couriers and messengers	9,700	9,700	9,900	0	-200
Warehousing and storage	12,100	12,000	11,300	100	800
Information	28,000	27,400	26,800	600	1,200
Publishing industries	12,200	12,000	12,100	200	100
Software publishers	10,700	10,600	10,700	100	0
Telecommunications	2,300	2,300	2,700	0	-400

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (continued)

				Change From	
	June	May	June	May	June
	2025	2025	2024	2025	2024
Financial activities	69,600	69,800	71,400	-200	-1,800
Finance and insurance	39,100	39,200	39,700	-100	-600
Credit intermediation and related activities	13,600	13,700	14,200	-100	-600
Insurance carriers and related activities	18,100	18,100	18,600	0	-500
Real estate and rental and leasing	30,500	30,600	31,700	-100	-1,200
Professional and business services	194,700	196,700	196,000	-2,000	-1,300
Professional and technical services	85,200	86,500	85,400	-1,300	-200
Architectural and engineering services	16,000	15,900	15,800	100	200
Computer systems design and related services	15,200	15,300	15,500	-100	-300
Management of companies and enterprises	40,000	40,200	41,300	-200	-1,300
Administrative and waste services	69,500	70,000	69,300	-500	200
Administrative and support services	65,100	65,600	65,200	-500	-100
Employment services	27,200	27,600	26,800	-400	400
Business support services	3,500	3,500	3,900	0	-400
Services to buildings and dwellings	17,800	17,800	18,000	0	-200
Private education and health services	205,700	208,900	199,900	-3,200	5,800
Private educational services	25,200	27,500	25,700	-2,300	-500
Private colleges and universities	8,600	9,900	7,500	-1,300	1,100
Health care and social assistance	180,500	181,400	174,200	-900	6,300
Ambulatory health care services	63,900	64,100	63,000	-200	900
Hospitals	34,600	34,700	32,700	-100	1,900
Nursing and residential care facilities	33,500	33,200	32,100	300	1,400
Social assistance	48,500	49,400	46,400	-900	2,100
Leisure and hospitality	125,100	122,300	123,500	2,800	1,600
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	20,400	19,100	19,500	1,300	900
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	14,500	13,500	14,200	1,000	300
Accommodation and food services	104,700	103,200	104,000	1,500	700
Accommodation	10,700	10,400	10,300	300	400
Food services and drinking places	94,000	92,800	93,700	1,200	300
Full-service restaurants	38,200	37,600	38,400	600	-200
Limited-service eating places	44,300	43,500	43,800	800	500
Other services	43,700	44,500	44,700	-800	-1,000
Membership associations and organizations	18,200	18,500	18,800	-300	-600
Government	162,300	163,400	161,300	-1,100	1,000
Federal government	18,700	18,700	19,200	0	-500
State government	14,200	14,100	13,700	100	500
State education	1,600	1,700	1,900	-100	-300
Local government	129,400	130,600	128,400	-1,200	1,000
Local education	69,900	71,700	68,800	-1,800	1,100

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: Official Oregon Series. 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.

The Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.