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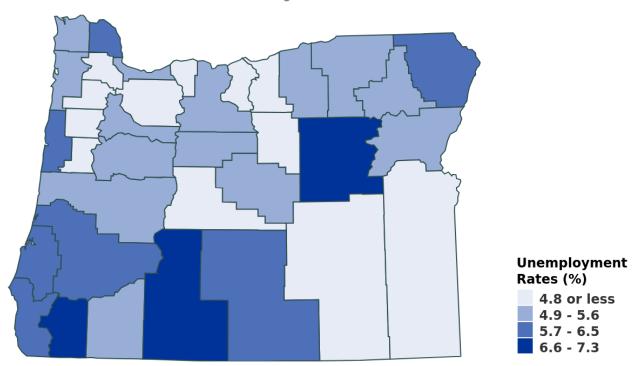
### August 2025 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

In August, unemployment rates remained unchanged in five of Oregon's 36 counties over the month and increased in 31. Eighteen counties had unemployment rates at or below the statewide rate of 5.0% and three had rates at or below the national rate of 4.3%.

Grant County had Oregon's highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in August at 7.3%. Josephine and Klamath counties also had relatively high rates at 7.1% and 7.0%, respectively. Wheeler County registered the lowest unemployment rate in August at 3.9%. Hood River and Benton counties also had relatively low unemployment rates at 4.0% and 4.1%, respectively.

# Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate



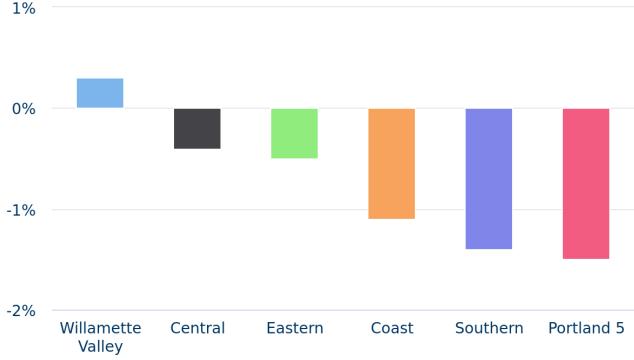


Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Between August 2024 and August 2025, total nonfarm employment increased in one and decreased in five of Oregon's broad regions. Employment increased by 0.3% in the Willamette Valley. The five Portland-Metro counties experienced the sharpest job decline over the year (-1.5%). Employment also fell relatively quickly in Southern Oregon (-1.4%) and along the Coast (-1.1%). Employment decline was slower in Eastern Oregon (-0.5%) and Central Oregon (-0.4%).

## Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region

August 2024 to August 2025, Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment



Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Statistics

### **Next News Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for September 2025 on Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2025. The September 2025 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2025.

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#### Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	August 2025					July 2025					August 2024				
	Civilian		Unemployment		Seasonally	Civilian			Unemployment Seasonally		Civilian		Unemployment		Seasonally
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate (UR)	Adjusted UR	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate (UR)	Adjusted UR	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate (UR)	Adjusted UR
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Oregon	2,242,655	2,118,769	123,886	5.5%	5.0%	2,235,027	2,114,709	120,318	5.4%	4.9%	2,213,145	2,116,396	96,749	4.4%	4.2%
Metropolitan Statistical Areas															
Albany (Linn County)	63,088	59,330	3,758	6.0%	5.4%	63,020	59,446	3,574	5.7%	5.3%	62,075	59,061	3,014	4.9%	4.7%
Bend (2)	137,935	131,100	6,835	5.0%	4.8%	137,528	130,732	6,796	4.9%	4.7%	135,349	129,613	5,736	4.2%	4.3%
Corvallis (Benton County)	48,090	45,765	2,325	4.8%	4.1%	48,117	45,817	2,300	4.8%	4.0%	47,482	45,567	1,915	4.0%	3.6%
Eugene-Springfield (Lane County)	189,406	178,876	10,530	5.6%	4.9%	188,548	178,464	10,084	5.3%	4.8%	186,634	178,207	8,427	4.5%	4.2%
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	35,436	32,656	2,780	7.8%	7.1%	35,380	32,629	2,751	7.8%	6.8%	35,392	33,246	2,146	6.1%	6.0%
Medford (Jackson County)	108,154	101,536	6,618	6.1%	5.6%	107,464	100,675	6,789	6.3%	5.4%	107,924	102,462	5,462	5.1%	4.9%
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (3)	1,405,124	1,330,963	74,161	5.3%	4.7%	1,392,023	1,321,395	70,628	5.1%	4.6%	1,389,463	1,330,289	59,174	4.3%	4.0%
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	230,329	217,944	12,385	5.4%	4.9%	228,445	216,136	12,309	5.4%	4.7%	225,624	215,861	9,763	4.3%	4.1%
Counties															
Baker	6,847	6,463	384	5.6%	5.5%	6,800	6,409	391	5.8%	5.3%	6,822	6,538	284	4.2%	4.7%
Benton	48,090	45,765	2,325	4.8%	4.1%	48,117	45,817	2,300	4.8%	4.0%	47,482	45,567	1,915	4.0%	3.6%
Clackamas	231,676	219,571	12,105	5.2%	4.7%	230,519	218,791	11,728	5.1%	4.6%	228,861	219,550	9,311	4.1%	3.9%
Clatsop	20,794	19,683	1,111	5.3%	5.0%	20,804	19,727	1,077	5.2%	4.9%	20,733	19,844	889	4.3%	4.3%
Columbia	27,321	25,566	1,755	6.4%	5.7%	27,032	25,409	1,623	6.0%	5.5%	26,828	25,557	1,271	4.7%	4.6%
Coos	27,401	25,629	1,772	6.5%	5.7%	27,265	25,578	1,687	6.2%	5.5%	27,402	26,005	1,397	5.1%	4.9%
Crook	13,350	12,620	730	5.5%	5.4%	13,279	12,533	746	5.6%	5.3%	13,123	12,456	667	5.1%	5.2%
Curry	8,481	7,903	578	6.8%	6.5%	8,462	7,882	580	6.9%	6.3%	8,387	7,913	474	5.7%	5.9%
Deschutes	113,036	107,612	5,424	4.8%	4.6%	112,720	107,356	5,364	4.8%	4.6%	110,959	106,416	4,543	4.1%	4.1%
Douglas	47,305	44,155	3,150	6.7%	6.1%	47,220	44,154	3,066	6.5%	5.9%	46,645	43,986	2,659	5.7%	5.4%
Gilliam	1,053	995	58	5.5%	4.8%	1,036	984	52	5.0%	4.6%	1,039	987	52	5.0%	4.7%
Grant	3,088	2,895	193	6.3%	7.3%	3,080	2,880	200	6.5%	7.0%	3,127	2,963	164	5.2%	6.4%
Harney	3,661	3,505	156	4.3%	4.8%	3,655	3,491	164	4.5%	4.7%	3,675	3,536	139	3.8%	4.5%
Hood River	14,452	13,805	647	4.5%	4.0%	14,774	14,150	624	4.2%	4.0%	14,067	13,569	498	3.5%	3.4%
Jackson	108,154	101,536	6,618	6.1%	5.6%	107,464	100,675	6,789	6.3%	5.4%	107,924	102,462	5,462	5.1%	4.9%
Jefferson	11,549	10,868	681	5.9%	5.4%	11,529	10,843	686	6.0%	5.2%	11,267	10,741	526	4.7%	4.7%
Josephine	35,436	32,656	2,780	7.8%	7.1%	35,380	32,629	2,751	7.8%	6.8%	35,392	33,246	2,146	6.1%	6.0%
Klamath	29,664	27,490	2,174	7.3%	7.0%	29,457	27,303	2,154	7.3%	6.8%	29,365	27,630	1,735	5.9%	5.9%
Lake	3,630	3,431	199	5.5%	6.2%	3,597	3,394	203	5.6%	6.1%	3,704	3,537	167	4.5%	5.0%
Lane	189,406	178,876	10,530	5.6%	4.9%	188,548	178,464	10,084	5.3%	4.8%	186,634	178,207	8,427	4.5%	4.2%
Lincoln	21,533	20,200	1,333	6.2%	5.8%	21,610	20,278	1,332	6.2%	5.6%	21,679	20,602	1,077	5.0%	5.1%
Linn	63,088	59,330	3,758	6.0%	5.4%	63,020	59,446	3,574	5.7%	5.3%	62,075	59,061	3,014	4.9%	4.7%
Malheur	13,167	12,571	596	4.5%	4.7%	13,205	12,424	781	5.9%	4.6%	13,289	12,772	517	3.9%	4.0%
Marion	183,228	173,303	9,925	5.4%	4.9%	181,786	171,959	9,827	5.4%	4.8%	179,423	171,587	7,836	4.4%	4.1%
Morrow	6,407	6,098	309	4.8%	4.9%	6,344	6,013	331	5.2%	4.9%	6,364	6,110	254	4.0%	3.9%
Multnomah	477,733	451,465	26,268	5.5% 5.2%	4.9%	474,917	449,735	25,182	5.3%	4.8%	471,956	451,702	20,254	4.3% 4.2%	4.1%
Polk	47,101	44,641	2,460		4.7%	46,659	44,177	2,482	5.3%	4.6%	46,201	44,274	1,927 33	3.3%	4.0%
Sherman Tillamook	1,005 11,959	953 11,325	52 634	5.2% 5.3%	4.7% 5.2%	1,008 11,963	955 11,329	53 634	5.3% 5.3%	4.4% 5.1%	995 11,853	962 11,356	33 497	3.3% 4.2%	3.8% 4.3%
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Umatilla Union	37,980 12,078	35,905 11,439	2,075 639	5.5% 5.3%	5.4% 5.6%	37,834 12,059	35,648 11,409	2,186 650	5.8% 5.4%	5.3% 5.6%	37,738 12,105	36,050 11,576	1,688 529	4.5%	4.6%
Wallowa	3,888	3,700	188	4.8%	5.7%	3,910	3,729	181	5.4% 4.6%	5.5%	3,898	3,756	142	3.6%	4.6%
Wasco	3,868 12,810	12,098	712	4.8% 5.6%	5.7%	3,910 17,407	16,700	707	4.0%	5.5% 4.9%	12.633	12.073	142 560	3.6% 4.4%	4.8%
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Washington Wheeler	348,253 672	329,714 643	18,539 29	5.3% 4.3%	4.7% 3.9%	344,828 673	327,633 643	17,195 30	4.5%	4.5% 3.9%	342,076 716	328,758 689	13,318 27	3.8%	3.7%
Yamhill	57.358	54,360	2.998	5.2%	4.6%	57,063	54,161	2.902	5.1%	4.5%	56.707	54.358	2,349	4.1%	3.9%
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<sup>(1)</sup> Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

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<sup>(2)</sup> The Bend metropolitan area includes Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson counties.

<sup>(3)</sup> The Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.