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Employment in Yamhill County: April 2026

Yamhill County's Unemployment Rate Declines to 4.8%

Yamhill County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.8% in April, essentially unchanged from its March's revised rate of 4.9%. Yamhill County's unemployment rate increased from 4.3% to 4.8% over the past year. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in April was 5.2%. Oregon's unemployment rate increased from 5.1% to 5.2% over the past year.

Yamhill County's employment gains in April were normal; total nonfarm employment increased 180 jobs, when an employment increase of 170 jobs would be expected. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment was up 10 in April. Employment is 1,820 jobs (+5.1%) above the pre-pandemic level in February 2020.

Over the past year Yamhill County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment has gained 260 jobs or +0.7%.

The private sector added 190 jobs in April. The largest private-sector industry employment gains in April were reported in leisure and hospitality (+80 jobs, +2.1%) and professional and business services (+40 jobs, +1.6%).

Yamhill County's public-sector employment was down 10 in April. Federal government employment was down 10 jobs. Local government and state government employment were both unchanged in April.

Next Press Releases

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



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Yamhill County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	April 2026	March 2026	April 2025	March 2026	April 2025
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	55,749	56,002	56,487	-253	-738
Unemployed	2,435	2,720	2,304	-285	131
Unemployment rate	4.4%	4.9%	4.1%	-0.5	0.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.8%	4.9%	4.3%	-0.1	0.5
Employed	53,314	53,282	54,183	32	-869
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	37,520	37,340	37,260	180	260
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	37,200	37,190	36,940	10	260
Total private	32,990	32,800	32,550	190	440
Mining, logging, and construction	2,200	2,160	2,230	40	-30
Mining and logging	90	90	90	0	0
Construction	2,110	2,070	2,140	40	-30
Manufacturing	6,520	6,510	6,550	10	-30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,910	4,880	4,860	30	50
Wholesale trade	700	700	710	0	-10
Retail trade	3,680	3,660	3,680	20	0
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	630	620	640	10	-10
Food and beverage retailers	930	940	930	-10	0
General merchandise retailers	720	730	700	-10	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	530	520	470	10	60
Information	300	310	290	-10	10
Financial activities	1,070	1,080	1,180	-10	-110
Professional and business services	2,550	2,510	2,440	40	110
Private education and health services	10,430	10,430	9,950	0	480
Private educational services	2,840	2,850	2,870	-10	-30
Health care and social assistance	7,590	7,580	7,080	10	510
Leisure and hospitality	3,890	3,810	3,910	80	-20
Other services	1,120	1,110	1,140	10	-20
Government	4,530	4,540	4,710	-10	-180
Federal government	420	430	460	-10	-40
State government	270	270	270	0	0
Local government	3,840	3,840	3,980	0	-140
Local education	2,120	2,150	2,280	-30	-160
Local government excluding educational services	1,720	1,690	1,700	30	20

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.

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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