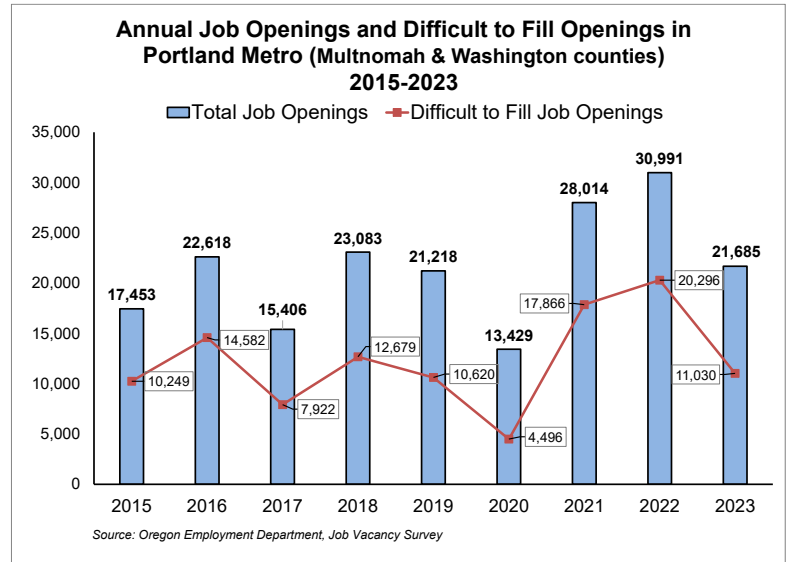


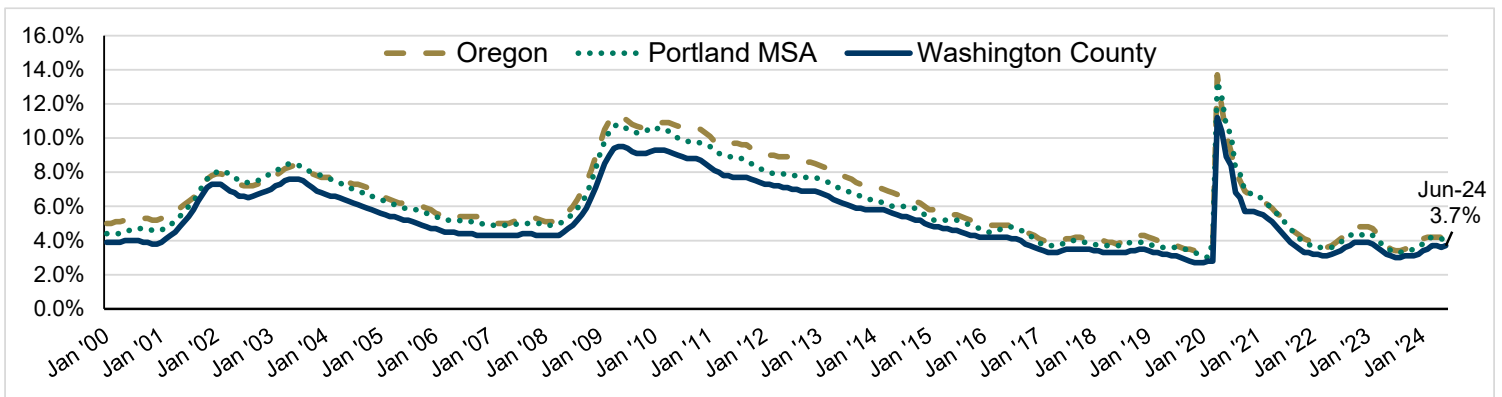
Graph of the Month: Recent demand for jobs in the Portland Metro, measured by job openings, is similar to demand for jobs before the recession in 2019.

- Following the recession in 2021-2022, job openings shot up by over 100% in the Portland Metro.
- The number of current job openings in 2023 (21,685) now look similar to the number of job openings right before the recession in 2019. The number of job openings that were difficult-to-fill in 2023 (11,030) also nearly matched that category in 2019.



Unemployment in Washington County Lower than PMSA
 January 2000 to June 2024, *seasonally adjusted*

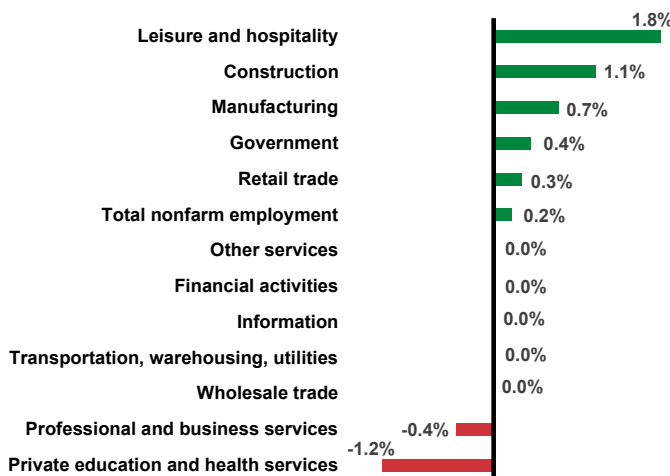
Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics



Employment in Washington County increased by 600 jobs from May 2024 to June 2024.

Employment in Washington County reached 312,800 in June; the county had no employment change over the year.

Month to Month % Change in Employment
 (May 2024 to June 2024)



Source: Oregon Employment Department, CES

Year-Over-Year % Change in Employment
 (June 2023 to June 2024)



Source: Oregon Employment Department, CES