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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas County Payroll Employment was Unchanged in May

Douglas County's payroll employment was unchanged in May after a loss of 190 in April and a gain of 100 in March.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in May, there were increases in leisure and hospitality (80), professional and business services (60), construction (30), and retail trade (30). There was a loss in manufacturing of 50 due partly to the published closure of the C&D Lumber mill in Riddle.

Government gained 80 jobs in May, from gains of 50 federal government and 30 in local government.

When comparing May 2024 with May 2023, total nonfarm employment decreased 170 jobs, or 0.4%. Private-sector over-the-year gains were seen in construction (80), private education and health services (60), and other services (40). There were relatively large losses in professional and business services (-160); manufacturing (-120); retail trade (-60); and wholesale trade (-50).

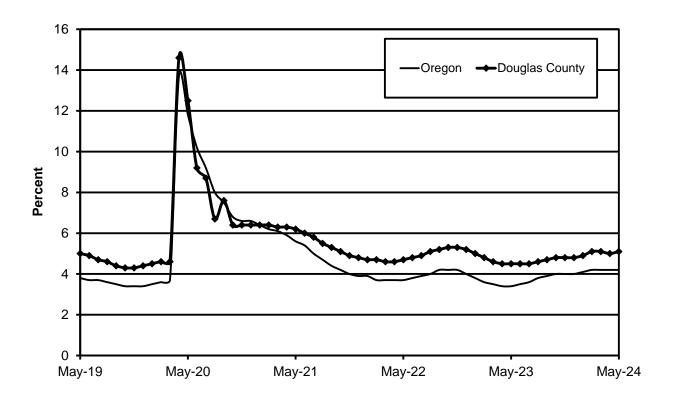
Government gained 160 jobs over the year from gains in local government (90), federal government (50), and state government (20).

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was essentially unchanged at 5.1% in May compared with a revised 5.0% in April. The rate is up from 4.5% in May 2023. Douglas County's record low unemployment rate was set in October 2019 at 4.3%. The Oregon seasonally adjusted May rate was 4.2% and the U.S. rate was 4.0%.

Next Press Releases

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

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

			Change From		
	May 2024	April 2024	May 2023	April 2024	May 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	47,498	47,334	46,687	164	811
Unemployed	2,190	2,124	1,938	66	252
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.5%	4.2%	0.1	0.4
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	5.1%	5.0%	4.5%	0.1	0.6
Employed	45,308	45,210	44,749	98	559
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,810	38,520	38,960	290	-150
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	38,550	38,550	38,720	0	-170
Total private	30,980	30,770	31,290	210	-310
Mining, logging, and construction	2,690	2,650	2,620	40	70
Mining and logging	880	870	890	10	-10
Construction	1,810	1,780	1,730	30	80
Manufacturing	4,540	4,590	4,660	-50	-120
Durable goods	4,050	4,110	4,180	-60	-130
Wood product manufacturing	2,600	2,670	2,750	-70	-150
Nondurable goods	490	480	480	10	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,170	7,080	7,280	90	-110
Wholesale trade	900	880	950	20	-50
Retail trade	4,810	4,780	4,870	30	-60
Food and beverage retailers	1,190	1,190	1,110	0	80
General merchandise retailers	1,080	1,090	1,140	-10	-60
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,460	1,420	1,460	40	0
Information	320	320	310	0	10
Financial activities	1,410	1,410	1,390	0	20
Professional and business services	2,920	2,860	3,080	60	-160
Private education and health services	6,940	6,950	6,880	-10	60
Leisure and hospitality	3,730	3,650	3,850	80	-120
Food services and drinking places	2,970	2,930	3,020	40	-50
Other services	1,260	1,260	1,220	0	40
Government	7,830	7,750	7,670	80	160
Federal government	1,490	1,440	1,440	50	50
State government	710	710	690	0	20
Local government	5,630	5,600	5,540	30	90
Indian tribal	1,090	1,100	1,090	-10	0
Local education	3,010	3,000	2,960	10	50
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,530	1,500	1,490	30	40

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 w orkers, 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.

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