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## **Employment in Lane County (Eugene MSA)**

## Lane County's Unemployment Rate Drops to 4.4% in April

Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 4.4% in April compared with a revised 4.8% in March. The rate is higher than the 4.1% recorded in April 2022. Lane County's record low rate was 3.5% in December 2019. The Oregon seasonally adjusted April rate was 4.0% and the U.S. rate was 3.4%.

Lane County's payroll employment increased a seasonally adjusted 300 jobs in April after a decrease of 200 in March and an increase of 100 in February. The county has regained 80% of the jobs lost between February and April 2020 at the onset of the COVID-19 crisis.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in April, there were gains in professional and business services (500), wholesale trade (100), and other services (100). There were no significant losses at the sector level.

Government gained 100 jobs in April due to a gain of 100 in state government.

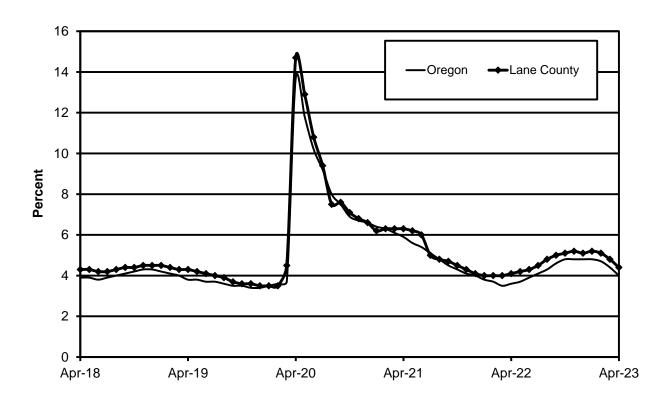
When comparing April 2023 with April 2022, total nonfarm employment is up a seasonally adjusted 1,300 jobs, or 0.8%. There were large over-the-year gains in private education and health services (1,100), leisure and hospitality (800), and construction (300). There were losses in retail trade (-1,100), professional and business services (-600), and manufacturing (-400).

There was an over-the-year change of 100 in government where gains in noneducation local government (500) and state government (100) were countered by a loss of 500 in local education.

#### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Wednesday, June 21st and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Wednesday, June 14th.

# **Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates**





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### Eugene MSA (Lane County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

				Change From	
	April	March	April	March	April
	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	177,406	179,477	183,794	-2,071	-6,388
Unemployed	5,410	7,061	7,076	-1,651	-1,666
Unemployment rate	3.0%	3.9%	3.8%	-0.9	-0.8
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	4.4%	4.8%	4.1%	-0.4	0.3
Employed	171,996	172,416	176,718	-420	-4,722
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	162,000	161,200	161,300	800	700
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	161,400	161,100	160,100	300	1,300
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Total private	132,700	132,000	132,100	700	600
Mining, logging, and construction	8,700	8,700	8,400 800	0	300
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Construction	7,900	7,900	7,600	0	
Manufacturing Durable goods	14,500 9,200	14,500 9,300	14,900 9,500	-100	-400 -300
<u> </u>	3,700	3,700	3,700	-100	-300
Wood product manufacturing	5,700 5,300	5,700 5,200	5,400	100	-100
Nondurable goods Trade, transportation, and utilities	29,200	29,100	30,100	100	-900
Wholesale trade	6,300	6,200	6,100	100	200
Retail trade	19,400	19,400	20,500	0	-1,100
Food and beverage retailers	5,100	5,100	5,200	0	-1,100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0
Information	2,000	2,000	1,900	0	100
Financial activities	8,900	8,900	8,700	0	200
Professional and business services	18,000	17,500	18,600	500	-600
Administrative and support services	6,600	6,500	7,500	100	-900
Private education and health services	28,800	28,800	27,700	0	1,100
Health care and social assistance	26,500	26,500	25,700	0	800
Leisure and hospitality	17,800	17,800	17,000	0	800
Accommodation and food services	15,200	15,200	15,000	0	200
Food services and drinking places	13,600	13,300	13,400	300	200
Other services	4,800	4,700	4,800	100	0
Government	29,300	29,200	29,200	100	100
Federal government	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0
State government	1,900	1,800	1,800	100	100
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	25,500	25,500	25,500	0	0
Local education	17,700	17,700	18,200	0	-500

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: Offical Oregon Series. Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees w ho 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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