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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): October 2023

Linn County's Unemployment Rate Remains at 3.8%

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.8% in October, matching its revised rate of 3.8% in September. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in October was 3.6%, up from its revised September rate of 3.5%.

Linn County's employment gains in October were less than normal; total nonfarm employment increased by 180 jobs, when employment would be expected to increase 240 jobs. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 60 jobs between September and October. Employment is now 3.0%, or 1,410 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment was up 1,070 (+2.3%) over the past year.

Private-sector employment was up 70 in October. Industries showing the largest employment gains in October included private education and health services (+100 jobs, +1.3%) and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+70 jobs, +2.0%).

Public-sector employment was up 110 jobs in October. Local government education employment added 140. State government and federal government employment both declined 20 in October.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the November county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Wednesday, Dec. 27 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data will be released on Wednesday, Dec. 20.



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Albany MSA (Linn County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	October 2023	September 2023	October 2022	September 2023	October 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	60,710	60,239	61,732	471	-1,022
Unemployed	2,189	2,291	3,007	-102	-818
Unemployment rate	3.6%	3.8%	4.9%	-0.2	-1.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.8%	3.8%	5.1%	0.0	-1.3
Employed	58,521	57,948	58,725	573	-204
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	48,700	48,520	47,580	180	1,120
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	48,280	48,340	47,210	-60	1,070
Total private	41,180	41,110	41,020	70	160
Mining, logging, and construction	3,690	3,700	3,710	-10	-20
Mining and logging	390	400	410	-10	-20
Construction	3,300	3,300	3,300	0	0
Manufacturing	8,260	8,320	7,950	-60	310
Durable goods	6,160	6,180	5,770	-20	390
Wood product manufacturing	2,190	2,200	2,000	-10	190
Primary metal manufacturing	2,220	2,220	1,950	0	270
Nondurable goods	2,100	2,140	2,180	-40	-80
Trade, transportation, and utilities	11,060	11,010	11,660	50	-600
Wholesale trade	1,990	1,990	1,960	0	30
Retail trade	5,500	5,520	5,570	-20	-70
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,570	3,500	4,130	70	-560
Information	350	350	350	0	0
Financial activities	1,530	1,520	1,490	10	40
Professional and business services	3,480	3,470	3,470	10	10
Private education and health services	7,720	7,620	7,290	100	430
Health care and social assistance	6,990	6,970	6,710	20	280
Leisure and hospitality	3,760	3,780	3,770	-20	-10
Other services	1,330	1,340	1,330	-10	0
Government	7,520	7,410	6,560	110	960
Federal government	370	390	340	-20	30
State government	690	710	700	-20	-10
Local government	6,460	6,310	5,520	150	940
Local education	4,360	4,220	3,410	140	950
Local government excluding educational services	2,100	2,090	2,110	10	-10

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: Official Oregon Series. 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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