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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): December 2024

Linn County's Unemployment Edges up to 4.6%

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.6% in December, edging up from its revised rate of 4.5% in November. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in December was 4.1%, up from its revised November rate of 4.0%.

Linn County's employment losses in December were more than normal; total nonfarm employment decreased by 100 jobs, when employment would be expected to increase 10 jobs. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 110 jobs between November and December. Employment is now 1.6%, or 750 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment was up 80 (+0.2%) over the past year.

Private-sector employment was down 80 in December. Industries showing the largest employment gains in December included retail trade (+60 jobs, +1.1%); and private education and health services (+40 jobs, +0.5%).

Public-sector employment was down 20 in December. Local government employment was down 20. State and federal government employment were both unchanged in December.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the January county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Mar. 11 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Monday, Mar. 10.



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

	--Change From--				
	December 2024	November 2024	December 2023	November 2024	December 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	61,703	61,925	60,920	-222	783
Unemployed	2,844	2,552	2,654	292	190
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.1%	4.4%	0.5	0.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.6%	4.5%	4.3%	0.1	0.3
Employed	58,859	59,373	58,266	-514	593
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	48,040	48,140	47,690	-100	350
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	47,570	47,680	47,490	-110	80
Total private	40,900	40,980	40,570	-80	330
Mining, logging, and construction	3,590	3,620	3,600	-30	-10
Mining and logging	360	360	380	0	-20
Construction	3,230	3,260	3,220	-30	10
Manufacturing	8,330	8,320	8,230	10	100
Durable goods	6,250	6,230	6,100	20	150
Wood product manufacturing	2,070	2,070	2,080	0	-10
Primary metal manufacturing	2,400	2,390	2,290	10	110
Nondurable goods	2,080	2,090	2,130	-10	-50
Trade, transportation, and utilities	10,960	10,970	10,790	-10	170
Wholesale trade	1,860	1,890	1,890	-30	-30
Retail trade	5,540	5,480	5,520	60	20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,560	3,600	3,380	-40	180
Information	300	300	380	0	-80
Financial activities	1,470	1,480	1,460	-10	10
Professional and business services	3,210	3,220	3,240	-10	-30
Private education and health services	8,000	7,960	7,590	40	410
Health care and social assistance	7,340	7,250	6,890	90	450
Leisure and hospitality	3,660	3,710	3,890	-50	-230
Other services	1,380	1,400	1,390	-20	-10
Government	7,140	7,160	7,120	-20	20
Federal government	370	370	390	0	-20
State government	650	650	650	0	0
Local government	6,120	6,140	6,080	-20	40
Local education	4,000	3,960	3,910	40	90
Local government excluding educational services	2,120	2,180	2,170	-60	-50

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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