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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): February 2025

Linn County's Employment Grows Slightly

Linn County's employment gains in February were fairly normal; total nonfarm employment increased by 70 jobs, when employment would be expected to increase 50 jobs. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment increased by 20 jobs between January and February. Employment is now 2.8%, or 1,330 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment was up 740 (+1.6%) over the past year.

Private-sector employment was up 50 in February. Industries showing the largest employment gains in February included transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+80 jobs, +2.4%); and manufacturing (+40 jobs, +0.5%).

Public-sector employment was up 20 in February. Local government employment was up 30. Federal government employment was down 10. State government employment was unchanged in February.

Linn County's unadjusted unemployment rate was 5.6% in February, down from its revised rate of 5.7% in January. Oregon's statewide unadjusted unemployment rate in February was 5.2%, down from its revised January rate of 5.3%.

Labor force statistics for Oregon metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) are produced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Through June 2025, seasonally adjusted data are not available for Oregon MSAs or other MSAs around the country. New MSA definitions resulting from the 2020 Census are being incorporated into the history of the data series back to 1990, as well as other updates to the processing of labor force estimates for substate areas. Read more on this pause in seasonally adjusted metro area data [here](#).

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the March county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, April 22 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Wednesday, April 16.



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

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|---|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | February 2025 | January 2025 | February 2024 | January 2025 | February 2024 |
| Labor Force Status | | | | | |
| Civilian labor force | 62,371 | 62,200 | 61,594 | 171 | 777 |
| Unemployed | 3,465 | 3,520 | 3,138 | -55 | 327 |
| Unemployment rate | 5.6% | 5.7% | 5.1% | -0.1 | 0.5 |
| <i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i> | | | | | |
| Employed | 58,906 | 58,680 | 58,456 | 226 | 450 |
| Nonfarm Payroll Employment | | | | | |
| Total nonfarm employment | 47,950 | 47,880 | 47,390 | 70 | 560 |
| <i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i> | <i>48,230</i> | <i>48,210</i> | <i>47,490</i> | <i>20</i> | <i>740</i> |
| Total private | 40,820 | 40,770 | 40,160 | 50 | 660 |
| Mining, logging, and construction | 3,590 | 3,590 | 3,520 | 0 | 70 |
| Mining and logging | 420 | 420 | 390 | 0 | 30 |
| Construction | 3,170 | 3,170 | 3,130 | 0 | 40 |
| Manufacturing | 8,190 | 8,150 | 8,190 | 40 | 0 |
| Durable goods | 6,090 | 6,030 | 6,110 | 60 | -20 |
| Wood product manufacturing | 1,990 | 1,980 | 2,100 | 10 | -110 |
| Primary metal manufacturing | 2,380 | 2,360 | 2,300 | 20 | 80 |
| Nondurable goods | 2,100 | 2,120 | 2,080 | -20 | 20 |
| Trade, transportation, and utilities | 10,450 | 10,460 | 10,470 | -10 | -20 |
| Wholesale trade | 1,810 | 1,820 | 1,900 | -10 | -90 |
| Retail trade | 5,270 | 5,350 | 5,340 | -80 | -70 |
| Transportation, warehousing, and utilities | 3,370 | 3,290 | 3,230 | 80 | 140 |
| Information | 300 | 300 | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| Financial activities | 1,530 | 1,540 | 1,520 | -10 | 10 |
| Professional and business services | 3,600 | 3,570 | 3,220 | 30 | 380 |
| Private education and health services | 7,960 | 7,960 | 7,510 | 0 | 450 |
| Health care and social assistance | 7,190 | 7,170 | 6,810 | 20 | 380 |
| Leisure and hospitality | 3,800 | 3,800 | 4,040 | 0 | -240 |
| Other services | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,390 | 0 | 10 |
| Government | 7,130 | 7,110 | 7,230 | 20 | -100 |
| Federal government | 370 | 380 | 380 | -10 | -10 |
| State government | 710 | 710 | 680 | 0 | 30 |
| Local government | 6,050 | 6,020 | 6,170 | 30 | -120 |
| Local education | 3,930 | 3,910 | 3,990 | 20 | -60 |
| Local government excluding educational services | 2,120 | 2,110 | 2,180 | 10 | -60 |

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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