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Oregon's Nonfarm Payroll Employment Rises by 5,100 in November

In November, Oregon's seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment gained 5,100 jobs, following a revised increase of 3,500 jobs in October. November's gains were largest in **health care and social assistance** (+2,300 jobs); **construction** (+2,100); and **professional and business services** (+700). Declines were largest in **leisure and hospitality** (-700 jobs).

Private health care and social assistance has been adding jobs very rapidly since June 2022. It expanded by 41,700 jobs, or 15.6%, during that 29-month period. The fastest growing components during that time were **social assistance** (+17,800 jobs, or 27.0%) and **nursing and residential care facilities** (+9,400 jobs, or 19.3%). The other two component industries also added jobs, but grew less rapidly: **hospitals** (+6,800 jobs, or 11.9%) and **ambulatory health care services** (+10,200 jobs, or 10.7%).

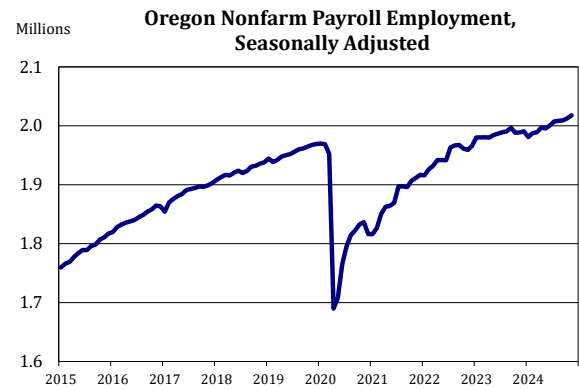
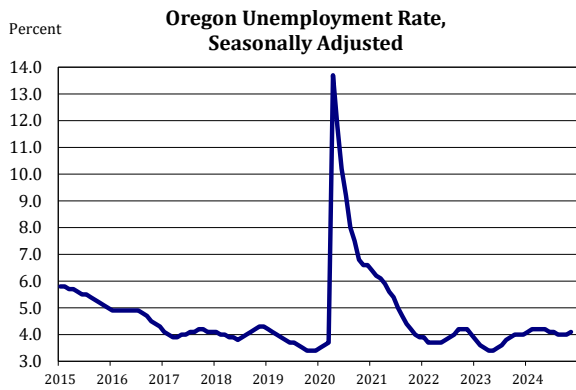
Construction rebounded in November from a three-month dip, returning the sector's total employment to 117,500, about where it had been from July 2022 through August 2024.

In the past 12 months, **health care and social assistance** (+17,500 jobs, or 6.0%) grew rapidly, while **government** (+6,900 jobs, or 2.2%) added the second most jobs. In that time, only two major industries declined by 1,000 jobs or more: **retail trade** (-1,700 jobs, or -0.8%) and **leisure and hospitality** (-1,400 jobs, or -0.7%). About half of the major industries were essentially flat over the year, with job changes of less than 1,200 in either direction.

Oregon's unemployment rate was 4.1% in November and 4.0% in October and has consistently remained between 4.0% and 4.2% since October 2023. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in November and 4.1% in October.

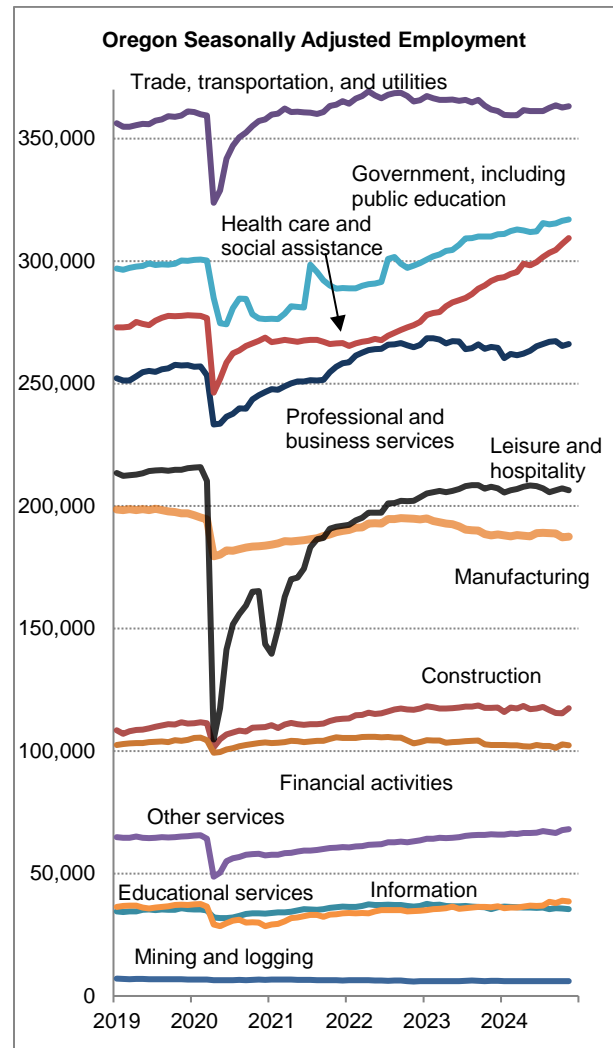
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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the November county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Dec. 24, and the next statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Thursday, Jan. 23.



Seasonal Expectations and Over-the-Month Employment Changes October to November 2024

INDUSTRY	Normal Seasonal Movement	Unadjusted Change	Seasonally Adjusted Change
Total nonfarm payroll employment	-4,000	1,100	5,100
Total private	-5,500	-900	4,600
Mining and logging	0	0	0
Construction	-2,400	-300	2,100
Manufacturing	-2,000	-1,800	200
Wholesale trade	-100	0	100
Retail trade	3,100	3,600	500
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,600	1,500	-100
Information	300	100	-200
Financial activities	-800	-1,200	-400
Professional and business services	-1,100	-400	700
Private educational services	900	600	-300
Health care and social assistance	500	2,800	2,300
Leisure and hospitality	-5,000	-5,700	-700
Other services	-500	-100	400
Government	1,500	2,000	500



Notes:

All numbers in the above narrative are seasonally adjusted except for the components of health care and social assistance.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly Oregon payroll employment and labor force data. 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 publishes payroll employment estimates that are revised quarterly by using employment counts from employer unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use this *Official Oregon Series* data unless noted otherwise. This month's release incorporates the April, May and June 2024 tax records data. The department continues to make the original nonfarm payroll employment series available; these data are produced by the BLS.

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Oregon Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	November 2024	October 2024	November 2023	Change From October 2024	Change From November 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	2,191,239	2,200,948	2,171,167	-9,709	20,072
Unemployed	83,578	85,309	79,262	-1,731	4,316
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.9	3.7	-0.1	0.1
Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted	4.1	4.0	4.0	0.1	0.1
Employed	2,107,661	2,115,639	2,091,905	-7,978	15,756
Other Labor Force Indicators					
Labor force participation rate, seasonally adjusted	63.0	63.0	62.5	0.0	0.5
Labor underutilization rate – U-6, seasonally adjusted	7.5	7.6	8.3	-0.1	-0.8
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm payroll employment	2,025,700	2,024,600	1,997,300	1,100	28,400
Total private	1,702,900	1,703,800	1,682,200	-900	20,700
Mining and logging	6,200	6,200	6,200	0	0
Logging	4,200	4,200	4,400	0	-200
Construction	117,400	117,700	117,800	-300	-400
Construction of buildings	33,200	33,300	33,300	-100	-100
Residential building construction	21,500	21,500	21,300	0	200
Nonresidential building construction	11,700	11,800	12,000	-100	-300
Heavy and civil engineering construction	11,500	11,600	11,100	-100	400
Specialty trade contractors	72,700	72,800	73,400	-100	-700
Building foundation and exterior contractors	13,300	13,200	13,900	100	-600
Building equipment contractors	34,500	34,400	34,400	100	100
Building finishing contractors	14,900	15,100	15,300	-200	-400
Other specialty trade contractors	10,000	10,100	9,800	-100	200
Manufacturing	185,900	187,700	187,300	-1,800	-1,400
Durable goods	131,300	130,500	131,700	800	-400
Wood product manufacturing	22,300	22,100	22,400	200	-100
Sawmills and wood preservation	6,400	6,300	6,400	100	0
Plywood and engineered wood product mfg.	8,300	8,200	8,200	100	100
Other wood product manufacturing	7,600	7,600	7,800	0	-200
Primary metal manufacturing	7,500	7,500	7,500	0	0
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	15,400	15,300	15,300	100	100
Machinery manufacturing	13,600	13,400	13,900	200	-300
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	40,200	40,100	39,900	100	300
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	33,000	33,200	33,000	-200	0
Electronic instrument manufacturing	4,600	4,600	4,700	0	-100
Transportation equipment manufacturing	10,700	9,600	11,300	1,100	-600
Nondurable goods	54,600	57,200	55,600	-2,600	-1,000
Food manufacturing	26,100	27,800	27,800	-1,700	-1,700
Fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty	9,700	10,000	9,100	-300	600
Paper manufacturing	3,900	4,000	4,000	-100	-100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	369,200	364,100	369,400	5,100	-200
Wholesale trade	81,400	81,400	78,100	0	3,300
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	41,900	42,000	40,000	-100	1,900
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	32,100	32,000	30,800	100	1,300
Wholesale trade agents and brokers	7,400	7,400	7,300	0	100
Retail trade	207,700	204,100	210,300	3,600	-2,600
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	26,500	26,300	26,600	200	-100
Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers	17,300	17,600	17,300	-300	0
Food and beverage retailers	46,900	47,000	48,000	-100	-1,100
General merchandise retailers	43,100	40,700	41,400	2,400	1,700
Clothing, clothing accessories, shoe, and jewelry retailers	16,300	15,300	16,400	1,000	-100
Sporting goods, hobby, musical instrument, book, and miscellaneous	29,400	29,100	30,300	300	-900

	November 2024	October 2024	November 2023	Change From October 2024	Change From November 2023
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	80,100	78,600	81,000	1,500	-900
Utilities	5,300	5,300	5,100	0	200
Transportation and warehousing	74,800	73,300	75,900	1,500	-1,100
Truck transportation	18,800	19,000	18,700	-200	100
Couriers and messengers	16,100	14,800	16,000	1,300	100
Warehousing and storage	18,400	17,800	19,100	600	-700
Information	35,500	35,400	36,100	100	-600
Publishing industries	15,800	15,700	16,100	100	-300
Newspaper, periodical, book, and directory publishers	2,300	2,300	2,300	0	0
Software publishers	13,500	13,400	13,800	100	-300
Telecommunications	3,900	3,900	4,100	0	-200
Financial activities	101,100	102,300	102,700	-1,200	-1,600
Finance and insurance	53,800	53,200	54,100	600	-300
Credit intermediation and related activities	21,700	21,500	22,300	200	-600
Insurance carriers and related activities	25,000	24,700	25,000	300	0
Real estate and rental and leasing	47,300	49,100	48,600	-1,800	-1,300
Real estate	41,900	43,600	43,000	-1,700	-1,100
Professional and business services	266,300	266,700	265,100	-400	1,200
Professional and technical services	108,800	109,100	110,500	-300	-1,700
Legal services	12,200	12,200	12,100	0	100
Architectural and engineering services	19,500	19,500	19,200	0	300
Computer systems design and related services	17,100	16,600	17,400	500	-300
Management of companies and enterprises	50,800	50,900	50,800	-100	0
Administrative and waste services	106,700	106,700	103,800	0	2,900
Administrative and support services	99,800	99,700	97,200	100	2,600
Employment services	41,500	42,600	42,500	-1,100	-1,000
Business support services	6,200	6,300	7,300	-100	-1,100
Services to buildings and dwellings	30,600	29,800	27,300	800	3,300
Private education and health services	351,000	347,600	328,600	3,400	22,400
Private educational services	40,000	39,400	38,300	600	1,700
Health care and social assistance	311,000	308,200	290,300	2,800	20,700
Ambulatory health care services	105,200	105,000	100,500	200	4,700
Hospitals	64,000	63,700	60,800	300	3,200
Nursing and residential care facilities	58,100	58,000	54,300	100	3,800
Social assistance	83,700	81,500	74,700	2,200	9,000
Leisure and hospitality	201,300	207,000	203,300	-5,700	-2,000
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	26,500	27,700	26,500	-1,200	0
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	19,100	19,600	18,700	-500	400
Accommodation and food services	174,800	179,300	176,800	-4,500	-2,000
Accommodation	24,200	25,000	23,800	-800	400
Food services and drinking places	150,600	154,300	153,000	-3,700	-2,400
Full-service restaurants	60,800	63,200	63,000	-2,400	-2,200
Limited-service eating places	74,000	74,700	72,800	-700	1,200
Other services	69,000	69,100	65,700	-100	3,300
Repair and maintenance	21,600	21,500	20,200	100	1,400
Personal and laundry services	16,100	16,100	15,400	0	700
Membership associations and organizations	31,300	31,500	30,100	-200	1,200
Religious organizations	14,600	14,700	14,700	-100	-100
Government	322,800	320,800	315,100	2,000	7,700
Federal government	29,100	29,800	28,600	-700	500
State government	48,200	48,000	46,500	200	1,700
State education	1,300	1,200	1,500	100	-200
Local government	245,500	243,000	240,000	2,500	5,500
Indian tribal	8,600	8,600	8,300	0	300
Local education	141,500	139,200	139,900	2,300	1,600
Labor-management disputes	200	1,500	0	-1,300	200

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.

Labor Force Status: Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

U-6 is the total unemployed plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force plus total employed part-time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the 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. These survey-based estimates are revised quarterly, based on more complete information from employer tax records.