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## **Employment in Yamhill County: February 2024**

## Yamhill County's Unemployment Rate Increases to 3.8%

Yamhill County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.8% in February, up from its revised rate of 3.6% in January. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in February was 4.2%, edging up from its revised January rate of 4.1%.

Yamhill County's employment gains in February were close to normal; total nonfarm employment increased 540 jobs, when an employment increase of 550 jobs would be expected. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment was down 10 in February. Employment is 1,130 jobs (+3.2%) above the pre-pandemic level in February 2020.

The private sector added 540 jobs in February. The largest industry employment gains in February were in private educational services (+350 jobs, +13.6%); leisure and hospitality (+60 jobs, +1.6%); and professional and business services (+40 jobs, +1.9%).

Yamhill County's public-sector employment was unchanged in February. Local government, state government and federal government employment were all unchanged in February.

## **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the March county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, April 23 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Wednesday, April 17.



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## **Yamhill County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment**

				Change From	
	February 2024	January 2024	February 2023	January 2024	February 2023
Labor Force Status		-0	2020	202 :	2020
Civilian labor force	56,683	55,796	56.387	887	296
Unemployed	2,636	2,509	2,141	127	495
Unemployment rate	4.7%	4.5%	3.8%	0.2	0.9
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	3.8%	3.6%	4.3%	0.2	-0.5
Employed	54,047	53,287	54,246	760	-199
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	36,310	35,770	35,540	540	770
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	36,510	36,520	35,750	-10	760
Total private	31,740	31,200	31,050	540	690
Mining, logging, and construction	2,040	2,030	1,990	10	50
Mining and logging	90	90	90	0	0
Construction	1,950	1,940	1,900	10	50
Manufacturing	6,870	6,860	6,870	10	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	5,060	5,020	5,090	40	-30
Wholesale trade	730	710	710	20	20
Retail trade	3,870	3,850	3,850	20	20
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	660	670	640	-10	20
Food and beverage retailers	970	960	980	10	-10
General merchandise retailers	720	690	730	30	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	460	460	530	0	-70
Information	270	270	250	0	20
Financial activities	1,320	1,320	1,300	0	20
Professional and business services	2,160	2,120	2,210	40	-50
Private education and health services	9,110	8,750	8,580	360	530
Private educational services	2,920	2,570	2,830	350	90
Health care and social assistance	6,190	6,180	5,750	10	440
Leisure and hospitality	3,770	3,710	3,620	60	150
Other services	1,140	1,120	1,140	20	0
Government	4,570	4,570	4,490	0	80
Federal government	440	440	430	0	10
State government	240	240	230	0	10
Local government	3,890	3,890	3,830	0	60
Local education	2,260	2,280	2,210	-20	50
Local government excluding educational services	1,630	1,610	1,620	20	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: 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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