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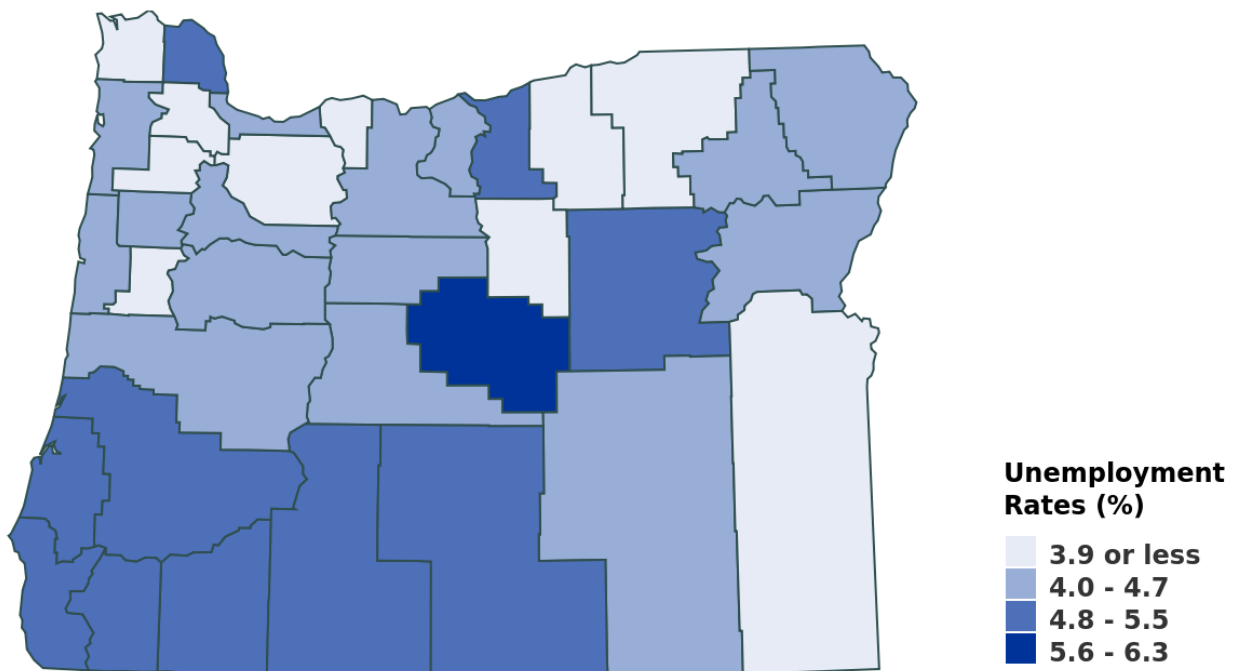
May 2024 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

In May, unemployment rates decreased or remained unchanged in 32 of Oregon's 36 counties over the month and increased in four. Seventeen counties had unemployment rates at or below the statewide rate of 4.2% and thirteen had rates at or below the U.S. unemployment rate of 4.0%.

Crook County had Oregon's highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in May at 6.3%. Other counties with relatively high unemployment rates were Josephine and Klamath, both at 5.4%. Wheeler County registered the lowest unemployment rate in May at 3.1%. Other counties with relatively low unemployment rates included Hood River (3.2%) and Benton (3.4%).

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate

May 2024

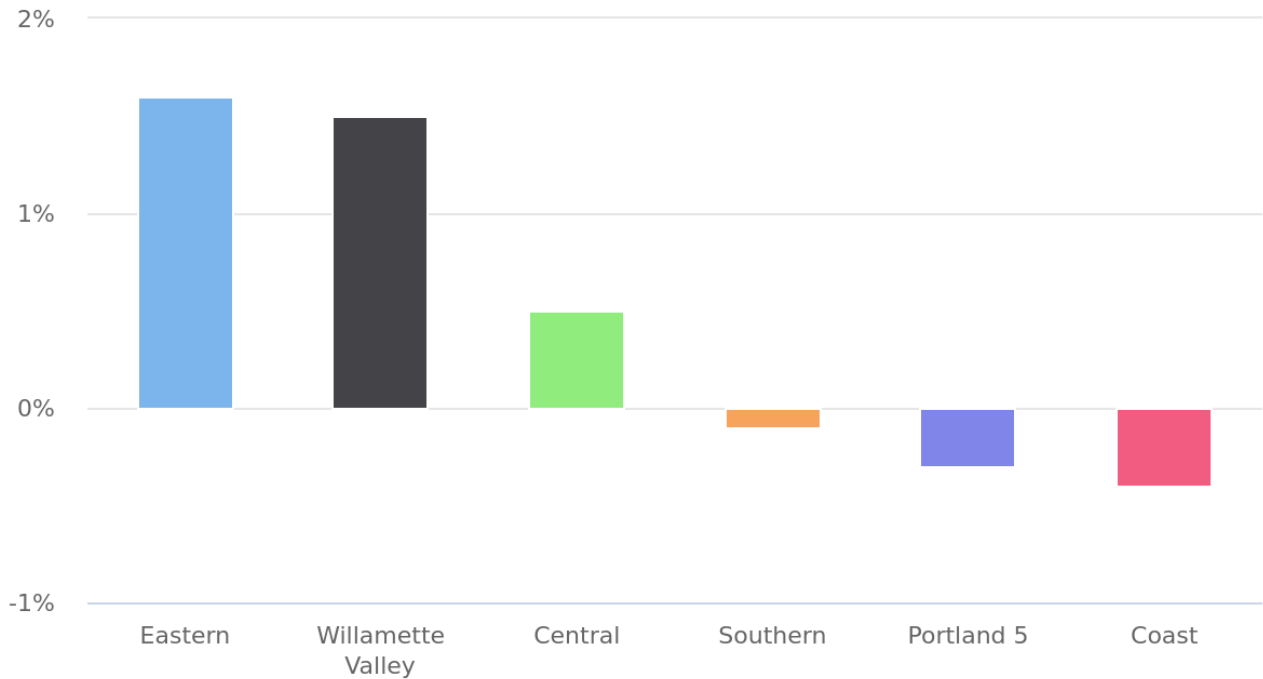


Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Between May 2023 and May 2024, total nonfarm employment rose in three of Oregon's six broad regions and decreased in three. Eastern Oregon experienced the fastest job growth over the year at 1.6%. Employment also grew relatively quickly in the Willamette Valley (1.5%). Employment grew at a moderate pace in Central Oregon (0.5%). Employment decreased in Southern Oregon by -0.1%. Employment also decreased in the five Portland-metro counties (-0.3%) and along the Coast (-0.4%).

Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region

May 2023 to May 2024, Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment



Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Statistics

Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for June 2024 on Wednesday, July 17, 2024. The June 2024 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, July 23, 2024.

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Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	May 2024					April 2024					May 2023				
	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR
United States	167,576,000	161,341,000	6,235,000	3.7%	4.0%	167,484,000	161,590,000	5,894,000	3.5%	3.9%	166,702,000	161,002,000	5,700,000	3.4%	3.7%
Oregon	2,188,050	2,106,190	81,860	3.7%	4.2%	2,187,884	2,108,809	79,075	3.6%	4.2%	2,147,372	2,077,424	69,948	3.3%	3.4%
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas</u>															
Albany (Linn County)	61,407	58,855	2,552	4.2%	4.6%	61,492	58,983	2,509	4.1%	4.6%	60,091	57,894	2,197	3.7%	3.8%
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	107,116	103,242	3,874	3.6%	4.1%	106,946	103,038	3,908	3.7%	4.1%	103,540	100,238	3,302	3.2%	3.5%
Corvallis (Benton County)	51,273	49,703	1,570	3.1%	3.4%	51,258	49,808	1,450	2.8%	3.4%	49,274	48,041	1,233	2.5%	2.7%
Eugene (Lane County)	186,465	179,252	7,213	3.9%	4.3%	185,861	179,020	6,841	3.7%	4.3%	181,750	175,608	6,142	3.4%	3.7%
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	36,211	34,445	1,766	4.9%	5.4%	36,036	34,324	1,712	4.8%	5.4%	35,491	33,961	1,530	4.3%	4.7%
Medford (Jackson County)	107,167	102,522	4,645	4.3%	4.8%	106,902	102,298	4,604	4.3%	4.8%	104,639	100,639	4,000	3.8%	4.1%
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	1,360,806	1,309,533	51,273	3.8%	4.1%	1,361,614	1,312,386	49,228	3.6%	4.1%	1,346,853	1,304,479	42,374	3.1%	3.3%
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	217,761	209,749	8,012	3.7%	4.1%	217,108	209,418	7,690	3.5%	4.1%	211,070	204,226	6,844	3.2%	3.5%
<u>Counties</u>															
Baker	7,149	6,882	267	3.7%	4.5%	7,106	6,830	276	3.9%	4.5%	7,076	6,821	255	3.6%	4.2%
Benton	51,273	49,703	1,570	3.1%	3.4%	51,258	49,808	1,450	2.8%	3.4%	49,274	48,041	1,233	2.5%	2.7%
Clackamas	226,324	218,420	7,904	3.5%	3.8%	226,809	219,340	7,469	3.3%	3.7%	223,478	216,784	6,694	3.0%	3.1%
Clatsop	20,332	19,603	729	3.6%	3.9%	19,995	19,287	708	3.5%	3.9%	19,764	19,136	628	3.2%	3.5%
Columbia	25,064	23,969	1,095	4.4%	4.9%	25,152	24,082	1,070	4.3%	4.9%	24,781	23,836	945	3.8%	4.1%
Coos	26,823	25,657	1,166	4.3%	4.8%	26,733	25,614	1,119	4.2%	4.8%	26,407	25,364	1,043	3.9%	4.4%
Crook	11,227	10,624	603	5.4%	6.3%	11,213	10,597	616	5.5%	6.3%	11,127	10,605	522	4.7%	5.3%
Curry	8,950	8,529	421	4.7%	5.3%	8,912	8,486	426	4.8%	5.2%	9,035	8,683	352	3.9%	4.4%
Deschutes	107,116	103,242	3,874	3.6%	4.1%	106,946	103,038	3,908	3.7%	4.1%	103,540	100,238	3,302	3.2%	3.5%
Douglas	47,498	45,308	2,190	4.6%	5.1%	47,334	45,210	2,124	4.5%	5.0%	46,687	44,749	1,938	4.2%	4.5%
Gilliam	880	844	36	4.1%	4.9%	885	852	33	3.7%	5.0%	910	873	37	4.1%	3.9%
Grant	3,211	3,057	154	4.8%	4.9%	3,216	3,028	188	5.8%	4.9%	3,129	2,973	156	5.0%	5.1%
Harney	3,649	3,512	137	3.8%	4.4%	3,678	3,525	153	4.2%	4.4%	3,668	3,536	132	3.6%	3.9%
Hood River	13,530	13,119	411	3.0%	3.2%	13,683	13,289	394	2.9%	3.2%	13,613	13,269	344	2.5%	2.8%
Jackson	107,167	102,522	4,645	4.3%	4.8%	106,902	102,298	4,604	4.3%	4.8%	104,639	100,639	4,000	3.8%	4.1%
Jefferson	10,636	10,215	421	4.0%	4.7%	10,557	10,138	419	4.0%	4.7%	10,425	10,024	401	3.8%	4.4%
Josephine	36,211	34,445	1,766	4.9%	5.4%	36,036	34,324	1,712	4.8%	5.4%	35,491	33,961	1,530	4.3%	4.7%
Klamath	30,328	28,935	1,393	4.6%	5.4%	30,163	28,718	1,445	4.8%	5.4%	29,633	28,390	1,243	4.2%	5.2%
Lake	3,536	3,389	147	4.2%	5.0%	3,527	3,367	160	4.5%	5.1%	3,598	3,451	147	4.1%	4.7%
Lane	186,465	179,252	7,213	3.9%	4.3%	185,861	179,020	6,841	3.7%	4.3%	181,750	175,608	6,142	3.4%	3.7%
Lincoln	21,501	20,560	941	4.4%	4.6%	21,379	20,470	909	4.3%	4.6%	21,140	20,332	808	3.8%	4.2%
Linn	61,407	58,855	2,552	4.2%	4.6%	61,492	58,983	2,509	4.1%	4.6%	60,091	57,894	2,197	3.7%	3.8%
Malheur	13,322	12,875	447	3.4%	3.9%	13,386	12,937	449	3.4%	3.9%	12,714	12,319	395	3.1%	3.5%
Marion	174,094	167,668	6,426	3.7%	4.1%	173,527	167,364	6,163	3.6%	4.1%	168,718	163,249	5,469	3.2%	3.5%
Morrow	6,225	6,027	198	3.2%	3.7%	6,313	6,103	210	3.3%	3.7%	6,095	5,926	169	2.8%	3.2%
Multnomah	467,522	450,169	17,353	3.7%	4.0%	468,742	452,015	16,727	3.6%	4.0%	461,320	446,705	14,615	3.2%	3.3%
Polk	43,667	42,081	1,586	3.6%	4.0%	43,581	42,054	1,527	3.5%	4.1%	42,352	40,977	1,375	3.2%	3.5%
Sherman	978	942	36	3.7%	4.2%	974	937	37	3.8%	4.2%	966	935	31	3.2%	3.8%
Tillamook	12,432	11,993	439	3.5%	4.0%	12,320	11,909	411	3.3%	4.0%	12,145	11,739	406	3.3%	3.6%
Umatilla	39,470	38,142	1,328	3.4%	3.9%	39,431	38,085	1,346	3.4%	3.9%	38,357	37,114	1,243	3.2%	4.5%
Union	12,246	11,660	586	4.8%	4.6%	12,279	11,783	496	4.0%	4.3%	12,045	11,651	394	3.3%	3.7%
Wallowa	3,694	3,548	146	4.0%	4.3%	3,596	3,438	158	4.4%	4.3%	3,602	3,454	148	4.1%	4.5%
Wasco	12,893	12,402	491	3.8%	4.1%	12,839	12,347	492	3.8%	4.1%	12,759	12,303	456	3.6%	3.9%
Washington	334,072	322,826	11,246	3.4%	3.7%	334,913	324,217	10,696	3.2%	3.7%	330,612	321,102	9,510	2.9%	3.0%
Wheeler	824	802	22	2.7%	3.1%	805	785	20	2.5%	3.1%	786	767	19	2.4%	2.8%
Yamhill	56,334	54,413	1,921	3.4%	3.8%	56,343	54,532	1,811	3.2%	3.8%	55,644	53,976	1,668	3.0%	3.2%

(1) 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. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

(2) The Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.