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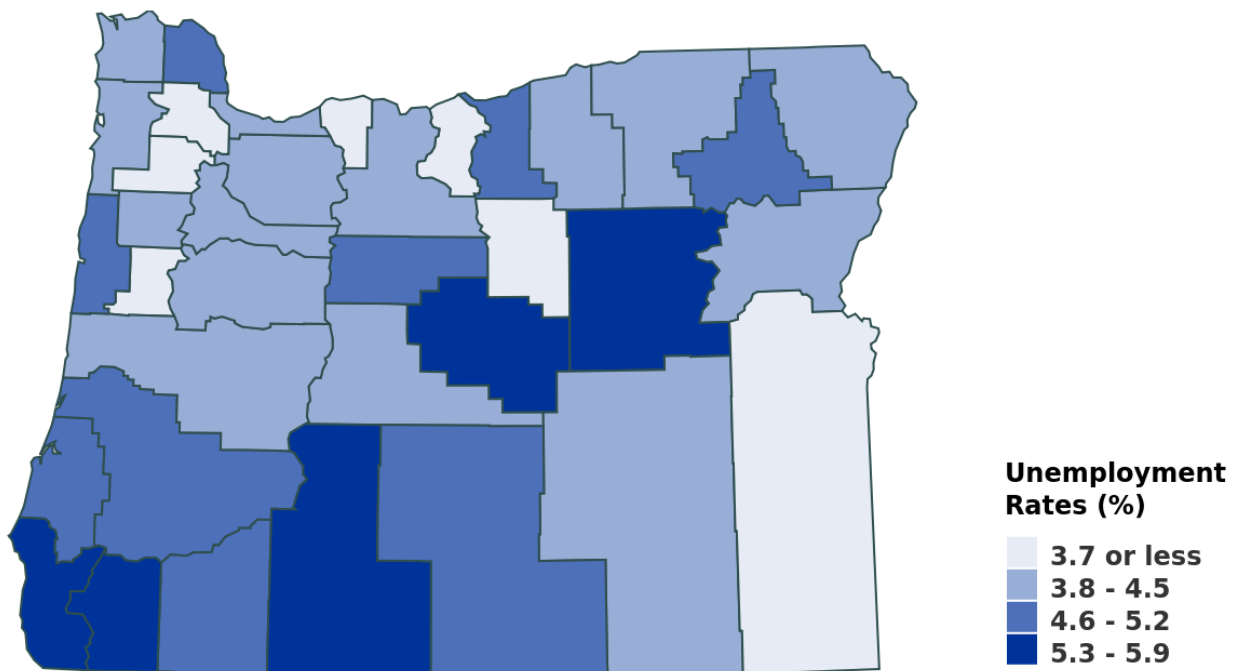
October 2024 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

In October, unemployment rates decreased or remained unchanged in 16 of Oregon's 36 counties over the month and increased in 20. Fifteen counties had unemployment rates at or below the statewide rate of 4.0% and seventeen had rates at or below the U.S. rate of 4.1%.

Grant County had Oregon's highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in October at 5.9%. Other counties with relatively high unemployment rates were Crook (5.6%), Josephine (5.6%), and Klamath (5.5%). Wheeler County registered the lowest unemployment rate in October at 3.0%. Hood River and Benton counties also had relatively low unemployment rates, at 3.2% and 3.3%, respectively.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate

October 2024

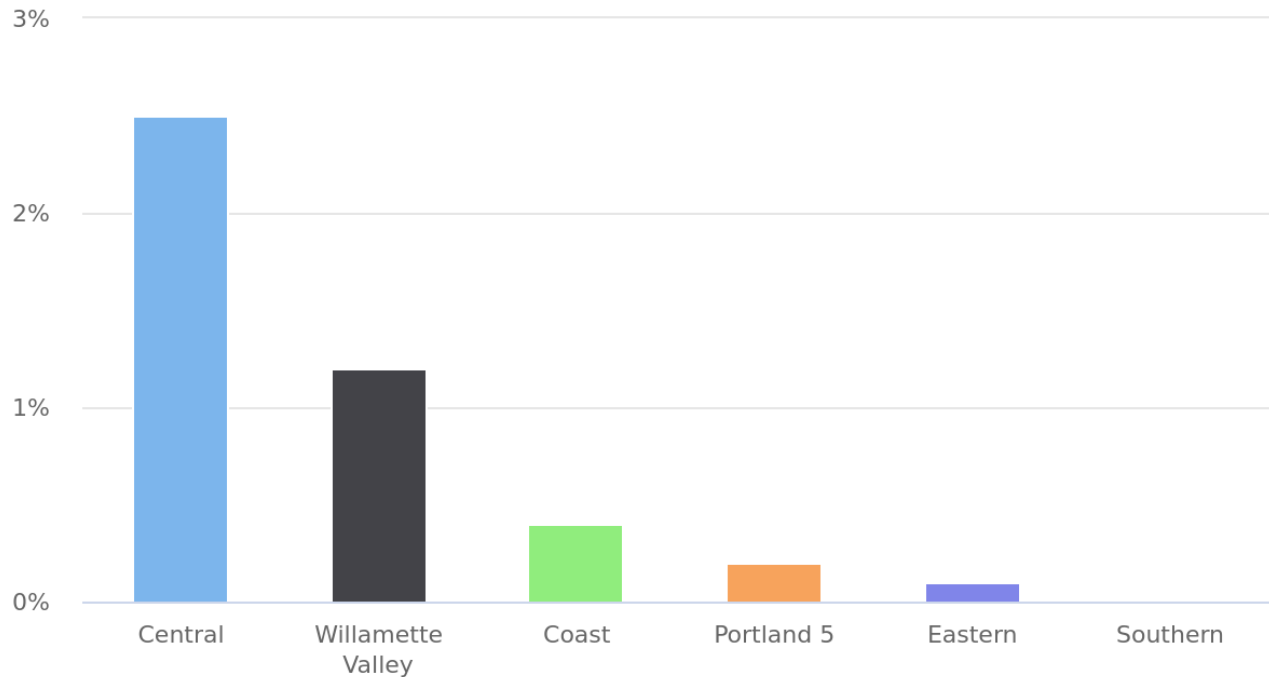


Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Between October 2023 and October 2024, total nonfarm employment rose in five of Oregon's six broad regions and was unchanged in one. Central Oregon experienced the fastest job growth over the year at 2.5%. Employment also grew at a moderate pace in the Willamette Valley at 1.2%. Employment growth was slow along the Coast (0.4%), in the five Portland-Metro counties (0.2%), and in Eastern Oregon (0.1%). Employment was unchanged in Southern Oregon.

Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region

October 2023 to October 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 November 2024 on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2024. The November 2024 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2024.

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Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	October 2024					September 2024					October 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	168,569,000	161,938,000	6,631,000	3.9%	4.1%	168,569,000	162,046,000	6,524,000	3.9%	4.1%	167,774,000	161,676,000	6,098,000	3.6%	3.9%
Oregon	2,201,462	2,115,563	85,899	3.9%	4.0%	2,195,491	2,110,302	85,189	3.9%	4.0%	2,170,014	2,092,935	77,079	3.6%	4.0%
Metropolitan Statistical Areas															
Albany (Linn County)	62,026	59,344	2,682	4.3%	4.5%	61,570	58,892	2,678	4.3%	4.4%	60,632	58,271	2,361	3.9%	4.3%
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	107,240	103,369	3,871	3.6%	4.0%	107,180	103,244	3,936	3.7%	4.0%	105,463	101,867	3,596	3.4%	3.8%
Corvallis (Benton County)	51,164	49,474	1,690	3.3%	3.3%	49,841	48,154	1,687	3.4%	3.2%	50,388	48,802	1,586	3.1%	3.2%
Eugene (Lane County)	186,005	178,427	7,578	4.1%	4.2%	184,148	176,679	7,469	4.1%	4.1%	183,308	176,331	6,977	3.8%	4.1%
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	36,041	34,206	1,835	5.1%	5.6%	36,013	34,209	1,804	5.0%	5.5%	35,780	34,151	1,629	4.6%	5.3%
Medford (Jackson County)	108,281	103,778	4,503	4.2%	4.6%	107,848	103,291	4,557	4.2%	4.6%	106,545	102,422	4,123	3.9%	4.5%
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	1,362,709	1,309,227	53,482	3.9%	4.0%	1,358,016	1,305,964	52,052	3.8%	4.0%	1,359,945	1,311,223	48,722	3.6%	3.9%
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	220,851	212,333	8,518	3.9%	4.0%	220,812	212,426	8,386	3.8%	4.0%	215,141	207,453	7,688	3.6%	3.9%
Counties															
Baker	7,228	6,978	250	3.5%	4.2%	7,193	6,931	262	3.6%	4.2%	7,142	6,881	261	3.7%	4.4%
Benton	51,164	49,474	1,690	3.3%	3.3%	49,841	48,154	1,687	3.4%	3.2%	50,388	48,802	1,586	3.1%	3.2%
Clackamas	227,508	219,005	8,503	3.7%	3.8%	226,864	218,464	8,400	3.7%	3.7%	224,973	217,503	7,470	3.3%	3.6%
Clatsop	20,308	19,548	760	3.7%	4.1%	20,489	19,730	759	3.7%	4.0%	19,937	19,287	650	3.3%	3.8%
Columbia	25,201	24,045	1,156	4.6%	4.7%	25,102	23,969	1,133	4.5%	4.6%	24,915	23,865	1,050	4.2%	4.7%
Coos	27,014	25,811	1,203	4.5%	4.8%	26,861	25,637	1,224	4.6%	4.7%	26,668	25,560	1,108	4.2%	4.6%
Crook	11,480	10,938	542	4.7%	5.6%	11,542	10,988	554	4.8%	5.7%	11,113	10,527	586	5.3%	5.9%
Curry	8,967	8,559	408	4.6%	5.3%	8,942	8,677	418	4.6%	5.3%	8,942	8,573	369	4.1%	4.9%
Deschutes	107,240	103,369	3,871	3.6%	4.0%	107,180	103,244	3,936	3.7%	4.0%	105,463	101,867	3,596	3.4%	3.8%
Douglas	47,814	45,590	2,224	4.7%	5.0%	47,988	45,742	2,246	4.7%	5.0%	46,761	44,757	2,004	4.3%	4.8%
Gilliam	963	919	44	4.6%	4.8%	957	919	38	4.0%	4.7%	901	865	36	4.0%	4.8%
Grant	3,126	2,985	141	4.5%	5.9%	3,174	3,030	144	4.5%	5.7%	3,224	3,113	111	3.4%	4.9%
Harney	3,647	3,525	122	3.3%	4.3%	3,670	3,540	130	3.5%	4.3%	3,590	3,470	120	3.3%	4.2%
Hood River	14,350	13,924	426	3.0%	3.2%	14,995	14,570	425	2.8%	3.1%	14,450	14,073	377	2.6%	3.1%
Jackson	108,281	103,778	4,503	4.2%	4.6%	107,848	103,291	4,557	4.2%	4.6%	106,545	102,422	4,123	3.9%	4.5%
Jefferson	10,505	10,078	427	4.1%	4.7%	10,472	10,049	423	4.0%	4.7%	10,255	9,833	422	4.1%	4.7%
Josephine	36,041	34,206	1,835	5.1%	5.6%	36,013	34,209	1,804	5.0%	5.5%	35,780	34,151	1,629	4.6%	5.3%
Klamath	30,841	29,405	1,436	4.7%	5.5%	30,856	29,464	1,392	4.5%	5.4%	30,435	29,102	1,333	4.4%	5.2%
Lake	3,558	3,421	137	3.9%	4.9%	3,650	3,504	146	4.0%	4.9%	3,583	3,426	157	4.4%	5.2%
Lane	186,005	178,427	7,578	4.1%	4.2%	184,148	176,679	7,469	4.1%	4.1%	183,308	176,331	6,977	3.8%	4.1%
Lincoln	21,257	20,303	954	4.5%	4.8%	21,585	20,617	968	4.5%	4.7%	21,186	20,387	799	3.8%	4.3%
Linn	62,026	59,344	2,682	4.3%	4.5%	61,570	58,892	2,678	4.3%	4.4%	60,632	58,271	2,361	3.9%	4.3%
Malheur	13,593	13,161	432	3.2%	3.7%	13,492	13,053	439	3.3%	3.7%	13,143	12,727	416	3.2%	3.7%
Marion	176,402	169,589	6,813	3.9%	4.0%	176,579	169,876	6,703	3.8%	4.0%	171,827	165,697	6,130	3.6%	3.9%
Morrow	6,250	6,044	206	3.3%	3.8%	6,263	6,056	207	3.3%	3.7%	6,226	6,033	193	3.1%	3.5%
Multnomah	469,890	451,465	18,425	3.9%	4.0%	468,664	450,387	18,277	3.9%	3.9%	464,728	448,435	16,293	3.5%	3.8%
Polk	44,449	42,744	1,705	3.8%	3.9%	44,233	42,550	1,683	3.8%	3.9%	43,314	41,756	1,558	3.6%	3.9%
Sherman	980	947	33	3.4%	3.5%	989	958	31	3.1%	3.6%	976	938	38	3.9%	4.1%
Tillamook	12,315	11,872	443	3.6%	3.9%	12,477	12,027	450	3.6%	3.9%	12,058	11,651	407	3.4%	3.8%
Umatilla	39,113	37,705	1,408	3.6%	4.1%	39,463	38,007	1,456	3.7%	4.0%	39,039	37,720	1,319	3.4%	4.2%
Union	12,269	11,764	505	4.1%	4.7%	12,166	11,666	500	4.1%	4.6%	12,051	11,630	421	3.5%	4.1%
Wallowa	3,649	3,527	122	3.3%	4.4%	3,726	3,608	118	3.2%	4.3%	3,599	3,482	117	3.3%	4.3%
Wasco	13,005	12,489	516	4.0%	4.0%	13,394	12,900	494	3.7%	4.0%	12,561	12,092	469	3.7%	4.0%
Washington	337,113	324,810	12,303	3.6%	3.6%	335,398	323,429	11,969	3.6%	3.5%	332,997	322,304	10,693	3.2%	3.5%
Wheeler	846	824	22	2.6%	3.0%	836	812	24	2.9%	3.0%	811	792	19	2.3%	2.9%
Yamhill	57,066	54,991	2,075	3.6%	3.7%	56,714	54,671	2,043	3.6%	3.6%	56,489	54,610	1,879	3.3%	3.6%

(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.