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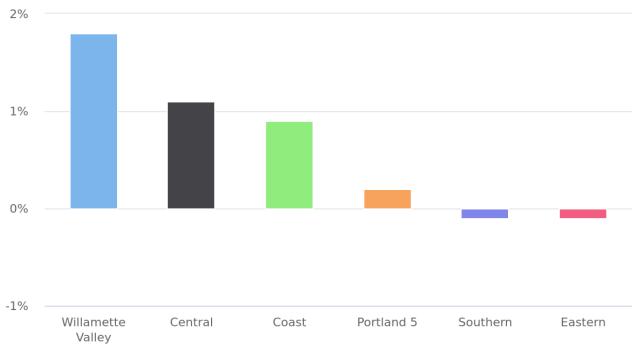
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January 2025 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

Between January 2024 and January 2025, total nonfarm employment rose in four of Oregon's six broad regions and decreased in two. The Willamette Valley experienced the fastest job growth over the year at 1.8%. Employment also grew relatively quickly in Central Oregon (1.1%) and along the Coast (0.9%). Employment growth was slower in the five Portland-Metro counties (0.2%). Employment decreased in Southern Oregon (-0.1%) and in Eastern Oregon (-0.1%).

Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region





Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Statistics

Over-the-year between January 2024 and January 2025, non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates increased in 29 of Oregon's 36 counties and decreased in seven. Fifteen counties had unadjusted unemployment rates at or below Oregon's unadjusted rate of 5.4%.

Grant County had Oregon's highest non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in January at 10.1%. Other counties with relatively high unadjusted unemployment rates were Klamath (8.5%) and Josephine (7.4%). Sherman County registered the lowest unadjusted unemployment rate in January at

4.1%. Benton and Hood River counties also had relatively low unadjusted unemployment rates, at 4.3% and 4.5%, respectively.

This release typically discusses seasonally adjusted local area unemployment rates. However, through June 2025, seasonally adjusted data are not available for Oregon metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) or other MSAs around the country. Labor force statistics for Oregon MSAs are produced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 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 News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for February 2025 on Wednesday, March 26, 2025. The February 2025 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

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Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	January 2025					December 2024					January 2024				
	Civilian		Unemployment		Seasonally	Civilian		Unemployment Seasonally			Civilian		Unemployment		Seasonally
	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate (UR)	Adjusted UR	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate (UR)	Adjusted UR	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate (UR)	Adjusted UR
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Oregon	2,194,299	2,076,633	117,666	5.4%	4.4%	2,193,324	2,099,658	93,666	4.3%	4.3%	2,168,398	2,065,666	102,732	4.7%	4.1%
Metropolitan Statistical Areas															
Albany (Linn County)	62,118	58,586	3,532	5.7%	-	62,461	59,587	2,874	4.6%	4.6%	60,949	57,787	3,162	5.2%	4.4%
Bend (2)	133,848	126,478	7,370	5.5%	-	132,768	127,070	5,698	4.3%	4.0%	131,231	124,426	6,805	5.2%	3.9%
Corvallis (Benton County)	49,485	47,372	2,113	4.3%	-	49,801	47,911	1,890	3.8%	3.5%	49,309	47,436	1,873	3.8%	3.4%
Eugene-Springfield (Lane County)	189,100	179,267	9,833	5.2%	-	189,592	181,462	8,130	4.3%	4.3%	186,814	177,901	8,913	4.8%	4.3%
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	35,033	32,436	2,597	7.4%	-	34,531	32,523	2,008	5.8%	5.6%	35,009	32,667	2,342	6.7%	5.4%
Medford (Jackson County)	105,584	99,165	6,419	6.1%	-	104,586	99,648	4,938	4.7%	4.7%	105,009	99,084	5,925	5.6%	4.7%
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (3)	1,378,736	1,310,164	68,572	5.0%	-	1,379,144	1,322,162	56,982	4.1%	4.2%	1,373,245	1,313,438	59,807	4.4%	4.0%
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	223,383	212,000	11,383	5.1%	-	223,868	214,516	9,352	4.2%	4.1%	215,805	205,709	10,096	4.7%	4.1%
Counties															
Baker	6,714	6,299	415	6.2%	4.2%	6,786	6,460	326	4.8%	4.1%	6,717	6,282	435	6.5%	4.5%
Benton	49,485	47,372	2,113	4.3%	-	49,801	47,911	1,890	3.8%	3.5%	49,309	47,436	1,873	3.8%	3.4%
Clackamas	226,933	215,636	11,297	5.0%	4.0%	227,132	218,066	9,066	4.0%	3.9%	225,310	215,819	9,491	4.2%	3.7%
Clatsop	19,464	18,378	1,086	5.6%	4.1%	19,153	18,287	866	4.5%	4.1%	19,125	18,167	958	5.0%	3.8%
Columbia	26,851	25,189	1,662	6.2%	5.0%	26,761	25,492	1,269	4.7%	4.8%	26,493	25,089	1,404	5.3%	4.8%
Coos	27,111	25,489	1,622	6.0%	4.9%	26,753	25,426	1,327	5.0%	4.9%	26,904	25,355	1,549	5.8%	4.8%
Crook	13,036	12,160	876	6.7%	5.4%	12,931	12,269	662	5.1%	5.4%	12,837	11,925	912	7.1%	6.1%
Curry	8,069	7,519	550	6.8%	5.1%	7,964	7,527	437	5.5%	5.1%	8,336	7,728	608	7.3%	5.0%
Deschutes	109,742	103,905	5,837	5.3%	4.0%	108,858	104,327	4,531	4.2%	4.0%	107,498	102,259	5,239	4.9%	3.9%
Douglas	46,384	43,323	3,061	6.6%	5.2%	46,062	43,590	2,472	5.4%	5.1%	46,396	43,569	2,827	6.1%	4.9%
Gilliam	1,053	996	57	5.4%	4.8%	1,059	1,010	49	4.6%	4.8%	926	869	57	6.2%	5.0%
Grant	3,053	2,745	308	10.1%	6.2%	2,993	2,795	198	6.6%	6.1%	3,100	2,879	221	7.1%	4.9%
Harney	3,540	3,301	239	6.8%	4.3%	3,529	3,367	162	4.6%	4.2%	3,509	3,293	216	6.2%	4.2%
Hood River	13,369	12,769	600	4.5%	3.4%	13,723	13,262	461	3.4%	3.3%	13,303	12,737	566	4.3%	3.2%
Jackson	105,584	99,165	6,419	6.1%		104,586	99,648	4,938	4.7%	4.7%	105,009	99,084	5,925	5.6%	4.7%
Jefferson	11,070	10,413	657	5.9%	4.6%	10,979	10,474	505	4.6%	4.6%	10,896	10,242	654	6.0%	4.8%
Josephine	35,033	32,436	2,597	7.4%		34,531	32,523	2,008	5.8%	5.6%	35,009	32,667	2,342	6.7%	5.4%
Klamath	28,716	26,288	2,428	8.5%	5.7%	28,484	26,679	1,805	6.3%	5.5%	28,589	26,377	2,212	7.7%	5.3%
Lake	3,415	3,172	243	7.1%	4.8%	3,457	3,277	180	5.2%	4.7%	3,466	3,207	259	7.5%	5.3%
Lane	189,100	179,267	9,833	5.2%		189,592	181,462	8,130	4.3%	4.3%	186,814	177,901	8,913	4.8%	4.3%
Lincoln	20,621	19,293	1,328	6.4%	4.9%	20,248	19,202	1,046	5.2%	4.8%	20,583	19,411	1,172	5.7%	4.4%
Linn	62,118	58,586	3,532	5.7%		62,461	59,587	2,874	4.6%	4.6%	60,949	57,787	3,162	5.2%	4.4%
Malheur	12,746	12,083	663	5.2%	3.8%	12,829	12,281	548	4.3%	3.8%	12,628	11,994	634	5.0%	3.8%
Marion	177,369	168,276	9,093	5.1%	4.2%	177,699	170,231	7,468	4.2%	4.1%	171,343	163,252	8,091	4.7%	4.0%
Morrow	5,880	5,570	310	5.3%	3.9%	6,139	5,883	256	4.2%	3.8%	5,863	5,593	270	4.6%	3.5%
Multnomah	468,538	444,017	24,521	5.2%	4.2%	467,979	448,724	19,255	4.1%	4.1%	464,878	444,404	20,474	4.4%	3.9%
Polk	46,014	43,724	2,290	5.0%	4.2%	46,169	44,285	1,884	4.1%	4.1%	44,462	42,457	2,005	4.5%	4.0%
Sherman	942	903	39	4.1%	3.7%	969	931	38	3.9%	3.7%	958	905	53	5.5%	4.3%
Tillamook	11,359	10,714	645	5.7%	4.1%	11,261	10,748	513	4.6%	3.9%	11,187	10,586	601	5.4%	3.9%
Umatilla	36,379	34,086	2,293	6.3%	4.3%	36,268	34,524	1,744	4.8%	4.2%	36,065	33,999	2,066	5.7%	4.1%
Union	11,924	11,128	796	6.7%	4.8%	11,854	11,267	587	5.0%	4.7%	11,857	11,177	680	5.7%	4.2%
Wallowa	3,462	3,208	254	7.3%	4.4%	3,480	3,308	172	4.9%	4.4%	3,499	3,261	238	6.8%	4.4%
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Washington	340,000	323,657	16,343	4.8%	3.9%	341,694	328,568	13,126	3.8%	3.8%	335,989	322,528	13,461	4.0%	3.6%
Wheeler	708	670	38	5.4%	3.3%	716	685	31	4.3%	3.1%	662	631	31	4.7%	2.9%
Yamhill	56,107	53,231	2,876	5.1%	4.1%	55,891	53,633	2,258	4.0%	3.9%	55,776	53,322	2,454	4.4%	3.8%

⁽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.

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⁽²⁾ The Bend metropolitan area includes Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson counties

⁽³⁾ The Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.