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Employment in Corvallis MSA (Benton County): June 2021

Benton County's Unemployment Rate Declines to 4.4%

Benton County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.4% in June, down from its revised rate of 4.6% in May. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in June was 5.6%, down from its revised May rate of 5.8%.

Benton County's employment gains in June were smaller than normal; total nonfarm employment increased by 180 jobs, when an employment increase of 390 jobs would be expected. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment decreased 210 jobs, or -0.5%, between May and June. Seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment remains 10.0% below the level in February 2020, down 4,350 jobs after sharp job losses in the spring of 2020.

Leisure and hospitality employment remains down 790 jobs or -18.0% from its pre-recession level in February 2020.

Local government education employment is still down 1,710 or -13.0% from its pre-recession employment level in February 2020.

The private sector overall gained 150 jobs over the month. Other services added 70 jobs in June, up 5.5%. Leisure and hospitality added 110 jobs in June, a gain of 3.2%.

The public sector added 30 jobs in June. Local government education, which includes both local school districts and OSU, added 100 jobs. State government shed 10 jobs in June. Federal government employment added 10 jobs.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the July county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Aug. 24 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Tuesday, Aug. 17.



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Corvallis MSA (Benton County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	June 2021	May 2021	June 2020	May 2021	June 2020
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	47,875	47,816	46,763	59	1,112
Unemployed	1,953	1,829	3,709	124	-1,756
Unemployment rate	4.1%	3.8%	7.9%	0.3	-3.8
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.4%	4.6%	7.6%	-0.2	-3.2
Employed	45,922	45,987	43,054	-65	2,868
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	40,510	40,330	38,750	180	1,760
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	39,070	39,280	37,500	-210	1,570
Total private	26,920	26,770	25,510	150	1,410
Mining, logging, and construction	1,420	1,410	1,400	10	20
Manufacturing	2,820	2,800	2,730	20	90
Durable goods	2,440	2,440	2,430	0	10
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,720	4,680	4,300	40	420
Information	550	560	600	-10	-50
Financial activities	1,470	1,470	1,500	0	-30
Professional and business services	4,300	4,300	4,110	0	190
Education and health services	6,700	6,790	6,650	-90	50
Health care and social assistance	6,560	6,540	6,180	20	380
Leisure and hospitality	3,600	3,490	3,040	110	560
Other services	1,340	1,270	1,180	70	160
Government	13,590	13,560	13,240	30	350
Federal government	500	490	500	10	0
State government	230	240	250	-10	-20
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	12,860	12,830	12,490	30	370
Local education	11,410	11,310	11,160	100	250

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: Official Oregon Series. 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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