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Employment in Lincoln County: May 2020

Employment climbs by 520 more than expected in May

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 520 in May to 14,530 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 160 jobs was expected for the month, but the county's total nonfarm employment increased by 680. Private-sector employment rose by 670 jobs, and government employment inched up by 10. Leisure and hospitality added 600 jobs with gains of 460 in the accommodations industry and 130 in food services and drinking places. Manufacturing added 50 jobs. Other industries had smaller changes.

May's total nonfarm employment numbers show a loss of 4,250 jobs compared with one year before, a decrease of 22.6 percent. Almost every major industry lost jobs over the year. Leisure and hospitality accounted for most of the drop with a loss of 2,700 jobs, down 56 percent from the year before.

Lincoln County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped a little from last month's record high. It was 23.9 percent in May, down from 25.9 percent in April. It was 4.4 percent the year before. Lincoln County had the highest rate in the state. Clatsop County was second-ranked at 23.5 percent. The county's unemployment rate reached a peak of 12.6 percent during the Great Recession. The statewide unemployment rate was 14.2 percent in May, and the national rate was 13.3 percent.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the June county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, July 21, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for June on Tuesday, July 14.

Lincoln County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	May 2020	April 2020	May 2019	April 2020	May 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	21,245	20,944	21,018	301	227
Unemployed	4,984	5,475	802	-491	4,182
Unemployment rate	23.5%	26.1%	3.8%	-2.6	19.7
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Employed	16,261	15,469	20,216	792	-3,955
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	14,550	13,870	19,060	680	-4,510
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>14,530</i>	<i>14,010</i>	<i>19,030</i>	<i>520</i>	<i>-4,500</i>
Total private	10,840	10,170	15,030	670	-4,190
Mining, logging, and construction	740	730	910	10	-170
Mining and logging	110	100	130	10	-20
Construction	630	630	780	0	-150
Manufacturing	940	890	1,270	50	-330
Durable goods	170	160	180	10	-10
Nondurable goods	770	730	1,090	40	-320
Food manufacturing	270	250	590	20	-320
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,030	3,040	3,440	-10	-410
Retail trade	2,660	2,630	2,880	30	-220
Food and beverage stores	790	780	750	10	40
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	230	250	370	-20	-140
Information	110	120	120	-10	-10
Financial activities	800	790	790	10	10
Professional and business services	840	840	1,030	0	-190
Education and health services	1,940	1,920	2,140	20	-200
Leisure and hospitality	2,120	1,520	4,820	600	-2,700
Accommodation and food services	1,890	1,300	4,580	590	-2,690
Accommodation	730	270	1,970	460	-1,240
Food services and drinking places	1,160	1,030	2,610	130	-1,450
Other services	320	320	510	0	-190
Government	3,710	3,700	4,030	10	-320
Federal government	340	340	330	0	10
State government	310	300	320	10	-10
Local government	3,060	3,060	3,380	0	-320
Indian tribal	1,030	1,010	1,020	20	10
Local education	900	910	1,090	-10	-190
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,130	1,140	1,270	-10	-140

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.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	<u>May 2020</u>	<u>April 2020</u>	<u>May 2019</u>
United States	13.3	14.7	3.6
State of Oregon	14.2	14.9	3.9
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	13.5	15.2	4.5
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	16.3	18.3	3.9
Corvallis (Benton County)	10.1	10.6	3.1
Eugene (Lane County)	14.7	16.0	4.3
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	13.9	15.1	5.2
Medford (Jackson County)	14.4	15.6	4.6
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	14.1	14.3	3.7
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	12.7	13.1	4.1
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	13.5	13.0	4.8
Benton	10.1	10.6	3.1
Clackamas	13.3	13.8	3.5
Clatsop	23.5	24.2	3.9
Columbia	14.2	15.0	4.6
Coos	17.8	18.5	5.1
Crook	17.5	18.3	5.3
Curry	17.3	17.7	5.3
Deschutes	16.3	18.3	3.9
Douglas	15.4	16.2	5.0
Gilliam	11.6	11.3	3.6
Grant	14.0	13.1	6.8
Harney	9.7	9.2	5.3
Hood River	13.3	13.8	2.9
Jackson	14.4	15.6	4.6
Jefferson	17.0	14.5	5.1
Josephine	13.9	15.1	5.2
Klamath	15.1	15.6	6.1
Lake	8.5	9.0	5.5
Lane	14.7	16.0	4.3
Lincoln	23.9	25.9	4.4
Linn	13.5	15.2	4.5
Malheur	8.8	8.5	4.3
Marion	12.9	13.2	4.1
Morrow	8.1	8.0	4.0
Multnomah	15.5	15.9	3.4
Polk	11.9	12.8	4.2
Sherman	11.6	12.1	3.5
Tillamook	17.3	18.0	3.9
Umatilla	13.3	13.9	4.3
Union	17.0	18.6	4.8
Wallowa	13.1	12.5	5.9
Wasco	14.6	14.4	4.2
Washington	12.0	12.2	3.2
Wheeler	6.5	6.1	4.5
Yamhill	13.2	13.2	3.5

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

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

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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