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## **Employment in Linn County (Albany MSA): July 2019**

### **Linn County's Unemployment Rate unchanged at 4.6 Percent**

Linn County's unemployment rate was 4.6 percent in July, unchanged from its revised June rate of 4.6 percent. Oregon's statewide rate in July was 4.0 percent, unchanged from its revised rate of 4.0 percent in June. Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate matches its rate from a year ago in July 2018.

Linn County's employment losses in July were slightly smaller than normal; total nonfarm employment decreased 1,320 jobs, when a decrease of roughly 1,290 jobs would be expected. The difference resulted in a 30-job seasonally adjusted increase between June and July. Linn County's employment is 3,190 jobs or 7.3 percent above its pre-recession employment peak in February 2008.

Linn County's employment has grown 270 over the past year, a 0.6 percent increase. The growth rate was slower than the nation and the state. Oregon's job growth over the past year was 2.1 percent and the U.S. grew 1.5 percent.

Linn County's private sector added 1,000 jobs over the past year, growing 2.6 percent. The public sector shed 730 jobs, down 11.4 percent.

Fast-growing private-sector industries over the past year included: construction (+160 jobs, or 4.8%); manufacturing (+370 jobs, or 4.3%); and education and health services (+260 jobs, or 4.2%).

### **Next Press Releases**

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



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### Albany MSA (Linn County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2019	June 2019	July 2018	June 2019	July 2018
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	58,597	58,984	58,524	-387	73
Unemployed	2,906	2,671	2,862	235	44
Unemployment rate	5.0%	4.5%	4.9%	0.5	0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.6%	4.6%	4.6%	0.0	0.0
Employed	55,691	56,313	55,662	-622	29
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	45,850	47,170	45,580	-1,320	270
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	46,780	46,750	46,310	30	470
Total private	40,190	39,860	39,190	330	1,000
Mining, logging, and construction	3,910	3,820	3,750	90	160
Mining and logging	450	440	450	10	0
Construction	3,460	3,380	3,300	80	160
Manufacturing	8,990	8,770	8,620	220	370
Durable goods	6,670	6,570	6,400	100	270
Wood product manufacturing	2,150	2,140	2,000	10	150
Primary metal manufacturing	2,410	2,400	2,340	10	70
Nondurable goods	2,320	2,200	2,220	120	100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	10,420	10,310	10,140	110	280
Wholesale trade	1,710	1,690	1,720	20	-10
Retail trade	5,460	5,410	5,280	50	180
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,250	3,210	3,140	40	110
Information	430	420	440	10	-10
Financial activities	1,460	1,430	1,630	30	-170
Professional and business services	3,080	3,010	3,160	70	-80
Education and health services	6,420	6,580	6,160	-160	260
Health care and social assistance	5,970	5,950	5,740	20	230
Leisure and hospitality	3,960	3,980	3,820	-20	140
Other services	1,520	1,540	1,470	-20	50
Government	5,660	7,310	6,390	-1,650	-730
Federal government	320	330	310	-10	10
State government	640	630	630	10	10
Local government	4,700	6,350	5,450	-1,650	-750
Local education	2,550	4,080	3,310	-1,530	-760
Local government excluding educational services	2,150	2,270	2,140	-120	10

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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