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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): October 2020

Linn County's Unemployment Rate Declines to 7.0 Percent

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 7.0 percent in October, down from its revised rate of 8.3 percent in September. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in October was 6.9 percent, down from its revised September rate of 7.9 percent.

Linn County's employment gains in October were smaller than normal; total nonfarm employment increased 70 jobs, when an employment increase of 610 jobs would be expected. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment decreased 540 jobs, or 1.2 percent, between September and October. Employment remains 6.6 percent, or 3,070 jobs, below the level in February, after sharp job losses in the spring.

Industries in the private sector that showed employment gains in October included: transportation, warehousing, and utilities (+260, +7.3%); health care and social assistance (+160, +2.8%); and construction (+70 jobs, +2.2%).

Private-sector industries that lost the most jobs in October included: manufacturing (-100 jobs, -1.3%) and leisure and hospitality (-100, -3.1%).

Public-sector employment was down 100 jobs in October. A gain of 10 jobs in state government was offset by losses of 30 jobs in federal government and the loss of 80 jobs in local government.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the November county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, December 22 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Tuesday, December 15.



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

	--Change From--				
	October 2020	September 2020	October 2019	September 2020	October 2019
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	60,231	57,312	58,943	2,919	1,288
Unemployed	3,854	4,398	2,056	-544	1,798
Unemployment rate	6.4%	7.7%	3.5%	-1.3	2.9
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	7.0%	8.3%	3.9%	-1.3	3.1
Employed	56,377	52,914	56,887	3,463	-510
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	43,910	43,840	47,270	70	-3,360
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	43,550	44,090	46,770	-540	-3,220
Total private	37,560	37,390	40,010	170	-2,450
Mining, logging, and construction	3,640	3,560	3,750	80	-110
Mining and logging	400	390	440	10	-40
Construction	3,240	3,170	3,310	70	-70
Manufacturing	7,710	7,810	8,700	-100	-990
Durable goods	5,520	5,580	6,440	-60	-920
Wood product manufacturing	1,990	1,990	2,150	0	-160
Primary metal manufacturing	2,010	2,010	2,420	0	-410
Nondurable goods	2,190	2,230	2,260	-40	-70
Trade, transportation, and utilities	10,880	10,550	10,430	330	450
Wholesale trade	1,760	1,740	1,750	20	10
Retail trade	5,290	5,240	5,360	50	-70
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,830	3,570	3,320	260	510
Information	310	320	420	-10	-110
Financial activities	1,440	1,430	1,520	10	-80
Professional and business services	2,990	3,000	3,270	-10	-280
Education and health services	6,130	6,180	6,710	-50	-580
Health care and social assistance	5,910	5,750	6,020	160	-110
Leisure and hospitality	3,080	3,180	3,670	-100	-590
Other services	1,380	1,360	1,540	20	-160
Government	6,350	6,450	7,260	-100	-910
Federal government	350	380	320	-30	30
State government	620	610	600	10	20
Local government	5,380	5,460	6,340	-80	-960
Local education	3,440	3,350	4,150	90	-710
Local government excluding educational services	1,940	2,110	2,190	-170	-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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