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Oregon Adds 8,700 Jobs in June

In Oregon, nonfarm payroll employment grew by 8,700 in June, following gains averaging 6,200 jobs in the prior seven months. Monthly gains in June were largest in **construction** (+2,800 jobs), **other services** (+1,600), **health care and social assistance** (+1,300), and **leisure and hospitality** (+1,300 jobs). **Government** (-600 jobs) was the only major industry that shed a substantial number of jobs.

As of June, Oregon has regained 94% of jobs lost at the onset of the pandemic. The U.S. has regained 98%. Oregon's private sector is close to a full jobs recovery, having regained 98% of pandemic recession losses.

Construction employment rose rapidly over the past 12 months, reaching a record of 118,700 jobs in June, well above the pre-pandemic peak of 112,300 in February 2020. Since June 2021, construction added 8,700 jobs, or 7.9%, faster growth than the private-sector gain of 5.2%. All construction industries grew rapidly over the past 12 months, with several growing by double-digits: **building finishing contractors** (+13.2%), **building equipment contractors** (+11.5%), **heavy and civil engineering construction** (+10.8%), and **specialty trade contractors** (+10.7%).

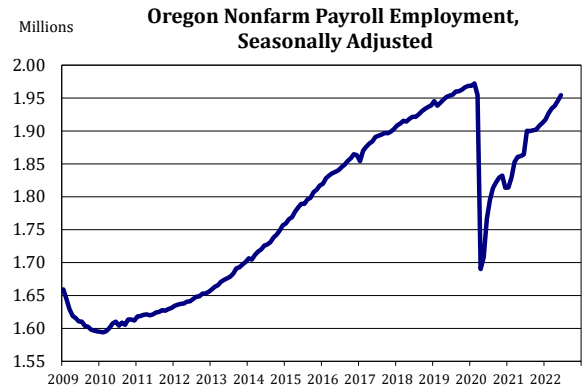
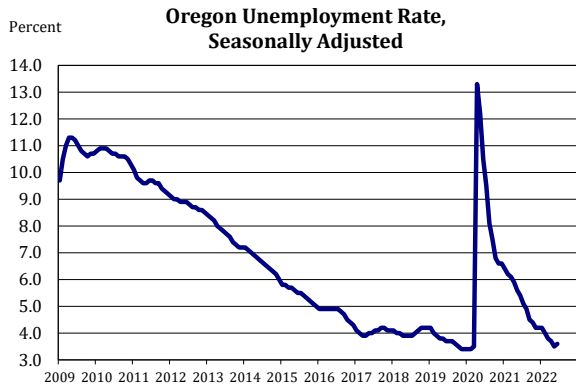
Leisure and hospitality rapidly added jobs this year and last year. It added 28,500 jobs, or 16.4%, since June 2021. Despite these gains, leisure and hospitality still accounts for a large share of the jobs Oregon has not recovered since early 2020, with 14,600 jobs left to recover to reach the prior peak month of February 2020. The industry has regained 87% of jobs lost early in the pandemic.

Health care and social assistance added jobs rapidly throughout the first half of this year—gaining 7,900 jobs through June—following a stagnant period throughout 2021. Most of the gains were seen in **ambulatory health care services**, which added 4,000 jobs during the first six months of this year, and in **social assistance**, which added 2,400 jobs.

Oregon's unemployment rate of 3.6% in June was essentially unchanged from 3.5%, as revised, in May. Oregon's unemployment rate has been below 4.0% for the past four months. The U.S. unemployment rate was 3.6% in March, April, May, and June.

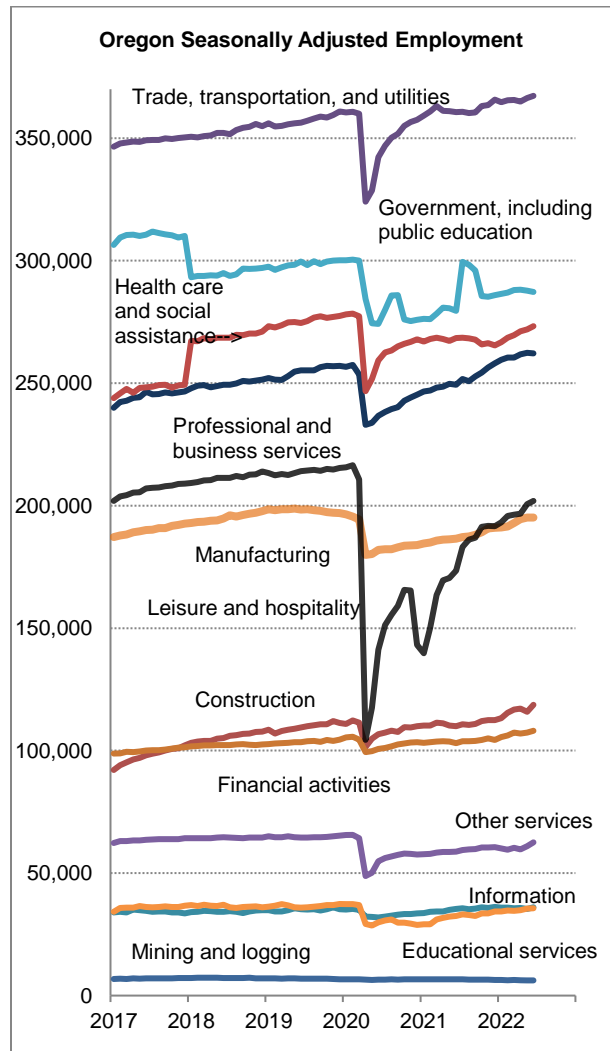
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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the June county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, July 26, and the next statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, August 17.



Seasonal Expectations and Over-the-Month Employment Changes May to June 2022

INDUSTRY	Normal Seasonal Movement	Unadjusted Change	Seasonally Adjusted Change
Total nonfarm payroll employment	9,200	17,900	8,700
Total private	8,600	17,900	9,300
Mining and logging	100	100	0
Construction	1,400	4,200	2,800
Manufacturing	3,100	3,100	0
Wholesale trade	300	1,200	900
Retail trade	1,300	1,300	0
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	0	0	0
Information	-300	400	700
Financial activities	400	1,100	700
Professional and business services	300	100	-200
Private educational services	-2,100	-1,900	200
Health care and social assistance	-300	1,000	1,300
Leisure and hospitality	4,500	5,800	1,300
Other services	-100	1,500	1,600
Government	600	0	-600



Notes:

All numbers in the above narrative are seasonally adjusted, except for the component industries within construction and health care and social assistance.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly Oregon payroll employment and labor force data. 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 publishes payroll employment estimates that are revised quarterly by using employment counts from employer unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use this *Official Oregon Series* data unless noted otherwise. This month's release incorporates the October, November and December 2021 tax records data. The department continues to make the original nonfarm payroll employment series available; these data are produced by the BLS.

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Oregon Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	June 2022	May 2022	June 2021	Change From May 2022	Change From June 2021
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	2,201,256	2,198,178	2,154,123	3,078	47,133
Unemployed	81,617	67,032	125,636	14,585	-44,019
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.0	5.8	0.7	-2.1
Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted	3.6	3.5	5.4	0.1	-1.8
Employed	2,119,639	2,131,146	2,028,487	-11,507	91,152
Other Labor Force Indicators					
Labor force participation rate, seasonally adjusted	63.6	63.5	62.3	0.1	1.3
Labor underutilization rate – U-6, seasonally adjusted	6.9	6.9	10.0	0.0	-3.1
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm payroll employment	1,971,800	1,953,900	1,877,900	17,900	93,900
Total private	1,675,000	1,657,100	1,589,800	17,900	85,200
Mining and logging	6,500	6,400	6,700	100	-200
Logging	4,600	4,600	4,900	0	-300
Construction	122,600	118,400	111,500	4,200	11,100
Construction of buildings	34,500	33,800	31,900	700	2,600
Residential building construction	22,100	21,900	20,400	200	1,700
Nonresidential building construction	12,400	11,900	11,500	500	900
Heavy and civil engineering construction	11,300	10,700	10,200	600	1,100
Specialty trade contractors	76,800	73,900	69,400	2,900	7,400
Building foundation and exterior contractors	14,200	13,700	13,100	500	1,100
Building equipment contractors	35,000	33,400	31,400	1,600	3,600
Building finishing contractors	17,100	16,800	15,100	300	2,000
Other specialty trade contractors	10,500	10,000	9,800	500	700
Manufacturing	198,800	195,700	187,800	3,100	11,000
Durable goods	136,900	137,100	128,600	-200	8,300
Wood product manufacturing	23,500	23,600	22,700	-100	800
Sawmills and wood preservation	6,600	6,600	6,300	0	300
Plywood and engineered wood product mfg.	8,700	8,800	8,500	-100	200
Other wood product manufacturing	8,200	8,200	7,900	0	300
Primary metal manufacturing	7,300	7,300	6,500	0	800
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	16,600	16,800	15,800	-200	800
Machinery manufacturing	14,900	14,900	13,800	0	1,100
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	41,600	41,400	37,500	200	4,100
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	34,700	34,200	30,300	500	4,400
Electronic instrument manufacturing	5,100	5,100	4,900	0	200
Transportation equipment manufacturing	10,900	10,900	10,700	0	200
Nondurable goods	61,900	58,600	59,200	3,300	2,700
Food manufacturing	30,100	27,900	29,200	2,200	900
Fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty	10,400	9,700	10,300	700	100
Paper manufacturing	4,100	4,000	4,100	100	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	363,700	361,200	359,200	2,500	4,500
Wholesale trade	78,500	77,300	74,500	1,200	4,000
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	38,600	38,500	37,300	100	1,300
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	32,200	31,200	29,900	1,000	2,300
Electronic markets and agents and brokers	7,700	7,600	7,300	100	400
Retail trade	206,700	205,400	209,100	1,300	-2,400
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	25,200	25,500	25,800	-300	-600
Building material and garden supply stores	18,200	18,000	19,800	200	-1,600
Food and beverage stores	46,600	46,000	45,700	600	900
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	14,300	14,100	13,200	200	1,100
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	9,500	9,400	9,200	100	300
General merchandise stores	37,500	38,200	40,900	-700	-3,400
Miscellaneous store retailers	17,900	18,000	16,600	-100	1,300
Nonstore retailers	7,700	7,600	7,700	100	0

	June 2022	May 2022	June 2021	Change From May 2022	Change From June 2021
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	78,500	78,500	75,600	0	2,900
Utilities	4,900	4,900	4,800	0	100
Transportation and warehousing	73,600	73,600	70,800	0	2,800
Truck transportation	18,900	18,600	18,700	300	200
Couriers and messengers	15,000	15,000	13,800	0	1,200
Warehousing and storage	19,900	19,900	18,500	0	1,400
Information	35,900	35,500	35,400	400	500
Publishing industries, except internet	16,100	16,000	15,800	100	300
Newspaper, book, and directory publishers	2,300	2,300	2,400	0	-100
Software publishers	13,800	13,700	13,400	100	400
Telecommunications	4,300	4,300	4,600	0	-300
Financial activities	108,100	107,000	103,000	1,100	5,100
Finance and insurance	57,200	56,300	56,100	900	1,100
Credit intermediation and related activities	25,700	25,700	25,900	0	-200
Insurance carriers and related activities	24,500	23,900	24,100	600	400
Real estate and rental and leasing	50,900	50,700	46,900	200	4,000
Real estate	44,700	45,000	41,800	-300	2,900
Professional and business services	262,100	262,000	248,600	100	13,500
Professional and technical services	109,200	109,000	102,500	200	6,700
Legal services	12,100	12,100	11,700	0	400
Architectural and engineering services	19,300	19,300	17,700	0	1,600
Computer systems design and related services	17,700	17,700	16,800	0	900
Management of companies and enterprises	49,400	49,100	47,900	300	1,500
Administrative and waste services	103,500	103,900	98,200	-400	5,300
Administrative and support services	97,500	97,900	92,200	-400	5,300
Employment services	44,400	44,200	38,400	200	6,000
Business support services	9,300	9,500	10,400	-200	-1,100
Services to buildings and dwellings	28,900	29,100	25,800	-200	3,100
Education and health services	308,000	308,900	297,200	-900	10,800
Educational services	33,800	35,700	29,500	-1,900	4,300
Health care and social assistance	274,200	273,200	267,700	1,000	6,500
Ambulatory health care services	98,500	98,200	94,300	300	4,200
Hospitals	57,600	57,300	58,400	300	-800
Nursing and residential care facilities	49,600	49,200	49,400	400	200
Social assistance	68,500	68,500	65,600	0	2,900
Leisure and hospitality	207,200	201,400	180,900	5,800	26,300
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	27,200	25,300	21,200	1,900	6,000
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	19,600	18,300	15,800	1,300	3,800
Accommodation and food services	180,000	176,100	159,700	3,900	20,300
Accommodation	23,200	22,600	21,300	600	1,900
Food services and drinking places	156,800	153,500	138,400	3,300	18,400
Full-service restaurants	69,600	66,600	57,900	3,000	11,700
Limited-service eating places	71,400	71,300	68,400	100	3,000
Other services	62,100	60,600	59,500	1,500	2,600
Repair and maintenance	18,400	18,400	18,800	0	-400
Personal and laundry services	14,700	14,300	13,800	400	900
Membership associations and organizations	29,000	27,900	26,900	1,100	2,100
Religious organizations	14,700	14,600	14,000	100	700
Government	296,800	296,800	288,100	0	8,700
Federal government	28,600	28,300	29,800	300	-1,200
State government	43,300	42,800	43,100	500	200
State education	1,100	1,100	900	0	200
Local government	224,900	225,700	215,200	-800	9,700
Indian tribal	7,700	7,700	7,600	0	100
Local education	129,100	131,300	121,600	-2,200	7,500
Labor-management disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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.

Labor Force Status: 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.

U-6 is the total unemployed plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force plus total employed part-time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the 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. These survey-based estimates are revised quarterly, based on more complete information from employer tax records.