

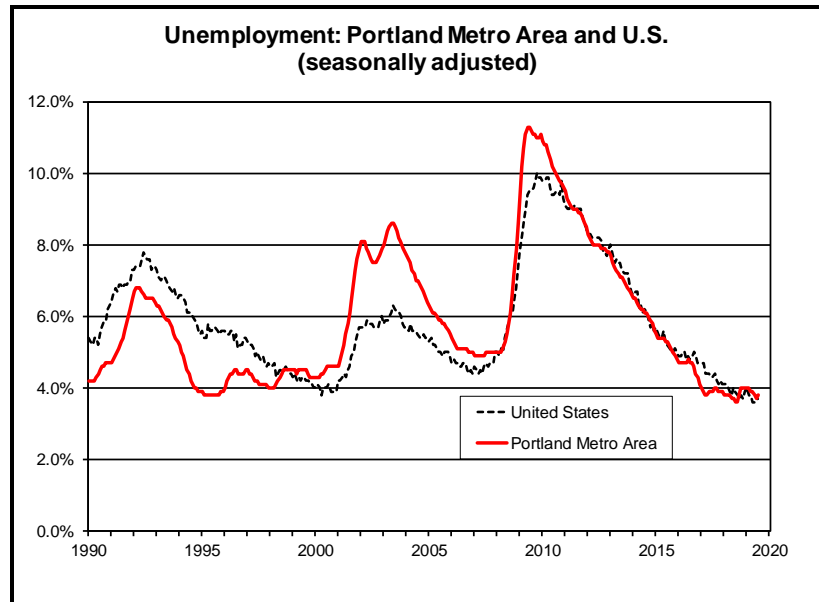
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Employment in the Portland Metro Area: July 2019

The Portland metro area's unemployment rate was essentially unchanged at 3.8 percent in July. Oregon's unemployment rate was 4.0 percent and the national rate was 3.7 percent. An estimated 53,900 Portland-area residents were unemployed in July; 1,500 more than a year earlier.

Area employers added 3,700 jobs in July (seasonally adjusted) following a loss of 1,000 jobs in June. Professional and business services registered another strong month, adding hundreds more jobs than typical. June and July's gains have boosted annual growth to 4.3 percent; second fastest among the region's broad industries. Leisure and hospitality also saw above-average gains in July.



Newly revised employment figures for the first quarter of 2019 indicate the metro area expanded somewhat more slowly than originally estimated. Annual growth rates were revised from an average of 2.5 percent (29,000 jobs) down to 2.2 percent (26,000 jobs).

Since July 2018, nonfarm employment is up by 2.3 percent (27,300 jobs). Construction remains the fastest-growing broad industry (5.1%) despite decelerating growth. Professional and business services (4.3%) and leisure and hospitality (3.5%) are also growing faster than the overall economy. Growth has moderated in trade, transportation, and utilities with the retail trade component in the red (-2.0%), mirroring national trends.

Next Press Release

The Oregon Employment Department will release the Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate and employment survey data for August on Tuesday, September 24.

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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Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2019	June 2019	July 2018	June 2019	July 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	1,336,280	1,319,700	1,319,780	1,512	15,141
Unemployed	53,914	51,257	52,366	8,683	-88
Unemployment rate	4.0%	3.9%	4.0%	0.1	0.0
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.8%	3.7%	3.8%	0.1	0.0
Employed	1,282,366	1,268,443	1,267,414	-7,171	15,229
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm	1,222,200	1,223,500	1,194,900	-1,300	27,300
<i>Total nonfarm, seasonally adjusted</i>	1,220,400	1,216,700	1,199,200	3,700	21,200
Total private	1,076,100	1,068,300	1,052,500	7,800	23,600
Mining, logging, and construction	80,400	78,000	76,600	7,800	4,100
Mining and logging	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Construction	79,000	76,600	75,200	2,400	3,800
Construction of buildings	20,500	20,000	19,700	500	800
Residential building construction	12,000	11,700	11,600	300	400
Nonresidential building construction	8,500	8,300	8,100	200	400
Heavy and civil engineering construction	7,100	6,500	6,400	600	700
Specialty trade contractors	51,400	50,100	49,100	1,300	2,300
Manufacturing	131,500	130,900	129,000	600	2,500
Durable goods	95,200	95,200	94,500	0	700
Wood product manufacturing	4,100	4,000	4,200	100	-100
Primary metal manufacturing	6,100	6,200	5,700	-100	400
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	13,500	13,400	13,300	100	200
Machinery manufacturing	10,100	10,100	10,300	0	-200
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	37,000	37,800	37,200	-800	-200
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	30,200	31,000	30,300	-800	-100
Electronic instrument manufacturing	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	100
Transportation equipment manufacturing	7,900	7,800	6,800	100	1,100
Nondurable goods	36,300	35,700	34,500	600	1,800
Food manufacturing	14,700	14,200	14,500	500	200
Paper manufacturing	2,300	2,300	2,600	0	-300
Trade, transportation, and utilities	219,100	217,800	217,100	1,300	2,000
Wholesale trade	57,300	56,600	57,100	700	200
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	29,600	29,300	29,400	300	200
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	21,300	21,000	21,100	300	200
Electronic markets and agents and brokers	6,400	6,300	6,600	100	-200
Retail trade	117,600	117,400	120,000	200	-2,400
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	14,700	14,600	14,800	100	-100
Food and beverage stores	24,200	24,200	24,100	0	100
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	11,000	10,500	10,800	500	200
General merchandise stores	22,900	22,900	23,400	0	-500
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	44,200	43,800	40,000	400	4,200
Utilities	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0
Transportation and warehousing	41,700	41,300	37,500	400	4,200
Air transportation	4,300	4,200	4,200	100	100
Truck transportation	11,000	10,900	10,800	100	200
Couriers and messengers	7,000	6,900	6,600	100	400
Warehousing and storage	7,800	7,800	5,000	0	2,800
Information	25,700	25,600	25,700	100	0
Publishing industries, except internet	10,800	10,800	10,400	0	400
Software publishers	9,200	9,200	8,800	0	400
Telecommunications	4,100	4,100	4,300	0	-200

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (continued)

	--Change From--				
	July 2019	June 2019	July 2018	June 2019	July 2018
Financial activities	73,800	73,500	73,300	300	500
Finance and insurance	42,700	42,400	43,400	300	-700
Credit intermediation and related activities	18,600	18,500	19,000	100	-400
Insurance carriers and related activities	18,300	18,000	18,300	300	0
Real estate and rental and leasing	31,100	31,100	29,900	0	1,200
Professional and business services	192,900	189,900	184,900	3,000	8,000
Professional and technical services	79,700	79,400	77,400	300	2,300
Architectural and engineering services	15,000	14,700	14,200	300	800
Computer systems design and related services	16,000	16,000	15,600	0	400
Management of companies and enterprises	42,800	42,400	41,000	400	1,800
Administrative and waste services	70,400	68,100	66,500	2,300	3,900
Administrative and support services	67,400	65,200	63,200	2,200	4,200
Employment services	29,800	28,900	27,000	900	2,800
Business support services	7,100	7,000	6,900	100	200
Services to buildings and dwellings	16,500	16,300	16,200	200	300
Education and health services	177,200	179,600	174,000	-2,400	3,200
Educational services	26,000	27,600	23,400	-1,600	2,600
Colleges and universities	10,300	11,400	8,800	-1,100	1,500
Health care and social assistance	151,200	152,000	150,600	-800	600
Ambulatory health care services	57,200	56,900	57,100	300	100
Hospitals	31,400	31,400	31,300	0	100
Nursing and residential care facilities	28,000	28,000	27,900	0	100
Social assistance	34,600	35,700	34,300	-1,100	300
Leisure and hospitality	133,400	130,900	128,900	2,500	4,500
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	22,300	20,500	20,000	1,800	2,300
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	16,300	15,000	15,000	1,300	1,300
Accommodation and food services	111,100	110,400	108,900	700	2,200
Accommodation	12,000	11,700	11,400	300	600
Food services and drinking places	99,100	98,700	97,500	400	1,600
Full-service restaurants	42,900	43,600	44,000	-700	-1,100
Limited-service eating places	44,900	44,100	42,500	800	2,400
Other services	42,100	42,100	43,000	0	-900
Membership associations and organizations	17,300	17,100	18,200	200	-900
Government	146,100	155,200	142,400	-9,100	3,700
Federal government	18,600	18,600	18,100	0	500
State government	11,200	11,300	11,400	-100	-200
State education	1,700	2,000	1,900	-300	-200
Local government	116,300	125,300	112,900	-9,000	3,400
Local education	59,900	69,300	58,200	-9,400	1,700

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 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.