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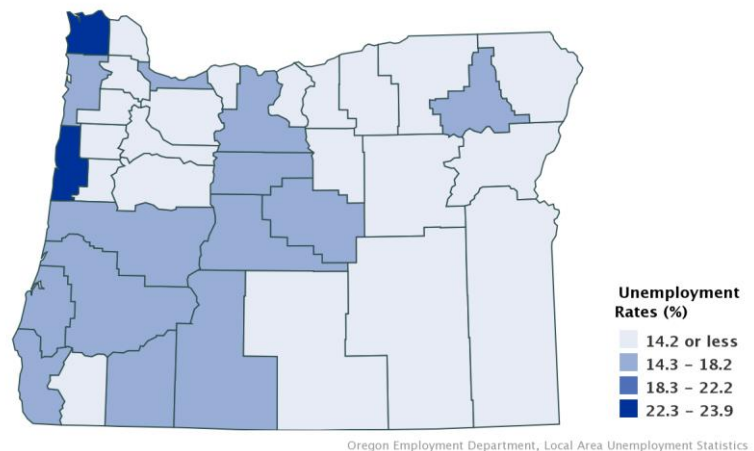
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## May 2020 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

In May 2020, Lincoln County had Oregon's highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 23.9 percent. Other counties with some of the highest unemployment rates in May include Clatsop (23.5%), Coos (17.8%), and Crook (17.5%).

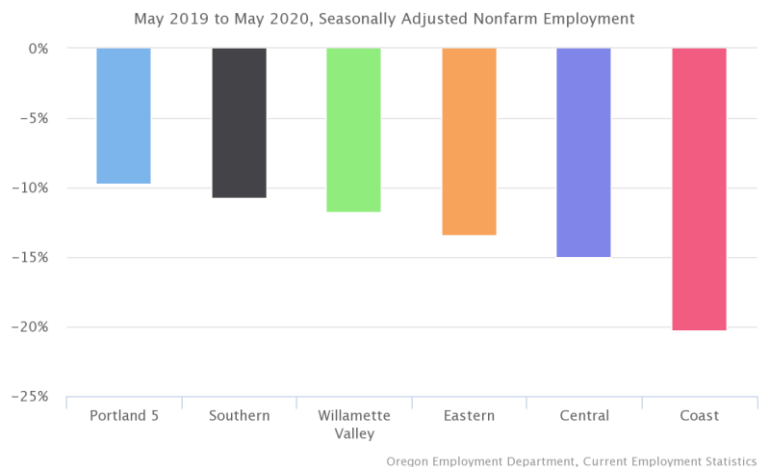
Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate, May 2020

Wheeler County registered the lowest unemployment rate for the month at 6.5 percent. Other counties with some of the lowest unemployment rates in May were Morrow (8.1%) and Lake (8.5%). Fifteen counties had unemployment rates below the national rate of 13.3 percent. Twenty-one counties also had unemployment rates at or below the statewide rate of 14.2 percent.



In May 2020, all of Oregon's counties had higher unemployment rates than their rates for May 2019. Clatsop County's unemployment rate increased 19.6 percentage points and Lincoln County's increased 19.5 percentage points from their May 2019 rates. Wheeler County's unemployment rate increased the least, gaining 2.0 percentage points from 4.5 percent in May 2019 to 6.5 percent in May 2020.

Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region



Total nonfarm payroll employment fell in all six of Oregon's broad regions between May 2019 and May 2020. The largest job losses occurred in the Coastal area (-20.3%). Central Oregon (-15.0%), Eastern Oregon (-13.4%), the Willamette Valley (-11.8%), Southern Oregon (-10.7%), and the Portland area (-9.7%) also saw job losses over the year.

### Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for June 2020 on Tuesday, July 14, 2020. The June 2020 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, July 21, 2020.

Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

|  | May 2020             |             |            |                        |                        | April 2020           |             |            |                        |                        | May 2019             |             |            |                        |                        |
|--|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|  | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate (UR) | Seasonally Adjusted UR | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate (UR) | Seasonally Adjusted UR | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate (UR) | Seasonally Adjusted UR |
| United States                          | 157,975,000          | 137,461,000 | 20,514,000 | 13.0                   | 13.0                   | 155,830,000          | 133,326,000 | 22,504,000 | 14.4                   | 14.7                   | 162,655,000          | 157,152,000 | 5,503,000  | 3.4                    | 3.6                    |
| State of Oregon                        | 2,110,532            | 1,818,599   | 291,933    | 13.8                   | 14.2                   | 2,101,238            | 1,789,587   | 311,651    | 14.8                   | 14.9                   | 2,092,575            | 2,020,585   | 71,990     | 3.4                    | 3.9                    |
| <b>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</b> |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |
| Albany (Linn County)                   | 59,910               | 51,989      | 7,921      | 13.2                   | 13.5                   | 60,724               | 51,431      | 9,293      | 15.3                   | 15.2                   | 58,533               | 56,217      | 2,316      | 4.0                    | 4.5                    |
| Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)        | 97,176               | 81,732      | 15,444     | 15.9                   | 16.3                   | 96,249               | 78,664      | 17,585     | 18.3                   | 18.3                   | 95,754               | 92,455      | 3,299      | 3.4                    | 3.9                    |
| Corvallis (Benton County)              | 47,359               | 42,766      | 4,593      | 9.7                    | 10.1                   | 47,671               | 42,747      | 4,924      | 10.3                   | 10.6                   | 48,453               | 47,186      | 1,267      | 2.6                    | 3.1                    |
| Eugene (Lane County)                   | 182,536              | 156,270     | 26,266     | 14.4                   | 14.7                   | 180,016              | 151,235     | 28,781     | 16.0                   | 16.0                   | 180,388              | 173,668     | 6,720      | 3.7                    | 4.3                    |
| Grants Pass (Josephine County)         | 36,148               | 31,293      | 4,855      | 13.4                   | 13.9                   | 35,928               | 30,441      | 5,487      | 15.3                   | 15.1                   | 35,781               | 34,163      | 1,618      | 4.5                    | 5.2                    |
| Medford (Jackson County)               | 105,133              | 90,216      | 14,917     | 14.2                   | 14.4                   | 102,887              | 86,475      | 16,412     | 16.0                   | 15.6                   | 102,918              | 98,748      | 4,170      | 4.1                    | 4.6                    |
| Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)       | 1,335,054            | 1,151,245   | 183,809    | 13.8                   | 14.1                   | 1,329,175            | 1,139,957   | 189,218    | 14.2                   | 14.3                   | 1,315,744            | 1,271,401   | 44,343     | 3.4                    | 3.7                    |
| Salem (Marion and Polk counties)       | 199,845              | 175,310     | 24,535     | 12.3                   | 12.7                   | 198,684              | 172,493     | 26,191     | 13.2                   | 13.1                   | 200,385              | 193,001     | 7,384      | 3.7                    | 4.1                    |
| <b>Counties:</b>                       |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |
| Baker                                  | 6,971                | 6,081       | 890        | 12.8                   | 13.5                   | 7,129                | 6,191       | 938        | 13.2                   | 13.0                   | 7,083                | 6,796       | 287        | 4.1                    | 4.8                    |
| Benton                                 | 47,359               | 42,766      | 4,593      | 9.7                    | 10.1                   | 47,671               | 42,747      | 4,924      | 10.3                   | 10.6                   | 48,453               | 47,186      | 1,267      | 2.6                    | 3.1                    |
| Clackamas                              | 219,326              | 190,703     | 28,623     | 13.1                   | 13.3                   | 218,466              | 188,315     | 30,151     | 13.8                   | 13.8                   | 217,809              | 210,914     | 6,895      | 3.2                    | 3.7                    |
| Clatsop                                | 18,908               | 14,575      | 4,333      | 22.9                   | 23.5                   | 19,063               | 14,437      | 4,626      | 24.3                   | 24.2                   | 19,465               | 18,806      | 659        | 3.4                    | 3.9                    |
| Columbia                               | 24,281               | 20,969      | 3,312      | 13.6                   | 14.2                   | 24,434               | 20,768      | 3,666      | 15.0                   | 15.0                   | 24,246               | 23,232      | 1,014      | 4.2                    | 4.6                    |
| Coos                                   | 26,771               | 22,200      | 4,571      | 17.1                   | 17.8                   | 26,811               | 21,810      | 5,001      | 18.7                   | 18.5                   | 26,244               | 25,057      | 1,187      | 4.5                    | 5.1                    |
| Crook                                  | 9,799                | 8,163       | 1,636      | 16.7                   | 17.5                   | 9,710                | 7,912       | 1,798      | 18.5                   | 18.3                   | 9,536                | 9,081       | 455        | 4.8                    | 5.3                    |
| Curry                                  | 8,748                | 7,295       | 1,453      | 16.6                   | 17.3                   | 8,684                | 7,114       | 1,570      | 18.1                   | 17.7                   | 8,832                | 8,425       | 407        | 4.6                    | 5.3                    |
| Deschutes                              | 97,176               | 81,732      | 15,444     | 15.9                   | 16.3                   | 96,249               | 78,664      | 17,585     | 18.3                   | 18.3                   | 95,754               | 92,455      | 3,299      | 3.4                    | 3.9                    |
| Douglas                                | 47,183               | 40,226      | 6,957      | 14.7                   | 15.4                   | 47,102               | 39,342      | 7,760      | 16.5                   | 16.2                   | 45,903               | 43,868      | 2,035      | 4.4                    | 5.0                    |
| Gilliam                                | 881                  | 783         | 98         | 11.1                   | 11.6                   | 896                  | 795         | 101        | 11.3                   | 11.3                   | 995                  | 963         | 32         | 3.2                    | 3.6                    |
| Grant                                  | 3,182                | 2,761       | 421        | 13.2                   | 14.0                   | 3,200                | 2,726       | 474        | 14.8                   | 13.1                   | 3,158                | 2,978       | 180        | 5.7                    | 6.8                    |
| Harney                                 | 3,487                | 3,172       | 315        | 9.0                    | 9.7                    | 3,501                | 3,166       | 335        | 9.6                    | 9.2                    | 3,594                | 3,431       | 163        | 4.5                    | 5.3                    |
| Hood River                             | 12,680               | 10,966      | 1,714      | 13.5                   | 13.3                   | 13,571               | 11,641      | 1,930      | 14.2                   | 13.8                   | 13,665               | 13,253      | 412        | 3.0                    | 2.9                    |
| Jackson                                | 105,133              | 90,216      | 14,917     | 14.2                   | 14.4                   | 102,887              | 86,475      | 16,412     | 16.0                   | 15.6                   | 102,918              | 98,748      | 4,170      | 4.1                    | 4.6                    |
| Jefferson                              | 10,043               | 8,449       | 1,594      | 15.9                   | 17.0                   | 9,843                | 8,441       | 1,402      | 14.2                   | 14.5                   | 10,269               | 9,838       | 431        | 4.2                    | 5.1                    |
| Josephine                              | 36,148               | 31,293      | 4,855      | 13.4                   | 13.9                   | 35,928               | 30,441      | 5,487      | 15.3                   | 15.1                   | 35,781               | 34,163      | 1,618      | 4.5                    | 5.2                    |
| Klamath                                | 29,047               | 25,005      | 4,042      | 13.9                   | 15.1                   | 29,071               | 24,517      | 4,554      | 15.7                   | 15.6                   | 29,449               | 27,955      | 1,494      | 5.1                    | 6.1                    |
| Lake                                   | 3,563                | 3,284       | 279        | 7.8                    | 8.5                    | 3,505                | 3,165       | 340        | 9.7                    | 9.0                    | 3,587                | 3,417       | 170        | 4.7                    | 5.5                    |
| Lane                                   | 182,536              | 156,270     | 26,266     | 14.4                   | 14.7                   | 180,016              | 151,235     | 28,781     | 16.0                   | 16.0                   | 180,388              | 173,668     | 6,720      | 3.7                    | 4.3                    |
| Lincoln                                | 21,245               | 16,261      | 4,984      | 23.5                   | 23.9                   | 20,944               | 15,469      | 5,475      | 26.1                   | 25.9                   | 21,018               | 20,216      | 802        | 3.8                    | 4.4                    |
| Linn                                   | 59,910               | 51,989      | 7,921      | 13.2                   | 13.5                   | 60,724               | 51,431      | 9,293      | 15.3                   | 15.2                   | 58,533               | 56,217      | 2,316      | 4.0                    | 4.5                    |
| Malheur                                | 12,453               | 11,423      | 1,030      | 8.3                    | 8.8                    | 12,453               | 11,448      | 1,005      | 8.1                    | 8.5                    | 12,240               | 11,801      | 439        | 3.6                    | 4.3                    |
| Marion                                 | 160,862              | 140,802     | 20,060     | 12.5                   | 12.9                   | 159,713              | 138,484     | 21,229     | 13.3                   | 13.2                   | 160,870              | 154,969     | 5,901      | 3.7                    | 4.1                    |
| Morrow                                 | 5,510                | 5,097       | 413        | 7.5                    | 8.1                    | 5,613                | 5,187       | 426        | 7.6                    | 8.0                    | 5,713                | 5,523       | 190        | 3.3                    | 4.0                    |
| Multnomah                              | 466,298              | 394,848     | 71,450     | 15.3                   | 15.5                   | 463,445              | 389,777     | 73,668     | 15.9                   | 15.9                   | 451,939              | 437,953     | 13,986     | 3.1                    | 3.4                    |
| Polk                                   | 38,983               | 34,508      | 4,475      | 11.5                   | 11.9                   | 38,971               | 34,009      | 4,962      | 12.7                   | 12.8                   | 39,515               | 38,032      | 1,483      | 3.8                    | 4.2                    |
| Sherman                                | 918                  | 817         | 101        | 11.0                   | 11.6                   | 959                  | 843         | 116        | 12.1                   | 12.1                   | 908                  | 880         | 28         | 3.1                    | 3.5                    |
| Tillamook                              | 11,625               | 9,691       | 1,934      | 16.6                   | 17.3                   | 11,843               | 9,716       | 2,127      | 18.0                   | 18.0                   | 11,896               | 11,483      | 413        | 3.5                    | 3.9                    |
| Umatilla                               | 36,677               | 32,133      | 4,544      | 12.4                   | 13.3                   | 37,583               | 32,384      | 5,199      | 13.8                   | 13.9                   | 37,004               | 35,565      | 1,439      | 3.9                    | 4.3                    |
| Union                                  | 11,403               | 9,554       | 1,849      | 16.2                   | 17.0                   | 12,194               | 9,921       | 2,273      | 18.6                   | 18.6                   | 11,989               | 11,508      | 481        | 4.0                    | 4.8                    |
| Wallowa                                | 3,320                | 2,903       | 417        | 12.6                   | 13.1                   | 3,376                | 2,895       | 481        | 14.2                   | 12.5                   | 3,446                | 3,263       | 183        | 5.3                    | 5.9                    |
| Wasco                                  | 12,000               | 10,212      | 1,788      | 14.9                   | 14.6                   | 12,429               | 10,604      | 1,825      | 14.7                   | 14.4                   | 12,620               | 12,138      | 482        | 3.8                    | 4.2                    |
| Washington                             | 320,397              | 282,841     | 37,556     | 11.7                   | 12.0                   | 318,046              | 279,522     | 38,524     | 12.1                   | 12.2                   | 322,589              | 313,340     | 9,249      | 2.9                    | 3.2                    |
| Wheeler                                | 653                  | 613         | 40         | 6.1                    | 6.5                    | 684                  | 644         | 40         | 5.8                    | 6.1                    | 734                  | 703         | 31         | 4.2                    | 4.5                    |
| Yamhill                                | 55,059               | 48,001      | 7,058      | 12.8                   | 13.2                   | 54,527               | 47,352      | 7,175      | 13.2                   | 13.2                   | 54,433               | 52,761      | 1,672      | 3.1                    | 3.5                    |

(1) 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. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

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

Next release: July 21, 2020