

# LANE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

## November 2025

**Note:** After being delayed by the federal shutdown, Oregon's local monthly employment reports for September will be released on Tuesday, December 16th. In the meantime, I'll be highlighting other recent data releases from our programs. We will return to the regular schedule of monthly local data releases in 2026.

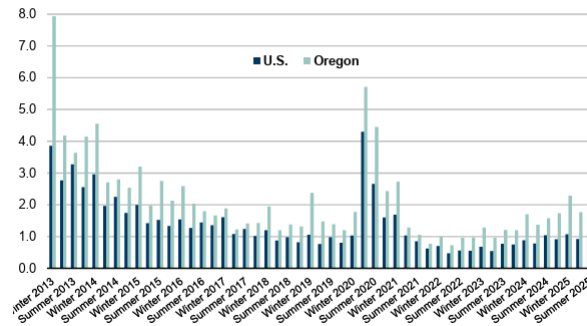
**Job Vacancies:** The number of private job vacancies declined in Oregon over the year to the summer of 2025, with a larger level of decline in the Willamette Valley than other regions. In Oregon, there were around 2 unemployed people per vacancy, higher than in 2022, but much lower than 2020.

### Oregon Private Job Vacancies

Geography	Q3 2024	Q3 2025	Change
<b>Oregon Statewide</b>	<b>61,013</b>	<b>53,642</b>	<b>-12%</b>
Portland Metro	21,582	12,443	-42%
Mid-Valley	9,946	7,194	-28%
<b>Lane</b>	<b>7,022</b>	<b>4,878</b>	<b>-31%</b>
Clackamas	6,412	8,122	27%
East Cascades	4,514	6,698	48%
Eastern OR	2,944	2,696	-8%
Rogue Valley	2,477	4,447	80%
Northwest OR	2,420	3,812	58%
Southwestern OR	2,326	2,224	-4%

Multi-area or unknown regions excluded

### Ratio of unemployed persons to job vacancies



Source: Oregon Employment Department, Job Vacancy Survey

### Real Change in Median Hourly Wage by Broad Industry First Quarter 2024 to First Quarter 2025

	1Q2025 Median Wage	Over the Year Real Gain (\$)	Over the Year Real Gain (%)
<b>All Industries</b>	<b>\$28.94</b>	<b>\$0.16</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
State Government	\$51.25	\$2.36	4.8%
Information	\$53.94	\$2.34	4.5%
Construction	\$36.81	\$0.85	2.4%
Professional and Business Services	\$32.44	\$0.67	2.1%
Financial Activities	\$35.78	\$0.63	1.8%
Local Government	\$39.14	\$0.69	1.8%
Wholesale Trade	\$33.91	\$0.55	1.6%
Other Services	\$25.96	\$0.28	1.1%
Retail Trade	\$20.73	\$0.14	0.7%
Natural Resources and Mining	\$20.43	\$0.08	0.4%
Private Educational Services	\$28.38	\$0.11	0.4%
Manufacturing	\$32.73	\$0.00	0.0%
Health Care & Social Assistance	\$27.99	-\$0.01	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$20.23	-\$0.03	-0.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	\$29.38	-\$0.25	-0.8%

Source: Oregon Employment Department, Unemployment Insurance Wage Records

**Wage Change by Industry:** From 2024 to 2025 Q1 the median wage adjusted for inflation in Oregon grew by 0.6%. Wage growth was much higher in government and information, and lower in transportation and leisure and hospitality.

## Latest Lane County Economic Data

Real Change in Median Hourly Wage in Oregon, 2024 Q1 to 2025 Q1: **\$0.16 (+0.6%)**

Business highlights: [new openings, closings & hiring events](#)

- **Closure:** Velvet, a coffee and chocolate shop in downtown Eugene, closed.
- **New Firm:** Whittaker Commons, a 120-unit affordable housing project, will open in Eugene.
- **Expansion:** Department of Veterans Affairs will open a behavioral health clinic in Eugene.
- **Closure:** Heritage Distillery in Eugene will close.

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