

Northwest Oregon Economic Indicators

For Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Lincoln & Tillamook Counties December 2025 (September 2025 Data)

Updated News Release Schedule

Reference Month	United States	Oregon	Oregon Counties
October and November 2025*	Dec. 16, 2025	Jan. 7, 2026	Jan. 13, 2026
December 2025	Jan. 9, 2026	Jan. 22, 2026	Jan. 27, 2026

Economic data releases were delayed during the Federal Government shutdown. We now have updated release dates for all U.S. state, and local press releases for 2025 employment data. October employment data will be released concurrently with November data, but there will not be any October labor force or unemployment data published. Future economic indicator newsletters will be sent out shortly after the Oregon county news releases.

Key Takeaways

Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates increased across Northwest Oregon. Benton, Clatsop, and Lincoln counties have seen unemployment rate increases less than the state. Tillamook County has seen an increase of 1 percentage point, equal to the state change, and Columbia County has increased 1.2 percentage points, slightly higher than the statewide over-the-year increase.

Nondurable goods manufacturing added jobs in three counties over the year, as did private education and health services. Professional and business services and food services and drinking places, a component of leisure and hospitality, lost jobs in multiple counties.

It should be noted that this data is from September, which was before the federal government shutdown. Any employment impact of that shutdown will be seen in the October and November data releases.

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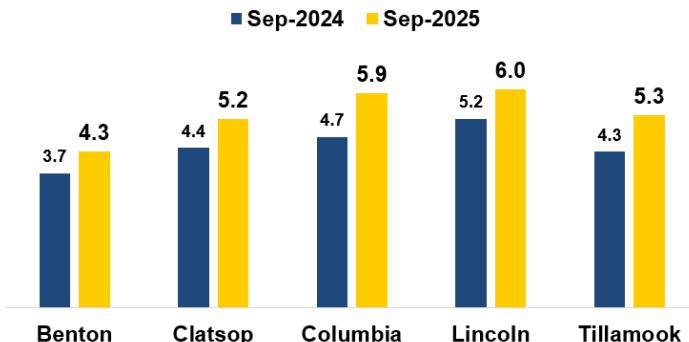
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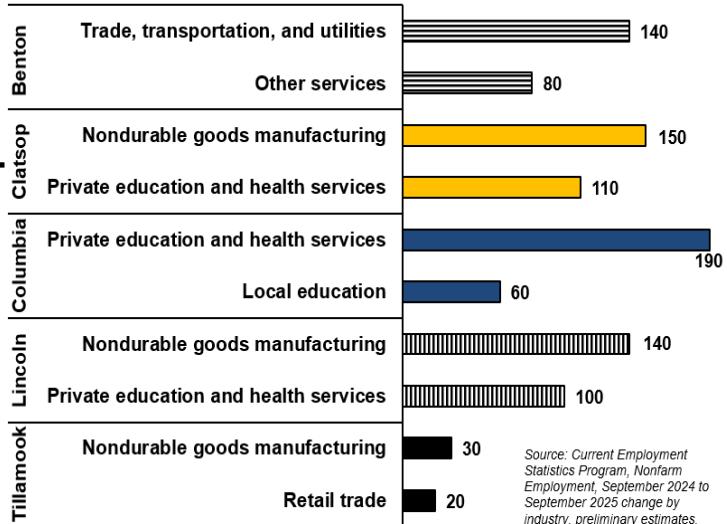
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Local Area Unemployment Rates (Preliminary Estimates, Seasonally Adjusted)



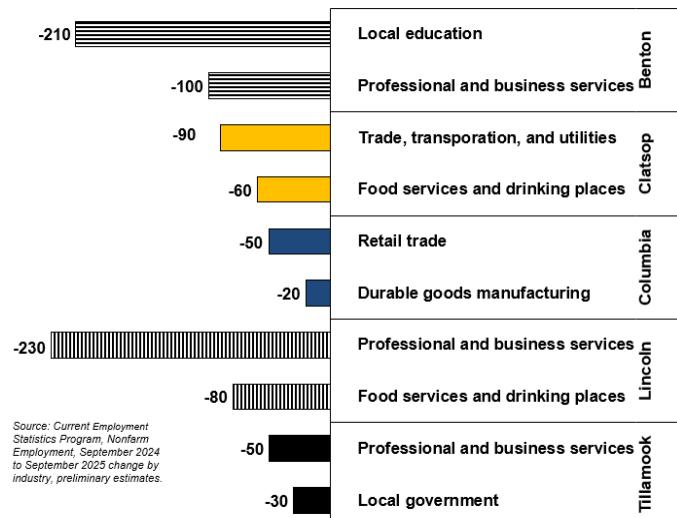
Source: Oregon Employment Department Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Industries Adding the Most Jobs in Past Year by County



Source: Current Employment Statistics Program, Nonfarm Employment, September 2024 to September 2025 change by industry, preliminary estimates.

Industries Losing the Most Jobs in Past Year by County



Source: Current Employment Statistics Program, Nonfarm Employment, September 2024 to September 2025 change by industry, preliminary estimates.