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Employment in Clatsop County: September 2025

Clatsop County Unemployment Rate Increases to 5.2% in September

Today, the Oregon Employment Department released monthly employment and unemployment data for September 2025 in Clatsop County, after a significant delay due to the federal government shutdown.

Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.2% in September, up from 5.0% in August, and above the rate of 4.4% in September 2024. The statewide unemployment rate was 5.2% in September, and the national rate was 4.4%.

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment held steady in September at 19,380 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A decrease of 290 jobs was expected for the month, and the county lost 290 jobs. The private sector lost 390 jobs while total government employment increased by 100. Leisure and hospitality lost 240 jobs. Nondurable goods manufacturing lost 70 jobs. Local education added 100 jobs.

September's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 60 jobs (+0.3%). Some major industries gained jobs over the past year, but others have plateaued or shed jobs. Nondurable goods manufacturing had the largest gain, adding 150 jobs over the year (+9.2%). Private education and health services added 110 jobs (+4.1%). The largest decline was in trade, transportation, and utilities, which lost 90 jobs (-2.5%). Food services and drinking places lost 60 jobs (-4.6%).

Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the October and November county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Jan. 13, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for October and November on Wednesday, Jan. 7.

Clatsop County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	September 2025	August 2025	September 2024	August 2025	September 2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	20,422	21,008	20,351	-586	71
Unemployed	1,062	1,102	791	-40	271
Unemployment rate	5.2%	5.2%	3.9%	0.0	1.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.2%	5.0%	4.4%	0.2	0.8
Employed	19,360	19,906	19,560	-546	-200
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	19,960	20,250	19,900	-290	60
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	19,380	19,380	19,330	0	50
Total private	17,290	17,680	17,240	-390	50
Mining, logging, and construction	1,160	1,160	1,170	0	-10
Mining and logging	60	60	70	0	-10
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	0	0
Manufacturing	2,190	2,260	2,080	-70	110
Durable goods	410	410	450	0	-40
Wood product manufacturing	240	240	300	0	-60
Nondurable goods	1,780	1,850	1,630	-70	150
Food manufacturing	870	910	820	-40	50
Paper manufacturing	830	840	750	-10	80
Trade, transportation, and utilities	3,460	3,520	3,550	-60	-90
Wholesale trade	180	190	210	-10	-30
Retail trade	2,950	2,980	2,970	-30	-20
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	330	350	370	-20	-40
Information	130	130	130	0	0
Financial activities	670	680	680	-10	-10
Professional and business services	1,120	1,110	1,120	10	0
Private education and health services	2,810	2,810	2,700	0	110
Leisure and hospitality	5,160	5,400	5,200	-240	-40
Accommodation and food services	4,890	5,120	4,880	-230	10
Accommodation	1,600	1,660	1,530	-60	70
Food services and drinking places	3,290	3,460	3,350	-170	-60
Other services	590	610	610	-20	-20
Government	2,670	2,570	2,660	100	10
Federal government	170	180	170	-10	0
State government	370	370	380	0	-10
Local government	2,130	2,020	2,110	110	20
Local education	1,000	900	980	100	20
Local government excluding educational services	1,130	1,120	1,130	10	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.

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: 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.

Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	<u>September 2025</u>	<u>August 2025</u>	<u>September 2024</u>
United States	4.4	4.3	4.1
State of Oregon	5.2	5.0	4.2
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	5.6	5.4	4.7
Bend (Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties)	4.9	4.8	4.3
Corvallis (Benton County)	4.3	4.1	3.7
Eugene-Springfield (Lane County)	5.0	4.9	4.3
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	7.3	7.1	6.0
Medford (Jackson County)	5.7	5.6	5.0
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.9	4.7	4.1
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	5.0	4.9	4.2
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.7	5.5	4.6
Benton	4.3	4.1	3.7
Clackamas	4.8	4.7	4.0
Clatsop	5.2	5.0	4.4
Columbia	5.9	5.7	4.7
Coos	5.8	5.6	5.0
Crook	5.6	5.4	5.2
Curry	6.8	6.5	5.8
Deschutes	4.7	4.6	4.1
Douglas	6.2	6.0	5.5
Gilliam	5.2	4.8	4.7
Grant	7.6	7.3	6.5
Harney	4.9	4.7	4.5
Hood River	4.1	4.0	3.4
Jackson	5.7	5.6	5.0
Jefferson	5.6	5.4	4.6
Josephine	7.3	7.1	6.0
Klamath	7.2	7.0	5.9
Lake	6.3	6.2	5.0
Lane	5.0	4.9	4.3
Lincoln	6.0	5.8	5.2
Linn	5.6	5.4	4.7
Malheur	4.8	4.6	4.0
Marion	5.0	4.9	4.2
Morrow	4.9	4.9	3.9
Multnomah	5.1	4.9	4.2
Polk	4.8	4.7	4.1
Sherman	5.0	4.8	3.9
Tillamook	5.3	5.2	4.3
Umatilla	5.5	5.4	4.7
Union	5.7	5.6	4.8
Wallowa	5.9	5.6	4.6
Wasco	5.2	5.0	4.3
Washington	4.9	4.7	3.8
Wheeler	4.1	3.9	3.9
Yamhill	4.8	4.6	4.0

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

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

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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