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Employment in Columbia County: June 2025

Seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 70 in June

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment decreased by 70 in June to 12,150 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 70 jobs was expected for the month, and the county's payroll employment was unchanged. The private sector added 20 jobs, and government employment decreased by 20. Trade, transportation, and utilities lost 30 jobs. Local education employment decreased by 40. Other industries had little to no change.

June's total nonfarm employment was down from the previous year by 40 jobs, a decrease of 0.3%. Some broad sectors gained jobs over the past year. The largest gain occurred in professional and business services, which added 110 jobs (+9.3%). Leisure and hospitality was down 80 jobs over the year (-5.4%).

Columbia County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.5% in June, up from 5.4% in May. It was 4.5% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 4.9% in June, and the national rate was 4.1%.

Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the July county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Aug. 19, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, Aug. 13.







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Columbia County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

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	June	Мау	June	May	June
	2025	2025	2024	2025	2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	26,735	26,668	26,536	67	199
Unemployed	1,530	1,352	1,169	178	361
Unemployment rate	5.7%	5.1%	4.4%	0.6	1.3
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	5.5%	5.4%	4.5%	0.1	1.0
Employed	25,205	25,316	25,367	-111	-162
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	12,290	12,290	12,330	0	-40
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	12,150	12,220	12,200	-70	-50
Total private	10,190	10,170	10,230	20	-40
Mining, logging, and construction	900	900	930	0	-30
Mining and logging	190	190	210	0	-20
Construction	710	710	720	0	-10
Manufacturing	1,490	1,500	1,480	-10	10
Durable goods	1,100	1,110	1,110	-10	-10
Wood product manufacturing	230	240	220	-10	10
Nondurable goods	390	390	370	0	20
Paper manufacturing	0	0	0	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	2,320	2,350	2,370	-30	-50
Retail trade	1,600	1,590	1,610	10	-10
Information	60	60	130	0	-70
Financial activities	510	510	520	0	-10
Professional and business services	1,290	1,270	1,180	20	110
Private education and health services	1,710	1,700	1,650	10	60
Leisure and hospitality	1,410	1,390	1,490	20	-80
Other services	500	490	480	10	20
Government	2,100	2,120	2,100	-20	0
Federal government	70	80	80	-10	-10
State government	240	230	220	10	20
Local government	1,790	1,810	1,800	-20	-10
Local education	1,090	1,130	1,110	-40	-20
Local government excluding educational services	700	680	690	20	10

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)

	June 2025	May 2025	June 2024
United States	4.1	4.2	4.1
State of Oregon	4.9	4.8	4.1
Metropolitan Statistical Areas:			
Albany (Linn County)	5.2	5.1	4.6
Bend (Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties)	4.6	4.4	4.3
Corvallis (Benton County)	4.0	3.9	3.4
Eugene-Springfield (Lane County)	4.7	4.6	4.1
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	6.6	6.4	5.7
Medford (Jackson County)	5.3	5.2	4.8
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	4.5	4.5	3.9
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	4.6	4.5	4.0
Counties (1):			
Baker	5.1	4.9	4.7
Benton	4.0	3.9	3.4
Clackamas	4.5	4.4	3.8
Clatsop	4.7	4.6	4.2
Columbia	5.5	5.4	4.5
Coos	5.4	5.2	4.7
Crook	5.3	5.2	5.4
Curry	6.1	5.8	5.9
Deschutes	4.5	4.4	4.1
Douglas	5.9	5.7	5.3
Gilliam	4.6	4.5	4.7
Grant	6.7	6.5	6.0
Harney	4.6	4.5	4.5
Hood River	3.9	3.8	3.4
Jackson	5.3	5.2	4.8
Jefferson	5.0	4.7	4.6
Josephine	6.6	6.4	5.7
Klamath	6.7	6.5	5.9
Lake	6.1	5.8	4.9
Lane	4.7	4.6	4.1
Lincoln	5.5	5.3	5.0
Linn	5.2	5.1	4.6
Malheur	4.4	4.3	4.0
Marion	4.7	4.6	4.1
Morrow	5.0	4.9	3.9
Multnomah	4.7	4.6	4.0
Polk	4.5	4.4	3.8
Sherman	4.1	4.0	3.9
Tillamook	5.0	4.9	4.2
Umatilla	5.2	5.1	4.4
Union	5.5	5.4	4.6
Wallowa	5.3	5.1	4.6
Wasco	4.7	4.6	4.2
Washington	4.5	4.3	3.6
Wheeler	4.0	4.1	3.7
Yamhill	4.5	4.4	3.8

⁽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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