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## **Employment in Douglas County**

### **Douglas County's Unemployment Rate was 6.5% in November**

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.5% in November and 6.2% in September. The October unemployment rate is not available since underlying data was not collected due to the federal government shutdown that month. Over the year, Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate is up from 5.5% in November 2024. The Oregon rate was 5.2% and the U.S. rate was 4.6%

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment increased by 50 jobs in November after a loss of 200 in October and a gain of 110 in September.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in November, there were gains in transportation, warehousing, and utilities (70), retail trade (30), and private education and health services (30). There were losses in leisure and hospitality (-80), professional and business services (-50), and manufacturing (-30).

Government decreased by 30 in the month of November from losses in federal government (-20) and local government (-10).

When comparing November 2025 with November 2024, seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment increased by 80 jobs, or 0.2%. There were relatively large private-sector over-the-year gains in private education and health services (260) and professional and business services (110). There were relatively large losses in retail trade (-170), manufacturing (-140), and leisure and hospitality (-40).

Government rose 50 over the year in November due to gains in local education (70), Indian tribal (20), and state government (10) that were countered by losses in federal government (-40), and other local government (-10).

### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rate and employment survey data on Tuesday, Jan. 27, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for December on Thursday, Jan. 22.

## Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

				--Change From--	
	November 2025	October 2025	November 2024	October 2025	November 2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	45,338	NA	45,977	NA	-639
Unemployed	2,770	NA	2,361	NA	409
Unemployment rate	6.1%	NA	5.1%	NA	1.0
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	6.5%	NA	5.5%	NA	1.0
Employed	42,568	NA	43,616	NA	-1,048
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,610	38,680	38,530	-70	80
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	38,500	38,450	38,420	50	80
Total private	30,560	30,600	30,530	-40	30
Mining, logging, and construction	2,550	2,560	2,550	-10	0
Mining and logging	820	820	810	0	10
Construction	1,730	1,740	1,740	-10	-10
Manufacturing	4,280	4,310	4,420	-30	-140
Durable goods	3,850	3,850	3,950	0	-100
Wood product manufacturing	2,550	2,570	2,590	-20	-40
Nondurable goods	430	460	470	-30	-40
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,930	6,810	7,090	120	-160
Wholesale trade	900	880	880	20	20
Retail trade	4,510	4,480	4,680	30	-170
Food and beverage retailers	1,070	1,060	1,090	10	-20
General merchandise retailers	1,190	1,130	1,160	60	30
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,520	1,450	1,530	70	-10
Information	310	310	330	0	-20
Financial activities	1,320	1,340	1,300	-20	20
Professional and business services	3,000	3,050	2,890	-50	110
Private education and health services	7,290	7,260	7,030	30	260
Leisure and hospitality	3,620	3,700	3,660	-80	-40
Food services and drinking places	2,880	2,910	2,900	-30	-20
Other services	1,260	1,260	1,260	0	0
Government	8,050	8,080	8,000	-30	50
Federal government	1,450	1,470	1,490	-20	-40
State government	700	700	690	0	10
Local government	5,900	5,910	5,820	-10	80
Indian tribal	1,140	1,130	1,120	10	20
Local education	3,200	3,210	3,130	-10	70
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,560	1,570	1,570	-10	-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.

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.

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