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Employment in Jackson County: June 2025 Health Care and Social Assistance Adds Most Jobs Over the Year

Total payroll employment in Jackson County fell by 310 jobs in June. Private education and health services posted the largest drop, down by 460 jobs. Employment also declined in professional and business services (-90) and other services (-50). Industries with estimated job gains in June were leisure and hospitality (+220); retail trade (+90); wholesale trade (+30); and construction (+30). Government employment slipped by 80 jobs in June. Local government education shed 100 jobs while slight gains were posted in state (+20), and federal government (+10).

Over the past year, payroll employment in the Medford MSA (Jackson County) climbed by 360 jobs, or 0.4%. Since June 2024 industries adding jobs were private education and health services (+1,020); leisure and hospitality (+200); retail trade (+160); and professional and business services (+100). Industries shedding jobs were manufacturing (-140), wholesale trade (-70), information (-30), and financial activities (-20). Government employment retreated by 110 jobs over the year. Local government education was down by 180 jobs while state government employment rose by 110 since June 2024. Federal government employment fell by 40 jobs over that time.

Jackson County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was estimated at 5.3% in June, from 5.2% in May and up slightly from 4.8% in June 2024.

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Notes:

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.

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Medford-Ashland MSA (Jackson County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

				Change From	
	June 2025	May 2025	June 2024	May 2025	June 2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	107,138	106,071	106,183	1,067	955
Unemployed	6,288	5,362	5,248	926	1,040
Unemployment rate	5.9%	5.1%	4.9%	0.8	1.0
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	5.3%	5.2%	4.8%	0.1	0.5
Employed	100,850	100,709	100,935	141	-85
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	90,380	90,690	90,020	-310	360
Total private	78,360	78,590	77,890	-230	470
Mining, logging, and construction	5,840	5,800	5,980	40	-140
Mining and logging	460	450	490	10	-30
Construction	5,380	5,350	5,490	30	-110
Manufacturing	6,700	6,680	6,840	20	-140
Trade, transportation, and utilities	19,020	18,920	18,930	100	90
Wholesale trade	2,520	2,490	2,590	30	-70
Retail trade	13,100	13,010	12,940	90	160
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,400	3,420	3,400	-20	0
Information	890	880	920	10	-30
Financial activities	3,640	3,660	3,660	-20	-20
Professional and business services	8,300	8,390	8,200	-90	100
Private education and health services	19,980	20,440	19,570	-460	410
Health care and social assistance	19,530	19,700	18,510	-170	1,020
Leisure and hospitality	11,310	11,090	11,110	220	200
Accommodation and food services	9,520	9,390	9,390	130	130
Other services	2,680	2,730	2,680	-50	0
Government	12,020	12,100	12,130	-80	-110
Federal government	1,940	1,930	1,980	10	-40
State government	1,360	1,340	1,250	20	110
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	8,720	8,830	8,900	-110	-180
Local education	5,440	5,540	5,620	-100	-180

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: Official Oregon Series. 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.