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Employment in Lane County (Eugene MSA)

Lane County Payroll Jobs Declined in February

Lane County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment decreased by 600 in February after gains of 100 in January and 800 in December.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in February, there were job losses in retail trade (-100); accommodations and food services (-100); and transportation, warehousing, and utilities (-100). Gains were posted in construction (100), professional and business services (100), and private education and health services (100).

Government gained 300 jobs in February due to an increase in local government education (300).

When comparing February 2026 with February 2025, total nonfarm employment dropped 1,500 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis for a loss of 0.9%. There was a relatively large increase in health care and social assistance (1,500). There were losses in leisure and hospitality (-500), professional and business services (-400), manufacturing (-400), wholesale trade (-200), and retail trade (-200).

There was an over-the-year loss of 400 in government in February from losses in both local education (-600) and federal government (-100), countered by a gain in noneducation local government (300).

Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged in February, sticking at 5.3%. The rate was up from 4.5% in February 2025. The Oregon seasonally adjusted February rate was 5.2% and the U.S. rate was 4.4%.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the March county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, May 5th, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for March on Friday, May 1st.

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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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Eugene-Springfield MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	February 2026	January 2026	February 2025	January 2026	February 2025
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	189,124	188,049	189,679	1,075	-555
Unemployed	10,583	10,813	9,747	-230	836
Unemployment rate	5.6%	5.8%	5.1%	-0.2	0.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.3%	5.3%	4.5%	0.0	0.8
Employed	178,541	177,236	179,932	1,305	-1,391
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	161,700	161,300	163,600	400	-1,900
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>162,600</i>	<i>163,200</i>	<i>164,100</i>	<i>-600</i>	<i>-1,500</i>
Total private	130,000	129,900	131,500	100	-1,500
Mining, logging, and construction	8,000	7,900	8,000	100	0
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Construction	7,100	7,000	7,100	100	0
Manufacturing	13,700	13,700	14,100	0	-400
Durable goods	8,900	8,900	9,100	0	-200
Wood product manufacturing	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Nondurable goods	4,800	4,800	5,000	0	-200
Trade, transportation, and utilities	27,700	27,900	28,300	-200	-600
Wholesale trade	5,700	5,700	5,900	0	-200
Retail trade	18,500	18,600	18,700	-100	-200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,500	3,600	3,700	-100	-200
Information	1,800	1,800	2,000	0	-200
Financial activities	8,500	8,500	8,500	0	0
Professional and business services	16,700	16,600	17,100	100	-400
Administrative and support services	5,800	5,800	5,900	0	-100
Private education and health services	31,800	31,700	31,100	100	700
Health care and social assistance	30,400	30,400	28,900	0	1,500
Leisure and hospitality	16,600	16,600	17,100	0	-500
Accommodation and food services	14,800	14,900	15,100	-100	-300
Food services and drinking places	13,300	13,400	13,600	-100	-300
Other services	5,200	5,200	5,300	0	-100
Government	31,700	31,400	32,100	300	-400
Federal government	1,800	1,800	1,900	0	-100
State government	2,100	2,100	2,100	0	0
State education	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Local government	27,800	27,500	28,100	300	-300
Local education	19,300	19,000	19,900	300	-600

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.

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