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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): March 2025

Linn County's Employment Grows

Linn County's employment gains in March were more than normal; total nonfarm employment increased by 90 jobs, when employment would be expected to increase 20 jobs. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment increased by 70 jobs between February and March. Employment is now 3.0%, or 1,390 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment was up 720 (+1.5%) over the past year.

Private-sector employment was up 10 in March. Industries showing the largest employment gains in March included health care and social assistance (+70 jobs, +1.0%) and professional and business services (+30 jobs, +0.8%).

Public-sector employment was up 80 in March. Local government employment was up 80. Federal government employment and state government employment were both unchanged in March.

Linn County's unadjusted unemployment rate was 5.6% in March, up from its revised rate of 5.5% in February. Oregon's statewide unadjusted unemployment rate in March was 5.2%, unchanged from its revised February rate of 5.2%.

Labor force statistics for Oregon metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) are produced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. Through June 2025, seasonally adjusted data are not available for Oregon MSAs or other MSAs around the country. New MSA definitions resulting from the 2020 Census are being incorporated into the history of the data series back to 1990, as well as other updates to the processing of labor force estimates for substate areas. Read more on this pause in seasonally adjusted metro area data [here](#).

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the April county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, May 20 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Wednesday, May 14.



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Albany MSA (Linn County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2025	February 2025	March 2024	February 2025	March 2024
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	62,433	62,381	61,754	52	679
Unemployed	3,487	3,449	3,047	38	440
Unemployment rate	5.6%	5.5%	4.9%	0.1	0.7
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>					
Employed	58,946	58,932	58,707	14	239
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	48,040	47,950	47,530	90	510
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>48,290</i>	<i>48,220</i>	<i>47,570</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>720</i>
Total private	40,830	40,820	40,280	10	550
Mining, logging, and construction	3,600	3,590	3,520	10	80
Mining and logging	420	420	360	0	60
Construction	3,180	3,170	3,160	10	20
Manufacturing	8,170	8,190	8,210	-20	-40
Durable goods	6,060	6,080	6,130	-20	-70
Wood product manufacturing	1,980	1,980	2,110	0	-130
Primary metal manufacturing	2,380	2,380	2,310	0	70
Nondurable goods	2,110	2,110	2,080	0	30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	10,380	10,440	10,480	-60	-100
Wholesale trade	1,820	1,810	1,920	10	-100
Retail trade	5,250	5,270	5,350	-20	-100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,310	3,360	3,210	-50	100
Information	300	300	330	0	-30
Financial activities	1,520	1,530	1,520	-10	0
Professional and business services	3,630	3,600	3,210	30	420
Private education and health services	7,980	7,960	7,600	20	380
Health care and social assistance	7,270	7,200	6,930	70	340
Leisure and hospitality	3,840	3,810	4,030	30	-190
Other services	1,410	1,400	1,380	10	30
Government	7,210	7,130	7,250	80	-40
Federal government	370	370	380	0	-10
State government	710	710	660	0	50
Local government	6,130	6,050	6,210	80	-80
Local education	3,960	3,930	4,000	30	-40
Local government excluding educational services	2,170	2,120	2,210	50	-40

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.

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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