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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): May 2025

Linn County's Unemployment Rate Increases to 5.1%

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.1% in May, up from its April rate of 5.0%. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in May was 4.8%, up from its April rate of 4.7%.

Linn County's employment gains in May were less than normal; total nonfarm employment increased by 10 jobs, when employment would be expected to increase 120 jobs. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 110 jobs between April and May. Employment is now 3.1%, or 1,460 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment was up 910 (+1.9%) over the past year.

Private-sector employment was up 10 in May. Leisure and hospitality (+70 jobs, +1.7%) had the largest employment gains in May. Trade, transportation, and utilities had the largest employment losses (-50 jobs, -0.6%).

Public-sector employment was unchanged in May. Local government excluding educational services employment added 30. Federal government employment shed 30 jobs.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the June county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, July 22, and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for June on Wednesday, July 16.

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

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	May	April	May	April	May
Labor Force Status	2025	2025	2024	2025	2024
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Civilian labor force	62,064	62,122	61,043	-58	1,021
Unemployed	3,132	2,879	2,479	253	653
Unemployment rate	5.0%	4.6%	4.1%	0.4	0.9
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	5.1%	5.0%	4.5%	<i>0.1</i> -311	<i>0.6</i> 368
Employed	58,932	59,243	58,564	-311	300
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	47,890	47,880	47,610	10	280
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	48,360	48,470	47,450	-110	910
Total private	40,630	40,620	40,390	10	240
Mining, logging, and construction	3,600	3,600	3,610	0	-10
Mining and logging	340	340	370	0	-30
Construction	3,260	3,260	3,240	0	20
Manufacturing	8,270	8,310	8,310	-40	-40
Durable goods	6,150	6,170	6,190	-20	-40
Wood product manufacturing	1,990	1,990	2,090	0	-100
Primary metal manufacturing	2,440	2,440	2,360	0	80
Nondurable goods	2,120	2,140	2,120	-20	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	9,970	10,030	10,430	-60	-460
Wholesale trade	1,750	1,750	1,920	0	-170
Retail trade	5,180	5,200	5,320	-20	-140
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,040	3,080	3,190	-40	-150
Information	280	280	300	0	-20
Financial activities	1,510	1,500	1,540	10	-30
Professional and business services	3,540	3,540	3,130	0	410
Private education and health services	7,970	7,940	7,740	30	230
Health care and social assistance	7,300	7,290	7,030	10	270
Leisure and hospitality	4,190	4,120	3,940	70	250
Other services	1,300	1,300	1,390	0	-90
Government	7,260	7,260	7,220	0	40
Federal government	360	390	390	-30	-30
State government	730	720	660	10	70
Local government	6,170	6,150	6,170	20	0
Local education	3,940	3,950	3,950	-10	-10
Local government excluding educational services	2,230	2,200	2,220	30	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: 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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