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## **Employment in Tillamook County: March 2026**

### **Seasonally adjusted employment increased by 30 in March**

Tillamook County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.3% in March, down from 5.4% in February. It was 4.7% the year before. The statewide unemployment rate was 5.2% in March, and the national rate was 4.3%.

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment increased by 30 in March to 9,650 jobs. Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. Employment was expected to increase by 80 jobs, and the county added 110 jobs, with a gain of 140 jobs in the private sector and a loss of 30 jobs in total government employment. Leisure and hospitality added 70 jobs (+5.4%). Manufacturing added 40 jobs (+2.4%). Local education lost 30 jobs (-3.8%).

March's total nonfarm employment was up from the previous year by 120 jobs, an increase of 1.3%. Nondurable goods manufacturing added 100 jobs (+8.2%). Food services and drinking places lost 60 jobs (-6.4%). Local government excluding education added 50 jobs over the year (+5.7%).

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the April statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data on Wednesday, May 20, and April county and metropolitan area unemployment and jobs data on Wednesday, May 27.

## Tillamook County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	March 2026	February 2026	March 2025	February 2026	March 2025
<b>Labor Force Status</b>					
Civilian labor force	11,565	11,471	11,367	94	198
Unemployed	628	686	625	-58	3
Unemployment rate	5.4%	6.0%	5.5%	-0.6	-0.1
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.3%	5.4%	4.7%	-0.1	0.6
Employed	10,937	10,785	10,742	152	195
<b>Nonfarm Payroll Employment</b>					
Total nonfarm employment	9,440	9,330	9,320	110	120
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	9,650	9,620	9,520	30	130
Total private	7,260	7,120	7,160	140	100
Mining, logging, and construction	510	510	520	0	-10
Mining and logging	140	140	140	0	0
Construction	370	370	380	0	-10
Manufacturing	1,680	1,640	1,590	40	90
Durable goods	360	360	370	0	-10
Wood product manufacturing	290	290	290	0	0
Nondurable goods	1,320	1,280	1,220	40	100
Food manufacturing	1,230	1,190	1,140	40	90
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,530	1,510	1,450	20	80
Retail trade	1,080	1,070	1,080	10	0
Information	50	50	50	0	0
Financial activities	240	240	250	0	-10
Professional and business services	350	340	370	10	-20
Private education and health services	1,140	1,140	1,150	0	-10
Leisure and hospitality	1,370	1,300	1,410	70	-40
Accommodation and food services	1,320	1,250	1,370	70	-50
Accommodation	440	420	430	20	10
Food services and drinking places	880	830	940	50	-60
Other services	390	390	370	0	20
Government	2,180	2,210	2,160	-30	20
Federal government	100	100	110	0	-10
State government	400	400	380	0	20
Local government	1,680	1,710	1,670	-30	10
Local education	760	790	800	-30	-40
Local government excluding educational services	920	920	870	0	50

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.

## Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates by Area (1)

	March 2026	February 2026	March 2025
United States	4.3	4.4	4.2
State of Oregon	5.2	5.2	5.0
<u>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</u>			
Albany (Linn County)	5.4	5.5	4.9
Bend (Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties)	4.9	5.0	4.4
Corvallis (Benton County)	4.4	4.6	4.0
Eugene-Springfield (Lane County)	5.2	5.3	4.6
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	6.8	7.0	6.3
Medford (Jackson County)	5.8	5.8	5.2
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	5.0	5.1	4.5
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	5.0	5.0	4.5
<u>Counties (1):</u>			
Baker	5.4	5.6	4.8
Benton	4.4	4.6	4.0
Clackamas	4.9	4.9	4.3
Clatsop	5.0	5.1	4.5
Columbia	6.1	6.1	5.2
Coos	5.7	5.8	5.2
Crook	5.8	5.9	5.2
Curry	6.4	6.6	5.6
Deschutes	4.8	4.8	4.3
Douglas	6.2	6.3	5.7
Gilliam	5.5	5.7	4.6
Grant	7.1	7.3	6.5
Harney	4.6	4.7	4.5
Hood River	4.0	4.1	3.7
Jackson	5.8	5.8	5.2
Jefferson	5.5	5.6	4.6
Josephine	6.8	7.0	6.3
Klamath	7.2	7.4	6.3
Lake	5.8	6.0	5.4
Lane	5.2	5.3	4.6
Lincoln	5.9	6.0	5.3
Linn	5.4	5.5	4.9
Malheur	4.5	4.6	4.3
Marion	5.0	5.0	4.4
Morrow	4.5	4.6	4.7
Multnomah	5.1	5.2	4.5
Polk	4.9	4.9	4.3
Sherman	4.9	5.1	3.9
Tillamook	5.3	5.4	4.7
Umatilla	5.2	5.3	4.9
Union	5.3	5.5	5.2
Wallowa	6.0	6.1	4.9
Wasco	5.0	5.1	4.5
Washington	5.0	5.1	4.2
Wheeler	4.7	4.8	4.3
Yamhill	4.9	5.0	4.3

(1) Seasonally adjusted rates for the United States and Oregon are official Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) series. Source of Metro data is BLS and LAUS. Source of county data is OED.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.

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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