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Employment in Yamhill County: February 2026

Yamhill County's Unemployment Rate Remains at 5.0%

Yamhill County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.0% in February, matching January's revised unemployment rate. Yamhill County's unemployment rate increased from 4.3% to 5.0% over the past year. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in February was 5.2%. Oregon's unemployment rate increased from 4.9% to 5.2% over the past year.

Yamhill County's employment gains in February were less than normal; total nonfarm employment increased 390 jobs, when an employment increase of 520 jobs would be expected. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment was down 130 in February. Employment is 1,670 jobs (+4.7%) above the pre-pandemic level in February 2020.

Over the past year Yamhill County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment has gained 260 jobs or +0.7%.

The private sector added 430 jobs in February. The largest private-sector industry employment gains in February were reported in private education services (+290 jobs, +11.2%) and leisure and hospitality (+70 jobs, +1.9%).

Yamhill County's public-sector employment was down 40 in February. Local government employment was down 30 jobs. Federal government shed 10 jobs in February. State government employment was unchanged in February.

Next Press Releases

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



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Yamhill County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	February 2026	January 2026	February 2025	January 2026	February 2025
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	56,174	55,994	56,870	180	-696
Unemployed	2,964	3,066	2,766	-102	198
Unemployment rate	5.3%	5.5%	4.9%	-0.2	0.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.0%	5.0%	4.3%	0.0	0.7
Employed	53,210	52,928	54,104	282	-894
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	36,870	36,480	36,620	390	250
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	37,050	37,180	36,790	-130	260
Total private	32,380	31,950	31,950	430	430
Mining, logging, and construction	2,080	2,050	2,190	30	-110
Mining and logging	90	90	90	0	0
Construction	1,990	1,960	2,100	30	-110
Manufacturing	6,570	6,570	6,460	0	110
Trade, transportation, and utilities	4,840	4,830	4,810	10	30
Wholesale trade	690	690	720	0	-30
Retail trade	3,650	3,640	3,640	10	10
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	630	630	650	0	-20
Food and beverage retailers	950	940	910	10	40
General merchandise retailers	710	720	700	-10	10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	500	500	450	0	50
Information	320	330	290	-10	30
Financial activities	1,100	1,100	1,200	0	-100
Professional and business services	2,260	2,210	2,310	50	-50
Private education and health services	10,320	10,040	9,850	280	470
Private educational services	2,880	2,590	2,840	290	40
Health care and social assistance	7,440	7,450	7,010	-10	430
Leisure and hospitality	3,780	3,710	3,710	70	70
Other services	1,110	1,110	1,130	0	-20
Government	4,490	4,530	4,670	-40	-180
Federal government	430	440	460	-10	-30
State government	270	270	270	0	0
Local government	3,790	3,820	3,940	-30	-150
Local education	2,100	2,120	2,260	-20	-160
Local government excluding educational services	1,690	1,700	1,680	-10	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: 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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