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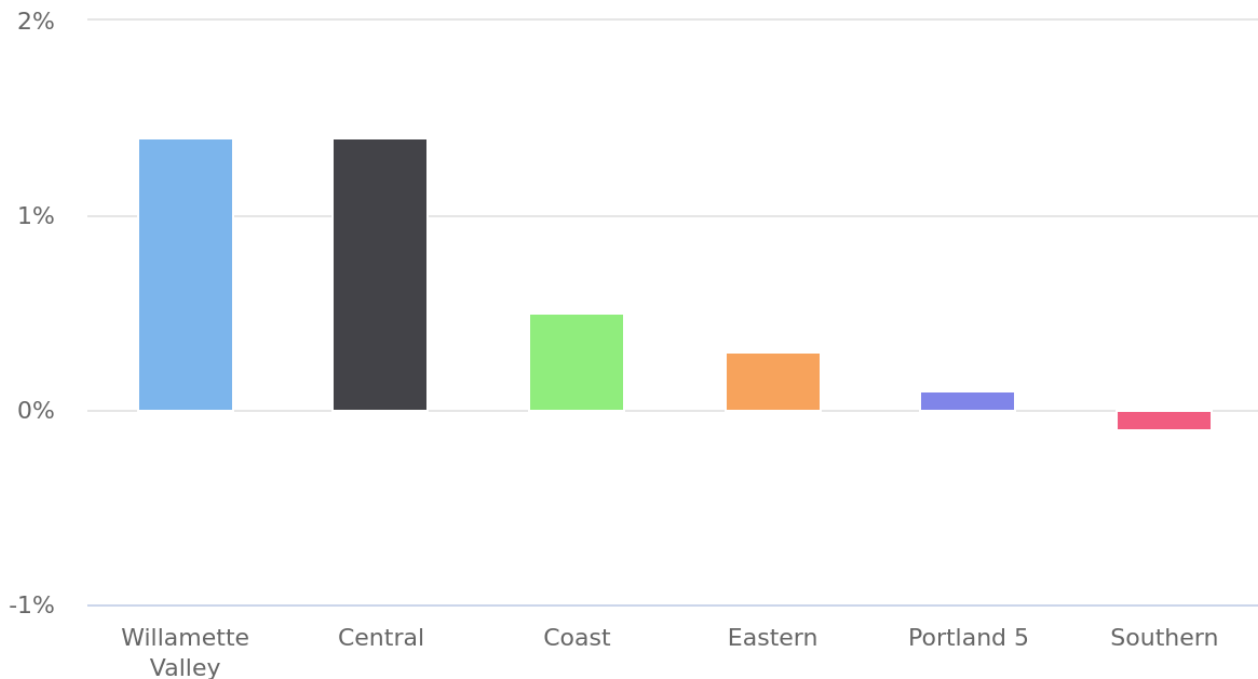
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## March 2025 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

Between March 2024 and March 2025, total nonfarm employment rose in five of Oregon's six broad regions and decreased in one. The Willamette Valley and Central Oregon experienced the fastest job growth over the year, both with growth rates of 1.4%. Employment growth was slower along the Coast (0.5%) and in Eastern Oregon (0.3%). Employment was little changed in the five Portland-metro counties (0.1%) and in Southern Oregon (-0.1%).

### Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region

March 2024 to March 2025, Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment



Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Statistics

Over the year between March 2024 and March 2025, non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates increased in 32 of Oregon's 36 counties and decreased in four. Fifteen counties had unadjusted unemployment rates at or below Oregon's unadjusted rate of 5.2%.

Grant County had Oregon's highest non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in March at 8.8%. Other counties with relatively high unadjusted unemployment rates were Klamath (8.2%) and Wallowa (7.5%). Benton and Hood River counties registered the lowest unadjusted unemployment rates in March at 4.1%. Wheeler County also had a relatively low unemployment rate in March at 4.2%.

This release typically discusses seasonally adjusted local area unemployment rates. However, through June 2025, seasonally adjusted data are not available for Oregon metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) or other MSAs around the country. Labor force statistics for Oregon MSAs are produced by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 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 will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for April 2025 on Wednesday, May 14, 2025. The April 2025 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Tuesday, May 20, 2025.

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### Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

|                                       | March 2025           |             |            |                        |                        | February 2025        |             |            |                        |                        | March 2024           |             |            |                        |                        |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                                       | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate (UR) | Seasonally Adjusted UR | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate (UR) | Seasonally Adjusted UR | Civilian Labor Force | Employed    | Unemployed | Unemployment Rate (UR) | Seasonally Adjusted UR |
| United States                         | 170,653,000          | 163,412,000 | 7,242,000  | 4.2%                   | 4.2%                   | 170,116,000          | 162,544,000 | 7,572,000  | 4.5%                   | 4.1%                   | 167,960,000          | 161,356,000 | 6,604,000  | 3.9%                   | 3.8%                   |
| Oregon                                | 2,212,328            | 2,097,212   | 115,116    | 5.2%                   | 4.6%                   | 2,204,246            | 2,088,956   | 115,290    | 5.2%                   | 4.5%                   | 2,195,220            | 2,099,324   | 95,896     | 4.4%                   | 4.1%                   |
| <b>Metropolitan Statistical Areas</b> |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |
| Albany (Linn County)                  | 62,433               | 58,946      | 3,487      | 5.6%                   | -                      | 62,381               | 58,932      | 3,449      | 5.5%                   | -                      | 61,754               | 58,707      | 3,047      | 4.9%                   | 4.7%                   |
| Bend (2)                              | 135,659              | 128,623     | 7,036      | 5.2%                   | -                      | 134,677              | 127,417     | 7,260      | 5.4%                   | -                      | 132,397              | 126,144     | 6,253      | 4.7%                   | -                      |
| Corvallis (Benton County)             | 50,015               | 47,981      | 2,034      | 4.1%                   | -                      | 50,022               | 47,929      | 2,093      | 4.2%                   | -                      | 50,286               | 48,527      | 1,759      | 3.5%                   | 3.4%                   |
| Eugene-Springfield (Lane County)      | 190,203              | 180,612     | 9,591      | 5.0%                   | -                      | 190,349              | 180,708     | 9,641      | 5.1%                   | -                      | 189,479              | 181,216     | 8,263      | 4.4%                   | 4.4%                   |
| Grants Pass (Josephine County)        | 35,171               | 32,645      | 2,526      | 7.2%                   | -                      | 35,025               | 32,483      | 2,542      | 7.3%                   | -                      | 35,130               | 33,037      | 2,093      | 6.0%                   | 5.5%                   |
| Medford (Jackson County)              | 105,825              | 99,548      | 6,277      | 5.9%                   | -                      | 105,506              | 99,262      | 6,244      | 5.9%                   | -                      | 105,885              | 100,272     | 5,613      | 5.3%                   | 4.9%                   |
| Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (3)      | 1,382,118            | 1,315,040   | 67,078     | 4.9%                   | -                      | 1,377,893            | 1,309,294   | 68,599     | 5.0%                   | -                      | 1,387,730            | 1,329,990   | 57,740     | 4.2%                   | 4.2%                   |
| Salem (Marion and Polk counties)      | 226,054              | 214,847     | 11,207     | 5.0%                   | -                      | 225,117              | 213,974     | 11,143     | 4.9%                   | -                      | 220,167              | 210,739     | 9,428      | 4.3%                   | 4.2%                   |
| <b>Counties</b>                       |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |                      |             |            |                        |                        |
| Baker                                 | 6,822                | 6,413       | 409        | 6.0%                   | 4.8%                   | 6,771                | 6,365       | 406        | 6.0%                   | 4.7%                   | 6,768                | 6,380       | 388        | 5.7%                   | 4.8%                   |
| Benton                                | 50,015               | 47,981      | 2,034      | 4.1%                   | -                      | 50,022               | 47,929      | 2,093      | 4.2%                   | -                      | 50,286               | 48,527      | 1,759      | 3.5%                   | 3.4%                   |
| Clackamas                             | 228,630              | 217,484     | 11,146     | 4.9%                   | 4.3%                   | 227,638              | 216,586     | 11,052     | 4.9%                   | 4.2%                   | 227,703              | 218,850     | 8,853      | 3.9%                   | 3.7%                   |
| Clatsop                               | 19,600               | 18,548      | 1,052      | 5.4%                   | 4.5%                   | 19,495               | 18,434      | 1,061      | 5.4%                   | 4.4%                   | 19,617               | 18,756      | 861        | 4.4%                   | 4.0%                   |
| Columbia                              | 26,972               | 25,379      | 1,593      | 5.9%                   | 5.2%                   | 26,923               | 25,317      | 1,606      | 6.0%                   | 5.1%                   | 26,820               | 25,517      | 1,303      | 4.9%                   | 4.6%                   |
| Coos                                  | 27,356               | 25,763      | 1,593      | 5.8%                   | 5.2%                   | 27,258               | 25,670      | 1,588      | 5.8%                   | 5.1%                   | 26,962               | 25,582      | 1,380      | 5.1%                   | 4.8%                   |
| Crook                                 | 13,125               | 12,344      | 781        | 6.0%                   | 5.2%                   | 13,116               | 12,265      | 851        | 6.5%                   | 5.1%                   | 12,897               | 12,096      | 801        | 6.2%                   | 5.5%                   |
| Curry                                 | 8,212                | 7,671       | 541        | 6.6%                   | 5.6%                   | 8,132                | 7,599       | 533        | 6.6%                   | 5.6%                   | 8,204                | 7,684       | 520        | 6.3%                   | 5.8%                   |
| Deschutes                             | 111,279              | 105,645     | 5,634      | 5.1%                   | 4.3%                   | 110,408              | 104,647     | 5,761      | 5.2%                   | 4.2%                   | 108,498              | 103,602     | 4,896      | 4.5%                   | 4.1%                   |
| Douglas                               | 46,526               | 43,576      | 2,950      | 6.3%                   | 5.7%                   | 46,628               | 43,622      | 3,006      | 6.4%                   | 5.6%                   | 46,561               | 43,980      | 2,581      | 5.5%                   | 5.2%                   |
| Gilliam                               | 1,040                | 987         | 53         | 5.1%                   | 4.6%                   | 1,052                | 995         | 57         | 5.4%                   | 4.6%                   | 912                  | 855         | 57         | 6.3%                   | 5.1%                   |
| Grant                                 | 3,067                | 2,797       | 270        | 8.8%                   | 6.5%                   | 3,040                | 2,769       | 271        | 8.9%                   | 6.5%                   | 3,056                | 2,808       | 248        | 8.1%                   | 5.5%                   |
| Harney                                | 3,586                | 3,379       | 207        | 5.8%                   | 4.5%                   | 3,533                | 3,314       | 219        | 6.2%                   | 4.5%                   | 3,591                | 3,388       | 203        | 5.7%                   | 4.5%                   |
| Hood River                            | 13,604               | 13,043      | 561        | 4.1%                   | 3.7%                   | 13,619               | 13,012      | 607        | 4.5%                   | 3.6%                   | 13,744               | 13,284      | 460        | 3.3%                   | 3.3%                   |
| Jackson                               | 105,825              | 99,548      | 6,277      | 5.9%                   | -                      | 105,506              | 99,262      | 6,244      | 5.9%                   | -                      | 105,885              | 100,272     | 5,613      | 5.3%                   | 4.9%                   |
| Jefferson                             | 11,255               | 10,634      | 621        | 5.5%                   | 4.6%                   | 11,153               | 10,505      | 648        | 5.8%                   | 4.6%                   | 11,002               | 10,446      | 556        | 5.1%                   | 4.5%                   |
| Josephine                             | 35,171               | 32,645      | 2,526      | 7.2%                   | -                      | 35,025               | 32,483      | 2,542      | 7.3%                   | -                      | 35,130               | 33,037      | 2,093      | 6.0%                   | 5.5%                   |
| Klamath                               | 29,046               | 26,654      | 2,392      | 8.2%                   | 6.3%                   | 28,874               | 26,509      | 2,365      | 8.2%                   | 6.1%                   | 28,789               | 26,841      | 1,948      | 6.8%                   | 5.8%                   |
| Lake                                  | 3,456                | 3,212       | 244        | 7.1%                   | 5.4%                   | 3,442                | 3,174       | 268        | 7.8%                   | 5.2%                   | 3,523                | 3,311       | 212        | 6.0%                   | 5.0%                   |
| Lane                                  | 190,203              | 180,612     | 9,591      | 5.0%                   | -                      | 190,349              | 180,708     | 9,641      | 5.1%                   | -                      | 189,479              | 181,216     | 8,263      | 4.4%                   | 4.4%                   |
| Lincoln                               | 20,819               | 19,575      | 1,244      | 6.0%                   | 5.3%                   | 20,633               | 19,380      | 1,253      | 6.1%                   | 5.2%                   | 20,887               | 19,793      | 1,094      | 5.2%                   | 4.8%                   |
| Linn                                  | 62,433               | 58,946      | 3,487      | 5.6%                   | -                      | 62,381               | 58,932      | 3,449      | 5.5%                   | -                      | 61,754               | 58,707      | 3,047      | 4.9%                   | 4.7%                   |
| Malheur                               | 12,983               | 12,333      | 650        | 5.0%                   | 4.3%                   | 12,772               | 12,131      | 641        | 5.0%                   | 4.2%                   | 13,017               | 12,455      | 562        | 4.3%                   | 4.0%                   |
| Marion                                | 179,640              | 170,626     | 9,014      | 5.0%                   | 4.4%                   | 178,812              | 169,888     | 8,924      | 5.0%                   | 4.3%                   | 174,923              | 167,337     | 7,586      | 4.3%                   | 4.0%                   |
| Morrow                                | 6,265                | 5,939       | 326        | 5.2%                   | 4.7%                   | 6,173                | 5,674       | 499        | 8.1%                   | 4.5%                   | 6,156                | 5,902       | 254        | 4.1%                   | 3.9%                   |
| Multnomah                             | 471,585              | 447,351     | 24,234     | 5.1%                   | 4.5%                   | 469,304              | 445,649     | 23,655     | 5.0%                   | 4.4%                   | 469,840              | 450,104     | 19,736     | 4.2%                   | 3.9%                   |
| Polk                                  | 46,414               | 44,221      | 2,193      | 4.7%                   | 4.3%                   | 46,305               | 44,086      | 2,219      | 4.8%                   | 4.3%                   | 45,244               | 43,402      | 1,842      | 4.1%                   | 3.9%                   |
| Sherman                               | 974                  | 931         | 43         | 4.4%                   | 3.9%                   | 948                  | 906         | 42         | 4.4%                   | 3.9%                   | 968                  | 922         | 46         | 4.8%                   | 4.1%                   |
| Tillamook                             | 11,557               | 10,933      | 624        | 5.4%                   | 4.7%                   | 11,477               | 10,836      | 641        | 5.6%                   | 4.6%                   | 11,334               | 10,807      | 527        | 4.6%                   | 4.3%                   |
| Umatilla                              | 37,100               | 35,109      | 1,991      | 5.4%                   | 4.9%                   | 37,204               | 34,567      | 2,637      | 7.1%                   | 4.9%                   | 36,578               | 34,858      | 1,720      | 4.7%                   | 4.3%                   |
| Union                                 | 12,115               | 11,331      | 784        | 6.5%                   | 5.2%                   | 12,022               | 11,228      | 794        | 6.6%                   | 5.0%                   | 12,010               | 11,399      | 611        | 5.1%                   | 4.5%                   |
| Wallowa                               | 3,539                | 3,274       | 265        | 7.5%                   | 4.9%                   | 3,513                | 3,257       | 256        | 7.3%                   | 4.8%                   | 3,534                | 3,321       | 213        | 6.0%                   | 4.5%                   |
| Wasco                                 | 12,582               | 11,873      | 709        | 5.6%                   | 4.5%                   | 12,517               | 11,807      | 710        | 5.7%                   | 4.4%                   | 12,434               | 11,846      | 588        | 4.7%                   | 4.2%                   |
| Washington                            | 342,379              | 326,038     | 16,341     | 4.8%                   | 4.2%                   | 341,181              | 325,176     | 16,005     | 4.7%                   | 4.1%                   | 340,049              | 327,228     | 12,821     | 3.8%                   | 3.5%                   |
| Wheeler                               | 722                  | 692         | 30         | 4.2%                   | 4.3%                   | 731                  | 688         | 43         | 5.9%                   | 4.4%                   | 699                  | 669         | 30         | 4.3%                   | 3.6%                   |
| Yamhill                               | 56,433               | 53,728      | 2,705      | 4.8%                   | 4.3%                   | 56,289               | 53,585      | 2,704      | 4.8%                   | 4.3%                   | 56,368               | 54,146      | 2,222      | 3.9%                   | 3.7%                   |

(1) Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

(2) The Bend metropolitan area includes Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson counties

(3) The Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.