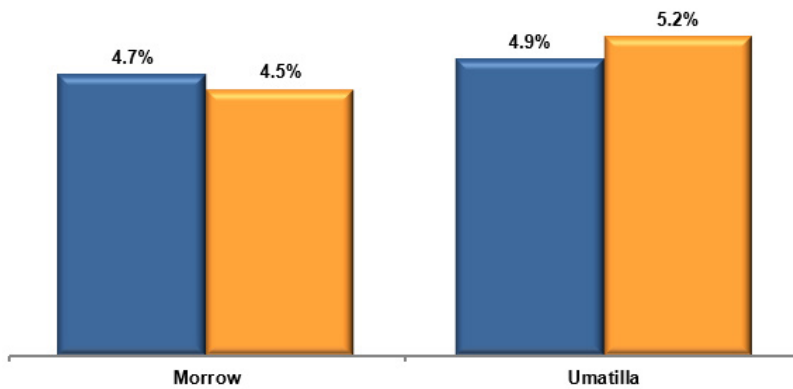


Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

■ March 2025 ■ March 2026



Source: Oregon Employment Department, LAUS

Nonfarm Employment Change

March 2025 to March 2026

Morrow County lost an estimated 70 jobs over the year. The private sector decreased by 120 jobs and the public sector added 50 jobs. Notable job gains over the year came from local government and construction. Losses were largely from manufacturing, and transportation, warehousing, and utilities.

Umatilla County gained an estimated 270 jobs over the year. The private sector increased by 190 jobs and the public sector by 80 positions. Information, and private education and health services largely led gains. Notable losses came from transportation, warehousing, and utilities; and accommodations and food services.

Unemployment Rate

Both Morrow and Umatilla counties' seasonally adjusted unemployment rates for March 2026 showed a decrease of 0.3 percentage point since the beginning of the year.

Umatilla County's rate matched Oregon's statewide seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 5.2%, while Morrow County came in below the statewide rate. Both counties' rates were above the national rate of 4.3%.

Morrow

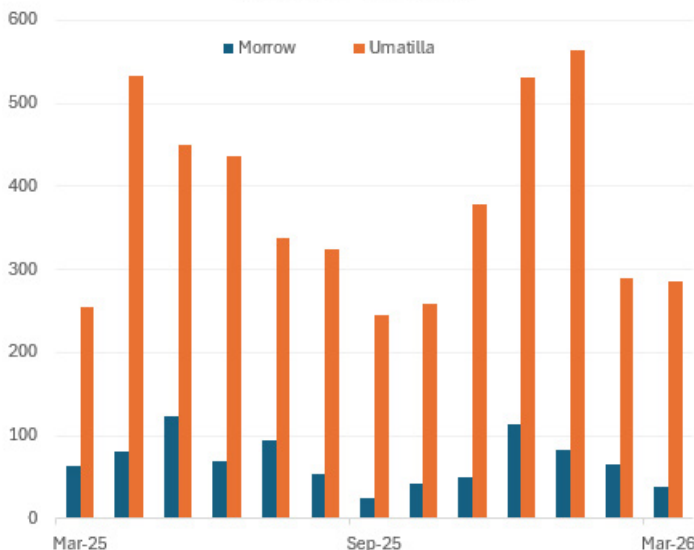
Umatilla

Total Nonfarm Employment	(70)	Total Nonfarm Employment	270
Local Government	60	Information	230
Construction	40	Private Education / Health Services	170
Professional / Business Services	30	Indian Tribal	80
Manufacturing	(80)	Transportation / Warehousing / Utilities	(190)
Transportation / Warehousing / Utilities	(50)	Accommodation / Food Services	(100)
Leisure / Hospitality	(20)	Federal Government	(50)

Source: Oregon Employment Department, CES

Continued UI Claims

March 2025 - March 2026



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Oregon Employment Department

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