

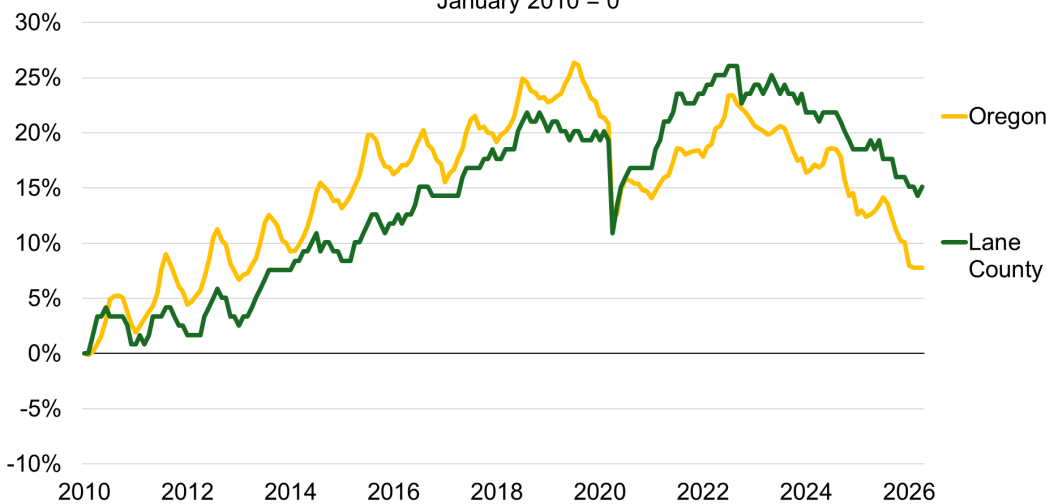
LANE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

May 2026

Graph of the Month: Manufacturing employment has declined in Oregon since late 2022. Lane County has also lost manufacturing jobs over that time, although the decline has been less than that experienced in the state. Lane now has 15% more manufacturing jobs than in 2010, down from 25%.

Manufacturing Employment Index

January 2010 = 0



Source: Oregon Employment Department, [Current Employment Statistics](#)

Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes

April 2025 to April 2026

Private Education and Health

Services: **2,200** (+7%)

Construction: **200** (+3%)

Total nonfarm employment, seasonally adjusted: **-1,100** (-1%)

Employment change from February 2020 (**seasonally adjusted**):

-3,800 (-3%)

Manufacturing: **-500** (-4%)

Professional and Business

Services: **-1,500** (-9%)

Source: [Oregon Employment Department Current Employment Estimates](#)

News and Articles

QualityInfo: [The Jobs Most Likely to Be Affected by Artificial Intelligence in Oregon](#) by Sarah Cunningham

QualityInfo: [Winter 2026 Hiring Among Oregon's Private Employers Remained Flat from Fall](#) by Anna Johnson

1859 Onward from Business Oregon: [Oregon's Slowing Economic Growth and the Trade Trends Behind It](#) by Damon Runberg

Latest Lane County Economic Data

April 2026 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate: [5.1%](#)

Change from previous year: [+0.5 pct. points](#)

Total Help Wanted Online (HWOL) job ads, April 2026: [7,740](#)

Percent of Oregon private establishments that are older than 31 years: [15.4%](#)

Business highlights: [new openings, closings & hiring events](#)

- **New Firm:** Pacific Sports and Spine opened a surgery center in Springfield.
- **Reduction:** Springfield Public Schools will cut 33 staff members.
- **Closure:** Augusta Sportswear, a hat manufacturing facility in Coburg, will lay off about 83 employees.

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