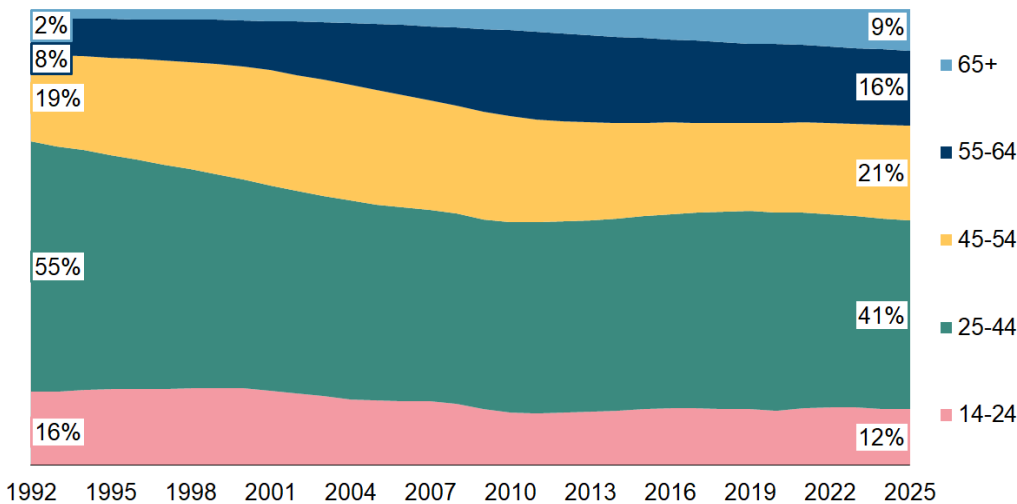


LANE COUNTY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

June 2026

Graph of the Month: As in most places in the U.S. and Oregon, the population is aging, and with it the workforce. The proportion of workers under age 45 has declined by 18 percentage points since 1992, with a corresponding increase in workers over 55, and especially over 65.

Proportion of Lane Workforce by Age, 1992-2025



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Quarterly Workforce Indicators

Notable Over-the-Year Employment Changes

May 2025 to May 2026

Private Education and Health

Services: **1,700** (+5%)

Manufacturing: **-400** (-3%)

Professional and Business

Services: **-1,200** (-7%)

Retail Trade: **-300** (-2%)

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

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

-3,900 (-2%)

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

News and Articles

QualityInfo: [Oregon's Youth in the Labor Force](#) by Nelson Gomes

QualityInfo: [Oregon's Aging Workforce by Industry and County in 2024](#) by Gail Krumenauer

QualityInfo: [Employment and Economic Impact of Oregon's Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation Industry](#) by Nelson Gomes

Latest Lane County Economic Data

May 2026 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate: **5.1%**

Change from previous year: **+0.1 pct. points**

Total Help Wanted Online (HWOL) job ads, May 2026: **7,840**

Net establishment change in Oregon, 2024 Q4: **-487**

Percentage of jobs paying minimum wage, 2025 Q3: **3.6%**

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

- **New Firm:** The Scullery, a commissary kitchen, will open in Veneta.
- **Expansion:** Kairos, a mental health outpatient clinic, will open in Eugene.
- **Reduction:** Lane County will cut 30 emergency shelter beds in Eugene.

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