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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas Nonfarm Employment Declined Slightly from July 2025

Total nonfarm jobs in Douglas County declined slightly over the year to July by 210 jobs (-1%) on a seasonally adjusted basis. Despite estimated losses, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was little changed, and now stands at 6.1%, compared with 6.3% in July 2025.

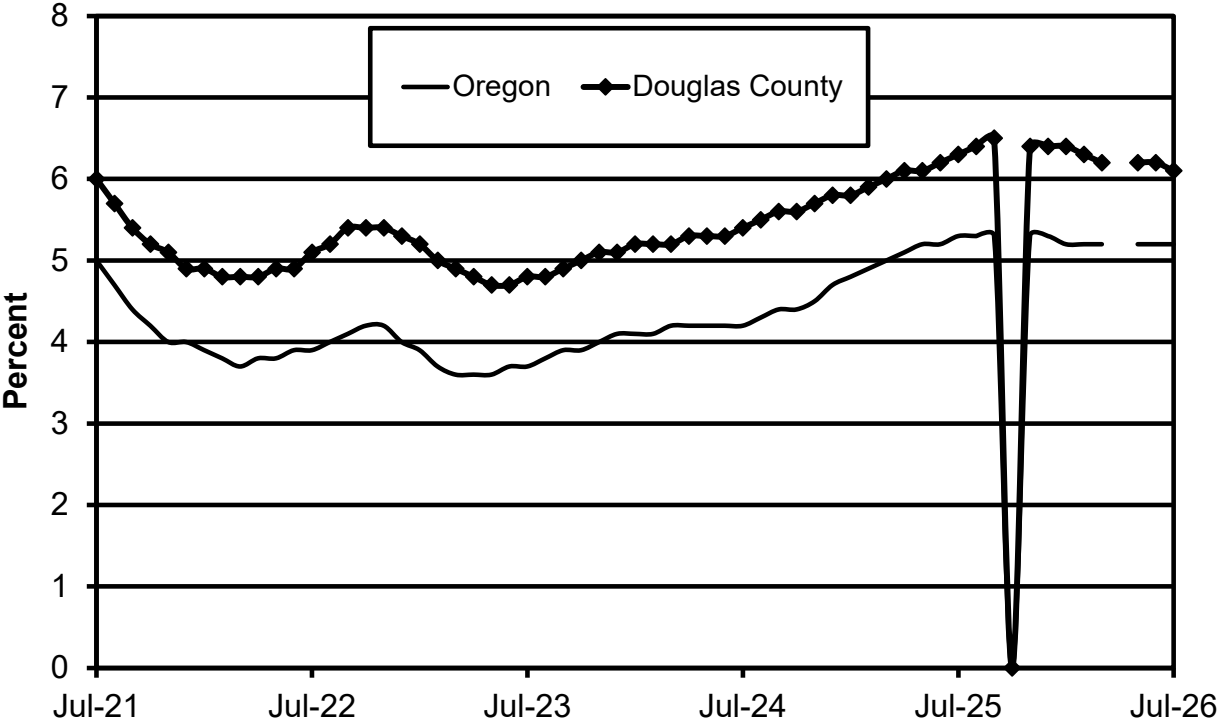
The largest estimated job declines were in manufacturing (-190 jobs, -4%); mining, logging and construction (-140 jobs, -5%); and retail trade (-130 jobs, -3%). Gains were estimated in private education and health services (300 jobs, 4%) and wholesale trade (70 jobs, 8%).

Over the month, declines were estimated in local government education, most of which were seasonally expected as summer breaks at K-12 school districts and higher education take full effect. Job gains were estimated from June to July in leisure and hospitality, although the employment estimate in the sector was lower than in July of last year.

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Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates



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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.

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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	July 2026	June 2026	July 2025	June 2026	July 2025
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	46,832	46,865	47,272	-33	-440
Unemployed	2,949	2,882	3,130	67	-181
Unemployment rate	6.3%	6.1%	6.6%	0.2	-0.3
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	6.1%	6.2%	6.3%	-0.1	-0.2
Employed	43,883	43,983	44,142	-100	-259
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	37,910	38,470	38,130	-560	-220
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	37,980	38,050	38,190	-70	-210
Total private	30,670	30,620	30,870	50	-200
Mining, logging, and construction	2,480	2,480	2,620	0	-140
Mining and logging	790	790	840	0	-50
Construction	1,690	1,690	1,780	0	-90
Manufacturing	4,230	4,220	4,420	10	-190
Durable goods	3,760	3,750	3,930	10	-170
Wood product manufacturing	2,450	2,470	2,600	-20	-150
Nondurable goods	470	470	490	0	-20
Trade, transportation, and utilities	6,800	6,820	6,870	-20	-70
Wholesale trade	940	950	870	-10	70
Retail trade	4,430	4,420	4,560	10	-130
Food and beverage retailers	1,020	1,020	1,050	0	-30
General merchandise retailers	1,140	1,140	1,150	0	-10
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,430	1,450	1,440	-20	-10
Information	300	300	310	0	-10
Financial activities	1,330	1,330	1,320	0	10
Professional and business services	2,940	2,950	3,010	-10	-70
Private education and health services	7,370	7,350	7,070	20	300
Leisure and hospitality	3,950	3,900	3,990	50	-40
Food services and drinking places	3,030	3,000	3,090	30	-60
Other services	1,270	1,270	1,260	0	10
Government	7,240	7,850	7,260	-610	-20
Federal government	1,390	1,400	1,490	-10	-100
State government	720	710	710	10	10
Local government	5,130	5,740	5,060	-610	70
Indian tribal	1,180	1,180	1,130	0	50
Local education	2,400	3,020	2,420	-620	-20
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,550	1,540	1,510	10	40

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.

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