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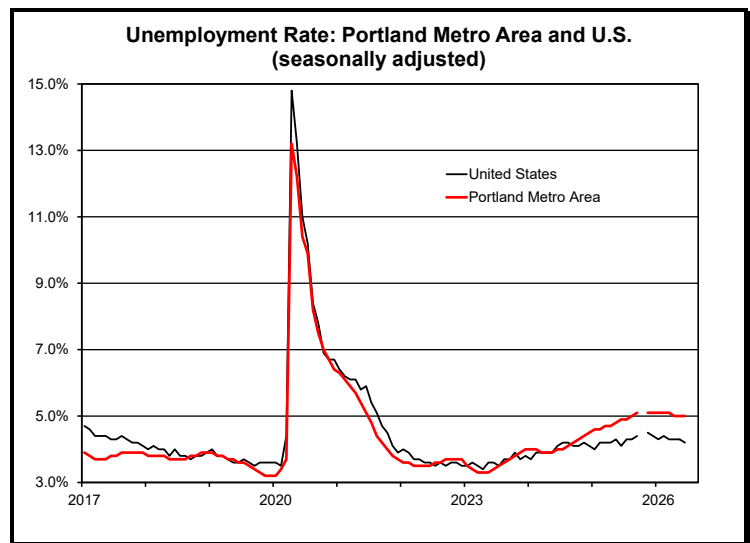
Employment and Unemployment in the Portland Metropolitan Area Unemployment Rate Holds Steady in June 2026

The Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate was 5.0% in June, unchanged from May and close to its year-ago level (4.9%). Approximately 68,400 area residents were unemployed; 2,600 more than a year ago. Oregon's unemployment rate was 5.2% and national rate was 4.2% in June.

Employers added 2,000 jobs in June (seasonally adjusted). May's numbers were revised upwards to show a gain of 600 jobs over the month.

Three broad industries were primarily responsible for June's gains.

- Private health care and social assistance added 1,500 jobs (not seasonally adjusted) when the typical June trend is flat. Three of the four components contributed to growth.
- Leisure and hospitality added nearly twice as many jobs as typical for the month, which is the start of the summer tourist and travel season.
- Private education shed fewer jobs than usual for this time of year, likely due to the timing of summer breaks.



Losses in nondurable goods manufacturing and sluggish hiring in retail trade and construction partially offset these gains. Most other sectors gained or lost jobs in line with seasonal expectations.

Over the past 12 months employment in the metro area declined by 18,100 jobs, or -1.5% (not seasonally adjusted). Most major industries have lost jobs, led by professional and business services (-7,700 jobs; -4.0%) and manufacturing (-7,300; -6.2%).

Private education and health services (+7,400; 3.6%) and leisure and hospitality (+1,200; 1.0%) are the only major private sectors adding jobs over the year.

Next Press Release

The Oregon Employment Department will release the Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Tuesday, Aug. 25.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly payroll employment and labor force data for Oregon's metropolitan areas and counties. The estimates of monthly job gains and losses are based on a survey of businesses. The estimates of unemployment are based on a survey of households and other sources.

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.

The department also makes the BLS-produced nonfarm payroll employment series for metropolitan areas available. These are revised annually by BLS.

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Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	June 2026	May 2026	June 2025	May 2026	June 2025
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	1,369,931	1,368,115	1,380,799	1,816	-10,868
Unemployed	68,447	64,182	65,845	4,265	2,602
Unemployment rate	5.0%	4.7%	4.8%	0.3	0.2
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	5.0%	5.0%	4.9%	0.0	0.1
Employed	1,301,484	1,303,933	1,314,954	-2,449	-13,470
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	1,225,000	1,219,500	1,243,100	5,500	-18,100
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	1,221,700	1,219,700	1,236,600	2,000	-14,900
Total private	1,063,000	1,057,700	1,080,500	5,300	-17,500
Mining, logging, and construction	76,600	76,200	80,400	400	-3,800
Mining and logging	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Construction	75,600	75,200	79,400	400	-3,800
Construction of buildings	20,200	20,000	20,800	200	-600
Residential building construction	12,800	12,700	12,900	100	-100
Nonresidential building construction	7,400	7,300	7,900	100	-500
Heavy and civil engineering construction	7,200	7,100	7,500	100	-300
Specialty trade contractors	48,200	48,100	51,100	100	-2,900
Manufacturing	109,700	110,300	117,000	-600	-7,300
Durable goods	82,100	82,000	86,600	100	-4,500
Primary metal manufacturing	4,500	4,500	4,400	0	100
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	11,500	11,500	11,800	0	-300
Machinery manufacturing	8,900	8,900	9,200	0	-300
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	32,100	32,100	35,500	0	-3,400
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	26,800	26,700	30,000	100	-3,200
Electronic instrument manufacturing	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	-100
Transportation equipment manufacturing	6,800	6,900	6,700	-100	100
Nondurable goods	27,600	28,300	30,400	-700	-2,800
Food manufacturing	12,900	13,100	13,700	-200	-800
Trade, transportation, and utilities	213,900	213,500	218,200	400	-4,300
Wholesale trade	54,700	54,600	55,700	100	-1,000
Retail trade	110,000	109,900	111,400	100	-1,400
General merchandise retailers	22,000	22,100	21,900	-100	100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	49,200	49,000	51,100	200	-1,900
Utilities	2,800	2,800	2,800	0	0
Transportation and warehousing	46,400	46,200	48,300	200	-1,900
Truck transportation	9,800	9,900	10,400	-100	-600
Couriers and messengers	12,500	12,200	11,600	300	900
Warehousing and storage	9,200	9,200	9,600	0	-400
Information	24,100	23,400	25,700	700	-1,600
Software publishers	9,700	9,600	10,300	100	-600
Financial activities	71,100	70,300	72,000	800	-900
Finance and insurance	39,600	39,200	40,000	400	-400
Credit intermediation and related activities	14,000	13,900	14,100	100	-100
Insurance carriers and related activities	18,400	18,200	18,800	200	-400
Real estate and rental and leasing	31,500	31,100	32,000	400	-500

Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	June 2026	May 2026	June 2025	May 2026	June 2025
Nonfarm Payroll Employment (continued)					
Professional and business services	184,400	185,600	192,100	-1,200	-7,700
Professional and technical services	81,400	82,100	85,200	-700	-3,800
Architectural and engineering services	15,300	15,400	15,900	-100	-600
Computer systems design and related services	14,400	14,600	15,100	-200	-700
Management of companies and enterprises	37,700	38,000	39,700	-300	-2,000
Administrative and waste services	65,300	65,500	67,200	-200	-1,900
Employment services	23,700	24,000	24,300	-300	-600
Private education and health services	214,600	214,400	207,200	200	7,400
Private educational services	26,800	28,100	25,600	-1,300	1,200
Health care and social assistance	187,800	186,300	181,600	1,500	6,200
Ambulatory health care services	65,200	64,700	63,900	500	1,300
Hospitals	34,500	34,500	34,300	0	200
Nursing and residential care facilities	35,400	35,200	34,100	200	1,300
Social assistance	52,700	51,900	49,300	800	3,400
Leisure and hospitality	124,900	120,300	123,700	4,600	1,200
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	21,800	19,800	20,400	2,000	1,400
Accommodation and food services	103,100	100,500	103,300	2,600	-200
Accommodation	10,500	10,200	10,200	300	300
Food services and drinking places	92,600	90,300	93,100	2,300	-500
Restaurants and other eating places	82,100	80,200	81,700	1,900	400
Other services	43,700	43,700	44,200	0	-500
Government	162,000	161,800	162,600	200	-600
Federal government	17,600	17,500	18,700	100	-1,100
State government	14,200	14,300	14,400	-100	-200
State education	1,700	1,800	1,900	-100	-200
Local government	130,200	130,000	129,500	200	700
Local education	66,900	67,300	66,900	-400	0

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: Official Oregon Series. 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.

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