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# **Employment in Lane County (Eugene MSA)**

## Lane County Employers Add 900 Jobs in February

Lane County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment increased by 900 jobs in February after a drop of 1,800 in January and a gain of 1,100 in December.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in February, there were gains in private education and health services (700), construction (200), and leisure and hospitality (200). There was a small loss in financial activities (-100).

Government added 700 jobs in February due to gains of 500 in local government education and 200 in noneducation local government.

When comparing February 2024 with February 2023, total nonfarm employment increased a seasonally adjusted 100 jobs, or 0.1%. There was an over-the-year gain in private education and health services (1,400). There were large losses in retail trade (-1,200), leisure and hospitality (-800), professional and business services (-700), and manufacturing (-300).

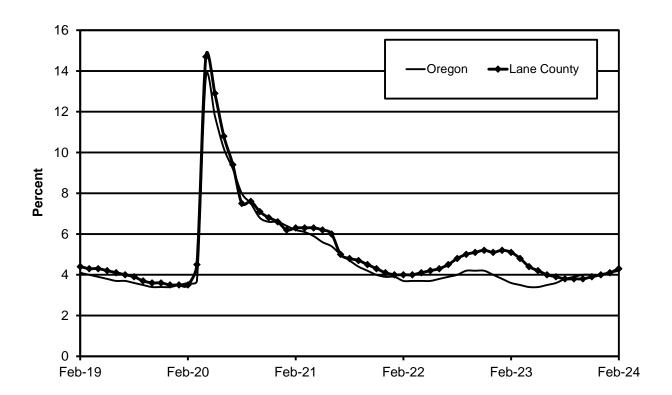
There was an over-the-year increase of 1,800 in government due to gains in local government (1,600), federal government (100), and state government (100).

Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate edged up to 4.3% in February compared with a revised 4.1% in January. The rate is lower than the 5.1% recorded in February 2023. Lane County's record low rate was 3.5% in January 2019. The Oregon seasonally adjusted February rate was 4.2% and the U.S. rate was 3.9%.

#### **Next Press Releases**

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the March county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for March on Wednesday, Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>.

# **Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates**





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### **Eugene MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment**

			Change From		
	February 2024	January 2024	February 2023	January 2024	February 2023
Labor Force Status				-	
Civilian labor force	186,015	183,272	183,191	2,743	2,824
Unemployed	9,363	9,240	7,985	123	1,378
Unemployment rate	5.0%	5.0%	4.4%	0.0	0.6
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	4.3%	4.1%	5.1%	0.2	-0.8
Employed	176,652	174,032	175,206	2,620	1,446
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	162,000	160,200	162,600	1,800	-600
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted	163,300	162,400	163,200	900	100
Total private	129,900	128,800	132,300	1,100	-2,400
Mining, logging, and construction	8,400	8,200	8,500	200	-100
Mining and logging	800	800	800	0	0
Construction	7,600	7,400	7,700	200	-100
Manufacturing	14,500	14,500	14,800	0	-300
Durable goods	9,400	9,400	9,400	0	0
Wood product manufacturing	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0
Nondurable goods	5,100	5,100	5,400	0	-300
Trade, transportation, and utilities	28,600	28,600	30,000	0	-1,400
Wholesale trade	6,100	6,100	6,300	0	-200
Retail trade	18,900	18,900	20,100	0	-1,200
Food and beverage retailers	4,900	4,900	5,100	0	-200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0
Information	1,900	1,900	2,000	0	-100
Financial activities	8,500	8,600	8,800	-100	-300
Professional and business services	17,300	17,200	18,000	100	-700
Administrative and support services	6,700	6,500	6,600	200	100
Private education and health services	29,800	29,100	28,400	700	1,400
Health care and social assistance	27,400	26,800	26,300	600	1,100
Leisure and hospitality	16,000	15,800	16,800	200	-800
Accommodation and food services	14,400	14,300	14,800	100	-400
Food services and drinking places	13,000	12,900	13,300	100	-300
Other services	4,900	4,900	5,000	0	-100
Government	32,100	31,400	30,300	700	1,800
Federal government	1,900	1,900	1,800	0	100
State government	1,900	1,900	1,800	0	100
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	28,300	27,600	26,700	700	1,600
Local education	20,200	19,700	18,900	500	1,300

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 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.

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