

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: May 21, 2024

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Brian Rooney, Regional Economist
Brian.T.Rooney@employ.oregon.gov
(541) 359-9546

Employment in Lane County (Eugene MSA)

Lane County's Payroll Employment Increases by 500 Jobs in April

Lane County's seasonally adjusted payroll employment increased by 500 jobs in April after no change in March and a gain of 900 in February.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in April, there were seasonal gains in leisure and hospitality (600) and construction (100). Elsewhere there were gains in private education and health services (200) and professional and business services (100).

Government added 200 jobs in April due to gains of 100 each in federal government and local education.

When comparing April 2024 with April 2023, total nonfarm employment added 900 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis. There were over-the-year gains in private education and health services (1,900) and financial activities (200). There were relatively large losses in retail trade (-1,100), professional and business services (-800), leisure and hospitality (-300), and other services (-300).

There was an over-the-year increase of 1,800 in government due to gains in local education (1,400), state government (200), and noneducation local government (200).

Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate edged down to 4.3% in April compared with a revised 4.4% in March. The rate is higher than the 3.7% recorded in April 2023. Lane County's record low rate was 3.5% in November 2019. The Oregon seasonally adjusted April rate was 4.2% and the U.S. rate was 3.9%.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, June 25th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Thursday, June 20th.



Workforce & Economic Research Division

QualityInfo.org

May 21, 2024

Eugene MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	April 2024	March 2024	April 2023	March 2024	April 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	186,014	186,368	181,403	-354	4,611
Unemployed	6,901	8,328	5,829	-1,427	1,072
Unemployment rate	3.7%	4.5%	3.2%	-0.8	0.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.3%	4.4%	3.7%	-0.1	0.6
Employed	179,113	178,040	175,574	1,073	3,539
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	165,200	164,000	164,100	1,200	1,100
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	<i>164,100</i>	<i>163,600</i>	<i>163,200</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>900</i>
Total private	132,600	131,600	133,300	1,000	-700
Mining, logging, and construction	8,800	8,700	8,700	100	100
Mining and logging	900	900	800	0	100
Construction	7,900	7,800	7,900	100	0
Manufacturing	14,800	14,800	14,900	0	-100
Durable goods	9,500	9,500	9,400	0	100
Wood product manufacturing	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	100
Nondurable goods	5,300	5,300	5,500	0	-200
Trade, transportation, and utilities	28,500	28,500	29,900	0	-1,400
Wholesale trade	6,100	6,100	6,200	0	-100
Retail trade	18,900	18,900	20,000	0	-1,100
Food and beverage retailers	4,900	5,000	5,000	-100	-100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,500	3,500	3,700	0	-200
Information	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0
Financial activities	8,700	8,700	8,500	0	200
Professional and business services	17,400	17,300	18,200	100	-800
Administrative and support services	6,400	6,400	6,700	0	-300
Private education and health services	30,700	30,500	28,800	200	1,900
Health care and social assistance	27,400	27,100	26,600	300	800
Leisure and hospitality	16,900	16,300	17,200	600	-300
Accommodation and food services	15,000	14,700	15,200	300	-200
Food services and drinking places	13,400	13,100	13,500	300	-100
Other services	4,800	4,800	5,100	0	-300
Government	32,600	32,400	30,800	200	1,800
Federal government	1,900	1,900	1,900	0	0
State government	2,000	1,900	1,800	100	200
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	28,700	28,600	27,100	100	1,600
Local education	20,600	20,500	19,200	100	1,400

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.

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

You can subscribe to receive notification of new articles and publications from QualityInfo.org. To subscribe, go to www.qualityinfo.org/subscribe, enter your email address and click Sign In. In the Publication section, click on the + sign next to a report type category and then click on the geography(s) you are interested in. Take some time to browse the other publications on the page and see if there are some you'd like to receive an email notification for. You can receive notifications on a daily, weekly, or monthly schedule – whichever is most convenient for you. You can change your preferences – or unsubscribe – at any time.

The pdf version of the news release, including tables and graphs, can be found at www.qualityinfo.org/press-release/. To obtain the data in other formats such as in Excel, visit QualityInfo.org, select Tools, and choose LAUS or CES from the dropdown menu. To request the press release as a Word document, contact the person shown at the top of this press release.

To file an Unemployment Insurance claim, visit our online claims system or call our contact centers, where Employment Department staff are ready to help by phone, at 1-877-FILE-4-UI (1-877-345-3484). For help finding jobs and training resources, go to: www.WorkSourceOregon.org.

The Oregon Employment Department (OED) is an equal opportunity agency. Everyone has a right to use OED programs and services. OED provides free help. Some examples are: Sign language and spoken language interpreters, written materials in other languages, braille, large print, audio and other formats. If you need help, please call 971-673-6400. TTY users call 711. You can also ask for help at OED_Communications@employ.oregon.gov.

El Departamento de Empleo de Oregon (OED) es una agencia de igualdad de oportunidades. El OED proporciona ayuda gratuita para que usted pueda utilizar nuestros servicios. Algunos ejemplos son intérpretes de lengua de señas e idiomas hablados, materiales escritos en otros idiomas, letra grande, audio y otros formatos. Para obtener ayuda, por favor llame al 503-947-1444. Usuarios de TTY pueden llamar al 711. También puede enviar un correo electrónico a OED_Communications@employ.oregon.gov.

###