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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): January 2023

Linn County's Unemployment Rate Increases to 4.9%

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.9% in January, up from its revised rate of 4.8% in December. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in January was 4.8%, unchanged from its revised December rate of 4.8%.

Linn County's employment losses in January were less than normal; total nonfarm employment decreased by 400 jobs, when employment would be expected to decline 710. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment increased by 310 jobs between December and January. Employment is now 3.6%, or 1,670 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment is up 1,040 or 2.2% over the past year.

The private sector dropped 720 jobs in January. Industries showing the largest employment declines in January included trade, transportation, and utilities (-580 jobs, -4.8%); construction (-60 jobs, -1.8%); and leisure and hospitality (-30 jobs, -0.8%).

Public-sector employment was up 320 jobs in January. Local government employment added 300. Federal government and state government each added 10 jobs in January.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the February county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, March 28 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data will be released on Tuesday, March 21.



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Albany MSA (Linn County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

			--Change From--		
	January 2023	December 2022	January 2022	December 2022	January 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	61,357	61,687	61,416	-330	-59
Unemployed	3,294	3,085	2,920	209	374
Unemployment rate	5.4%	5.0%	4.8%	0.4	0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.9%	4.8%	4.6%	0.1	0.3
Employed	58,063	58,602	58,496	-539	-433
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	48,230	48,630	47,190	-400	1,040
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	48,540	48,230	47,440	310	1,100
Total private	41,110	41,830	40,350	-720	760
Mining, logging, and construction	3,700	3,760	3,470	-60	230
Mining and logging	470	470	410	0	60
Construction	3,230	3,290	3,060	-60	170
Manufacturing	8,220	8,250	7,840	-30	380
Durable goods	6,010	6,050	5,730	-40	280
Wood product manufacturing	2,240	2,240	2,120	0	120
Primary metal manufacturing	1,960	1,960	1,780	0	180
Nondurable goods	2,210	2,200	2,110	10	100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	11,460	12,040	11,550	-580	-90
Wholesale trade	1,930	1,940	1,780	-10	150
Retail trade	5,430	5,790	5,590	-360	-160
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	4,100	4,310	4,180	-210	-80
Information	350	350	360	0	-10
Financial activities	1,490	1,490	1,490	0	0
Professional and business services	3,430	3,480	3,250	-50	180
Private education and health services	7,300	7,280	7,190	20	110
Health care and social assistance	6,700	6,700	6,610	0	90
Leisure and hospitality	3,810	3,840	3,880	-30	-70
Other services	1,350	1,340	1,320	10	30
Government	7,120	6,800	6,840	320	280
Federal government	350	340	320	10	30
State government	700	690	660	10	40
Local government	6,070	5,770	5,860	300	210
Local education	3,990	3,690	3,780	300	210
Local government excluding educational services	2,080	2,080	2,080	0	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 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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