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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): April 2023

Linn County's Unemployment Rate Declines to 4.4%

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.4% in April, down from its revised rate of 4.8% in March. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in April was 4.0%, down from its revised March rate of 4.4%.

Linn County's employment losses in April were more than normal; total nonfarm employment decreased by 30 jobs, when employment would be expected to drop 20 jobs. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment decreased by 10 jobs between March and April. Employment is now 1.9%, or 900 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment is down 60 (-0.1%) over the past year.

Private-sector employment was up 140 in April. Industries showing the largest employment gains in April included retail trade (+70 jobs, +1.4%), leisure and hospitality (+50 jobs, +1.3%), and manufacturing (+30 jobs, +0.4%).

Public-sector employment was down 170 jobs in April. Local government employment declined 150. Federal government and state government each shed 10 jobs in April.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Wednesday, June 21 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data will be released on Wednesday, June 14.

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

				Change From	
	April	March	April	March	April
	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	59,734	60,582	61,435	-848	-1,701
Unemployed	1,875	2,394	2,466	-519	-591
Unemployment rate	3.1%	4.0%	4.0%	-0.9	-0.9
Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	4.4%	4.8%	4.1%	-0.4	0.3
Employed	57,859	58,188	58,969	-329	-1,110
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	47,330	47,360	48,020	-30	-690
Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)	47,770	47,780	47,830	-10	-60
Total private	40,360	40,220	41,110	140	-750
Mining, logging, and construction	3,640	3,600	3,620	40	20
Mining and logging	420	410	420	10	0
Construction	3,220	3,190	3,200	30	20
Manufacturing	8,070	8,040	8,000	30	70
Durable goods	5,910	5,900	5,870	10	40
Wood product manufacturing	2,100	2,100	2,160	0	-60
Primary metal manufacturing	2,010	2,010	1,850	0	160
Nondurable goods	2,160	2,140	2,130	20	30
Trade, transportation, and utilities	10,770	10,780	11,520	-10	-750
Wholesale trade	1,900	1,910	1,860	-10	40
Retail trade	5,180	5,110	5,680	70	-500
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,690	3,760	3,980	-70	-290
Information	380	370	370	10	10
Financial activities	1,470	1,470	1,540	0	-70
Professional and business services	3,300	3,280	3,470	20	-170
Private education and health services	7,580	7,600	7,240	-20	340
Health care and social assistance	6,940	6,940	6,650	0	290
Leisure and hospitality	3,790	3,740	4,010	50	-220
Other services	1,360	1,340	1,340	20	20
Government	6,970	7,140	6,910	-170	60
Federal government	350	360	330	-10	20
State government	700	710	650	-10	50
Local government	5,920	6,070	5,930	-150	-10
Local education	3,820	3,940	3,860	-120	-40
Local government excluding educational services	2,100	2,130	2,070	-30	30

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: Offical 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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