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Oregon's Unemployment Rate Remains at 5.2% in June

Oregon's unemployment rate was 5.2% in June. That was unchanged from 5.2% in May, and also matched the 5.2% rate one year ago. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in June, which changed little from the prior month (4.3%) or one year ago (4.1%).

On a seasonally adjusted basis, Oregon employers cut 600 jobs from nonfarm payrolls in June. That follows a revised gain of 2,500 jobs in May. June's gains were largest in **private health care and social assistance** (+2,000 jobs). Losses were largest in **manufacturing** (-1,700 jobs).

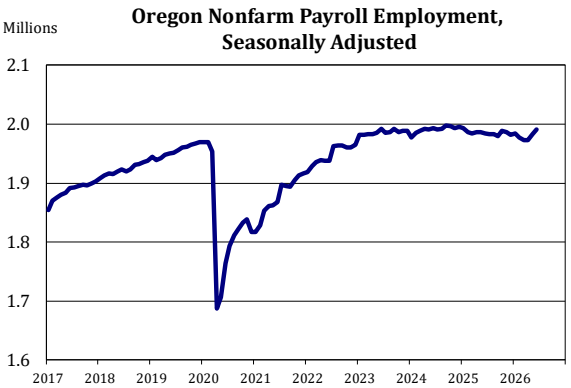
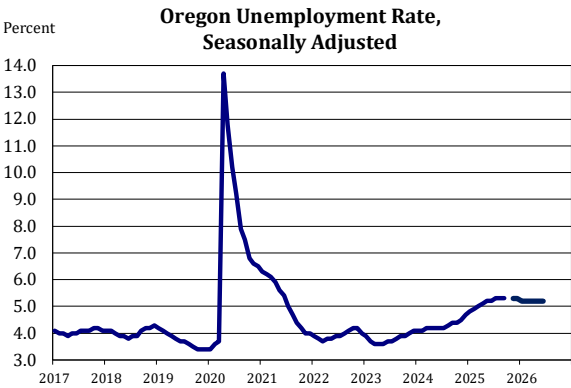
Total nonfarm payroll employment declined by 8,500 jobs between June 2025 and June 2026. That's a loss of 0.4%. Both the private and public sectors lost jobs over the past year. Private-sector employment fell by 5,400 jobs (-0.3%), and government employment declined by 3,100 jobs (-1.0%).

Private health care and social assistance continues to lead job growth in Oregon. The sector added 14,000 jobs over the past year, a gain of 4.5%. Over the past year, growth within the sector was strongest in **social assistance** (8.6%) and **nursing and residential care facilities** (5.3 %). **Ambulatory health care services** (2.6 %) and **hospitals** (0.5%) also added jobs, but at slower rates.

Manufacturing employment continues to decline in Oregon. Manufacturers lost 10,000 jobs over the past year, a decline of 5.6%. Within manufacturing, employment in **durable goods** fell by 5,800 jobs (-4.6%). **Nondurable goods manufacturing** lost 4,200 jobs (-7.7%).

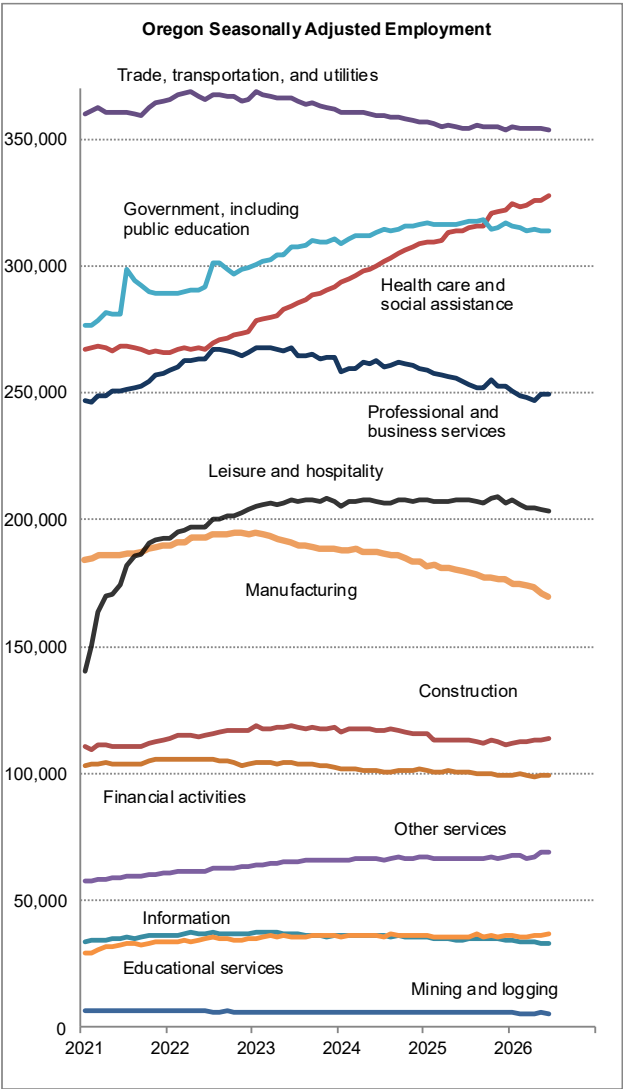
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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the June county and metropolitan area unemployment and jobs data on Tuesday, July 21, and the next statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Wednesday, August 19.



Seasonal Expectations and Over-the-Month Employment Changes May to June 2026

INDUSTRY	Normal Seasonal Movement	Unadjusted Change	Seasonally Adjusted Change
Total nonfarm payroll employment	8,000	7,400	-600
Total private	8,900	8,500	-400
Mining and logging	100	0	-100
Construction	1,700	2,500	800
Manufacturing	500	-1,200	-1,700
Wholesale trade	200	-200	-400
Retail trade	1,000	900	-100
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	0	0	0
Information	300	300	0
Financial activities	800	800	0
Professional and business services	0	-300	-300
Private educational services	-2,800	-2,300	500
Health care and social assistance	-200	1,800	2,000
Leisure and hospitality	7,000	6,200	-800
Other services	300	0	-300
Government	1,900	1,600	-300



Notes:

All numbers in the above narrative are seasonally adjusted.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly Oregon payroll employment and labor force data. 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 publishes payroll employment estimates that are revised quarterly by using employment counts from employer unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use this Official Oregon Series data unless noted otherwise. This month's release incorporates the October, November, and December 2025 tax records data. In addition, data for July, August, and September 2025 were revised by a total of up to 4,300 jobs per month. The department continues to make the original nonfarm payroll employment series available; these data are produced by the BLS.

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