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Employment in Lane County (Eugene MSA)

Lane County's Unemployment Rate Decline Continues in December

Lane County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 4.4% in December compared with a revised 4.6% in November. This was the eleventh monthly decline of the rate going back to January 2021. The rate is down from 6.4% in December 2020. The Oregon seasonally adjusted December rate was 4.1% and the U.S. rate was 3.9% in December.

Lane County's payroll employment decreased a seasonally adjusted 400 jobs in December. It was the first decline after six straight months of job growth. The county has regained 73% of the jobs lost in March and April 2020 at the onset of the COVID-19 crisis.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in December, there were large losses in retail trade (-400), education and health services (-300), and manufacturing (-200). There were seasonal losses in leisure and hospitality (-200) and construction (-100). There was a seasonal gain in transportation, warehousing, and utilities (100).

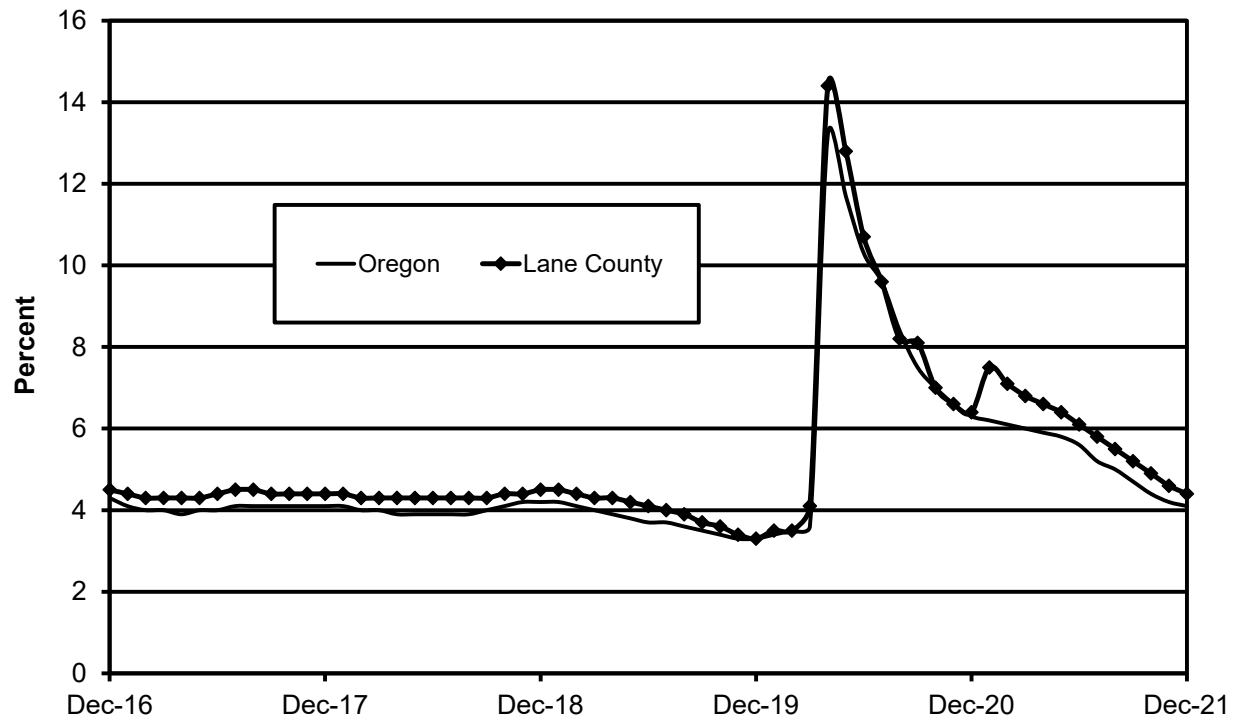
Government dropped 200 jobs in December due to a loss of 100 each in federal and local government.

When comparing December 2021 with December 2020, total nonfarm employment is up 9,400 jobs, or 6.3%. Most major industry sectors are up over the year, with leisure and hospitality (4,400), local education (1,000), retail trade (900), and manufacturing (700) adding the most. There were losses of 1,500 in private education and health services and 100 in mining and logging.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the January county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, Mar. 8th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for January on Tuesday, Mar. 8th.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Eugene MSA (Lane County) Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	December 2021	November 2021	December 2020	November 2021	December 2020
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	181,252	182,926	179,485	-1,674	1,767
Unemployed	6,981	6,700	11,221	281	-4,240
Unemployment rate	3.9%	3.7%	6.3%	0.2	-2.4
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.4%	4.6%	6.4%	-0.2	-2.0
Employed	174,271	176,226	168,264	-1,955	6,007
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	158,300	159,900	151,200	-1,600	7,100
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	158,900	159,300	149,500	-400	9,400
Total private	130,500	131,900	124,700	-1,400	5,800
Mining, logging, and construction	8,300	8,500	8,400	-200	-100
Mining and logging	800	900	900	-100	-100
Construction	7,500	7,600	7,500	-100	0
Manufacturing	14,600	14,800	13,900	-200	700
Durable goods	9,300	9,400	9,000	-100	300
Wood product manufacturing	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0
Nondurable goods	5,300	5,400	4,900	-100	400
Trade, transportation, and utilities	31,100	31,400	29,800	-300	1,300
Wholesale trade	6,500	6,500	6,100	0	400
Retail trade	21,100	21,500	20,200	-400	900
Food and beverage stores	4,900	4,800	4,700	100	200
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	3,500	3,400	3,500	100	0
Information	2,000	2,000	1,900	0	100
Financial activities	8,000	8,000	7,800	0	200
Professional and business services	18,200	18,400	17,700	-200	500
Administrative and support services	7,800	7,700	7,600	100	200
Education and health services	27,100	27,400	28,600	-300	-1,500
Health care and social assistance	25,900	26,200	27,000	-300	-1,100
Leisure and hospitality	16,300	16,500	11,900	-200	4,400
Accommodation and food services	14,100	14,200	10,800	-100	3,300
Food services and drinking places	12,500	12,500	9,600	0	2,900
Other services	4,900	4,900	4,700	0	200
Government	27,800	28,000	26,500	-200	1,300
Federal government	1,800	1,900	1,800	-100	0
State government	1,800	1,800	1,800	0	0
State education	0	0	0	0	0
Local government	24,200	24,300	22,900	-100	1,300
Local education	17,000	17,200	16,000	-200	1,000

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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