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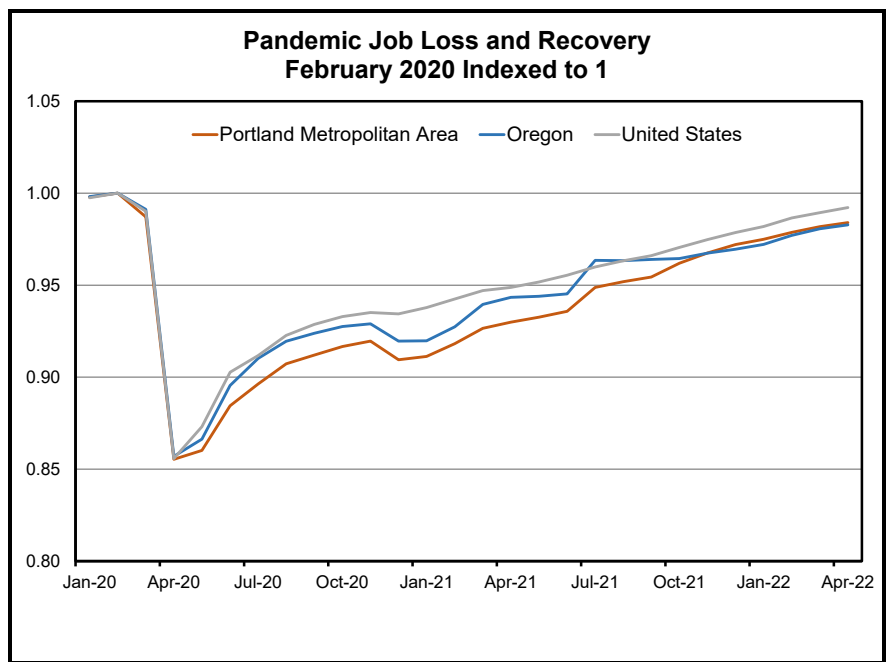
Portland Metropolitan Area: April 2022

The Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate was 3.7% in April, compared with 3.8% in March. Since peaking at 13.1% in April 2020, the unemployment rate has declined in all but four of the past 24 months. Approximately 48,100 area residents were unemployed; 27,500 less than a year ago. The statewide unemployment rate was 3.7% in April and the national rate was 3.6%.

Employers added 2,700 jobs in April following a gain of 3,900 in March (seasonally adjusted). Since the start of the recovery in May 2020, the region has regained 159,900 jobs, or 89% of pandemic losses (-179,800). In comparison, Oregon has added back 88% of lost jobs and the U.S. has recovered 95%.

Most industries followed seasonal trends with the exception of manufacturing, which added hundreds of jobs more than typical for this time of year, and transportation and warehousing, which declined over the month (-1,000).

Nonfarm payroll employment totaled 1,223,200 in April; 19,900 jobs (1.6%) below the pre-recession peak in February 2020. Recent revisions to both local and statewide data show the Portland metro area's recovery neck in neck with Oregon's thus far in 2022 after trailing for most of the recovery. Both areas still slightly lag the national jobs recovery.



Next Press Release

The Oregon Employment Department will release the Portland metropolitan area's unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Wednesday, June 22.

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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Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA MSA Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	April 2022	March 2022	April 2021	March 2022	April 2021
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	1,383,381	1,392,547	1,335,066	-9,166	48,315
Unemployed	48,114	54,085	75,586	-5,971	-27,472
Unemployment rate	3.5%	3.9%	5.7%	-0.4	-2.2
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	3.7%	3.8%	5.8%	-0.1	-2.1
Employed	1,335,267	1,338,462	1,259,480	-3,195	75,787
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	1,212,000	1,208,500	1,159,600	3,500	52,400
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	1,223,200	1,220,500	1,156,000	2,700	67,200
Total private	1,061,600	1,058,700	1,012,900	2,900	48,700
Mining, logging, and construction	82,200	81,700	76,800	500	5,400
Mining and logging	1,100	1,100	1,200	0	-100
Construction	81,100	80,600	75,600	500	5,500
Construction of buildings	22,400	21,900	20,200	500	2,200
Residential building construction	14,000	13,600	12,300	400	1,700
Nonresidential building construction	8,400	8,300	7,900	100	500
Heavy and civil engineering construction	6,800	6,600	6,100	200	700
Specialty trade contractors	51,900	52,100	49,300	-200	2,600
Manufacturing	128,500	127,000	120,600	1,500	7,900
Durable goods	94,900	93,200	88,700	1,700	6,200
Wood product manufacturing	4,200	4,200	4,000	0	200
Primary metal manufacturing	4,900	4,900	4,600	0	300
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	12,900	12,700	12,100	200	800
Machinery manufacturing	10,500	10,400	9,700	100	800
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	39,800	39,700	36,900	100	2,900
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	33,700	33,400	30,800	300	2,900
Electronic instrument manufacturing	4,500	4,500	4,400	0	100
Transportation equipment manufacturing	5,900	5,800	5,900	100	0
Nondurable goods	33,600	33,800	31,900	-200	1,700
Food manufacturing	13,800	13,700	13,400	100	400
Paper manufacturing	2,500	2,500	2,400	0	100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	218,400	220,000	218,900	-1,600	-500
Wholesale trade	55,100	55,300	55,500	-200	-400
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	29,600	29,800	29,700	-200	-100
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	19,500	19,500	19,800	0	-300
Electronic markets and agents and brokers	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0
Retail trade	112,800	113,200	114,300	-400	-1,500
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	14,000	13,900	13,800	100	200
Food and beverage stores	24,100	24,200	24,100	-100	0
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	8,900	8,900	8,100	0	800
General merchandise stores	22,400	22,600	23,200	-200	-800
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	50,500	51,500	49,100	-1,000	1,400
Utilities	2,600	2,600	2,500	0	100
Transportation and warehousing	47,900	48,900	46,600	-1,000	1,300
Air transportation	3,900	3,900	3,500	0	400
Truck transportation	11,200	11,200	11,000	0	200
Couriers and messengers	10,100	10,600	9,900	-500	200
Warehousing and storage	12,700	12,800	11,900	-100	800
Information	27,000	26,800	25,600	200	1,400
Publishing industries, except internet	12,300	12,100	11,800	200	500
Software publishers	10,900	10,800	10,500	100	400
Telecommunications	3,100	3,100	3,400	0	-300

Nonfarm Payroll Employment (continued)

	--Change From--				
	April 2022	March 2022	April 2021	March 2022	April 2021
Financial activities	73,000	73,400	73,600	-400	-600
Finance and insurance	40,600	41,500	43,200	-900	-2,600
Credit intermediation and related activities	16,900	17,200	18,000	-300	-1,100
Insurance carriers and related activities	17,900	18,100	18,700	-200	-800
Real estate and rental and leasing	32,400	31,900	30,400	500	2,000
Professional and business services	195,800	194,300	185,800	1,500	10,000
Professional and technical services	85,000	84,200	80,700	800	4,300
Architectural and engineering services	16,500	16,100	14,900	400	1,600
Computer systems design and related services	16,800	16,200	15,300	600	1,500
Management of companies and enterprises	40,200	40,100	39,600	100	600
Administrative and waste services	70,600	70,000	65,500	600	5,100
Administrative and support services	67,100	66,400	62,000	700	5,100
Employment services	30,700	30,900	27,800	-200	2,900
Business support services	5,200	5,200	5,600	0	-400
Services to buildings and dwellings	16,200	15,700	15,900	500	300
Education and health services	185,400	185,100	180,400	300	5,000
Educational services	28,200	28,300	26,200	-100	2,000
Colleges and universities	12,000	12,200	11,400	-200	600
Health care and social assistance	157,200	156,800	154,200	400	3,000
Ambulatory health care services	57,800	57,900	56,900	-100	900
Hospitals	30,500	30,500	30,400	0	100
Nursing and residential care facilities	27,000	27,100	28,000	-100	-1,000
Social assistance	41,900	41,300	38,900	600	3,000
Leisure and hospitality	110,900	109,500	92,600	1,400	18,300
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	14,700	14,400	11,500	300	3,200
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	11,000	10,600	8,400	400	2,600
Accommodation and food services	96,200	95,100	81,100	1,100	15,100
Accommodation	8,200	7,900	6,100	300	2,100
Food services and drinking places	88,000	87,200	75,000	800	13,000
Full-service restaurants	37,700	37,000	29,900	700	7,800
Limited-service eating places	40,600	40,500	38,000	100	2,600
Other services	40,400	40,900	38,600	-500	1,800
Membership associations and organizations	16,300	16,500	15,700	-200	600
Government	150,400	149,800	146,700	600	3,700
Federal government	18,200	18,100	18,700	100	-500
State government	12,500	12,500	12,500	0	0
State education	2,000	1,900	1,800	100	200
Local government	119,700	119,200	115,500	500	4,200
Local education	65,400	65,300	63,100	100	2,300

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 Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro metropolitan area includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon, and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington State.