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Employment in Douglas County

Douglas County Payroll Employment Decreased 140 Jobs in April

Douglas County's payroll employment decreased by a seasonally adjusted 140 jobs in April after a gain of 100 in March and a loss of 20 in February.

In the not seasonally adjusted private-sector industries in April, there were increases in leisure and hospitality (100), financial activities (20), and other services (20). There were small losses in retail trade (-20) and professional and business services (-20).

Government gained 40 jobs in April, from gains of 10 in federal government and 30 in local government.

When comparing April 2024 with April 2023, total nonfarm employment increased 60 jobs, or 0.2%. Private-sector over-the-year gains were seen in private education and health services (170), construction (90), and other services (60). There were relatively large losses in professional and business services (-180); manufacturing (-70); wholesale trade (-70); and retail trade (-70).

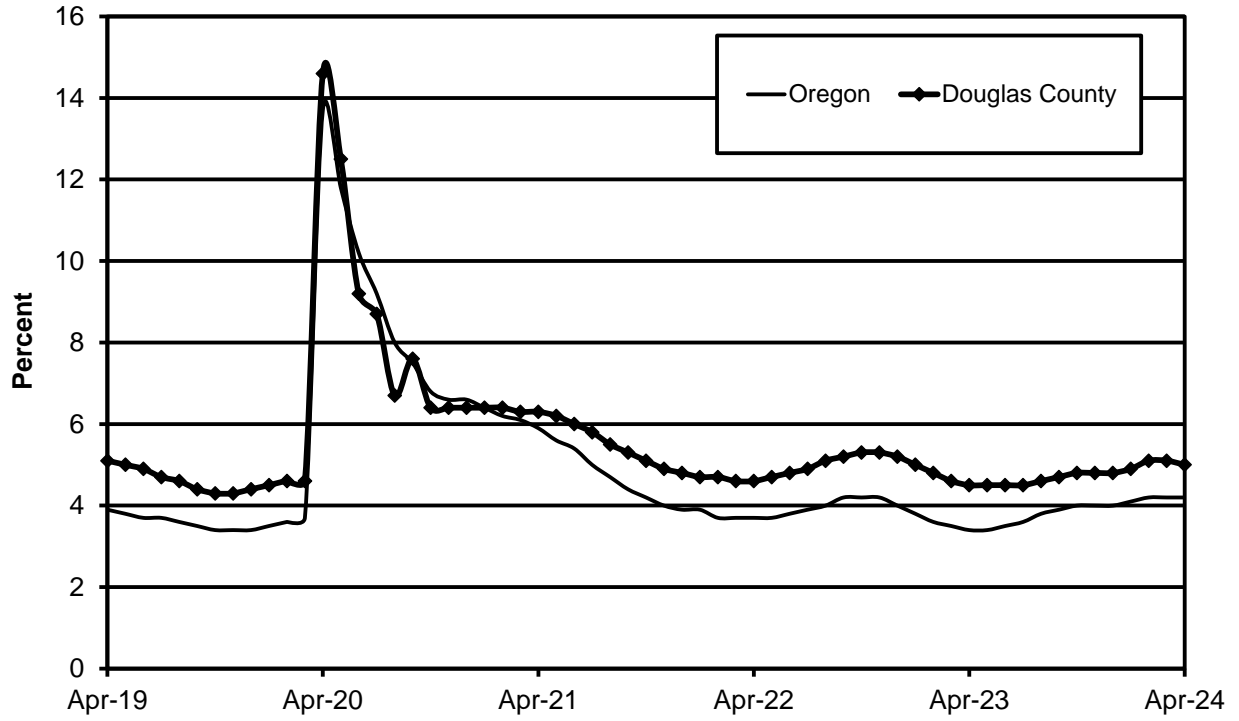
Government gained 160 jobs over the year from gains in local government (120), federal government (30), and state government (10).

Douglas County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate edged down to 5.0% in April compared with a revised 5.1% in March. The rate is up from 4.5% in April 2023. Douglas County's record low unemployment rate was set in October 2019 at 4.3%. The Oregon seasonally adjusted April rate was 4.2% and the U.S. rate was 3.9%.

Next Press Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the May county and metropolitan area unemployment rates and employment survey data on Tuesday, June 25th and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for May on Thursday, June 20th.

Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates





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Douglas County Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	--Change From--				
	April 2024	March 2024	April 2023	March 2024	April 2023
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	47,465	47,829	46,210	-364	1,255
Unemployed	2,138	2,578	1,845	-440	293
Unemployment rate	4.5%	5.4%	4.0%	-0.9	0.5
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	5.0%	5.1%	4.5%	-0.1	0.5
Employed	45,327	45,251	44,365	76	962
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	38,570	38,410	38,510	160	60
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	38,600	38,740	38,540	-140	60
Total private	30,820	30,700	30,920	120	-100
Mining, logging, and construction	2,660	2,650	2,570	10	90
Mining and logging	880	880	880	0	0
Construction	1,780	1,770	1,690	10	90
Manufacturing	4,590	4,600	4,660	-10	-70
Durable goods	4,110	4,120	4,180	-10	-70
Wood product manufacturing	2,690	2,690	2,750	0	-60
Nondurable goods	480	480	480	0	0
Trade, transportation, and utilities	7,060	7,070	7,250	-10	-190
Wholesale trade	880	880	950	0	-70
Retail trade	4,760	4,780	4,830	-20	-70
Food and beverage retailers	1,190	1,180	1,110	10	80
General merchandise retailers	1,090	1,110	1,130	-20	-40
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	1,420	1,410	1,470	10	-50
Information	320	320	310	0	10
Financial activities	1,410	1,390	1,380	20	30
Professional and business services	2,870	2,890	3,050	-20	-180
Private education and health services	6,950	6,940	6,780	10	170
Leisure and hospitality	3,700	3,600	3,720	100	-20
Food services and drinking places	2,930	2,850	2,950	80	-20
Other services	1,260	1,240	1,200	20	60
Government	7,750	7,710	7,590	40	160
Federal government	1,440	1,430	1,410	10	30
State government	710	710	700	0	10
Local government	5,600	5,570	5,480	30	120
Indian tribal	1,100	1,090	1,060	10	40
Local education	3,000	2,980	2,940	20	60
Local government excluding education and tribal	1,500	1,500	1,480	0	20

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: 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.

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