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Employment in Albany MSA (Linn County): February 2023

Linn County's Unemployment Rate Remains at 4.9%

Linn County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.9% in February, matching its revised rate of 4.9% in January. Oregon's statewide unemployment rate in February was 4.7%, down slightly from its revised January rate of 4.8%.

Linn County's employment gains in February were more than normal; total nonfarm employment increased by 50 jobs, when employment would be expected to decline 90. As a result, seasonally adjusted employment increased by 140 jobs between January and February. Employment is now 3.6%, or 1,670 jobs, above the pre-pandemic employment level in February 2020.

Linn County's seasonally adjusted total nonfarm employment is up 890 or 1.9% over the past year.

Private-sector employment was overall unchanged in February. Industries showing the largest employment declines in February included trade, transportation, and utilities (-110 jobs, -1.0%) and manufacturing (-40 jobs, -0.5%).

Public-sector employment was up 50 jobs in February. Local government employment added 60. Federal government was unchanged and state government shed 10 jobs in February.

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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the March county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, April 25 and the statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data will be released on Wednesday, April 19.



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

	--Change From--				
	February 2023	January 2023	February 2022	January 2023	February 2022
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	61,291	61,192	61,929	99	-638
Unemployed	3,069	3,281	2,714	-212	355
Unemployment rate	5.0%	5.4%	4.4%	-0.4	0.6
<i>Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)</i>	4.9%	4.9%	4.4%	0.0	0.5
Employed	58,222	57,911	59,215	311	-993
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm employment	48,130	48,080	47,620	50	510
<i>Total nonfarm employment (seasonally adjusted)</i>	48,540	48,400	47,650	140	890
Total private	41,080	41,080	40,780	0	300
Mining, logging, and construction	3,700	3,680	3,570	20	130
Mining and logging	470	470	420	0	50
Construction	3,230	3,210	3,150	20	80
Manufacturing	8,140	8,180	7,890	-40	250
Durable goods	5,990	5,990	5,800	0	190
Wood product manufacturing	2,220	2,230	2,130	-10	90
Primary metal manufacturing	1,950	1,950	1,810	0	140
Nondurable goods	2,150	2,190	2,090	-40	60
Trade, transportation, and utilities	11,380	11,490	11,500	-110	-120
Wholesale trade	1,950	1,930	1,800	20	150
Retail trade	5,410	5,440	5,630	-30	-220
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	4,020	4,120	4,070	-100	-50
Information	350	350	370	0	-20
Financial activities	1,480	1,480	1,540	0	-60
Professional and business services	3,450	3,430	3,380	20	70
Private education and health services	7,390	7,300	7,250	90	140
Health care and social assistance	6,750	6,730	6,660	20	90
Leisure and hospitality	3,840	3,820	3,950	20	-110
Other services	1,350	1,350	1,330	0	20
Government	7,050	7,000	6,840	50	210
Federal government	350	350	320	0	30
State government	690	700	660	-10	30
Local government	6,010	5,950	5,860	60	150
Local education	3,930	3,900	3,780	30	150
Local government excluding educational services	2,080	2,050	2,080	30	0

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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