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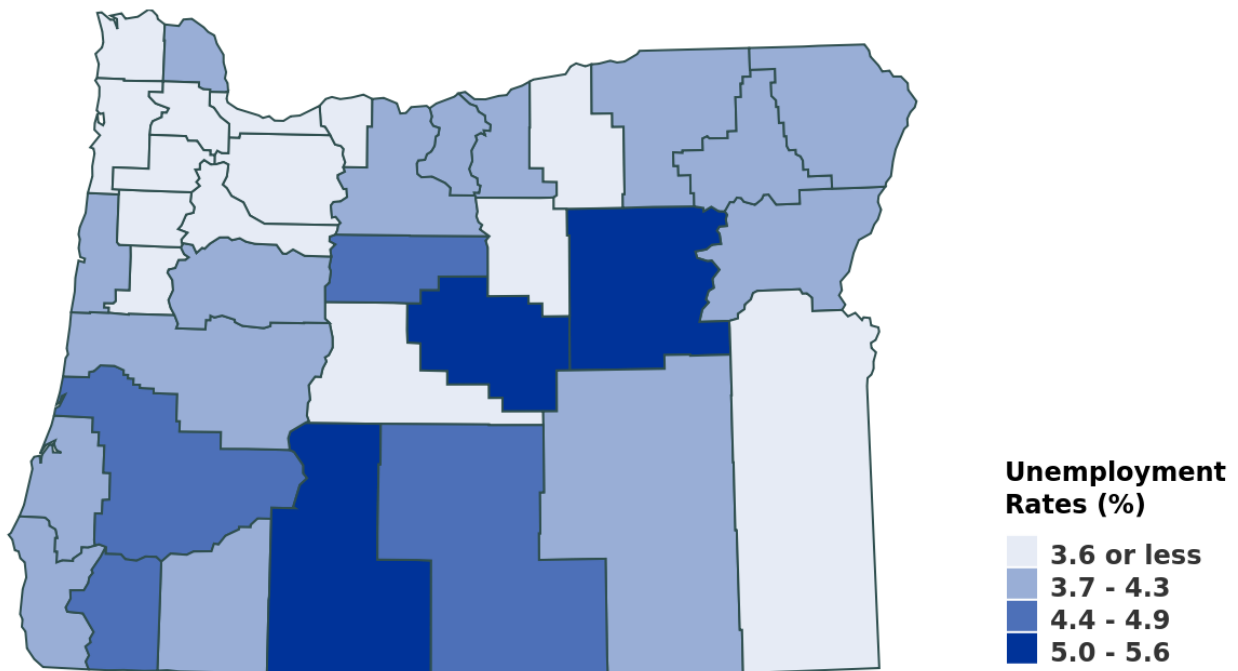
## October 2023 Employment and Unemployment in Oregon's Counties

In October, unemployment rates decreased or remained unchanged in 28 of Oregon's 36 counties over the month and increased in eight. Fourteen counties had unemployment rates at or below the statewide unemployment rate of 3.6%, and 20 counties had a rate at or below the U.S. unemployment rate of 3.9%.

Crook County had Oregon's highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate (5.6%) in October. Other counties with relatively high unemployment rates were Grant and Klamath, both at 5.0%. Hood River and Wheeler counties registered the lowest unemployment rate (2.9%) in October. Other counties with relatively low unemployment rates included Benton (3.0%), Washington (3.1%), and Clackamas (3.2%).

### Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rate

October 2023



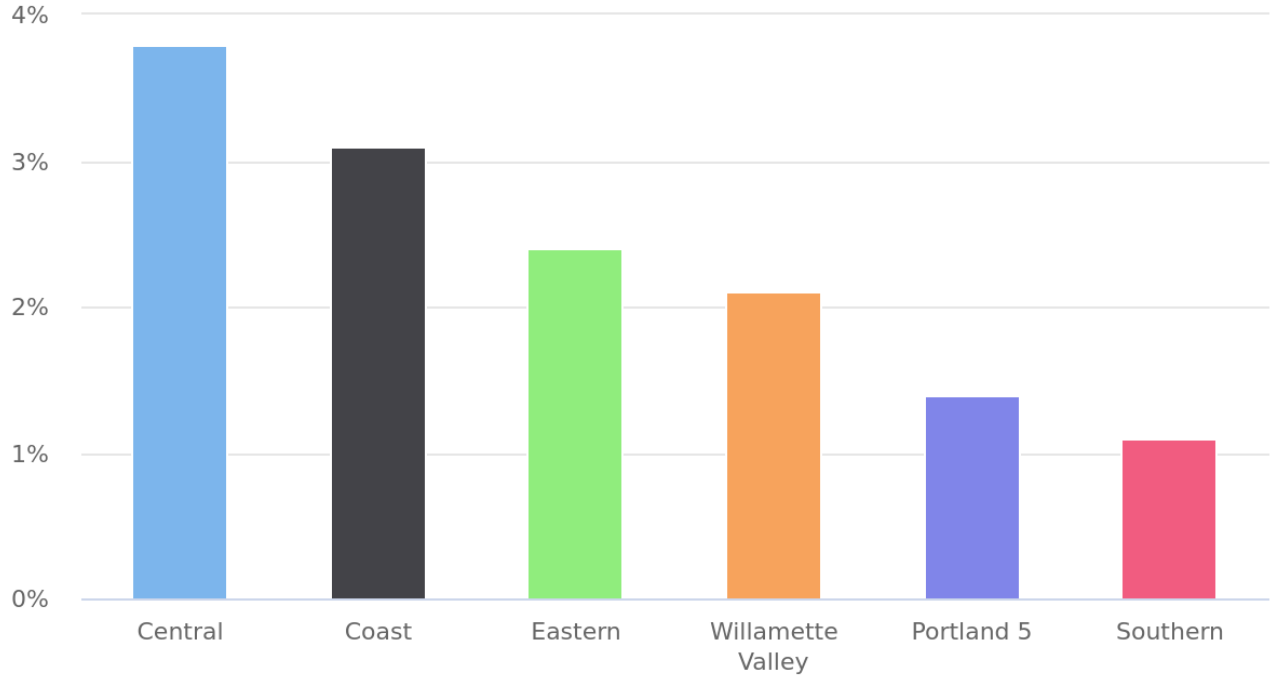
Oregon Employment Department, Local Area Unemployment Statistics

Between October 2022 and October 2023, total nonfarm employment rose in all six broad regions across Oregon. Central Oregon experienced the fastest job growth over the year at 3.8%. Employment also grew at a relatively fast pace along the Coast (3.1%). Employment grew at a moderate pace in

Eastern Oregon (2.4%), in the Willamette Valley (2.1%), and in the five Portland-metro counties (1.4%). Growth was slowest in Southern Oregon (1.1%).

## Over-the-Year Employment Change by Region

October 2022 to October 2023, Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Employment



Oregon Employment Department, Current Employment Statistics

### Next News Releases

The Oregon Employment Department will release statewide unemployment rate and industry employment data for November 2023 on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2023. The November 2023 county and metropolitan area unemployment rates will be released on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2023.

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Labor Force and Unemployment by Area (1)

	October 2023					September 2023					October 2022				
	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate (UR)	Seasonally Adjusted UR
United States	167,774,000	161,676,000	6,098,000	3.6	3.9	167,718,000	161,669,000	6,049,000	3.6	3.8	164,753,000	159,144,000	5,609,000	3.4	3.7
State of Oregon	2,155,402	2,083,582	71,820	3.3	3.6	2,149,050	2,073,894	75,156	3.5	3.5	2,193,626	2,095,911	97,715	4.5	4.8
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Areas:</b>															
Albany (Linn County)	60,710	58,521	2,189	3.6	3.8	60,239	57,948	2,291	3.8	3.8	61,732	58,725	3,007	4.9	5.1
Bend-Redmond (Deschutes County)	101,266	97,924	3,342	3.3	3.6	101,652	98,137	3,515	3.5	3.7	103,527	99,010	4,517	4.4	4.7
Corvallis (Benton County)	50,049	48,560	1,489	3.0	3.0	48,259	46,759	1,500	3.1	2.9	50,116	48,092	2,024	4.0	4.0
Eugene (Lane County)	176,423	169,928	6,495	3.7	3.8	174,818	168,091	6,727	3.8	3.8	183,711	174,435	9,276	5.0	5.1
Grants Pass (Josephine County)	36,229	34,706	1,523	4.2	4.8	36,145	34,531	1,614	4.5	4.7	36,966	34,841	2,125	5.7	6.4
Medford (Jackson County)	105,998	102,179	3,819	3.6	4.1	105,321	101,307	4,014	3.8	4.1	108,088	102,804	5,284	4.9	5.3
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro (2)	1,369,369	1,324,082	45,287	3.3	3.4	1,360,259	1,314,359	45,900	3.4	3.4	1,380,488	1,323,028	57,460	4.2	4.4
Salem (Marion and Polk counties)	212,330	205,158	7,172	3.4	3.6	212,124	204,761	7,363	3.5	3.5	216,536	206,605	9,931	4.6	4.8
<b>Counties:</b>															
Baker	7,179	6,936	243	3.4	4.1	7,150	6,893	257	3.6	4.1	7,493	7,148	345	4.6	5.4
Benton	50,049	48,560	1,489	3.0	3.0	48,259	46,759	1,500	3.1	2.9	50,116	48,092	2,024	4.0	4.0
Clackamas	225,693	218,732	6,961	3.1	3.2	224,934	217,589	7,345	3.3	3.2	228,913	219,585	9,328	4.1	4.2
Clatsop	19,277	18,669	608	3.2	3.6	19,428	18,769	659	3.4	3.6	19,686	18,795	891	4.5	4.8
Columbia	24,975	23,994	981	3.9	4.1	24,862	23,841	1,021	4.1	4.1	25,422	24,090	1,332	5.2	5.4
Coos	26,281	25,250	1,031	3.9	4.3	26,225	25,125	1,100	4.2	4.3	26,717	25,010	1,507	5.6	6.0
Crook	10,751	10,207	544	5.1	5.6	10,888	10,320	568	5.2	5.5	11,337	10,695	642	5.7	6.2
Curry	9,064	8,715	349	3.9	4.3	9,300	8,922	378	4.1	4.4	9,200	8,680	520	5.7	6.2
Deschutes	101,266	97,924	3,342	3.3	3.6	101,652	98,137	3,515	3.5	3.7	103,527	99,010	4,517	4.4	4.7
Douglas	46,025	44,167	1,858	4.0	4.5	46,312	44,321	1,991	4.3	4.5	47,454	44,780	2,674	5.6	6.0
Gilliam	912	879	33	3.6	4.1	905	871	34	3.8	4.0	1,022	988	34	3.3	3.9
Grant	3,126	3,022	104	3.3	5.0	3,154	3,044	110	3.5	5.0	3,233	3,071	162	5.0	6.9
Harney	3,578	3,467	111	3.1	3.9	3,614	3,499	115	3.2	3.9	3,781	3,603	178	4.7	5.8
Hood River	14,134	13,781	353	2.5	2.9	14,757	14,387	370	2.5	2.8	14,404	13,892	512	3.6	4.2
Jackson	105,998	102,179	3,819	3.6	4.1	105,321	101,307	4,014	3.8	4.1	108,088	102,804	5,284	4.9	5.3
Jefferson	10,266	9,878	388	3.8	4.4	10,294	9,872	422	4.1	4.5	10,425	9,843	582	5.6	6.4
Josephine	36,229	34,706	1,523	4.2	4.8	36,145	34,531	1,614	4.5	4.7	36,966	34,841	2,125	5.7	6.4
Klamath	30,033	28,794	1,239	4.1	5.0	30,083	28,844	1,239	4.1	5.1	30,719	28,874	1,845	6.0	6.6
Lake	3,542	3,398	144	4.1	4.8	3,583	3,435	148	4.1	4.8	3,692	3,496	196	5.3	6.3
Lane	176,423	169,928	6,495	3.7	3.8	174,818	168,091	6,727	3.8	3.8	183,711	174,435	9,276	5.0	5.1
Lincoln	20,752	20,005	747	3.6	4.0	21,150	20,359	791	3.7	4.1	20,974	19,818	1,156	5.5	5.9
Linn	60,710	58,521	2,189	3.6	3.8	60,239	57,948	2,291	3.8	3.8	61,732	58,725	3,007	4.9	5.1
Malheur	12,768	12,383	385	3.0	3.6	12,663	12,274	389	3.1	3.6	12,811	12,247	564	4.4	5.1
Marion	169,591	163,878	5,713	3.4	3.5	169,603	163,728	5,875	3.5	3.5	173,013	165,061	7,952	4.6	4.8
Morrow	6,177	5,997	180	2.9	3.4	6,203	6,016	187	3.0	3.4	6,195	5,932	263	4.2	4.6
Multnomah	466,243	451,067	15,176	3.3	3.4	464,817	448,776	16,041	3.5	3.4	472,661	452,850	19,811	4.2	4.4
Polk	42,739	41,280	1,459	3.4	3.6	42,521	41,033	1,488	3.5	3.5	43,523	41,544	1,979	4.5	4.7
Sherman	959	922	37	3.9	4.0	953	921	32	3.4	3.8	968	937	31	3.2	3.6
Tillamook	11,869	11,487	382	3.2	3.6	12,028	11,614	414	3.4	3.7	11,983	11,409	574	4.8	5.0
Umatilla	38,934	37,703	1,231	3.2	3.8	39,282	38,027	1,255	3.2	3.8	38,633	36,845	1,788	4.6	5.2
Union	12,019	11,622	397	3.3	3.7	11,903	11,496	407	3.4	3.7	12,192	11,583	609	5.0	5.4
Wallowa	3,609	3,500	109	3.0	4.3	3,705	3,594	111	3.0	4.4	3,583	3,410	173	4.8	6.2
Wasco	12,805	12,364	441	3.4	3.7	12,934	12,476	458	3.5	3.7	13,036	12,428	608	4.7	4.8
Washington	334,614	324,626	9,988	3.0	3.1	332,510	322,049	10,461	3.1	3.1	338,894	326,046	12,848	3.8	3.9
Wheeler	799	781	18	2.3	2.9	805	783	22	2.7	3.1	745	722	23	3.1	3.5
Yamhill	56,011	54,258	1,753	3.1	3.3	56,048	54,242	1,806	3.2	3.2	56,774	54,421	2,353	4.1	4.3

(1) Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force. Data are not seasonally adjusted unless otherwise noted.

(2) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA includes Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, and Yamhill counties in Oregon and Clark and Skamania counties in Washington.