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Oregon's Unemployment Rate 4.1 Percent in June

Oregon's unemployment rate was 4.1 percent in June, essentially unchanged from 4.2 percent in May. Oregon's unemployment rate has been between 4.0 percent and 4.4 percent for 32 months, dating back to November 2016. The U.S. unemployment rate was little changed at 3.7 percent in June.

Oregon's unemployment rate has been at or near record low levels for nearly three years. Of those unemployed in June, nearly half were either new or returning to the labor force. At 46.9 percent, the share of unemployed who were entrants was the highest since May 1999. Another 38.5 percent were unemployed due to a job loss. The remaining 14.7 percent had voluntarily left their previous job and were looking for work.

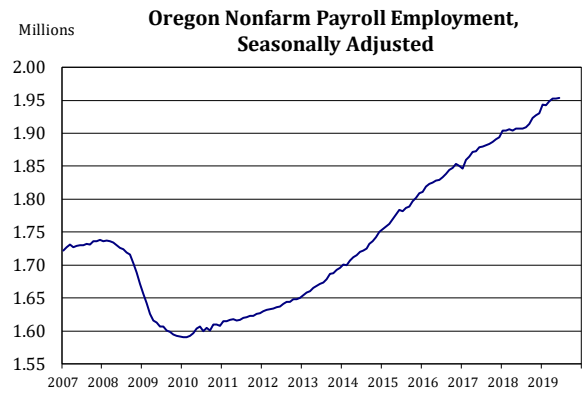
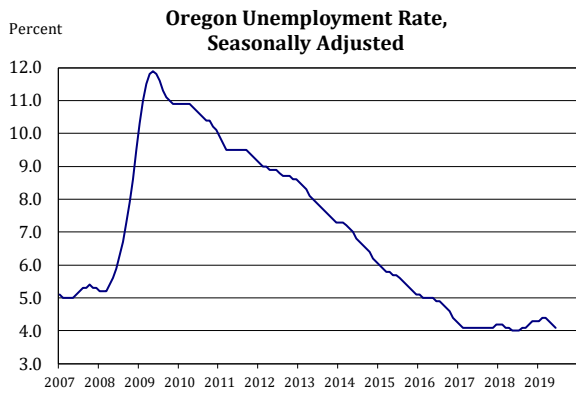
In June, Oregon's total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 900 jobs. The jobs gain in June followed a revised loss of 200 jobs in May. Monthly gains for June were strongest in **professional and business services**, which added 1,200 jobs, and in **manufacturing**, which added 900 jobs. Two industries with large losses in June were **leisure and hospitality** (-1,000 jobs) and **retail trade** (-900 jobs). Other sectors were close to their usual seasonal pattern of job gains or losses for June.

Looking at longer-term trends, Oregon's economy continued to grow rapidly. Since June 2018, total nonfarm payroll employment was up 46,100 jobs, or 2.4 percent. Oregon's job growth rate over the past 12 months was faster than the U.S. job growth rate of 1.5 percent.

The most rapid gains over the past year were in **transportation, warehousing, and utilities** (+4,500 jobs, or 6.9%) and **construction** (+7,100 jobs, or 6.8%). Job gains were widespread, with three other major industries each adding between 2.6 percent and 3.7 percent to their jobs base in the past 12 months. These industries were **manufacturing** (+7,100 jobs, or 3.7%), **professional and business services** (+8,800 jobs, or 3.5%), and **health care and social assistance** (+6,800 jobs, or 2.6%). During that time, none of the major industries cut a substantial number of jobs, although three industries showed little change: **retail trade**; **financial activities**; and **mining and logging**.

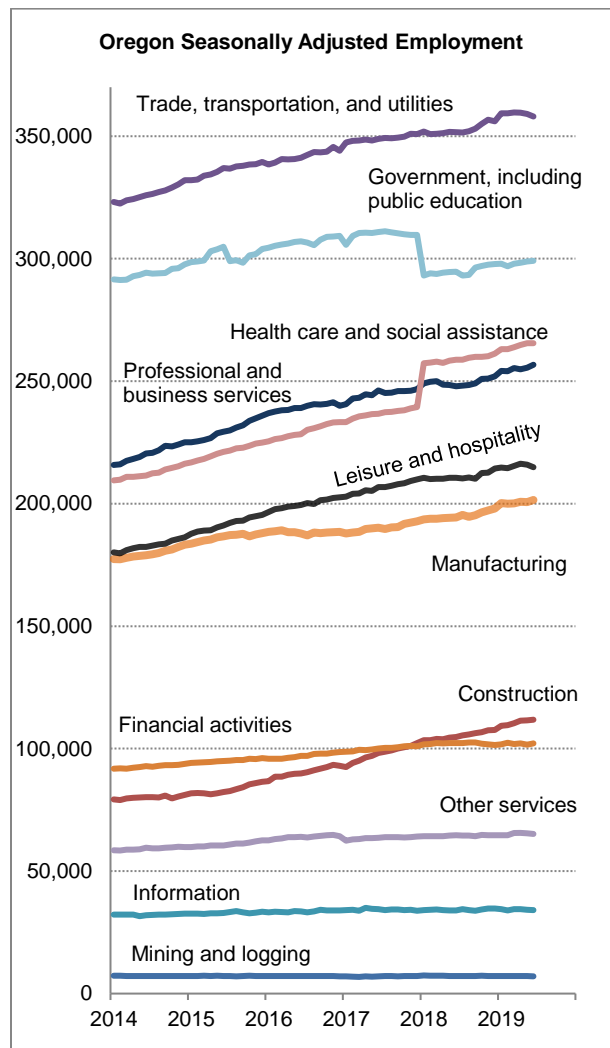
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The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the June county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, July 23rd, and the next statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for July on Tuesday, August 13th.



Seasonal Expectations and Over-the-Month Employment Changes May to June 2019

INDUSTRY	Normal Seasonal Movement	Unadjusted Change	Seasonally Adjusted Change
Total nonfarm payroll employment	9,600	10,500	900
Total private	9,500	10,200	700
Mining and logging	200	100	-100
Construction	1,300	1,500	200
Manufacturing	2,100	3,000	900
Wholesale trade	-200	-400	-200
Retail trade	700	-200	-900
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	0	0	0
Information	-400	-500	-100
Financial activities	100	600	500
Professional and business services	2,000	3,200	1,200
Private educational services	-1,100	-600	500
Health care and social assistance	-1,800	-1,800	0
Leisure and hospitality	6,900	5,900	-1,000
Other services	-300	-600	-300
Government	100	300	200



Notes:

All numbers in the above narrative are seasonally adjusted.

The Oregon Employment Department and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) work cooperatively to develop and publish monthly Oregon payroll employment and labor force data. 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 publishes payroll employment estimates that are revised quarterly by using employment counts from employer unemployment insurance tax records. All department publications use this *Official Oregon Series* data unless noted otherwise. This month's release incorporates the October, November and December 2018 tax records data. The department continues to make the original nonfarm payroll employment series available; these data are produced by the BLS.

The PDF version of the news release, including tables and graphs, can be found at www.QualityInfo.org/press-release. To obtain the data in other formats such as in Excel, visit www.QualityInfo.org, then within the top banner, select *Economic Data*, then choose *LAUS* or *CES*. To request the press release as a Word document, contact the person shown at the top of this press release.

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Oregon Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

	June 2019	May 2019	June 2018	Change From May 2019	Change From June 2018
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	2,119,972	2,105,751	2,112,449	14,221	7,523
Unemployed	84,593	69,462	87,921	15,131	-3,328
Unemployment rate	4.0	3.3	4.2	0.7	-0.2
Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted	4.1	4.2	4.0	-0.1	0.1
Employed	2,035,379	2,036,289	2,024,528	-910	10,851
Other Labor Force Indicators					
Labor force participation rate, seasonally adjusted	62.1	62.2	62.3	-0.1	-0.2
Labor underutilization rate – U-6, seasonally adjusted	8.4	8.6	8.1	-0.2	0.3
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm payroll employment	1,974,600	1,964,100	1,925,600	10,500	49,000
Total private	1,666,500	1,656,300	1,620,900	10,200	45,600
Mining and logging	7,400	7,300	7,300	100	100
Logging	5,600	5,500	5,400	100	200
Construction	114,200	112,700	106,200	1,500	8,000
Construction of buildings	32,500	32,000	29,400	500	3,100
Residential building construction	20,300	19,900	18,200	400	2,100
Nonresidential building construction	12,200	12,100	11,200	100	1,000
Heavy and civil engineering construction	10,700	10,400	10,300	300	400
Specialty trade contractors	71,000	70,300	66,500	700	4,500
Building foundation and exterior contractors	12,900	12,900	13,100	0	-200
Building equipment contractors	31,800	31,800	28,700	0	3,100
Building finishing contractors	17,000	16,500	15,500	500	1,500
Other specialty trade contractors	9,300	9,100	9,200	200	100
Manufacturing	203,600	200,600	195,900	3,000	7,700
Durable goods	139,500	138,800	135,500	700	4,000
Wood product manufacturing	23,800	23,700	23,500	100	300
Sawmills and wood preservation	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	0
Plywood and engineered wood product mfg.	9,200	9,100	9,100	100	100
Other wood product manufacturing	8,100	8,100	7,900	0	200
Primary metal manufacturing	9,100	9,000	8,400	100	700
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	16,700	16,500	16,600	200	100
Machinery manufacturing	14,500	14,500	14,200	0	300
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	40,000	39,600	38,000	400	2,000
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	31,600	31,200	29,700	400	1,900
Electronic instrument manufacturing	5,600	5,600	5,500	0	100
Transportation equipment manufacturing	12,800	12,800	12,200	0	600
Nondurable goods	64,100	61,800	60,400	2,300	3,700
Food manufacturing	32,600	31,200	30,700	1,400	1,900
Fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty	11,800	10,900	11,700	900	100
Paper manufacturing	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	-100
Trade, transportation, and utilities	356,800	357,400	350,800	-600	6,000
Wholesale trade	76,600	77,000	75,500	-400	1,100
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	37,000	37,300	37,100	-300	-100
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	31,700	31,700	30,600	0	1,100
Electronic markets and agents and brokers	7,900	8,000	7,800	-100	100
Retail trade	210,400	210,600	210,700	-200	-300
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	26,800	27,200	27,200	-400	-400
Building material and garden supply stores	17,600	17,500	17,600	100	0
Food and beverage stores	42,900	42,800	43,400	100	-500
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	16,200	16,100	16,200	100	0
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	9,200	9,200	9,900	0	-700
General merchandise stores	40,200	40,200	40,300	0	-100
Miscellaneous store retailers	16,400	16,400	16,100	0	300
Nonstore retailers	7,100	7,100	7,000	0	100

	June 2019	May 2019	June 2018	Change From May 2019	Change From June 2018
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	69,800	69,800	64,600	0	5,200
Utilities	4,800	4,700	4,900	100	-100
Transportation and warehousing	65,000	65,100	59,700	-100	5,300
Truck transportation	18,900	19,300	19,100	-400	-200
Couriers and messengers	8,700	8,600	9,000	100	-300
Warehousing and storage	13,000	13,000	9,100	0	3,900
Information	33,800	34,300	33,900	-500	-100
Publishing industries, except internet	14,700	14,700	14,700	0	0
Newspaper, book, and directory publishers	3,100	3,100	3,300	0	-200
Software publishers	11,600	11,600	11,400	0	200
Telecommunications	5,100	5,200	5,300	-100	-200
Financial activities	102,900	102,300	102,400	600	500
Finance and insurance	57,400	57,500	57,400	-100	0
Credit intermediation and related activities	27,200	27,400	27,300	-200	-100
Insurance carriers and related activities	24,400	24,300	24,200	100	200
Real estate and rental and leasing	45,500	44,800	45,000	700	500
Real estate	40,200	39,900	39,300	300	900
Professional and business services	258,400	255,200	249,200	3,200	9,200
Professional and technical services	100,700	98,800	96,500	1,900	4,200
Legal services	12,300	12,100	12,000	200	300
Architectural and engineering services	17,700	17,300	16,600	400	1,100
Computer systems design and related services	16,200	16,100	16,200	100	0
Management of companies and enterprises	50,400	50,000	48,700	400	1,700
Administrative and waste services	107,300	106,400	104,000	900	3,300
Administrative and support services	101,200	100,500	98,300	700	2,900
Employment services	45,500	44,500	42,000	1,000	3,500
Business support services	12,600	12,800	13,000	-200	-400
Services to buildings and dwellings	26,200	26,300	24,500	-100	1,700
Education and health services	300,800	303,200	291,900	-2,400	8,900
Educational services	36,600	37,200	33,900	-600	2,700
Health care and social assistance	264,200	266,000	258,000	-1,800	6,200
Ambulatory health care services	95,200	95,800	91,900	-600	3,300
Hospitals	60,000	59,500	59,200	500	800
Nursing and residential care facilities	51,700	51,500	51,400	200	300
Social assistance	57,300	59,200	55,500	-1,900	1,800
Leisure and hospitality	224,500	218,600	218,100	5,900	6,400
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	30,700	28,800	29,000	1,900	1,700
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	22,600	20,900	21,000	1,700	1,600
Accommodation and food services	193,800	189,800	189,100	4,000	4,700
Accommodation	30,100	27,500	27,500	2,600	2,600
Food services and drinking places	163,700	162,300	161,600	1,400	2,100
Full-service restaurants	75,700	73,500	74,000	2,200	1,700
Limited-service eating places	72,200	72,300	71,100	-100	1,100
Other services	64,100	64,700	65,200	-600	-1,100
Repair and maintenance	18,800	18,600	18,900	200	-100
Personal and laundry services	16,000	15,600	15,600	400	400
Membership associations and organizations	29,300	30,500	30,700	-1,200	-1,400
Religious organizations	16,000	16,900	16,500	-900	-500
Government	308,100	307,800	304,700	300	3,400
Federal government	30,000	28,800	28,900	1,200	1,100
State government	41,200	40,500	40,000	700	1,200
State education	900	900	800	0	100
Local government	236,900	238,500	235,800	-1,600	1,100
Indian tribal	8,100	8,100	8,300	0	-200
Local education	139,900	142,500	139,600	-2,600	300
Labor-management disputes	0	0	0	0	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.

Labor Force Status: 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.

U-6 is the total unemployed plus all persons marginally attached to the labor force plus total employed part-time for economic reasons, as a percent of the civilian labor force plus all persons marginally attached to the 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. These survey-based estimates are revised quarterly, based on more complete information from employer tax records.