

## AccuWeather.com Forecast

TODAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Mostly sunny	Sunny and pleasantly warm	Sunny and very warm	Abundant sunshine and very warm	Partly sunny and pleasantly warm

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### PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

69°	39°	76°	43°	78°	47°	79°	52°	76°	50°
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### HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

72°	39°	80°	42°	81°	45°	84°	51°	79°	50°
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**PENDLETON**  
through 3 p.m. yesterday

**TEMPERATURE**

HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 60°	42°
Normals 62°	39°
Records 89° (1926)	26° (1903)

**PRECIPITATION**  
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.01"  
Month to date 0.21"  
Normal month to date 0.63"  
Year to date 4.20"  
Last year to date 3.01"  
Normal year to date 4.63"

**HERMISTON**  
through 3 p.m. yesterday

**TEMPERATURE**

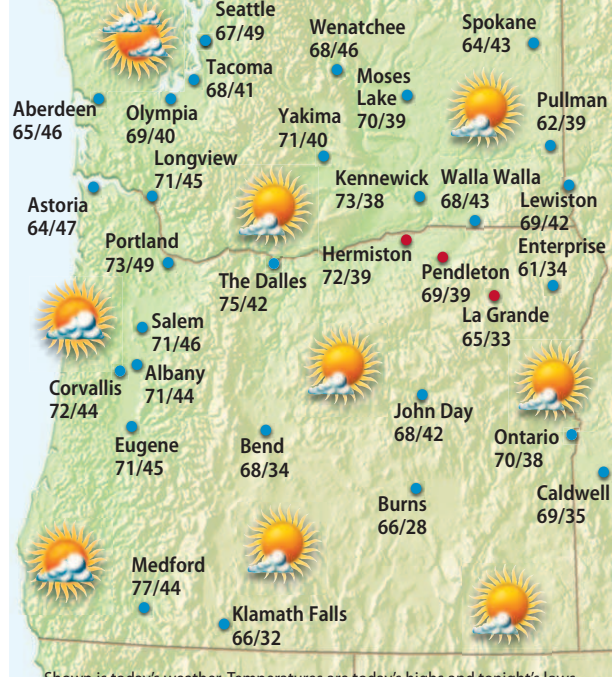
HIGH	LOW
Yesterday 63°	42°
Normals 65°	39°
Records 86° (1936)	27° (2005)

**PRECIPITATION**  
24 hours ending 3 p.m. Trace  
Month to date 0.28"  
Normal month to date 0.38"  
Year to date 2.98"  
Last year to date 1.78"  
Normal year to date 3.52"

### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 6:07 a.m.  
Sunset tonight 7:43 p.m.  
Moonrise today 2:35 p.m.  
Moonset today 3:43 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Apr 21	Apr 29	May 6	May 13



### REGIONAL FORECAST

**Coastal Oregon:** Warmer across the north today; partly sunny in central parts.

**Eastern Washington:** Sunshine and patchy clouds today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight.

**Eastern and Central Oregon:** Mostly sunny today. Warmer, pleasant. Mainly clear tonight.

**Western Washington:** Some sun today; cloudy in the morning, then some sun at the coast in the afternoon.

**Cascades:** Mostly sunny and warmer today; pleasant. Mainly clear tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.

**Northern California:** Plenty of sunshine today; warmer. Mainly clear tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.

### REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	64	47	pc	76	53	s
Baker City	65	30	s	71	33	s
Bend	68	34	s	75	36	s
Brookings	65	51	s	68	51	s
Burns	66	28	s	72	31	s
Enterprise	61	34	s	67	36	s
Eugene	71	45	pc	81	49	s
Heppner	66	39	s	73	42	s
Hermiston	72	39	s	80	42	s
John Day	68	42	s	75	46	s
Klamath Falls	66	32	s	74	36	s
La Grande	65	33	s	72	35	s
Meacham	62	33	s	71	34	s
Medford	77	44	s	87	49	s
Newport	62	47	pc	71	51	s
North Bend	66	49	pc	76	51	s
Ontario	70	38	s	74	38	s
Pasco	72	40	s	80	40	s
Pendleton	69	39	s	76	43	s
Portland	73	49	pc	81	58	s
Redmond	71	31	s	79	34	s
Salem	71	46	pc	82	50	s
Spokane	64	43	s	73	47	s
Ukiah	64	33	s	72	36	s
Vancouver	71	50	pc	81	56	s
Walla Walla	68	43	s	75	47	s
Yakima	71	40	pc	78	47	s

### WORLD CITIES

City	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	72	47	pc	68	48	c
Hong Kong	84	76	t	85	70	t
Jerusalem	77	58	s	77	55	s
London	48	35	sh	53	38	pc
Mexico City	84	53	pc	81	53	pc
Moscow	44	31	r	54	40	s
Paris	58	39	sh	53	37	sh
Rome	70	58	pc	73	54	pc
Seoul	70	52	r	61	41	pc
Sydney	78	65	pc	70	63	sh
Tokyo	67	61	pc	69	61	r

### WINDS

(in mph)

Boardman	Today	Sunday
Boardman	SSE 3-6	NE 4-8
Pendleton	NNW 3-6	NNE 4-8

### UV INDEX TODAY

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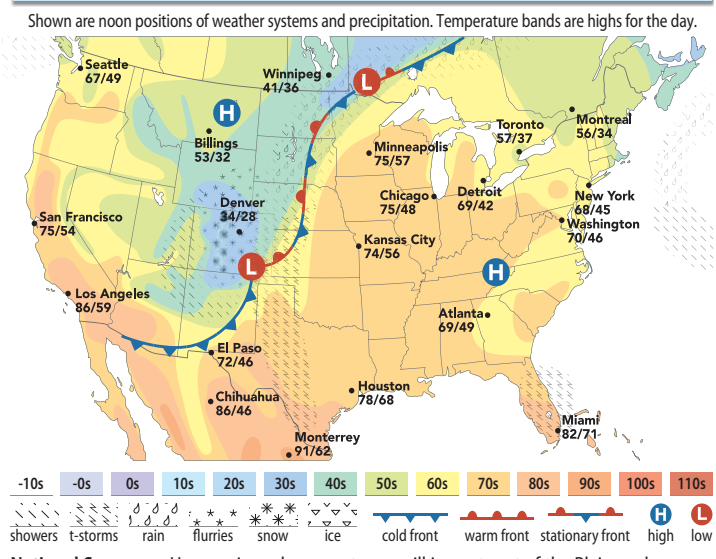
8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.

0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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### NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



**National Summary:** Heavy rain and severe storms will impact part of the Plains as heavy snow falls on the central and southern Rockies today. Showers and storms will dot the southern East Coast. It will be sunny elsewhere.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
High 94° in Presidio, Texas Low 16° in Bodie State Park, Calif.

### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	54	39	s	57	41	sh
Atlanta	69	49	pc	75	49	s
Atlantic City	54	43	s	60	44	s
Baltimore	67	39	s	73	45	s
Billings	53	32	pc	52	33	pc
Birmingham	73	51	pc	75	49	s
Boise	66	40	s	70	44	s
Boston	50	40	s	58	45	s
Charleston, SC	72	47	pc	74	47	s
Charleston, WV	74	45	s	78	49	s
Chicago	75	48	s	72	48	s
Cleveland	67	44	s	67	45	s
Dallas	77	65	c	71	64	t
Denver	34	28	sn	40	26	sn
Detroit	69	42	s	71	47	s
El Paso	72	46	s	73	50	s
Fairbanks	48	25	c	50	30	pc
Fargo	63	43	r	54	40	s
Honolulu	84	71	sh	82	69	pc
Houston	78	68	sh	74	67	t
Indianapolis	74	46	s	76	50	s
Jacksonville	73	58	pc	72	53	pc
Kansas City	74	56	pc	77	57	c
Las Vegas	77	58	s	79	58	s
Little Rock	73	61	pc	78	59	pc
Los Angeles	86	59	s	88	60	s
Louisville	77	50	s	79	53	s
Memphis	76	58	pc	79	56	s
Miami	82	71	t	80	70	sh
Millwaukee	60	44	s	63	44	s
Minneapolis	75	57	pc	77	57	c
Nashville	77	49	s	79	50	s
New Orleans	76	67	pc	77	65	pc
New York City	68	45	s	72	51	s
Oklahoma City	73	59	c	67	54	t
Omaha	75	56	pc	76	56	c
Philadelphia	66	43	s	74	50	s
Phoenix	83	61	s	84	62	s
Portland, ME	55	35	s	59	41	s
Providence	55	37	s	64	42	s
Raleigh	69	42	s	71	43	s
Rapid City	43	29	r	46	29	sn
Reno	68	39	s	74	42	s
Sacramento	82	50	s	85	54	s
St. Louis	77	55	s	78	56	s
Salt Lake City	58	40	pc	61	40	c
San Diego	78	59	s	81	60	c
San Francisco	75	54	s	80	56	s
Seattle	67	49	pc	76	54	s
Tucson	75	51	s	79	52	s
Washington, DC	70	46	s	74	51	s
Wichita	71	60	c	67	57	t

**Weather (W):** s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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## Paying taxes a job requirement for revenue employees

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SALEM — As Oregonians prepare to file their taxes by the April 18 deadline, they can take some solace in the fact that state Department of Revenue employees have likely been busy lately filing their own returns.

It's a mandatory condition of employment for department employees to pay any taxes they owe the state, and the agency has a dedicated employee who verifies the tax compliance of auditors and other staff.

However, the Department of Revenue might be the only Oregon state agency where tax compliance is a job requirement. Matt Shelby, a spokesman for the state Department of Administrative Services, said that agency does not verify whether its employees are complying with state tax laws. The Department of Administrative Services also sets minimum human resources standards that all of state government must abide by, and tax compliance is not among those standards.

"I think from our standpoint it is appropriate for different agencies to have different requirements," Shelby said. "I'm not aware of any discussions where it was actively discussed and then a decision was made not to." I just know that we don't.

Shelby added that "like any other Oregon employer, we're required to garnish wages of any employee that is severely delinquent in their taxes and we would do so. That goes for any employer in the state."

No one appears to know what percentage of state employees are delinquent on their taxes, nor how that might compare with the general population. Unlike the federal government,

Oregon also does not track how many state employees are delinquent on their taxes.

The IRS has been tracking and reporting on federal employees' tax compliance under an initiative launched in 1993, according to a statement by the agency on Thursday. In 2014, the IRS report found nearly 114,000 federal civilian employees were delinquent on their taxes by a total of \$1.1 billion, according to the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

At the Oregon Department of Revenue, new hires must undergo a pre-employment tax compliance check and then additional periodic checks to ensure they still meet the requirement.

"The department has an employee compliance officer who checks all our employees for compliance with their state taxes," public information officer Joy P. Krawczyk wrote in an email. "Compliance checks are run on potential employees before they're offered a position here, and then periodically after they're hired. Compliance checks are also run any time an employee's permanent position within the department changes, such as if they're promoted or transferred."

State Sen. Betsy Johnson, D-Scappoose, said the state should require tax compliance of all its employees. "I don't know how you can expect tax compliance of Oregonians when the (state) doesn't have tax compliance with their employees," Johnson said.

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## Brown fears Medford casino would expand gaming in state

MEDFORD (AP) — Oregon Gov. Kate Brown is speaking out against the Coquille Indian Tribe's plan to build a casino in Medford.

"I believe that the state should as a matter of policy resist the building of additional casinos because state support for even a single, modest additional casino is likely to lead to significant efforts to expand gaming across Oregon to the detriment of the public welfare," Brown wrote in a

letter to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Wednesday.

The tribe wants to convert a bowling alley and former restaurant on Highway 99 into a video gaming casino called The Cedars, *The Mail Tribune* reported. Coquille Tribe Chairwoman Brenda Meade said she is surprised Brown opposes the casino, which won't include card games, and feels her tribe is being singled out.

"I was surprised she didn't refer to the one-casino

policy," Meade added.

A "one tribe, one casino" policy was suggested by former Gov. John Kitzhaber to limit the number of gaming facilities in Oregon. The Coquille Tribe already has a casino in North Bend, The Mill Casino, where they

offer video games and card games.

The tribe is waiting for the BIA's draft of an environmental impact statement on the proposed casino. Its publication will trigger a public comment period and a public hearing.

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