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California's nonfarm payroll jobs increase by 82,600 in July
Unemployment rate increases to 4.8 percent

SACRAMENTO – California's employers added 82,600 nonfarm payroll jobs in July, while the state's unemployment rate rose to 4.8 percent, according to data released today by the California Employment Development Department (EDD) from two surveys. California has now gained a total of 2,597,500 jobs since the economic expansion began in February 2010.

The U.S. unemployment rate decreased 0.1 percentage point in July to 4.3 percent, with employers nationwide adding 209,000 nonfarm payroll jobs.

In June, the state's unemployment rate was 4.7 percent, and in July 2016, the unemployment rate was 5.4 percent. The unemployment rate is derived from a federal survey of 5,100 California households.

Nonfarm payroll jobs in California totaled 16,784,100 in July, according to a survey of businesses that is larger and less variable statistically. The survey of 71,000 California businesses measures jobs in the economy. The year-over change, July 2016 to July 2017, shows an increase of 276,300 jobs (up 1.7 percent).

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA

The federal household survey, done with a smaller sample than the survey of employers, shows a decrease in the number of employed Californians over the month but an increase over the year. It estimates the number of Californians holding jobs in July was 18,212,000, a decrease of 25,000 from June, but up 140,000 from the employment total in July of last year.

The number of unemployed Californians was 925,000 in July – up by 24,000 over the month, but down by 114,000 compared with July of last year.

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PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT DETAIL (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

EDD's payroll employment report (wage and salary jobs) in the nonfarm industries of California totaled 16,784,100 in July, a net gain of 82,600 jobs from June. This followed a revised loss of 3,200 jobs in June.

Month-over Job Gains

Nine of California's eleven industry sectors added a total of 84,100 jobs in July. Government posted the largest jobs increase with a gain of 18,800 jobs; followed by and educational and health services, up 18,600 jobs; and leisure and hospitality, up 15,200 jobs. Other sectors adding jobs over the month were professional and business services; construction; information; other services; trade, transportation and utilities; and financial activities.

Month-over Job Losses

Two industry sectors reported job declines over the month, down a total of 1,500 jobs. Manufacturing posted the largest decrease over the month, down 1,200 jobs, followed by mining and logging, down 300 jobs.

Year-over Job Gains

In a year-over-year comparison (July 2016 to July 2017), nonfarm payroll employment in California increased by 276,300 jobs (a 1.7 percent increase).

Nine of California's eleven industry sectors added a total of 291,800 jobs year-over. The largest job gains were in educational and health services, up 72,900 jobs (a 2.9 percent increase); leisure and hospitality, up 52,600 jobs (a 2.8 percent increase); and construction, up 51,000 jobs (a 6.6 percent increase). Other sectors adding jobs over the year were government; trade, transportation and utilities; other services; professional and business services; financial activities; and information.

Year-over Job Losses

Two industry sectors posted job declines over the year, down a total of 15,500 jobs. Manufacturing fell by 14,100 jobs (down 1.1 percent), and mining and logging fell by 1,400 jobs (down 5.7 percent).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

In related data, the EDD reported that there were 343,729 people receiving regular Unemployment Insurance benefits during the July survey week. This compares with 330,417 in June and 353,609 in July of last year. At the same time, new claims for Unemployment Insurance were 45,264 in July, compared with 46,876 in June and 42,923 in July of last year.

Seasonally adjusted payroll detail follows:

PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²
(Amounts in thousands)

Industrial Classification	July 2016	June 2017 (revised)	July 2017 (prelim.)	Change Over 12 Months (percent)
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Workers	16,507.8	16,701.5	16,784.1	1.7
Mining and logging	24.4	23.3	23.0	-5.7
Construction	775.8	818.6	826.8	6.6
Manufacturing	1,307.7	1,294.8	1,293.6	-1.1
Trade, transportation and utilities	2,994.6	3,012.1	3,015.4	0.7
Information	523.8	524.0	529.0	1.0
Financial activities	823.6	828.8	831.0	0.9
Professional and business services	2,544.1	2,550.5	2,559.2	0.6
Educational and health services	2,543.5	2,597.8	2,616.4	2.9
Leisure and hospitality	1,896.8	1,934.2	1,949.4	2.8
Other services	559.4	573.2	577.3	3.2
Government*	2,514.1	2,544.2	2,563.0	1.9
Agriculture	428.3	429.1	432.4	1.0

*Includes all civilian employees of federal, state, and local governments.

TABLE A
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²

	July 2016	May 2017	June 2017 (revised)	July 2017 (prelim.)
Civilian labor force ^a	19,110,000	19,157,000	19,138,000	19,136,000
Total civilian employment	18,072,000	18,258,000	18,237,000	18,212,000
Unemployment	1,039,000	898,000	901,000	925,000
Seasonally adjusted rate %	5.4	4.7	4.7	4.8
US seasonally adjusted rate %	4.9	4.3	4.4	4.3

TABLE B
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, UNADJUSTED DATA

	July 2016	May 2017	June 2017 (revised)	July 2017 (prelim.)
Civilian labor force ^a	19,209,000	19,062,000	19,146,000	19,285,000
Total civilian employment	18,094,000	18,256,000	18,207,000	18,252,000
Unemployment	1,115,000	806,000	939,000	1,033,000
Unadjusted rate %	5.8	4.2	4.9	5.4

^a Labor force by place of residence, including workers involved in trade disputes.

² Seasonal adjustment is a statistical method that removes typical employment patterns that occur at various times throughout the year (e.g., additional retail hiring during the holiday season).

MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
July 2017 (Preliminary); 2016 BENCHMARK
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

COUNTY	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE*
STATE TOTAL	19,285,000	18,251,500	1,033,500	5.4%
ALAMEDA	846,100	809,500	36,600	4.3%
ALPINE	520	480	40	8.2%
AMADOR	14,860	14,060	800	5.4%
BUTTE	102,600	96,000	6,700	6.5%
CALAVERAS	21,130	20,000	1,130	5.3%
COLUSA	11,180	9,890	1,300	11.6%
CONTRA COSTA	561,300	536,300	25,100	4.5%
DEL NORTE	9,480	8,840	640	6.8%
EL DORADO	90,100	85,800	4,300	4.8%
FRESNO	450,300	411,200	39,100	8.7%
GLENN	13,250	12,190	1,070	8.0%
HUMBOLDT	61,420	58,400	3,020	4.9%
IMPERIAL	73,700	55,900	17,900	24.2%
INYO	9,050	8,620	430	4.8%
KERN	387,400	349,700	37,700	9.7%
KINGS	57,400	52,300	5,100	8.9%
LAKE	29,700	27,910	1,790	6.0%
LASSEN	10,200	9,600	600	5.9%
LOS ANGELES	5,161,100	4,891,300	269,800	5.2%
MADERA	61,000	55,900	5,100	8.4%
MARIN	141,800	137,000	4,800	3.4%
MARIPOSA	8,260	7,830	430	5.2%
MENDOCINO	39,770	37,860	1,900	4.8%
MERCED	112,700	101,800	10,900	9.7%
MODOC	3,460	3,230	230	6.7%
MONO	8,580	8,140	440	5.1%
MONTEREY	227,700	214,900	12,900	5.6%
NAPA	75,800	72,900	2,900	3.9%
NEVADA	48,450	46,230	2,220	4.6%
ORANGE	1,596,400	1,529,300	67,000	4.2%
PLACER	181,200	173,100	8,100	4.5%
PLUMAS	8,160	7,580	590	7.2%
RIVERSIDE	1,056,000	989,600	66,400	6.3%
SACRAMENTO	703,100	665,400	37,700	5.4%
SAN BENITO	29,700	27,900	1,800	6.1%
SAN BERNARDINO	940,200	885,000	55,200	5.9%
SAN DIEGO	1,575,500	1,501,600	74,000	4.7%
SAN FRANCISCO	565,900	546,600	19,300	3.4%
SAN JOAQUIN	318,600	294,200	24,400	7.7%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	140,700	134,700	6,000	4.2%
SAN MATEO	453,200	438,900	14,300	3.2%
SANTA BARBARA	217,000	206,800	10,200	4.7%
SANTA CLARA	1,030,200	991,100	39,100	3.8%
SANTA CRUZ	146,200	138,000	8,200	5.6%
SHASTA	75,500	70,800	4,600	6.1%
SIERRA	1,390	1,310	80	5.8%
SISKIYOU	18,360	17,100	1,260	6.9%
SOLANO	208,100	196,900	11,200	5.4%
SONOMA	260,900	250,800	10,100	3.9%
STANISLAUS	249,000	229,200	19,800	8.0%
SUTTER	46,700	42,900	3,800	8.1%
TEHAMA	25,380	23,590	1,790	7.0%
TRINITY	5,150	4,830	310	6.1%
TULARE	208,200	185,700	22,500	10.8%
TUOLUMNE	22,240	20,980	1,270	5.7%
VENTURA	427,800	406,300	21,500	5.0%
YOLO	107,300	101,500	5,700	5.3%
YUBA	28,600	26,300	2,300	8.0%

*Not seasonally adjusted.