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**California's unemployment rate unchanged at 4.7 percent  
in June**

SACRAMENTO – California's unemployment rate was unchanged at 4.7 percent in June, matching the record low that occurred in November-December 2000, according to data released today by the California Employment Development Department (EDD). The state's nonfarm payroll employment fell by 1,400 jobs in June. California has now gained a total of 2,516,700 jobs since the economic expansion began in February 2010.

The U.S. unemployment rate increased 0.1 percentage point in June to 4.4 percent, with employers nationwide adding 222,000 nonfarm payroll jobs.

In June 2016, the state's unemployment rate was 5.5 percent. The unemployment rate is derived from a federal survey of 5,500 California households.

Nonfarm payroll jobs in California totaled 16,703,300 in June, 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, June 2016 to June 2017, shows an increase of 261,400 jobs (up 1.6 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 and the year. It estimates the number of Californians holding jobs in June was 18,237,000, a decrease of 21,000 from May, up 198,000 from the employment total in June of last year.

The number of unemployed Californians was 900,000 in June – up by 2,000 over the month, but down by 145,000 compared with June 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 16,703,300 in June, a net loss of 1,400 jobs from May. This followed a revised gain of 24,800 jobs in May.

**Month-over Job Gains**

Six of California's eleven industry sectors added a total of 21,500 jobs in June. Professional and business services posted the largest jobs increase with a gain of 9,100 jobs, followed by construction with a gain of 8,100 jobs. Other sectors adding jobs over the month were financial activities; leisure and hospitality; mining and logging; and educational and health services.

**Month-over Job Losses**

Five industry sectors reported job declines over the month, down a total of 22,900 jobs. Government posted the largest decrease over the month, down 8,800 jobs, followed by information, down 8,100 jobs. Other sectors losing jobs over the month were manufacturing; other services; and trade, transportation and utilities.

**Year-over Job Gains**

In a year-over-year comparison (June 2016 to June 2017), nonfarm payroll employment in California increased by 261,400 jobs (a 1.6 percent increase).

Eight of California's eleven industry sectors added a total of 274,000 jobs year-over. The largest job gains were in educational and health services, up 60,900 jobs (a 2.4 percent increase); construction, up 46,500 jobs (a 6.0 percent increase); and leisure and hospitality, up 44,200 jobs (a 2.3 percent increase). Other sectors adding jobs over the year were government; trade, transportation and utilities; professional and business services; other services; and financial activities.

**Year-over Job Losses**

Three industry sectors posted job declines over the year, down a total of 12,600 jobs. Manufacturing fell by 9,900 jobs (down 0.8 percent), information was down by 1,500 jobs (down 0.3 percent), and mining and logging fell by 1,200 jobs (down 4.9 percent).

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

In related data, the EDD reported that there were 330,417 people receiving regular Unemployment Insurance benefits during the June survey week. This compares with 354,371 in May and 345,159 in June of last year. At the same time, new claims for Unemployment Insurance were 46,876 in June, compared with 38,252 in May and 49,975 in June of last year.

Seasonally adjusted payroll detail follows:

PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA<sup>2</sup>  
(Amounts in thousands)

Industrial Classification	June 2016	May 2017 (revised)	June 2017 (prelim.)	Change Over 12 Months (percent)
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Workers . . . . .	16,441.9	16,704.7	16,703.3	1.6
Mining and logging . . . . .	24.5	23.0	23.3	-4.9
Construction . . . . .	771.9	810.3	818.4	6.0
Manufacturing . . . . .	1,304.1	1,299.2	1,294.2	-0.8
Trade, transportation and utilities . . . . .	2,977.8	3,010.3	3,010.1	1.1
Information . . . . .	524.1	530.7	522.6	-0.3
Financial activities . . . . .	820.6	828.0	830.5	1.2
Professional and business services . . . . .	2,524.3	2,540.4	2,549.5	1.0
Educational and health services . . . . .	2,541.8	2,602.4	2,602.7	2.4
Leisure and hospitality . . . . .	1,888.9	1,931.9	1,933.1	2.3
Other services . . . . .	551.9	573.3	572.5	3.7
Government* . . . . .	2,512.0	2,555.2	2,546.4	1.4
Agriculture . . . . .	416.8	433.7	429.1	3.0

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

TABLE A  
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA<sup>2</sup>

	June 2016	April 2017	May 2017 (revised)	June 2017 (prelim.)
Civilian labor force <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	19,084,000	19,179,000	19,157,000	19,137,000
Total civilian employment . . . . .	18,039,000	18,255,000	18,258,000	18,237,000
Unemployment . . . . .	1,045,000	924,000	898,000	900,000
Seasonally adjusted rate % . . . . .	5.5	4.8	4.7	4.7
US seasonally adjusted rate % . . . . .	4.9	4.4	4.3	4.4

TABLE B  
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, UNADJUSTED DATA

	June 2016	April 2017	May 2017 (revised)	June 2017 (prelim.)
Civilian labor force <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	19,107,000	19,086,000	19,062,000	19,146,000
Total civilian employment . . . . .	18,046,000	18,222,000	18,256,000	18,208,000
Unemployment . . . . .	1,061,000	864,000	806,000	937,000
Unadjusted rate % . . . . .	5.6	4.5	4.2	4.9

<sup>a</sup>Labor force by place of residence, including workers involved in trade disputes.

<sup>2</sup>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**  
**June 2017 (Preliminary); 2016 BENCHMARK**  
**NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

COUNTY	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE*
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>	<b>19,145,700</b>	<b>18,208,300</b>	<b>937,400</b>	<b>4.9%</b>
ALAMEDA	836,900	803,600	33,300	4.0%
ALPINE	510	460	40	8.5%
AMADOR	14,950	14,210	740	5.0%
BUTTE	102,400	96,200	6,200	6.1%
CALAVERAS	21,210	20,150	1,060	5.0%
COLUSA	10,890	9,590	1,300	11.9%
CONTRA COSTA	555,400	532,300	23,100	4.2%
DEL NORTE	9,660	9,040	620	6.4%
EL DORADO	89,400	85,300	4,100	4.6%
FRESNO	449,100	411,400	37,700	8.4%
GLENN	13,090	12,080	1,010	7.7%
HUMBOLDT	62,290	59,520	2,780	4.5%
IMPERIAL	73,700	58,400	15,300	20.8%
INYO	8,990	8,610	380	4.3%
KERN	384,200	347,500	36,700	9.5%
KINGS	56,700	51,500	5,200	9.2%
LAKE	29,600	27,920	1,690	5.7%
LASSEN	10,250	9,680	570	5.6%
LOS ANGELES	5,102,600	4,872,800	229,800	4.5%
MADERA	61,400	56,500	5,000	8.1%
MARIN	140,200	135,800	4,400	3.1%
MARIPOSA	8,140	7,740	400	4.9%
MENDOCINO	39,770	38,010	1,760	4.4%
MERCED	115,400	104,600	10,800	9.4%
MODOC	3,540	3,320	230	6.4%
MONO	8,280	7,850	420	5.1%
MONTEREY	228,300	215,600	12,600	5.5%
NAPA	75,000	72,300	2,700	3.6%
NEVADA	47,440	45,400	2,040	4.3%
ORANGE	1,584,300	1,523,500	60,800	3.8%
PLACER	179,700	172,300	7,500	4.2%
PLUMAS	8,090	7,520	570	7.0%
RIVERSIDE	1,053,100	993,500	59,600	5.7%
SACRAMENTO	697,100	662,200	34,900	5.0%
SAN BENITO	29,500	27,800	1,700	5.9%
SAN BERNARDINO	937,200	886,400	50,800	5.4%
SAN DIEGO	1,562,500	1,494,700	67,800	4.3%
SAN FRANCISCO	559,800	542,100	17,700	3.2%
SAN JOAQUIN	315,900	292,800	23,100	7.3%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	142,700	137,300	5,400	3.8%
SAN MATEO	448,400	435,300	13,100	2.9%
SANTA BARBARA	217,200	207,800	9,400	4.3%
SANTA CLARA	1,022,700	986,800	35,900	3.5%
SANTA CRUZ	147,300	139,500	7,800	5.3%
SHASTA	75,900	71,500	4,400	5.8%
SIERRA	1,390	1,310	80	5.7%
SISKIYOU	18,220	17,030	1,190	6.5%
SOLANO	205,900	195,500	10,400	5.1%
SONOMA	259,900	250,500	9,400	3.6%
STANISLAUS	247,000	227,700	19,300	7.8%
SUTTER	46,000	42,200	3,800	8.3%
TEHAMA	25,680	23,990	1,690	6.6%
TRINITY	5,270	4,970	300	5.7%
TULARE	209,200	188,600	20,700	9.9%
TUOLUMNE	22,130	20,970	1,160	5.2%
VENTURA	429,300	410,100	19,200	4.5%
YOLO	106,200	100,800	5,400	5.1%
YUBA	28,600	26,400	2,100	7.5%

\*Not seasonally adjusted.

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