



# **News Release**

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## California unemployment rate dips to record low 4.1 percent in July

Employers add 19,600 nonfarm jobs; current expansion ties all-time record

**SACRAMENTO** – California's unemployment rate tied a record low 4.1 percent in July while the state's employers added 19,600 nonfarm payroll jobs, according to data released today by the California Employment Development Department (EDD) from two surveys. July's job gain contributes to an employment expansion in California that is now 113-months long, tying the expansion of the 1960s for the longest on record. California has gained 3,299,000 jobs since the economic expansion began in February 2010, accounting for more than 15 percent of the nation's job gains over the expansion.



#### California's Labor Market, by the Numbers...

- The state's unemployment rate dipped from 4.2 percent to 4.1 percent<sup>1</sup> in July, once again tying the record low unemployment rate first set in July through December 2018.
- California added an average 29,200 jobs<sup>2</sup> per month over the entire 113-month long expansion far more than the 8-9,000 jobs needed monthly to match labor force growth.
- While virtually all states have experienced sustained job growth since the end of the recession, California's growth has been more broad-based in all but one of the state's 11 major industries, led by gains in the high-tech jobs of Professional and Business Services and Information, along with increases in Education and Health Services, which support an aging demographic.
- The current expansion differs in comparison with the record expansion between August 1960 and December 1969 which was primarily fueled by manufacturing, particularly in aerospace, and higher population growth (approx. 2.7 percent annual growth in the 1960s compared to 0.8 percent currently).
- 1. The unemployment rate comes from a federal survey of 5,100 California households.
- 2. The nonfarm payroll job numbers come from a separate federal survey of 80,000 California businesses.

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### **Data Trends about Jobs in the Economy**

**Total Nonfarm Payroll Jobs** (Comes from a monthly survey of approximately 80,000 California businesses that estimates jobs in the economy – seasonally adjusted)

- **Month-over** Wage and salary jobs in California's 11 major industries totaled 17,488,600 in July a net gain of 19,600 jobs from June. This followed a revised gain of 41,300 jobs in June.
- **Year-over** Wage and salary jobs increased by 311,800 jobs (a 1.8 percent increase) from July 2018 to July 2019 compared to the U.S. annual gain of 2,246,000 jobs (a 1.5 percent increase).

### California Industries Payroll Jobs by Biggest Month-Over Change

	Month-over Change	Year-over Change	Total Payroll Jobs	
Major Industries	(June 2019 - July 2019)	(July 2018 - July 2019)	as of July 2019	
Professional and Business Services	+12,900	+78,600	2,742,700	
Education and Health Services	+12,600	+82,800	2,816,300	
Trade, Transp., Utilities	+4,200	+4,500	3,059,100	
Financial Activities	+4,100	+3,100	839,300	
<u>ම ලුම </u> Manufacturing	+1,100	+12,800	1,337,900	
Other Services	+700	+2,000	576,500	
Mining and Logging	-300	-200	22,700	
Construction	-800	+37,100	900,700	
Information	-2,500	+15,100	555,300	
Government	-3,200	+35,100	2,612,400	
Leisure and Hospitality	-9,200	+40,900	2,025,700	

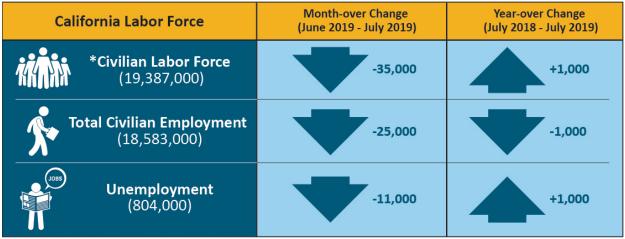
**Total Farm jobs** – The number of jobs in the agriculture industry decreased by 3,400 jobs from June to 425,900. The agricultural industry has added 3,900 farm jobs since July 2018.

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## **Data Trends about Workers in the Economy**

**Employment and Unemployment in California** (Based on monthly federal survey of 5,100 California households which focuses on workers in the economy)

- **Employed** The number of Californians holding jobs in June was 18,583,000, a decrease of 25,000 from June and down 1,000 from the employment total in July of last year.
- **Unemployed** The number of unemployed Californians was 804,000 in July, a decrease of 11,000 over the month and up by 1,000 compared with July of last year.



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

**Unemployment Insurance Claims (not seasonally adjusted)** In related data that figures into the state's unemployment rate, there were 308,212 people receiving Unemployment Insurance benefits during the survey week in July compared to 302,156 in June and 323,594 people in July 2018. Concurrently, 39,490 people filed new claims in July which was a month-over increase of 604.



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#### **MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES**

July 2019 (Preliminary); 2018 Benchmark

#### NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

COUNTY	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE
STATE TOTAL	19,453,600	18,589,100	864,500	4.4%
ALAMEDA	853,900	825,700	28,200	3.3%
ALPINE	500	470	40	7.2%
AMADOR	15,170	14,570	610	4.0%
BUTTE	102,300	96,700	5,500	5.4%
CALAVERAS	21,880	21,020	850	3.9%
COLUSA	11,190	10,040	1,150	10.2%
CONTRA COSTA	567,900	548,400	19,400	3.4%
DEL NORTE	10,010	9,430	580	5.7%
EL DORADO	92,000	88,500	3,500	3.8%
FRESNO	456,400	423,200	33,200	7.3%
GLENN	12,630	11,780	850	6.7%
HUMBOLDT	62,100	59,600	2,500	4.0%
IMPERIAL	68,900	54,600	14,200	20.7%
INYO	8,900	8,580	320	3.6%
KERN	390,900	358,100	32,800	8.4%
KINGS	58,400	53,800	4,600	7.8%
LAKE	28,990	27,510	1,480	5.1%
LASSEN	9,780	9,310	460	4.7%
LOS ANGELES	5,121,600	4,864,300	257,300	5.0%
MADERA	60,700	56,200	4,500	7.4%
MARIN	142,700	139,000	3,600	2.5%
MARIPOSA	8,280	7,950	330	3.9%
MENDOCINO	39,560	37,980	1,580	4.0%
MERCED	113,500	103,900	9,500	8.4%
MODOC	3,250	3,040	210	6.4%
MONO	9,250	8,930	330	3.5%
MONTEREY	234,200	223,200	11,000	4.7%
NAPA	75,700	73,500	2,300	3.0%
NEVADA	48,630	46,880	1,750	3.6%
ORANGE	1,620,200	1,568,900	51,300	3.2%
PLACER PLUMAS	186,400	179,900	6,500 530	3.5% 6.4%
RIVERSIDE	8,310 1,093,400	7,780 1,041,200	52,200	4.8%
SACRAMENTO	715,700	686,300	29,400	4.6%
SAN BENITO	31,200	29,600	1,600	5.1%
SAN BERNARDINO	962,700	919,700	43,000	4.5%
SAN DIEGO	1,598,900	1,541,800	57,100	3.6%
SAN FRANCISCO	586,700	572,500	14,200	2.4%
SAN JOAQUIN	321,800	301,400	20,400	6.3%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	140,900	136,300	4,600	3.2%
SAN MATEO	463,400	452,700	10,700	2.3%
SANTA BARBARA	219,200	211,100	8,100	3.7%
SANTA CLARA	1,064,400	1,034,900	29,500	2.8%
SANTA CRUZ	145,200	138,900	6,300	4.3%
SHASTA	73,400	69,800	3,600	4.9%
SIERRA	1,350	1,280	70	5.1%
SISKIYOU	17,840	16,780	1,060	6.0%
SOLANO	207,300	198,700	8,700	4.2%
SONOMA	262,000	254,200	7,800	3.0%
STANISLAUS	244,300	228,300	16,000	
SUTTER	47,000	43,800	3,200	6.9%
TEHAMA	25,380	23,840	1,550	6.1%
TRINITY	4,790	4,550	240	
TULARE	202,700	182,500	20,200	
TUOLUMNE	22,080	21,070	1,010	
VENTURA	419,000	402,500	16,500	3.9%
YOLO	109,700	105,000	4,700	4.3%
YUBA	29,200	27,300	1,900	6.4%