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California's unemployment rate decreases to 8.5 percent
Nonfarm payroll jobs increase by 44,300

NOTE: Unless Congress and the President take action, federal extensions of unemployment benefits will end for more than 222,000 Californians at the end of this year, even for those with remaining balances on their extension claims. The EDD has sent out notices alerting affected claimants and providing guidance to other types of assistance. View our [news release](#) for more information.

SACRAMENTO – California's unemployment rate decreased to 8.5 percent in November, and nonfarm payroll jobs increased by 44,300 during the month for a total gain of 902,900 jobs since the recovery began in February 2010, according to data released today by the California Employment Development Department (EDD) from two separate surveys.

The U.S. unemployment rate decreased to 7.0 percent in November.

In October, the state's unemployment rate was 8.7 percent, and in November 2012, the unemployment rate was 9.9 percent. The unemployment rate is derived from a federal survey of 5,500 California households.

Nonfarm jobs in California totaled 14,748,200 in November, an increase of 44,300 jobs over the month, according to a survey of businesses that is larger and less variable statistically. The survey of 42,000 California businesses measures jobs in the economy. The year-over-year change, November 2012 to November 2013, shows an increase of 226,200 jobs (up 1.6 percent).

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA

The federal survey of households, done with a smaller sample than the survey of employers, shows a decrease in the number of employed people. It estimates the number of Californians holding jobs in November was 17,012,000, an increase of 18,000 from October 2013, and up 309,000 from the employment total in November of last year.

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The number of people unemployed in California was 1,578,000 – down by 34,000 over the month, and down by 256,000 compared with November of last year.

PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT DETAIL (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

EDD's report on payroll employment (wage and salary jobs) in the nonfarm industries of California totaled 14,748,200 in November, a net gain of 44,300 jobs since the October survey. This followed a gain of 30,100 jobs (as revised) in October.

Seven categories (mining and logging; construction; manufacturing; trade, transportation and utilities; information; leisure and hospitality; and other services) added jobs over the month, gaining 55,700 jobs. Trade, transportation and utilities posted the largest increase over the month, adding 32,500 jobs.

Four categories (financial activities; professional and business services; educational and health services; and government) reported job declines over the month, down 11,400 jobs. Financial activities posted the largest decrease over the month, down 4,900 jobs.

In a year-over-year comparison (November 2012 to November 2013), nonfarm payroll employment in California increased by 226,200 jobs (up 1.6 percent).

Ten categories (mining and logging; construction; manufacturing; trade, transportation and utilities; information; financial activities; professional and business services; educational and health services; leisure and hospitality; and other services) posted job gains over the year, adding 247,700 jobs. Leisure and hospitality posted the largest gains on a numerical basis, adding 71,200 jobs (up 4.4 percent). Construction posted the largest gains on a percentage basis, up 5.2 percent, (adding 31,500 jobs).

One category, government, posted job declines over the year, down 21,500 jobs (a 0.9 percent decrease).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

In related data, the EDD reported that there were 465,581 people receiving regular Unemployment Insurance benefits during the November survey week. This compares with 405,761 last month and 391,870 last year. At the same time, new claims for unemployment insurance were 72,642 in November 2013, compared with 72,737 in October and 39,879 in November of last year.

Seasonally adjusted payroll detail follows:

PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²
(Amounts in thousands)

Industrial Classification	November 2013 (prelim.)	October 2013 (revised)	November 2012	Change Over 12 Months (Percent)
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Workers	14,748.2	14,703.9	14,522.0	1.6
Mining and logging	29.8	29.6	29.4	1.4
Construction	631.9	625.3	600.4	5.2
Manufacturing	1,256.8	1,250.8	1,252.5	0.3
Trade, transportation and utilities	2,803.1	2,770.6	2,758.2	1.6
Information	438.7	434.7	437.0	0.4
Financial activities	781.3	786.2	780.3	0.1
Professional and business services	2,316.1	2,317.6	2,263.6	2.3
Educational and health services	1,933.6	1,935.0	1,901.3	1.7
Leisure and hospitality	1,691.3	1,689.8	1,620.1	4.4
Other services	520.2	515.3	512.3	1.5
Government*	2,345.4	2,349.0	2,366.9	-0.9
Agriculture	408.8	402.3	386.5	5.8

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

TABLE A
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²

	November 2013 (prelim.)	October 2013 (revised)	September 2013	November 2012
Civilian labor force ^a	18,590,000	18,606,000	18,637,000	18,537,000
Total civilian employment	17,012,000	16,994,000	17,007,000	16,703,000
Unemployment	1,578,000	1,612,000	1,630,000	1,834,000
Seasonally adjusted rate %	8.5	8.7	8.7	9.9
US seasonally adjusted rate %	7.0	7.3	7.2	7.8

TABLE B
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, UNADJUSTED DATA

	November 2013 (prelim.)	October 2013 (revised)	September 2013	November 2012
Civilian labor force ^a	18,579,000	18,575,000	18,719,000	18,511,000
Total civilian employment	17,041,000	17,026,000	17,179,000	16,740,000
Unemployment	1,538,000	1,549,000	1,540,000	1,771,000
Unadjusted rate %	8.3	8.3	8.2	9.6

^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
November 2013 (Preliminary); 2012 BENCHMARK
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

COUNTY	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE*
STATE TOTAL	18,579,500	17,041,000	1,538,400	8.3%
ALAMEDA	771,900	719,700	52,200	6.8%
ALPINE	410	370	40	10.3%
AMADOR	16,010	14,520	1,490	9.3%
BUTTE	102,000	92,500	9,500	9.3%
CALAVERAS	18,850	17,040	1,810	9.6%
COLUSA	11,840	9,730	2,110	17.8%
CONTRA COSTA	533,300	497,200	36,200	6.8%
DEL NORTE	10,870	9,670	1,200	11.0%
EL DORADO	89,200	82,400	6,800	7.6%
FRESNO	427,300	373,600	53,700	12.6%
GLENN	12,620	11,240	1,380	10.9%
HUMBOLDT	60,000	55,400	4,600	7.7%
IMPERIAL	76,500	58,300	18,200	23.8%
INYO	9,000	8,320	670	7.5%
KERN	398,200	357,200	41,100	10.3%
KINGS	60,100	52,600	7,500	12.5%
LAKE	24,160	21,210	2,950	12.2%
LASSEN	12,580	11,310	1,280	10.1%
LOS ANGELES	4,974,300	4,508,000	466,300	9.4%
MADERA	67,100	59,800	7,300	10.9%
MARIN	142,700	136,200	6,500	4.6%
MARIPOSA	9,620	8,820	800	8.3%
MENDOCINO	41,680	38,590	3,090	7.4%
MERCED	110,800	95,700	15,100	13.6%
MODOC	3,740	3,360	380	10.3%
MONO	7,870	7,190	680	8.6%
MONTEREY	227,300	207,200	20,100	8.8%
NAPA	77,700	73,100	4,700	6.0%
NEVADA	49,390	45,860	3,520	7.1%
ORANGE	1,634,700	1,542,300	92,300	5.6%
PLACER	177,200	164,500	12,600	7.1%
PLUMAS	9,150	8,150	1,010	11.0%
RIVERSIDE	939,300	848,900	90,400	9.6%
SACRAMENTO	672,200	618,100	54,100	8.1%
SAN BENITO	26,500	23,800	2,600	9.9%
SAN BERNARDINO	854,500	776,300	78,100	9.1%
SAN DIEGO	1,605,700	1,496,000	109,800	6.8%
SAN FRANCISCO	483,700	458,800	24,900	5.2%
SAN JOAQUIN	293,400	257,600	35,800	12.2%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	146,500	137,800	8,700	6.0%
SAN MATEO	401,000	381,100	19,900	5.0%
SANTA BARBARA	231,300	217,000	14,400	6.2%
SANTA CLARA	924,800	867,900	56,900	6.2%
SANTA CRUZ	152,100	139,100	13,000	8.5%
SHASTA	80,200	72,300	7,900	9.8%
SIERRA	1,510	1,360	160	10.4%
SISKIYOU	18,370	16,210	2,160	11.8%
SOLANO	219,600	202,800	16,800	7.6%
SONOMA	258,300	242,800	15,600	6.0%
STANISLAUS	235,300	206,700	28,500	12.1%
SUTTER	42,700	36,600	6,100	14.3%
TEHAMA	24,790	22,200	2,590	10.5%
TRINITY	4,720	4,180	540	11.5%
TULARE	202,700	176,600	26,200	12.9%
TUOLUMNE	25,190	23,010	2,180	8.7%
VENTURA	442,200	410,500	31,700	7.2%
YOLO	97,800	88,600	9,200	9.4%
YUBA	27,200	23,900	3,200	11.9%

*Not seasonally adjusted.

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