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California's nonfarm payroll jobs increase by 41,500
Unemployment rate unchanged at 7.3 percent

SACRAMENTO – California's unemployment rate was unchanged at 7.3 percent in October, and nonfarm payroll jobs increased by 41,500 during the month for a total gain of 1,446,600 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 in October to 5.8 percent.

In October 2013, the unemployment rate was 8.6 percent. The unemployment rate is derived from a federal survey of 5,500 California households.

Nonfarm jobs in California totaled 15,567,600 in October, an increase of 41,500 jobs over the month, according to a survey of businesses that is larger and less variable statistically. The survey of 58,000 California businesses measures jobs in the economy. The year-over-year change, October 2013 to October 2014, shows an increase of 319,500 jobs (up 2.1 percent).

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA

The federal survey of households, done with a smaller sample than the survey of employers, shows an increase in the number of employed people. It estimates the number of Californians holding jobs in October was 17,396,000, an increase of 89,000 from September 2014, and up 426,000 from the employment total in October of last year.

The number of people unemployed in California was 1,361,000 – down by 1,000 over the month, and down by 237,000 compared with October of last year.

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PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT DETAIL (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

EDD's report on payroll employment (wage and salary jobs) in the nonfarm industries of California totaled 15,567,600 in October, a net gain of 41,500 jobs since the September survey. This followed a loss of 14,200 jobs (as revised) in September.

Eight categories (construction; manufacturing; trade, transportation and utilities; information; professional and business services; educational and health services; leisure and hospitality; and government) added jobs over the month, gaining 42,400 jobs. Professional and business services posted the largest increase over the month, adding 12,500 jobs.

Three categories (mining and logging; financial activities; and other services) reported job declines over the month, down 900 jobs. Financial activities and other services posted the largest decreases over the month, down 400 jobs each.

In a year-over-year comparison (October 2013 to October 2014), nonfarm payroll employment in California increased by 319,500 jobs (up 2.1 percent).

Ten categories (mining and logging; construction; manufacturing; trade, transportation and utilities; information; professional and business services; educational and health services; leisure and hospitality; other services; and government) posted job gains over the year, adding 324,200 jobs. Professional and business services posted the largest gains on a numerical basis, adding 106,400 jobs (up 4.5 percent). Construction posted the largest gains on a percentage basis, up 5.3 percent (adding 34,300 jobs).

One category, financial activities, posted job declines over the year, down 4,700 jobs (a 0.6 percent decrease).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

In related data, the EDD reported that there were 392,093 people receiving regular Unemployment Insurance benefits during the October 2014 survey week. This compares with 392,823 last month and 405,761 last year. At the same time, new claims for Unemployment Insurance were 52,788 in October 2014, compared with 52,279 in September and 72,737 in October of last year.

Seasonally adjusted payroll detail follows:

PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²
(Amounts in thousands)

Industrial Classification	October 2014 (prelim.)	September 2014 (revised)	October 2013	Change Over 12 Months (percent)
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Workers	15,567.6	15,526.1	15,248.1	2.1
Mining and logging	31.3	31.4	30.0	4.3
Construction	678.6	677.8	644.3	5.3
Manufacturing	1,251.7	1,251.0	1,248.1	0.3
Trade, transportation and utilities	2,859.7	2,847.3	2,813.9	1.6
Information	474.7	472.8	457.1	3.9
Financial activities	776.9	777.3	781.6	-0.6
Professional and business services	2,467.1	2,454.6	2,360.7	4.5
Educational and health services	2,402.2	2,399.1	2,333.4	2.9
Leisure and hospitality	1,727.9	1,720.4	1,687.6	2.4
Other services	517.7	518.1	517.1	0.1
Government*	2,379.8	2,376.3	2,374.3	0.2
Agriculture	404.3	404.2	394.5	2.5

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

TABLE A
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²

	October 2014 (prelim.)	September 2014 (revised)	August 2014	October 2013
Civilian labor force ^a	18,757,000	18,669,000	18,599,000	18,568,000
Total civilian employment	17,396,000	17,307,000	17,223,000	16,970,000
Unemployment	1,361,000	1,362,000	1,375,000	1,598,000
Seasonally adjusted rate %	7.3	7.3	7.4	8.6
US seasonally adjusted rate %.	5.8	5.9	6.1	7.2

TABLE B
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, UNADJUSTED DATA

	October 2014 (prelim.)	September 2014 (revised)	August 2014	October 2013
Civilian labor force ^a	18,842,000	18,760,000	18,763,000	18,555,000
Total civilian employment	17,529,000	17,458,000	17,365,000	16,973,000
Unemployment	1,313,000	1,302,000	1,398,000	1,582,000
Unadjusted rate %	7.0	6.9	7.5	8.5

^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
October 2014 (Preliminary); 2013 BENCHMARK
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

COUNTY	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE*
STATE TOTAL	18,841,700	17,529,000	1,312,700	7.0%
ALAMEDA	794,700	749,700	45,000	5.7%
ALPINE	400	360	40	9.5%
AMADOR	16,070	14,930	1,150	7.1%
BUTTE	104,400	96,800	7,600	7.3%
CALAVERAS	19,400	17,910	1,480	7.6%
COLUSA	11,610	10,330	1,280	11.0%
CONTRA COSTA	547,200	516,100	31,100	5.7%
DEL NORTE	11,050	10,070	980	8.8%
EL DORADO	89,900	84,200	5,700	6.3%
FRESNO	446,800	401,500	45,400	10.2%
GLENN	13,480	12,400	1,080	8.0%
HUMBOLDT	58,300	54,500	3,800	6.6%
IMPERIAL	80,700	61,600	19,100	23.7%
INYO	8,930	8,360	570	6.4%
KERN	396,100	360,500	35,500	9.0%
KINGS	58,900	52,600	6,300	10.7%
LAKE	26,750	24,390	2,360	8.8%
LASSEN	13,420	12,460	960	7.2%
LOS ANGELES	5,019,500	4,623,800	395,600	7.9%
MADERA	68,000	62,000	6,000	8.9%
MARIN	147,000	141,400	5,700	3.9%
MARIPOSA	9,240	8,660	580	6.3%
MENDOCINO	44,070	41,570	2,500	5.7%
MERCED	115,800	103,800	12,000	10.3%
MODOC	3,760	3,460	300	8.0%
MONO	7,630	7,040	590	7.8%
MONTEREY	225,400	210,400	15,100	6.7%
NAPA	82,100	78,500	3,600	4.4%
NEVADA	49,370	46,510	2,860	5.8%
ORANGE	1,638,500	1,556,200	82,300	5.0%
PLACER	181,200	170,600	10,500	5.8%
PLUMAS	9,790	9,070	720	7.3%
RIVERSIDE	965,400	884,100	81,300	8.4%
SACRAMENTO	685,700	639,100	46,600	6.8%
SAN BENITO	26,700	24,800	2,000	7.3%
SAN BERNARDINO	871,200	804,200	67,000	7.7%
SAN DIEGO	1,613,600	1,519,400	94,200	5.8%
SAN FRANCISCO	503,800	481,900	21,900	4.3%
SAN JOAQUIN	296,400	267,100	29,300	9.9%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	143,300	135,700	7,600	5.3%
SAN MATEO	417,600	400,600	17,000	4.1%
SANTA BARBARA	226,300	214,100	12,200	5.4%
SANTA CLARA	951,000	902,300	48,700	5.1%
SANTA CRUZ	153,100	143,400	9,800	6.4%
SHASTA	81,300	75,000	6,300	7.7%
SIERRA	1,470	1,350	120	7.8%
SISKIYOU	19,220	17,610	1,610	8.4%
SOLANO	220,300	206,500	13,800	6.3%
SONOMA	268,600	255,300	13,300	5.0%
STANISLAUS	236,700	213,200	23,500	9.9%
SUTTER	40,900	36,500	4,400	10.8%
TEHAMA	25,920	23,840	2,080	8.0%
TRINITY	5,050	4,630	420	8.3%
TULARE	199,900	176,700	23,200	11.6%
TUOLUMNE	24,170	22,460	1,710	7.1%
VENTURA	439,600	412,100	27,500	6.3%
YOLO	98,200	91,600	6,600	6.7%
YUBA	26,700	23,900	2,800	10.4%

*Not seasonally adjusted.