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**FRESNO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(FRESNO COUNTY)**

Private education and health services increased by 4,000 over the year

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Between March 2024 and April 2024, total industry employment increased by 5,000 jobs (up 1.2 percent), to total 429,100. Nonfarm employment rose by 2,100 jobs (up 0.5 percent) and farm employment grew by 2,900 jobs (up 8.9 percent).

- Farm employment posted a normal seasonal increase, rising by 2,900 jobs.
- Private education and health services moved up by 600 jobs. The gain was concentrated in health care and social assistance.
- Leisure and hospitality added 500 jobs over the month.
- Construction experienced a job uptick of 300 jobs and professional and business services also gained 300 jobs.
- Four industry sectors reported employment gains of 100 jobs each: government, other services, financial activities, and trade, transportation, and utilities.

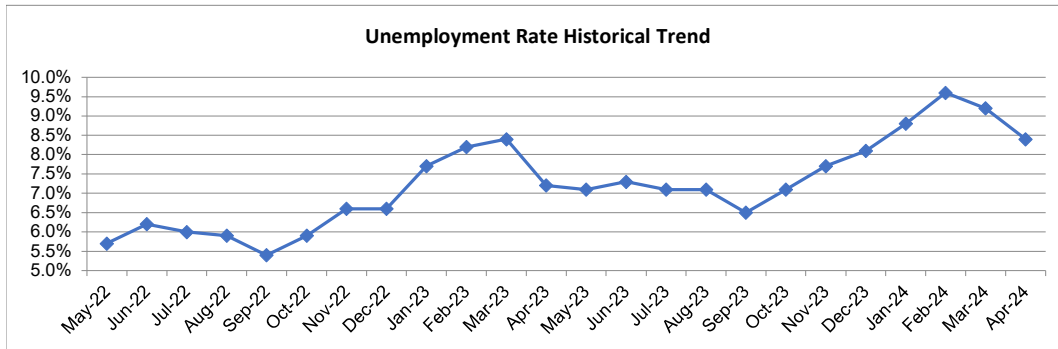
Between April 2023 and April 2024, total industry employment increased by 6,600 jobs (up 1.6 percent). Nonfarm employment rose by 8,800 jobs (up 2.3 percent), while farm employment decreased by 2,200 jobs (down 5.8 percent).

- Private education and health services posted the largest year-over increase of 4,000 jobs. Health care and social assistance increased by 4,200 jobs, while private educational services fell by 200 jobs.
- Government expanded payrolls by 3,100 jobs. Gains were in local government (up 2,700 jobs) and state government (up 400 jobs). Federal government reported no change.
- Trade, transportation, and utilities climbed up by 700 jobs. Transportation, warehousing, and utilities increased by 700 jobs and wholesale trade added 200 jobs. Retail trade decreased by 200 jobs.
- Leisure and hospitality reported an increase of 600 jobs.
- Two industry sectors reported employment gains of 400 jobs each: construction and other services.

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Industry	Mar-2024	Apr-2024	Change		Apr-2023	Apr-2024	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	424,100	429,100	5,000		422,500	429,100	6,600
Total Farm	32,700	35,600	2,900		37,800	35,600	(2,200)
Total Nonfarm	391,400	393,500	2,100		384,700	393,500	8,800
Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,900	23,200	300		22,700	23,200	500
Mining and Logging	300	300	0		200	300	100
Construction	22,600	22,900	300		22,500	22,900	400
Manufacturing	26,400	26,400	0		26,100	26,400	300
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	76,100	76,200	100		75,500	76,200	700
Information	2,700	2,700	0		3,300	2,700	(600)
Financial Activities	12,300	12,400	100		12,400	12,400	0
Professional and Business Services	32,500	32,800	300		33,000	32,800	(200)
Private Education and Health Services	86,400	87,000	600		83,000	87,000	4,000
Leisure and Hospitality	38,000	38,500	500		37,900	38,500	600
Other Services	14,500	14,600	100		14,200	14,600	400
Government	79,600	79,700	100		76,600	79,700	3,100

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality. Data may not add due to rounding
 Labor force data are revised month to month
 Additional data are available on line at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

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Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 23	Feb 24	Mar 24 Revised	Apr 24 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	458,300	470,300	466,700	462,500	-0.9%	0.9%
Civilian Employment	425,300	425,000	423,900	423,500	-0.1%	-0.4%
Civilian Unemployment	32,900	45,400	42,800	38,900	-9.1%	18.2%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	7.2%	9.6%	9.2%	8.4%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.1%	5.6%	5.4%	4.8%		
	3.1%	4.2%	3.9%	3.5%		
Total, All Industries (2)	422,500	426,000	424,100	429,100	1.2%	1.6%
Total Farm	37,800	36,000	32,700	35,600	8.9%	-5.8%
Total Nonfarm	384,700	390,000	391,400	393,500	0.5%	2.3%
Total Private	308,100	310,200	311,800	313,800	0.6%	1.9%
Goods Producing	48,800	48,900	49,300	49,600	0.6%	1.6%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,700	22,500	22,900	23,200	1.3%	2.2%
Mining and Logging	200	300	300	300	0.0%	50.0%
Construction	22,500	22,200	22,600	22,900	1.3%	1.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	15,000	15,000	15,200	15,300	0.7%	2.0%
Manufacturing	26,100	26,400	26,400	26,400	0.0%	1.1%
Durable Goods	9,000	8,600	8,600	8,600	0.0%	-4.4%
Non-Durable Goods	17,100	17,800	17,800	17,800	0.0%	4.1%
Food Manufacturing	12,600	13,400	13,400	13,400	0.0%	6.3%
Service-Providing	335,900	341,100	342,100	343,900	0.5%	2.4%
Private Service Providing	259,300	261,300	262,500	264,200	0.6%	1.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	75,500	76,200	76,100	76,200	0.1%	0.9%
Wholesale Trade	15,900	15,900	15,900	16,100	1.3%	1.3%
Retail Trade	40,200	40,000	40,000	40,000	0.0%	-0.5%
Food and Beverage Retailers	7,900	7,700	7,700	7,600	-1.3%	-3.8%
General Merchandise Retailers	9,200	9,000	9,200	9,100	-1.1%	-1.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	19,400	20,300	20,200	20,100	-0.5%	3.6%
Transportation and Warehousing	16,700	17,600	17,500	17,500	0.0%	4.8%
Information	3,300	2,500	2,700	2,700	0.0%	-18.2%
Financial Activities	12,400	12,400	12,300	12,400	0.8%	0.0%
Finance and Insurance	7,400	7,200	7,200	7,200	0.0%	-2.7%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	3,700	3,600	3,500	3,600	2.9%	-2.7%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	5,000	5,200	5,100	5,200	2.0%	4.0%
Professional and Business Services	33,000	32,400	32,500	32,800	0.9%	-0.6%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	12,100	11,900	11,800	11,900	0.8%	-1.7%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,000	3,000	3,100	3,100	0.0%	3.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Manage	17,900	17,500	17,600	17,800	1.1%	-0.6%
Administrative and Support Services	16,400	15,900	16,000	16,200	1.3%	-1.2%
Waste Management and Remediation Service	1,500	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	6.7%
Private Education and Health Services	83,000	85,800	86,400	87,000	0.7%	4.8%
Private Educational Services	5,100	4,800	4,900	4,900	0.0%	-3.9%
Health Care and Social Assistance	77,900	81,000	81,500	82,100	0.7%	5.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	23,100	23,900	24,000	24,200	0.8%	4.8%
Hospitals	16,200	16,600	16,700	16,800	0.6%	3.7%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	7,700	7,800	7,800	7,900	1.3%	2.6%
Social Assistance	30,900	32,700	33,000	33,200	0.6%	7.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	37,900	37,600	38,000	38,500	1.3%	1.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	33,200	32,500	32,700	33,000	0.9%	-0.6%
Food Services and Drinking Places	30,800	30,400	30,600	30,900	1.0%	0.3%
Other Services	14,200	14,400	14,500	14,600	0.7%	2.8%
Government	76,600	79,800	79,600	79,700	0.1%	4.0%
Federal Government	9,600	9,600	9,600	9,600	0.0%	0.0%
Total State and Local Government	67,000	70,200	70,000	70,100	0.1%	4.6%
State Government	12,600	12,800	12,900	13,000	0.8%	3.2%
State Government Educational Services	3,800	3,700	3,800	3,900	2.6%	2.6%
Local Government	54,400	57,400	57,100	57,100	0.0%	5.0%
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Local Government excluding Educational Serv	17,100	17,700	18,000	17,700	-1.7%	3.5%
County Government	7,700	8,000	8,300	8,000	-3.6%	3.9%
City Government	6,300	6,600	6,600	6,600	0.0%	4.8%
Special Districts plus Tribes	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100	0.0%	0.0%

Notes:

(1) Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; include self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding. The unemployment rate is calculated using unrounded data.

(2) Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding.

These data are produced by the Labor Market Information Division of the California Employment Development Department (EDD). Questions should be directed to: Steven Gutierrez 916-907-4593 or Rosendo Flores 916-891-7571

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