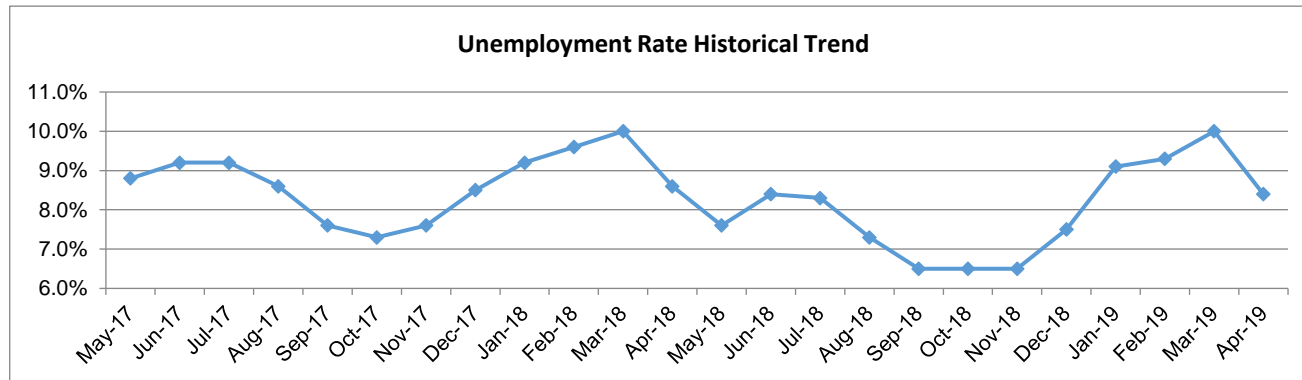


IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
 BAKERSFIELD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
 (Kern County)

The unemployment rate in the Kern County was 8.4 percent in April 2019, down from a revised 10.0 percent in March 2019, and below the year-ago estimate of 8.6 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 3.9 percent for California and 3.3 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Mar-2019	Apr-2019	Change		Apr-2018	Apr-2019	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	319,300	330,000	10,700		322,600	330,000	7,400
Total Farm	48,600	58,300	9,700		56,700	58,300	1,600
Total Nonfarm	270,700	271,700	1,000		265,900	271,700	5,800
Mining, Logging, and Construction	25,600	25,900	300		24,700	25,900	1,200
Mining and Logging	9,300	9,300	0		9,100	9,300	200
Construction	16,300	16,600	300		15,600	16,600	1,000
Manufacturing	13,000	13,000	0		12,900	13,000	100
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	53,700	53,400	(300)		53,200	53,400	200
Information	2,000	2,000	0		2,100	2,000	(100)
Financial Activities	7,400	7,400	0		7,700	7,400	(300)
Professional & Business Services	27,000	27,700	700		26,800	27,700	900
Educational & Health Services	39,500	39,600	100		37,600	39,600	2,000
Leisure & Hospitality	26,700	27,000	300		26,700	27,000	300
Other Services	8,200	8,200	0		7,700	8,200	500
Government	67,600	67,500	(100)		66,500	67,500	1,000

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](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 18	Feb 19	Mar 19	Apr 19	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	383,500	395,200	388,200	385,500	-0.7%	0.5%
Civilian Employment	350,600	358,500	349,300	353,200	1.1%	0.7%
Civilian Unemployment	32,900	36,700	38,900	32,200	-17.2%	-2.1%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	8.6%	9.3%	10.0%	8.4%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.0%	4.4%	4.6%	3.9%		
	3.7%	4.1%	3.9%	3.3%		

Total, All Industries (2)	322,600	325,000	319,300	330,000	3.4%	2.3%
Total Farm	56,700	54,700	48,600	58,300	20.0%	2.8%
Total Nonfarm	265,900	270,300	270,700	271,700	0.4%	2.2%
Total Private	199,400	203,300	203,100	204,200	0.5%	2.4%
Goods Producing	37,600	38,900	38,600	38,900	0.8%	3.5%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	24,700	25,900	25,600	25,900	1.2%	4.9%
Mining and Logging	9,100	9,300	9,300	9,300	0.0%	2.2%
Construction	15,600	16,600	16,300	16,600	1.8%	6.4%
Manufacturing	12,900	13,000	13,000	13,000	0.0%	0.8%
Durable Goods	4,700	4,500	4,500	4,500	0.0%	-4.3%
Nondurable Goods	8,200	8,500	8,500	8,500	0.0%	3.7%
Food Manufacturing	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	0.0%	0.0%
Service Providing	228,300	231,400	232,100	232,800	0.3%	2.0%
Private Service Providing	161,800	164,400	164,500	165,300	0.5%	2.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	53,200	53,700	53,700	53,400	-0.6%	0.4%
Wholesale Trade	8,300	8,300	8,300	8,300	0.0%	0.0%
Retail Trade	31,800	31,500	31,500	31,200	-1.0%	-1.9%
Food & Beverage Stores	6,300	6,500	6,500	6,400	-1.5%	1.6%
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	3,000	3,100	3,000	3,000	0.0%	0.0%
General Merchandise Stores	6,600	6,400	6,300	6,300	0.0%	-4.5%
Department Stores	1,900	1,800	1,700	1,700	0.0%	-10.5%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	13,100	13,900	13,900	13,900	0.0%	6.1%
Information	2,100	2,000	2,000	2,000	0.0%	-4.8%
Financial Activities	7,700	7,500	7,400	7,400	0.0%	-3.9%
Finance & Insurance	4,600	4,400	4,300	4,300	0.0%	-6.5%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100	0.0%	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	26,800	27,200	27,000	27,700	2.6%	3.4%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	9,600	9,600	9,400	9,700	3.2%	1.0%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	3,500	3,200	3,200	3,300	3.1%	-5.7%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	13,700	14,400	14,400	14,700	2.1%	7.3%
Educational & Health Services	37,600	39,500	39,500	39,600	0.3%	5.3%
Educational Services	1,600	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	6.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	36,000	37,800	37,800	37,900	0.3%	5.3%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	13,300	13,600	13,700	13,800	0.7%	3.8%
Hospitals	8,400	8,300	8,300	8,400	1.2%	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	26,700	26,400	26,700	27,000	1.1%	1.1%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	2,600	2,300	2,400	2,400	0.0%	-7.7%
Accommodation & Food Services	24,100	24,100	24,300	24,600	1.2%	2.1%
Food Services & Drinking Places	22,200	22,000	22,200	22,500	1.4%	1.4%
Restaurants	21,300	21,200	21,400	21,700	1.4%	1.9%
Other Services	7,700	8,100	8,200	8,200	0.0%	6.5%
Government	66,500	67,000	67,600	67,500	-0.1%	1.5%
Federal Government	10,200	10,400	10,400	10,400	0.0%	2.0%
Department of Defense	7,700	7,800	7,800	7,800	0.0%	1.3%
Federal Government excluding Department of	2,500	2,600	2,600	2,600	0.0%	4.0%
State & Local Government	56,300	56,600	57,200	57,100	-0.2%	1.4%
State Government	10,300	10,600	10,600	10,600	0.0%	2.9%
State Government Education	1,900	2,100	2,100	2,100	0.0%	10.5%
State Government Excluding Education	8,400	8,500	8,500	8,500	0.0%	1.2%
Local Government	46,000	46,000	46,600	46,500	-0.2%	1.1%

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**Bakersfield MSA**  
**(Kern County)**  
 Industry Employment & Labor Force  
 March 2018 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Apr 18	Feb 19	Mar 19 Revised	Apr 19 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Local Government Education	31,500	30,700	31,300	31,200	-0.3%	-1.0%
Local Government Excluding Education	14,500	15,300	15,300	15,300	0.0%	5.5%
County	9,600	9,900	9,900	10,000	1.0%	4.2%
City	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	0.0%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	2,100	2,600	2,600	2,500	-3.8%	19.0%

**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: Rosendo Flores 559-230-4104 or Frances Gines 951-955-3204

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