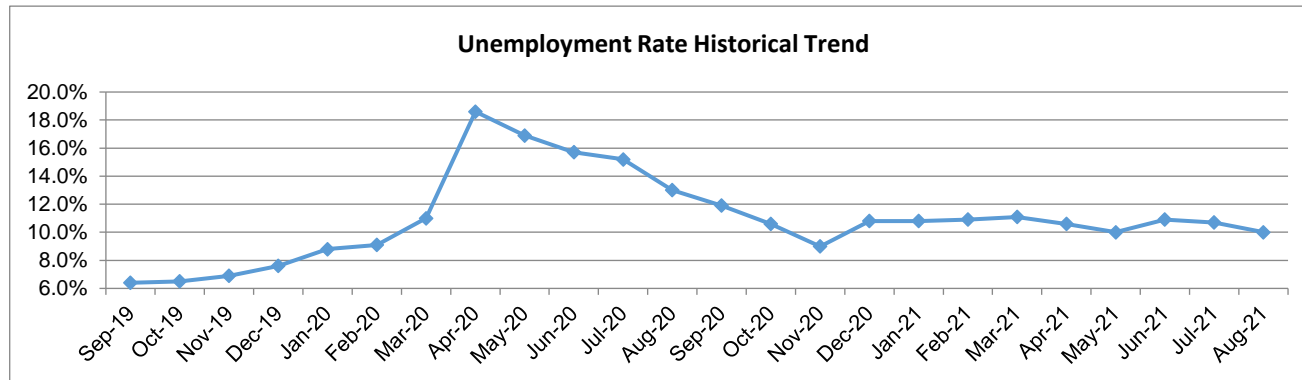


IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
 BAKERSFIELD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
 (Kern County)

The unemployment rate in the Kern County was 10.0 percent in August 2021, down from a revised 10.7 percent in July 2021, and below the year-ago estimate of 13.0 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 7.5 percent for California and 5.3 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Jul-2021	Aug-2021	Change		Aug-2020	Aug-2021	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	315,900	331,500	15,600		324,700	331,500	6,800
Total Farm	60,800	70,900	10,100		70,400	70,900	500
Total Nonfarm	255,100	260,600	5,500		254,300	260,600	6,300
Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,500	22,300	(200)		22,400	22,300	(100)
Mining and Logging	7,400	7,300	(100)		7,400	7,300	(100)
Construction	15,100	15,000	(100)		15,000	15,000	0
Manufacturing	12,500	12,600	100		12,300	12,600	300
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	55,200	55,000	(200)		52,500	55,000	2,500
Information	1,600	1,600	0		1,400	1,600	200
Financial Activities	7,100	7,100	0		7,200	7,100	(100)
Professional & Business Services	26,600	26,900	300		25,600	26,900	1,300
Educational & Health Services	39,300	40,300	1,000		40,900	40,300	(600)
Leisure & Hospitality	25,600	27,000	1,400		21,400	27,000	5,600
Other Services	7,500	7,700	200		7,000	7,700	700
Government	57,200	60,100	2,900		63,600	60,100	(3,500)

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

	Aug 20	Jun 21	Jul 21	Aug 21	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	385,600	382,500	377,700	385,800	2.1%	0.1%
Civilian Employment	335,500	340,900	337,100	347,400	3.1%	3.5%
Civilian Unemployment	50,200	41,600	40,600	38,400	-5.4%	-23.5%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	13.0%	10.9%	10.7%	10.0%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	12.3%	8.0%	7.9%	7.5%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	8.5%	6.1%	5.7%	5.3%		

Total, All Industries (2)	324,700	324,600	315,900	331,500	4.9%	2.1%
Total Farm	70,400	62,800	60,800	70,900	16.6%	0.7%
Total Nonfarm	254,300	261,800	255,100	260,600	2.2%	2.5%
Total Private	190,700	196,400	197,900	200,500	1.3%	5.1%
Goods Producing	34,700	34,400	35,000	34,900	-0.3%	0.6%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,400	22,000	22,500	22,300	-0.9%	-0.4%
Mining and Logging	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,300	-1.4%	-1.4%
Construction	15,000	14,600	15,100	15,000	-0.7%	0.0%
Manufacturing	12,300	12,400	12,500	12,600	0.8%	2.4%
Durable Goods	4,600	4,500	4,500	4,500	0.0%	-2.2%
Nondurable Goods	7,700	7,900	8,000	8,100	1.3%	5.2%
Food Manufacturing	5,000	4,800	4,800	4,900	2.1%	-2.0%
Service Providing	219,600	227,400	220,100	225,700	2.5%	2.8%
Private Service Providing	156,000	162,000	162,900	165,600	1.7%	6.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	52,500	55,400	55,200	55,000	-0.4%	4.8%
Wholesale Trade	7,400	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.0%	1.4%
Retail Trade	30,600	31,600	31,400	31,100	-1.0%	1.6%
Food & Beverage Stores	6,800	6,700	6,700	6,700	0.0%	-1.5%
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	2,000	2,400	2,400	2,500	4.2%	25.0%
General Merchandise Stores	7,000	7,200	7,100	7,200	1.4%	2.9%
Department Stores	1,300	1,500	1,500	1,600	6.7%	23.1%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	14,500	16,300	16,300	16,400	0.6%	13.1%
Information	1,400	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	14.3%
Financial Activities	7,200	7,100	7,100	7,100	0.0%	-1.4%
Finance & Insurance	4,100	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.0%	-2.4%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100	0.0%	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	25,600	26,300	26,600	26,900	1.1%	5.1%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	9,500	9,800	10,000	10,100	1.0%	6.3%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	3,100	2,900	2,900	2,900	0.0%	-6.5%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	13,000	13,600	13,700	13,900	1.5%	6.9%
Educational & Health Services	40,900	39,200	39,300	40,300	2.5%	-1.5%
Educational Services	1,400	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.0%	7.1%
Health Care & Social Assistance	39,500	37,700	37,800	38,800	2.6%	-1.8%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	14,700	14,500	14,600	14,600	0.0%	-0.7%
Hospitals	8,000	7,800	7,800	7,800	0.0%	-2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	21,400	24,900	25,600	27,000	5.5%	26.2%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	1,100	2,300	2,400	2,400	0.0%	118.2%
Accommodation & Food Services	20,300	22,600	23,200	24,600	6.0%	21.2%
Food Services & Drinking Places	18,800	20,200	20,700	22,000	6.3%	17.0%
Restaurants	18,500	19,900	20,500	21,700	5.9%	17.3%
Other Services	7,000	7,500	7,500	7,700	2.7%	10.0%
Government	63,600	65,400	57,200	60,100	5.1%	-5.5%
Federal Government	12,000	11,400	11,500	11,500	0.0%	-4.2%
Department of Defense	8,600	8,800	8,800	8,800	0.0%	2.3%
Federal Government excluding Department of	3,400	2,600	2,700	2,700	0.0%	-20.6%
State & Local Government	51,600	54,000	45,700	48,600	6.3%	-5.8%
State Government	9,900	9,900	9,700	9,600	-1.0%	-3.0%
State Government Education	1,500	1,600	1,400	1,400	0.0%	-6.7%
State Government Excluding Education	8,400	8,300	8,300	8,200	-1.2%	-2.4%
Local Government	41,700	44,100	36,000	39,000	8.3%	-6.5%

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**Bakersfield MSA**  
**(Kern County)**  
 Industry Employment & Labor Force  
 March 2020 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Aug 20	Jun 21	Jul 21 Revised	Aug 21 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Local Government Education	26,800	29,300	21,100	24,200	14.7%	-9.7%
Local Government Excluding Education	14,900	14,800	14,900	14,800	-0.7%	-0.7%
County	10,100	10,000	10,000	10,100	1.0%	0.0%
City	2,800	2,600	2,700	2,600	-3.7%	-7.1%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	2,000	2,200	2,200	2,100	-4.5%	5.0%

**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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