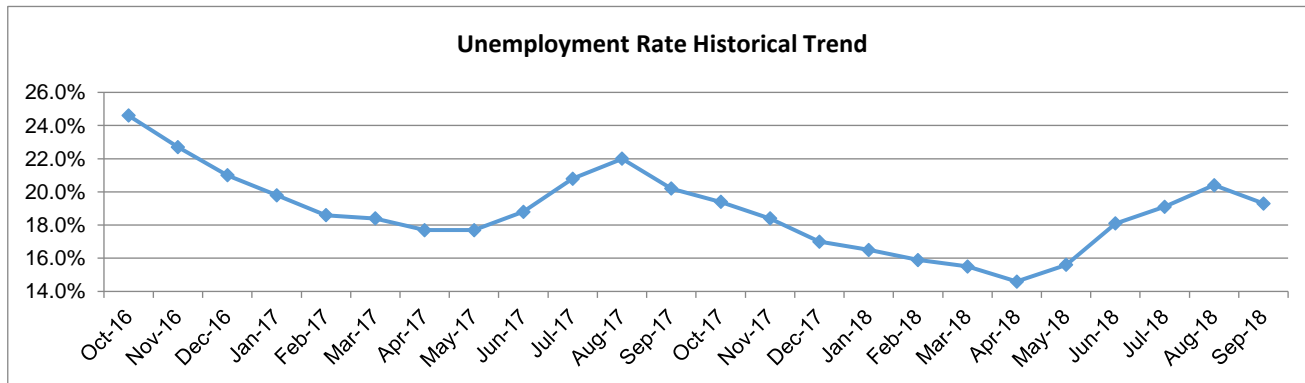


IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
 EL CENTRO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
 (Imperial County)

The unemployment rate in the Imperial County was 19.3 percent in September 2018, down from a revised 20.4 percent in August 2018, and below the year-ago estimate of 20.2 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 3.9 percent for California and 3.6 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Aug-2018	Sep-2018	Change		Sep-2017	Sep-2018	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	63,800	65,000	1,200		63,100	65,000	1,900
Total Farm	10,600	12,200	1,600		10,900	12,200	1,300
Total Nonfarm	53,200	52,800	(400)		52,200	52,800	600
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,000	2,000	0		1,800	2,000	200
Manufacturing	1,400	1,200	(200)		1,300	1,200	(100)
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	12,200	11,800	(400)		12,000	11,800	(200)
Information	300	300	0		300	300	0
Financial Activities	1,200	1,200	0		1,300	1,200	(100)
Professional & Business Services	2,600	2,600	0		2,500	2,600	100
Educational & Health Services	10,000	10,000	0		9,600	10,000	400
Leisure & Hospitality	4,200	4,200	0		4,200	4,200	0
Other Services	1,000	1,000	0		1,000	1,000	0
Government	18,300	18,500	200		18,200	18,500	300

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

	Sep 17	Jul 18	Aug 18 Revised	Sep 18 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	74,000	72,000	73,900	74,500	0.8%	0.7%
Civilian Employment	59,000	58,300	58,800	60,100	2.2%	1.9%
Civilian Unemployment	15,000	13,700	15,100	14,400	-4.6%	-4.0%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	20.2%	19.1%	20.4%	19.3%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	4.3%	4.4%	4.3%	3.9%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.1%	4.1%	3.9%	3.6%		

Total, All Industries (2)	63,100	62,900	63,800	65,000	1.9%	3.0%
Total Farm	10,900	11,100	10,600	12,200	15.1%	11.9%
Total Nonfarm	52,200	51,800	53,200	52,800	-0.8%	1.1%
Total Private	34,000	34,600	34,900	34,300	-1.7%	0.9%
Goods Producing	3,100	3,400	3,400	3,200	-5.9%	3.2%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	1,800	2,000	2,000	2,000	0.0%	11.1%
Manufacturing	1,300	1,400	1,400	1,200	-14.3%	-7.7%
Durable Goods	500	500	500	500	0.0%	0.0%
Nondurable Goods	800	900	900	700	-22.2%	-12.5%
Service Providing	49,100	48,400	49,800	49,600	-0.4%	1.0%
Private Service Providing	30,900	31,200	31,500	31,100	-1.3%	0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	12,000	12,000	12,200	11,800	-3.3%	-1.7%
Wholesale Trade	2,000	2,100	2,200	2,100	-4.5%	5.0%
Retail Trade	7,800	7,800	7,900	7,700	-2.5%	-1.3%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,000	-4.8%	-9.1%
Information	300	300	300	300	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	1,300	1,200	1,200	1,200	0.0%	-7.7%
Professional & Business Services	2,500	2,600	2,600	2,600	0.0%	4.0%
Educational & Health Services	9,600	9,800	10,000	10,000	0.0%	4.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,200	4,300	4,200	4,200	0.0%	0.0%
Other Services	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.0%	0.0%
Government	18,200	17,200	18,300	18,500	1.1%	1.6%
Federal Government	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	0.0%	0.0%
State & Local Government	16,100	15,100	16,200	16,400	1.2%	1.9%
State Government	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,800	3.7%	3.7%
Local Government	13,400	12,400	13,500	13,600	0.7%	1.5%
Local Government Excluding Education	7,100	7,600	7,500	7,400	-1.3%	4.2%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	3,000	3,200	3,200	3,100	-3.1%	3.3%

**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: Daniel Schneider 619-266-4224 or Emerson Figueroa 909-481-6214

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