

**FRESNO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(FRESNO COUNTY)**
Government led the month-over growth with 3,700 jobs

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Between August 2018 and September 2018, total industry employment increased by 1,100 jobs (up 0.3 percent), to total 409,900. Nonfarm employment grew by 3,100 jobs (up 0.9 percent), while farm employment receded by 2,000 jobs (down 3.6 percent).

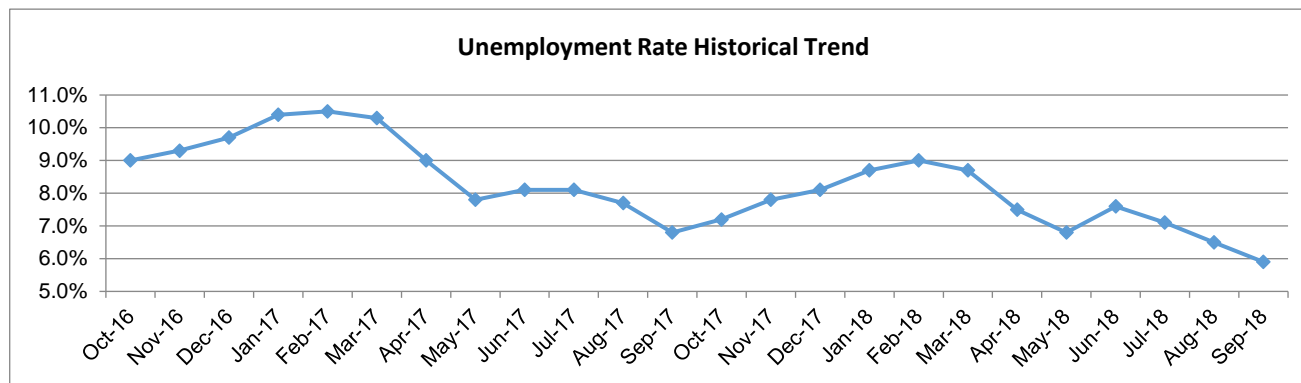
- Government recorded the largest month-over gain with the addition of 3,700 jobs. Gains in local government (up 3,200 jobs), and state government (up 600 jobs), offset a decline of 100 jobs in federal government.
- Educational and health services reported a gain of 900 jobs. Health care and social assistance added 800 jobs and educational services increased by 100 jobs.
- Construction experienced a gain of 100 jobs.
- Farm employment posted the largest month-over decline with a drop of 2,000 jobs.

Between September 2017 and September 2018, total industry employment increased by 8,700 jobs (up 2.2 percent). Nonfarm employment rose by 9,000 jobs (up 2.6 percent), while farm employment decreased by 300 jobs (down 0.6 percent).

- Government reported the largest year-over increase of 1,900 jobs. Gains were in local government (up 1,700 jobs), federal government (up 100 jobs), and state government (up 100 jobs).
- Trade, transportation, and utilities recorded a gain of 1,600 jobs. Retail trade added 1,300 jobs, transportation, warehousing, and utilities moved up by 200 jobs, and wholesale trade grew by 100 jobs.
- Construction posted a gain of 1,500 jobs. Specialty trade contractors accounted for 73 percent of the gain.
- Manufacturing advanced payrolls by 1,400 jobs. Nondurable goods added 1,000 jobs and durable goods increased by 400 jobs.
- Two industry sectors that climbed up by 1,100 each included: educational and health services and leisure and hospitality.

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Industry	Aug-2018	Sep-2018	Change		Sep-2017	Sep-2018	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	408,800	409,900	1,100		401,200	409,900	8,700
Total Farm	55,500	53,500	(2,000)		53,800	53,500	(300)
Total Nonfarm	353,300	356,400	3,100		347,400	356,400	9,000
Mining, Logging, and Construction	19,700	19,800	100		18,300	19,800	1,500
Mining and Logging	300	300	0		300	300	0
Construction	19,400	19,500	100		18,000	19,500	1,500
Manufacturing	28,700	28,600	(100)		27,200	28,600	1,400
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	68,300	68,100	(200)		66,500	68,100	1,600
Information	3,600	3,500	(100)		3,600	3,500	(100)
Financial Activities	13,700	13,600	(100)		13,400	13,600	200
Professional & Business Services	34,100	33,400	(700)		32,900	33,400	500
Educational & Health Services	69,000	69,900	900		68,800	69,900	1,100
Leisure & Hospitality	35,400	35,100	(300)		34,000	35,100	1,100
Other Services	11,700	11,600	(100)		11,800	11,600	(200)
Government	69,100	72,800	3,700		70,900	72,800	1,900

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

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 17	Jul 18	Aug 18	Sep 18	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	452,600	457,600	451,600	455,400	0.8%	0.6%
Civilian Employment	422,000	425,100	422,300	428,600	1.5%	1.6%
Civilian Unemployment	30,600	32,500	29,300	26,800	-8.5%	-12.4%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	6.8%	7.1%	6.5%	5.9%		
(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)	401,200	407,800	408,800	409,900	0.3%	2.2%
Total Farm	53,800	53,400	55,500	53,500	-3.6%	-0.6%
Total Nonfarm	347,400	354,400	353,300	356,400	0.9%	2.6%
Total Private	276,500	282,300	284,200	283,600	-0.2%	2.6%
Goods Producing	45,500	47,300	48,400	48,400	0.0%	6.4%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	18,300	19,800	19,700	19,800	0.5%	8.2%
Mining and Logging	300	300	300	300	0.0%	0.0%
Construction	18,000	19,500	19,400	19,500	0.5%	8.3%
Specialty Trade Contractors	12,200	13,200	13,400	13,300	-0.7%	9.0%
Manufacturing	27,200	27,500	28,700	28,600	-0.3%	5.1%
Durable Goods	8,200	8,500	8,500	8,600	1.2%	4.9%
Nondurable Goods	19,000	19,000	20,200	20,000	-1.0%	5.3%
Food Manufacturing	14,500	14,000	15,500	15,100	-2.6%	4.1%
Service Providing	301,900	307,100	304,900	308,000	1.0%	2.0%
Private Service Providing	231,000	235,000	235,800	235,200	-0.3%	1.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	66,500	67,600	68,300	68,100	-0.3%	2.4%
Wholesale Trade	14,500	14,300	14,500	14,600	0.7%	0.7%
Retail Trade	38,400	39,700	40,000	39,700	-0.8%	3.4%
Food & Beverage Stores	8,000	8,200	8,200	8,200	0.0%	2.5%
General Merchandise Stores	7,900	8,500	8,600	8,600	0.0%	8.9%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	13,600	13,600	13,800	13,800	0.0%	1.5%
Transportation & Warehousing	11,300	11,200	11,400	11,400	0.0%	0.9%
Information	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,500	-2.8%	-2.8%
Financial Activities	13,400	13,800	13,700	13,600	-0.7%	1.5%
Finance & Insurance	8,800	9,100	9,000	8,900	-1.1%	1.1%
Insurance Carriers & Related	4,800	4,900	4,900	4,800	-2.0%	0.0%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	4,600	4,700	4,700	4,700	0.0%	2.2%
Professional & Business Services	32,900	34,700	34,100	33,400	-2.1%	1.5%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	10,900	12,000	11,800	11,300	-4.2%	3.7%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	2,000	2,100	2,000	2,000	0.0%	0.0%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	20,000	20,600	20,300	20,100	-1.0%	0.5%
Administrative & Support Services	18,700	19,100	18,900	18,700	-1.1%	0.0%
Waste Management & Remediation Services	1,300	1,500	1,400	1,400	0.0%	7.7%
Educational & Health Services	68,800	68,500	69,000	69,900	1.3%	1.6%
Educational Services	4,000	3,100	3,300	3,400	3.0%	-15.0%
Health Care & Social Assistance	64,800	65,400	65,700	66,500	1.2%	2.6%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	18,800	18,900	18,800	19,000	1.1%	1.1%
Hospitals	14,100	14,100	14,000	14,200	1.4%	0.7%
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	7,600	7,600	7,600	7,700	1.3%	1.3%
Social Assistance	24,300	24,800	25,300	25,600	1.2%	5.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	34,000	35,100	35,400	35,100	-0.8%	3.2%
Accommodation & Food Services	30,600	31,100	31,400	31,300	-0.3%	2.3%
Food Services & Drinking Places	28,000	28,400	28,700	29,300	2.1%	4.6%
Other Services	11,800	11,700	11,700	11,600	-0.9%	-1.7%
Government	70,900	72,100	69,100	72,800	5.4%	2.7%
Federal Government	9,100	9,800	9,300	9,200	-1.1%	1.1%
State & Local Government	61,800	62,300	59,800	63,600	6.4%	2.9%
State Government	12,500	12,000	12,000	12,600	5.0%	0.8%
State Government Education	3,900	3,300	3,300	3,900	18.2%	0.0%
Local Government	49,300	50,300	47,800	51,000	6.7%	3.4%

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 Industry Employment & Labor Force
 March 2017 Benchmark

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	Sep 17	Jul 18	Aug 18 Revised	Sep 18 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Local Government Education	32,900	33,400	31,000	34,200	10.3%	4.0%
Local Government Excluding Education	16,400	16,900	16,800	16,800	0.0%	2.4%
County	7,600	7,700	7,800	7,800	0.0%	2.6%
City	5,600	5,900	5,800	5,800	0.0%	3.6%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	3,200	3,300	3,200	3,200	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 559-230-4102 or Rosendo Flores 559-230-4104

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