

**LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH-GLENDALE METROPOLITAN DIVISION  
(LOS ANGELES COUNTY)**

**Los Angeles County nonfarm economy averages 5,000 job additions per month in 2018**

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Los Angeles County increased over the month to 4.8 percent in December 2018 from a revised 4.7 percent in November 2018 and was above the rate of 4.5 one year ago. Civilian employment increased by 6,000 to 4,932,000 in December 2018, while unemployment increased by 4,000 to 247,000 over the month. The civilian labor force increased by 10,000 over the month to 5,179,000 in December 2018. (All of the above figures are seasonally adjusted.) The unadjusted unemployment rate for the county was 4.6 percent in December 2018.

The California seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.2 percent in December 2018, 4.1 percent in November 2018, and 4.5 percent a year ago in December 2017. The comparable estimates for the nation were 3.9 percent in December 2018, 3.7 percent in November 2018, and 4.1 percent a year ago.

**Between November 2018 and December 2018**, total nonfarm employment in Los Angeles County increased by 7,300 jobs to reach 4,577,300.

- Of the seven sectors that gained over the month, trade, transportation and utilities led, adding 8,400 jobs with subsector gains in transportation and warehousing (up 3,600), retail trade (up 3,400), and wholesale trade (up 1,500).
- Educational and health services expanded by 4,600, gains were comprised entirely of health care and social services (up 4,700) and counterbalanced with a 100 job loss in educational services.
- Construction (down 4,200) declined the most of the four industry sectors that experienced employment decline. Over 70 percent of construction losses were found in specialty trade contractors (down 3,000).
- Motion picture and sound recording lost 3,500 jobs over the month, driving employment decline in the information sector (down 3,300).

**Between December 2017 and December 2018**, nonfarm employment in Los Angeles County increased by 60,000 or 1.3 percent.

- Leisure and hospitality (up 24,400) led the eight industry sectors adding over the year. Accommodation and food services achieved record high employment (457,600), adding 16,600 jobs. Arts, entertainment and recreation also expanded, posting 7,800 job additions.
- Professional and business services rose by 16,400 with job increases in administrative and support and waste services (up 9,000), professional, scientific, and technical services (up 7,100), and management of companies and enterprises (up 300).
- Jobs in educational and health services increased by 15,500 over the year. Gains in health care and social assistance (up 16,200) drove up the sector employment levels, but a reduction of 700 jobs in educational services offset the overall gain.

- Government (down 3,200) had the greatest job loss among the declining sectors. Losses occurred at all three levels of government, local (down 2,500), federal (down 600), and state (down 100).

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	Dec 17	Oct 18	Nov 18 Revised	Dec 18 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	5,129,900	5,182,500	5,203,600	5,188,700	-0.3%	1.1%
Civilian Employment	4,918,900	4,939,200	4,963,200	4,948,800	-0.3%	0.6%
Civilian Unemployment	211,100	243,300	240,400	239,900	-0.2%	13.6%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	4.1%	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.9%	3.5%	3.5%	3.7%		

Total, All Industries (2)	4,522,700	4,552,200	4,575,500	4,582,900	0.2%	1.3%
Total Farm	5,400	5,700	5,500	5,600	1.8%	3.7%
Total Nonfarm	4,517,300	4,546,500	4,570,000	4,577,300	0.2%	1.3%
Total Private	3,921,300	3,958,400	3,978,100	3,984,500	0.2%	1.6%
Goods Producing	490,000	494,200	496,700	492,800	-0.8%	0.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	140,500	145,900	146,100	142,000	-2.8%	1.1%
Mining and Logging	2,200	2,300	2,200	2,300	4.5%	4.5%
Construction	138,300	143,600	143,900	139,700	-2.9%	1.0%
Construction of Buildings	34,000	34,900	34,700	34,000	-2.0%	0.0%
Residential Building Construction	20,400	20,900	20,800	20,100	-3.4%	-1.5%
Nonresidential Building Construction	13,600	14,000	13,900	13,900	0.0%	2.2%
Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction	12,600	13,000	12,900	12,400	-3.9%	-1.6%
Specialty Trade Contractors	91,700	95,700	96,300	93,300	-3.1%	1.7%
Building Foundation & Exterior Contractors	18,800	20,200	20,100	19,400	-3.5%	3.2%
Building Equipment Contractors	41,000	42,100	42,500	41,300	-2.8%	0.7%
Building Finishing Contractors	21,500	22,500	22,800	22,000	-3.5%	2.3%
Other Specialty Trade Contractors	10,400	10,900	10,900	10,600	-2.8%	1.9%
Manufacturing	349,500	348,300	350,600	350,800	0.1%	0.4%
Durable Goods	203,100	203,500	205,000	205,800	0.4%	1.3%
Primary Metal Manufacturing	6,200	6,200	6,300	6,400	1.6%	3.2%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	42,600	41,600	41,900	42,200	0.7%	-0.9%
Machinery Manufacturing	13,800	13,700	13,700	13,700	0.0%	-0.7%
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	42,300	43,400	43,500	43,800	0.7%	3.5%
Electronic Instrument Manufacturing	23,300	23,800	23,800	23,900	0.4%	2.6%
Electrical Equipment & Appliance Manufacturing	9,900	9,800	9,900	9,800	-1.0%	-1.0%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	46,000	46,900	47,300	47,700	0.8%	3.7%
Aerospace Product & Parts Manufacturing	36,400	38,000	38,400	38,900	1.3%	6.9%
Furniture & Related Product Manufacturing	13,400	13,300	13,500	13,400	-0.7%	0.0%
Household & Institutional Furniture Mfg	9,100	8,900	9,000	8,900	-1.1%	-2.2%
Miscellaneous Durable Goods Manufacturing	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000	0.0%	0.0%
Nondurable Goods	146,400	144,800	145,600	145,000	-0.4%	-1.0%
Food Manufacturing	40,600	40,500	40,800	40,200	-1.5%	-1.0%
Dairy Product Manufacturing	4,400	4,100	4,100	4,000	-2.4%	-9.1%
Animal Slaughtering & Processing	4,700	4,900	4,900	4,900	0.0%	4.3%
Bakeries & Tortilla Manufacturing	15,700	15,800	16,100	15,900	-1.2%	1.3%
Textile Mills	4,800	4,500	4,500	4,400	-2.2%	-8.3%
Apparel Manufacturing	29,600	29,900	29,800	30,000	0.7%	1.4%
Cut & Sew Apparel Manufacturing	27,500	27,700	27,500	27,600	0.4%	0.4%
Paper Manufacturing	6,400	6,400	6,300	6,300	0.0%	-1.6%
Printing & Related Support Activities	13,300	12,900	12,800	12,800	0.0%	-3.8%
Petroleum & Coal Products Manufacturing	5,600	5,700	5,700	5,700	0.0%	1.8%
Chemical Manufacturing	19,500	19,700	19,700	19,700	0.0%	1.0%
Pharmaceutical & Medicine Manufacturing	7,700	7,900	7,900	7,900	0.0%	2.6%
Plastics & Rubber Products Manufacturing	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500	0.0%	0.0%
Service Providing	4,027,300	4,052,300	4,073,300	4,084,500	0.3%	1.4%
Private Service Providing	3,431,300	3,464,200	3,481,400	3,491,700	0.3%	1.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	867,700	840,300	858,000	866,400	1.0%	-0.1%
Wholesale Trade	227,000	222,600	223,200	224,700	0.7%	-1.0%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	103,700	103,000	103,000	104,000	1.0%	0.3%
Motor Vehicle & Motor Vehicle Parts Merchant	13,000	12,900	12,900	13,000	0.8%	0.0%

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Professional & Commercial Equipment Merch	15,800	15,800	15,800	15,900	0.6%	0.6%
Electrical & Electronic Goods Merch Wholesa	12,900	12,700	12,700	12,900	1.6%	0.0%
Machinery, Equip & Supplies Merchant Whole	15,500	16,100	16,300	16,500	1.2%	6.5%
Miscellaneous Durable Goods Merchant Who	19,700	19,400	19,400	19,400	0.0%	-1.5%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	105,800	103,100	103,600	104,000	0.4%	-1.7%
Apparel, Piece Goods & Notions Merch Whole	25,700	25,600	25,800	25,800	0.0%	0.4%
Grocery & Related Products Merchant Wholes	38,700	37,300	37,800	37,900	0.3%	-2.1%
Misc Nondurable Merchant Wholesalers	15,900	15,600	15,700	15,700	0.0%	-1.3%
Wholesale Electronic Markets & Agents & Brok	17,500	16,500	16,600	16,700	0.6%	-4.6%
Retail Trade	440,900	421,400	435,200	438,600	0.8%	-0.5%
Motor Vehicle & Parts Dealer	47,000	47,100	47,100	46,800	-0.6%	-0.4%
Automobile Dealers	33,000	33,100	33,200	32,800	-1.2%	-0.6%
Other Motor Vehicle Dealers	1,800	1,800	1,700	1,800	5.9%	0.0%
Automotive Parts, Accessories & Tire Stores	12,200	12,200	12,200	12,200	0.0%	0.0%
Furniture & Home Furnishings Stores	15,200	14,300	14,800	15,100	2.0%	-0.7%
Electronics & Appliance Stores	18,800	18,100	18,600	18,800	1.1%	0.0%
Building Material & Garden Equipment Stores	25,000	25,300	25,200	25,100	-0.4%	0.4%
Food & Beverage Stores	94,900	94,200	94,700	94,700	0.0%	-0.2%
Grocery Stores	82,800	82,600	83,200	83,200	0.0%	0.5%
Health & Personal Care Stores	33,400	32,600	32,800	33,300	1.5%	-0.3%
Gasoline Stations	12,200	11,800	11,800	11,900	0.8%	-2.5%
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	61,400	54,800	60,700	62,900	3.6%	2.4%
Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book & Music Stores	16,300	13,700	14,800	15,000	1.4%	-8.0%
Sporting Goods, Hobby & Musical Instrument	13,400	11,000	12,000	12,100	0.8%	-9.7%
Book, Periodical & Music Stores	2,900	2,700	2,800	2,900	3.6%	0.0%
General Merchandise Stores	75,500	67,300	73,000	73,500	0.7%	-2.6%
Department Stores	29,300	24,400	26,300	26,900	2.3%	-8.2%
General Merchandise Stores	46,200	42,900	46,700	46,600	-0.2%	0.9%
Miscellaneous Store Retailers	24,900	25,400	25,000	24,700	-1.2%	-0.8%
Nonstore Retailers	16,300	16,800	16,700	16,800	0.6%	3.1%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	199,800	196,300	199,600	203,100	1.8%	1.7%
Utilities	11,500	11,400	11,500	11,400	-0.9%	-0.9%
Transportation & Warehousing	188,300	184,900	188,100	191,700	1.9%	1.8%
Air Transportation	27,900	28,400	28,600	28,600	0.0%	2.5%
Truck Transportation	29,600	30,200	30,100	29,900	-0.7%	1.0%
Transit & Ground Passenger Transportation	11,700	12,000	12,000	12,300	2.5%	5.1%
Support Activities for Transportation	61,200	59,300	59,400	58,800	-1.0%	-3.9%
Couriers & Messengers	31,200	27,000	30,200	34,900	15.6%	11.9%
Warehousing & Storage	19,500	19,600	19,600	19,700	0.5%	1.0%
Information	218,900	223,800	222,600	219,300	-1.5%	0.2%
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	16,000	16,200	16,300	16,300	0.0%	1.9%
Newspaper, Periodical, Book & Directory Publis	7,400	7,100	7,200	7,200	0.0%	-2.7%
Motion Picture & Sound Recording	136,800	139,800	138,400	134,900	-2.5%	-1.4%
Broadcasting (except Internet)	23,500	24,500	24,700	24,500	-0.8%	4.3%
Radio & Television Broadcasting	17,500	18,700	18,900	18,800	-0.5%	7.4%
Cable & Other Subscription Programming	6,000	5,800	5,800	5,700	-1.7%	-5.0%
Telecommunications	20,600	19,800	19,700	19,700	0.0%	-4.4%
Data Processing, Hosting & Related Services	7,700	8,100	7,900	8,000	1.3%	3.9%
Financial Activities	224,900	223,900	224,300	224,700	0.2%	-0.1%
Finance & Insurance	138,400	138,400	139,300	139,600	0.2%	0.9%
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	61,400	60,800	61,100	61,200	0.2%	-0.3%
Depository Credit Intermediation	40,300	39,900	40,100	40,100	0.0%	-0.5%
Nondepository Credit Intermediation	12,700	12,400	12,500	12,400	-0.8%	-2.4%
Activities Related to Credit Intermediation	8,400	8,500	8,500	8,700	2.4%	3.6%
Securities, Commodity Contracts & Investment	26,300	26,600	26,900	27,000	0.4%	2.7%
Insurance Carriers & Related	50,700	51,000	51,300	51,400	0.2%	1.4%
Insurance Carriers	23,400	22,600	22,800	22,700	-0.4%	-3.0%

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Agencies, Broker, & Other Insurance Related	27,300	28,400	28,500	28,700	0.7%	5.1%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	86,500	85,500	85,000	85,100	0.1%	-1.6%
Real Estate	65,100	65,000	64,700	65,200	0.8%	0.2%
Lessors of Real Estate	18,500	18,300	18,200	18,400	1.1%	-0.5%
Offices of Real Estate Agents & Brokers	13,800	13,600	13,500	13,700	1.5%	-0.7%
Activities Related to Real Estate	32,800	33,100	33,000	33,100	0.3%	0.9%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing - Residual	21,400	20,500	20,300	19,900	-2.0%	-7.0%
Professional & Business Services	626,100	644,300	643,500	642,500	-0.2%	2.6%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	288,400	296,000	296,100	295,500	-0.2%	2.5%
Legal Services	51,300	50,000	50,400	49,500	-1.8%	-3.5%
Accounting, Tax Preparation & Bookkeeping S	46,400	48,800	49,300	48,400	-1.8%	4.3%
Architectural, Engineering & Related Services	33,200	34,500	34,800	35,600	2.3%	7.2%
Computer Systems Design & Related Services	36,400	38,300	38,700	38,500	-0.5%	5.8%
Management, Scientific & Technical Consulting	52,100	54,800	54,800	54,700	-0.2%	5.0%
Scientific Research & Development Services	19,600	19,900	19,900	19,900	0.0%	1.5%
Advertising & Related Services	24,300	24,000	23,600	23,800	0.8%	-2.1%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	57,500	56,500	57,100	57,800	1.2%	0.5%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	280,200	291,800	290,300	289,200	-0.4%	3.2%
Administrative & Support Services	269,400	278,000	276,600	275,600	-0.4%	2.3%
Employment Services	110,000	113,000	111,700	111,000	-0.6%	0.9%
Business Support Services	15,000	15,000	15,200	15,100	-0.7%	0.7%
Travel Arrangement & Reservation Services	9,700	9,900	9,700	9,800	1.0%	1.0%
Investigation & Security Services	55,700	58,700	58,700	58,400	-0.5%	4.8%
Services to Buildings & Dwellings	46,600	49,200	49,400	48,900	-1.0%	4.9%
Educational & Health Services	810,000	817,900	820,900	825,500	0.6%	1.9%
Educational Services	132,100	130,200	131,500	131,400	-0.1%	-0.5%
Elementary & Secondary Schools	29,400	29,700	30,200	29,900	-1.0%	1.7%
Colleges, Universities & Professional Schools	74,600	74,300	74,500	74,800	0.4%	0.3%
Health Care & Social Assistance	677,900	687,700	689,400	694,100	0.7%	2.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	216,600	217,500	218,100	219,400	0.6%	1.3%
Offices of Physicians	63,800	63,300	63,700	64,100	0.6%	0.5%
Offices of Dentists	31,700	30,900	31,100	31,000	-0.3%	-2.2%
Offices of Other Health Practitioners	24,900	26,900	27,100	27,400	1.1%	10.0%
Hospitals	119,100	120,200	120,600	121,200	0.5%	1.8%
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	84,300	86,000	86,600	86,900	0.3%	3.1%
Nursing Care Facilities	46,500	47,400	47,500	47,500	0.0%	2.2%
Social Assistance	257,900	264,000	264,100	266,600	0.9%	3.4%
Individual & Family Services	225,400	231,500	231,400	233,600	1.0%	3.6%
Child Day Care Services	18,900	18,800	18,900	19,100	1.1%	1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	531,700	557,200	554,500	556,100	0.3%	4.6%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	90,700	102,700	97,900	98,500	0.6%	8.6%
Performing Arts, Spectator Sports	44,300	52,200	48,000	49,000	2.1%	10.6%
Independent Artists, Writers & Performers	10,900	13,500	13,600	14,400	5.9%	32.1%
Museums, Historical Sites & Similar Institution	5,600	5,700	5,600	5,700	1.8%	1.8%
Amusement, Gambling & Recreation	40,800	44,800	44,300	43,800	-1.1%	7.4%
Gambling Industries	7,500	7,700	7,700	7,700	0.0%	2.7%
Other Amusement & Recreation	28,900	29,700	30,000	30,300	1.0%	4.8%
Accommodation & Food Services	441,000	454,500	456,600	457,600	0.2%	3.8%
Accommodation	49,500	52,600	52,700	52,400	-0.6%	5.9%
Food Services & Drinking Places	391,500	401,900	403,900	405,200	0.3%	3.5%
Restaurants	361,400	370,700	372,200	373,000	0.2%	3.2%
Full-Service Restaurants	180,400	185,500	184,900	186,000	0.6%	3.1%
Limited-Service Eating Places	181,000	185,200	187,300	187,000	-0.2%	3.3%
Special Food Services	22,400	23,100	23,100	23,200	0.4%	3.6%
Other Services	152,000	156,800	157,600	157,200	-0.3%	3.4%
Repair & Maintenance	37,600	38,300	38,700	37,900	-2.1%	0.8%
Personal & Laundry Services	54,700	55,300	55,100	55,700	1.1%	1.8%

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Religious, Grants, Civic, Professional & Like Org	59,700	63,200	63,800	63,600	-0.3%	6.5%
Government	596,000	588,100	591,900	592,800	0.2%	-0.5%
Federal Government	49,200	46,900	47,700	48,600	1.9%	-1.2%
Department of Defense	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300	0.0%	0.0%
Federal Government excluding Department of	45,900	43,600	44,400	45,300	2.0%	-1.3%
State & Local Government	546,800	541,200	544,200	544,200	0.0%	-0.5%
State Government	94,400	92,600	93,900	94,300	0.4%	-0.1%
State Government Education	64,500	62,300	63,600	64,100	0.8%	-0.6%
State Government Excluding Education	29,900	30,300	30,300	30,200	-0.3%	1.0%
Local Government	452,400	448,600	450,300	449,900	-0.1%	-0.6%
Local Government Education	235,400	226,900	228,600	228,400	-0.1%	-3.0%
Local Government Excluding Education	217,000	221,700	221,700	221,500	-0.1%	2.1%
County	104,700	107,600	107,900	107,700	-0.2%	2.9%
City	92,100	93,500	93,400	93,300	-0.1%	1.3%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	20,200	20,600	20,400	20,500	0.5%	1.5%

**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.

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