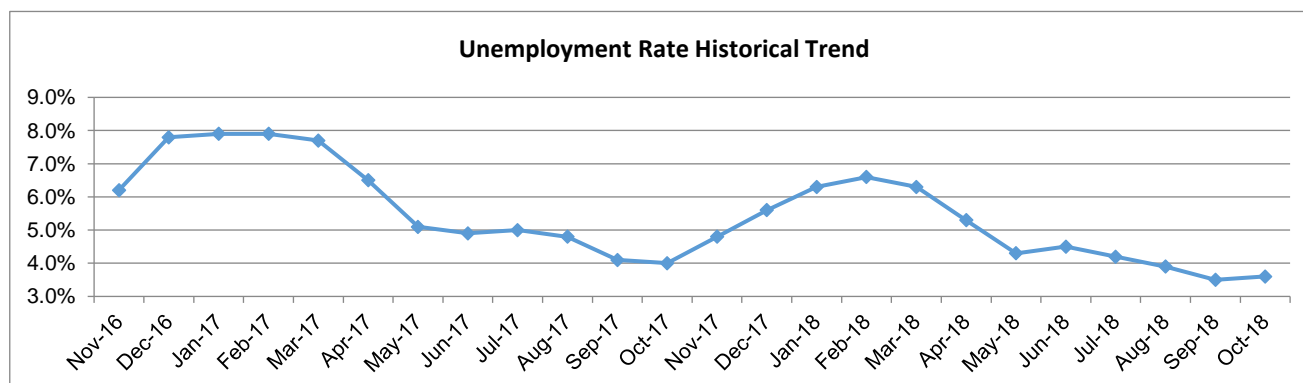


IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 SANTA CRUZ-WATSONVILLE METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
 (Santa Cruz County)

The unemployment rate in the Santa Cruz County was 3.6 percent in October 2018, up from a revised 3.5 percent in September 2018, and below the year-ago estimate of 4.0 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 4.0 percent for California and 3.5 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Sep-2018	Oct-2018	Change		Oct-2017	Oct-2018	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	114,300	116,200	1,900		114,400	116,200	1,800
Total Farm	11,200	10,300	(900)		10,400	10,300	(100)
Total Nonfarm	103,100	105,900	2,800		104,000	105,900	1,900
Mining, Logging, and Construction	5,200	5,300	100		4,700	5,300	600
Manufacturing	7,100	7,300	200		7,000	7,300	300
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	17,000	17,100	100		17,200	17,100	(100)
Information	800	800	0		800	800	0
Financial Activities	3,500	3,600	100		3,500	3,600	100
Professional & Business Services	10,500	10,600	100		10,200	10,600	400
Educational & Health Services	17,700	17,900	200		18,300	17,900	(400)
Leisure & Hospitality	14,500	14,300	(200)		13,800	14,300	500
Other Services	5,100	5,100	0		4,900	5,100	200
Government	21,700	23,900	2,200		23,600	23,900	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

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Oct 17	Aug 18	Sep 18	Oct 18	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	144,800	145,000	145,100	147,300	1.5%	1.7%
Civilian Employment	139,000	139,400	140,000	142,100	1.5%	2.2%
Civilian Unemployment	5,800	5,600	5,000	5,200	4.0%	-10.3%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	4.0%	3.9%	3.5%	3.6%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	4.2%	4.3%	3.9%	4.0%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.9%	3.9%	3.6%	3.5%		

Total, All Industries (2)	114,400	115,700	114,300	116,200	1.7%	1.6%
Total Farm	10,400	11,600	11,200	10,300	-8.0%	-1.0%
Total Nonfarm	104,000	104,100	103,100	105,900	2.7%	1.8%
Total Private	80,400	82,900	81,400	82,000	0.7%	2.0%
Goods Producing	11,700	12,300	12,300	12,600	2.4%	7.7%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	4,700	5,200	5,200	5,300	1.9%	12.8%
Manufacturing	7,000	7,100	7,100	7,300	2.8%	4.3%
Durable Goods	3,700	3,800	3,800	3,900	2.6%	5.4%
Nondurable Goods	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,400	3.0%	3.0%
Service Providing	92,300	91,800	90,800	93,300	2.8%	1.1%
Private Service Providing	68,700	70,600	69,100	69,400	0.4%	1.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	17,200	17,100	17,000	17,100	0.6%	-0.6%
Wholesale Trade	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,200	0.0%	-3.0%
Retail Trade	12,300	12,300	12,200	12,300	0.8%	0.0%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	0.0%
Information	800	800	800	800	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,600	2.9%	2.9%
Finance & Insurance	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,100	5.0%	5.0%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.0%	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	10,200	10,600	10,500	10,600	1.0%	3.9%
Educational & Health Services	18,300	17,600	17,700	17,900	1.1%	-2.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	13,800	15,800	14,500	14,300	-1.4%	3.6%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	2,100	2,900	2,300	2,200	-4.3%	4.8%
Accommodation & Food Services	11,700	12,900	12,200	12,100	-0.8%	3.4%
Other Services	4,900	5,200	5,100	5,100	0.0%	4.1%
Government	23,600	21,200	21,700	23,900	10.1%	1.3%
Federal Government	500	500	500	500	0.0%	0.0%
State & Local Government	23,100	20,700	21,200	23,400	10.4%	1.3%
State Government	9,800	8,100	8,400	10,100	20.2%	3.1%
State Government Education	9,100	7,400	7,700	9,400	22.1%	3.3%
State Government Excluding Education	700	700	700	700	0.0%	0.0%
Local Government	13,300	12,600	12,800	13,300	3.9%	0.0%
Local Government Excluding Education	5,700	5,800	5,900	5,700	-3.4%	0.0%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	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.

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Industry Employment & Labor Force
March 2017 Benchmark

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	Oct 17	Aug 18	Sep 18 Revised	Oct 18 Prelim	Percent Change Month Year
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