

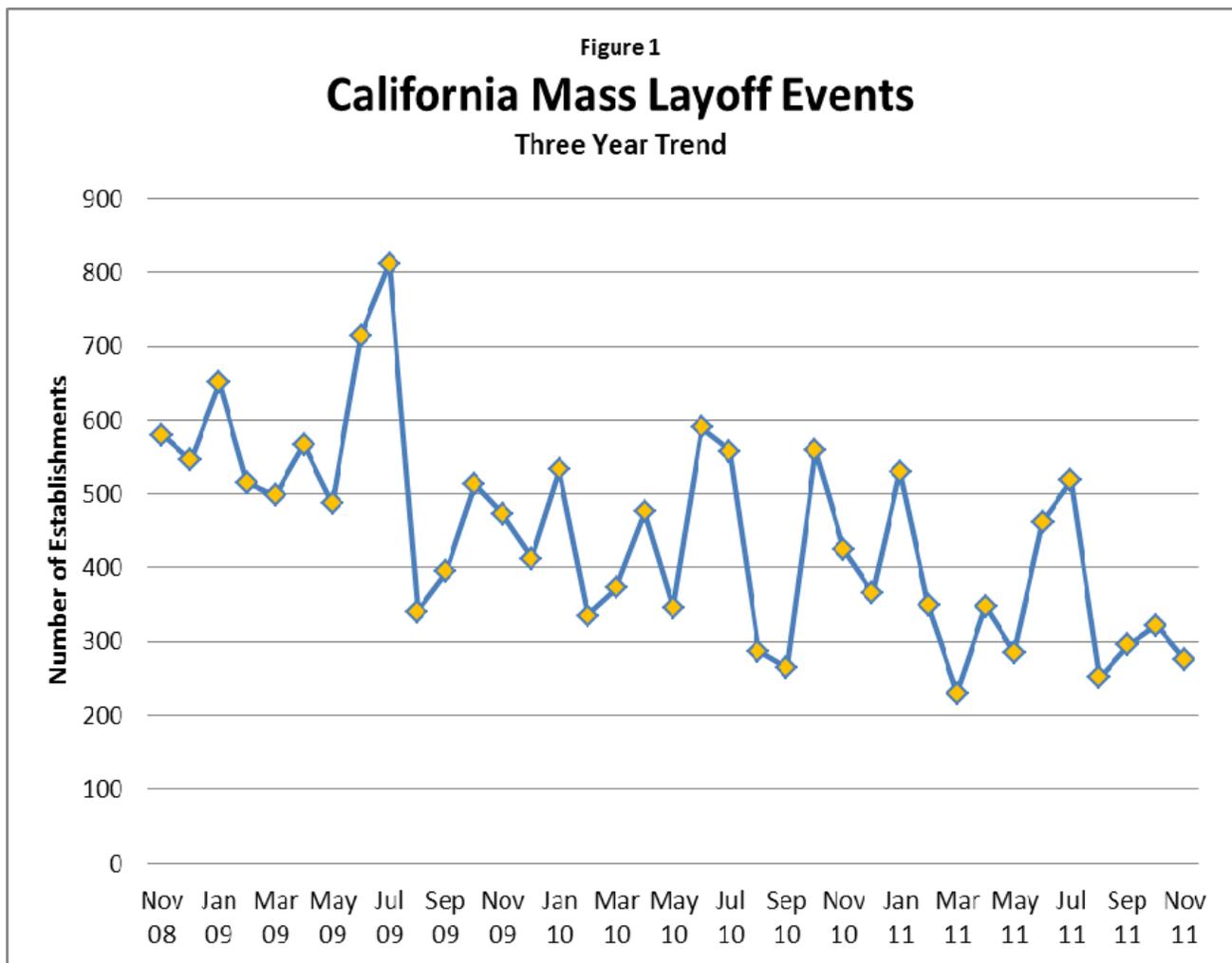
# Mass Layoff Statistics Data

November 2011

The **Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS)** Program operates through a cooperative agreement with the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) to identify and describe the impact of major permanent job cutbacks. The MLS program collects reports on mass layoff actions that result in workers being separated from their jobs.

## Mass Layoff Events

Mass Layoff Event data are from establishments which have at least 35 initial claims for unemployment insurance (UI) filed against them during a 5-week period. Extended Mass Layoff data are from a subset of such establishments—where private sector nonfarm employers indicate that 50 or more workers were separated from their jobs for at least 31 days.



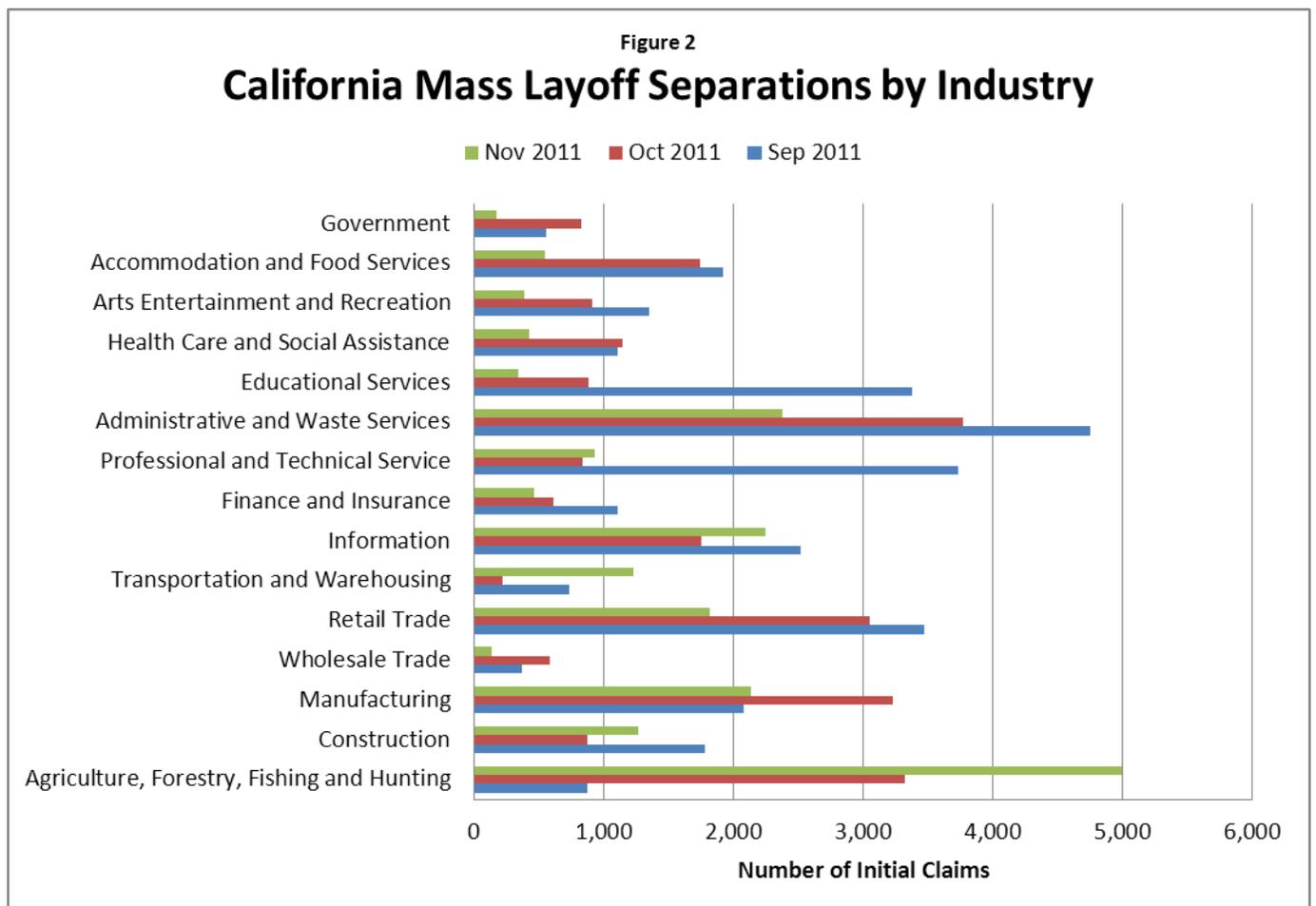
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## November 2011 Events

California employers took 275 mass layoff events that resulted in the separation of 19,677 workers, as measured by new filings for unemployment insurance benefits during November 2011. Each event involved at least 35 persons from a single employer. Month-over, California employers took 47 fewer mass layoff events than in October 2011 (322 events) and 4,330 fewer separations (24,007).

Over the year, California employers took 149 fewer Mass Layoff actions than in November 2010 (424) and 21,027 fewer separations (40,704).

'All Initial Claims' resulted in the separation of 217,353 workers as measured by new filings for unemployment insurance benefits during the month. Over the year, California's 'All Initial Claims' were down 67,806 actions from November 2010 (285,159).



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## Analysis

The most notable industry job losses in November 2011 were:

- The agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting industry with 76 mass layoff events resulting in 4,997 initial claims;
- The administrative and waste services industry with 14 mass layoff events resulting in 2,374 initial claims;
- The information industry with 18 mass layoff events resulting in 2,252 initial claims;
- The manufacturing industry with 33 mass layoff events resulting in 2,134 initial claims;
- The retail trade industry with 20 mass layoff events resulting in 1,821 initial claims; and
- The construction industry with 23 mass layoff events resulting in 1,271 initial claims.

**Mass Layoff Statistics Monthly Report, Table 1**  
**Monthly Change-Over Data by Industry, November 2011**  
 Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

November 2011		Potential Events				Potential Event Initial Claims				All Initial Claims			
		Potential Events		Month-over Change		Initial Claims		Month-over Change		All Initial Claims		Month-over Change	
Industry		Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Number	Percent	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Number	Percent	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Number	Percent
<b>California Total</b>	<b>NAICS</b>	322	275	-47	-17%	24,007	19,677	-4,330	-18%	238,979	217,353	-21,626	-9%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	<b>11</b>	53	76	23	43%	3,326	4,997	1,671	50%	15,389	22,602	7,213	47%
Construction	<b>23</b>	17	23	6	35%	878	1,271	393	45%	29,161	27,080	-2,081	-7%
Manufacturing	<b>31-33</b>	36	33	-3	-8%	3,226	2,134	-1,092	-34%	17,771	16,042	-1,729	-10%
Wholesale Trade	<b>42-43</b>	11	3	-8	-73%	585	138	-447	-76%	7,385	6,515	-870	-12%
Retail Trade	<b>44-45</b>	31	20	-11	-35%	3,050	1,821	-1,229	-40%	19,956	16,749	-3,207	-16%
Transportation and Warehousing	<b>48-49</b>	5	11	6	120%	224	1,229	1,005	449%	5,935	6,326	391	7%
Information	<b>51</b>	15	18	3	20%	1,753	2,252	499	28%	20,626	18,711	-1,915	-9%
Finance and Insurance	<b>52</b>	9	4	-5	-56%	617	463	-154	-25%	7,218	5,897	-1,321	-18%
Professional and Technical Service	<b>54</b>	13	2	-11	-85%	842	931	89	11%	16,954	14,697	-2,257	-13%
Administrative and Waste Services	<b>56</b>	46	14	-32	-70%	3,770	2,374	-1,396	-37%	29,020	24,825	-4,195	-14%
Educational Services	<b>61</b>	15	6	-9	-60%	887	342	-545	-61%	10,316	7,886	-2,430	-24%
Health Care and Social Assistance	<b>62</b>	22	8	-14	-64%	1,148	425	-723	-63%	14,402	11,610	-2,792	-19%
Arts Entertainment and Recreation	<b>71</b>	14	5	-9	-64%	912	386	-526	-58%	6,638	5,940	-698	-11%
Accommodation and Food Services	<b>72</b>	20	11	-9	-45%	1,746	550	-1,196	-68%	15,816	13,533	-2,283	-14%
Government	<b>92</b>	11	4	-7	-64%	824	171	-653	-79%	3,564	3,095	-469	-13%
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2) Claims are defined as initial unemployment claims.

3) Industries may not add to total; some industries are not published due to confidentiality.

4) The Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS) program began collecting all claims in 2007. All claims data has not been published in MLS by the BLS. Currently it is used for quality assurance.

5) Data Source: EDD, Labor Market Information Division, Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS) Program

The counties with the most job losses in November 2011 were:

- Los Angeles resulting in 56,948 initial claims;
- San Diego resulting in 14,762 initial claims;
- Riverside resulting in 11,971 initial claims;
- San Bernardino resulting in 11,259 initial claims;
- Orange resulting in 11,234 initial claims; and
- Fresno resulting in 7,611 initial claims.

**Mass Layoff Statistics Monthly Report, Table 2**  
**Monthly Unemployment Claims Data for Counties, November 2011**  
**Data Not Seasonally Adjusted**

AREA	YEAR AGO	MONTH AGO	CURRENT	MONTH-OVER CHANGE		YEAR-OVER CHANGE		RANK BY
	Nov 10	Oct 11	Nov 11	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	All Initial Claims
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>	285,159	238,979	217,353	-21,626	-10%	-67,806	-31%	Nov 11
ALAMEDA	9,572	8,404	6,952	-1,452	-21%	-2,620	-38%	8
ALPINE	5	13	9	-4	-44%	4	44%	58
AMADOR	260	184	199	15	8%	-61	-31%	48
BUTTE	1,921	1,300	1,494	194	13%	-427	-29%	26
CALAVERAS	424	278	284	6	2%	-140	-49%	47
COLUSA	579	324	546	222	41%	-33	-6%	40
CONTRA COSTA	6,048	5,057	4,606	-451	-10%	-1,442	-31%	14
DEL NORTE	195	171	197	26	13%	2	1%	49
EL DORADO	1,460	976	951	-25	-3%	-509	-54%	34
FRESNO	9,997	8,847	7,611	-1,236	-16%	-2,386	-31%	6
GLENN	350	202	371	169	46%	21	6%	45
HUMBOLDT	953	807	745	-62	-8%	-208	-28%	36
IMPERIAL	1,951	2,252	1,593	-659	-41%	-358	-22%	25
INYO	132	84	89	5	6%	-43	-48%	54
KERN	9,455	5,433	6,421	988	15%	-3,034	-47%	10
KINGS	1,346	1,375	1,007	-368	-37%	-339	-34%	33
LAKE	696	366	523	157	30%	-173	-33%	44
LASSEN	189	132	139	7	5%	-50	-36%	53
LOS ANGELES	71,854	67,122	56,948	-10,174	-18%	-14,906	-26%	1
MADERA	1,675	1,138	1,282	144	11%	-393	-31%	27
MARIN	1,037	837	789	-48	-6%	-248	-31%	35
MARIPOSA	195	117	140	23	16%	-55	-39%	52
MENDOCINO	825	534	576	42	7%	-249	-43%	38
MERCED	3,491	2,192	2,634	442	17%	-857	-33%	19
MODOC	71	47	75	28	37%	4	5%	56
MONO	209	218	183	-35	-19%	-26	-14%	51
MONTEREY	7,320	2,637	5,154	2,517	49%	-2,166	-42%	12
NAPA	1,475	574	1,021	447	44%	-454	-44%	32
NEVADA	723	594	620	26	4%	-103	-17%	37
ORANGE	14,483	13,780	11,234	-2,546	-23%	-3,249	-29%	5
PLACER	2,438	1,938	1,619	-319	-20%	-819	-51%	24
PLUMAS	269	120	190	70	37%	-79	-42%	50
RIVERSIDE	14,949	13,747	11,971	-1,776	-15%	-2,978	-25%	3
SACRAMENTO	10,180	7,907	6,887	-1,020	-15%	-3,293	-48%	9
SAN BENITO	711	383	527	144	27%	-184	-35%	42
SAN BERNARDINO	14,431	13,220	11,259	-1,961	-17%	-3,172	-28%	4
SAN DIEGO	18,404	18,061	14,762	-3,299	-22%	-3,642	-25%	2
SAN FRANCISCO	5,441	4,793	4,009	-784	-20%	-1,432	-36%	17
SAN JOAQUIN	8,030	5,173	5,300	127	2%	-2,730	-52%	11
SAN LUIS OBISPO	1,573	1,137	1,048	-89	-8%	-525	-50%	31
SAN MATEO	3,617	3,046	2,640	-406	-15%	-977	-37%	18
SANTA BARBARA	2,845	1,893	2,010	117	6%	-835	-42%	23
SANTA CLARA	8,848	8,062	7,302	-760	-10%	-1,546	-21%	7
SANTA CRUZ	3,395	1,701	2,488	787	32%	-907	-36%	21
SHASTA	1,856	1,328	1,264	-64	-5%	-592	-47%	28
SIERRA	33	18	26	8	31%	-7	-27%	57
SISKIYOU	636	388	526	138	26%	-110	-21%	43
SOLANO	3,194	2,433	2,488	55	2%	-706	-28%	22
SONOMA	3,358	2,475	2,515	40	2%	-843	-34%	20
STANISLAUS	6,356	4,718	4,589	-129	-3%	-1,767	-39%	15
SUTTER	1,610	915	1,160	245	21%	-450	-39%	30
TEHAMA	722	416	552	136	25%	-170	-31%	39
TRINITY	120	84	84	0	0%	-36	-43%	55
TULARE	6,118	4,135	4,492	357	8%	-1,626	-36%	16
TUOLUMNE	459	338	329	-9	-3%	-130	-40%	46
VENTURA	5,844	5,530	4,733	-797	-17%	-1,111	-23%	13
YOLO	1,645	1,286	1,263	-23	-2%	-382	-30%	29
YUBA	880	528	541	13	2%	-339	-63%	41
Unknown locations	8,306	7,211	6,386	-825	-13%	-1,920	-30%	....

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**Terms Defined:**

**Initial Claim (IC)** is a notice filed by a claimant to request determination of entitlement to and eligibility for unemployment insurance compensation for an ex-employer.

**All Initial Claims** are total of all notices filed by claimants to request determination of entitlement to and eligibility for unemployment insurance compensation for ex-employers. The Mass Layoff Statistics (MLS) program began collecting All Claims in 2007.

**Contact Information:**

The California Employment Development Department's (EDD) Labor Market Information Division (LMID) operates the Mass Layoff Statistics Program through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Mass Layoff Statistics Data are available from the [U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics – MLS Program](#). Monthly and Quarterly data are available online from 1996 to present (not seasonally adjusted).

Further information about California Mass Layoff data is available online from 2005 second quarter (not seasonally adjusted) [California Labor Market Information – MLS Program](#).

State data may not match BLS published data due to the dynamic nature of State MLS databases. For all other questions contact Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, Mass Layoff Statistics, (916) 262-2162.