

**FRESNO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(FRESNO COUNTY)**
Farm employment leads seasonal month-over job changes

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Between September 2016 and October 2016, total industry employment decreased by 9,800 jobs (down 2.5 percent) to total 381,400. Farm employment dropped by 10,000 jobs (down 18.0 percent), while nonfarm employment increased by 200 jobs (up 0.1 percent).

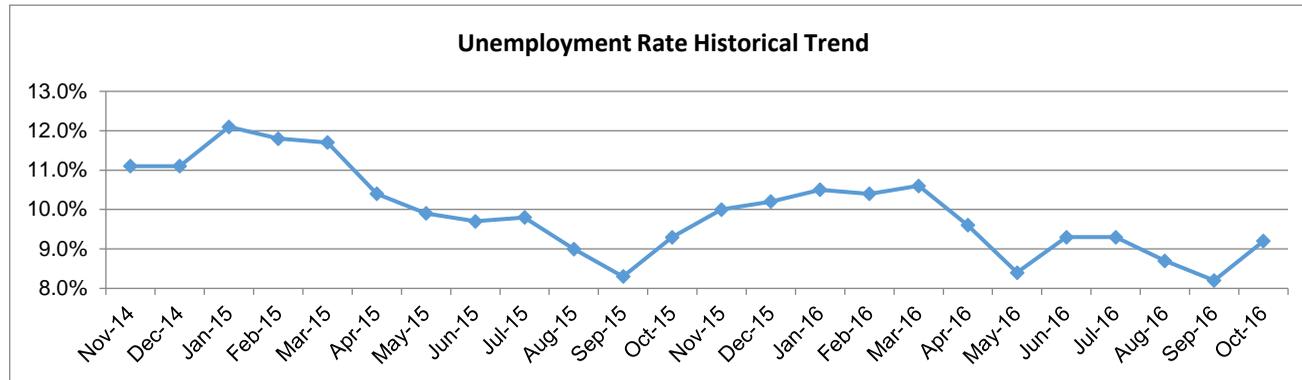
- Farm employment posted the largest month-over decline by a drop of 10,000 jobs. This is normal during the fall season when most of the almond and grape harvest has ended.
- Manufacturing decreased by 1,500 jobs. Nondurable goods lost 1,400 jobs and durable goods receded by 100 jobs.
- Government reported the largest month-over increase with the addition of 1,600 jobs. Gains in local government (up 2,400 jobs) and state government (up 300 jobs) offset a decline of 1,100 jobs in federal government.
- Educational and health services recorded an increase of 600 jobs. Health care and social assistance increased by 400 jobs, and educational services grew by 200 jobs.

Between October 2015 and October 2016, total industry employment increased by 3,000 jobs (up 0.8 percent). Nonfarm employment rose by 3,200 jobs (up 1.0 percent), while farm employment declined by 200 jobs (down 0.4 percent).

- Government reported the largest year-over increase of 2,700 jobs. Gains were in local government (up 2,300 jobs), state government (up 300 jobs), and federal government (up 100 jobs).
- Trade, transportation, and utilities expanded by 1,200 jobs. Retail trade added 1,000 jobs, and wholesale trade grew by 200 jobs.
- Educational and health services grew by 1,000 jobs. The entire gain was in health care and social assistance.
- Financial activities posted a gain of 400 jobs, and construction picked up 200 jobs over the year.
- On the downside, professional and business services cut back by 1,600 jobs.

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Industry	Sep-2016	Oct-2016	Change		Oct-2015	Oct-2016	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	391,200	381,400	(9,800)		378,400	381,400	3,000
Total Farm	55,500	45,500	(10,000)		45,700	45,500	(200)
Total Nonfarm	335,700	335,900	200		332,700	335,900	3,200
Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,700	15,800	100		15,600	15,800	200
Mining and Logging	300	300	0		300	300	0
Construction	15,400	15,500	100		15,300	15,500	200
Manufacturing	27,800	26,300	(1,500)		26,900	26,300	(600)
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	65,800	66,400	600		65,200	66,400	1,200
Information	3,800	3,800	0		3,900	3,800	(100)
Financial Activities	13,500	13,500	0		13,100	13,500	400
Professional & Business Services	30,900	30,500	(400)		32,100	30,500	(1,600)
Educational & Health Services	62,900	63,500	600		62,500	63,500	1,000
Leisure & Hospitality	32,400	31,600	(800)		31,600	31,600	0
Other Services	11,700	11,700	0		11,700	11,700	0
Government	71,200	72,800	1,600		70,100	72,800	2,700

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 15	Aug 16	Sep 16 Revised	Oct 16 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	442,500	451,500	453,000	448,300	-1.0%	1.3%
Civilian Employment	401,300	412,400	415,700	407,200	-2.0%	1.5%
Civilian Unemployment	41,100	39,100	37,400	41,100	9.9%	0.0%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	9.3%	8.7%	8.2%	9.2%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	5.8%	5.6%	5.3%	5.3%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.8%	5.0%	4.8%	4.7%		

Total, All Industries (2)	378,400	389,200	391,200	381,400	-2.5%	0.8%
Total Farm	45,700	56,600	55,500	45,500	-18.0%	-0.4%
Total Nonfarm	332,700	332,600	335,700	335,900	0.1%	1.0%
Total Private	262,600	264,900	264,500	263,100	-0.5%	0.2%
Goods Producing	42,500	43,900	43,500	42,100	-3.2%	-0.9%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	15,600	15,700	15,700	15,800	0.6%	1.3%
Mining and Logging	300	300	300	300	0.0%	0.0%
Construction	15,300	15,400	15,400	15,500	0.6%	1.3%
Specialty Trade Contractors	9,900	10,600	10,400	10,600	1.9%	7.1%
Manufacturing	26,900	28,200	27,800	26,300	-5.4%	-2.2%
Durable Goods	8,200	8,300	8,200	8,100	-1.2%	-1.2%
Nondurable Goods	18,700	19,900	19,600	18,200	-7.1%	-2.7%
Food Manufacturing	14,300	15,300	15,100	13,300	-11.9%	-7.0%
Service Providing	290,200	288,700	292,200	293,800	0.5%	1.2%
Private Service Providing	220,100	221,000	221,000	221,000	0.0%	0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	65,200	65,600	65,800	66,400	0.9%	1.8%
Wholesale Trade	14,100	14,500	14,200	14,300	0.7%	1.4%
Retail Trade	38,400	38,200	38,700	39,400	1.8%	2.6%
Food & Beverage Stores	7,900	7,900	7,900	8,000	1.3%	1.3%
General Merchandise Stores	8,700	9,000	8,900	9,100	2.2%	4.6%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	12,700	12,900	12,900	12,700	-1.6%	0.0%
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Information	3,900	3,900	3,800	3,800	0.0%	-2.6%
Financial Activities	13,100	13,500	13,500	13,500	0.0%	3.1%
Finance & Insurance	8,400	8,500	8,500	8,500	0.0%	1.2%
Insurance Carriers & Related	4,500	4,400	4,400	4,400	0.0%	-2.2%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	4,700	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.0%	6.4%
Professional & Business Services	32,100	31,100	30,900	30,500	-1.3%	-5.0%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	10,600	10,400	10,100	10,100	0.0%	-4.7%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	2,100	2,100	2,000	2,000	0.0%	-4.8%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	19,400	18,600	18,800	18,400	-2.1%	-5.2%
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Waste Management & Remediation Services	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,000	-9.1%	-16.7%
Educational & Health Services	62,500	62,400	62,900	63,500	1.0%	1.6%
Educational Services	4,200	3,800	4,000	4,200	5.0%	0.0%
Health Care & Social Assistance	58,300	58,600	58,900	59,300	0.7%	1.7%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	17,500	17,500	17,600	17,700	0.6%	1.1%
Hospitals	12,900	13,000	13,100	13,100	0.0%	1.6%
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	7,500	7,600	7,600	7,600	0.0%	1.3%
Social Assistance	20,400	20,500	20,600	20,900	1.5%	2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	31,600	32,800	32,400	31,600	-2.5%	0.0%
Accommodation & Food Services	28,100	28,900	29,000	29,200	0.7%	3.9%
Food Services & Drinking Places	26,100	27,000	27,000	27,400	1.5%	5.0%
Other Services	11,700	11,700	11,700	11,700	0.0%	0.0%
Government	70,100	67,700	71,200	72,800	2.2%	3.9%
Federal Government	8,600	9,100	9,800	8,700	-11.2%	1.2%
State & Local Government	61,500	58,600	61,400	64,100	4.4%	4.2%
State Government	12,100	11,300	12,100	12,400	2.5%	2.5%
State Government Education	3,800	2,900	3,700	4,000	8.1%	5.3%
Local Government	49,400	47,300	49,300	51,700	4.9%	4.7%

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 Industry Employment & Labor Force
 March 2015 Benchmark

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	Oct 15	Aug 16	Sep 16 Revised	Oct 16 Prelim	Percent Change	
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Local Government Education	32,700	31,000	33,000	34,700	5.2%	6.1%
Local Government Excluding Education	16,700	16,300	16,300	17,000	4.3%	1.8%
County	8,000	7,400	7,500	8,100	8.0%	1.3%
City	5,100	5,200	5,200	5,300	1.9%	3.9%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	3,600	3,700	3,600	3,600	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 559/445-6580 or Rosendo Flores 559/445-5708

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