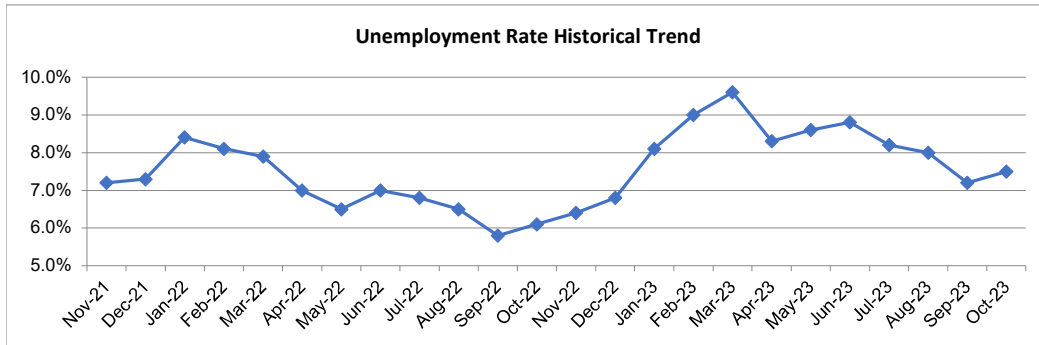


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 BAKERSFIELD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
 (Kern County)

The unemployment rate in the Kern County was 7.5 percent in October 2023, up from a revised 7.2 percent in September 2023, and above the year-ago estimate of 6.1 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 4.8 percent for California and 3.6 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Sep-2023	Oct-2023	Change		Oct-2022	Oct-2023	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	363,600	367,400	3,800		362,300	367,400	5,100
Total Farm	73,200	72,100	(1,100)		71,600	72,100	500
Total Nonfarm	290,400	295,300	4,900		290,700	295,300	4,600
Mining, Logging, and Construction	23,500	23,600	100		24,800	23,600	(1,200)
Mining and Logging	7,800	7,800	0		8,000	7,800	(200)
Construction	15,700	15,800	100		16,800	15,800	(1,000)
Manufacturing	12,800	12,800	0		12,700	12,800	100
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	62,800	64,000	1,200		63,100	64,000	900
Information	1,600	1,600	0		1,600	1,600	0
Financial Activities	7,300	7,300	0		7,500	7,300	(200)
Professional and Business Services	26,800	27,600	800		27,600	27,600	0
Private Education and Health Services	47,500	48,400	900		45,600	48,400	2,800
Leisure and Hospitality	30,700	30,900	200		29,900	30,900	1,000
Other Services	9,100	9,200	100		9,000	9,200	200
Government	68,300	69,900	1,600		68,900	69,900	1,000

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

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Industry Employment & Labor Force
 March 2022 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Oct 22	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	398,900	398,400	398,800	401,300	0.6%	0.6%
Civilian Employment	374,400	366,400	370,200	371,100	0.2%	-0.9%
Civilian Unemployment	24,500	32,000	28,500	30,100	5.6%	22.9%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	6.1%	8.0%	7.2%	7.5%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.4%	3.9%	3.6%	3.6%		

Total, All Industries (2)	362,300	362,100	363,600	367,400	1.0%	1.4%
Total Farm	71,600	73,500	73,200	72,100	-1.5%	0.7%
Total Nonfarm	290,700	288,600	290,400	295,300	1.7%	1.6%
Total Private	221,800	223,000	222,100	225,400	1.5%	1.6%
Goods Producing	37,500	36,300	36,300	36,400	0.3%	-2.9%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	24,800	23,600	23,500	23,600	0.4%	-4.8%
Mining and Logging	8,000	7,900	7,800	7,800	0.0%	-2.5%
Construction	16,800	15,700	15,700	15,800	0.6%	-6.0%
Manufacturing	12,700	12,700	12,800	12,800	0.0%	0.8%
Durable Goods	4,900	4,900	4,900	4,900	0.0%	0.0%
Non-Durable Goods	7,800	7,800	7,900	7,900	0.0%	1.3%
Food Manufacturing	4,900	4,900	5,000	5,100	2.0%	4.1%
Service-Providing	253,200	252,300	254,100	258,900	1.9%	2.3%
Private Service Providing	184,300	186,700	185,800	189,000	1.7%	2.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	63,100	62,700	62,800	64,000	1.9%	1.4%
Wholesale Trade	8,100	8,000	8,000	8,100	1.3%	0.0%
Retail Trade	32,500	32,400	32,700	33,600	2.8%	3.4%
Food and Beverage Retailers	6,900	6,700	6,800	6,900	1.5%	0.0%
General Merchandise Retailers	7,600	7,200	7,300	7,600	4.1%	0.0%
Department Stores	1,600	1,500	1,600	1,600	0.0%	0.0%
Clothing, Clothing Accessories, Shoe, and J	2,400	2,200	2,200	2,300	4.5%	-4.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	22,500	22,300	22,100	22,300	0.9%	-0.9%
Information	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	7,500	7,300	7,300	7,300	0.0%	-2.7%
Finance and Insurance	4,100	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.0%	-2.4%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	3,400	3,300	3,300	3,300	0.0%	-2.9%
Professional and Business Services	27,600	26,900	26,800	27,600	3.0%	0.0%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servic	11,200	11,100	11,100	11,200	0.9%	0.0%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	3.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Mana	13,700	13,000	12,900	13,600	5.4%	-0.7%
Private Education and Health Services	45,600	47,400	47,500	48,400	1.9%	6.1%
Private Educational Services	2,100	2,000	2,000	2,100	5.0%	0.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	43,500	45,400	45,500	46,300	1.8%	6.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	15,600	16,400	16,400	16,600	1.2%	6.4%
Hospitals	8,000	8,100	8,200	8,300	1.2%	3.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	29,900	31,600	30,700	30,900	0.7%	3.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	0.0%	0.0%
Accommodation and Food Services	27,500	29,200	28,300	28,500	0.7%	3.6%
Food Services and Drinking Places	25,600	27,200	26,400	26,600	0.8%	3.9%
Restaurants and Other Eating Places	24,600	26,100	25,400	25,500	0.4%	3.7%
Other Services	9,000	9,200	9,100	9,200	1.1%	2.2%
Government	68,900	65,600	68,300	69,900	2.3%	1.5%
Federal Government	11,000	10,700	10,700	10,700	0.0%	-2.7%
Department of Defense	8,300	7,900	7,900	7,900	0.0%	-4.8%
Federal Government excluding Department	2,700	2,800	2,800	2,800	0.0%	3.7%
Total State and Local Government	57,900	54,900	57,600	59,200	2.8%	2.2%
State Government	9,800	9,500	9,600	9,600	0.0%	-2.0%
State Government Educational Services	1,700	1,500	1,700	1,700	0.0%	0.0%
State Government Excluding Education	8,100	8,000	7,900	7,900	0.0%	-2.5%
Local Government	48,100	45,400	48,000	49,600	3.3%	3.1%
Local Government Educational Services	32,500	30,100	32,700	34,200	4.6%	5.2%

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Local Government excluding Educational Ser	15,600	15,300	15,300	15,400	0.7%	-1.3%
County Government	10,700	10,100	10,000	10,000	0.0%	-6.5%
City Government	2,700	3,000	3,000	3,100	3.3%	14.8%
Special Districts plus Tribes	2,200	2,200	2,300	2,300	0.0%	4.5%

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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