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**FRESNO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(FRESNO COUNTY)**

Nonfarm employment up 5,900 over the month; 6,200 over the year

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Between September 2023 and October 2023, total industry employment decreased by 600 jobs (down 0.1 percent) to total 435,300. Nonfarm employment rose by 5,900 jobs (up 1.5 percent), while farm employment receded by 6,500 jobs (down 13.9 percent).

- Farm employment recorded the largest month-over decline with a drop of 6,500 jobs.
- Manufacturing posted a decrease of 200 jobs. The loss was concentrated in nondurable goods.
- Meanwhile, government reported the largest month-over gain with the addition of 2,100 jobs. Gains were in local government (up 2,000 jobs) and state government (up 200 jobs). Federal government lost 100 jobs.
- Trade, transportation, and utilities increased by 1,000 jobs. Retail trade grew by 800 jobs and transportation, warehousing, and utilities added 500 jobs. Wholesale trade declined by 300 jobs.

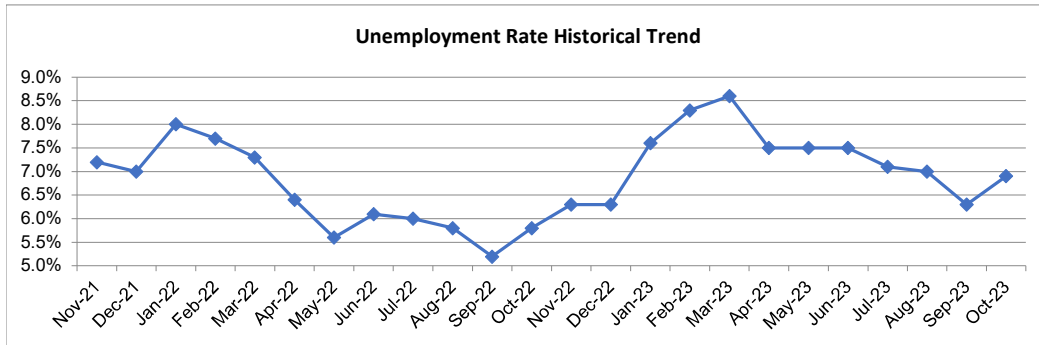
Between October 2022 and October 2023, total industry employment increased by 9,100 jobs (up 2.1 percent). Nonfarm employment grew by 6,200 jobs (up 1.6 percent) and farm employment added 2,900 jobs (up 7.8 percent).

- Farm employment recorded the largest year-over increase of 2,900 jobs.
- Government reported an increase of 2,600 jobs. Gains in local government (up 2,300 jobs) and state government (up 400 jobs), offset a decline of 100 jobs in federal government.
- Leisure and hospitality expanded payrolls by 2,000 jobs compared to last October.
- Private education and health services posted an increase of 600 jobs. Health care and social assistance moved up by 1,000 jobs, while private educational services fell by 400 jobs.
- Two industry sectors registered employment gains of 400 jobs each: other services and professional and business services.
- On the downside, trade, transportation, and utilities reported the largest year-over decline, shedding 300 jobs.

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Industry	Sep-2023	Oct-2023	Change		Oct-2022	Oct-2023	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	

Total, All Industries	435,900	435,300	(600)		426,200	435,300	9,100
Total Farm	46,700	40,200	(6,500)		37,300	40,200	2,900
Total Nonfarm	389,200	395,100	5,900		388,900	395,100	6,200
Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,900	23,000	100		22,700	23,000	300
Mining and Logging	200	200	0		200	200	0
Construction	22,700	22,800	100		22,500	22,800	300
Manufacturing	28,000	27,800	(200)		27,900	27,800	(100)
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	76,600	77,600	1,000		77,900	77,600	(300)
Information	3,400	3,400	0		3,300	3,400	100
Financial Activities	13,300	13,600	300		13,400	13,600	200
Professional and Business Services	34,900	35,600	700		35,200	35,600	400
Private Education and Health Services	82,200	82,900	700		82,300	82,900	600
Leisure and Hospitality	38,200	39,200	1,000		37,200	39,200	2,000
Other Services	13,400	13,600	200		13,200	13,600	400
Government	76,300	78,400	2,100		75,800	78,400	2,600

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 22	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	454,600	461,000	459,800	458,700	-0.2%	0.9%
Civilian Employment	428,400	428,700	430,600	426,900	-0.9%	-0.4%
Civilian Unemployment	26,100	32,300	29,200	31,800	8.9%	21.8%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	5.8%	7.0%	6.3%	6.9%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	3.9%	5.1%	4.9%	4.8%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.4%	3.9%	3.6%	3.6%		
Total, All Industries (2)	426,200	437,800	435,900	435,300	-0.1%	2.1%
Total Farm	37,300	48,400	46,700	40,200	-13.9%	7.8%
Total Nonfarm	388,900	389,400	389,200	395,100	1.5%	1.6%
Total Private	313,100	313,300	312,900	316,700	1.2%	1.1%
Goods Producing	50,600	51,100	50,900	50,800	-0.2%	0.4%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	22,700	23,100	22,900	23,000	0.4%	1.3%
Mining and Logging	200	200	200	200	0.0%	0.0%
Construction	22,500	22,900	22,700	22,800	0.4%	1.3%
Specialty Trade Contractors	15,100	15,600	15,400	15,500	0.6%	2.6%
Manufacturing	27,900	28,000	28,000	27,800	-0.7%	-0.4%
Durable Goods	9,700	9,600	9,600	9,600	0.0%	-1.0%
Non-Durable Goods	18,200	18,400	18,400	18,200	-1.1%	0.0%
Food Manufacturing	13,500	13,900	13,900	13,800	-0.7%	2.2%
Service-Providing	338,300	338,300	338,300	344,300	1.8%	1.8%
Private Service Providing	262,500	262,200	262,000	265,900	1.5%	1.3%
Construction - Residual	7,400	7,300	7,300	7,300	0.0%	-1.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	77,900	76,300	76,600	77,600	1.3%	-0.4%
Wholesale Trade	16,500	16,200	16,200	15,900	-1.9%	-3.6%
Retail Trade	40,200	39,700	39,800	40,600	2.0%	1.0%
Food and Beverage Retailers	8,200	8,200	8,200	8,200	0.0%	0.0%
General Merchandise Retailers	9,300	9,300	9,400	9,800	4.3%	5.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	21,200	20,400	20,600	21,100	2.4%	-0.5%
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Information	3,300	3,400	3,400	3,400	0.0%	3.0%
Financial Activities	13,400	13,600	13,300	13,600	2.3%	1.5%
Finance and Insurance	8,200	8,300	8,100	8,300	2.5%	1.2%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	4,200	4,200	4,100	4,100	0.0%	-2.4%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	5,200	5,300	5,200	5,300	1.9%	1.9%
Professional and Business Services	35,200	35,200	34,900	35,600	2.0%	1.1%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	12,100	11,100	11,000	11,300	2.7%	-6.6%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,800	2,900	2,900	2,900	0.0%	3.6%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	20,300	21,200	21,000	21,400	1.9%	5.4%
Administrative and Support Services	18,900	19,600	19,500	19,900	2.1%	5.3%
Waste Management and Remediation Services	1,400	1,600	1,500	1,500	0.0%	7.1%
Private Education and Health Services	82,300	81,700	82,200	82,900	0.9%	0.7%
Private Educational Services	4,600	3,800	4,000	4,200	5.0%	-8.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	77,700	77,900	78,200	78,700	0.6%	1.3%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	23,000	22,300	22,400	22,600	0.9%	-1.7%
Hospitals	15,800	15,600	15,600	15,600	0.0%	-1.3%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	8,200	8,400	8,400	8,400	0.0%	2.4%
Social Assistance	30,700	31,600	31,800	32,100	0.9%	4.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	37,200	38,400	38,200	39,200	2.6%	5.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	32,900	33,700	33,600	34,500	2.7%	4.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	30,800	31,500	31,500	32,300	2.5%	4.9%
Other Services	13,200	13,600	13,400	13,600	1.5%	3.0%
Government	75,800	76,100	76,300	78,400	2.8%	3.4%
Federal Government	9,700	9,600	9,700	9,600	-1.0%	-1.0%
Total State and Local Government	66,100	66,500	66,600	68,800	3.3%	4.1%
State Government	12,800	12,300	13,000	13,200	1.5%	3.1%
State Government Educational Services	3,900	3,300	4,000	4,200	5.0%	7.7%
Local Government	53,300	54,200	53,600	55,600	3.7%	4.3%

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Fresno MSA
(Fresno County)
 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
Local Government Educational Services	35,700	36,600	36,200	37,900	4.7%	6.2%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	17,600	17,600	17,400	17,700	1.7%	0.6%
County Government	8,400	7,800	7,800	8,300	6.4%	-1.2%
City Government	6,100	6,600	6,400	6,400	0.0%	4.9%
Special Districts plus Tribes	3,100	3,200	3,200	3,000	-6.3%	-3.2%

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 916-907-4593 or Rosendo Flores 916-891-7571

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