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**SAN JOSE-SUNNYVALE-SANTA CLARA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
(SAN BENITO AND SANTA CLARA COUNTIES)  
Public schools led hiring for the month**

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**Between August 2020 and September 2020**, total employment in the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara MSA, which also includes San Benito County, rose by 4,400 jobs to reach 1,067,700.

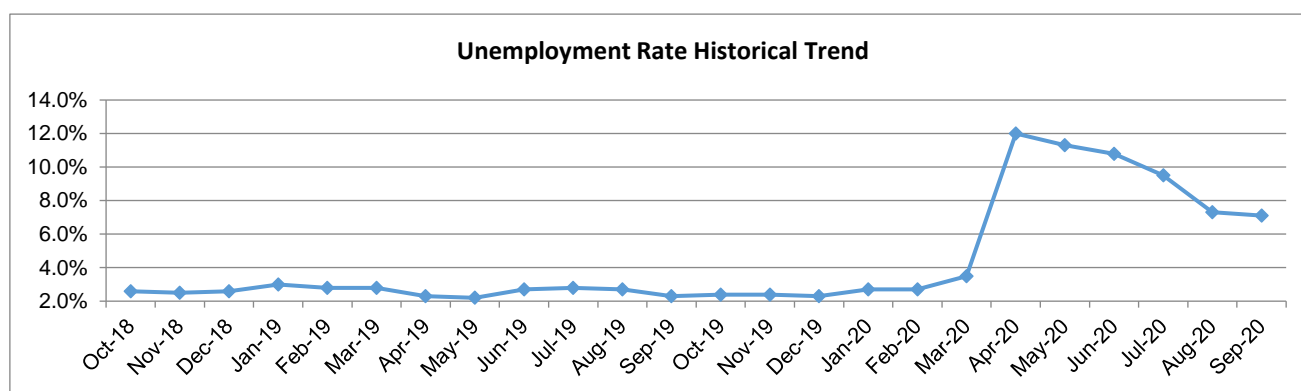
- Government increased staff by 2,700 jobs, primarily in local educational services (up 2,600 jobs), as schools seasonally ramped up hiring for the year.
- Leisure and hospitality (up 1,900 jobs) marked employment growth for the month; restaurants (up 1,500 jobs) contributed the largest payroll increase for the sector.
- Private educational and health services (up 1,400 jobs) and trade, transportation, and utilities (up 1,200 jobs) reported net gains in employment.
- On the downside, manufacturing along with information logged employment cutbacks, down 1,800 jobs and 1,400 jobs, respectively.

**Between September 2019 and September 2020**, combined employment in the South Bay counties of San Benito and Santa Clara, dropped by 84,400 jobs, or 7.3 percent.

- Leisure and hospitality decreased by 35,200 jobs, mostly in food services and drinking places (down 28,900 jobs).
- Information followed with a loss of 11,300 jobs for the year-over change.
- Manufacturing fell by 8,900 jobs, and trade, transportation, and utilities reported a net loss of 7,900 jobs, mostly reflected in retail trade (down 5,500 jobs), wholesale trade (down 2,900 jobs), and slightly offset by transportation, warehousing, and utilities (up 500 jobs).
- Other services (down 6,800 jobs) and government (down 4,100 jobs) logged employment declines. Local educational services (down 3,900 jobs) lost the most employment for government.
- Other major industries trimmed employment: private educational and health services (down 2,900 jobs), construction (down 2,400 jobs), professional and business services (down 2,300 jobs), and financial activities (down 1,900 jobs).

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Industry	Aug-2020	Sep-2020	Change		Sep-2019	Sep-2020	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	1,063,300	1,067,700	4,400		1,152,100	1,067,700	(84,400)
Total Farm	5,600	5,600	0		6,200	5,600	(600)
Total Nonfarm	1,057,700	1,062,100	4,400		1,145,900	1,062,100	(83,800)
Mining, Logging, and Construction	51,200	51,700	500		54,200	51,700	(2,500)
Mining and Logging	100	100	0		200	100	(100)
Construction	51,100	51,600	500		54,000	51,600	(2,400)
Manufacturing	165,200	163,400	(1,800)		172,300	163,400	(8,900)
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	121,000	122,200	1,200		130,100	122,200	(7,900)
Information	93,500	92,100	(1,400)		103,400	92,100	(11,300)
Financial Activities	36,400	36,100	(300)		38,000	36,100	(1,900)
Professional & Business Services	241,300	241,500	200		243,800	241,500	(2,300)
Educational & Health Services	167,000	168,400	1,400		171,300	168,400	(2,900)
Leisure & Hospitality	70,500	72,400	1,900		107,600	72,400	(35,200)
Other Services	22,300	22,300	0		29,100	22,300	(6,800)
Government	89,300	92,000	2,700		96,100	92,000	(4,100)

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality. Data may not add due to rounding  
 Labor force data are revised month to month  
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**San Jose Sunnyvale Santa Clara MSA**  
**(San Benito and Santa Clara Counties)**  
Industry Employment & Labor Force  
March 2019 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 19	Jul 20	Aug 20 Revised	Sep 20 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	1,088,200	1,066,500	1,050,800	1,054,300	0.3%	-3.1%
Civilian Employment	1,063,100	965,300	974,500	979,500	0.5%	-7.9%
Civilian Unemployment	25,100	101,300	76,300	74,800	-2.0%	198.0%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	2.3%	9.5%	7.3%	7.1%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.6%	13.9%	11.3%	10.8%		
	3.3%	10.5%	8.5%	7.7%		

Total, All Industries (2)	1,152,100	1,056,800	1,063,300	1,067,700	0.4%	-7.3%
Total Farm	6,200	5,600	5,600	5,600	0.0%	-9.7%
Total Nonfarm	1,145,900	1,051,200	1,057,700	1,062,100	0.4%	-7.3%
Total Private	1,049,800	966,800	968,400	970,100	0.2%	-7.6%
Goods Producing	226,500	217,100	216,400	215,100	-0.6%	-5.0%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	54,200	51,000	51,200	51,700	1.0%	-4.6%
Mining and Logging	200	200	100	100	0.0%	-50.0%
Construction	54,000	50,800	51,100	51,600	1.0%	-4.4%
Specialty Trade Contractors	38,700	34,100	34,500	35,000	1.4%	-9.6%
Building Equipment Contractors	18,000	15,800	16,000	16,300	1.9%	-9.4%
Manufacturing	172,300	166,100	165,200	163,400	-1.1%	-5.2%
Durable Goods	158,800	155,000	153,600	151,800	-1.2%	-4.4%
Machinery Manufacturing	10,600	9,500	9,500	9,600	1.1%	-9.4%
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	118,600	114,800	115,200	113,700	-1.3%	-4.1%
Computer & Peripheral Equipment Manufactu	55,700	56,200	56,400	55,700	-1.2%	0.0%
Electronic Computer Manufacturing	53,100	53,400	53,600	52,900	-1.3%	-0.4%
Semiconductor & Electronic Component Mfg	39,700	37,600	37,500	37,000	-1.3%	-6.8%
Bare Printed Circuit Board Manufacturing	3,800	3,600	3,600	3,600	0.0%	-5.3%
Semiconductor & Related Devices Manufac	27,700	25,600	25,400	24,800	-2.4%	-10.5%
Electronic Instrument Manufacturing	15,600	15,000	15,100	15,100	0.0%	-3.2%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	6,400	5,700	5,600	5,500	-1.8%	-14.1%
Aerospace Product & Parts Manufacturing	4,500	3,800	3,800	3,700	-2.6%	-17.8%
Nondurable Goods	13,500	11,100	11,600	11,600	0.0%	-14.1%
Service Providing	919,400	834,100	841,300	847,000	0.7%	-7.9%
Private Service Providing	823,300	749,700	752,000	755,000	0.4%	-8.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	130,100	118,800	121,000	122,200	1.0%	-6.1%
Wholesale Trade	31,400	28,600	28,600	28,500	-0.3%	-9.2%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	22,000	20,400	20,200	20,200	0.0%	-8.2%
Retail Trade	82,300	74,300	75,600	76,800	1.6%	-6.7%
Electronics & Appliance Stores	3,900	3,200	3,300	3,400	3.0%	-12.8%
Building Material & Garden Equipment Stores	5,200	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.0%	-3.8%
Food & Beverage Stores	17,300	17,300	17,300	17,300	0.0%	0.0%
Health & Personal Care Stores	4,800	3,900	4,100	4,400	7.3%	-8.3%
Clothing & Clothing Accessories Stores	11,400	7,900	7,200	8,500	18.1%	-25.4%
General Merchandise Stores	13,800	12,200	12,400	12,300	-0.8%	-10.9%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	16,400	15,900	16,800	16,900	0.6%	3.0%
Transportation & Warehousing	14,800	14,400	15,200	15,300	0.7%	3.4%
Couriers & Messengers	4,700	5,100	5,400	5,600	3.7%	19.1%
Information	103,400	93,200	93,500	92,100	-1.5%	-10.9%
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	36,700	37,700	37,800	37,500	-0.8%	2.2%
Telecommunications	5,500	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.0%	-9.1%
Financial Activities	38,000	36,400	36,400	36,100	-0.8%	-5.0%
Finance & Insurance	21,900	21,000	21,100	21,000	-0.5%	-4.1%
Credit Intermediation & Related Activities	12,400	12,000	11,900	11,900	0.0%	-4.0%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	16,100	15,400	15,300	15,100	-1.3%	-6.2%
Real Estate	13,300	12,300	12,300	12,100	-1.6%	-9.0%
Professional & Business Services	243,800	237,600	241,300	241,500	0.1%	-0.9%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	164,800	162,900	164,300	165,700	0.9%	0.5%
Architectural, Engineering & Related Services	17,800	17,100	17,300	17,500	1.2%	-1.7%
Computer Systems Design & Related Services	89,300	92,500	92,200	93,800	1.7%	5.0%

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Scientific Research & Development Services	22,500	22,900	23,100	23,100	0.0%	2.7%
Management of Companies & Enterprises	14,900	14,400	14,300	14,400	0.7%	-3.4%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	64,100	60,300	62,700	61,400	-2.1%	-4.2%
Administrative & Support Services	61,200	57,400	59,700	58,500	-2.0%	-4.4%
Employment Services	22,800	18,700	19,700	20,000	1.5%	-12.3%
Educational & Health Services	171,300	165,700	167,000	168,400	0.8%	-1.7%
Educational Services	43,100	42,000	42,300	42,000	-0.7%	-2.6%
Colleges, Universities & Professional Schools	25,400	26,300	26,200	25,800	-1.5%	1.6%
Health Care & Social Assistance	128,200	123,700	124,700	126,400	1.4%	-1.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	43,000	40,900	41,500	41,900	1.0%	-2.6%
Hospitals	28,800	29,800	29,700	30,100	1.3%	4.5%
Nursing & Residential Care Facilities	13,500	13,200	13,100	13,200	0.8%	-2.2%
Social Assistance	42,900	39,800	40,400	41,200	2.0%	-4.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	107,600	73,800	70,500	72,400	2.7%	-32.7%
Accommodation & Food Services	91,700	60,600	57,300	59,000	3.0%	-35.7%
Accommodation	9,600	5,700	5,900	5,800	-1.7%	-39.6%
Food Services & Drinking Places	82,100	54,900	51,400	53,200	3.5%	-35.2%
Restaurants	69,900	47,100	44,300	45,800	3.4%	-34.5%
Other Services	29,100	24,200	22,300	22,300	0.0%	-23.4%
Government	96,100	84,400	89,300	92,000	3.0%	-4.3%
Federal Government	10,100	10,100	11,800	11,200	-5.1%	10.9%
Department of Defense	700	700	700	700	0.0%	0.0%
State & Local Government	86,000	74,300	77,500	80,800	4.3%	-6.0%
State Government	6,700	6,000	5,900	6,300	6.8%	-6.0%
State Government Education	4,700	4,000	3,800	4,200	10.5%	-10.6%
State Government Excluding Education	2,000	2,000	2,100	2,100	0.0%	5.0%
Local Government	79,300	68,300	71,600	74,500	4.1%	-6.1%
Local Government Education	39,100	29,500	32,600	35,200	8.0%	-10.0%
Local Government Excluding Education	40,200	38,800	39,000	39,300	0.8%	-2.2%
County	21,400	21,600	21,800	22,200	1.8%	3.7%
City	14,000	12,500	12,400	12,400	0.0%	-11.4%
Special Districts plus Indian Tribes	4,800	4,700	4,800	4,700	-2.1%	-2.1%

**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: Nima Chhay 408-216-6183 or Amanda Ha 415-749-2002

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