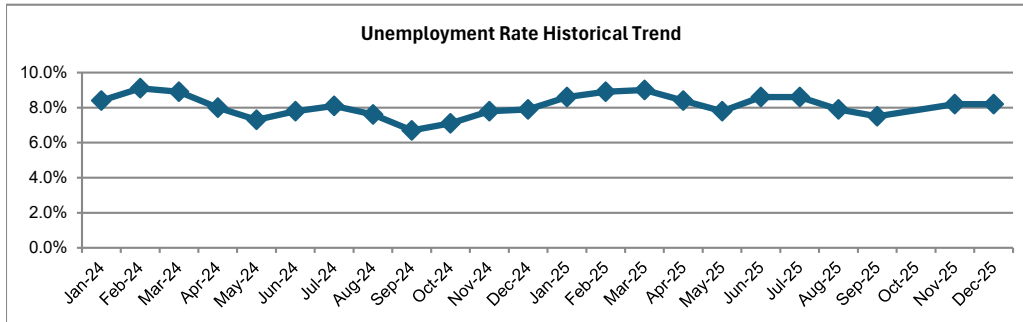


IMMEDIATE RELEASE
FRESNO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
(Fresno and Madera Counties)

The unemployment rate in the Fresno MSA was 8.2 percent in December 2025, unchanged from a revised 8.2 percent in November 2025, and above the year-ago estimate of 7.9 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 5.1 percent for California and 4.1 percent for the nation during the same period. The unemployment rate was 8.2 percent in Fresno County, and 7.8 percent in Madera County.



Industry	Nov-2025	Dec-2025	Change		Dec-2024	Dec-2025	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	496,800	497,600	800		497,100	497,600	500
Total Farm	46,600	48,300	1,700		48,800	48,300	(500)
Total Nonfarm	450,200	449,300	(900)		448,300	449,300	1,000
Mining, Logging, and Construction	25,000	24,700	(300)		25,700	24,700	(1,000)
Mining and Logging	400	400	0		400	400	0
Construction	24,600	24,300	(300)		25,300	24,300	(1,000)
Manufacturing	30,300	30,400	100		30,700	30,400	(300)
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	84,900	84,800	(100)		86,800	84,800	(2,000)
Information	2,600	2,600	0		2,800	2,600	(200)
Financial Activities	12,000	12,100	100		12,500	12,100	(400)
Professional and Business Services	35,500	35,700	200		36,100	35,700	(400)
Private Education and Health Services	106,900	107,300	400		101,500	107,300	5,800
Leisure and Hospitality	42,000	41,900	(100)		42,000	41,900	(100)
Other Services	16,100	15,700	(400)		16,000	15,700	(300)
Government	94,900	94,100	(800)		94,200	94,100	(100)

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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Fresno MSA

(Fresno and Madera Counties)

Industry Employment & Labor Force

March 2024 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Dec 24	Oct 25	Nov 25 Revised	Dec 25 Prelim	Percent Change	
					Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	540,300		548,400	548,000	-0.1%	1.4%
Civilian Employment	497,600		503,700	503,300	-0.1%	1.1%
Civilian Unemployment	42,700		44,700	44,700	0.0%	4.7%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	7.9%		8.2%	8.2%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	5.2%		5.4%	5.1%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	3.8%		4.3%	4.1%		
Total, All Industries (2)	497,100	501,000	496,800	497,600	0.2%	0.1%
Total Farm	48,800	51,100	46,600	48,300	3.6%	-1.0%
Total Nonfarm	448,300	449,900	450,200	449,300	-0.2%	0.2%
Total Private	354,100	354,900	355,300	355,200	0.0%	0.3%
Goods Producing	56,400	56,500	55,300	55,100	-0.4%	-2.3%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	25,700	25,300	25,000	24,700	-1.2%	-3.9%
Mining and Logging	400	400	400	400	0.0%	0.0%
Construction	25,300	24,900	24,600	24,300	-1.2%	-4.0%
Specialty Trade Contractors	17,100	16,700	16,500	16,200	-1.8%	-5.3%
Manufacturing	30,700	31,200	30,300	30,400	0.3%	-1.0%
Durable Goods	10,600	10,500	10,400	10,500	1.0%	-0.9%
Non-Durable Goods	20,100	20,700	19,900	19,900	0.0%	-1.0%
Food Manufacturing	14,900	15,000	14,300	14,300	0.0%	-4.0%
Service-Providing	391,900	393,400	394,900	394,200	-0.2%	0.6%
Private Service Providing	297,700	298,400	300,000	300,100	0.0%	0.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	86,800	83,600	84,900	84,800	-0.1%	-2.3%
Wholesale Trade	18,200	18,200	18,300	18,100	-1.1%	-0.5%
Retail Trade	45,600	43,600	44,300	44,500	0.5%	-2.4%
Food and Beverage Retailers	9,400	9,000	9,100	9,200	1.1%	-2.1%
General Merchandise Retailers	11,100	10,200	10,900	10,900	0.0%	-1.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	23,000	21,800	22,300	22,200	-0.4%	-3.5%
Transportation and Warehousing	19,700	18,700	19,100	19,100	0.0%	-3.0%
Information	2,800	2,600	2,600	2,600	0.0%	-7.1%
Financial Activities	12,500	12,100	12,000	12,100	0.8%	-3.2%
Finance and Insurance	7,000	6,600	6,500	6,600	1.5%	-5.7%
Insurance Carriers and Related Activities	3,300	3,100	3,100	3,100	0.0%	-6.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	0.0%	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	36,100	35,700	35,500	35,700	0.6%	-1.1%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	12,700	12,800	12,600	12,700	0.8%	0.0%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3,600	3,400	3,400	3,400	0.0%	-5.6%
Administrative and Support and Waste and Ren	19,800	19,500	19,500	19,600	0.5%	-1.0%
Administrative and Support Services	18,000	17,700	17,700	17,800	0.6%	-1.1%
Waste Management and Remediation Service	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	0.0%	0.0%
Private Education and Health Services	101,500	106,200	106,900	107,300	0.4%	5.7%
Private Educational Services	5,400	5,600	5,600	5,600	0.0%	3.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	96,100	100,600	101,300	101,700	0.4%	5.8%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	27,100	28,400	28,600	28,700	0.3%	5.9%
Hospitals	21,200	22,200	22,400	22,500	0.4%	6.1%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	8,800	9,200	9,300	9,300	0.0%	5.7%
Social Assistance	39,000	40,800	41,000	41,200	0.5%	5.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	42,000	42,100	42,000	41,900	-0.2%	-0.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	37,300	37,500	37,500	37,300	-0.5%	0.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	33,700	34,400	34,100	34,000	-0.3%	0.9%
Other Services	16,000	16,100	16,100	15,700	-2.5%	-1.9%
Government	94,200	95,000	94,900	94,100	-0.8%	-0.1%
Federal Government	9,700	8,900	8,900	8,800	-1.1%	-9.3%
Total State and Local Government	84,500	86,100	86,000	85,300	-0.8%	0.9%
State Government	16,000	15,200	15,200	15,100	-0.7%	-5.6%
State Government Educational Services	4,100	3,200	3,200	3,200	0.0%	-22.0%
Local Government	68,500	70,900	70,800	70,200	-0.8%	2.5%
Local Government Educational Services	46,600	48,200	49,100	48,600	-1.0%	4.3%

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Local Government excluding Educational Serv	21,900	22,700	21,700	21,600	-0.5%	-1.4%
County Government	9,800	10,500	9,700	9,700	0.0%	-1.0%
City Government	6,900	7,100	7,000	7,000	0.0%	1.4%
Special Districts plus Tribes	5,200	5,100	5,000	4,900	-2.0%	-5.8%

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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