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California's Nonfarm Payroll Jobs Increase by 39,000 *Unemployment Rate Unchanged at 12.4 Percent*

SACRAMENTO – California's unemployment rate was unchanged at 12.4 percent in October, and nonfarm payroll jobs increased by 39,000 during the month, according to data released today by the California Employment Development Department (EDD) from two separate surveys.

The U.S. unemployment rate also was unchanged in October at 9.6 percent.

In October 2009, the unemployment rate in California was 12.2 percent. The unemployment rate is derived from a federal survey of 5,500 California households.

Nonfarm jobs in California totaled 13,857,500 in October, an increase of 39,000 jobs over the month, according to a survey of businesses that is larger and less variable statistically. The survey of 42,000 California businesses measures jobs in the economy. The year-over-year change (October 2009 to October 2010) shows a decrease of 27,400 jobs (down 0.2 percent).

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA

The federal survey of households, done with a smaller sample than the survey of employers, shows a decrease in the number of employed people during the month. It estimates the number of Californians holding jobs in October was 15,972,000, a decrease of 3,000 from September, but up 33,000 from the employment total in October of last year.

The number of people unemployed in California was 2,258,000 – down by 10,000 over the month, but up by 42,000 compared with October of last year.

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PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT DETAIL (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

EDD's report on payroll employment (wage and salary jobs) in the nonfarm industries of California totaled 13,857,500 in October, a net gain of 39,000 jobs since the September survey. This followed a loss of 53,600 jobs (as revised) in September.

Eight categories (construction; manufacturing; trade, transportation and utilities; professional and business services; educational and health services; leisure and hospitality; other services; and government) added jobs over the month, gaining 46,500 jobs. Professional and business services posted the largest increase over the month, adding 14,800 jobs. Three categories (mining and logging; information; and financial activities) reported job declines this month, down 7,500 jobs. Financial activities posted the largest decline over the month, down by 4,300 jobs.

In a year-over-year comparison (October 2009 to October 2010), nonfarm payroll employment in California decreased by 27,400 jobs (down 0.2 percent).

Five industry divisions (mining and logging; professional and business services; educational and health services; leisure and hospitality; and other services) posted job gains over the year, adding 87,000 jobs. Professional and business services recorded the largest increase over the year on a numerical basis, up 58,600 jobs (a 2.9 percent increase). Mining and logging recorded the largest increase over the year on a percentage basis, up 3.7 percent (an increase of 900 jobs).

Six categories (construction; manufacturing; trade, transportation and utilities; information; financial activities; and government) posted job declines over the year, down 114,400 jobs. Construction employment showed the largest decline over the year on both a numerical and percentage basis, down by 45,700 jobs (a decline of 7.9 percent).

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

In related data, the EDD reported that there were 592,475 people receiving regular unemployment insurance benefits during the October survey week. This compares with 595,996 last month and 740,272 last year. At the same time, new claims for unemployment insurance were 67,168 in October 2010, compared with 75,316 in September and 83,475 in October of last year.

NOTE TO EDITORS: EDD encourages those who are filing for Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits to do so online through our Web site at www.edd.ca.gov. Online claim filing is the fastest, most convenient way to apply for UI benefits, and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Seasonally adjusted payroll detail follows:

PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²
(Amounts in thousands)

Industrial Classification	October 2010 (prelim.)	September 2010 (revised)	October 2009	Change Over 12 Months (Percent)
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Workers	13,857.5	13,818.5	13,884.9	-0.2
Mining and logging	25.3	25.5	24.4	3.7
Construction	531.7	529.2	577.4	-7.9
Manufacturing	1,240.1	1,233.0	1,244.9	-0.4
Trade, transportation and utilities	2,579.5	2,571.9	2,598.0	-0.7
Information	439.7	442.7	446.3	-1.5
Financial activities	778.0	782.3	787.1	-1.2
Professional and business services	2,078.4	2,063.6	2,019.8	2.9
Educational and health services	1,765.1	1,759.9	1,744.4	1.2
Leisure and hospitality	1,491.2	1,486.8	1,484.9	0.4
Other services	476.5	474.4	476.0	0.1
Government*	2,452.0	2,449.2	2,481.7	-1.2
Agriculture	369.5	365.3	372.0	-0.7

*Includes all civilian employees of federal, state, and local governments.

TABLE A
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA²

	October 2010 (prelim.)	September 2010 (revised)	August 2010	October 2009
Civilian labor force ^a	18,230,000	18,244,000	18,228,000	18,155,000
Total civilian employment	15,972,000	15,975,000	15,968,000	15,939,000
Unemployment	2,258,000	2,268,000	2,260,000	2,216,000
Seasonally adjusted rate %	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.2
US seasonally adjusted rate %	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.1

TABLE B
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, UNADJUSTED DATA

	October 2010 (prelim.)	September 2010 (revised)	August 2010	October 2009
Civilian labor force ^a	18,225,000	18,296,000	18,323,000	18,174,000
Total civilian employment	16,045,000	16,060,000	16,052,000	15,985,000
Unemployment	2,180,000	2,236,000	2,270,000	2,189,000
Unadjusted rate %	12.0	12.2	12.4	12.0

^a Labor force by place of residence including workers involved in trade disputes.

² Seasonal adjustment is a statistical method that removes typical employment patterns that occur at various times throughout the year (e.g., additional retail hiring during the holiday season).

MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
October 2010 (Preliminary); 2009 BENCHMARK
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

COUNTY	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATE*
STATE TOTAL	18,225,100	16,045,200	2,179,900	12.0%
ALAMEDA	753,500	670,300	83,300	11.0%
ALPINE	390	320	70	17.3%
AMADOR	17,800	15,600	2,200	12.4%
BUTTE	105,500	92,000	13,500	12.8%
CALAVERAS	19,650	16,740	2,910	14.8%
COLUSA	11,850	10,030	1,830	15.4%
CONTRA COSTA	521,100	464,000	57,100	10.9%
DEL NORTE	11,870	10,370	1,500	12.6%
EL DORADO	89,900	79,400	10,600	11.7%
FRESNO	443,800	373,900	69,800	15.7%
GLENN	13,150	11,390	1,750	13.3%
HUMBOLDT	61,200	54,900	6,300	10.3%
IMPERIAL	76,800	54,300	22,500	29.3%
INYO	9,620	8,720	900	9.3%
KERN	366,500	313,600	52,900	14.4%
KINGS	63,500	54,000	9,500	15.0%
LAKE	25,210	20,910	4,310	17.1%
LASSEN	13,910	12,180	1,730	12.4%
LOS ANGELES	4,884,300	4,272,200	612,100	12.5%
MADERA	66,800	57,200	9,600	14.3%
MARIN	130,500	120,100	10,400	8.0%
MARIPOSA	9,600	8,560	1,040	10.8%
MENDOCINO	43,530	39,110	4,420	10.2%
MERCED	107,400	89,900	17,500	16.3%
MODOC	3,920	3,410	510	13.0%
MONO	7,990	7,010	980	12.3%
MONTEREY	218,400	195,700	22,700	10.4%
NAPA	75,300	68,600	6,700	8.9%
NEVADA	49,820	44,310	5,510	11.1%
ORANGE	1,611,100	1,464,000	147,100	9.1%
PLACER	175,100	155,900	19,200	11.0%
PLUMAS	8,750	7,370	1,380	15.8%
RIVERSIDE	910,900	777,300	133,600	14.7%
SACRAMENTO	678,300	593,600	84,700	12.5%
SAN BENITO	25,000	21,600	3,400	13.6%
SAN BERNARDINO	857,300	739,600	117,700	13.7%
SAN DIEGO	1,566,700	1,406,200	160,500	10.2%
SAN FRANCISCO	455,200	412,700	42,500	9.3%
SAN JOAQUIN	300,600	251,500	49,000	16.3%
SAN LUIS OBISPO	138,300	125,300	13,000	9.4%
SAN MATEO	369,100	337,600	31,500	8.5%
SANTA BARBARA	224,000	204,500	19,500	8.7%
SANTA CLARA	880,200	787,000	93,300	10.6%
SANTA CRUZ	148,400	132,600	15,800	10.6%
SHASTA	84,600	72,200	12,400	14.6%
SIERRA	1,650	1,430	220	13.6%
SISKIYOU	19,540	16,530	3,010	15.4%
SOLANO	213,200	188,300	24,900	11.7%
SONOMA	258,400	233,400	25,000	9.7%
STANISLAUS	237,000	198,600	38,400	16.2%
SUTTER	41,400	34,000	7,400	17.8%
TEHAMA	25,450	21,880	3,570	14.0%
TRINITY	4,930	4,080	850	17.2%
TULARE	206,500	173,600	32,900	15.9%
TUOLUMNE	25,960	22,620	3,340	12.9%
VENTURA	429,800	384,500	45,300	10.5%
YOLO	97,000	85,700	11,300	11.6%
YUBA	28,000	23,100	5,000	17.8%

*Not seasonally adjusted.

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