

FACT SHEET



LABOR MARKET INFORMATION

The Employment Development Department's (EDD) Labor Market Information Division (LMID) regularly collects, analyzes, and publishes information about California's labor markets. These diverse markets are comprised of more than 1 million employers and a civilian labor force of more than 18 million individuals.

In addition to civilian employment and unemployment data, the LMID provides economic development and planning information; industry and occupational characteristics, trends, and wage information; and social and demographic information. Most of these data are available for the state and counties. Some data are available for other geographic regions as well. The LMID also provides technical assistance and customized data services for state and sub-state geographic areas.

Types of Labor Market Information Available

The LMID staff uses data from a variety of administrative and survey sources and other agencies to study the labor market and develop:

- Estimates of the current labor force and industry employment.
- Descriptive information about occupations including: duties, wages, benefits, employment outlook, training, education, skills, and licensing requirements.
- Labor market demographics.
- Nondiscrimination information for employer compliance purposes.
- Special industry and occupational studies.
- Special studies on pertinent topics such as health care and veterans.
- Historical civilian employment and unemployment data.
- Projections of employment for occupations and industries by geographic area.

- Industry growth and trends.
- Labor market dynamics.
- Thematic maps displaying labor market conditions and relationships.
- Workforce program planning information.
- Customized analyses and reports, upon request.

Uses of Labor Market Information

State and local labor market information is used extensively in both the public and private sectors for:

- Business and financial forecasting.
- Economic development and human resource planning.
- Monitoring labor force, industry, and economic trends.
- Planning and development of training programs.
- Public services program development and administration.
- Career exploration.
- Geographic planning for industry and business expansion.
- Local labor market research.
- Wage and compensation administration.
- Occupational skills and qualifications identification.
- Public policy development.
- Strategic and long-term planning.
- Real estate investment evaluation.

How to Obtain Labor Market Information

- The data and reports produced by the LMID are available on the Internet at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov.
- For information on local labor market information products, assistance on the use of those products, or customized data services, contact one of the LMID's local labor market consultants. Located in key cities throughout California, they can help you define your information needs, provide analysis of regional employment and economic trends, and are available to make presentations on a variety of labor market information subjects. To obtain the phone number of the labor market consultant for a specific area of the state, visit our website at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov and select Contact LMI under the General Information section or call **916-262-2162**.
- For a printed publication, review the list of online publications at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov in the Publications Library listed under Online Services. To obtain other specific data or customized data services, contact the LMID at **916-262-2162**.

General Information

If you would like more information about the EDD's labor market information services, or other available products or services, please write or call:

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For additional information on other EDD programs and services, visit the EDD's website at www.edd.ca.gov.

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Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.