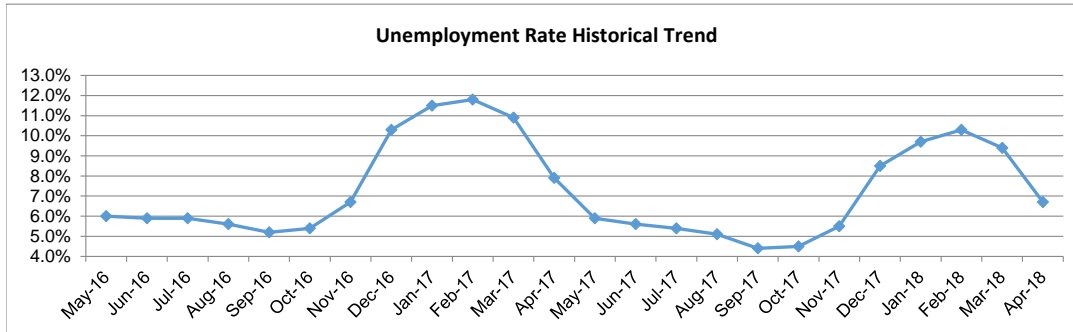


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 SALINAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
 (Monterey County)

The unemployment rate in the Monterey County was 6.7 percent in April 2018, down from a revised 9.4 percent in March 2018, and below the year-ago estimate of 7.9 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 3.8 percent for California and 3.7 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Mar-2018	Apr-2018	Change		Apr-2017	Apr-2018	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	177,300	195,600	18,300		192,100	195,600	3,500
Total Farm	36,400	53,300	16,900		54,800	53,300	(1,500)
Total Nonfarm	140,900	142,300	1,400		137,300	142,300	5,000
Mining, Logging, and Construction	6,600	6,600	0		6,100	6,600	500
Mining and Logging	300	300	0		200	300	100
Construction	6,300	6,300	0		5,900	6,300	400
Manufacturing	5,800	6,000	200		5,500	6,000	500
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	25,500	25,900	400		25,900	25,900	0
Information	1,000	1,000	0		1,100	1,000	(100)
Financial Activities	4,300	4,400	100		4,200	4,400	200
Professional & Business Services	13,300	13,400	100		12,700	13,400	700
Educational & Health Services	20,200	20,300	100		19,600	20,300	700
Leisure & Hospitality	24,400	24,700	300		24,100	24,700	600
Other Services	5,100	5,200	100		5,200	5,200	0
Government	34,700	34,800	100		32,900	34,800	1,900

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](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)