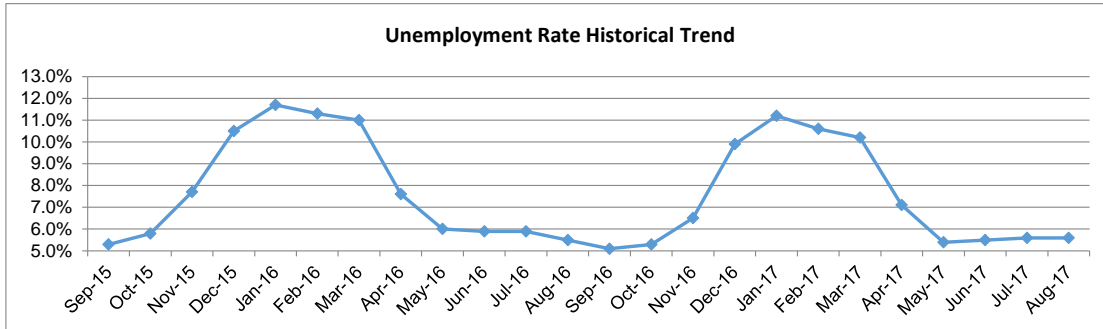


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 SALINAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
**(Monterey County)**

The unemployment rate in the Monterey County was 5.6 percent in August 2017, unchanged from a revised 5.6 percent in July 2017, and above the year-ago estimate of 5.5 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 5.4 percent for California and 4.5 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Jul-2017	Aug-2017	Change		Aug-2016	Aug-2017	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	204,800	204,900	100		205,700	204,900	(800)
Total Farm	68,200	66,200	(2,000)		68,000	66,200	(1,800)
Total Nonfarm	136,600	138,700	2,100		137,700	138,700	1,000
Mining, Logging, and Construction	6,600	6,600	0		6,200	6,600	400
Mining and Logging	300	300	0		200	300	100
Construction	6,300	6,300	0		6,000	6,300	300
Manufacturing	5,500	5,400	(100)		5,400	5,400	0
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	26,800	26,900	100		27,000	26,900	(100)
Information	1,100	1,100	0		1,200	1,100	(100)
Financial Activities	4,300	4,300	0		4,200	4,300	100
Professional & Business Services	13,200	13,100	(100)		13,700	13,100	(600)
Educational & Health Services	19,000	19,000	0		18,400	19,000	600
Leisure & Hospitality	24,900	25,600	700		25,500	25,600	100
Other Services	5,400	5,400	0		5,200	5,400	200
Government	29,800	31,300	1,500		30,900	31,300	400

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)