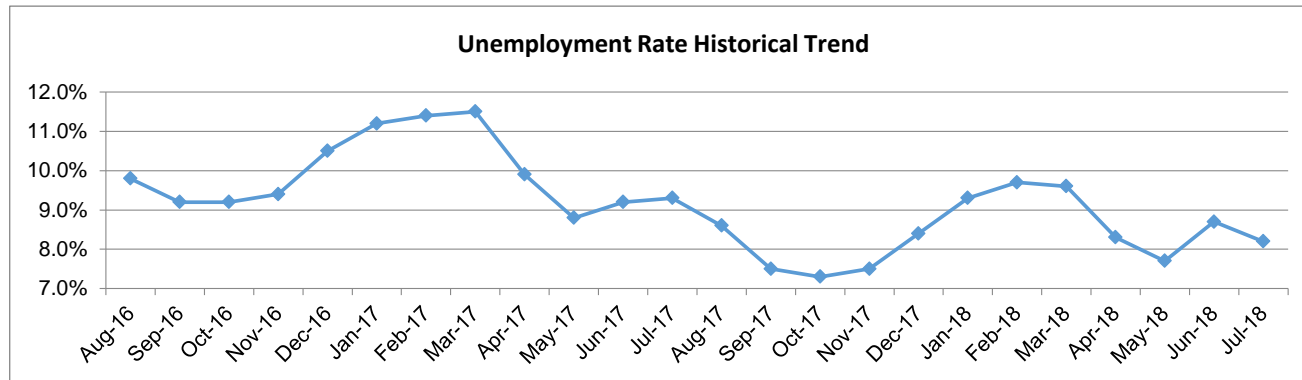


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 BAKERSFIELD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
 (Kern County)

The unemployment rate in Kern County was 8.2 percent in July 2018, down from a revised 8.7 percent in June 2018, and below the year-ago estimate of 9.3 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 4.4 percent for California and 4.1 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Jun-2018	Jul-2018	Change		Jul-2017	Jul-2018	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	330,800	325,800	(5,000)		320,800	325,800	5,000
Total Farm	67,900	68,800	900		67,800	68,800	1,000
Total Nonfarm	262,900	257,000	(5,900)		253,000	257,000	4,000
Mining, Logging, and Construction	23,600	23,800	200		23,900	23,800	(100)
Mining and Logging	8,700	8,900	200		8,800	8,900	100
Construction	14,900	14,900	0		15,100	14,900	(200)
Manufacturing	13,700	13,800	100		13,500	13,800	300
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	52,000	51,700	(300)		51,500	51,700	200
Information	1,900	1,900	0		2,000	1,900	(100)
Financial Activities	8,100	8,100	0		8,200	8,100	(100)
Professional & Business Services	27,500	27,600	100		25,700	27,600	1,900
Educational & Health Services	37,500	37,300	(200)		36,400	37,300	900
Leisure & Hospitality	26,400	26,700	300		26,100	26,700	600
Other Services	8,000	8,000	0		7,500	8,000	500
Government	64,200	58,100	(6,100)		58,200	58,100	(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 online at [www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov)