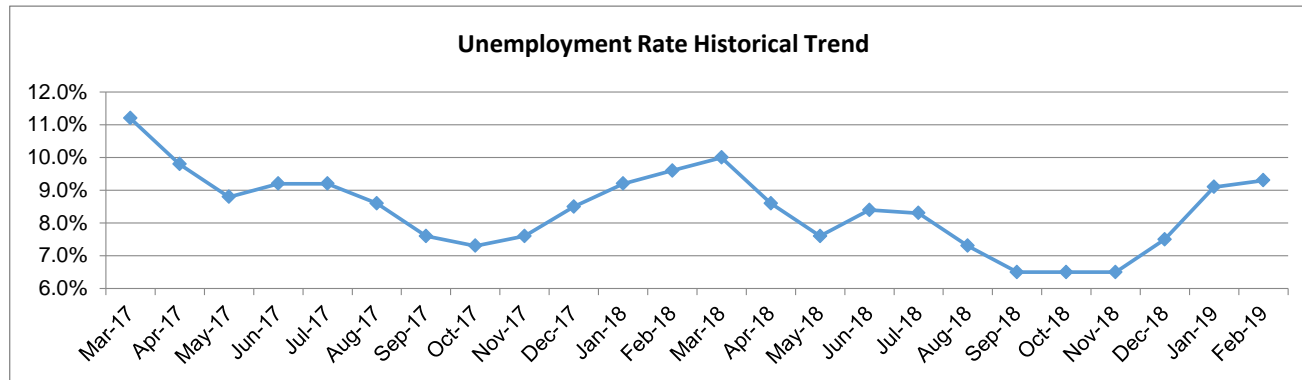


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 BAKERSFIELD METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)  
 (Kern County)

The unemployment rate in Kern County was 9.3 percent in February 2019, up from a revised 9.1 percent in January 2019, and below the year-ago estimate of 9.6 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	Jan-2019	Feb-2019	Change		Feb-2018	Feb-2019	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	324,400	325,200	800		316,000	325,200	9,200
Total Farm	55,500	54,700	(800)		52,900	54,700	1,800
Total Nonfarm	268,900	270,500	1,600		263,100	270,500	7,400
Mining, Logging, and Construction	26,100	26,100	0		24,500	26,100	1,600
Mining and Logging	9,500	9,400	(100)		9,200	9,400	200
Construction	16,600	16,700	100		15,300	16,700	1,400
Manufacturing	12,900	13,000	100		13,300	13,000	(300)
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	54,000	53,700	(300)		52,300	53,700	1,400
Information	2,000	2,000	0		2,000	2,000	0
Financial Activities	7,500	7,500	0		7,500	7,500	0
Professional & Business Services	26,700	27,100	400		26,400	27,100	700
Educational & Health Services	39,000	39,500	500		37,100	39,500	2,400
Leisure & Hospitality	26,200	26,500	300		26,100	26,500	400
Other Services	8,100	8,100	0		7,500	8,100	600
Government	66,400	67,000	600		66,400	67,000	600

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)