

# SF Bay Area Employment Report

*Alameda, Contra Costa, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo,  
 Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma Counties*

September, 2016

## Monthly Summary for September, 2016

Category	Current Value	Change From:		
		Last Month	2 Months Ago	Last Year
Total Employment	4,046,450	21,115	35,160	121,630
Nonfarm Employment	3,840,226	13,152	16,895	107,454
Labor Force	4,213,782	23,267	37,075	123,234
Number Unemployed	170,029	4,112	3,254	1,861
Unemployment Rate	4.0	0.1	0.0	-0.1

Source: EDD, Marin Economic Consulting

Based on MEC Seasonal Adjustments

## Sub-Regional Summary for September, 2016

### Nonfarm Employment Changes

#### Mix of MEC and EDD Seasonal Adjustments

Category	Current Value	Change From:		
		Last Month	2 Months Ago	Last Year
Napa MSA	73,500	300	800	2,200
Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley Metro Div	1,130,000	1,100	1,200	27,200
San Francisco MD - MEC	1,090,211	3,994	5,516	27,160
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara MSA	1,085,800	1,500	-1,400	35,300
San Rafael - MEC	117,328	35	1,036	3,245
Santa Rosa MSA	203,000	-400	-1,700	4,100
Vallejo-Fairfield MSA	136,900	900	800	3,700
Bay Area - MEC	3,836,739	7,429	6,251	102,905

Source: EDD, Marin Economic Consulting

## Key Observations for California & the Bay Area

- California garnered about 20% of the national employment gains. At about 14% of the overall U.S. economy, California is growing faster than the nation. The Bay Area, as it has consistently done, grew faster than the state.
- The most recent month's growth was 4.2%, which more than compensates for slow growth in August. Over the last 6 months, growth has been slower than over the last 1, 3, or even 5 years. The last month's growth should be discounted and put into the broader perspective of the last 6 months.
- Information (6.5%) and Prof and Bus Srvcs (11.6%) showed solid growth in September as did Education & Health Srvcs (6.3%).
- Construction continues to grow strongly throughout the region (12.9%).

### Overall Summary

- Employment growth in the Bay Area continues to outpace the nation and state, this report counters reports in recent months that suggested that growth in the region was slowing. September exhibited relatively fast growth.
- Growth is strong in the high wage Information and Professional Services industries, boding well for overall growth in the region. These are high multiplier sectors, which facilitate growth in other sectors of the economy.
- Despite a slight increase (0.1%) due to increased labor force participation, unemployment in the region continues to be significantly lower than in the state as a whole (4.0% vs 5.5%).

## **Key Observations for Major Bay Area Regions**

### **San Francisco (MD)**

- Overall growth in San Francisco in Sep was more consistent with growth over the last 3 or 5 years than recent months or the last year. Although it is just one month, it may signal renewed growth in the region. Information (16.8%) and Professional & Business Svcs (16.4%) were the primary drivers. Both excellent sources of well paying jobs.
- Declines in Leisure & Hospitality were surprising, though consistent with slow growth over the last year.

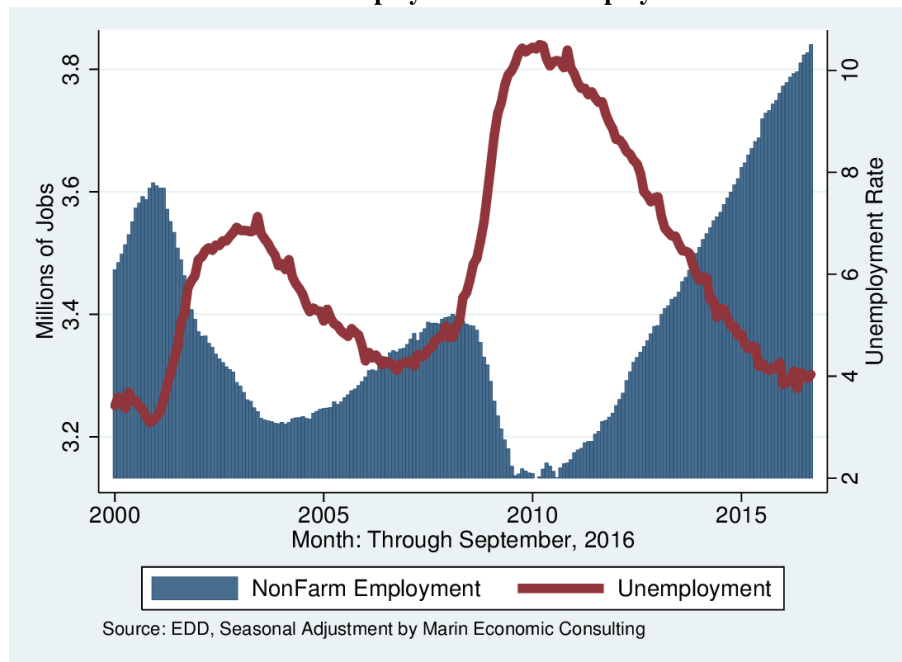
### **San Jose (MSA)**

- The San Jose MSA grew moderately (3.3% annualized), which is consistent with the experience over the last year.
- Growth was widespread in each of Construction, Information, Prof Svcs, and health Care. Leisure & Hospitality surprisingly shrank.

### **Oakland (MD)**

- Employment growth in the East Bay continues to accelerate (4.3% annualized).
- At the same time, growth is primarily in old stalwart sectors: Construction, Health Care, and Accommodation and Food Services. Growth was very slow in the high profile industries: Information and Professional Services.

### Historical Employment and Unemployment



## Employment Growth by Industry in SF Bay Area for September, 2016 , Seasonally Adjusted

Industry	Employment	Share	Empl Growth	Monthly	% Growth - Annualized Rate					
				Month	Qtr	6mo	1yr	3yr	5yr	
<b>Total Nonfarm</b>	3,840,226	100.0	13,151.8	4.2	3.2	2.8	2.9	3.7	3.8	
<b>Total Private</b>	3,364,577	87.6	12,686.8	4.6	3.4	3.0	3.1	4.0	4.3	
<b>Goods Producing</b>	531,732	13.8	1,236.1	2.8	3.3	2.2	2.8	4.0	3.8	
Mining, Logging and Construction	196,074	5.1	1,965.9	12.9	9.6	7.0	7.3	8.4	8.7	
Manufacturing	335,954	8.7	-312.5	-1.1	0.2	-0.4	0.2	1.9	1.6	
<b>Service Providing</b>	3,309,379	86.2	12,195.0	4.5	3.4	3.0	2.9	3.6	3.8	
Trade, Trans & Utilities	592,157	15.4	1,752.6	3.6	1.7	0.2	1.5	2.4	2.8	
Wholesale Trade	129,380	3.4	834.7	8.1	0.2	-1.0	0.7	1.8	2.9	
Retail Trade	351,007	9.1	-12.2	-0.0	0.7	-1.1	0.8	1.9	2.2	
Information	170,839	4.4	900.5	6.5	1.6	1.3	2.2	8.1	7.7	
Financial Activities	181,317	4.7	-158.4	-1.0	1.2	1.1	0.2	1.2	1.4	
Professional & Business Svcs	759,172	19.8	6,887.0	11.6	5.7	6.0	4.8	5.5	6.3	
Educational & Health Svcs	582,069	15.2	2,963.3	6.3	5.5	4.6	4.4	4.0	4.2	
Leisure & Hospitality	422,078	11.0	-811.8	-2.3	1.2	2.9	3.6	4.1	4.7	
Other Svcs	124,913	3.3	252.5	2.5	-4.6	-0.1	0.7	1.9	2.4	
<b>Government</b>	474,826	12.4	281.3	0.7	1.3	1.2	1.0	1.5	0.9	
Federal	47,914	1.2	150.2	3.8	3.2	3.5	1.9	0.6	-0.8	
State	95,634	2.5	-268.6	-3.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.9	0.8	0.4	
Local	331,285	8.6	-49.0	-0.2	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.4	
County	64,542	1.7	143.4	2.7	4.6	3.8	2.9	3.2	2.5	
City	77,955	2.0	90.8	1.4	0.9	3.4	2.5	2.3	1.2	
Local Government Education	158,786	4.1	-257.4	-1.9	1.2	0.6	0.6	1.0	1.0	

Source: EDD, Marin Economic Consulting

## Employment Growth by Region in California: September, 2016

Region/MSA	Employment	Monthly Growth	% Growth - Annualized Basis					
			Month	Qtr	6mo	1yr	3yr	5yr
<b>California</b>	16,549,600	30,000.0	2.2	2.4	2.8	2.3	2.9	2.9
<b>Bay Area</b>	3,840,226	13,151.8	4.2	3.2	2.8	2.9	3.7	3.8
Oakland	1,130,909	3,970.6	4.3	3.7	3.1	2.6	2.8	3.0
San Francisco (MD)	1,090,211	3,994.0	4.5	2.9	2.3	2.6	4.3	4.4
San Jose	1,088,151	2,954.5	3.3	3.3	3.6	3.6	4.1	4.3
Santa Rosa	203,378	1,173.8	7.2	1.9	0.9	2.4	3.8	4.0
Vallejo	136,757	779.0	7.1	3.4	2.1	2.6	3.1	2.9
San Rafael	117,328	35.4	0.4	0.9	2.0	2.8	2.5	2.9
Napa	73,492	244.5	4.1	3.7	2.5	2.9	3.0	3.7
<b>Southern California</b>	9,138,969	19,195.8	2.6	1.0	1.7	2.0	2.5	2.6
Los Angeles (MD)	4,370,141	-849.1	-0.2	0.0	1.0	1.6	1.9	2.1
Orange County	1,598,128	9,045.7	7.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.9
San Diego	1,427,105	6,645.6	5.8	1.6	2.2	2.2	2.7	2.7
Inland Empire	1,390,441	3,083.3	2.7	1.5	2.0	2.3	3.9	4.0
Oxnard	299,095	1,142.9	4.7	-0.4	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.5
El Centro	54,059	127.4	2.9	1.6	3.6	4.2	1.9	2.2
<b>Central Coast</b>	539,048	2,493.8	5.7	0.6	1.2	1.6	2.5	2.6
Santa Barbara	185,531	628.0	4.2	2.5	1.6	2.1	2.1	2.4
Salinas	134,420	988.8	9.3	-4.8	-2.1	-0.7	2.1	1.8
San Luis Obispo	117,788	448.7	4.7	1.3	2.5	2.5	3.3	3.5
Santa Cruz	101,308	428.4	5.2	3.7	3.6	2.6	2.7	3.0
<b>North Central Valley</b>	1,359,514	4,365.2	3.9	2.7	2.8	2.4	2.9	2.8
Sacramento	949,078	5,079.1	6.7	4.6	3.6	2.9	2.9	2.8
Stockton	225,371	-527.5	-2.8	-0.6	1.0	1.7	3.0	3.3
Chico	80,104	471.2	7.3	2.3	4.1	2.9	2.6	2.8
Redding	63,504	-262.5	-4.8	-6.4	-1.1	0.1	1.5	1.7
Yuba City	41,458	-395.1	-10.8	-4.3	-1.5	-1.0	2.5	1.8
<b>South Central Valley</b>	1,032,697	1,878.2	2.2	-0.6	1.1	2.2	2.6	2.4
Fresno	335,447	1,317.0	4.8	-1.1	2.4	2.6	3.4	3.0
Bakersfield	262,478	382.8	1.8	-0.1	0.5	1.7	1.4	2.0
Modesto	171,968	250.7	1.8	0.2	1.1	2.8	3.0	2.7
Visalia	121,530	68.6	0.7	0.2	1.3	2.0	2.4	2.1
Merced	65,027	51.0	0.9	-0.4	-0.0	1.5	2.9	2.0
Madera	38,187	-50.5	-1.6	1.4	2.5	5.9	2.8	2.7
Hanford	38,060	-141.3	-4.4	-7.4	-4.9	-2.2	1.1	0.6

Source: EDD, Marin Economic Consulting

## Unemployment by Region in California: September, 2016

Category	Current Value	Change From:		
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<b>California</b>	5.5	0.0	0.0	-0.5
<b>Bay Area</b>	4.0	0.1	0.0	-0.1
Oakland	4.5	0.1	0.0	-0.1
San Francisco (MD)	3.3	0.1	0.0	-0.0
San Jose	3.9	0.1	0.1	-0.1
Santa Rosa	4.0	0.0	-0.0	-0.2
Vallejo	5.6	0.0	-0.0	-0.2
San Rafael	3.3	0.0	0.1	-0.0
Napa	4.2	0.0	-0.0	0.0
<b>Southern California</b>	5.3	0.1	0.2	-0.5
Los Angeles (MD)	5.2	0.2	0.3	-1.0
Orange County	4.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1
San Diego	4.8	0.0	-0.0	-0.1
Inland Empire	6.2	-0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Oxnard	5.4	0.1	0.1	-0.0
El Centro	20.9	-1.6	-1.9	-2.2
<b>Central Coast</b>	6.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Santa Barbara	5.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
Salinas	7.6	0.1	-0.0	-0.1
San Luis Obispo	4.3	0.1	0.1	-0.0
Santa Cruz	7.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.2
<b>North Central Valley</b>	6.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2
Sacramento	5.4	0.1	0.0	-0.1
Stockton	8.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1
Chico	6.8	0.2	0.1	-0.1
Redding	7.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1
Yuba City	9.6	0.2	0.1	-0.1
<b>South Central Valley</b>	10.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Fresno	9.8	0.1	0.1	-0.0
Bakersfield	10.6	0.1	0.1	0.5
Modesto	8.8	0.1	-0.0	-0.4
Visalia	11.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
Merced	10.7	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Madera	9.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.7
Hanford	10.2	0.1	0.1	0.1

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