### **INNOVATIONS**



#### **EDDNext MODERNIZATION**

The Employment Development Department's EDDNext modernization effort is transforming services through research-driven improvements, including a new portal, simplified multilingual applications, enhanced chatbots, a claim status tracker, and contact center upgrades using Amazon Web Services. These changes aim to improve accessibility and the overall experience for customers and employees alike. edd.ca.gov/en/about edd/eddnext/



#### MASTER PLAN FOR CAREER EDUCATION

California is preparing all learners for future careers through the Master Plan, focusing on career pathways, hands-on learning, and access for all, including Opportunity Youth and working adults. Efforts include regional coordination, employer engagement, critical skill development, and expanding earn-and-learn opportunities like internships and apprenticeships to support career success, gov.ca.gov/2023/08/31/freedom-to-succeed/



#### FREEDOM TO SUCCEED YOUTH GRANTS

To help young adults find good jobs, California awarded \$30 million in grants to 15 organizations through Governor Newsom's Freedom to Succeed initiative. Programs offer certified, hands-on training in key industries, plus support services like childcare and mental health resources, emphasizing pathways beyond traditional four-year degrees. edd.ca.gov/ en/about edd/news releases and announcements/california-strengthens-job-training-foryoung-adults-facing-employment-barriers/

Online Resources: edd.ca.gov | dir.ca.gov/das/

#### LABOR MARKET INFORMATION (Age 16 & older) ANNUAL LABOR FORCE California National PARTICIPATION RATE +1.1% California Employment (April 2024-April 2025 change) National 82% 84% 5.3% 4.0% Unemployment Rate, 2024 annual average 19.644.000 56% Labor Force, 2024 annual average 38% 38% Unemployed Persons per Job Opening, 2024 0.9 annual average \$35.54 Average Hourly Earnings (May 2024-April 2025) Average Hourly Earnings (April 2024-April 2025 Age 16-24 Age 25-54

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### WORKFORCE INFORMATION

#### CALIFORNIA LABOR & WORKFORCE **DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

#### **Programs within Agency**

- · Apprenticeship and Pre-Apprenticeship Funds
- Disability Insurance
- Fidelity Bonding Program • FLC Program
- Incumbent Worker Training Fund
- LMI
- NDWG
- Paid Family Leave

- Rapid Response and Layoff Aversion Services
- TAA
- UI VETS
- WP
- WOTC
- Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act
- WIOA A. DW. & Y

#### **WIOA Core Programs: Administering Agencies**

- California Employment Development Department WIOA Title I and Title III (WP)
- California Department of Education AE
- California Department of Rehabilitation VR

# NUMBER OF LOCAL **WORKFORCE AREAS** AMERICAN JOB CENTERS

Source: 2024 WIOA State Plan. CareerOneStop American Job Center Finder

**PARTICIPANTS SERVED** 

BY CALIFORNIA'S

Wagner-Peyser

WIOA Title I - A, DW, Y

WORKFORCE

**SERVICES** 

Comprehensive Centers

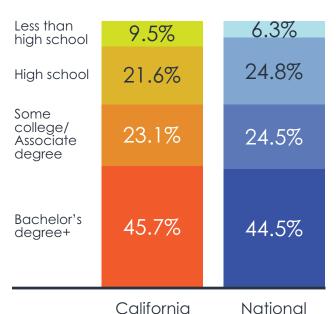
137,495

Affiliate Centers

73,648

### **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**

(Age 25 & older)



Source: USDOL-BLS, CPS (2024 Annual Average, using preliminary April data)

#### **KEY INDUSTRIES**

MOST JOBS ADDED

**FASTEST GROWING** 





Source: BLS, Current Employment Statistics (April 2024 - April 2025)

# **UNEMPLOYMENT DATA**

#### **Average Duration** The average number of weeks people receive

unemployment insurance.

### **Exhaustion Rate**

The percentage of individuals receiving unemployment benefits who use all the eligible weeks without finding new employment.

Source: USDOL-ETA Quarter 4 – 2024



**18.1** weeks

California

**15.3** weeks

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Source: USDOL-BLS, CPS (2024 Annual Average)

Source: USDOL-ETA, PY23 Performance Data (dol.gov/agencies/eta/performance/results)

change)

Source: USDOL-BLS, LAUS and CES, using preliminary April data