

Inland Empire/Desert Center of Excellence Newsletter and Labor Market Update



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Today's labor market release highlights the Inland Empire/Desert employment trends in June 2022.

In June 2022, the unemployment rate increased to 4% in June 2022, still one of the lowest regional unemployment rates on record this century. The region's total labor force has been in slight contraction since March 2022 and appears to be experiencing a decline in available workers.

Nonfarm payrolls saw a net increase of 5,200 nonfarm jobs in June. Notable month-over job increases were reported in health care & social assistance, administrative & support & waste services, and retail trade. Sharp losses were reported by arts, entertainment & recreation and other services employers.

Check out our Mapping Summit Recap from earlier this month. See you again on Friday, August 19th.

INLAND EMPIRE/DESERT LABOR MARKET UPDATE

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Unemployment Rate
increased to
4%

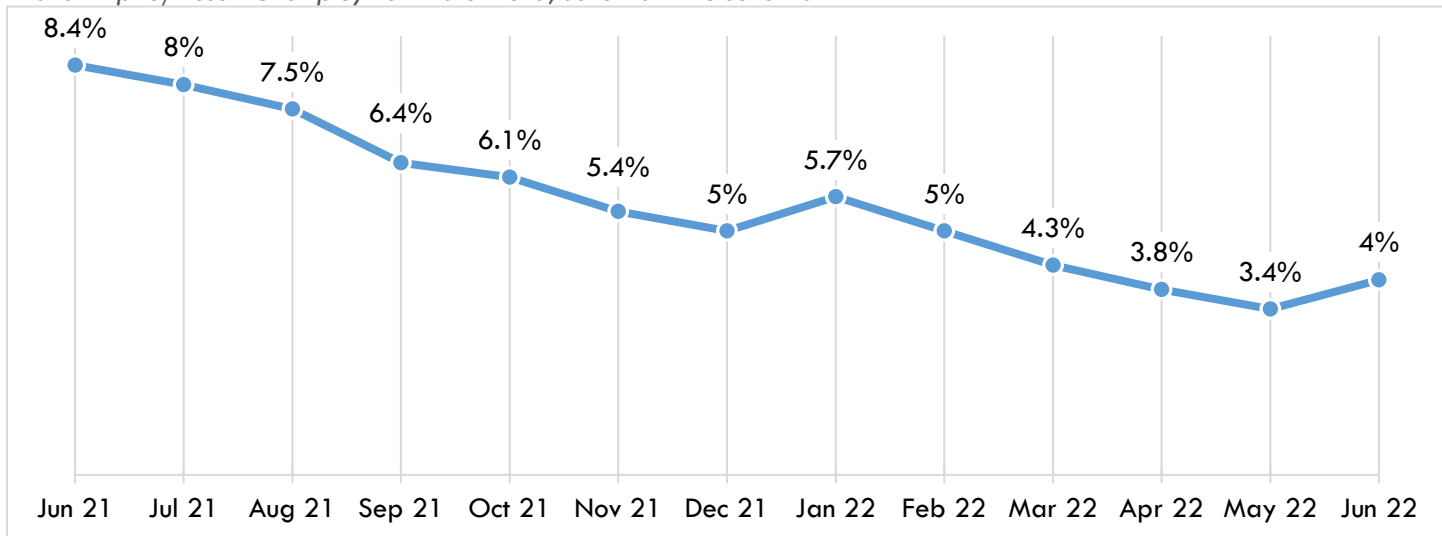


Nonfarm Employers
Added
5,200 jobs
over the month

Civilian Labor Force and the Unemployment Rate

The civilian labor force is the total count of resident workers, 16 years and older, working or actively seeking work. The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed expressed as a share of the total labor force.

Inland Empire/Desert Unemployment Rate Trend, June 2021 to June 2022



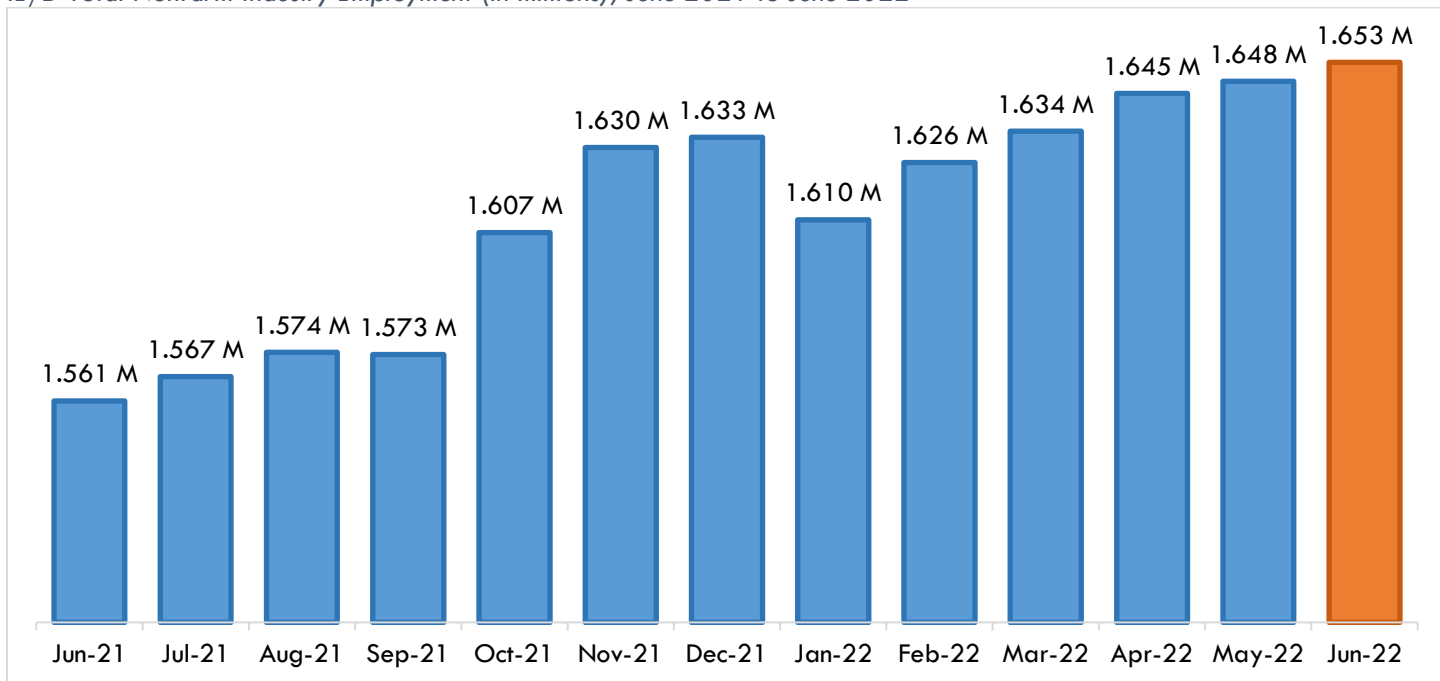
- In June 2022, the region's unemployment rate increased to 4%, up from a 21st-century low of 3.4% in May 2022. The unemployment rate was 8.4% one year ago, in June 2021.
 - Over the month, the region's total labor force decreased by 5,700 for a total of 2.148 million labor force participants. This indicates a regional decrease in the number of residents working or seeking work over the month.
 - The region's labor force has increased about 1% since before the COVID-19 pandemic (February 2020). Since March 2022 (the last three months), the labor force has contracted by 38,300 participants. Since March:
 - Employment (residents reporting work) decreased by 29,300.
 - Unemployment (residents actively seeking work and able to work) decreased by 9,000.
- Year-over (June 2021 and June 2022), employment increased by 133,200 residents, up by 6.9%, and unemployment fell by 92,200 (down by about 52%). The total labor force has raised by 40,900 residents, up by 1.9%.
- The region appears to be experiencing a decline in available workers. The precise reason for labor force exits is unknown at this time.

Industry Employment and Jobs

Industries are groups of employer establishments categorized by their primary business activity; what they produce, sell, or the services they provide. Regional nonfarm employers reported a total of 1.653 million jobs in June 2022. Employers reported a month-over increase of 5,200 nonfarm jobs, up 0.3%. Farm employers added 1,200 jobs, up 7.5%.

Year-over, from June 2021 to June 2022, nonfarm employers added 92,500 jobs, up 5.9% over the year. About half of the jobs added (about 46%) over the year we added the first six months of 2022, 43,000 jobs. Employment has increased by 2.7% during the first six months of 2022.

IE/D Total Nonfarm Industry Employment (in millions), June 2021 to June 2022



Notable month-over nonfarm job change was recorded in the following sectors:

- **Health care & social assistance** employers reported an unseasonable net increase of 2,700 jobs over the month, up 1.1%. The majority of the jobs added over the month, about 2,000 jobs, were in the social services sector. The social services subsector provides a wide variety of social assistance services directly to their clients, including individual and family services, community food and housing, vocational rehabilitation, and child day care services. Monthly data does not provide growth detail in this subsector.
 - Private health care employers reported a net increase of 700 jobs in June.
- **Administrative & support & waste services** employers added 2,300 jobs to their payrolls, up 2%.
 - About half of the growth in this sector was reported in the employment services (up 600 jobs) subsector and the services to buildings & dwellings (up 500 jobs) subsector.
- **Retail trade** payrolls increased by 2,100 jobs over the month, up 1.2%.
 - The general merchandise stores subsector boosted the sector by adding 500 jobs, up by 1.3%. The clothing store subsector added 200 jobs (up by 1.8%), and the food & beverage stores subsector added 300 jobs.
- **Arts, entertainment & recreation** businesses (think- live entertainment) slashed 1,600 jobs from their payrolls, down by 8.2%. While it is not unusual for this sector to report job losses this time of year, it is disappointing considering this sector was close to recovering its pre-COVID-19 employment job levels.
- **Other services** employers reported an unseasonal cut in employment by reporting 1,200 fewer jobs (down by 2.6%) over the month. This sector comprises small businesses that do not fit in the major other sectors; think personal services like barbershops, hair salons, laundry services, and independent maintenance and repair shops.

IE/D June 2022 Industry Sector Month-over, Year-over, and 2022 YTD job change

Industry Sector	June 2022 Jobs	Month-over Change (May-Jun 22)	Month-over % Change	Year-over Change (Jun21-Jun22)	Year-over Job % Change	First 6 Months of 2022-YTD Change	First 6 Months of 2022-YTD % Change
Farm	17,200	1,200	7.5%	2,000	13.2%	2,400	16.2%
Total Nonfarm	1,653,000	5,200	0.3%	92,500	5.9%	43,000	2.7%
Government	257,400	-200	-0.1%	13,100	5.4%	4,600	1.8%
Health Care & Social Assistance	244,300	2,700	1.1%	9,000	3.8%	7,800	3.3%
Transportation & Warehousing	210,100	1,100	0.5%	25,800	14%	-2,400	-1.1%
Retail Trade	181,300	2,100	1.2%	6,700	3.8%	-1,800	-1%
Accommodation & Food Services	161,500	0	0%	16,000	11%	13,500	9.1%
Administrative & Support & Waste Services	118,000	2,300	2%	5,100	4.5%	4,300	3.8%
Construction	111,000	0	0%	700	0.6%	7,400	7.1%
Manufacturing	99,400	200	0.2%	4,300	4.5%	4,400	4.6%
Wholesale Trade	69,600	-200	-0.3%	2,600	3.9%	1,400	2.1%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	48,400	600	1.3%	4,200	9.5%	3,000	6.6%
Other Services	44,400	-1,200	-2.6%	500	1.1%	700	1.6%
Finance & Insurance	23,800	-200	-0.8%	-300	-1.2%	-300	-1.2%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	22,800	200	0.9%	2,500	12.3%	1,800	8.6%
Educational Services	18,100	-800	-4.2%	1,400	8.4%	-600	-3.2%
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	17,900	-1,600	-8.2%	1,000	5.9%	-1,500	-7.7%
Information	10,000	0	0%	100	1%	300	3.1%

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Management of Companies & Enterprises	8,600	100	1.2%	-100	-1.1%	300	3.6%
Utilities	5,000	0	0%	-100	-2%	0	0%
Mining and Logging	1,400	100	7.7%	0	0%	100	7.7%

Mapping Summit Recap

To celebrate the first anniversary of the Inland Empire/Desert Region Career Education Map, an in-person Mapping Summit was convened on July 14th in downtown Riverside to discuss this vital resource's overwhelming success and future possibilities. Hosted by the Inland Empire/Desert Region Centers of Excellence, the K-14 TAP and K-12 Pathway Coordinators, and the San Bernardino County Superintendent



of Schools Alliance for Education, the goal of the mapping summit was to determine how to sustainably develop this resource and increase its value to a variety of audiences: <https://bit.ly/IECareerMap>.

Recognizing that the strength of the Inland Empire/Desert Region emanates from regional collaboration, the development of this resource relies heavily on the support and feedback from stakeholders. With 40 regional partners and stakeholders in attendance, the mapping team gained insights from a diverse group of users on how the map is currently used and how it could be tailored to address the needs of different audiences. The current iteration of the map has been utilized for action planning, curriculum alignment, locating regional program offerings and local employers, and finding connections between high school pathways and community college programs. Map development discussions concentrated on increasing the accessibility of this resource to audiences not currently using the map, as well as functionality improvements (search and filter features) and data elements that would increase the value of this resource to all audiences. The mapping summit determined that the resource's comprehensiveness could be improved by including additional career education partners, early college credit/articulation/dual enrollment opportunities, and apprenticeships.



Through regional support and collaboration, the mapping team is confident that the Career Education Map can become the foremost source for informing the alignment of community college and K-12 career education programs/pathways to regional high-quality employment opportunities.

We hope you are having a great summer ,

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