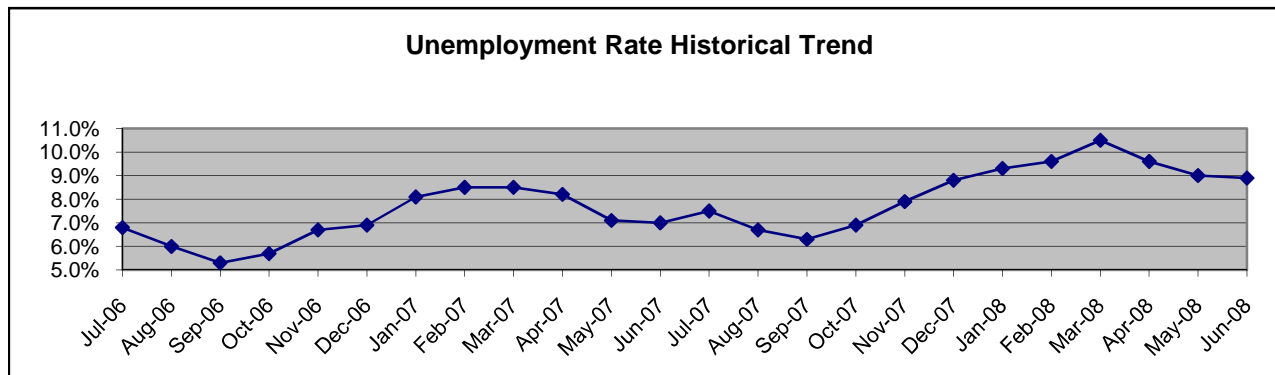


IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 MADERA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
 (Madera County)

The unemployment rate in Madera County was 8.9 percent in June 2008, down from a revised 9.0 percent in May 2008, but above the year-ago estimate of 7.0 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 7.0 percent for California and 5.7 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	May-2008	Jun-2008	Change		Jun-2007	Jun-2008	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total Jobs	45,400	46,500	1,100		47,600	46,500	(1,100)
Farm Jobs	9,400	10,600	1,200		12,200	10,600	(1,600)
Nonfarm Jobs	36,000	35,900	(100)		35,400	35,900	500
Natural Resources, Mining and Construction	2,000	2,000	0		2,400	2,000	(400)
Manufacturing	3,400	3,400	0		3,400	3,400	0
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	5,500	5,500	0		5,300	5,500	200
Information	500	500	0		600	500	(100)
Financial Activities	800	800	0		900	800	(100)
Professional and Business Services	3,000	3,000	0		2,900	3,000	100
Educational and Health Services	5,800	5,800	0		5,600	5,800	200
Leisure and Hospitality	2,900	3,000	100		2,900	3,000	100
Other Services	900	900	0		900	900	0
Government	11,200	11,000	(200)		10,500	11,000	500

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality. Data may not add due to rounding.

Labor Force data will be revised month to month

Additional data are available on-line at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov