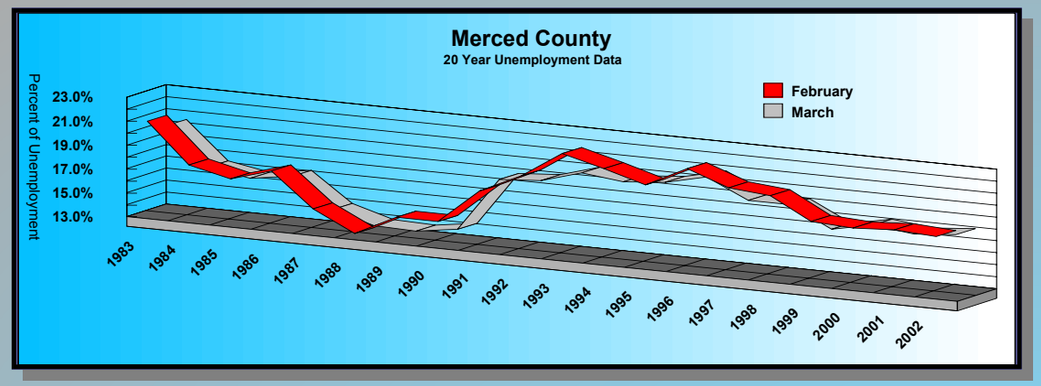

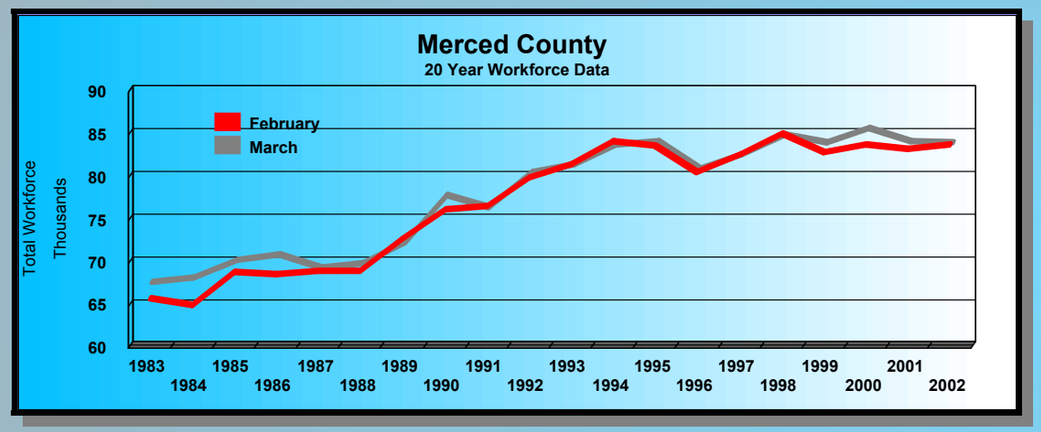

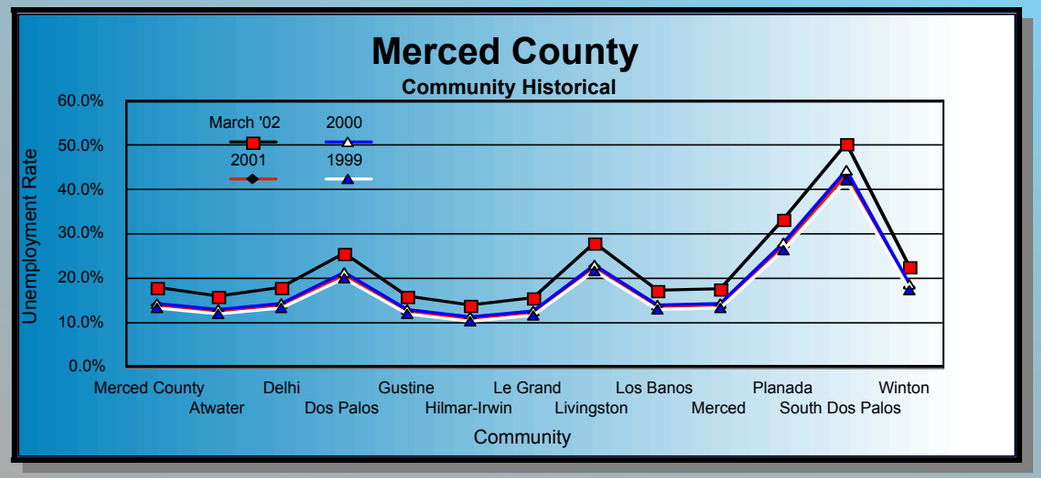

Employment Development Department Labor Market Summary

For the Month of: March 2002

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
MERCED COUNTY

California
Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

March 2001 Benchmark	Mar 01	Jan 02	Feb 02	Mar 02	Percent Change	
Data Not Adjusted for Seasonality			Revised	Prelim.	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	17,235,100	17,457,300	17,538,200	17,508,100	-0.2%	1.6%
Civilian Employment	16,381,000	16,261,700	16,389,600	16,369,300	-0.1%	-0.1%
Civilian Unemployment	854,100	1,195,500	1,148,500	1,138,800	-0.8%	33.3%
Civilian Unemployment Rate	5.0%	6.8%	6.5%	6.5%		
(CA Unemployment Rate)	5.0%	6.8%	6.5%	6.5%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.6%	6.3%	6.1%	6.1%		

County Data are for February 2002

Area Name	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment Number	Rate
Merced County	83,600	68,700	14,900	17.8%
Atwater - city	9,770	8,210	1,560	16.0%
Delhi - CDP	1,520	1,250	270	17.8%
Dos Palos - city	1,950	1,450	500	25.8%
Gustine - city	1,840	1,550	290	15.9%
Hilmar-Irwin - CDP	1,700	1,460	240	13.9%
Le Grand - CDP	500	420	80	15.6%
Livingston - city	4,010	2,890	1,120	27.9%
Los Banos - city	7,110	5,890	1,220	17.1%
Merced - city	25,370	20,890	4,480	17.7%
Planada - CDP	1,790	1,190	600	33.4%
South Dos Palos - CDP	570	280	290	50.6%
Winton - CDP	3,380	2,610	770	22.7%

LABOR FORCE DATA FOR SUB-COUNTY AREAS
(Data Not Seasonally Adjusted)
2001 BENCHMARK

Monthly sub-county data are derived by multiplying current estimates of county-wide employment and unemployment by the respective employment and unemployment shares (percentages) in each sub-county area at the time of the 1990 Census. Sub-county labor force is then obtained by summing employment and unemployment, and the result is divided into unemployment to calculate the unemployment rate. Based on Each Area's 1990 Census Share of County Employment and Unemployment

Note 1: Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; including self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers & workers on strike.

Note 2: Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers & workers on strike.

Merced County
Current Labor Force and Industry Employment & Unemployment Numbers

March 2001 Benchmark	Mar 01	Jan 02	Feb 02	Mar 02					
Data Not Adjusted for Seasonality			Revised	Prelim.					
Civilian Labor Force (1)	83,700	83,300	83,400	83,600					
Civilian Employment	69,000	68,200	68,200	68,700					
Civilian Unemployment	14,700	15,100	15,200	14,900					
Civilian Unemployment Rt.	17.5%	18.2%	18.2%	17.8%					
(CA Unemployment Rate)	5.0%	6.8%	6.5%	6.5%					
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	4.6%	6.3%	6.1%	6.1%	**Num**	**Unemp.**			
					Mar-01	Jan-02	Feb 02	Mar 02	
Total, All Industries	59,400	58,200	58,400	59,000	10,395	10,592	10,629	10,502	
Total Farm	8,200	7,200	7,200	7,500	1,435	1,310	1,310	1,335	
Farm Production	6,300	5,600	5,600	5,800	***1,103***	***1,019***	***1,019***	***1,032***	*
Farm Services	1,900	1,600	1,600	1,700	***333***	***291***	***291***	***303***	*
Total Nonfarm	51,200	51,000	51,200	51,500	8,960	9,282	9,318	9,167	
Goods Producing	12,500	11,300	11,300	11,400	2,188	2,057	2,057	2,029	
Construction & Mining	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300					
Manufacturing	10,200	9,000	9,000	9,100					
Durable Goods	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,700					
Nondurable Goods	8,400	7,300	7,300	7,400					
Food & Kindred Products	6,200	5,000	5,000	5,100					
Other Nondurable Goods	2,200	2,300	2,300	2,300					
Service Producing	38,700	39,700	39,900	40,100	6,773	7,225	7,262	7,138	
Transportation & Public Util.	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,800					
Transportation	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,400					
Communications & Public Util.	400	400	400	400					
Trade	12,200	12,500	12,400	12,400	2,135	2,275	2,257	2,207	
Wholesale Trade	1,700	1,800	1,800	1,800					
Retail Trade	10,500	10,700	10,600	10,600					
General Merchandise	1,400	1,600	1,600	1,600					
Food Stores	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800					
Eating & Drinking Places	3,700	3,700	3,600	3,600					
Other Retail Trade	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600					
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	1,500	1,600	1,600	1,600					
Finance	700	700	700	700					
Other Fin., Ins. & Real Estate	800	900	900	900					
Services	10,000	10,800	10,700	10,600	1,750	1,966	1,947	1,887	
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	400	400	400	400					
Business Services	1,500	1,700	1,600	1,500					
Amusement & Recreation Serv.	500	500	500	500					
Health Services	3,900	4,200	4,200	4,200					
Social Serv. & Member Orgn	1,700	1,900	1,900	1,900					
Other Services	2,000	2,100	2,100	2,100					
Government	13,300	13,100	13,500	13,700	2,328	2,384	2,457	2,439	
Federal Government	600	700	700	800					
State & Local Government	12,700	12,400	12,800	12,900	***2,223***	***2,257***	***2,330***	***2,296***	*
State Government	600	600	600	600					
Local Government	12,100	11,800	12,200	12,300	***2,118***	***2,148***	***2,220***	***2,189***	*
*For information only.									