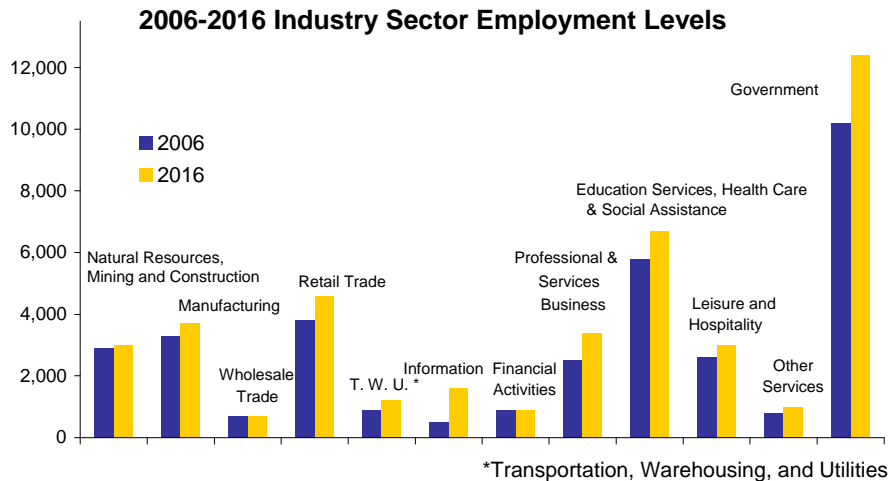


2006 – 2016 Madera County Projection Highlights

Total employment for Madera County, which includes Self-Employment, Unpaid Family Workers, Private Household Workers, Farm, and Nonfarm employment, is expected to reach 57,600 by 2016. The increase of 7,200 jobs represents a growth rate of just over 1.4 percent annually, which is slightly below the 1.5 percent annual growth projected for California during the same forecast period.

The Government sector is forecasted to generate the most employment during the outlook period with a gain of 2,200 jobs, due to increases primarily in Local Government. The Education Services, Health Care and Social Assistance and the Professional and Business Services sectors will each add 900 new jobs. Additionally, Retail Trade employment is expected to increase by about 800. Employment growth in these three industry sectors will account for over 36 percent of the new jobs in the county.



The Professional and Business Services sector is the fastest growing nonfarm industry sector, with an average annual growth rate of 3.6 percent. Other industry sectors such as Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities (3.3 percent), Other Services (2.5. percent), and Government (2.2 percent) will also exceed the 1.8 percent annual growth rate for all nonfarm employment in the county.

Occupational projections for the period 2006 to 2016 forecast:

- About 7,200 new jobs from industry growth,
- Approximately 11,000 job openings from Net Replacements,
- A combined total of nearly 18,200 job openings.

The 50 occupations with the most job openings are forecasted to generate 60 percent of all job openings in the county. Farmworkers and Laborers and Cashiers requiring short-term training are at the top of the list. Over half of the occupations on this list typically require short-term on-the-job training. Higher skilled occupations requiring an associate degree or higher include Teachers, Registered Nurses, and Agricultural Managers.

The 41 fastest growing occupations anticipate a growth rate that is at least equal to or higher than the county's 14.3 percent growth rate for the forecast period. Personal and Home Care Aides and Pharmacy Technicians are at the top of this list requiring short-term and moderate-term on-the-job training, respectively. Other fast growing occupations requiring moderate-term on-the-job training are Correctional Officers and Jailors, Medical Assistants, and Customer Service Representatives. Higher skilled occupations requiring a bachelor's degree or higher include Kindergarten Teachers, Elementary Teachers, and Probation Officers and Correctional Treatment Specialists.

