

# CALIFORNIA



**Highlights:**

56% of Non-Latino White population is over the age of 40 while 55% of the Latino population is under the age of 30 (See Figure 1).

50% of households in the state have an annual income below \$60,000 (See Figure 3).

In 2010 the state lost more than 1.25 million jobs, more than twice the total number of jobs lost between 1996 and 2009 (See Figure 6).

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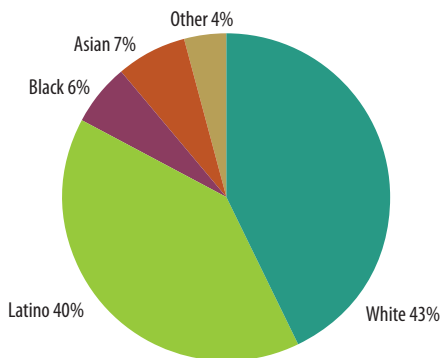
**ARE UNEMPLOYED\***  
\*OF THE LABOR FORCE

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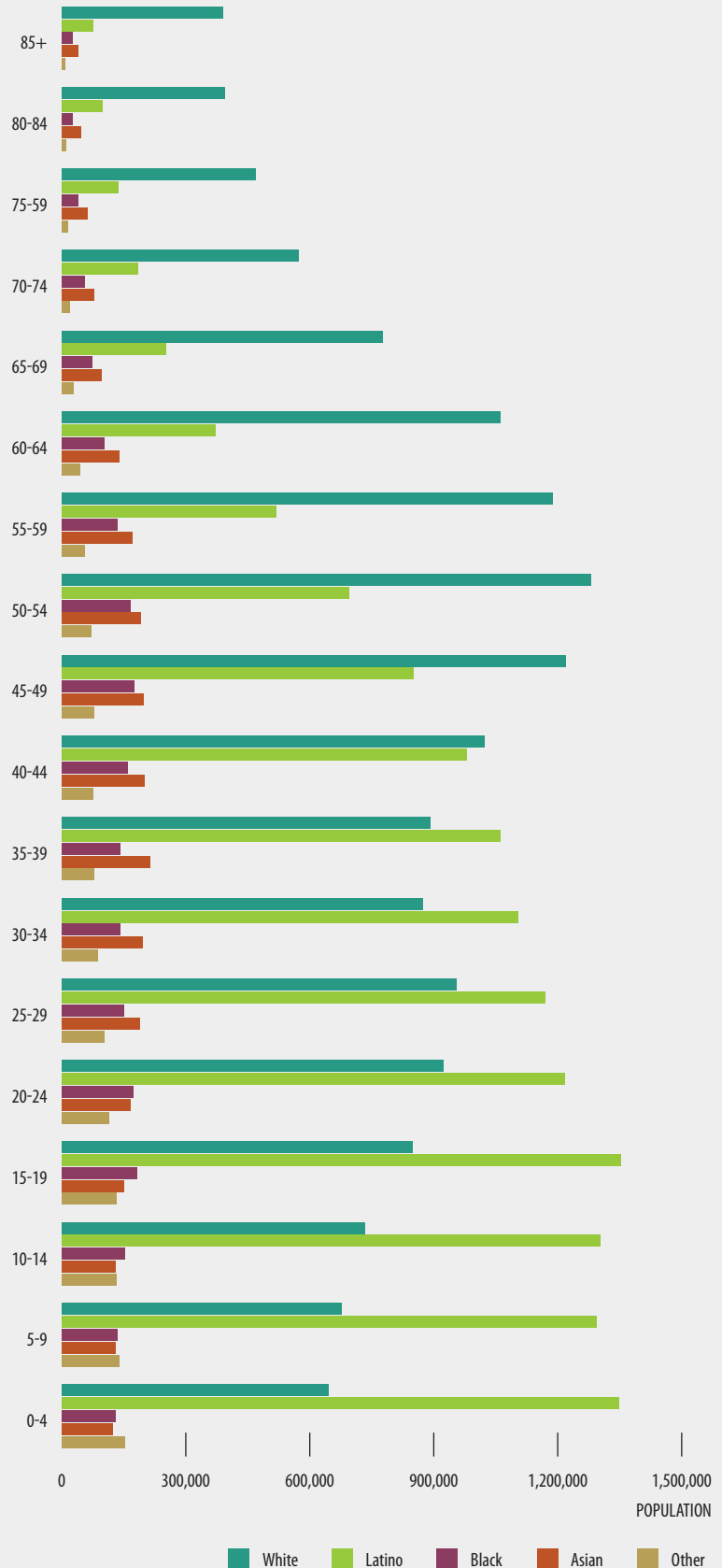
**LIVE BELOW\***  
**THE POVERTY LINE**  
\*excluding individuals living in group quarters

TOTAL

CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS  
**37,253,956**

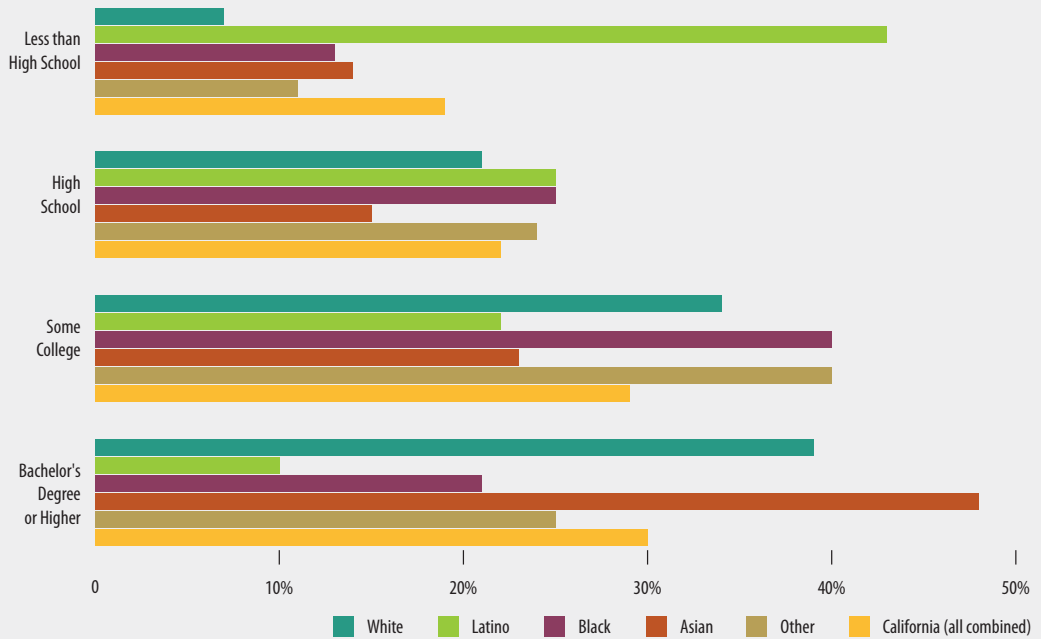


**FIGURE 1 POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS**  
Number of individuals in each age category, by race



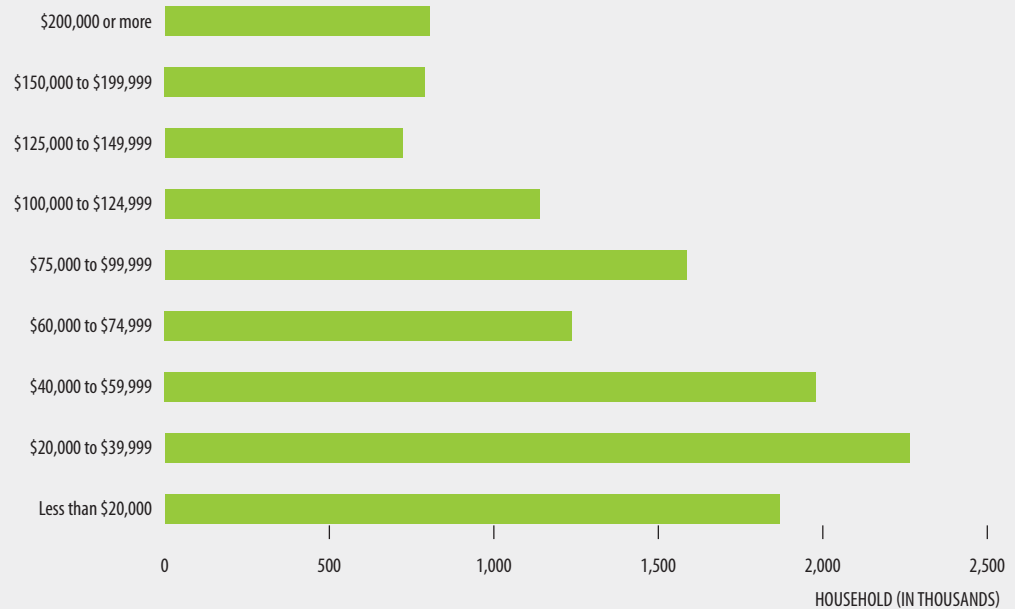
Source: 2006-2010 American Community, US Census

**FIGURE 2 EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY RACE AND ETHNICITY**  
 Percent of population 25 and older, by population category



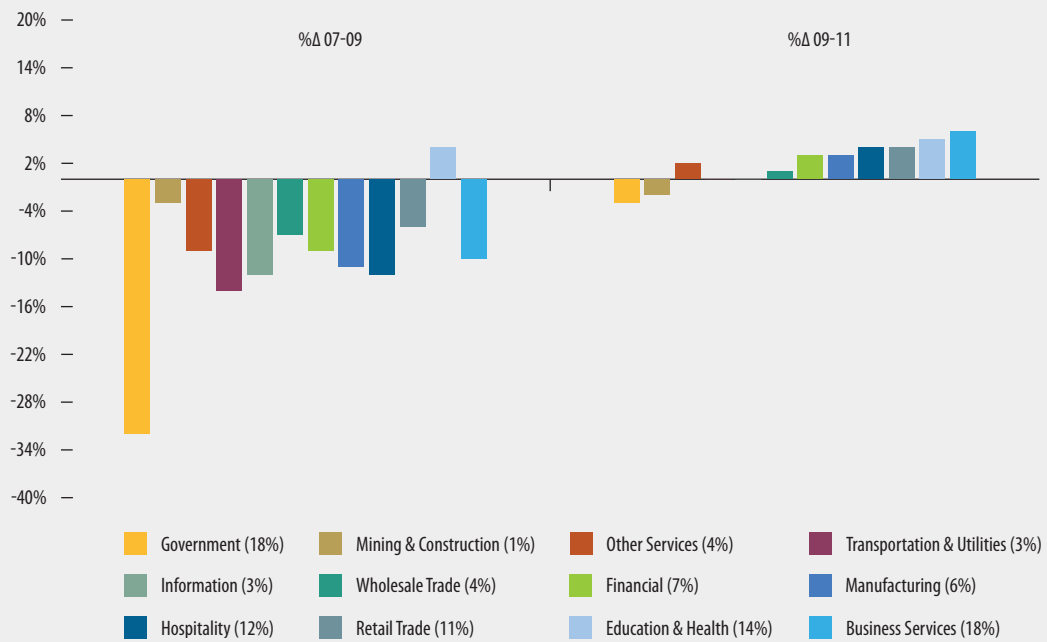
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**FIGURE 3 HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION**  
 Number of households in each income category



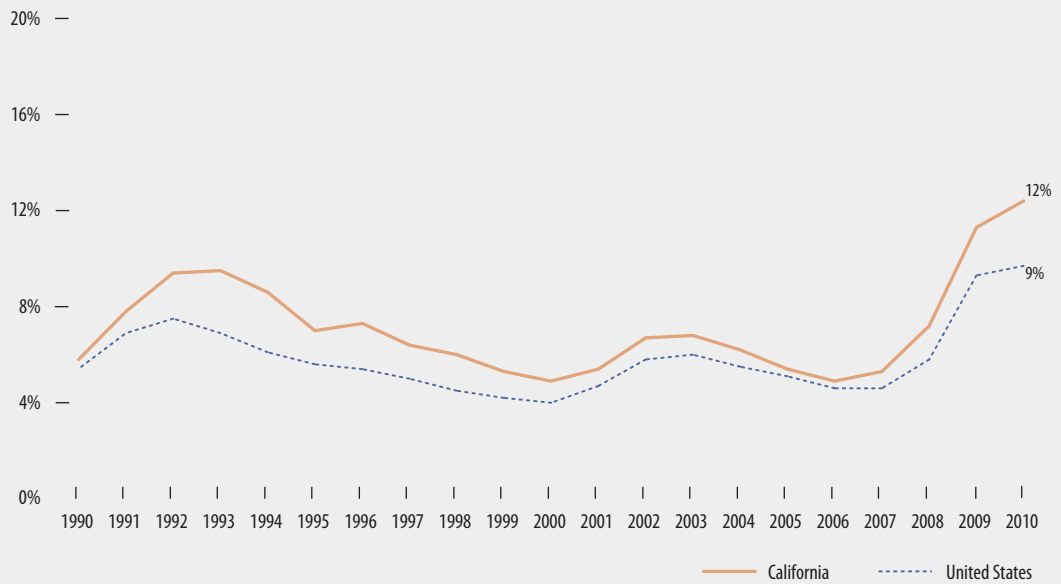
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**FIGURE 4 PERCENT CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR AND PERIOD**



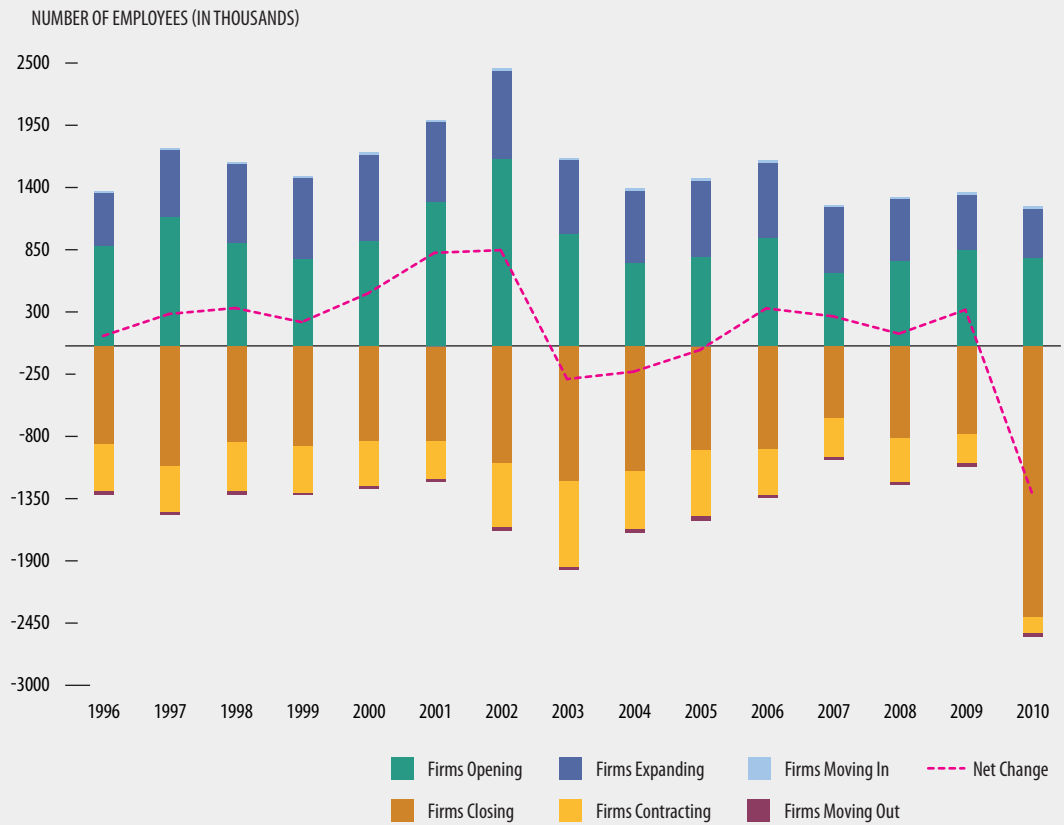
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics (CES) seasonally adjusted  
 Note: Number in parentheses is sector size by employment share.

**FIGURE 5 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**  
 Percent of unemployed



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey (CPS) and Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

**FIGURE 6** **JOBS GAINED AND LOST, BY SOURCE**  
 Number of jobs lost or gained annually



Source: National Establishment Time Series (NETS) database, Walls & Associates. Analysis: Collaborative Economics.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

The recent economic downturns hit California's economy significantly, with the unemployment rate in 2010 reaching 12%, the highest unemployment rate recorded in decades (see Figure 5). As of March 2012, California's unemployment rate was 11.5%.

The most affected sector in terms of the percent change in employment was Government, cutting down more than 30% of employment between 2007 and 2011 (See Figure 4).

Education and Health Services was the only sector that experienced a consistent increase in employment between 2007 and 2011 (See Figure 4).

**REGIONS**

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|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Bay Area      | Orange          | Sierra Nevada  |
| Butte         | Redwood Coast   | Silicon Valley |
| Fresno        | Sacramento      | Sonoma         |
| Inland Empire | San Diego       |                |
| Los Angeles   | San Luis Obispo |                |