

# Workforce Review

*A monthly review of labor market statistics and related information for Northern Santa Clara County*

*February 2003*

## *Did You Know?*

According to a recent State of California Labor Market study using payroll data to track job gains and losses over a three-year period, more than 300,000 new jobs are created in California in an average month! This dynamic job creation has typically been overshadowed by news of major layoffs, perhaps because these new jobs are created in small increments of one to ten. Fortunately, even with the news of massive layoffs appearing almost daily in the press, California is quietly being supported by an increasing pool of new jobs.

*Source: "Dynamic Job Gains and Losses in California," Labor Market Information Division  
<http://www.calmis.ca.gov/SpecialReports/Dynamic-Job-Gain-Loss-2003-1.pdf>*

## *Did You Know?*

The California Occupational Guides - a series of information sheets covering individual occupations or groups of related occupations and providing statewide information about job duties, working conditions, employment outlook, wages, benefits, entrance requirements, and training - are now being translated into Spanish! Currently, twenty-three occupations have been translated. To view these occupations, simply go to the California Occupational Guides web site (<http://www.calmis.cahwnet.gov/htmlfile/subject/guide.htm>) and select "Guías Sobre Vocaciones de California en inglés" or go directly to the Spanish language web site at <http://www.calmis.cahwnet.gov/htmlfile/subject/guide-es.htm>.

*Source: <http://www.calmis.cahwnet.gov/htmlfile/subject/guide.htm>,  
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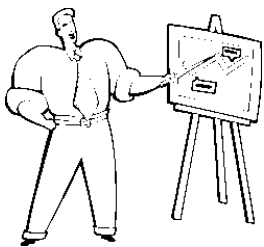
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Unemployment Rate	Feb. 2002	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2003 Preliminary	Percentage Change 02/02-02/03
Santa Clara County	8.0%	8.8%	8.5%	+ 0.5% (6.3% increase)
State of California	6.9%	7.1%	6.9%	0.0%
United States	6.1%	6.5%	6.4%	+ 0.3% (4.9% increase)

Labor Force	Feb. 2002	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2003 Preliminary	Percentage Change 02/02-02/03
Santa Clara County Total	975,400	938,200	930,400	-4.6%
Manufacturing Industry	210,000	191,100	189,200	-9.9%
Service Producing Industry	668,200	644,100	644,300	-3.6%



CalWORKS Caseload by Region	Jan. 2002 (# of households)	Jan. 2003 (# of households)	Change 1/02-1/03
<b>Santa Clara County</b>	10,749	12,107	+12.6%
Cupertino	42	59	+40.5%
Los Altos	16	6	-62.5%
Milpitas	305	360	+18.0%
Mountain View	152	204	+34.2%
Palo Alto	52	57	+9.6%
Santa Clara	239	454	+89.9%
Sunnyvale	267	313	+17.2%
<b>NOVA Service Delivery Area</b>	1,073	1,453	+35.4%

Note: The release of the quarterly CalWORKS caseload numbers were delayed, resulting in a temporary delay in reporting

## NOVA Rapid Response Activity – February 2003

Company	WARN*		City	# Affected	Cause
	Yes	No			
AMD (7)	X		Sunnyvale	200	RIF
Amersham Biosciences	X		Sunnyvale	161	RIF
Applied Materials, Inc. (4)	X		Santa Clara	48	RIF
Midway	X		Milpitas	113	RIF
National Semiconductor	X		Santa Clara	126	RIF
Nokia	X		Mountain View	39	Closure
Pioneer-Standard Electronics	X		Milpitas	68	Closure
SGI (2)	X		Mountain View	75	RIF
Space Systems/Loral (3)	X		Palo Alto	150	RIF
Confidential		X	Sunnyvale	55	RIF
Confidential		X	San Jose	125	RIF
Confidential		X	Cupertino	9	Closure
Confidential		X	Milpitas	61	RIF
				<b>1,230</b>	

The names of companies not filing a WARN notice are not listed to protect confidentiality.

Individuals Affected Year to Date\*\*: 9,074    WARN This Year to Date: 53    WARN Previous Year to Date: 39

\*WARN = Workers' Adjustment & Retraining Notification Act (notice of mass layoff or closure) \*\* "Year to Date" refers to fiscal year (7/1-6/30)