

STATE OF CALIFORNIA—HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

GRAY DAVIS, Governor

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



May 8, 2003

Mr. Dennis Stewart, Regional Director  
Western Region  
Food and Nutrition Service  
Food Stamp Program  
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San Francisco, California 94108-2518

Dear Mr. Stewart:

In accordance with 7 U.S.C. Section 2015 (o)(4)(i), California requests a partial state waiver from the work requirement for Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDs) where the unemployment rate exceeds 10 percent. The waiver period would be from June 1, 2003 through May 31, 2004.

Using federal waiver serial number 2020090, we wish to continue the full-county waiver in the counties of Fresno, Glenn, Kings, Madera, Stanislaus and Tulare. Additionally, we are requesting the counties of Merced, Monterey and Sierra be approved for full county waiver and included in our partial state waiver (see attached for unemployment rates).

In addition, we are requesting to continue the partial county waiver in the county of San Francisco for five sub-county areas/neighborhoods where the unemployment rate exceeds 10 percent using federal waiver serial number 2020090. The five sub-county areas include zip codes areas 94102, 94103, 94104, 94124, 94130. The unemployment rates were obtained from the State of California, Employment Development Department for calendar year 2002 (see enclosure).

If you have any questions please contact Gail Sullivan, Unit Manager, Employment Bureau, at (916) 654-1464.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Charr Lee Metsker'.

CHARR LEE METSKER, Chief  
Employment and Eligibility Branch

Enclosure

February 28, 2003

MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES  
ANNUAL AVERAGE 2002 (Revised); 2002 BENCHMARK  
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

| COUNTY          | RANK | LABOR FORCE | EMPLOYMENT | UNEMPLOYMENT | RATE  |
|-----------------|------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| STATE TOTAL     |      | 17,404,600  | 16,241,800 | 1,162,800    | 6.7%  |
| ALAMEDA         | 27   | 767,900     | 715,800    | 52,100       | 6.8%  |
| ALPINE          | 38   | 510         | 460        | 50           | 9.0%  |
| AMADOR          | 7    | 15,940      | 15,240     | 700          | 4.4%  |
| BUTTE           | 34   | 91,000      | 84,000     | 7,000        | 7.7%  |
| CALAVERAS       | 30   | 16,590      | 15,430     | 1,160        | 7.0%  |
| COLUSA          | 57   | 9,950       | 8,320      | 1,630        | 16.4% |
| CONTRA COSTA    | 14   | 523,800     | 496,700    | 27,100       | 5.2%  |
| DEL NORTE       | 40   | 9,620       | 8,730      | 890          | 9.2%  |
| EL DORADO       | 11   | 82,300      | 78,200     | 4,100        | 5.0%  |
| FRESNO          | 53   | 398,100     | 340,900    | 57,200       | 14.4% |
| GLENN           | 45   | 11,960      | 10,740     | 1,220        | 10.2% |
| HUMBOLDT        | 24   | 60,200      | 56,300     | 3,900        | 6.5%  |
| IMPERIAL        | 58   | 55,800      | 45,100     | 10,700       | 19.2% |
| INYO            | 21   | 7,460       | 7,020      | 440          | 5.9%  |
| KERN            | 49   | 297,100     | 262,000    | 35,100       | 11.8% |
| KINGS           | 55   | 47,950      | 40,980     | 6,970        | 14.5% |
| LAKE            | 36   | 25,330      | 23,200     | 2,130        | 8.4%  |
| LASSEN          | 25   | 11,710      | 10,930     | 780          | 6.7%  |
| LOS ANGELES     | 27   | 4,696,200   | 4,378,100  | 318,100      | 6.8%  |
| MADERA          | 50   | 56,600      | 49,400     | 7,200        | 12.7% |
| MARIN           | 2    | 134,400     | 129,100    | 5,300        | 4.0%  |
| MARIPOSA        | 20   | 8,840       | 8,330      | 510          | 5.8%  |
| MENDOCINO       | 31   | 44,370      | 41,190     | 3,180        | 7.2%  |
| MERCED          | 53   | 89,100      | 76,300     | 12,800       | 14.4% |
| MODOC           | 25   | 4,920       | 4,590      | 330          | 6.7%  |
| MONO            | 18   | 6,920       | 6,530      | 390          | 5.6%  |
| MONTEREY        | 46   | 198,600     | 177,700    | 20,900       | 10.5% |
| NAPA            | 5    | 70,200      | 67,200     | 3,000        | 4.3%  |
| NEVADA          | 8    | 48,510      | 46,320     | 2,190        | 4.5%  |
| ORANGE          | 3    | 1,560,700   | 1,496,100  | 64,600       | 4.1%  |
| PLACER          | 8    | 138,900     | 132,600    | 6,300        | 4.5%  |
| PLUMAS          | 38   | 10,120      | 9,210      | 910          | 9.0%  |
| RIVERSIDE       | 22   | 794,100     | 745,400    | 48,700       | 6.1%  |
| SACRAMENTO      | 15   | 643,100     | 608,200    | 34,900       | 5.4%  |
| SAN BENITO      | 43   | 27,810      | 25,030     | 2,780        | 10.0% |
| SAN BERNARDINO  | 19   | 852,800     | 804,300    | 48,500       | 5.7%  |
| SAN DIEGO       | 5    | 1,469,000   | 1,406,000  | 63,000       | 4.3%  |
| SAN FRANCISCO   | 32   | 423,000     | 392,100    | 30,900       | 7.3%  |
| SAN JOAQUIN     | 43   | 274,500     | 246,900    | 27,600       | 10.0% |
| SAN LUIS OBISPO | 1    | 122,700     | 118,500    | 4,200        | 3.4%  |
| SAN MATEO       | 11   | 382,700     | 363,500    | 19,200       | 5.0%  |
| SANTA BARBARA   | 4    | 206,000     | 197,300    | 8,700        | 4.2%  |
| SANTA CLARA     | 36   | 959,600     | 879,000    | 80,600       | 8.4%  |
| SANTA CRUZ      | 35   | 143,700     | 132,200    | 11,500       | 8.0%  |
| SHASTA          | 33   | 80,800      | 74,800     | 6,000        | 7.4%  |
| SIERRA          | 47   | 1,400       | 1,240      | 160          | 11.1% |
| SISKIYOU        | 42   | 17,620      | 15,890     | 1,730        | 9.8%  |
| SOLANO          | 16   | 210,700     | 199,100    | 11,600       | 5.5%  |
| SONOMA          | 8    | 266,600     | 254,600    | 12,000       | 4.5%  |

|            |    |         |         |        |       |
|------------|----|---------|---------|--------|-------|
| STANISLAUS | 48 | 216,600 | 191,800 | 24,800 | 11.4% |
| SUTTER     | 52 | 37,600  | 32,500  | 5,100  | 13.6% |
| TEHAMA     | 27 | 27,080  | 25,230  | 1,850  | 6.8%  |
| TRINITY    | 41 | 5,900   | 5,330   | 570    | 9.6%  |
| TULARE     | 56 | 175,200 | 148,000 | 27,200 | 15.5% |
| TUOLUMNE   | 23 | 21,730  | 20,350  | 1,380  | 6.4%  |
| VENTURA    | 16 | 425,700 | 402,500 | 23,200 | 5.5%  |
| YOLO       | 13 | 95,100  | 90,300  | 4,800  | 5.1%  |
| YUBA       | 51 | 21,800  | 18,900  | 2,900  | 13.2% |

## Notes:

- 1) The unemployment rate is calculated using unrounded data.
- 2) Due to the introduction of the 1990 Census population figures, the data for years prior to 1990 are not comparable with data for 1990 through 1999.

Effective with the release of January 2003 data in February 2003, labor force data for all areas have been revised back to January 2000. This revision is the result of incorporation of the 2000 Census population controls at the State level and changes in methodology. Therefore, data for years prior to 2000 are not comparable with data for 2000 and later years.

Source: State of California, Employment Development Department,  
Labor Market Information Division, (916) 262-2162

## City and County of San Francisco

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Subject: Participation in the ABAWD Work Requirement Waiver

Dear Bruce:

San Francisco County requests the extension of the work requirement waiver on the basis of high unemployment in certain San Francisco neighborhoods. The sub county areas/neighborhoods listed in the table below continue to have unemployment rates in excess of 10% for at least 12 consecutive months; therefore, the waiver is requested for Food Stamp recipients residing in these sub-county areas.

### UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FOR SELECTED ZIP CODES IN SAN FRANCISCO

| Zip Code | Sub-County Area/Neighborhood | Mar-02 | Apr-02 | May-02 | Jun-02 | Jul-02 | Aug-02 | Sep-02 | Oct-02 | Nov-02 | Dec-02 | Jan-03 | Feb-03 |
|----------|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 94102    | Tenderloin                   | 13.62% | 13.54% | 13.11% | 14.43% | 14.79% | 14.35% | 14.13% | 13.97% | 13.26% | 12.66% | 13.53% | 12.91% |
| 94103    | South of Market              | 17.21% | 17.11% | 16.60% | 18.19% | 18.62% | 18.09% | 17.83% | 17.64% | 16.78% | 16.05% | 17.10% | 16.35% |
| 94104    | East Chinatown               | 41.55% | 44.38% | 43.48% | 46.23% | 46.94% | 46.06% | 45.62% | 45.30% | 43.81% | 42.49% | 44.36% | 43.05% |
| 94124    | Bayview/Hunters Point        | 14.68% | 14.59% | 14.14% | 15.55% | 15.92% | 15.46% | 15.23% | 15.06% | 14.30% | 13.66% | 14.58% | 13.93% |
| 94130    | Treasure Island              | 12.99% | 12.91% | 12.50% | 13.77% | 14.11% | 13.69% | 13.48% | 13.33% | 12.65% | 12.07% | 12.90% | 12.31% |
| SF TOTAL |                              | 6.3%   | 6.8%   | 6.5%   | 7.1%   | 7.2%   | 7.0%   | 6.9%   | 6.9%   | 6.4%   | 6.6%   | 7.1%   | 6.8%   |
| NATIONAL |                              | 5.70%  | 5.90%  | 5.80%  | 5.80%  | 5.80%  | 5.80%  | 5.70%  | 5.80%  | 5.90%  | 6.00%  | 5.70%  | 5.80%  |