



California Competes Tax Credit List of High Poverty and High Unemployment Areas

Applicable to applications submitted March 4, 2024 – March 18, 2024

“High poverty area” means a city and/or county within California with a poverty rate of at least 150% of the California statewide poverty rate per the most recently updated data available from the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates thirty days prior to the first day of the applicable application period.

“High unemployment area” means a city and/or county within California with an unemployment rate of at least 150% of the California statewide unemployment rate per the most recently updated data available from the California Employment Development Department on <http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/> or the equivalent website thirty days prior to the first day of the applicable application period.

Cities with High Poverty

Alturas
 Anderson
 Arcata
 Arvin
 Avenal
 Banning
 Barstow
 Bell
 Bell Gardens
 Blue Lake
 Blythe
 Brawley
 Calexico
 California City
 Calipatria
 Chico
 Clearlake
 Coalinga
 Corcoran
 Crescent City
 Cudahy
 Davis
 Delano
 Desert Hot Springs
 Dinuba
 Dorris

El Cajon
 El Centro
 Eureka
 Exeter
 Farmersville
 Firebaugh
 Fort Bragg
 Fort Jones
 Fowler
 Fresno
 Grass Valley
 Guadalupe
 Holtville
 Huron
 Isleton
 Kerman
 King City
 Lindsay
 Loyalton
 Madera
 Maricopa
 Marysville
 Maywood
 McFarland
 Mendota
 Merced

Montague
 Mount Shasta
 Needles
 Orange Cove
 Oroville
 Parlier
 Point Arena
 Portola
 Red Bluff
 San Bernardino
 San Joaquin
 San Luis Obispo
 Santa Cruz
 Selma
 Shafter
 Sonora
 South El Monte
 Taft
 Tulelake
 Victorville
 Wasco
 Weed
 Westmorland
 Willows
 Woodlake
 Yreka

Counties with High Poverty

- Butte County
- Fresno County
- Humboldt County
- Imperial County
- Kern County
- Madera County
- Merced County
- Trinity County
- Tulare County

Cities with High Unemployment

Adelanto	El Centro	Pacific Grove
Alturas	Exeter	Porterville
Arcata	Farmersville	Portola
Arvin	Firebaugh	Reedley
Atwater	Fowler	Rio Vista
Avenal	Gustine	Salinas
Biggs	Holtville	San Joaquin
Brawley	Hughson	Sanger
Calexico	Huron	Santa Paula
California City	Imperial	Selma
Calipatria	Kerman	Soledad
Ceres	Lindsay	Sutter Creek
Clearlake	Livingston	Tehachapi
Coachella	Los Banos	Wasco
Coalinga	Madera	Watsonville
Colusa	Maricopa	Westmorland
Corcoran	McFarland	Williams
Crescent City	Mendota	Willits
Del Rey Oaks	Merced	Willows
Delano	Needles	Woodlake
Dinuba	Newman	Yuba City
Dos Palos	Oakdale	
Dunsmuir	Orange Cove	

Counties with High Unemployment

Colusa County
Fresno County
Imperial County
Kern County
Kings County
Madera County
Merced County
Modoc County
Monterey County
Plumas County
Sutter County
Tulare County