

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

Applicable to applications submitted July 21, 2025 – August 11, 2025

"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 Desert Hot Springs Merced Anderson Dinuba Montague Dorris Needles Arcata Arvin El Cajon Orange Cove **Atwater** El Centro Oroville Etna Parlier Avenal Banning Farmersville Portola **Barstow** Firebaugh Reedlev

BellFort JonesSan BernardinoBell GardensFowlerSan JoaquinBlue LakeFresnoSan Luis Obispo

Blythe Grass Valley Selma
Brawley Guadalupe Shafter
Calexico Huron Sonora

California City Isleton South El Monte

CalipatriaKermanTulareChicoKing CityTulelakeChowchillaLindsayVictorvilleClearlakeLoyaltonWascoCoalingaMaderaWeed

CorcoranMarysvilleWestmorlandCrescent CityMaywoodWoodlakeCudahyMcFarlandYreka

Davis Mendota

Counties with High Poverty

Butte County
Fresno County
Humboldt County
Imperial County
Kern County
Madera County
Merced County
Modoc County
Trinity County

Cities with High Unemployment

Alturas Farmersville Parlier
Arvin Firebaugh Patterson
Atwater Fowler Porterville
Avenal Guadalupe Portola

Biggs Gustine Rancho Mirage Holtville Red Bluff Brawley Calabasas Huron Reedley Calexico Rio Vista **Imperial** California City Industry Riverbank Isleton Salinas

Calipatria Ceres Kerman San Joaquin Clearlake King City Sanger Coachella Selma Lindsay Coalinga Live Oak Soledad Colfax Sutter Creek Livingston Colusa Los Banos Tehachapi Madera Wasco Corcoran

Crescent City Maricopa Watsonville

Del Rey Oaks McFarland Westmorland

Delano Mendota Williams

Dipuba Marcod Willows

Dinuba Merced Willows
Dos Palos Needles Woodlake
Dunsmuir Newman Yuba City

Oakdale

Exeter Orange Cove

El Centro

Counties with High Unemployment

Alpine County

Colusa County

Fresno County

Imperial County

Kern County

Kings County

Merced County

Sutter County

Tulare County