

Data Sources

California Employment Development Department (EDD), Labor Market Information Division (LMID)

[Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages \(QCEW\)](http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/qcew/cew-select.asp) Program, 2010 (2nd Quarter 2010 through 1st Quarter 2011) – 2015 (2nd Quarter 2014 through 1st Quarter 2015)
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The Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program, also known as the ES-202 Program, is a Federal-State cooperative program operated by the Employment Development Department's (EDD) Labor Market Information Division (LMID). The EDD staff compiles the data from reports filed by employers each quarter. The QCEW Program produces a comprehensive tabulation of employment and wage information for workers covered by California Unemployment Insurance (UI) laws and Federal workers covered by the Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) program. More information about the program can be found at the Labor Market Information Division website.

U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)

[Employment Concentration](http://data.bls.gov/location_quotient/ControllerServlet), 2015
(http://data.bls.gov/location_quotient/ControllerServlet)

The Employment Concentration, or Location Quotient (LQ), is calculated using data from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program. The quotient compares regional employment concentration to the national or statewide employment concentration. The resultant measure is a ratio called "location quotient" that indicates the level of specialization of the industry within the selected geographic area. The LQ is used to indicate the extent to which the local economy is importing, self-sufficient, or exporting goods and services.



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Golden Sierra Industry Clusters of Opportunity (2010-2015)

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