





**HIGHLIGHTS** 

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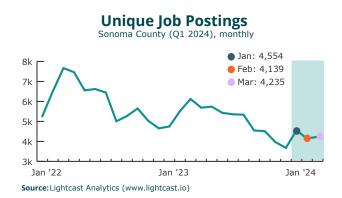
unique job postings from January 2024 to March 2024 (O1) 4.2% unemployment rate in March 2024

Source: Lightcast Analytics (www.lightcast.io)

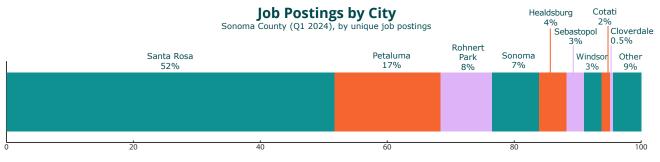
6%

job growth by 2029

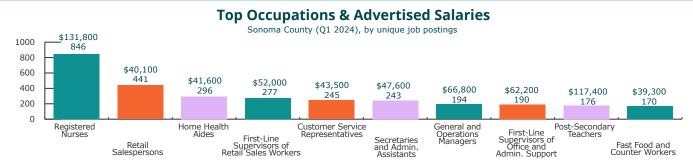
**JOB POSTINGS & SALARY** 



# Sonoma County (Q1 2024), by unique job postings PhD 2% Master's 7% Bachelor's 18% No Edu. Listed 57% Associate 7% High School or GED 22%



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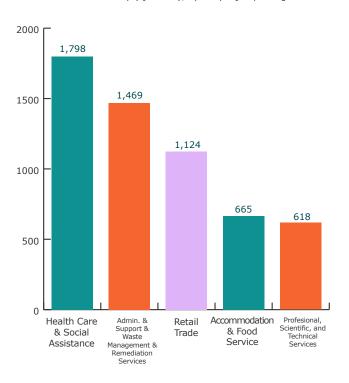


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### **INDUSTRIES & EMPLOYERS**

# **Top Industries**

Sonoma County (Q1 2024), by unique job postings



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# **TOP SKILLS**

SPECIALIZED SKILLS	% OF JOB POSTINGS
MERCHANDISING	7%
MARKETING	6%
NURSING	5%
AUDITING	5%
RESTAURANT OPERATIONS	5%

LARGEST EMPLOYERS IN SONOMA COUNTY	
PROVIDENCE	
COUNTY OF SONOMA	
SANTA ROSA JUNIOR COLLEGE	
KAISER PERMANENTE	
SUTTER HEALTH	
MAXIM HEALTHCARE STAFFING	
STAR STAFFING	
SAFEWAY	
STARBUCKS	
GPAC	

COMMON SKILLS	% OF JOB POSTINGS
COMMUNICATIONS	34%
CUSTOMER SERVICE	29%
MANAGEMENT	23%
SALES	18%
OPERATIONS	16%

# TOP CERTIFICATIONS

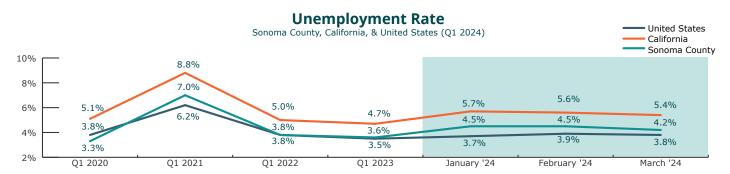
1. Valid Driver's License

2. Registered Nurse (RN)

3. Basic Life

**4.** Cardiopulmonary Support (BLS) Resuscitation (CPR)

5. Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)



Source: California Economic Development Department (www.edd.ca.gov), Bureau of Labor Statistics (ww.bls.gov)

# **Population Characteristics**

- 35.8% of the workforce is nearing or in retirement (ages 55 and up).
- 19.0% of the population are Millennials (ages 27-45).

#### Outlook

- Job growth projected to increase by 6% in the next 5 years.
- The population is expected to decrease by 3% (16,514) between 2024 and 2029.

#### **METHODOLOGY & SOURCES**

This report offers a snapshot of the job market in Sonoma County during the First Quarter (January, February, March) of the calendar year. Data from unique job postings is collected by Lightcast Analytics, including: top employers, occupational groups, job postings, median annual salaries, largest employers, top skills and certifications. Lightcast is unable to access any non-publicly posted jobs, so data may not reflect the hiring demands of all Sonoma County employers. Labor market information was compiled from the California EDD and the BLS. Historical unemployment rates represent the average unemployment rate of the 3 months making up the quarter.

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