



# CALIFORNIA

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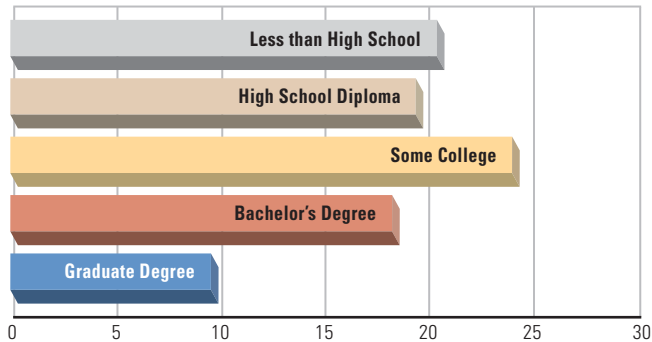
**Population 2009:** 36,727,755 **Population growth forecast 2009-2013:** 4.46% **Median household income:** \$57,447

Employment by  
Majority-Owned U.S. Affiliates of  
Foreign Firms in 2007: **605,600**  
Percent of Total State  
Employment: **4.6**

Median Hourly Wage for  
Production Occupations: **\$13.00**  
Right-to-work state? **NO**

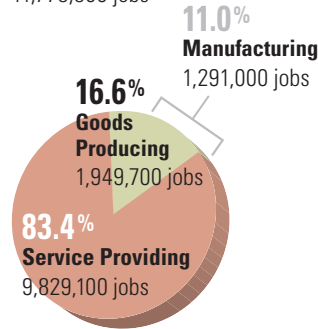
U.S. Recovery Act Highlight:  
California Green Workforce  
Training Program  
**\$20 million**

## Work Force Education by Percentage



## Private Sector Employment

11,778,800 jobs



## Legislative Update

- In November, the state launched a new site certification program, the California Air Resources Board released a draft of the nation's first cap-and-trade program, and an \$11-billion water infrastructure plan was passed.
- The state insurance commissioner twice rejected a request to raise the workers' compensation rate.
- Effective April 1, 2009, California's minimum sales tax increased to 8.25

percent.

- The Commission on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Economy ([www.cotce.ca.gov](http://www.cotce.ca.gov)) submitted its recommendations to improve the state's tax system.
- In October, 34 recipients divided \$27 million in grants in the first phase of the California Clean Energy Workforce Training Program (CEWTP), the largest state-sponsored green jobs training program in the nation.