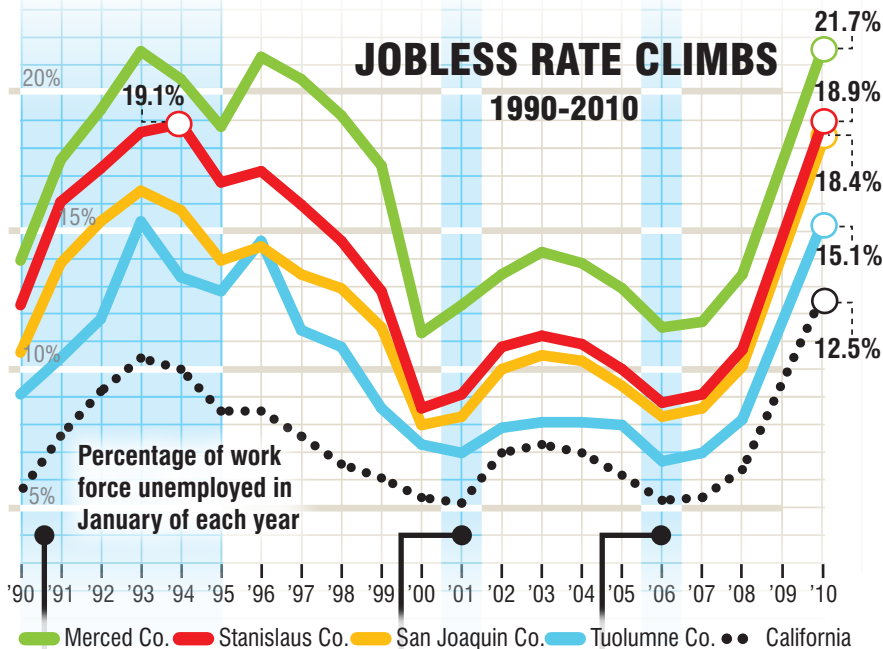


JOBLESS RATE CLIMBS

1990-2010



Early 1990s: A national recession drove up the jobless rate in and near Stanislaus County, compounding the usual winter lull in farm and cannery jobs.

2001: Another recession brought job losses, but they were less than in the past because of the region's diversifying economy.

2006: The end to the region's housing boom reduced jobs in construction and related fields. The situation worsened in 2008 and 2009 because of the recession and trouble in financial markets.