

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
FOR TEXAS COUNTIES - DEC '95

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AREA	C.L.F.	EMP.	UNEMP.	RATE	AREA	C.L.F.	EMP.	UNEMP.	RATE
ANDERSON	19,910	18,654	1,256	6.3	DONLEY	1,746	1,667	79	4.5
ANDREWS	5,766	5,480	286	5.0	DUVAL	4,733	4,107	626	13.2
ANGELINA	34,651	32,791	1,860	5.4	EASTLAND	8,339	7,848	491	5.9
ARANSAS	8,616	8,072	544	6.3	ECTOR	61,335	57,057	4,278	7.0
ARCHER	4,149	3,977	172	4.1	EDWARDS	965	883	82	8.5
ARMSTRONG	917	891	26	2.8	EL PASO	285,138	254,031	31,107	10.9
ATASCOSA	15,806	15,074	732	4.6	ELLIS	48,620	46,137	2,483	5.1
AUSTIN	10,702	10,322	380	3.6	ERATH	15,903	15,217	686	4.3
BAILEY	3,733	3,478	255	6.8	FALLS	7,389	7,030	359	4.9
BANDERA	6,270	5,931	339	5.4	FANNIN	12,048	11,112	936	7.8
BASTROP	23,982	23,091	891	3.7	FAYETTE	10,305	9,920	385	3.7
BAYLOR	1,862	1,732	130	7.0	FISHER	1,987	1,898	89	4.5
BEE	9,124	8,332	792	8.7	FLOYD	3,429	3,174	255	7.4
BELL	92,263	87,521	4,742	5.1	FOARD	1,096	1,055	41	3.7
BEXAR	656,408	623,927	32,481	4.9	FT BEND	143,327	138,159	5,168	3.6
BLANCO	3,418	3,319	99	2.9	FRANKLIN	3,794	3,468	326	8.6
BORDEN	384	367	17	4.4	FREESTONE	7,524	7,038	486	6.5
BOSQUE	6,511	6,164	347	5.3	FRIO	6,515	5,841	674	10.3
BOWIE	40,172	36,954	3,218	8.0	GAINES	6,725	6,429	296	4.4
BRAZORIA	103,783	96,725	7,058	6.8	GALVESTON	123,843	114,181	9,662	7.8
BRAZOS	69,752	67,475	2,277	3.3	GARZA	2,035	1,922	113	5.6
BREWSTER	5,123	4,887	236	4.6	GILLESPIE	10,169	9,991	178	1.8
BRISCOE	953	895	58	6.1	GLASSCOCK	692	673	19	2.7
BROOKS	3,275	2,897	378	11.5	GOLIAD	2,820	2,640	180	6.4
BROWN	16,859	15,728	1,131	6.7	GONZALES	7,650	7,306	344	4.5
BURLESON	7,832	7,430	402	5.1	GRAY	11,203	10,573	630	5.6
BURNET	10,840	10,270	570	5.3	GRAYSON	47,300	44,751	2,549	5.4
CALDWELL	14,900	14,298	602	4.0	GREGG	57,273	53,119	4,154	7.3
CALHOUN	9,698	8,882	816	8.4	GRIMES	8,809	8,385	424	4.8
CALLAHAN	6,013	5,712	301	5.0	GUADALUPE	37,596	36,286	1,310	3.5
CAMERON	125,771	110,104	15,667	12.5	HALL	17,313	16,187	1,126	6.5
CAMP	5,008	4,608	400	8.0	HALL	2,223	2,091	132	5.9
CARSON	3,717	3,520	197	5.3	HAMILTON	3,740	3,593	147	3.9
CASS	14,640	13,302	1,338	9.1	HANSFORD	2,469	2,358	111	4.5
CASTRO	4,299	4,020	279	6.5	HARDEMAN	2,182	2,002	180	8.2
CHAMBERS	10,699	10,098	601	5.6	HARDIN	20,893	19,038	1,855	8.9
CHEROKEE	19,292	18,113	1,179	6.1	HARRIS	1,712,616	1,612,342	100,274	5.9
CHILDRESS	3,535	3,369	166	4.7	HARRISON	27,349	25,028	2,321	8.5
CLAY	4,716	4,502	214	4.5	HARTLEY	2,281	2,195	86	3.8
COCHRAN	1,529	1,450	79	5.2	HASKELL	2,994	2,903	91	3.0
COKE	1,479	1,450	29	2.0	HAYS	43,957	42,473	1,484	3.4
COLEMAN	4,003	3,678	325	8.1	HEMPHILL	1,737	1,691	46	2.6
COLLIN	188,771	182,132	6,639	3.5	HENDERSON	27,701	25,840	1,861	6.7
COLLINGSWO	1,776	1,721	55	3.1	HIDALGO	189,409	151,386	38,023	20.1
COLORADO	8,287	7,998	289	3.5	HILL	14,223	13,436	787	5.5
COMAL	31,120	29,789	1,331	4.3	HOCKLEY	12,637	12,031	606	4.8
COMANCHE	6,733	6,365	368	5.5	HOOD	14,748	13,850	898	6.1
CONCHO	1,441	1,359	82	5.7	HOPKINS	16,318	15,377	941	5.8
COOKE	15,266	14,457	809	5.3	HOUSTON	7,784	7,464	320	4.1
CORYELL	21,341	20,278	1,063	5.0	HOWARD	13,868	13,262	606	4.4
COTTLE	949	889	60	6.3	HUDSPETH	1,423	1,397	26	1.8
CRANE	2,141	2,045	96	4.5	HUNT	34,900	32,989	1,911	5.5
CROCKETT	1,890	1,789	101	5.3	HUTCHISON	10,498	9,750	748	7.1
CROSBY	3,338	3,121	217	6.5	IRION	897	851	46	5.1
CULBERSON	1,352	1,220	132	9.8	JACK	3,267	3,120	147	4.5
DALLAM	3,282	3,183	99	3.0	JACKSON	8,358	7,985	373	4.5
DALLAS	1,183,695	1,125,828	57,867	4.9	JASPER	15,393	13,585	1,808	11.7
DAWSON	6,400	5,986	414	6.5	JEFF DAVIS	1,061	1,008	53	5.0
DE WITT	8,367	7,968	399	4.8	JEFFERSON	118,718	107,675	11,043	9.3
DEAF SMITH	9,120	8,482	638	7.0	JIM HOGG	1,893	1,710	183	9.7
DELTA	2,481	2,361	120	4.8	JIM WELLS	16,548	14,924	1,624	9.8
DENTON	194,332	187,222	7,110	3.7	JOHNSON	52,967	50,746	2,221	4.2
DICKENS	1,052	922	130	12.4	JONES	9,102	8,717	385	4.2
DIMMIT	3,435	2,877	558	16.2	KARNES	5,186	4,876	310	6.0

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KAUFMAN	28,031	26,765	1,266	4.5	REAGAN	2,042	1,866	176	8.6
KENDALL	10,610	10,278	332	3.1	REAL	1,103	1,007	96	8.7
KENEDY	242	230	12	5.0	RED RIVER	5,778	5,318	460	8.0
KENT	373	359	14	3.8	REEVES	6,561	5,762	799	12.2
KERR	16,871	16,361	510	3.0	REFUGIO	3,182	3,038	144	4.5
KIMBLE	2,258	2,179	79	3.5	ROBERTS	547	542	5	.9
KING	163	156	7	4.3	ROBERTSON	6,638	6,210	428	6.4
KINNEY	1,168	1,089	79	6.8	ROCKWALL	17,497	16,978	519	3.0
KLEBERG	13,770	12,783	987	7.2	RUNNELS	5,466	5,298	168	3.1
KNOX	2,415	2,275	140	5.8	RUSK	20,313	18,871	1,442	7.1
LA SALLE	2,718	2,451	267	9.8	SABINE	3,685	3,310	375	10.2
LAMAR	22,262	20,587	1,675	7.5	SAN AUGUST	3,013	2,813	200	6.6
LAMB	6,719	6,310	409	6.1	SAN JACINT	8,532	8,157	375	4.4
LAMPASAS	6,998	6,562	436	6.2	SAN PATRIC	27,459	24,816	2,643	9.6
LAVACA	9,691	9,417	274	2.8	SAN SABA	2,304	2,222	82	3.6
LEE	7,296	7,014	282	3.9	SCHLEICHER	1,350	1,239	111	8.2
LEON	5,583	5,164	419	7.5	SCURRY	8,218	7,862	356	4.3
LIBERTY	25,649	23,376	2,273	8.9	SHACKELFOR	1,544	1,496	48	3.1
LIMESTONE	9,588	8,943	645	6.7	SHELBY	10,096	9,357	739	7.3
LIPSCOMB	1,607	1,532	75	4.7	SHERMAN	1,401	1,336	65	4.6
LIVE OAK	5,232	4,979	253	4.8	SMITH	83,266	78,142	5,124	6.2
LLANO	4,660	4,477	183	3.9	SOMERVELL	2,300	2,038	262	11.4
LOVING	103	84	19	18.4	STARR	22,569	14,543	8,026	35.6
LUBBOCK	121,315	116,098	5,217	4.3	STEPHENS	4,196	3,977	219	5.2
LYNN	3,405	3,186	219	6.4	STERLING	789	758	31	3.9
MADISON	4,246	4,085	161	3.8	STONEWALL	829	750	79	9.5
MARION	4,209	3,752	457	10.9	SUTTON	2,087	2,003	84	4.0
MARTIN	2,066	2,013	53	2.6	SWISHER	4,130	3,935	195	4.7
MASON	1,567	1,492	75	4.8	TARRANT	718,710	685,859	32,851	4.6
MATAGORDA	17,168	14,742	2,426	14.1	TEYLER	59,791	56,547	3,244	5.4
MAVERICK	19,048	13,012	6,036	31.7	TERRILL	550	516	34	6.2
MC CULLOCH	3,684	3,472	212	5.8	TERRY	6,392	6,033	359	5.6
MC LENNAN	101,015	96,086	4,929	4.9	THROCKMORT	985	932	53	5.4
MC MULLEN	298	291	7	2.3	TITUS	12,403	11,342	1,061	8.6
MEDINA	13,361	12,860	501	3.7	TOM GREEN	50,387	47,891	2,496	5.0
MENARD	1,079	1,033	46	4.3	TRAVIS	442,798	426,382	16,416	3.7
MIDLAND	59,325	56,547	2,778	4.7	TRINITY	4,853	4,605	248	5.1
MILAM	9,728	9,088	640	6.6	TYLER	6,767	6,170	597	8.8
MILLS	2,311	2,200	111	4.8	UPSHUR	15,467	14,423	1,044	6.7
MITCHELL	3,983	3,764	219	5.5	UPTON	1,962	1,873	89	4.5
MONTAGUE	7,418	6,978	440	5.9	UVALDE	10,462	9,319	1,143	10.9
MONTGOMERY	108,103	103,212	4,891	4.5	VAL VERDE	19,057	16,930	2,127	11.2
MOORE	9,525	9,128	397	4.2	VAN ZANDT	19,022	18,141	881	4.6
MORRIS	6,060	5,485	575	9.5	VICTORIA	43,332	40,750	2,582	6.0
MOTLEY	813	770	43	5.3	WALKER	22,031	21,309	722	3.3
NACOGDOCHE	26,920	25,695	1,225	4.6	WALLER	11,350	10,857	493	4.3
NAVARRO	21,822	20,489	1,333	6.1	WARD	4,670	4,372	298	6.4
NEWTON	6,044	5,325	719	11.9	WASHINGTON	14,188	13,649	539	3.8
NOLAN	7,666	7,132	534	7.0	WEBB	70,190	60,304	9,886	14.1
NUECES	148,320	135,573	12,747	8.6	WHARTON	18,532	17,285	1,247	6.7
OCHILTREE	4,594	4,399	195	4.2	WHEELER	2,595	2,518	77	3.0
OLDHAM	1,176	1,137	39	3.3	WICHITA	60,991	58,210	2,781	4.6
ORANGE	41,111	36,374	4,737	11.5	WILBARGER	7,298	6,963	335	4.6
PALO PINTO	12,212	11,146	1,066	8.7	WILLACY	7,358	5,832	1,526	20.7
PANOLA	8,193	7,250	943	11.5	WILLIAMSON	106,316	103,557	2,759	2.6
PARKER	35,611	34,085	1,526	4.3	WILSON	12,344	11,944	400	3.2
PARMER	4,426	4,212	214	4.8	WINKLER	3,098	2,872	226	7.3
PECOS	7,227	6,765	462	6.4	WISE	19,610	18,688	922	4.7
POLK	14,439	13,537	902	6.2	WOOD	14,454	13,621	833	5.8
POTTER	54,627	51,555	3,072	5.6	YOAKUM	3,889	3,692	197	5.1
PRESIDIO	3,330	2,064	1,266	38.0	YOUNG	8,579	7,898	681	7.9
RAINS	3,211	3,040	171	5.3	ZAPATA	3,869	3,486	383	9.9
RANDALL	58,683	56,781	1,902	3.2	ZAVALA	4,469	3,403	1,066	23.9

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**CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS**

	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94
ABILENE									
Total Civilian Labor Force	59,700	59,600	58,300	113,300	112,700	108,800	632,000	631,100	595,400
Total Unemployment	3,200	3,000	2,400	5,000	4,600	4,100	22,200	19,300	19,200
Percent Unemployed	5.4%	5.0%	4.1%	4.4%	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%	3.1%	3.2%
Total Employment++	56,500	56,600	55,900	108,300	108,100	104,700	609,800	611,800	576,200
AMARILLO									
Total Civilian Labor Force	180,700	180,400	179,400	103,800	104,900	106,200	125,800	126,300	119,000
Total Unemployment	17,600	17,100	15,500	7,100	7,200	6,900	15,700	15,800	12,900
Percent Unemployed	9.7%	9.5%	8.6%	6.8%	6.9%	6.5%	12.5%	12.5%	10.8%
Total Employment++	163,100	163,300	163,900	96,700	97,700	99,300	110,100	110,500	106,100
AUSTIN-SAN MARCOS									
Total Civilian Labor Force	69,800	70,700	71,800	175,800	176,200	175,000	1,723,600	1,721,800	1,687,500
Total Unemployment	2,300	2,100	2,300	15,400	15,000	14,200	79,700	76,800	76,500
Percent Unemployed	3.3%	3.0%	3.2%	8.8%	8.5%	8.1%	4.6%	4.5%	4.5%
Total Employment++	67,500	68,600	69,500	160,400	161,200	160,800	1,643,900	1,645,000	1,611,000
BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR									
Total Civilian Labor Force	285,100	286,900	282,500	822,000	825,000	801,600	123,900	124,100	122,000
Total Unemployment	31,100	33,800	24,300	37,500	37,900	40,000	9,700	9,300	9,000
Percent Unemployed	10.9%	11.8%	8.6%	4.6%	4.6%	5.0%	7.8%	7.5%	7.4%
Total Employment++	254,000	253,100	258,200	784,500	787,100	761,600	114,200	114,800	113,000
BRAZORIA									
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,011,700	2,005,200	1,965,700	113,600	113,900	106,800	70,200	70,400	68,600
Total Unemployment	113,700	109,300	109,800	5,800	5,900	5,000	9,900	9,900	6,100
Percent Unemployed	5.7%	5.5%	5.6%	5.1%	5.2%	4.7%	14.1%	14.1%	8.9%
Total Employment++	1,898,000	1,895,900	1,855,900	107,800	108,000	101,800	60,300	60,500	62,500
BROWNsville-HARLINGEN									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION									
Total Civilian Labor Force	120,700	120,500	119,200	50,400	50,200	50,500	50,400	50,200	50,500
Total Unemployment	7,100	7,100	7,200	2,500	2,200	2,000	2,500	2,200	2,000
Percent Unemployed	5.9%	5.9%	6.0%	5.0%	4.4%	4.0%	5.0%	4.4%	4.0%
Total Employment++	113,600	113,400	112,000	47,900	48,000	48,500	47,900	48,000	48,500
DALLAS									
Total Civilian Labor Force	737,400	736,100	703,800	47,300	47,500	47,300	83,200	83,600	83,800
Total Unemployment	35,500	34,400	30,300	2,500	2,500	2,500	5,100	5,300	6,000
Percent Unemployed	4.8%	4.7%	4.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	6.1%	6.3%	7.2%
Total Employment++	701,900	701,700	673,500	44,800	45,000	44,800	78,100	78,300	77,800
EL PASO									
Total Civilian Labor Force	43,400	43,300	41,600	101,000	101,500	98,700	65,200	65,600	62,800
Total Unemployment	2,600	2,600	2,500	4,900	4,400	4,400	3,000	3,200	2,900
Percent Unemployed	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	4.9%	4.3%	4.5%	4.6%	4.9%	4.6%
Total Employment++	40,800	40,700	39,100	96,100	97,100	94,300	62,200	62,400	59,900
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
HOUSTON									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
KILLEEN-TEMPLE									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
LAREDO									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
LONGVIEW-MARSHALL									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
LUBBOCK									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
ODESSA-MIDLAND									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
SAN ANTONIO									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
SHERMAN-DENISON									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
TYLER									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
VICTORIA									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
WACO									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%
Total Employment++	92,600	93,300	93,400	116,100	116,900	115,000	151,400	151,600	145,600
WICHITA FALLS									
Total Civilian Labor Force	100,100	100,900	100,300	121,300	121,800	119,300	189,400	188,700	178,700
Total Unemployment	7,500	7,600	6,900	5,200	4,900	4,300	38,000	37,100	33,100
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	7.5%	6.9%	4.3%	4.0%	3.6%	20.1%	19.7%	18.5%

**NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT+
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS
(Numbers In Thousands)**

Industry	DEC,95* NOV,95 DEC,94			DEC,95* NOV,95 DEC,94			DEC,95* NOV,95 DEC,94			DEC,95* NOV,95 DEC,94		
	ABILENE	AMARILLO	AUSTIN-SAN MARCOS	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR								
TOTAL	52.4	52.2	51.2	92.2	91.6	88.4	532.5	531.8	498.8	149.8	149.0	149.2
Manufacturing	3.2	3.2	3.6	9.5	9.7	9.6	69.2	68.8	64.4	24.1	24.2	24.3
Mining	1.3	1.3	1.2	.7	.7	.8	1.0	1.0	.9	.8	.8	.9
Construction	2.1	2.1	2.1	5.0	5.0	4.4	27.0	27.0	23.3	12.7	12.5	11.4
Trans. Comm. & Util.	2.5	2.5	2.5	5.5	5.4	5.5	16.5	16.4	15.1	8.3	8.3	9.3
Trade	14.4	14.1	13.6	26.3	25.7	24.7	116.8	115.1	107.1	35.6	35.0	35.5
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	1.9	1.9	1.9	4.5	4.5	4.4	29.5	29.5	28.3	4.8	4.7	4.6
Services & Misc.	17.0	17.1	16.6	22.2	22.0	20.9	140.4	140.4	131.2	38.3	38.3	38.4
Government	10.0	10.0	9.7	18.5	18.6	18.1	132.1	133.6	128.5	25.2	25.2	24.8
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	70.8	71.3	72.2	95.2	95.0	90.7	64.4	64.8	65.8	148.1	147.5	146.9
Manufacturing	16.3	16.4	16.7	14.2	14.2	13.2	3.9	3.9	3.9	14.0	13.9	13.9
Mining	1.1	1.1	1.2				.5	.5	.6	2.4	2.4	2.7
Construction	8.7	9.0	10.5	2.9	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.6	11.9	11.7	10.8
Trans. Comm. & Util.	2.6	2.6	2.6	4.1	4.1	3.9	1.3	1.3	1.3	6.7	6.7	6.7
Trade	14.0	13.9	14.2	24.9	24.8	23.8	13.9	13.9	14.3	35.5	35.1	35.9
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	1.9	1.9	1.9	3.6	3.7	3.4	2.4	2.4	2.5	6.3	6.3	6.1
Services & Misc.	12.5	12.6	11.9	23.2	23.0	21.6	12.6	12.8	13.2	40.1	40.1	38.7
Government	13.7	13.8	13.2	22.3	22.3	22.3	27.3	27.6	27.4	31.2	31.3	32.1
	DALLAS			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	1617.9	1610.3	1571.5	233.3	231.4	235.4	664.2	661.5	637.8	85.7	85.6	83.9
Manufacturing	232.0	231.7	228.4	45.3	43.7	47.6	105.6	106.0	101.6	7.9	8.0	8.1
Mining	13.2	13.2	13.8				4.3	4.3	4.4	.7	.7	.6
Construction	66.9	66.9	61.5	10.9	11.2	9.6	27.9	27.9	26.0	4.9	4.9	4.6
Trans. Comm. & Util.	105.0	103.6	101.7	12.6	12.6	12.2	61.9	61.6	59.6	4.9	4.9	4.7
Trade	417.5	413.1	406.9	56.7	56.5	58.1	175.6	173.0	166.5	18.7	18.6	17.9
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	131.2	131.1	133.1	8.7	8.8	8.6	29.9	29.9	30.2	5.4	5.4	5.4
Services & Misc.	457.7	456.8	433.9	50.2	49.9	48.8	169.5	169.5	162.4	17.2	17.1	17.1
Government	194.4	193.9	192.2	48.9	48.7	50.5	89.5	89.3	87.1	26.0	26.0	25.5
	HOUSTON			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	1787.6	1777.1	1736.0	95.4	94.9	89.1	56.5	56.4	57.9	83.1	83.2	82.9
Manufacturing	188.3	188.4	183.4	10.2	10.1	9.8	1.6	1.6	1.7	17.5	17.5	17.5
Mining	66.5	65.7	65.3				3.1	3.1	2.6	3.5	3.5	3.4
Construction	121.8	121.8	113.7	4.6	4.6	4.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.5	3.6	3.6
Trans. Comm. & Util.	121.6	120.8	117.8	3.0	2.9	2.8	8.4	8.4	9.5	3.9	3.9	3.9
Trade	434.3	427.2	420.1	23.6	23.4	20.9	15.9	15.8	17.7	21.1	21.1	20.9
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	98.6	98.4	99.6	4.0	3.9	3.7	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.9	2.9	2.9
Services & Misc.	512.9	512.2	493.8	23.3	23.4	21.9	9.7	9.7	9.5	19.1	19.1	19.2
Government	243.6	242.6	242.3	26.7	26.6	25.9	13.6	13.6	12.8	11.6	11.6	11.5
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDIN.-MISSION			ODESSA-MIDLAND					
TOTAL	108.6	108.5	106.4	125.5	124.5	119.5	97.1	96.4	95.1	57.7	57.3	55.0
Manufacturing	7.7	7.7	7.9	13.2	13.1	12.9	6.5	6.4	6.5	8.2	8.1	7.7
Mining	.2	.2	.2	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4
Construction	3.9	3.9	4.0	6.1	6.1	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.6	2.2	2.2	2.1
Trans. Comm. & Util.	5.8	5.8	5.8	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.3	2.7	2.7	2.6
Trade	32.2	31.9	30.5	36.9	36.4	36.5	26.6	26.3	25.4	13.7	13.4	13.2
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.2	3.6	3.6	3.6	2.2	2.2	2.2
Services & Misc.	29.2	29.2	29.6	25.7	25.6	22.7	21.5	21.2	20.6	14.7	14.7	14.3
Government	24.9	25.1	23.6	33.9	33.8	33.0	17.6	17.6	17.3	12.7	12.7	11.5
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	41.0	40.7	40.9	633.9	630.7	603.9	40.1	39.9	39.7	50.2	49.5	48.7
Manufacturing	5.3	5.3	5.3	50.1	49.9	49.0	10.2	10.2	10.1	5.7	5.7	5.7
Mining	.6	.6	.7	1.8	1.8	1.8				.1	.1	.1
Construction	1.8	1.7	1.7	32.4	32.3	28.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.3	2.2	2.1
Trans. Comm. & Util.	2.3	2.3	2.5	30.2	29.9	28.1	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.4	2.3	2.2
Trade	10.1	10.0	9.8	159.8	157.9	150.7	9.5	9.4	9.4	13.1	12.8	12.6
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	1.6	1.6	1.7	43.4	43.2	42.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.8
Services & Misc.	10.6	10.5	10.8	182.1	181.7	172.3	10.0	9.9	9.8	13.1	12.9	12.8
Government	8.7	8.7	8.4	134.1	134.0	131.4	5.2	5.2	5.2	11.7	11.7	11.4
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	70.5	70.2	69.4	34.5	34.3	32.6	93.4	93.8	90.9	57.7	57.3	55.0
Manufacturing	11.8	11.8	11.5	3.2	3.1	3.1	17.1	17.1	16.6	8.2	8.1	7.7
Mining	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.2				1.3	1.3	1.4
Construction	2.4	2.3	2.2	1.9	1.9	1.7	4.3	4.4	3.9	2.2	2.2	2.1
Trans. Comm. & Util.	3.2	3.1	3.3	1.5	1.5	1.5	3.8	3.8	3.6	2.7	2.7	2.6
Trade	18.1	18.0	17.7	9.8	9.7	9.2	22.1	21.7	21.3	13.7	13.4	13.2
Fin. Ins. & Rl. Est.	3.5	3.4	3.3	1.6	1.6	1.6	5.6	5.6	5.4	2.2	2.2	2.2
Services & Misc.	19.5	19.5	18.9	9.0	8.9	7.9	25.4	26.0	25.0	14.7	14.7	14.3
Government	10.7	10.8	11.2	6.1	6.2	6.4	15.1	15.2	15.1	12.7	12.7	11.5

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*Current month's estimates are preliminary--subject to revision.

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94	CHG. FROM NOV, 95	CHG. FROM DEC, 94
TOTAL NONAG. W & S EMPLOYMENT	8,226,000	8,194,200	7,928,100	31,800	297,900
MANUFACTURING	1,038,100	1,035,700	1,018,600	2,400	19,500
Durable Goods	597,500	597,200	577,500	300	20,000
Lumber & Wood Products	40,400	40,700	40,300	-300	100
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	8,200	8,100	8,100	100	100
Furniture & Fixtures	18,200	18,200	17,600	0	600
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	40,200	40,100	39,100	100	1,100
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prc	18,800	18,700	17,700	100	1,100
Primary Metal Industries	31,900	31,800	30,700	100	1,200
Fabricated Metal Industries	95,200	95,000	90,900	200	4,300
Fabr. Structural Metal Prod.	48,000	47,900	45,600	100	2,400
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	128,900	128,700	119,300	200	9,600
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	25,500	25,400	23,500	100	2,000
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipm:	114,600	114,100	109,300	500	5,300
Transportation Equipment	70,000	70,100	72,800	-100	-2,800
Aircraft & Parts	40,600	40,600	42,900	0	-2,300
Instruments & Related Prod.	38,500	38,600	38,200	-100	300
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	19,600	19,900	19,300	-300	300
Nondurable Goods	440,600	438,500	441,100	2,100	-500
Food & Kindred Products	99,700	99,600	96,700	100	3,000
Meat Products	32,200	32,100	31,200	100	1,000
Dairy Products	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	100
Bakery Products	11,500	11,500	11,000	0	500
Malt Beverages	2,700	2,700	2,800	0	-100
Textile Mill Products	4,000	4,000	3,600	0	400
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	64,100	62,900	65,400	1,200	-1,300
Paper & Allied Products	29,700	29,400	28,900	300	800
Printing & Publishing	74,500	74,200	74,800	300	-300
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	33,300	32,900	34,200	400	-900
Chemicals & Allied Products	83,100	83,200	84,300	-100	-1,200
Petroleum & Coal Products	28,200	28,300	29,600	-100	-1,400
Petroleum Refining	25,000	25,200	26,500	-200	-1,500
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	49,200	48,800	48,900	400	300
Leather & Leather Products	8,100	8,100	8,900	0	-800
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING					
Mining	155,300	154,800	159,500	500	-4,200
Oil & Gas Extraction	147,200	146,700	151,500	500	-4,300
Construction	422,800	421,900	395,800	900	27,000
Transportation & Public Utilities	489,100	484,200	473,300	4,900	15,800
Railroad Transportation	18,800	19,000	19,300	-200	-500
Transportation by Air	82,900	82,100	82,300	800	600
Communications	104,100	103,500	95,500	600	8,600
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	74,300	74,300	75,500	0	-1,200
Electric Services	33,400	33,300	34,400	100	-1,000
Gas Production & Distribution	25,500	25,700	26,700	-200	-1,200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	2,026,500	2,001,000	1,948,500	25,500	78,000
Wholesale Trade	469,400	469,200	453,700	200	15,700
Retail Trade	1,557,100	1,531,800	1,494,800	25,300	62,300
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	53,400	52,700	48,700	700	4,700
General Merchandise Stores	231,000	223,200	222,200	7,800	8,800
Food Stores	254,700	253,000	251,000	1,700	3,700
Automotive Dealers & Serv. Stations	153,600	153,700	149,500	-100	4,100
Apparel & Accessory Stores	89,700	83,900	92,900	5,800	-3,200
Eating & Drinking Places	530,300	530,100	502,900	200	27,400
Other Retail Trade	244,400	235,200	227,600	9,200	16,800
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	447,100	446,300	447,800	800	-700
Depository Insts. Incl. Banks	115,900	115,600	116,000	300	-100
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	151,400	150,700	150,600	700	800
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	179,800	180,000	181,200	-200	-1,400
Services	2,164,100	2,163,200	2,031,700	900	132,400
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,300	82,700	80,400	-400	1,900
Personal Services	88,100	87,100	87,000	1,000	1,100
Business Services	508,300	508,600	462,500	-300	45,800
Auto Repair Services	76,000	75,800	69,200	200	6,800
Misc. Repair Services	28,000	27,900	25,000	100	3,000
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	103,800	102,800	93,200	1,000	10,600
Health Services	612,700	610,500	581,800	2,200	30,900
Educational Services	95,200	98,200	96,500	-3,000	-1,300
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	186,900	186,600	172,700	300	14,200
Other Services & Miscellaneous	257,500	258,200	243,600	-700	13,900
Total Government	1,483,000	1,487,100	1,452,900	-4,100	30,100
Federal Government	188,100	186,100	193,000	2,000	-4,900
State Government	328,100	331,600	318,900	-3,500	9,200
Local Government	966,800	969,400	941,000	-2,600	25,800

+Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS +

	AVE. WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVE. WEEKLY HOURS			AVE. HOURLY EARNINGS		
	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94	DEC, 95*	NOV, 95	DEC, 94
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	506.91	501.12	487.13	43.4	43.2	43.3	11.68	11.60	11.25
Durable Goods	499.46	489.88	475.24	44.2	43.7	43.6	11.30	11.21	10.90
Lumber & Wood Products	364.42	374.00	355.34	41.6	42.5	43.6	8.76	8.80	8.15
Furniture & Fixtures	354.03	343.62	344.32	42.5	41.6	42.3	8.33	8.26	8.14
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	469.22	454.15	421.88	45.6	44.7	43.9	10.29	10.16	9.61
Primary Metal Industries	563.40	560.03	549.25	45.0	45.2	44.8	12.52	12.39	12.26
Fabricated Metal Industries	500.23	488.25	473.54	45.6	45.0	44.8	10.97	10.85	10.57
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	506.21	486.20	477.22	45.4	44.2	44.6	11.15	11.00	10.70
Oil Field Machinery	599.98	585.86	558.00	49.3	48.1	46.5	12.17	12.18	12.00
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	510.24	500.40	473.18	44.1	43.4	42.4	11.57	11.53	11.16
Transportation Equipment	685.65	676.51	672.45	43.7	43.2	43.3	15.69	15.66	15.53
Instruments & Related Prod.	484.86	489.48	461.55	41.3	41.8	41.1	11.74	11.71	11.23
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	323.21	325.99	315.06	40.3	40.8	40.6	8.02	7.99	7.76
Nondurable Goods	516.01	515.10	501.50	42.4	42.5	42.9	12.17	12.12	11.69
Food & Kindred Products	398.65	400.53	398.61	42.5	42.7	43.0	9.38	9.38	9.27
Meat Products	348.98	348.64	357.44	46.1	46.3	46.3	7.57	7.53	7.72
Malt Beverages	892.64	892.93	861.52	43.8	43.9	41.3	20.38	20.34	20.86
Textile Mill Products	381.20	388.92	401.52	41.3	42.0	42.0	9.23	9.26	9.56
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	272.30	272.92	256.96	38.9	39.1	37.9	7.00	6.98	6.78
Paper & Allied Products	608.96	606.02	585.15	44.0	44.3	44.6	13.84	13.68	13.12
Printing & Publishing	473.62	472.79	481.93	40.9	41.4	42.8	11.58	11.42	11.26
Chemicals & Allied Products	864.68	863.59	805.49	45.2	45.5	45.1	19.13	18.98	17.86
Petroleum & Coal Products	858.00	845.61	892.12	42.9	42.6	46.2	20.00	19.85	19.31
Petroleum Refining	898.33	881.88	931.07	42.9	42.5	46.6	20.94	20.75	19.98
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	449.24	433.83	434.70	44.0	42.7	45.0	10.21	10.16	9.66*
Leather & Leather Products	267.02	273.04	272.28	38.2	39.4	40.1	6.99	6.93	6.79
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	687.22	680.60	634.03	43.8	43.6	42.1	15.69	15.61	15.06
Oil & Gas Extraction	690.62	682.41	635.78	43.6	43.3	41.8	15.84	15.76	15.21
Communications	610.49	615.37	627.24	41.0	41.3	41.9	14.89	14.90	14.97
Elec., Gas & San. Services	594.05	597.38	591.84	41.6	41.6	41.1	14.28	14.36	14.40
Wholesale & Retail Trade	270.76	267.58	265.32	32.7	32.2	33.0	8.28	8.31	8.04
Wholesale Trade	466.43	467.27	460.40	39.9	39.7	40.0	11.69	11.77	11.51
Retail Trade	217.05	211.90	211.79	30.7	30.1	31.1	7.07	7.04	6.81
General Merchandise Stores	239.53	224.64	218.75	33.5	32.0	32.6	7.15	7.02	6.71
Depository Inst., Inc. Banks	324.28	322.30	313.63	36.6	36.5	36.3	8.86	8.83	8.64

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	506.17	496.69	492.38	43.9	43.8	44.6	11.53	11.34	11.04
Durable Goods	524.61	512.96	501.08	44.8	44.8	44.9	11.71	11.45	11.16
Nondurable Goods	476.43	469.69	477.60	42.5	42.2	44.1	11.21	11.13	10.83
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	533.58	530.93	540.08	43.7	43.2	43.0	12.21	12.29	12.56
Durable Goods	562.61	559.87	577.01	44.3	43.3	42.9	12.70	12.93	13.45
Nondurable Goods	480.80	476.01	471.95	42.7	43.0	43.1	11.26	11.07	10.95
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	628.15	631.68	619.67	44.9	44.8	45.1	13.99	14.10	13.74
Durable Goods	549.42	537.30	533.36	45.9	45.0	45.9	11.97	11.94	11.62
Nondurable Goods	732.16	756.13	727.21	43.4	44.4	44.1	16.87	17.03	16.49
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	405.88	403.97	383.83	42.5	42.3	42.6	9.55	9.55	9.01
Durable Goods	422.42	423.43	404.03	42.2	41.8	42.8	10.01	10.13	9.44
Nondurable Goods	389.00	385.63	363.37	42.7	42.8	42.4	9.11	9.01	8.57

+Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.