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August 2007

## Texas Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment (Seasonally Adjusted)

Total Nonagricultural Employment posted a gain of 29,400 jobs in July for an estimate of $10,305,500$. This increase was considerably higher than the five-year and ten-year average July gains of 7,700 and 7,800 jobs, respectively, and was the third largest monthly increase this year. Eight of eleven major industries gained jobs over the month. A total of 141,000 jobs have been added to Total Nonagricultural Employment since the beginning of 2007, while 265,900 jobs were added since July 2006. The annual growth rate for the month of July was 2.6 percent, up from June's rate of 2.1 percent.


Government employment grew by 11,000 jobs in July, following a decrease of 3,000 positions in June. The over-the-month job gain was the largest July expansion in Government since 1996. The annual growth rate reached 2.1 percent in July, the highest growth rate recorded since February 2003. A total of 35,600 jobs have been added in Government since July 2006.

Professional and Business Services employment posted an increase of 5,900 positions in July. This was the sixth monthly employment growth this year. The annual growth rate was 5.0 percent, a gain of nine-tenths of a percentage point since June. This industry gained 61,400 positions since July 2006. Some of the businesses that make up this major industry are temporary help services and employment placement agencies along with offices of lawyers and tax preparation services. Janitorial services, landscaping services and travel agencies are also part of this industry.

Following a gain of 500 jobs in June, Other Services employment increased by 4,900 jobs in July. This was the fourth consecutive month of employment growth. The annual growth rate rose from 0.7 percent in June to 3.1 percent in July. This industry gained 10,600 positions since July 2006. The Other Services industry includes
automotive repair along with computer and office machine repair and appliance repair and maintenance. Barber shops, funeral homes and business associations are also listed in this major industry.

Having gaine! 6,100 positions in June, Leisure and Hospitality employment $\{$ ained 3,100 jobs in July. This was the eleventh month of payroll expansion in the last 12 months. The annual growth rate rose from 4.2 percent in June to 4.6 percent in July, an increase of 43,100 positions since July 2006.

Trade, Transportation and Utilities employment added 2,700 jobs in July. This monthly gain was slightly above the five-year average July increase of 1,500 , and also more than the ten-year average gain of 2,200 . A total of 26,800 jobs have been added since July 2006 for an annual growth rate of 1.3 percent.

Natural Resources and Mining employment increased by 2,300 jobs in July, following a gain of 600 positions in June. Since January, this industry added 8,600 jobs. The annual growth rate improved to 9.8 percent for July, up six-tenths of a percentage point since June. Employment in Natural Resources and Mining has expanded by 18,200 jobs since July 2006.

Education and Health Services employment increased by 1,700 positions in July, following a gain of 4,300 jobs in June. This was the sixth consecutive month of payroll expansion. The annual growth was 2.6 percent in July, bringing the number of positions added in this industry to 31,300 jobs since July 2006. Some of the businesses that make up this major industry are private colleges and universities along with business schools and technical and trade schools. Hospitals, nursing care facilities and child day care services are also part of this industry.

Following a gain of 1,000 positions in June, employment in Information increased by 800 jobs in July. This was the third consecutive month of payroll growth for the industry. The annual growth rate rose from -0.4 percent in June to 0.6 percent in July, an increase of 1,300 jobs since July 2006.

Employment in Financial Activities declined minimally in July after eight straight months of job gains. Despite the monthly drop, the annual growth rate increased from 1.6 percent in June to 2.4 percent in July. A total of 15,100 jobs were added in Financial Activities since July 2006.

## TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ${ }^{+}$

| INDUS TRY TITLE | July 2007* | June 2007 | July 2006 | June '07 to July '07 |  | July '06 to July '07 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Absolute Change | Percent <br> Change | Absolute Change | Percent Change |
| TOTAL NONAG. W\&S EMPLO YMENT | 10,305,500 | 10,276,100 | 10,039,600 | 29,400 | 0.3 | 265,900 | 2.6 |
| GOODS PRODUCING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Natural Resources \& Mining | 204,200 | 201,900 | 186,000 | 2,300 | 1.1 | 18,200 | 9.8 |
| Construction | 622,900 | 625,200 | 600,800 | -2,300 | -0.4 | 22,100 | 3.7 |
| Manufacturing | 929,700 | 930,300 | 929,300 | -600 | -0.1 | 400 | 0.0 |
| S ERVICE PROVIDING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Trade, Transportation, \& Utilities | 2,069,400 | 2,066,700 | 2,042,600 | 2,700 | 0.1 | 26,800 | 1.3 |
| Information | 223,100 | 222,300 | 221,800 | 800 | 0.4 | 1,300 | 0.6 |
| Financial Activities | 638,500 | 638,600 | 623,400 | -100 | 0.0 | 15,100 | 2.4 |
| Professional \& Business Services | 1,284,300 | 1,278,400 | 1,222,900 | 5,900 | 0.5 | 61,400 | 5.0 |
| Education \& Health S ervices | 1,247,500 | 1,245,800 | 1,216,200 | 1,700 | 0.1 | 31,300 | 2.6 |
| Leisure \& Hospitality | 984,100 | 981,000 | 941,000 | 3,100 | 0.3 | 43,100 | 4.6 |
| Other Services | 354,700 | 349,800 | 344,100 | 4,900 | 1.4 | 10,600 | 3.1 |
| Government | 1,747,100 | 1,736,100 | 1,711,500 | 11,000 | 0.6 | 35,600 | 2.1 |

Note: The number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas is without reference to place of residence of workers. Total Nonagricultural employment is additive by summing the individual sectors. *Estimates for the current month are preliminary. All estimates are subject to revision.
+All elements of seasonality are factored out to achieve an estimate which reflects the basic underlying trend.


TEXAS AND U.S. CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

|  | TEXAS* |  |  |  | UNITED STATES** |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not Seasonally Adjusted | CLF | Employment | Unemp. | Rate | CLF | Employment | Unemp. | Rate |
| July 2007 | 11,643,000 | 11,089,400 | 553,600 | 4.8 | 154,871,000 | 147,315,000 | 7,556,000 | 4.9 |
| June 2007 | 11,617,700 | 11,085,300 | 532,400 | 4.6 | 154,252,000 | 146,958,000 | 7,295,000 | 4.7 |
| July 2006 | 11,586,000 | 10,959,800 | 626,200 | 5.4 | 153,208,000 | 145,606,000 | 7,602,000 | 5.0 |
| Seasonally Adjusted | CLF | Employment | Unemp. | Rate | CLF | Employment | Unemp. | Rate |
| July 2007 | 11,529,400 | 11,016,500 | 512,900 | 4.4 | 153,231,000 | 146,110,000 | 7,121,000 | 4.6 |
| June 2007 | 11,522,800 | 11,047,300 | 475,500 | 4.1 | 153,072,000 | 146,140,000 | 6,933,000 | 4.5 |
| July 2006 | 11,499,500 | 10,933,800 | 565,700 | 4.9 | 151,558,000 | 144,330,000 | 7,228,000 | 4.8 |

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## August 2007 T F X A S LA B O R M A R K E T R E Y I E W

Texas Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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Texas Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 | June '07 to July '07 |  | July '06 to July '07 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Change | \% Change | Change | \% Change |
| SERVICE PROVIDING | 8,478,800 | 8,538,600 | 8,252,200 | -59,800 | -0.7\% | 226,600 | 2.7\% |
| Private Service Providing | 6,822,200 | 6,822,300 | 6,631,600 | -100 | 0.0\% | 190,600 | 2.9\% |
| Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (NAICS 42,44,45,48,49,22) | 2,066,500 | 2,064,200 | 2,036,100 | 2,300 | 0.1\% | 30,400 | 1.5\% |
| Wholesale Trade (NAICS 42) | 505,800 | 503,200 | 493,500 | 2,600 | 0.5\% | 12,300 | 2.5\% |
| Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods (NAICS 423) | 300,300 | 298,100 | 286,000 | 2,200 | 0.7\% | 14,300 | 5.0\% |
| Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods (NAICS 424) | 158,300 | 158,400 | 156,700 | -100 | -0.1\% | 1,600 | 1.0\% |
| Retail Trade (NAICS 44-45) | 1,136,400 | 1,137,500 | 1,123,500 | -1,100 | -0.1\% | 12,900 | 1.1\% |
| Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers (NAICS 441) | 157,200 | 157,100 | 154,900 | 100 | 0.1\% | 2,300 | 1.5\% |
| Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores (NAICS 442) | 43,600 | 43,800 | 42,900 | -200 | -0.5\% | 700 | 1.6\% |
| Electronics and Appliance Stores (NAICS 443) | 44,500 | 45,000 | 44,400 | -500 | -1.1\% | 100 | 0.2\% |
| Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies (NAICS 444) | 99,200 | 99,500 | 92,600 | -300 | -0.3\% | 6,600 | 7.1\% |
| Food and Beverage Stores (NAICS 445) | 195,600 | 195,900 | 194,300 | -300 | -0.2\% | 1,300 | 0.7\% |
| Health and Personal Care Stores (NAICS 446) | 60,100 | 60,700 | 58,100 | -600 | -1.0\% | 2,000 | 3.4\% |
| Gasoline Stations (NAICS 447) | 65,100 | 65,500 | 68,000 | -400 | -0.6\% | -2,900 | -4.3\% |
| Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores (NAICS 448) | 109,200 | 109,300 | 109,200 | -100 | -0.1\% | 0 | 0.0\% |
| Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores (NAICS 451) | 35,500 | 35,400 | 35,300 | 100 | 0.3\% | 200 | 0.6\% |
| General Merchandise Stores (NAICS 452) | 248,500 | 247,400 | 245,600 | 1,100 | 0.4\% | 2,900 | 1.2\% |
| Miscellaneous Store Retailers (NAICS 453) | 61,000 | 60,600 | 59,500 | 400 | 0.7\% | 1,500 | 2.5\% |
| Nonstore Retailers (NAICS 454) | 16,900 | 17,300 | 18,700 | -400 | -2.3\% | -1,800 | -9.6\% |
| Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities (NAICS 48-49,22) | 424,300 | 423,500 | 419,100 | 800 | 0.2\% | 5,200 | 1.2\% |
| Transportation and Warehousing (NAICS 48,49) | 378,600 | 378,500 | 374,700 | 100 | 0.0\% | 3,900 | 1.0\% |
| Air Transportation (NAICS 481) | 61,600 | 61,700 | 62,900 | -100 | -0.2\% | -1,300 | -2.1\% |
| Truck Transportation (NAICS 484) | 117,400 | 117,100 | 114,800 | 300 | 0.3\% | 2,600 | 2.3\% |
| Pipeline Transportation (NAICS 486) | 13,400 | 13,400 | 12,700 | 0 | 0.0\% | 700 | 5.5\% |
| Support Activities for Transportation (NAICS 488) | 70,500 | 69,200 | 68,100 | 1,300 | 1.9\% | 2,400 | 3.5\% |
| Couriers and Messengers (NAICS 492) | 34,800 | 35,100 | 36,400 | -300 | -0.9\% | -1,600 | -4.4\% |
| Warehousing and Storage (NAICS 493) | 41,900 | 41,900 | 40,600 | 0 | 0.0\% | 1,300 | 3.2\% |
| Utilities (NAICS 22) | 45,700 | 45,000 | 44,400 | 700 | 1.6\% | 1,300 | 2.9\% |
| Information (NAICS 51) | 223,500 | 222,700 | 222,500 | 800 | 0.4\% | 1,000 | 0.4\% |
| Publishing Industries (Except Internet) (NAICS 511) | 51,800 | 52,000 | 50,200 | -200 | -0.4\% | 1,600 | 3.2\% |
| Telecommunications (NAICS 517) | 85,700 | 86,500 | 88,700 | -800 | -0.9\% | -3,000 | -3.4\% |
| Internet Service Providers, Web Search Portals (NAICS 518) | 35,700 | 35,900 | 36,400 | -200 | -0.6\% | -700 | -1.9\% |
| Financial Activities (NAICS 52,53) | 641,700 | 641,600 | 627,500 | 100 | 0.0\% | 14,200 | 2.3\% |
| Finance and Insurance (NAICS 52) | 459,900 | 459,900 | 449,600 | 0 | 0.0\% | 10,300 | 2.3\% |
| Credit Intermediation and Related Activities (NAICS 522) | 246,200 | 245,600 | 239,300 | 600 | 0.2\% | 6,900 | 2.9\% |
| Securities, Commodities Contracts, and Other Financial (NAICS 523) | 45,800 | 45,200 | 43,000 | 600 | 1.3\% | 2,800 | 6.5\% |
| Insurance Carriers and Related Activities (NAICS 524) | 158,700 | 158,600 | 156,900 | 100 | 0.1\% | 1,800 | 1.1\% |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing (NAICS 53) | 181,800 | 181,700 | 177,900 | 100 | 0.1\% | 3,900 | 2.2\% |
| Real Estate (NAICS 531) | 119,100 | 119,300 | 115,500 | -200 | -0.2\% | 3,600 | 3.1\% |
| Rental and Leasing Services (NAICS 532) | 61,500 | 61,400 | 60,100 | 100 | 0.2\% | 1,400 | 2.3\% |
| Professional and Business Services (NAICS 54,55,56) | 1,291,100 | 1,287,100 | 1,225,800 | 4,000 | 0.3\% | 65,300 | 5.3\% |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (NAICS 54) | 536,900 | 535,500 | 515,500 | 1,400 | 0.3\% | 21,400 | 4.2\% |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises (NAICS 55) | 61,600 | 61,600 | 56,200 | 0 | 0.0\% | 5,400 | 9.6\% |
| Admin and Support and Waste Mgmt and Remediation (NAICS 56) | 692,600 | $\mathbf{6 9 0 , 0 0 0}$ | 654,100 | 2,600 | 0.4\% | 38,500 | 5.9\% |
| Administrative and Support Services (NAICS 561) | 666,700 | 664,300 | 628,900 | 2,400 | 0.4\% | 37,800 | 6.0\% |
| Education and Health Services (NAICS 61,62) | 1,237,600 | 1,240,100 | 1,209,100 | -2,500 | -0.2\% | 28,500 | 2.4\% |
| Educational Services (NAICS 61) | 137,100 | 139,700 | 134,900 | -2,600 | -1.9\% | 2,200 | 1.6\% |
| Health Care and Social Assistance (NAICS 62) | 1,100,500 | 1,100,400 | 1,074,200 | 100 | 0.0\% | 26,300 | 2.4\% |
| Ambulatory Health Care Services (NAICS 621) | 495,200 | 494,900 | 480,300 | 300 | 0.1\% | 14,900 | 3.1\% |
| Hospitals (NAICS 622) | 268,900 | 268,500 | 265,400 | 400 | 0.1\% | 3,500 | 1.3\% |
| Nursing and Residential Care Facilities (NAICS 623) | 158,500 | 157,800 | 154,300 | 700 | 0.4\% | 4,200 | 2.7\% |
| Social Assistance (NAICS 624) | 177,900 | 179,200 | 174,200 | -1,300 | -0.7\% | 3,700 | 2.1\% |
| Leisure and Hospitality (NAICS 71,72) | 1,004,500 | 1,010,000 | 962,900 | -5,500 | -0.5\% | 41,600 | 4.3\% |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation (NAICS 71) | 115,300 | 117,000 | 115,100 | -1,700 | -1.5\% | 200 | 0.2\% |
| Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation (NAICS 713) | 88,500 | 88,700 | 86,900 | -200 | -0.2\% | 1,600 | 1.8\% |
| Accommodation and Food Services (NAICS 72) | 889,200 | 893,000 | 847,800 | -3,800 | -0.4\% | 41,400 | 4.9\% |
| Accommodation (NAICS 721) | 104,700 | 104,800 | 101,600 | -100 | -0.1\% | 3,100 | 3.1\% |
| Food Services and Drinking Places (NAICS 722) | 784,500 | 788,200 | 746,200 | -3,700 | -0.5\% | 38,300 | 5.1\% |
| Other Services (NAICS 81) | 357,300 | 356,600 | 347,700 | 700 | 0.2\% | 9,600 | 2.8\% |
| Repair and Maintenance (NAICS 811) | 108,300 | 108,000 | 104,000 | 300 | 0.3\% | 4,300 | 4.1\% |
| Personal and Laundry Services (NAICS 812) | 93,500 | 93,700 | 90,600 | -200 | -0.2\% | 2,900 | 3.2\% |
| Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Prof Organizations (NAICS 813) | 155,500 | 154,900 | 153,100 | 600 | 0.4\% | 2,400 | 1.6\% |
| Government | 1,656,600 | 1,716,300 | 1,620,600 | -59,700 | -3.5\% | 36,000 | 2.2\% |
| Federal Government | 184,700 | 183,600 | 185,900 | 1,100 | 0.6\% | -1,200 | -0.6\% |
| State Government | 346,800 | 343,600 | 340,300 | 3,200 | 0.9\% | 6,500 | 1.9\% |
| Local Government | 1,125,100 | 1,189,100 | 1,094,400 | -64,000 | -5.4\% | 30,700 | 2.8\% |

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## Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Nonagricultural Wage \& Salary Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TTotal Nonagricultural Employment in the Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) decreased by 44,200 jobs in July. Due to normal seasonal trends, Government employment was the largest contributor to job losses. However, this was the smallest July loss for Government since 1997. The Midland MSA, the College Station-Bryan MSA, and the Odessa MSA posted the only gains between June and July 2007 in Total Nonagricultural Employment, with increases of 400, 200, and 100 jobs, respectively. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA and the Midland MSA had the highest percentage over-the-year change with 5.5 percent and 5.1 percent, respectively. Over the year, 283,000 jobs have been added within the MSAs for an annual growth rate of 3.2 percent. The annual growth rate has remained positive since February 2004.

Professional and Business Services employment added 4,500 jobs in July, continuing a six-month positive trend. The McAllen-EdinburgMission MSA had the highest over-the-month change with 2.2 percent, while the Wichita Falls MSA had the highest over-the-year growth with 11.4 percent. The Dallas-Plano-Irving area and the HoustonSugar Land-Baytown MSA had the largest gains within the MSAs, adding 2,600 positions each. The annual growth rate for Professional and Business Services increased to 4.8 percent and has remained positive for over three years.


Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities increased by 3,300 jobs across the MSAs in July 2007. The Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown MSA accounted for most of the gain, adding 2,200 jobs. The Dallas-Plano-Irving area and the Fort Worth-Arlington area both had employment increases of 400 jobs. The Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood MSA reported the highest percentage increase in July with a gain of 2.3 percent. Annually, the Texarkana MSA registered the most growth at 8.0 percent.

Employment in Financial Activities increased by 1,500 jobs in July for a growth rate of 3.2 percent. Twenty-six of the twenty-seven areas maintained employment or experienced growth. The Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown MSA contributed the most with a payroll expansion of 1,000 for an over-the-month increase of 0.7 percent. The Dallas-PlanoIrving area experienced the second highest growth with 300 payroll additions. Other contributors to July's growth included the San Angelo, Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood, and San Antonio MSAs.

Education and Health Services employment expanded by 1,400 positions in July. The Dallas-Plano-Irving area added 2,900 jobs in July, for an over-the-month growth rate of 1.3 percent. The Waco and the Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown MSAs increased by 200 positions each, representing over-the-month growth rates of 1.1 and 0.1 percent, respectively. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA experienced the highest annual growth at 5.4 percent.

Government had a job decline of 47,300 jobs in July. This decrease was primarily due to seasonal activity in Local Government as areas schools released staff for the summer holiday. While the majority of the MSAs reported seasonal declines in Government, the College Station-Bryan MSA posted positive monthly job growth, adding 500 jobs. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA posted the largest percentage of over-the-year job growth with 12.5 percent, followed by the El Paso MSA at 7.3 percent. In Local Government, the McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA and the Texarkana MSA recorded the highest percentage of annual job growth with 14.7 percent and 11.8 percent, respectively.


Largest Four MSAs Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

|  | DALLAS-FT. WORTH-ARLINGTON |  |  | DALLAS-PLANO-IRVING MD** |  |  | HOUSTON-SUGAR LAND-BAYTOWN |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 |
| TOTAL NONFARM | 2,940,800 | 2,954,300 | 2,849,800 | 2,086,900 | 2,093,700 | 2,018,200 | 2,518,300 | 2,522,800 | 2,436,300 |
| GOODS PRODUCING | 492,100 | 491,300 | 477,800 | 329,800 | 329,700 | 321,100 | 502,900 | 503,200 | 483,200 |
| Mining \& Construction | 186,700 | 186,000 | 176,800 | 124,600 | 124,700 | 118,800 | 277,100 | 277,400 | 258,400 |
| Manufacturing | 305,400 | 305,300 | 301,000 | 205,200 | 205,000 | 202,300 | 225,800 | 225,800 | 224,800 |
| Durable Goods | 213,000 | 213,300 | 211,700 | 141,800 | 141,800 | 141,100 | 144,900 | 145,300 | 142,500 |
| Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing | - | - | - | - | - | - | 48,200 | 48,100 | 47,000 |
| Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing | 49,900 | 49,800 | 49,000 | 45,100 | 44,900 | 44,100 | 17,500 | 17,500 | 18,400 |
| Nondurable Goods | 92,400 | 92,000 | 89,300 | 63,400 | 63,200 | 61,200 | 80,900 | 80,500 | 82,300 |
| SERVICE PROVIDING | 2,448,700 | 2,463,000 | 2,372,000 | 1,757,100 | 1,764,000 | 1,697,100 | 2,015,400 | 2,019,600 | 1,953,100 |
| Private Service Providing | 2,094,300 | 2,094,200 | 2,025,200 | 1,516,100 | 1,512,700 | 1,458,500 | 1,677,900 | 1,673,100 | 1,624,200 |
| Wholesale Trade | 172,000 | 171,000 | 165,800 | 130,400 | 129,600 | 126,300 | 131,700 | 131,300 | 129,400 |
| Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods | 100,800 | 100,400 | 97,400 | 76,400 | 75,900 | 73,600 | 82,100 | 81,600 | 79,700 |
| Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods | 49,800 | 49,500 | 49,100 | 37,800 | 37,500 | 37,300 | 39,300 | 39,300 | 38,700 |
| Retail Trade | 306,400 | 307,800 | 308,900 | 210,100 | 211,200 | 210,000 | 254,600 | 255,100 | 251,200 |
| Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers | - | - | - | 28,300 | 27,900 | 27,400 | 35,700 | 35,800 | 34,700 |
| Bldng. Material and Garden Eqpmnt. and Supplies Dirs. | 23,100 | 23,300 | 23,500 | 15,100 | 15,200 | 15,100 | 20,200 | 20,400 | 19,200 |
| Food and Beverage Stores | 48,600 | 48,700 | 48,400 | 33,100 | 33,100 | 32,700 | 52,900 | 53,200 | 48,500 |
| Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores | . | - | - | 25,100 | 25,100 | 23,600 | 25,700 | 25,400 | 25,300 |
| General Merchandise Stores | 67,500 | 67,000 | 67,400 | 47,400 | 47,000 | 46,500 | 56,600 | 56,500 | 55,800 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities | 140,300 | 139,500 | 136,400 | 76,500 | 76,100 | 75,100 | 121,400 | 119,200 | 119,800 |
| Utilities | - | - | - | 6,000 | 5,800 | 5,600 | 14,900 | 14,700 | 14,100 |
| Information | 92,500 | 93,400 | 92,400 | 76,500 | 77,400 | 75,900 | 36,200 | 36,500 | 36,100 |
| Telecommunications | 39,200 | 39,500 | 39,400 | 32,100 | 32,300 | 32,200 | 14,300 | 14,400 | 14,500 |
| Financial Activities | 240,100 | 239,800 | 230,100 | 191,600 | 191,300 | 182,500 | 143,900 | 142,900 | 140,900 |
| Finance and Insurance | 181,000 | 180,300 | 172,300 | 146,800 | 146,000 | 138,500 | 93,000 | 92,600 | 91,200 |
| Credit Intermediation and Related Activities | 96,500 | 96,100 | 91,200 | 76,400 | 76,100 | 72,100 | 45,300 | 44,900 | 43,300 |
| Insurance Carriers and Related Activities | . | . | . | 49,200 | 49,200 | 48,600 | 33,000 | 33,000 | 32,300 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | $\cdot$ | 44,800 | 45,300 | 44,000 | 50,900 | 50,300 | 49,700 |
| Professional and Business Services | 436,300 | 434,200 | 413,900 | 337,700 | 335,100 | 320,000 | 376,700 | 374,100 | 359,000 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 178,400 | 177,500 | 171,100 | 145,800 | 144,500 | 139,000 | 173,700 | 172,900 | 167,400 |
| Admin. Support and Waste Mgmt. and Remediation | 238,300 | 236,100 | 221,000 | 175,200 | 173,100 | 162,900 | 180,800 | 180,400 | 177,500 |
| Education and Health Services | 311,100 | 309,000 | 299,500 | 218,500 | 215,600 | 207,700 | 279,800 | 279,600 | 269,600 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 267,600 | 265,700 | 258,100 | 185,800 | 183,500 | 177,800 | 237,900 | 236,700 | 229,500 |
| Ambulatory Health Care Services | - | - | - | 85,500 | 84,000 | 84,000 | 99,700 | 99,800 | 97,100 |
| Hospitals | 66,400 | 65,900 | 65,000 | 43,500 | 43,000 | 42,100 | 67,800 | 67,200 | 65,100 |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 283,300 | 286,600 | 270,400 | 195,600 | 197,500 | 186,100 | 233,400 | 234,300 | 222,900 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | - | - | - | 26,500 | 27,300 | 24,500 | 31,000 | 30,900 | 28,800 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 243,900 | 246,000 | 233,900 | 169,100 | 170,200 | 161,600 | 202,400 | 203,400 | 194,100 |
| Food Services and Drinking Places | 212,100 | 214,500 | 203,500 | 145,500 | 146,900 | 139,700 | 182,100 | 183,000 | 173,600 |
| Other Services | 112,300 | 112,900 | 107,800 | 79,200 | 78,900 | 74,900 | 100,200 | 100,100 | 95,300 |
| Government | 354,400 | 368,800 | 346,800 | 241,000 | 251,300 | 238,600 | 337,500 | 346,500 | 328,900 |
| Federal | 46,600 | 46,700 | 47,500 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,500 | 27,900 | 27,900 | 28,200 |
| State | 42,700 | 44,200 | 42,900 | 33,500 | 34,500 | 33,400 | 67,700 | 65,700 | 68,100 |
| Local | 265,100 | 277,900 | 256,400 | 177,500 | 186,800 | 174,700 | 241,900 | 252,900 | 232,600 |
|  | AUSTIN-ROUND ROCK |  |  | FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON MD** |  |  | SAN ANTONIO |  |  |
|  | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 | July '07* | June '07 | July '06 |
| TOTAL NONFARM | 745,500 | 750,200 | 712,500 | 853,900 | 860,600 | 831,600 | 827,400 | 833,900 | 811,200 |
| GOODS PRODUCING | 110,400 | 110,800 | 104,600 | 162,300 | 161,600 | 156,700 | 101,800 | 102,400 | 100,300 |
| Mining \& Construction | 49,000 | 49,400 | 45,500 | 62,100 | 61,300 | 58,000 | 52,300 | 52,800 | 51,500 |
| Manufacturing | 61,400 | 61,400 | 59,100 | 100,200 | 100,300 | 98,700 | 49,500 | 49,600 | 48,800 |
| SERVICE PROVIDING | 635,100 | 639,400 | 607,900 | 691,600 | 699,000 | 674,900 | 725,600 | 731,500 | 710,900 |
| Private Service Providing | 484,400 | 484,200 | 466,000 | 578,200 | 581,500 | 566,700 | 583,900 | 584,700 | 571,100 |
| Wholesale Trade | 40,700 | 40,300 | 38,500 | 41,600 | 41,400 | 39,500 | 28,700 | 28,700 | 28,100 |
| Retail Trade | 78,300 | 77,900 | 75,900 | 96,300 | 96,600 | 98,900 | 93,200 | 92,700 | 92,300 |
| Food and Beverage Stores | 14,600 | 14,700 | 15,000 | 15,500 | 15,600 | 15,700 | 15,800 | 15,700 | 15,800 |
| General Merchandise Stores | 12,700 | 12,500 | 12,600 | 20,100 | 20,000 | 20,900 | 18,300 | 18,200 | 17,900 |
| Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities | 13,100 | 13,000 | 12,500 | 63,800 | 63,400 | 61,300 | 22,700 | 22,700 | 22,100 |
| Information | 22,100 | 22,200 | 21,600 | 16,000 | 16,000 | 16,500 | 20,500 | 20,200 | 20,600 |
| Telecommunications | 5,200 | 5,200 | 5,400 | 7,100 | 7,200 | 7,200 | 5,900 | 5,800 | 6,000 |
| Financial Activities | 44,800 | 44,800 | 43,100 | 48,500 | 48,500 | 47,600 | 66,000 | 65,900 | 64,400 |
| Finance and Insurance | 31,100 | 31,200 | 30,300 | 34,200 | 34,300 | 33,800 | 50,900 | 50,800 | 49,600 |
| Credit Intermediation and Related Activities | 13,200 | 13,200 | 13,000 | 20,100 | 20,000 | 19,100 | 22,600 | 22,400 | 22,300 |
| Professional and Business Services | 102,000 | 101,300 | 99,600 | 98,600 | 99,100 | 93,900 | 108,400 | 109,700 | 105,700 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 53,100 | 52,300 | 51,000 | 32,600 | 33,000 | 32,100 | 37,900 | 38,000 | 36,900 |
| Admin Support and Waste Mgmt and Remediation Sves | 44,600 | 44,400 | 44,400 | 63,100 | 63,000 | 58,100 | 66,500 | 67,700 | 62,100 |
| Education and Health Services | 74,300 | 74,800 | 72,100 | 92,600 | 93,400 | 91,800 | 113,000 | 113,400 | 109,900 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 65,000 | 65,300 | 64,100 | 81,800 | 82,200 | 80,300 | 99,100 | 98,800 | 96,500 |
| Hospitals | 16,800 | 16,500 | 16,100 | 22,900 | 22,900 | 22,900 | 21,900 | 21,900 | 21,400 |
| Leisure and Hospitality | 79,400 | 80,000 | 74,800 | 87,700 | 89,100 | 84,300 | 101,500 | 101,600 | 99,300 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 69,200 | 69,700 | 65,600 | 74,800 | 75,800 | 72,300 | 85,900 | 86,000 | 86,200 |
| Other Services | 29,700 | 29,900 | 27,900 | 33,100 | 34,000 | 32,900 | 29,900 | 29,800 | 28,700 |
| Government | 150,700 | 155,200 | 141,900 | 113,400 | 117,500 | 108,200 | 141,700 | 146,800 | 139,800 |
| Federal | 11,100 | 11,400 | 10,200 | 16,600 | 16,700 | 17,000 | 30,200 | 29,700 | 29,600 |
| State | 68,600 | 68,300 | 63,900 | 9,200 | 9,700 | 9,500 | 18,000 | 17,800 | 16,800 |
| Local | 71,000 | 75,500 | 67,800 | 87,600 | 91,100 | 81,700 | 93,500 | 99,300 | 93,400 |

*Estimates for the current month are preliminary. All estimates are subject to revision. The number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas is without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of the TWC are in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. ${ }^{* *}$ Metropolitan Division (MD). The Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington MSA is comprised of the Dallas-Plano-Irving MD and the Fort Worth-Arlington MD.

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Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment (Not Seasonally Adjusted)


## Highlights of the Texas Labor Force <br> (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

TThe unemployment rate in Texas increased two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.8 percent in July 2007. The current rate was six-tenths of a percentage point below the July 2006 level of 5.4 percent. The Texas unemployment rate has remained at or below 5.0 percent since August 2006. The United States jobless rate increased to 4.9 percent in July from 4.7 in June. In addition, the national unemployment rate was one-tenth of a percentage point lower than last year's rate of 5.0 percent. The Texas unemployment rate has been lower than the United States rate for the past eight months.

$+$The number of employed workers in Texas increased in July by 4,100 job holders. The rise brought the state employment total to $11,089,400$. This was the fifth consecutive increase this year coming off a twomonth decline in January and February. Over the year, the number of Texas jobholders rose by $129,600$.

+The number of Texans seeking work increased by 21,200 to total 553,600 job seekers in July. The rise in the number of unemployed was partially attributed to seasonal reductions at local school districts as noncontract personnel were released for the summer. Since July of last year, unemployment declined by 72,600 .

The number of people receiving unemployment benefits in Texas rose by 7,000 to total 83,300 claims in July. Twenty-two Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) observed claims count increases over the month, and three MSAs realized a decrease in claims. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA listed a claims increase of 30.3 percent. The Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood MSA posted a 22.8 percent increase in claims. The Abilene MSA recorded the largest decline with an 18.6 percent decrease for the month followed by the Laredo MSA posting a 3.8 percent drop.

All twenty-five MSAs in Texas recorded a decrease in their unemployment rate from July 2006 to July 2007. The Midland MSA continued to have the lowest MSA unemployment rate in Texas at 3.2 percent for July 2007.

MSAs Ranked by Unemployment Rate July 2007 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

| 1 | Midland | 3.2 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Amarillo | 3.7 |
| 3 | Odessa | 3.8 |
| 4 | Austin-Round Rock | 4.0 |
| 5 (tie) | Abilene | 4.1 |
|  | San Angelo | 4.1 |
|  | Victoria | 4.1 |
| 8 | Lubbock | 4.2 |
| 9 | College Station-Bryan | 4.3 |
| 10 | Wichita Falls | 4.5 |
| 11 (tie) | Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington | 4.6 |
|  | Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown | 4.6 |
|  | San Antonio | 4.6 |
|  | Tyler | 4.6 |
| 15 | Longview | 4.7 |
|  | Texas | 4.8 |
|  | United States | 4.9 |
| 16 | Corpus Christi | 4.9 |
| 17 (tie) | Sherman-Denison | 5.0 |
|  | Waco | 5.0 |
| 19 (tie) | Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood | 5.2 |
|  | Texarkana | 5.2 |
| 21 | Laredo | 5.3 |
| 22 | Beaumont-Port Arthur | 5.9 |
| 23 | El Paso | 6.4 |
| 24 | Brownsville-Harlingen | 6.6 |
| 25 | McAllen-Edinburg-Mission | 7.2 |

Civilian Labor Force Estimates for Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas
NotSeasonally Adjusted (In Thousands)

|  | July 2007 |  |  |  | June 2007 |  |  |  | July 2006 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | C.L.F. | Emp. | Unemp. | Rate | C.L.F. | Emp. | Unemp. | Rate | C.L.F. | Emp. | Unemp. | Rate |
| United States | 154,871.0 | 147,315.0 | 7,556.0 | 4.9 | 154,252.0 | 146,958.0 | 7,295.0 | 4.7 | 153,208.0 | 145,606.0 | 7,602.0 | 5.0 |
| State of Texas | 11,643.0 | 11,089.4 | 553.6 | 4.8 | 11,617.7 | 11,085.3 | 532.4 | 4.6 | 11,586.0 | 10,959.8 | 626.2 | 5.4 |
| Abilene | 82.2 | 78.9 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 82.6 | 79.3 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 83.0 | 79.2 | 3.8 | 4.6 |
| Amarillo | 131.9 | 127.0 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 130.8 | 126.0 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 132.1 | 126.5 | 5.6 | 4.2 |
| Austin-Round Rock | 851.9 | 818.2 | 33.7 | 4.0 | 848.0 | 815.7 | 32.3 | 3.8 | 836.4 | 798.3 | 38.1 | 4.6 |
| Beaumont-Port Arthur | 182.2 | 171.4 | 10.8 | 5.9 | 182.1 | 172.0 | 10.1 | 5.6 | 179.5 | 167.6 | 11.9 | 6.6 |
| Brownsville-Harlingen | 145.9 | 136.3 | 9.6 | 6.6 | 145.2 | 135.8 | 9.4 | 6.5 | 148.2 | 137.6 | 10.6 | 7.1 |
| College Station-Bryan | 101.3 | 97.0 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 100.3 | 95.9 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 102.4 | 97.6 | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| Corpus Christi | 203.0 | 193.0 | 10.0 | 4.9 | 203.0 | 193.4 | 9.6 | 4.7 | 202.3 | 191.1 | 11.2 | 5.5 |
| Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington | 3,163.2 | 3,017.5 | 145.7 | 4.6 | 3,153.1 | 3,013.8 | 139.3 | 4.4 | 3,135.7 | 2,972.4 | 163.3 | 5.2 |
| Dallas-Plano-Irving MD | 2,124.6 | 2,027.1 | 97.5 | 4.6 | 2,115.0 | 2,021.6 | 93.4 | 4.4 | 2,107.9 | 1,998.6 | 109.3 | 5.2 |
| Fort Worth-Arlington MD | 1,038.6 | 990.4 | 48.2 | 4.6 | 1,038.1 | 992.2 | 45.9 | 4.4 | 1,027.8 | 973.8 | 54.0 | 5.3 |
| El Paso | 295.5 | 276.7 | 18.8 | 6.4 | 294.2 | 275.9 | 18.3 | 6.2 | 292.7 | 271.0 | 21.7 | 7.4 |
| Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown | 2,758.2 | 2,631.7 | 126.5 | 4.6 | 2,743.2 | 2,621.7 | 121.5 | 4.4 | 2,717.7 | 2,571.8 | 145.9 | 5.4 |
| Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood | 151.3 | 143.5 | 7.8 | 5.2 | 151.4 | 143.7 | 7.7 | 5.1 | 154.6 | 145.7 | 8.9 | 5.8 |
| Laredo | 90.3 | 85.5 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 90.3 | 85.5 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 89.5 | 84.1 | 5.4 | 6.1 |
| Longview | 105.1 | 100.1 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 104.4 | 99.8 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 105.4 | 99.6 | 5.8 | 5.5 |
| Lubbock | 144.5 | 138.5 | 6.0 | 4.2 | 145.1 | 139.2 | 5.9 | 4.1 | 143.7 | 136.8 | 6.9 | 4.8 |
| McAllen-Edinburg-Mission | 270.4 | 250.8 | 19.6 | 7.2 | 273.4 | 254.6 | 18.8 | 6.9 | 263.9 | 242.6 | 21.3 | 8.1 |
| Midland | 73.2 | 70.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 72.3 | 70.0 | 2.3 | 3.2 | 71.7 | 69.0 | 2.7 | 3.8 |
| Odessa | 68.5 | 65.9 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 67.8 | 65.2 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 66.9 | 64.0 | 2.9 | 4.4 |
| San Angelo | 53.6 | 51.4 | 2.2 | 4.1 | 54.0 | 51.8 | 2.2 | 4.0 | 54.8 | 52.2 | 2.6 | 4.8 |
| San Antonio | 940.6 | 897.7 | 42.9 | 4.6 | 941.1 | 899.6 | 41.5 | 4.4 | 938.4 | 889.6 | 48.8 | 5.2 |
| Sherman-Denison | 58.2 | 55.3 | 2.9 | 5.0 | 57.9 | 55.2 | 2.7 | 4.6 | 57.8 | 54.7 | 3.1 | 5.4 |
| Texarkana | 62.9 | 59.7 | 3.2 | 5.2 | 63.2 | 60.1 | 3.1 | 4.9 | 62.9 | 59.2 | 3.7 | 5.8 |
| Tyler | 98.0 | 93.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 97.7 | 93.4 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 98.1 | 93.2 | 4.9 | 5.0 |
| Victoria | 58.8 | 56.4 | 2.4 | 4.1 | 58.6 | 56.3 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 59.1 | 56.3 | 2.8 | 4.7 |
| Waco | 114.2 | 108.5 | 5.7 | 5.0 | 113.7 | 108.2 | 5.5 | 4.8 | 114.1 | 107.8 | 6.3 | 5.5 |
| Wichita Falls | 76.2 | 72.8 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 76.0 | 72.7 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 76.6 | 72.9 | 3.7 | 4.9 |

All estimates are subject to revision. Estimates reflect actual (not seasonally adjusted) data. Civilian Labor Force (C.L.F.) includes wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family, domestics in private households, agricultural workers, workers involved in labor disputes and the unemployed, all by place of residence. Employment and Unemployment data are first rounded then added together to derive the rounded CLF total. Because of this rounding technique, this rounded total of the CLF may not agree with a rounding of the CLF total itself. Percent Unemployed is based upon unrounded Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment numbers. Estimates of the TWC are in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. Beginning with January 2005 estimates, definitions of the MSAs were updated to reflect the 2000 Census-based configurations. Please see www.tracer2.com for details on these changes. The Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington MSA is comprised of the Dallas-Plano-Irving Metropolitan Division (MD) and the Fort Worth-Arlington MD.

Employment and Unemployment Estimates for Texas Counties - July 2007

| County | CLF | Emp. | Unemp. | Rate | County | CLF | Emp. | Unemp. | Rate | County | CLF | Emp. | Unemp. | Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anderson | 20,462 | 19,311 | 1,151 | 5.6 | Gillespie | 13,014 | 12,591 | 423 | 3.3 | Moore | 10,611 | 10,226 | 385 | 3.6 |
| Andrews | 7,308 | 7,056 | 252 | 3.4 | Glasscock | 535 | 510 | 25 | 4.7 | Morris | 6,344 | 5,951 | 393 | 6.2 |
| Angelina | 40,869 | 38,762 | 2,107 | 5.2 | Goliad | 3,520 | 3,378 | 142 | 4.0 | Motley | 640 | 612 | 28 | 4.4 |
| Aransas | 11,266 | 10,755 | 511 | 4.5 | Gonzales | 9,830 | 9,385 | 445 | 4.5 | Nacogdoches | 31,165 | 29,638 | 1,527 | 4.9 |
| Archer | 5,433 | 5,241 | 192 | 3.5 | Gray | 11,148 | 10,719 | 429 | 3.8 | Navarro | 21,024 | 19,837 | 1,187 | 5.6 |
| Armstrong | 1,170 | 1,127 | 43 | 3.7 | Grayson | 58,224 | 55,297 | 2,927 | 5.0 | Newton | 5,693 | 5,280 | 413 | 7.3 |
| Atascosa | 19,955 | 19,028 | 927 | 4.6 | Gregg | 62,325 | 59,442 | 2,883 | 4.6 | Nolan | 7,614 | 7,285 | 329 | 4.3 |
| Austin | 13,640 | 13,082 | 558 | 4.1 | Grimes | 10,795 | 10,232 | 563 | 5.2 | Nueces | 161,534 | 153,697 | 7,837 | 4.9 |
| Bailey | 3,159 | 2,984 | 175 | 5.5 | Guadalupe | 54,423 | 52,095 | 2,328 | 4.3 | Ochiltree | 5,318 | 5,156 | 162 | 3.0 |
| Bandera | 10,169 | 9,749 | 420 | 4.1 | Hale | 16,418 | 15,480 | 938 | 5.7 | Oldham | 1,002 | 956 | 46 | 4.6 |
| Bastrop | 35,969 | 34,305 | 1,664 | 4.6 | Hall | 1,376 | 1,293 | 83 | 6.0 | Orange | 41,834 | 39,366 | 2,468 | 5.9 |
| Baylor | 1,942 | 1,851 | 91 | 4.7 | Hamilton | 4,055 | 3,886 | 169 | 4.2 | Palo Pinto | 15,388 | 14,795 | 593 | 3.9 |
| Bee | 11,600 | 10,833 | 767 | 6.6 | Hansford | 2,326 | 2,235 | 91 | 3.9 | Panola | 12,748 | 12,198 | 550 | 4.3 |
| Bell | 115,485 | 109,772 | 5,713 | 4.9 | Hardeman | 2,478 | 2,362 | 116 | 4.7 | Parker | 52,989 | 50,640 | 2,349 | 4.4 |
| Bexar | 750,666 | 715,836 | 34,830 | 4.6 | Hardin | 25,492 | 24,124 | 1,368 | 5.4 | Parmer | 4,163 | 3,995 | 168 | 4.0 |
| Blanco | 4,652 | 4,469 | 183 | 3.9 | Harris | 1,929,794 | 1,841,942 | 87,852 | 4.6 | Pecos | 6,685 | 6,350 | 335 | 5.0 |
| Borden | 430 | 416 | 14 | 3.3 | Harrison | 31,937 | 30,229 | 1,708 | 5.3 | Polk | 17,013 | 15,900 | 1,113 | 6.5 |
| Bosque | 8,135 | 7,722 | 413 | 5.1 | Hartley | 2,152 | 2,061 | 91 | 4.2 | Potter | 58,894 | 56,377 | 2,517 | 4.3 |
| Bowie | 42,601 | 40,385 | 2,216 | 5.2 | Haskell | 2,977 | 2,855 | 122 | 4.1 | Presidio | 3,274 | 2,923 | 351 | 10.7 |
| Brazoria | 141,762 | 134,793 | 6,969 | 4.9 | Hays | 71,671 | 68,717 | 2,954 | 4.1 | Rains | 5,328 | 5,068 | 260 | 4.9 |
| Brazos | 85,323 | 81,754 | 3,569 | 4.2 | Hemphill | 2,284 | 2,217 | 67 | 2.9 | Randall | 68,202 | 65,948 | 2,254 | 3.3 |
| Brewster | 5,795 | 5,591 | 204 | 3.5 | Henderson | 35,014 | 33,257 | 1,757 | 5.0 | Reagan | 2,412 | 2,356 | 56 | 2.3 |
| Briscoe | 703 | 668 | 35 | 5.0 | Hidalgo | 270,367 | 250,791 | 19,576 | 7.2 | Real | 1,383 | 1,323 | 60 | 4.3 |
| Brooks | 2,985 | 2,786 | 199 | 6.7 | Hill | 15,393 | 14,543 | 850 | 5.5 | Red River | 6,262 | 5,916 | 346 | 5.5 |
| Brown | 19,564 | 18,684 | 880 | 4.5 | Hockley | 11,127 | 10,636 | 491 | 4.4 | Reeves | 4,081 | 3,811 | 270 | 6.6 |
| Burleson | 8,491 | 8,129 | 362 | 4.3 | Hood | 23,120 | 21,970 | 1,150 | 5.0 | Refugio | 3,736 | 3,571 | 165 | 4.4 |
| Burnet | 22,406 | 21,527 | 879 | 3.9 | Hopkins | 17,996 | 17,263 | 733 | 4.1 | Roberts | 569 | 551 | 18 | 3.2 |
| Caldwell | 17,097 | 16,232 | 865 | 5.1 | Houston | 7,929 | 7,357 | 572 | 7.2 | Robertson | 7,478 | 7,070 | 408 | 5.5 |
| Calhoun | 9,713 | 9,198 | 515 | 5.3 | Howard | 13,576 | 12,903 | 673 | 5.0 | Rockwall | 34,365 | 32,901 | 1,464 | 4.3 |
| Callahan | 7,185 | 6,895 | 290 | 4.0 | Hudspeth | 1,349 | 1,265 | 84 | 6.2 | Runnels | 4,315 | 4,063 | 252 | 5.8 |
| Cameron | 145,923 | 136,314 | 9,609 | 6.6 | Hunt | 40,809 | 38,830 | 1,979 | 4.8 | Rusk | 23,392 | 22,231 | 1,161 | 5.0 |
| Camp | 5,427 | 5,130 | 297 | 5.5 | Hutchinson | 10,808 | 10,254 | 554 | 5.1 | Sabine | 3,505 | 3,191 | 314 | 9.0 |
| Carson | 3,629 | 3,503 | 126 | 3.5 | Irion | 972 | 939 | 33 | 3.4 | San Augustine | 3,513 | 3,283 | 230 | 6.5 |
| Cass | 12,869 | 12,085 | 784 | 6.1 | Jack | 4,453 | 4,268 | 185 | 4.2 | San Jacinto | 10,812 | 10,206 | 606 | 5.6 |
| Castro | 3,066 | 2,906 | 160 | 5.2 | Jackson | 6,586 | 6,279 | 307 | 4.7 | San Patricio | 30,212 | 28,572 | 1,640 | 5.4 |
| Chambers | 14,785 | 14,053 | 732 | 5.0 | Jasper | 15,836 | 14,869 | 967 | 6.1 | San Saba | 2,453 | 2,320 | 133 | 5.4 |
| Cherokee | 20,341 | 19,239 | 1,102 | 5.4 | Jeff Davis | 1,173 | 1,125 | 48 | 4.1 | Schleicher | 1,349 | 1,286 | 63 | 4.7 |
| Childress | 2,902 | 2,740 | 162 | 5.6 | Jefferson | 114,887 | 107,920 | 6,967 | 6.1 | Scurry | 7,181 | 6,841 | 340 | 4.7 |
| Clay | 6,648 | 6,396 | 252 | 3.8 | Jim Hogg | 2,824 | 2,691 | 133 | 4.7 | Shackelford | 2,020 | 1,960 | 60 | 3.0 |
| Cochran | 1,367 | 1,275 | 92 | 6.7 | Jim Wells | 21,187 | 20,186 | 1,001 | 4.7 | Shelby | 12,014 | 11,401 | 613 | 5.1 |
| Coke | 1,338 | 1,257 | 81 | 6.1 | Johnson | 75,382 | 71,949 | 3,433 | 4.6 | Sherman | 1,277 | 1,221 | 56 | 4.4 |
| Coleman | 4,122 | 3,941 | 181 | 4.4 | Jones | 8,063 | 7,655 | 408 | 5.1 | Smith | 97,973 | 93,505 | 4,468 | 4.6 |
| Collin | 389,675 | 373,589 | 16,086 | 4.1 | Karnes | 5,475 | 5,119 | 356 | 6.5 | Somervell | 3,794 | 3,588 | 206 | 5.4 |
| Collingsworth | 1,641 | 1,582 | 59 | 3.6 | Kaufman | 45,711 | 43,343 | 2,368 | 5.2 | Starr | 21,637 | 19,392 | 2,245 | 10.4 |
| Colorado | 11,175 | 10,720 | 455 | 4.1 | Kendall | 15,064 | 14,475 | 589 | 3.9 | Stephens | 4,570 | 4,382 | 188 | 4.1 |
| Comal | 51,297 | 49,256 | 2,041 | 4.0 | Kenedy | 253 | 247 | 6 | 2.4 | Sterling | 845 | 818 | 27 | 3.2 |
| Comanche | 6,511 | 6,218 | 293 | 4.5 | Kent | 375 | 358 | 17 | 4.5 | Stonewall | 992 | 961 | 31 | 3.1 |
| Concho | 1,313 | 1,239 | 74 | 5.6 | Kerr | 23,780 | 22,877 | 903 | 3.8 | Sutton | 2,978 | 2,900 | 78 | 2.6 |
| Cooke | 21,929 | 21,016 | 913 | 4.2 | Kimble | 2,224 | 2,139 | 85 | 3.8 | Swisher | 3,509 | 3,335 | 174 | 5.0 |
| Coryell | 25,738 | 24,094 | 1,644 | 6.4 | King | 159 | 151 | 8 | 5.0 | Tarrant | 881,334 | 840,249 | 41,085 | 4.7 |
| Cottle | 719 | 680 | 39 | 5.4 | Kinney | 1,239 | 1,177 | 62 | 5.0 | Taylor | 66,946 | 64,302 | 2,644 | 3.9 |
| Crane | 1,755 | 1,678 | 77 | 4.4 | Kleberg | 16,572 | 15,801 | 771 | 4.7 | Terrell | 352 | 332 | 20 | 5.7 |
| Crockett | 2,088 | 2,015 | 73 | 3.5 | Knox | 1,808 | 1,720 | 88 | 4.9 | Terry | 5,614 | 5,314 | 300 | 5.3 |
| Crosby | 2,985 | 2,847 | 138 | 4.6 | Lamar | 23,828 | 22,557 | 1,271 | 5.3 | Throckmorton | 932 | 894 | 38 | 4.1 |
| Culberson | 1,778 | 1,726 | 52 | 2.9 | Lamb | 7,228 | 6,892 | 336 | 4.6 | Titus | 14,586 | 13,937 | 649 | 4.4 |
| Dallam | 2,906 | 2,804 | 102 | 3.5 | Lampasas | 10,051 | 9,614 | 437 | 4.3 | Tom Green | 52,600 | 50,454 | 2,146 | 4.1 |
| Dallas | 1,207,236 | 1,149,446 | 57,790 | 4.8 | La Salle | 2,986 | 2,828 | 158 | 5.3 | Travis | 535,615 | 514,960 | 20,655 | 3.9 |
| Dawson | 4,845 | 4,530 | 315 | 6.5 | Lavaca | 10,354 | 9,962 | 392 | 3.8 | Trinity | 5,678 | 5,346 | 332 | 5.8 |
| Deaf Smith | 8,235 | 7,886 | 349 | 4.2 | Lee | 8,975 | 8,600 | 375 | 4.2 | Tyler | 8,084 | 7,596 | 488 | 6.0 |
| Delta | 2,550 | 2,431 | 119 | 4.7 | Leon | 7,984 | 7,613 | 371 | 4.6 | Upshur | 19,321 | 18,414 | 907 | 4.7 |
| Denton | 333,972 | 319,597 | 14,375 | 4.3 | Liberty | 33,084 | 31,227 | 1,857 | 5.6 | Upton | 1,594 | 1,532 | 62 | 3.9 |
| DeWitt | 9,725 | 9,281 | 444 | 4.6 | Limestone | 10,373 | 9,864 | 509 | 4.9 | Uvalde | 11,762 | 11,078 | 684 | 5.8 |
| Dickens | 1,243 | 1,194 | 49 | 3.9 | Lipscomb | 1,764 | 1,707 | 57 | 3.2 | Val Verde | 20,551 | 18,870 | 1,681 | 8.2 |
| Dimmit | 3,680 | 3,371 | 309 | 8.4 | Live Oak | 4,947 | 4,716 | 231 | 4.7 | Van Zandt | 25,813 | 24,702 | 1,111 | 4.3 |
| Donley | 1,780 | 1,686 | 94 | 5.3 | Llano | 8,488 | 8,110 | 378 | 4.5 | Victoria | 45,529 | 43,785 | 1,744 | 3.8 |
| Duval | 5,650 | 5,332 | 318 | 5.6 | Loving | 36 | 32 | 4 | 11.1 | Walker | 26,043 | 24,606 | 1,437 | 5.5 |
| Eastland | 8,621 | 8,186 | 435 | 5.0 | Lubbock | 141,508 | 135,616 | 5,892 | 4.2 | Waller | 16,870 | 16,022 | 848 | 5.0 |
| Ector | 68,490 | 65,878 | 2,612 | 3.8 | Lynn | 2,812 | 2,664 | 148 | 5.3 | Ward | 4,933 | 4,712 | 221 | 4.5 |
| Edwards | 944 | 896 66931 | 48 | 5.1 | McCulloch | 3,676 | 3,509 | 167 | 4.5 | Washington | 15,985 | 15,263 | 722 | 4.5 |
| Ellis | 70,232 | 66,931 | 3,301 | 4.7 | McLennan | 114,190 | 108,485 | 5,705 | 5.0 | Webb | 90,304 | 85,510 | 4,794 | 5.3 |
| El Paso | 295,491 | 276,685 | 18,806 | 6.4 | McMullen | 279 | 261 | 18 | 6.5 | Wharton | 20,571 | 19,531 | 1,040 | 5.1 |
| Erath | 17,564 | 16,811 | 753 | 4.3 | Madison | 4,959 | 4,694 | 265 | 5.3 | Wheeler | 2,686 | 2,589 | 97 | 3.6 |
| Falls | 6,958 | 6,537 | 421 | 6.1 | Marion | 5,053 | 4,780 | 273 | 5.4 | Wichita | 64,076 | 61,127 | 2,949 | 4.6 |
| Fannin | 13,634 | 12,833 | 801 | 5.9 | Martin | 2,102 | 2,019 | 83 | 3.9 | Wilbarger | 8,090 | 7,769 | 321 | 4.0 |
| Fayette | 11,975 | 11,523 | 452 | 3.8 | Mason | 2,506 | 2,425 | 81 | 3.2 | Willacy | 7,556 | 6,887 | 669 | 8.9 |
| Fisher | 1,855 | 1,767 | 88 | 4.7 | Matagorda | 15,794 | 14,608 | 1,186 | 7.5 | Williamson | 191,584 | 183,981 | 7,603 | 4.0 |
| Floyd | 3,035 | 2,857 | 178 | 5.9 | Maverick | 19,076 | 17,140 | 1,936 | 10.1 | Wilson | 18,652 | 17,789 | 863 | 4.6 |
| Foard | 686 | 654 | 32 | 4.7 | Medina | 20,404 | 19,504 | 900 | 4.4 | Winkler | 3,280 | 3,155 | 125 | 3.8 |
| Fort Bend | 249,505 | 238,476 | 11,029 | 4.4 | Menard | 1,032 | 987 | 45 | 4.4 | Wise | 28,975 | 27,606 | 1,369 | 4.7 |
| Franklin | 5,514 | 5,277 | 237 | 4.3 | Midland | 73,117 | 70,761 | 2,356 | 3.2 | Wood | 18,296 | 17,369 | 927 | 5.1 |
| Freestone | 10,819 | 10,395 | 424 | 3.9 | Milam | 12,219 | 11,617 | 602 | 4.9 | Yoakum | 3,563 | 3,412 | 151 | 4.2 |
| Frio | 6,595 | 6,192 | 403 | 6.1 | Mills | 2,435 | 2,327 | 108 | 4.4 | Young | 10,004 | 9,625 | 379 | 3.8 |
| Gaines | 6,015 | 5,743 | 272 | 4.5 | Mitchell | 3,275 | 3,073 | 202 | 6.2 | Zapata | 5,000 | 4,681 | 319 | 6.4 |
| Galveston | 146,548 | 139,042 | 7,506 | 5.1 | Montague | 10,345 | 9,936 | 409 | 4.0 | Zavala | 3,600 | 3,139 | 461 | 12.8 |
| Garza | 2,696 | 2,599 | 97 | 3.6 | Montgomery | 201,443 | 192,880 | 8,563 | 4.3 | Texas | 11,643,024 | 11,089,388 | 553,636 | 4.8 |



Employment and Unemployment Estimates for Texas Cities - July 2007

| City | CLF | Emp. | Unemp | Rate | City | CLF | Emp. | Unemp | Rate | City | CLF | Emp. | Unemp | Rate |
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| Abilene | 58,046 | 55,612 | 2,434 | 4.2 | Friendswood | 18,506 | 17,784 | 722 | 3.9 | North Richland Hills | 36,171 | 34,727 | 1,444 | 4.0 |
| Allen | 39,624 | 38,071 | 1,553 | 3.9 | Frisco | 41,670 | 40,075 | 1,595 | 3.8 | Odessa | 51,337 | 49,395 | 1,942 | 3.8 |
| Amarillo | 101,483 | 97,769 | 3,714 | 3.7 | Galveston | 27,943 | 26,505 | 1,438 | 5.1 | Paris | 12,058 | 11,355 | 703 | 5.8 |
| Arlington | 210,153 | 200,780 | 9,373 | 4.5 | Garland | 116,657 | 111,257 | 5,400 | 4.6 | Pasadena | 68,775 | 65,072 | 3,703 | 5.4 |
| Austin | 419,804 | 404,114 | 15,690 | 3.7 | Georgetown | 19,675 | 18,823 | 852 | 4.3 | Pearland | 33,205 | 31,892 | 1,313 | 4.0 |
| Baytown | 33,070 | 30,942 | 2,128 | 6.4 | Grand Prairie | 75,918 | 72,334 | 3,584 | 4.7 | Pflugerville | 16,870 | 16,259 | 61 | 3.6 |
| Beaumont | 54,726 | 51,658 | 3,068 | 5.6 | Grapevine | 29,105 | 28,047 | 1,058 | 3.6 | Pharr | 22,790 | 21,398 | 1,392 | 6.1 |
| Bedford | 31,657 | 30,476 | 1,181 | 3.7 | Greenville | 12,321 | 11,721 | 600 | 4.9 | Plano | 148,577 | 142,610 | 5,967 | 4.0 |
| Big Spring | 9,329 | 8,830 | 499 | 5.3 | Haltom City | 21,812 | 20,838 | 974 | 4.5 | Port Arthur | 23,216 | 21,392 | 1,824 | 7.9 |
| Brownsville | 62,757 | 58,566 | 4,191 | 6.7 | Harlingen | 25,235 | 23,786 | 1,449 | 5.7 | Richardson | 58,322 | 56,020 | 2,302 | 3.9 |
| Bryan | 35,604 | 34,207 | 1,397 | 3.9 | Houston | 1,017,781 | 970,879 | 46,902 | 4.6 | Rockwall | 16,791 | 16,122 | 669 | 4.0 |
| Burleson | 16,582 | 15,851 | 731 | 4.4 | Huntsville | 14,921 | 14,075 | 846 | 5.7 | Rosenberg | 15,194 | 14,534 | 660 | 4.3 |
| Carrollton | 72,783 | 69,894 | 2,889 | 4.0 | Hurst | 21,611 | 20,708 | 903 | 4.2 | Round Rock | 50,065 | 48,317 | 1,748 | 3.5 |
| Cedar Hill | 23,882 | 22,752 | 1,130 | 4.7 | Irving | 114,830 | 110,211 | 4,619 | 4.0 | Rowlett | 30,188 | 28,965 | 1,223 | 4.1 |
| Cedar Park | 28,102 | 27,156 | 946 | 3.4 | Keller | 19,761 | 18,992 | 769 | 3.9 | San Angelo | 44,250 | 42,438 | 1,812 | 4.1 |
| Cleburne | 14,017 | 13,407 | 610 | 4.4 | Killeen | 41,257 | 38,973 | 2,284 | 5.5 | San Antonio | 619,032 | 591,168 | 27,864 | 4.5 |
| College Station | 39,282 | 37,539 | 1,743 | 4.4 | Kingsville | 13,247 | 12,644 | 603 | 4.6 | San Juan | 11,816 | 10,998 | 818 | 6.9 |
| Conroe | 24,331 | 23,341 | 990 | 4.1 | Lake Jackson | 14,463 | 13,827 | 636 | 4.4 | San Marcos | 27,061 | 26,039 | 1,022 | 3.8 |
| Coppell | 21,938 | 21,158 | 780 | 3.6 | Lancaster | 16,429 | 15,458 | 971 | 5.9 | Schertz | 14,268 | 13,719 | 549 | 3.8 |
| Copperas Cove | 13,338 | 12,661 | 677 | 5.1 | La Porte | 18,712 | 17,896 | 816 | 4.4 | Sherman | 17,724 | 16,777 | 947 | 5.3 |
| Corpus Christi | 145,071 | 138,286 | 6,785 | 4.7 | Laredo | 85,326 | 81,049 | 4,277 | 5.0 | Socorro | 10,866 | 10,048 | 818 | 7.5 |
| Corsicana | 10,666 | 10,031 | 635 | 6.0 | League City | 35,909 | 34,479 | 1,430 | 4.0 | Sugar Land | 41,980 | 40,440 | 1,540 | 3.7 |
| Dallas | 616,306 | 585,892 | 30,414 | 4.9 | Lewisville | 57,897 | 55,635 | 2,262 | 3.9 | Temple | 28,681 | 27,516 | 1,165 | 4.1 |
| Deer Park | 16,663 | 15,932 | 731 | 4.4 | Longview | 39,909 | 38,024 | 1,885 | 4.7 | Texarkana | 16,287 | 15,407 | 880 | 5.4 |
| Del Rio | 16,137 | 14,854 | 1,283 | 8.0 | Lubbock | 118,386 | 113,521 | 4,865 | 4.1 | Texas City | 21,421 | 19,995 | 1,426 | 6.7 |
| Denton | 61,105 | 58,462 | 2,643 | 4.3 | Lufkin | 16,663 | 15,863 | 800 | 4.8 | The Colony | 22,613 | 21,645 | 968 | 4.3 |
| DeSoto | 25,665 | 24,339 | 1,326 | 5.2 | Mcallen | 57,952 | 55,048 | 2,904 | 5.0 | Tyler | 47,482 | 45,312 | 2,170 | 4.6 |
| Duncanville | 19,274 | 18,315 | 959 | 5.0 | McKinney | 51,886 | 49,488 | 2,398 | 4.6 | Victoria | 32,881 | 31,630 | 1,251 | 3.8 |
| Eagle Pass | 10,803 | 9,662 | 1,141 | 10.6 | Mansfield | 21,726 | 20,771 | 955 | 4.4 | Waco | 56,272 | 53,055 | 3,217 | 5.7 |
| Edinburg | 28,219 | 26,576 | 1,643 | 5.8 | Mesquite | 73,467 | 70,199 | 3,268 | 4.4 | Waxahachie | 12,938 | 12,358 | 580 | 4.5 |
| El Paso | 253,594 | 238,403 | 15,191 | 6.0 | Midland | 60,074 | 58,138 | 1,936 | 3.2 | Weslaco | 12,707 | 11,791 | 916 | 7.2 |
| Euless | 32,259 | 31,014 | 1,245 | 3.9 | Mission | 24,438 | 22,946 | 1,492 | 6.1 | Wichita Falls | 48,629 | 46,276 | 2,353 | 4.8 |
| Farmers Branch | 15,047 | 14,443 | 604 | 4.0 | Missouri City | 40,701 | 38,975 | 1,726 | 4.2 | Wylie | 16,463 | 15,757 | 706 | 4.3 |
| Flower Mound | 36,223 | 34,891 | 1,332 | 3.7 | Nacogdoches | 16,213 | 15,348 | 865 | 5.3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fort Worth | 309,408 | 293,940 | 15,468 | 5.0 | New Braunfels | 25,103 | 24,159 | 944 | 3.8 |  |  |  |  |  |

Estimates reflect actual (not seasonally adjusted) data. All estimates are subject to revision. Estimates of the TWC are in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

| Civilian Labor Force Estimates for WDAs July 2007 |  |  |  |  | Hours and Earnings for Texas <br> and Selected Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas \& Metro Divisions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | LF | Emp. |  | Rate | Area | Average Weekly Earnings |  |  | Average Weekly Hours |  |  | Average Hourly Earnings |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | July '07 | June '07 | July '06 | July '07 | June '07 | July '06 | July '07 | June '07 | July '06 |
| Alamo | 989,494 | 944,511 | 44,983 | 4.5 | Texas |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brazos Valley | 141,015 | 134,755 | 6,260 | 4.4 | Manufacturing | \$581.74 |  |  | 41.2 | 41.8 | 40.9 | \$14.12 | \$14.08 | \$14.02 |
| Cameron County | 145,923 | 136,314 | 9,609 | 6.6 | Manufacturing | \$581.74 | \$588.54 | \$573.42 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital Area | 535,615 | 514,960 | 20,655 | 3.9 | Durable Goods | \$575.37 | \$578.23 | \$565.45 | 42.4 | 42.8 | 41.7 | \$13.57 | \$13.51 | \$13.56 |
| Central Texas | 172,436 | 163,630 | 8,806 | 5.1 | Nondurable Goods | \$594.61 | \$607.42 | \$585.39 | 39.3 | 40.2 | 39.5 | \$15.13 | \$15.11 | \$14.82 |
| Coastal Bend | 270,221 | 256,757 | 13,464 | 5.0 | Dallas-Ft. Worth-Arling | MSA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Concho Valley | 75,333 | 72,324 | 3,009 | 4.0 | Manufacturing | \$602.82 | \$612.52 | \$618.12 | 39.4 | 39.8 | 40.4 | \$15.30 | \$15.39 | \$15.30 |
| Dallas | 1,207,236 | 1,149,446 | 57,790 | 4.8 | Durable Goods | \$665.01 | \$672.74 | \$667.85 | 40.5 | 40.6 | 40.5 | \$16.42 | \$16.57 | \$16.49 |
| Deep East Texas | 162,111 | 152,829 | 9,282 18,555 | 5.7 | Nondurable Goods | \$490.13 | \$502.81 | \$521.20 | 37.5 | 38.5 | 40.0 | \$13.07 | \$13.06 | \$13.03 |
| East Texas | 383,430 | 364,875 | 18,555 | 4.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Golden Crescent | 95,257 | 91,268 | 3,989 | 4.2 | Houston-Sugar Land-B | wn MSA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gulf Coast | 2,821,014 | 2,690,982 | 130,032 | 4.6 | Manufacturing | \$670.13 | \$674.77 | \$649.78 | 40.2 | 40.6 | 38.2 | \$16.67 | \$16.62 | \$17.01 |
| Heart Of Texas | 165,868 | 157,546 | 8,322 | 5.0 | Durable Goods | \$611.06 | \$619.48 | \$564.87 | 42.2 | 42.9 | 39.2 | \$14.48 | \$14.44 | \$14.41 |
| Lower Rio Grande Valley | 299,560 | 277,070 | 22,490 | 7.5 | Nondurable Goods | \$783.01 | \$783.01 | \$790.59 | 36.2 | 36.2 | 36.5 | \$21.63 | \$21.63 | \$21.66 |
| Middle Rio Grande | 65,221 | 59,822 | 5,399 | 8.3 | San Antonio MSA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North Central Texas | 1,153,000 | 1,102,387 | 50,613 | 4.4 | anufacturing | \$544.81 | \$542.10 | \$485.62 | 45.1 | 45.1 | 41.9 | \$12.08 | \$12.02 |  |
| North East Texas | 132,550 | 125,802 | 6,748 | 5.1 | durs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| North Texas | 114,874 | 109,909 | 4,965 | 4.3 | Durable Goods | \$594.84 | \$585.82 | \$512.87 | 48.4 | 47.9 | 43.5 | \$12.29 | \$12.23 | \$11.79 |
| Panhandle | 214,121 | 205,742 | 8,379 | 3.9 | Nondurable Goods | \$468.77 | \$473.75 | \$445.17 | 40.1 | 40.7 | 39.5 | \$11.69 | \$11.64 | \$11.27 |
| Permian Basin | 199,134 | 191,418 | 7,716 | 3.9 | Dallas-Plano-Irving MD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rural Capital | 372,817 | 357,464 | 15,353 | 4.1 | Manufacturing | \$531.60 | \$538.62 | \$548.02 | 38.3 | 38.5 | 39.2 | \$13.88 | \$13.99 | \$13.98 |
| South East Texas | 182,213 | 171,410 | 10,803 | 5.9 | Durable Goods | \$530.58 | \$530.35 | \$537.04 | 38.7 | 38.1 | 37.9 | \$13.71 | \$13.92 | \$14.17 |
| South Plains | 203,554 | 194,533 | 9,021 | 4.4 | Nondurable Goods | \$532.42 | \$552.72 | \$564.98 | 37.6 | 39.2 | 41.3 | \$14.16 | \$14.10 | \$13.68 |
| South Texas | 98,128 | 92,882 | 5,246 | 5.3 | Ft. Worth-Arlington MD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tarrant County | 881,334 | 840,249 | 41,085 | 4.7 | F. Worm-Arlinglon M |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Texoma | 93,787 | 89,146 | 4,641 | 4.9 | Manufacturing | \$725.74 | \$736.68 | \$741.20 | 41.4 | 42.0 | 42.5 | \$17.53 | \$17.54 | \$17.44 |
| Upper Rio Grande | 308,860 | 289,315 | 19,545 | 6.3 | Durable Goods | \$871.20 | \$886.89 | \$870.15 | 43.3 | 44.3 | 44.6 | \$20.12 | \$20.02 | \$19.51 |
| West Central Texas | 158,926 | 152,040 | 6,886 | 4.3 | Nondurable Goods | \$401.39 | \$398.89 | \$424.47 | 37.2 | 36.9 | 37.3 | \$10.79 | \$10.81 | \$11.38 |

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## Glossary of Labor Market Terms

Actual or Not Seasonally Adjusted - This term is used to describe data series not subject to the seasonal adjustment process. In other words, the effects of regular, or seasonal, patterns have not been removed from these series.

Civilian Labor Force (CLF) - Is that portion of the population age 16 and older who are employed or unemployed. To be considered unemployed, a person has to be not working but willing and able to work and actively seeking work.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) - Is a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services. The CPI provides a way for consumers to compare what the market basket of goods and services costs this month with what the same market basket cost a month or a year ago.

Current Employment Statistics (CES) - A monthly survey of nonfarm business establishments used to collect wage and salary employment, workers hours, and payroll, by industry and area. It is sometimes known as Nonagricultural Employment.

Employed (Emp) - Persons 16 years and over in the civilian noninstitutional population who, during the reference week, (a) did any work at all (at least 1 hour) as paid employees, worked in their own business, profession, or on their own farm, or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of the family, and (b) all those who were not working but who had jobs or businesses from which they were temporarily absent because of vacation, illness, bad weather, childcare problems, maternity or paternity leave, labor-management dispute, job training, or other family or personal reasons, whether or not they were paid for the time off or were seeking other jobs. Each employed person is counted only once, even if he or she holds more than one job.

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) - The Federal/State cooperative program which produces employment and unemployment
estimates for states and local areas. These estimates are developed by State Employment Security Agencies in accordance with Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) definitions and procedures. Data is used for planning and budgetary purposes as an indication of need for employment and training services programs. Estimates are also used to allocate Federal funds.

Metropolitan Division (MD) - A Metropolitan Statistical Area which contains a single core with a population of 2.5 million or more may be subdivided into smaller groupings of counties referred to as Metropolitan Divisions. Titles of Metropolitan Divisions are typically based on principal city names. Texas has two Metropolitan Divisions, the Dallas-Plano-Irving MD and the Fort Worth-Arlington MD, which combine to form the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington MSA.

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) - A geographic area that contains at least one urbanized area of 50,000 or more population plus adjacent territory that has a high degree of social and economic integration with the core urban area. An MSA in Texas is made up of one or more counties. The U.S. Office of Management and Budget defines metropolitan areas according to published standards that are applied to Census Bureau data. Texas has 25 MSAs and two Metropolitan Divisions (MD).

Seasonally Adjusted (SA) - Seasonal adjustment removes the effects of events that follow a more or less regular pattern each year. These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other non-seasonal movements in a data series.

Unemployed (Unemp) - Persons 16 years and over who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment sometime during the 4 -week period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not have been looking for work to be classified as unemployed.

## "Happenings Around the State"

## Company Will Bring 4,000 Jobs to Texas

SAN ANTONIO, TX (San Antonio Express-News-L.A. Lorek)-Rackspace Managed Hosting will receive a $\$ 22$ million grant from the Texas Enterprise Fund as part of an incentive package to help the high-tech company relocate to Windsor Park Mall and add up to 4,000 new jobs around the state. Rackspace must add 3,000 new jobs in San Antonio and another 1,000 statewide. It has an office in Austin and a data center in Grapevine.

The San Antonio City Council members unanimously approved a boundary change giving the city of Windcrest taxing rights on 221 acres so it can establish a campus for Rackspace at Windsor Park Mall. Company officials hope to have their first group of employees moved into Windcrest by year's end.

## Chemical Company to Open Plant

BEAUMONT, TX (Beaumont Enterprise)-Eastman Chemical Co.'s selection of Beaumont as a location for its $\$ 1.6$ billion gasification plant could bring nearly 2,000 jobs to the area. The Kingsport, Tenn.-based company announced it would build its new plant near Texas Highway 347 after the Beaumont Independent School District approved a tax abatement program.

According to Impact DataSource, an Austin-based consultant, the first ten years of Eastman's plant will result in 2,012 direct and indirect jobs. Eastman
plans to produce a gas from the leftovers of the crude oil-refining process that eventually will become a cleansed gas used in making chemicals that are the building blocks in the plastics industry.

## PayPal Center Planned for Austin

AUSTIN, TX (Austin American-Statesman-Lilly Rockwell and M.B. Taboada)-PayPal Inc., an online payment system owned by the auction site eBay, says it is building a data services center in Austin, with up to 300 jobs to be available in the next two years. "Austin is a key city and a key pool of talent for us to succeed in our long-term growth as PayPal," said Matthew Mengerink, vice president of core technologies for the Silicon Valley firm.

## Energy Company to Add Positions

AMARILLO, TX (Borger News Herald)-Xcel Energy's Texas-based operating company, Southwestern Public Service Company, is hiring 65 new positions across its service territory to enhance the company's service to its regional customers. Chief among service changes are the reestablishment of regional divisions that will be based in Amarillo, Lubbock and Roswell, serving the Texas Panhandle, the Texas South Plains and eastern and southeastern New Mexico regions, respectively.

## INDICATORS

Texas Unemployment Rate

| Actual (Not Seasonally |  |  | Adjusted) |  |  | Seasonally Adjusted |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | JULY | 2007 | $4.8 \%$ |  | JULY | 2007 |  |  |
| JUNE | 2007 | $4.6 \%$ |  | JUNE | 2007 | $4.4 \%$ |  |  |
| JULY | 2006 | $5.4 \%$ |  | JULY | 2006 | $4.1 \%$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $4.9 \%$ |  |  |  |

U.S. Unemployment Rate

| Actual (Not Seasonally Adjusted) |  |  | Seasonally Adjusted |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| JULY | 2007 | 4.9\% | JULY | 2007 | 4.6\% |
| JUNE | 2007 | 4.7\% | JUNE | 2007 | 4.5\% |
| JULY | 2006 | 5.0\% | JULY | 2006 | 4.8\% |
| Texas Nonagricultural Wage \& Salary Employment |  |  |  |  |  |


| Not Seasonally Adjusted |  | Seasonally Adjusted |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| JULY 2007 | 10,243,700 | JULY | 2007 | 10,305,500 |
| JUNE 2007 | 10,305,200 | JUNE | 2007 | 10,276,100 |
| JULY 2006 | 9,976,700 | JULY | 2006 | 10,039,600 |
| OTM Change | -61,500 | OTM C |  | 29,400 |
| OTY Change | 267,000 | OTY Cl |  | 265,900 |


| Initial Claims |  |  | Continued Claims |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| JULY | 2007 | 60,171 | JULY | 2007 | 469,794 |
| JUNE | 2007 | 58,120 | JUNE | 2007 | 392,663 |
| JULY | 2006 | 60,204 | JULY | 2006 | 482,834 |


| Consumer Price Index (CPI) |  | Help Wanted Index - Texas |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Annual Change |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. | JULY 2007 2.4\% | JULY | 2007 | N/A |
| Dallas-Fort Worth | JULY 2007 1.3\% | JUNE | 2007 | 51.7 |
| Houston-Galveston | JUNE 2007 1.2\% | JULY | 2006 | 58.1 |
| West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil (\$/barrel) |  |  |  |  |
| JULY 2007 | \$ 74.18 | OTM C |  | \$ 6.70 |
| JUNE 2007 | \$ 67.48 | OTY Cl |  | -\$ 0.23 |
| JULY 2006 | \$ 74.41 |  |  |  |

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    ${ }^{* *}$ Source - Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor (Current Population Survey)

