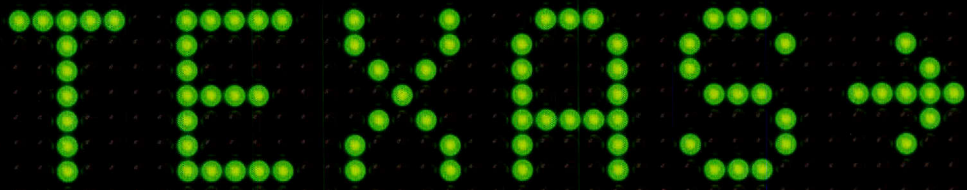


Tracking the Texas Economy



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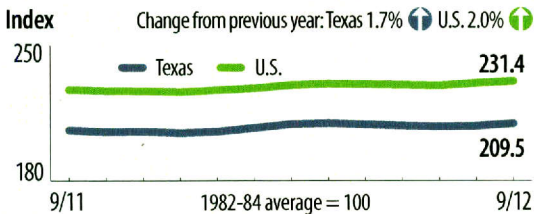
Key Texas Economic Indicators

Texas total nonfarm employment increased by 21,000 jobs during September 2012. Between September 2011 and September 2012, Texas total nonfarm employment increased by 2.5 percent.

Over the past year, Texas added jobs in 8 of the 11 major industries, including professional and business services, trade, transportation, and utilities, education and health services, manufacturing, leisure and hospitality, other services and financial activities.

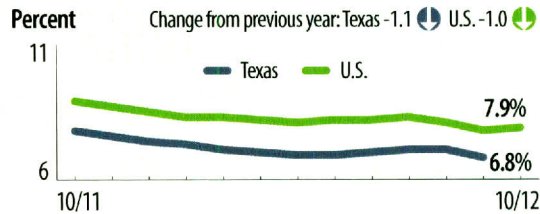
Consumer Price Index

The Texas CPI remains well below the U.S. average and has increased at almost the same rate as the nation's over the last year.



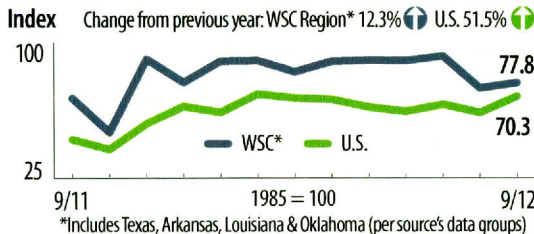
Unemployment Rate

Texas unemployment is lower than the nation's.



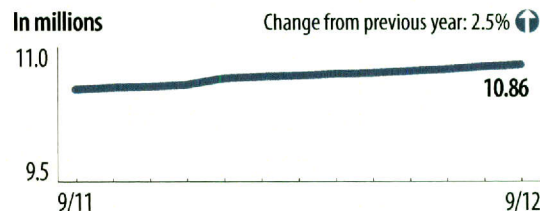
Consumer Confidence Index

Texas' index has remained higher than the nation's over the past year.



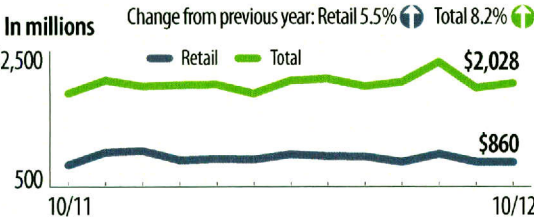
Texas Nonfarm Employment

Texas employment increased by 2.5 percent over the past year.



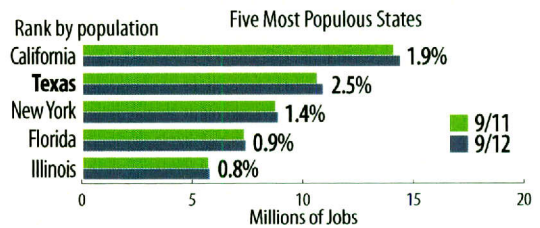
Texas Sales Tax Collections

Sales tax collections increased by 8.2 percent over the last year.



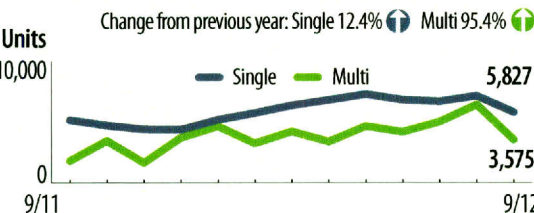
Change in Nonfarm Employment

Texas experienced an increase of 2.5 percent in nonfarm employment over the past year.



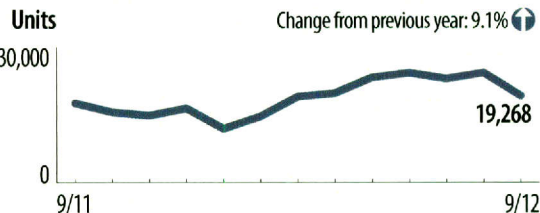
Texas Housing Permits

Texas' number of single-family permits increased over the past year and multi-family permits increased over the past year.



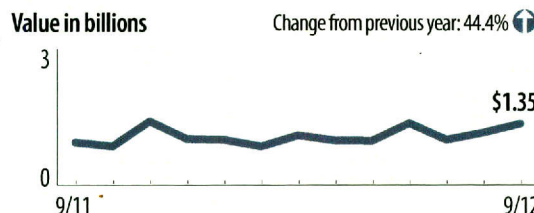
Existing Single-family Home Sales in Texas

Home sales increased by 9.1 percent over the last year.



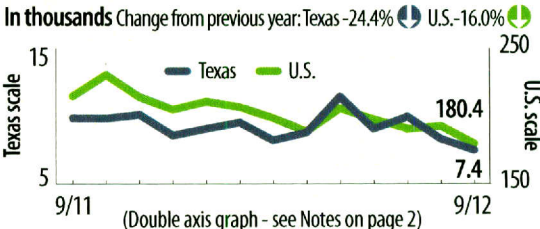
Texas Non-Residential Building Construction Contracts

Non-residential building construction increased by 44.4 percent over the past year.



Mortgage Foreclosures

Texas' number of mortgage foreclosures decreased from August 2011 to August 2012.





Texas Production and Consumption Indicators

Date	Crude Oil Production	Natural Gas Production	Active Oil & Gas Drilling Rigs	Motor Fuels Taxed		Median Sale Price, Existing Single-family Home	Auto Sales	Cigarettes Taxed
	Value (Millions)	Value (Millions)	Units	Gasoline (Millions of Gallons)	Diesel (Millions of Gallons)	Dollars	Net Value (Millions)	Packages of 20 (Millions)
2010	\$26,036.0	\$12,639.9	670	12,141.8	3,698.1	\$146,750	\$38,797.5	951.2
2011	38,385.1	17,141.2	849	11,948.4	3,835.2	147,800	44,235.2	951.7
Jul-11	\$3,363.1	\$1,367.8	858	1,013.5	335.5	\$153,200	\$3,757.6	67.1
Aug-11	3,100.5	1,352.7	885	1,016.9	306.2	152,800	4,245.8	83.7
Sept-11	3,095.4	1,327.7	897	1,036.9	341.6	148,600	3,887.2	119.2
Oct-11	3,345.1	1,371.6	914	988.5	327.3	146,600	3,811.8	39.3
Nov-11	3,800.6	1,330.7	914	1,018.1	327.6	146,900	3,780.1	80.9
Dec-11	4,014.2	1,360.3	912	989.5	312.5	151,200	3,903.3	71.5
Jan-12	4,203.2	1,263.8	923	1,019.4	315.3	138,100	4,204.6	72.4
Feb-12	4,114.7	1,058.3	914	964.9	315.8	146,800	4,210.8	76.9
Mar-12	4,621.5	1,145.1	924	956.9	308.0	154,500	4,180.3	80.7
Apr-12	4,506.9	1,052.4	923	1,050.9	341.3	155,700	3,679.0	82.5
May-12	4,196.9	1,001.4	932	1,018.9	322.2	161,800	4,632.9	97.3
Jun-12	3,671.6	936.8	932	1,065.5	340.8	165,500	4,628.1	72.2
Jul-12	4,218.4	1,132.8	910	1,038.0	332.1	164,000	4,775.0	74.8
Aug-12	4,724.0	1,193.2	901	1,034.6	331.4	160,800	4,993.4	89.1
Sept-12	4,633.6		876	1063.7	347.9	159,000	4,554.6	67.3
Oct-12			867					93.1

Notes:

Crude oil and natural gas figures are net taxable values. Gasoline gallons include gasoline. Auto sale values are calculated from motor vehicle taxes collected on new and used vehicle sales. All figures are not seasonally adjusted, except for industrial production, leading indicators and employment/unemployment. Figures are based on the most recent available data. Annual figures are for calendar years. [† Double axis graphs: Graphs with two vertical axes show values for Texas on the left and values for the U.S. on the right. This method shows trends more clearly over the last year when data values are substantially different at state and national levels.]

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 Contract Value, Non-Residential Building Construction: McGraw-Hill
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