

# Texas Workforce Press Release

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## **Texas Employers Add 19,100 Jobs in November**

*Texas unemployment rate increases slightly to 8.2 percent*

AUSTIN — Texas total nonfarm employment was up by 19,100 jobs in November, representing the addition of 192,100 jobs in the last year. The Texas unemployment rate rose slightly to 8.2 percent in November and continued to trend well below the U.S. unemployment rate for November at 9.8 percent. The Texas unemployment rate has ranged between 8.1 and 8.3 percent during 2010.

“Texas employers have added jobs in eight of the last 12 months, setting the pace for the rest of the nation,” said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chairman Tom Pauken. “Most industries recorded positive growth over the year.”

Professional and Business Services increased by 5,600 jobs in November, adding 61,200 positions from a year ago. Leisure and Hospitality employment increased by 4,700 positions in November for a total job gain of 19,100 jobs since November 2009.

“Consistent job growth over the past year offers employment opportunities for Texas workers,” said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. “Staff at TWC and the 240 workforce centers across the state are committed to assisting those job seekers who remain unemployed.”

Employment in Education and Health Services increased by 4,300 jobs in November with a total of 47,900 jobs added in this industry since November 2009. Financial Activities employment increased by 2,000 jobs in November, adding 5,900 jobs over the year.

In November, Information employment increased by 1,700 jobs; Construction added 1,000 jobs; and Mining and Logging grew by 300 positions.

“Recent job growth has spurred an increase in the Texas labor force which has continued to expand for the third consecutive month, currently at 12.2 million workers,” said TWC Commissioner Representing the Public Andres Alcantar. “Job seekers should take advantage of the many services available at no-cost from their local workforce development boards across the state.”

The Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) had the lowest November unemployment rate in the state at 5.3 percent. The Amarillo MSA had the second lowest unemployment rate in November at 5.7 percent, followed by the Lubbock MSA at 6.1 percent (not seasonally adjusted).

Audio downloads from TWC Chairman Tom Pauken on latest labor market data are available at the following link: <http://www.twc.state.tx.us/news/press/2010/praudio10.html>.

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Please note that the unemployment estimates for the United States and Texas in this chart are “Not Seasonally Adjusted” for purposes of comparison to the “Not Seasonally Adjusted” Metropolitan Statistical Area data.

**Civilian Labor Force Estimates for Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas**  
Not Seasonally Adjusted (In Thousands)

	November 2010				October 2010				November 2009			
	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate	C.L.F.	Emp.	Unemp.	Rate
United States	153,698.0	139,415.0	14,282.0	9.3	153,652.0	139,749.0	13,903.0	9.0	153,539.0	139,132.0	14,407.0	9.4
State of Texas	12,226.9	11,214.6	1,012.3	8.3	12,158.3	11,193.5	964.8	7.9	12,055.3	11,105.1	950.2	7.9
Abilene	84.7	79.2	5.5	6.5	84.5	79.2	5.3	6.3	83.7	78.7	5.0	6.0
Amarillo	134.0	126.4	7.6	5.7	133.7	126.5	7.2	5.4	131.9	124.7	7.2	5.4
Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos	917.7	852.7	65.0	7.1	913.1	850.4	62.7	6.9	897.8	835.0	62.8	7.0
Beaumont-Port Arthur	189.3	168.4	20.9	11.0	187.1	167.7	19.4	10.4	184.6	166.0	18.6	10.1
Brownsville-Harlingen	159.6	140.6	19.0	11.9	157.5	140.0	17.5	11.1	153.5	137.7	15.8	10.3
College Station-Bryan	119.9	112.4	7.5	6.2	119.0	112.0	7.0	5.9	117.5	110.6	6.9	5.8
Corpus Christi	214.9	196.8	18.1	8.4	212.8	196.0	16.8	7.9	209.6	194.0	15.6	7.4
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington	3,246.7	2,979.1	267.6	8.2	3,229.5	2,972.6	256.9	8.0	3,193.0	2,937.6	255.4	8.0
Dallas-Plano-Irving MD	2,165.6	1,986.3	179.3	8.3	2,155.7	1,983.5	172.2	8.0	2,127.0	1,956.8	170.2	8.0
Fort Worth-Arlington MD	1,081.0	992.8	88.2	8.2	1,073.8	989.1	84.7	7.9	1,066.2	980.9	85.3	8.0
El Paso	316.4	283.9	32.5	10.3	312.3	281.5	30.8	9.9	311.1	282.4	28.7	9.2
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown	2,906.3	2,656.7	249.6	8.6	2,885.4	2,647.5	237.9	8.2	2,876.6	2,644.6	232.0	8.1
Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood	169.2	155.6	13.6	8.1	168.0	155.2	12.8	7.6	164.7	153.1	11.6	7.1
Laredo	96.5	88.3	8.2	8.5	95.6	87.8	7.8	8.1	95.1	86.7	8.4	8.9
Longview	112.0	103.8	8.2	7.3	111.8	103.8	8.0	7.1	110.1	101.7	8.4	7.6
Lubbock	148.1	139.1	9.0	6.1	147.7	139.1	8.6	5.8	146.9	138.9	8.0	5.4
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	313.6	275.9	37.7	12.0	309.2	274.4	34.8	11.3	303.5	269.9	33.6	11.1
Midland	74.7	70.7	4.0	5.3	74.4	70.6	3.8	5.1	74.1	69.7	4.4	5.9
Odessa	71.2	65.8	5.4	7.5	71.0	65.7	5.3	7.4	70.8	64.5	6.3	8.9
San Angelo	54.9	51.3	3.6	6.6	54.8	51.4	3.4	6.3	54.0	50.5	3.5	6.5
San Antonio-New Braunfels	989.4	914.4	75.0	7.6	985.6	913.8	71.8	7.3	973.8	906.8	67.0	6.9
Sherman-Denison	58.2	53.3	4.9	8.4	57.9	53.2	4.7	8.1	57.2	52.5	4.7	8.2
Texarkana	66.0	61.3	4.7	7.1	65.9	61.2	4.7	7.1	65.1	60.8	4.3	6.5
Tyler	103.6	95.4	8.2	7.9	103.1	95.3	7.8	7.6	102.0	94.0	8.0	7.9
Victoria	59.1	54.7	4.4	7.5	58.9	54.6	4.3	7.3	58.4	53.9	4.5	7.7
Waco	119.1	110.4	8.7	7.3	118.4	110.2	8.2	6.9	116.2	108.2	8.0	6.9
Wichita Falls	73.5	67.9	5.6	7.6	73.3	68.0	5.3	7.3	72.7	67.2	5.5	7.6

**TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT**  
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED<sup>+</sup>

INDUSTRY TITLE	Nov. 2010*	Oct. 2010	Nov. 2009	Oct. '10 to Nov. '10		Nov. '09 to Nov. '10	
				Absolute Change	Percent Change	Absolute Change	Percent Change
<b>TOTAL NONAG. W&amp;S EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>10,432,200</b>	<b>10,413,100</b>	<b>10,240,100</b>	<b>19,100</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>192,100</b>	<b>1.9</b>
<b>TOTAL NONGOVERNMENT**</b>	<b>8,588,500</b>	<b>8,577,000</b>	<b>8,402,100</b>	<b>11,500</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>186,400</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<b>GOODS-PRODUCING</b>							
Mining & Logging	226,300	226,000	197,700	300	0.1	28,600	14.5
Construction	575,100	574,100	561,700	1,000	0.2	13,400	2.4
Manufacturing	838,400	844,400	815,700	-6,000	-0.7	22,700	2.8
<b>SERVICE-PROVIDING</b>							
Trade, Trans. & Utilities	2,041,500	2,043,700	2,048,000	-2,200	-0.1	-6,500	-0.3
Information	187,600	185,900	200,500	1,700	0.9	-12,900	-6.4
Financial Activities	632,300	630,300	626,400	2,000	0.3	5,900	0.9
Profess. & Business Svcs	1,290,300	1,284,700	1,229,100	5,600	0.4	61,200	5.0
Education & Health Svcs	1,407,800	1,403,500	1,359,900	4,300	0.3	47,900	3.5
Leisure & Hospitality	1,024,500	1,019,800	1,005,400	4,700	0.5	19,100	1.9
Other Services	364,700	364,600	357,700	100	0.0	7,000	2.0
Government	1,843,700	1,836,100	1,838,000	7,600	0.4	5,700	0.3

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The Texas Workforce Commission is a state agency dedicated to helping Texas employers, workers and communities prosper economically. For details on TWC and the services it offers in coordination with its network of local workforce development boards, call (512) 463-8556 or visit [www.texasworkforce.org](http://www.texasworkforce.org).