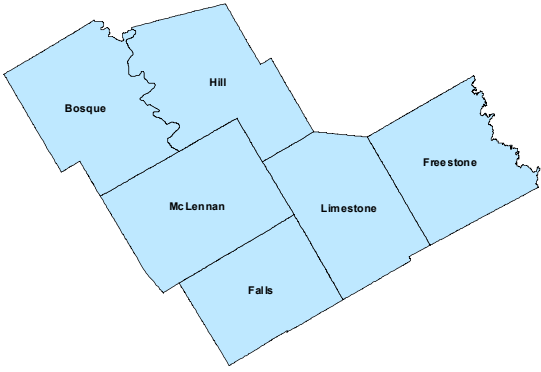
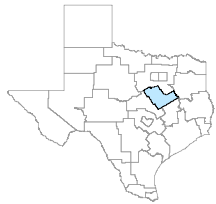


Heart of Texas Workforce Development Area

February 2026



WDA Labor Force Statistics

	Feb-26	Jan-26	Feb-25	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	183,863	182,664	181,671	2,192
Employed	176,066	174,826	174,195	1,871
Unemployed	7,797	7,838	7,476	321
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.3%	4.1%	0.1%

Texas Labor Force Statistics

	Feb-26	Jan-26	Feb-25	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	15,903,182	15,838,843	15,831,790	71,392
Employed	15,201,223	15,126,148	15,157,168	44,055
Unemployed	701,959	712,695	674,622	27,337
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%	0.1%

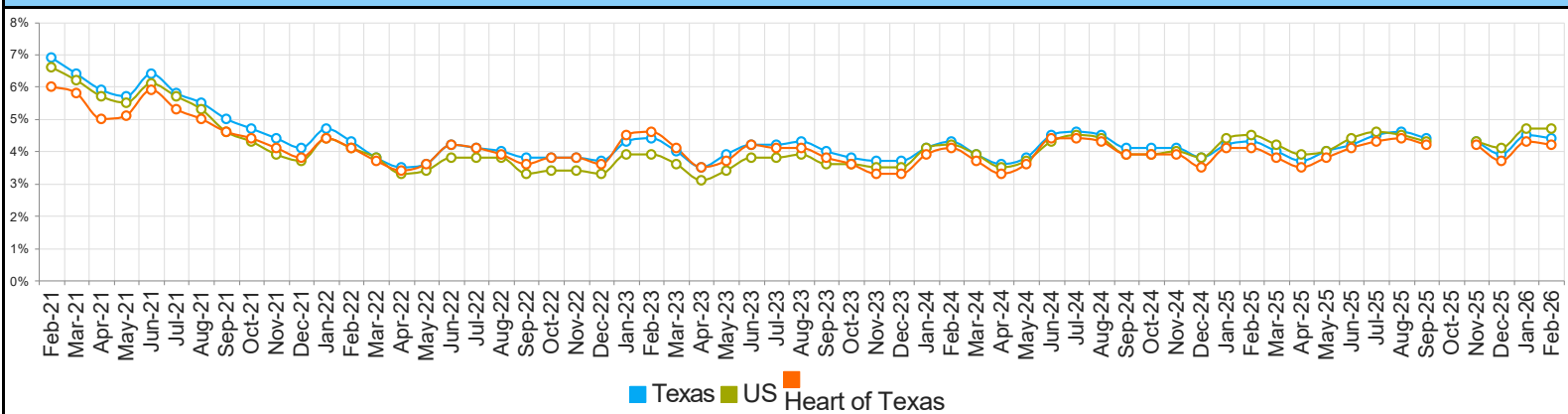
US Labor Force Statistics

	Feb-26	Jan-26	Feb-25	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	170,206,000	169,612,000	170,116,000	90,000
Employed	162,153,000	161,670,000	162,544,000	-391,000
Unemployed	8,052,000	7,942,000	7,572,000	480,000
Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.7%	4.5%	0.2%

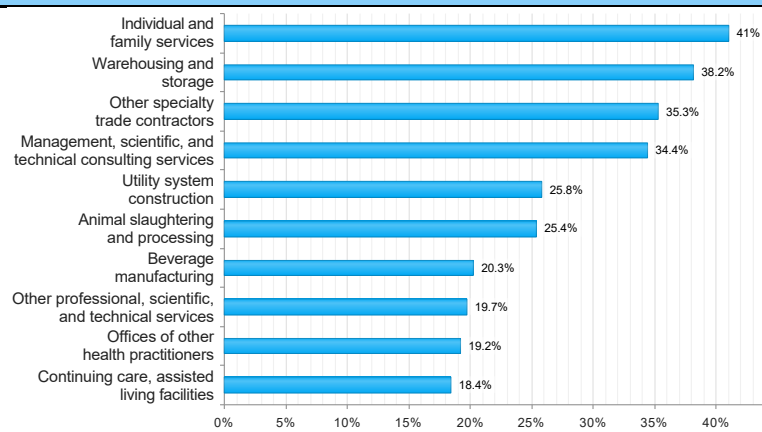
Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th

	Feb-26	Jan-26	Feb-25	Yearly Change
WDA	1,076	1,086	969	107
Texas	126,459	128,607	120,644	5,815

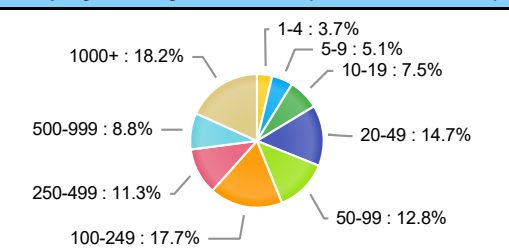
Historical Unemployment Rates



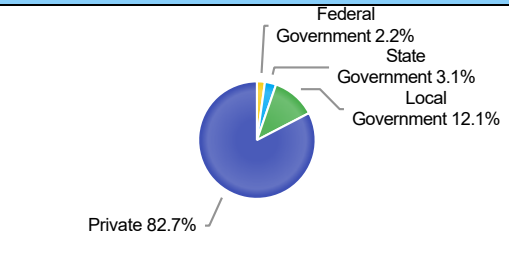
Projected Top Ten Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% Growth 2022-2032)



Employment by Size Class (3rd Quarter 2025)



Employment by Ownership (3rd Quarter 2025)



Average Weekly Wage (3rd Quarter 2025)

	Q3 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2024	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
WDA	\$1,182	\$1,166	\$1,151	\$16	\$31
Texas	\$1,444	\$1,420	\$1,394	\$24	\$50
US	\$1,459	\$1,436	\$1,393	\$23	\$66

Employment by Industry (3rd Quarter 2025, Percent Change)

Industry	Employment	% of Total	% Quarterly Change	% Yearly Change
Natural Resources and Mining	2,629	1.7%	-0.3%	6.2%
Construction	11,579	7.5%	1.8%	2.4%
Manufacturing	18,900	12.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	29,899	19.4%	0.2%	-1.5%
Information	1,082	0.7%	-0.1%	1.8%
Financial Activities	8,823	5.7%	0.0%	3.3%
Professional and Business Services	13,581	8.8%	3.2%	-4.7%
Education and Health Services	40,529	26.2%	-1.5%	0.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	17,054	11.0%	-1.1%	0.9%
Other Services	3,350	2.2%	-2.0%	0.0%
Public Administration	7,085	4.6%	0.2%	0.0%

Employment by Industry (3rd Quarter 2025)

