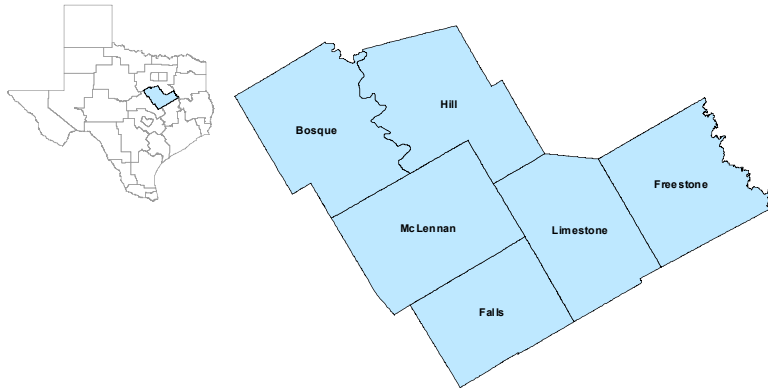


Heart of Texas Workforce Development Area



July 2026

WDA Labor Force Statistics

	Jul-26	Jun-26	Jul-25	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	183,916	183,230	182,648	1,268
Employed	175,495	174,652	174,745	750
Unemployed	8,421	8,578	7,903	518
Unemployment Rate	4.6%	4.7%	4.3%	0.3%

Texas Labor Force Statistics

	Jul-26	Jun-26	Jul-25	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	15,955,048	15,921,414	15,889,771	65,277
Employed	15,188,778	15,140,644	15,180,836	7,942
Unemployed	766,270	780,770	708,935	57,335
Unemployment Rate	4.8%	4.9%	4.5%	0.3%

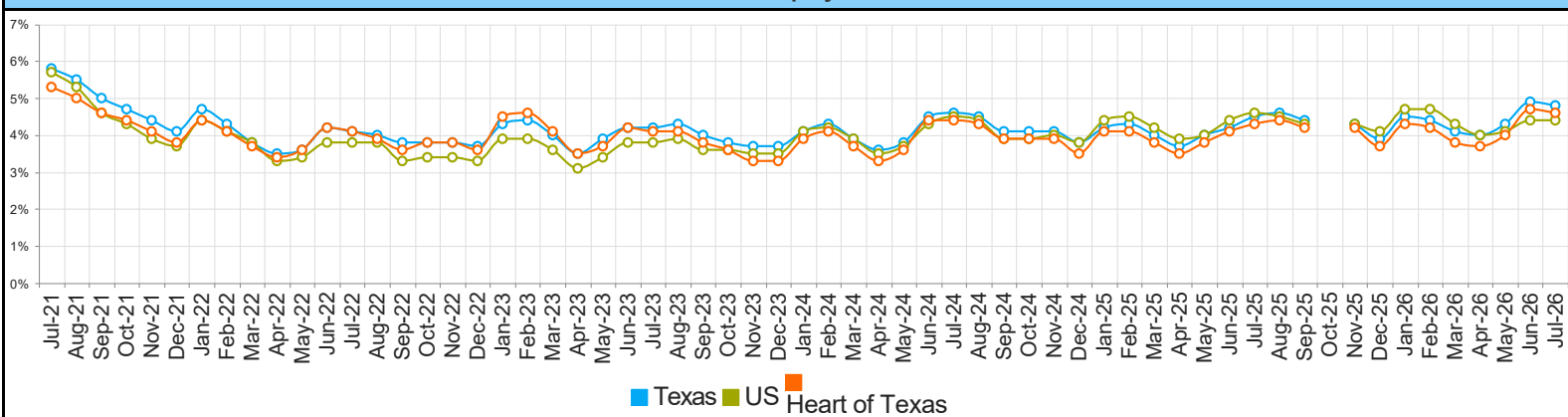
US Labor Force Statistics

	Jul-26	Jun-26	Jul-25	Yearly Change
Civilian Labor Force	170,235,000	170,198,000	171,646,000	-1,411,000
Employed	162,800,000	162,722,000	163,799,000	-999,000
Unemployed	7,435,000	7,476,000	7,847,000	-412,000
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.4%	4.6%	-0.2%

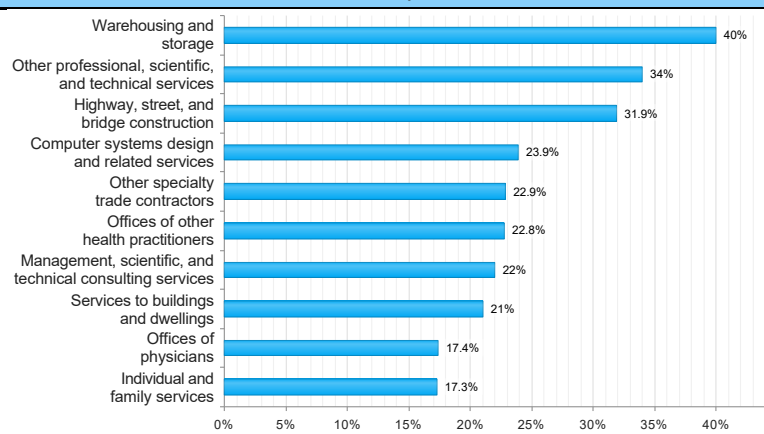
Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th

	Jul-26	Jun-26	Jul-25	Yearly Change
WDA	1,065	1,030	1,311	-246
Texas	124,945	128,554	152,678	-27,733

Historical Unemployment Rates



Projected Top Ten Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% Growth 2024-2034)



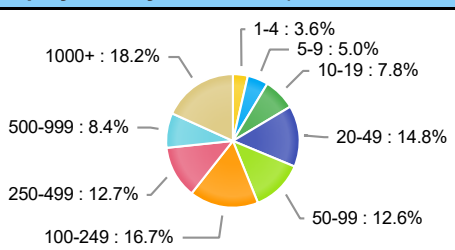
Average Weekly Wage (1st Quarter 2026)

	Q1 2026	Q4 2025	Q1 2025	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
WDA	\$1,213	\$1,262	\$1,194	\$-49	\$19
Texas	\$1,646	\$1,548	\$1,586	\$98	\$60
US	N/A	\$1,569	\$1,592	N/A	N/A

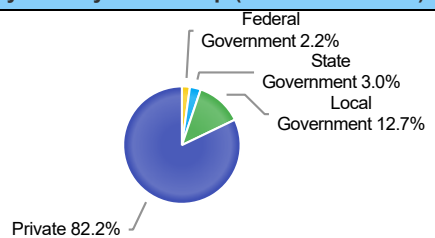
Employment by Industry (1st Quarter 2026, Percent Change)

Industry	Employment	% of Total	% Quarterly Change	% Yearly Change
Natural Resources and Mining	2,585	1.7%	-1.9%	-0.5%
Construction	11,333	7.4%	-5.7%	2.3%
Manufacturing	17,668	11.5%	-8.1%	-5.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	29,876	19.5%	-1.3%	0.7%
Information	1,077	0.7%	-0.6%	-0.6%
Financial Activities	8,698	5.7%	-1.7%	-0.7%
Professional and Business Services	13,422	8.8%	-2.0%	2.3%
Education and Health Services	41,294	27.0%	-1.2%	-0.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	16,741	10.9%	-2.5%	1.9%
Other Services	3,340	2.2%	0.6%	-2.0%
Public Administration	7,065	4.6%	-1.3%	0.6%

Employment by Size Class (1st Quarter 2026)



Employment by Ownership (1st Quarter 2026)



Employment by Industry (1st Quarter 2026)

