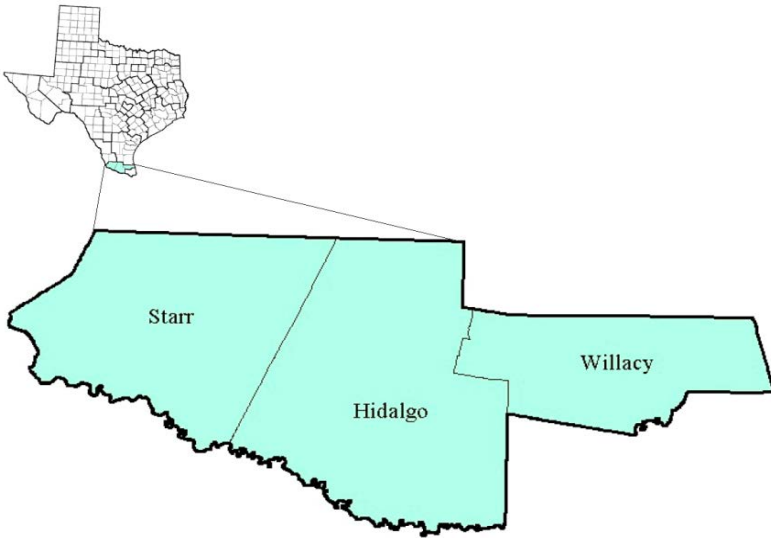


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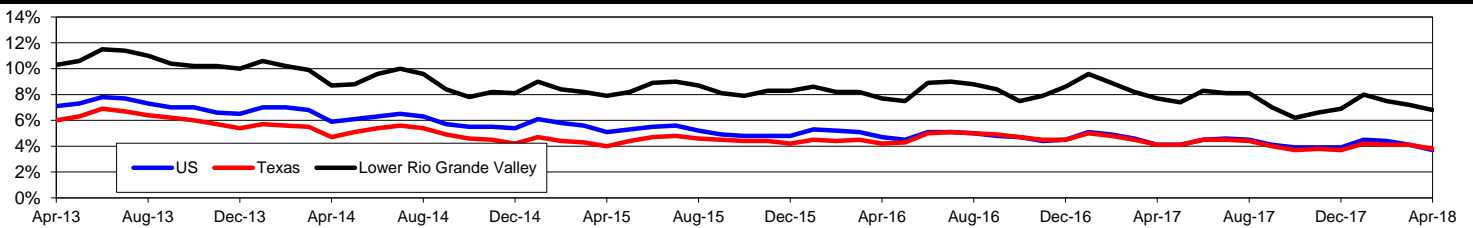
WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Apr-18	Mar-18	Apr-17	OTY
CLF	381,851	383,071	378,117	3,734
Employed	355,835	355,314	348,844	6,991
Unemployed	26,016	27,757	29,273	-3,257
Rate	6.8%	7.2%	7.7%	-0.9%

Texas Labor Force Statistics				
	Apr-18	Mar-18	Apr-17	OTY
CLF	13,860,323	13,836,504	13,527,232	333,091
Employed	13,340,165	13,267,080	12,967,846	372,319
Unemployed	520,158	569,424	559,386	-39,228
Rate	3.8%	4.1%	4.1%	-0.3%

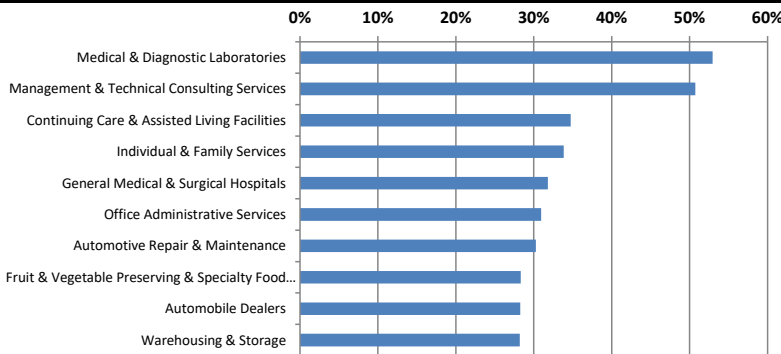
US Labor Force Statistics				
	Apr-18	Mar-18	Apr-17	OTY
CLF	161,280,000	161,548,000	159,817,000	1,463,000
Employed	155,348,000	154,877,000	153,262,000	2,086,000
Unemployed	5,932,000	6,671,000	6,555,000	-623,000
Rate	3.7%	4.1%	4.1%	-0.4%

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Apr-18	Mar-18	Apr-17	OTY
WDA	5,889	6,688	7,463	-1,574
Texas	92,281	102,696	116,413	-24,132

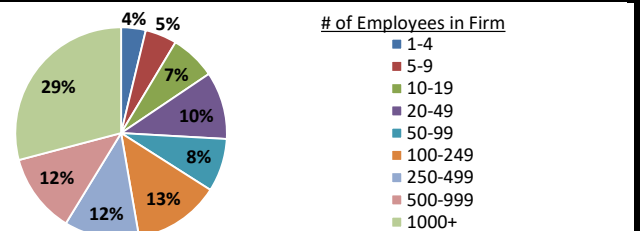
Historical Unemployment Rates



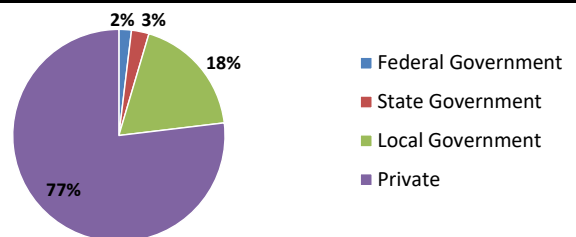
Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



Employment by Size Class (3rd Quarter 2017)



Employment by Ownership (3rd Quarter 2017)



Average Weekly Wage (3rd Quarter 2017)

	Q3 2017	Q2 2017	Q3 2016	Change	
				Quarter	Year
WDA	\$645	\$627	\$650	\$17	-\$6
Texas	\$1,032	\$1,027	\$1,042	\$5	-\$10
US	\$1,021	\$1,020	\$1,027	\$1	-\$6

Employment by Industry (3rd Quarter 2017, Percent Change)

Industry	Employment	% of total	% Change	
			Quarter	Year
Natural resources and mining	4,449	1.7%	-12.4%	3.0%
Construction	8,380	3.1%	2.5%	7.4%
Manufacturing	6,699	2.5%	0.2%	9.3%
Trade, transportation and utilities	57,055	21.2%	-0.6%	-2.0%
Information	2,897	1.1%	4.9%	6.3%
Financial activities	9,142	3.4%	-0.5%	-0.6%
Professional and business services	17,169	6.4%	-1.8%	3.2%
Education and health services	116,620	43.4%	-3.8%	2.1%
Leisure and hospitality	27,111	10.1%	-1.6%	2.6%
Other services	4,162	1.5%	-0.5%	0.9%
Public administration	15,216	5.7%	-0.7%	2.1%
Total	268,900	100.0%	-2.2%	1.6%

Employment by Industry (3rd Quarter 2017)

