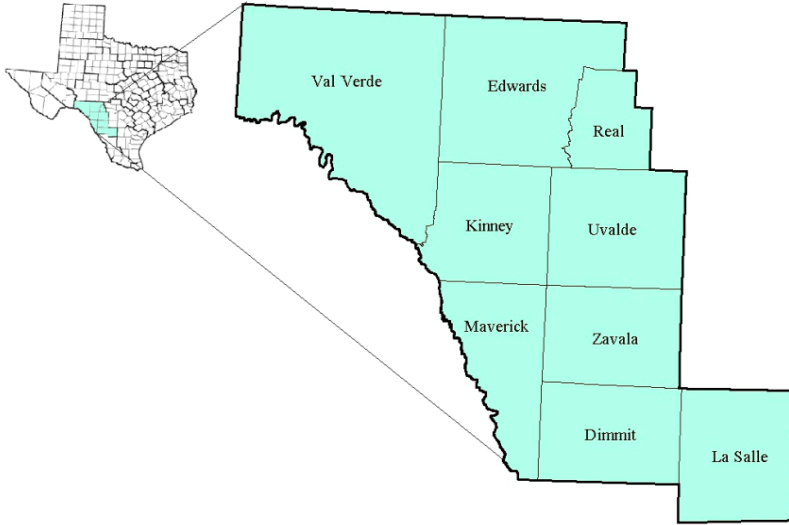


Middle Rio Grande Workforce Development Area

December 2017



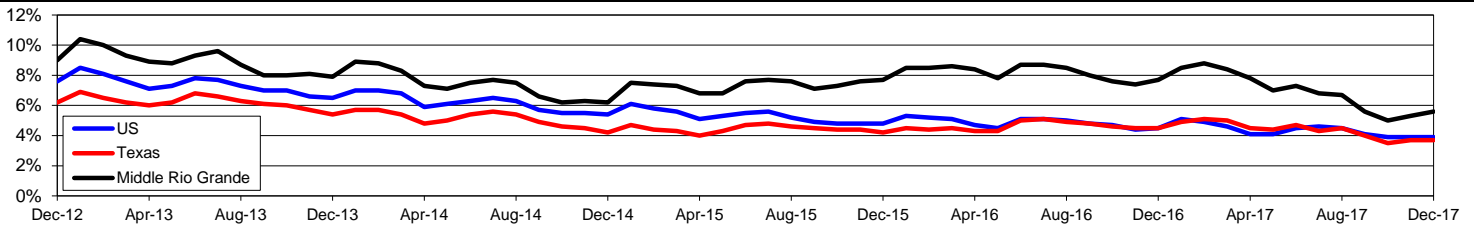
WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Dec-17	Nov-17	Dec-16	OTY
CLF	72,078	71,403	71,726	352
Employed	68,040	67,628	66,234	1,806
Unemployed	4,038	3,775	5,492	-1,454
Rate	5.6%	5.3%	7.7%	-2.1%

Texas Labor Force Statistics				
	Dec-17	Nov-17	Dec-16	OTY
CLF	13,545,282	13,500,872	13,353,321	191,961
Employed	13,043,959	13,001,592	12,747,329	296,630
Unemployed	501,323	499,280	605,992	-104,669
Rate	3.7%	3.7%	4.5%	-0.8%

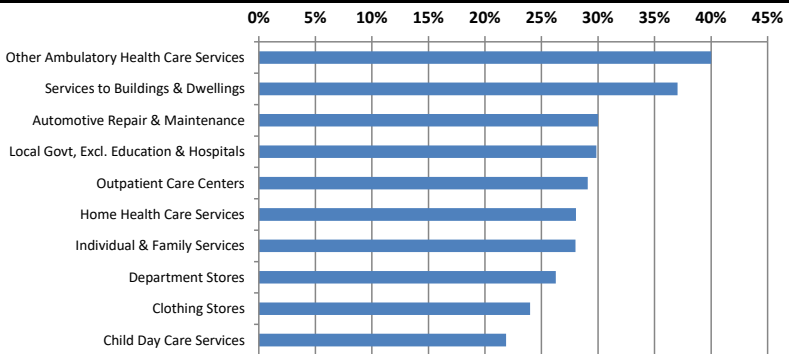
US Labor Force Statistics				
	Dec-17	Nov-17	Dec-16	OTY
CLF	159,880,000	160,466,000	158,968,000	912,000
Employed	153,602,000	154,180,000	151,798,000	1,804,000
Unemployed	6,278,000	6,286,000	7,170,000	-892,000
Rate	3.9%	3.9%	4.5%	-0.6%

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Dec-17	Nov-17	Dec-16	OTY
WDA	1,013	827	1,334	-321
Texas	108,432	105,083	129,904	-21,472

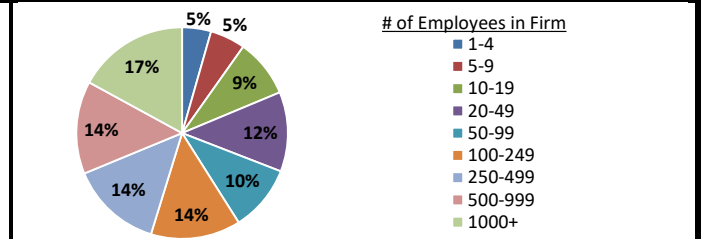
Historical Unemployment Rates



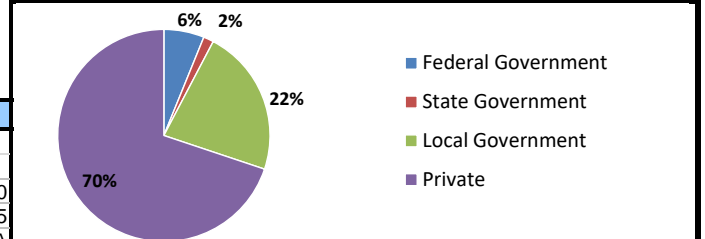
Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



Employment by Size Class (2nd Quarter 2017)



Employment by Ownership (2nd Quarter 2017)



Average Weekly Wage (2nd Quarter 2017)

	Q2 2017	Q1 2017	Q2 2016	Change	
				Quarter	Year
WDA	\$707	\$702	\$667	\$4	\$40
Texas	\$1,026	\$1,124	\$1,000	-\$99	\$25
US	N/A	\$1,111	\$988	N/A	N/A

Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2017, Percent Change)

Industry	Employment	% of total	% Change	
			Quarter	Year
Natural resources and mining	4,480	7.6%	11.9%	4.7%
Construction	1,778	3.0%	5.7%	-0.3%
Manufacturing	3,248	5.5%	-4.6%	-5.9%
Trade, transportation and utilities	11,437	19.3%	2.5%	1.8%
Information	464	0.8%	-1.1%	16.9%
Financial activities	1,984	3.4%	0.9%	3.1%
Professional and business services	2,805	4.7%	-5.8%	-2.7%
Education and health services	19,043	32.2%	0.2%	1.8%
Leisure and hospitality	6,765	11.4%	4.9%	2.5%
Other services	1,001	1.7%	3.9%	1.0%
Public administration	6,164	10.4%	0.5%	-1.7%
Total	59,169	100.0%	1.6%	1.1%

Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2017)

