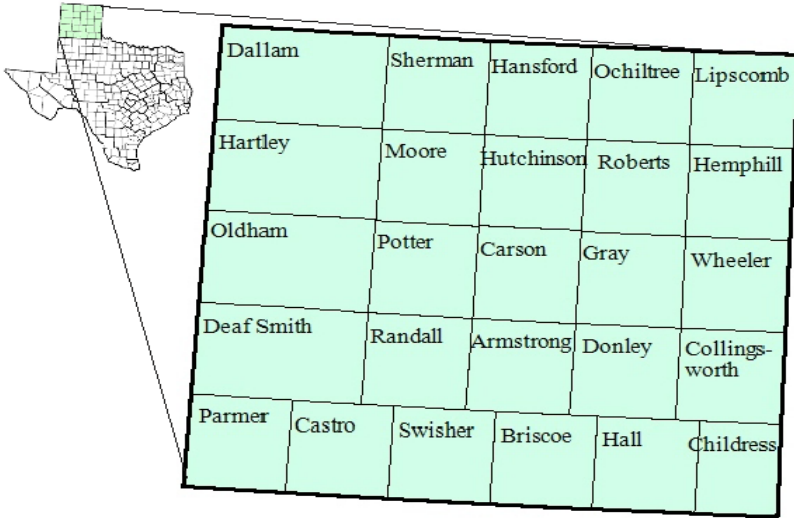


# Panhandle Workforce Development Area

## August 2017



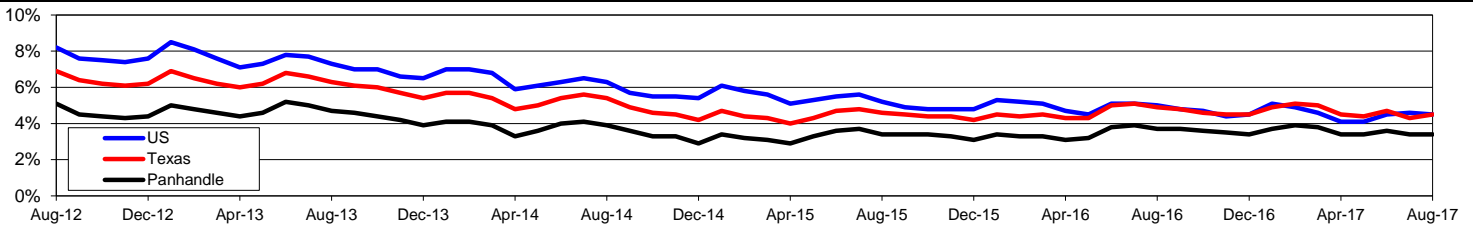
WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
CLF	207,896	207,812	209,840	-1,944
Employed	200,846	200,695	202,038	-1,192
Unemployed	7,050	7,117	7,802	-752
Rate	3.4%	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%

Texas Labor Force Statistics				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
CLF	13,406,779	13,434,624	13,295,171	111,608
Employed	12,802,022	12,850,647	12,638,955	163,067
Unemployed	604,757	583,977	656,216	-51,459
Rate	4.5%	4.3%	4.9%	-0.4%

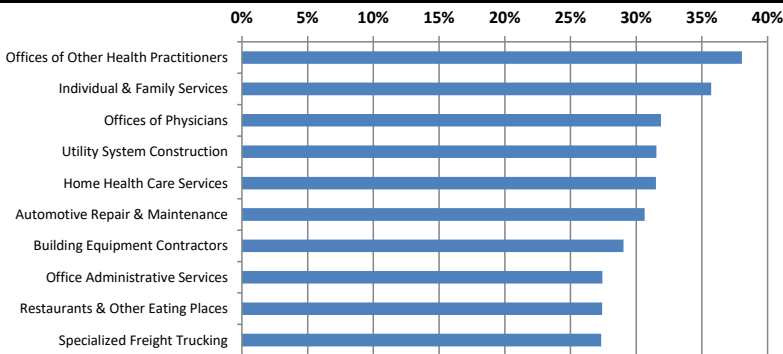
US Labor Force Statistics				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
CLF	160,863,000	161,911,000	159,800,000	1,063,000
Employed	153,576,000	154,470,000	151,804,000	1,772,000
Unemployed	7,287,000	7,441,000	7,996,000	-709,000
Rate	4.5%	4.6%	5.0%	-0.5%

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
WDA	838	1,054	1,258	-420
Texas	115,986	124,432	148,897	-32,911

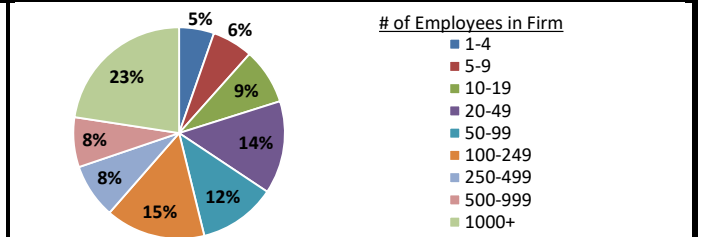
### Historical Unemployment Rates



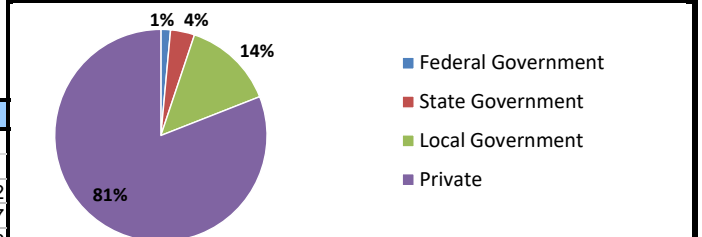
### Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



### Employment by Size Class (4th Quarter 2016)



### Employment by Ownership (4th Quarter 2016)



### Average Weekly Wage (4th Quarter 2016)

	Q4 2016	Q3 2016	Q4 2015	Change	
				Quarter	Year
WDA	\$883	\$851	\$895	\$32	-\$12
Texas	\$1,072	\$1,042	\$1,099	\$31	-\$27
US	\$1,067	\$1,027	\$1,083	\$40	-\$16

### Employment by Industry (4th Quarter 2016, Percent Change)

Industry	Employment	% of total	% Change	
			Quarter	Year
Natural resources and mining	15,242	8.1%	2.4%	-4.4%
Construction	11,506	6.1%	-3.0%	1.2%
Manufacturing	23,921	12.8%	1.3%	1.7%
Trade, transportation and utilities	39,024	20.8%	0.4%	-2.3%
Information	1,775	0.9%	-3.3%	-4.1%
Financial activities	8,609	4.6%	-0.8%	-1.4%
Professional and business services	11,773	6.3%	-0.4%	-0.8%
Education and health services	43,179	23.1%	5.9%	-0.1%
Leisure and hospitality	17,639	9.4%	-5.0%	-0.8%
Other services	5,509	2.9%	-1.0%	-2.0%
Public administration	9,068	4.8%	-1.7%	1.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>187,245</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	<b>-0.8%</b>

### Employment by Industry (4th Quarter 2016)

