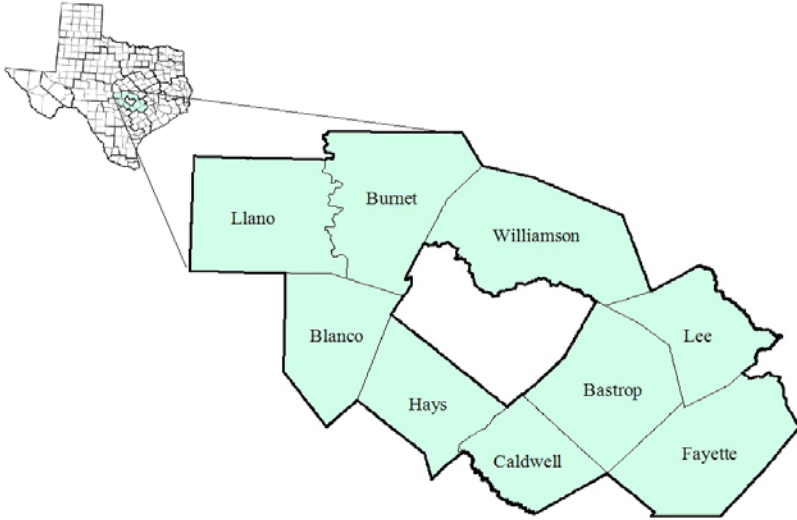


Rural Capital Workforce Development Area

August 2017



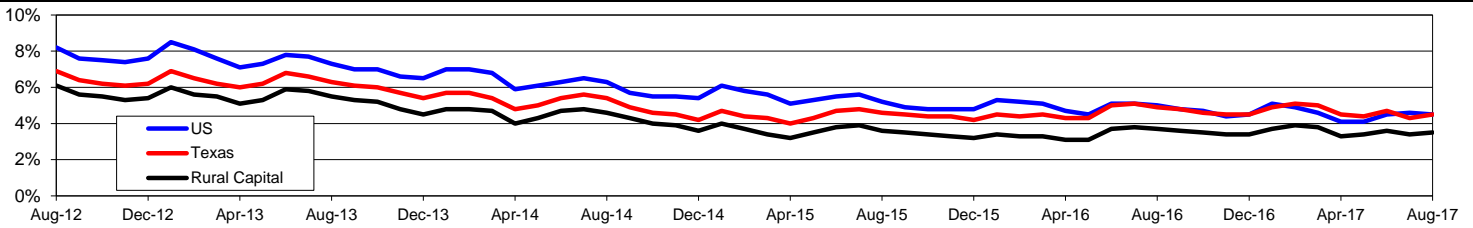
WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
CLF	496,618	499,280	490,032	6,586
Employed	479,086	482,313	472,086	7,000
Unemployed	17,532	16,967	17,946	-414
Rate	3.5%	3.4%	3.7%	-0.2%

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%

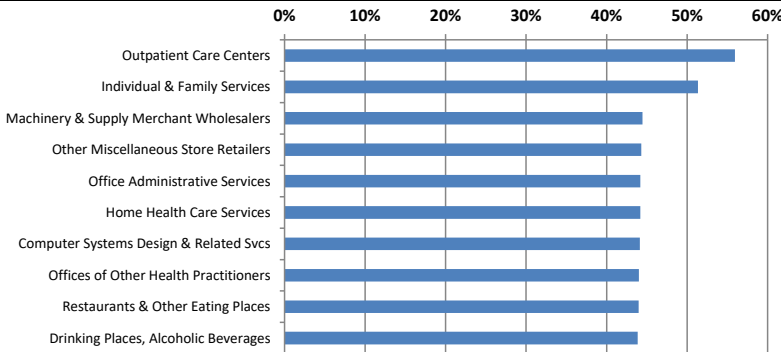
US Labor Force Statistics				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
CLF	160,863,000	161,911,000	159,800,000	1,063,000
Employed	153,576,000	154,470,000	151,804,000	1,772,000
Unemployed	7,287,000	7,441,000	7,996,000	-709,000
Rate	4.5%	4.6%	5.0%	-0.5%

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Aug-17	Jul-17	Aug-16	OTY
WDA	3,026	3,190	3,269	-243
Texas	115,986	124,432	148,897	-32,911

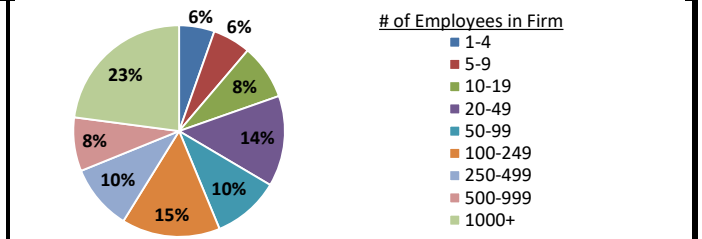
Historical Unemployment Rates



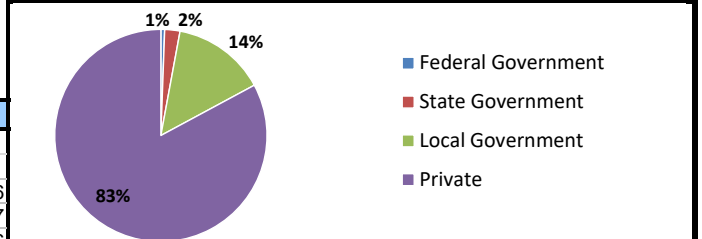
Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



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	\$903	\$900	\$909	\$2	-\$6
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	3,876	1.3%	3.2%	-7.7%
Construction	23,450	8.1%	0.3%	6.9%
Manufacturing	20,545	7.1%	-1.7%	1.5%
Trade, transportation and utilities	71,639	24.6%	3.1%	3.9%
Information	3,351	1.2%	-0.6%	15.8%
Financial activities	12,769	4.4%	-0.1%	4.6%
Professional and business services	27,905	9.6%	-0.1%	1.8%
Education and health services	70,353	24.2%	8.5%	6.3%
Leisure and hospitality	38,145	13.1%	-2.7%	4.9%
Other services	9,216	3.2%	-0.7%	3.3%
Public administration	9,869	3.4%	0.2%	4.6%
Total	291,118	100.0%	2.2%	4.5%

Employment by Industry (4th Quarter 2016)

