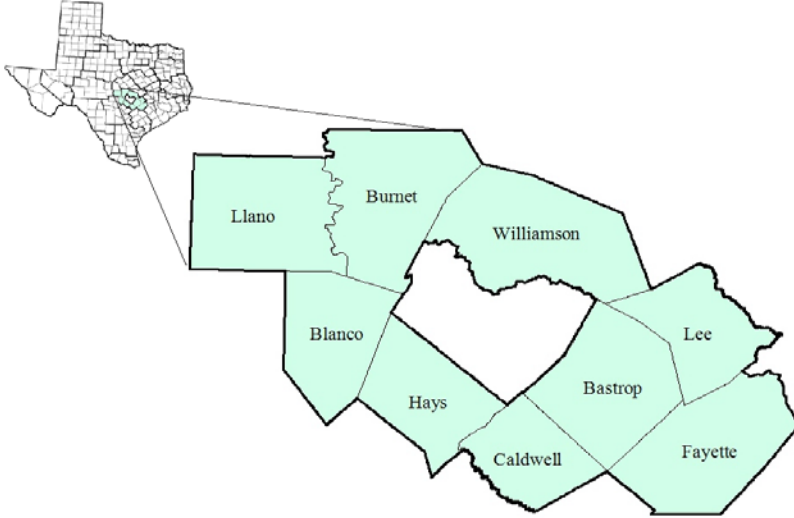


Rural Capital Workforce Development Area

October 2017



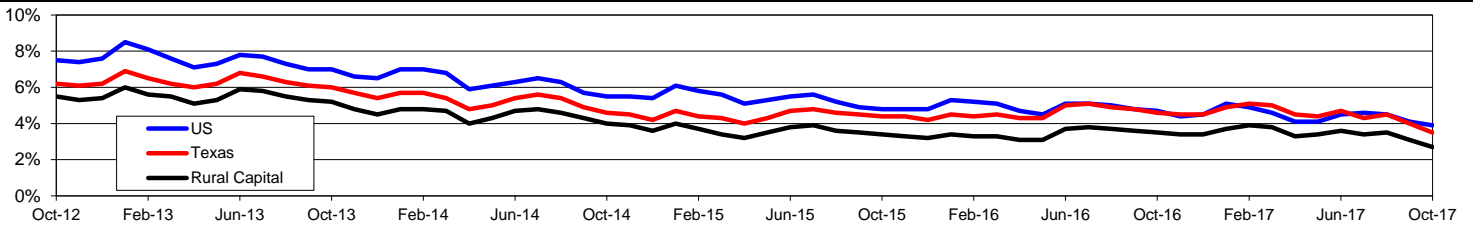
WDA Labor Force Statistics				
	Oct-17	Sep-17	Oct-16	OTY
CLF	498,887	502,521	494,506	4,381
Employed	485,296	487,188	477,098	8,198
Unemployed	13,591	15,333	17,408	-3,817
Rate	2.7%	3.1%	3.5%	-0.8%

Texas Labor Force Statistics				
	Oct-17	Sep-17	Oct-16	OTY
CLF	13,392,285	13,498,742	13,338,725	53,560
Employed	12,922,084	12,954,820	12,725,859	196,225
Unemployed	470,201	543,922	612,866	-142,665
Rate	3.5%	4.0%	4.6%	-1.1%

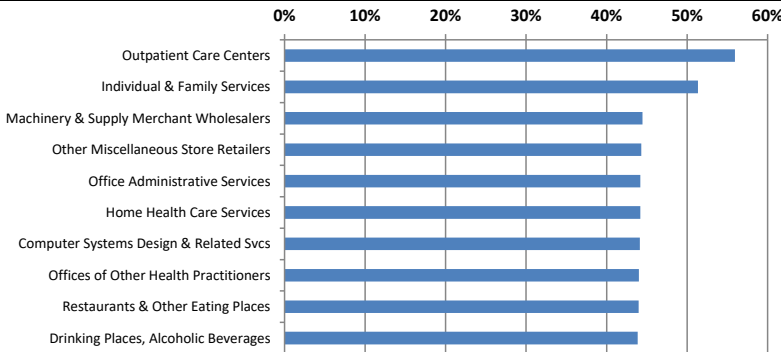
US Labor Force Statistics				
	Oct-17	Sep-17	Oct-16	OTY
CLF	160,465,000	161,049,000	159,783,000	682,000
Employed	154,223,000	154,494,000	152,335,000	1,888,000
Unemployed	6,242,000	6,556,000	7,447,000	-1,205,000
Rate	3.9%	4.1%	4.7%	-0.8%

Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th				
	Oct-17	Sep-17	Oct-16	OTY
WDA	2,679	2,684	3,038	-359
Texas	104,802	115,057	124,901	-20,099

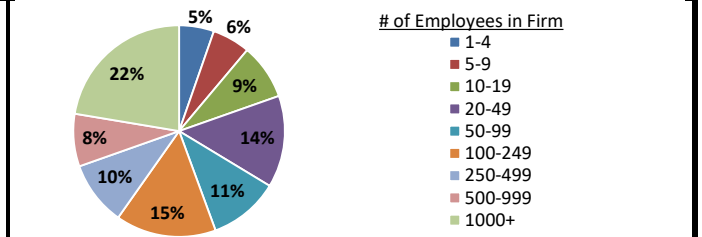
Historical Unemployment Rates



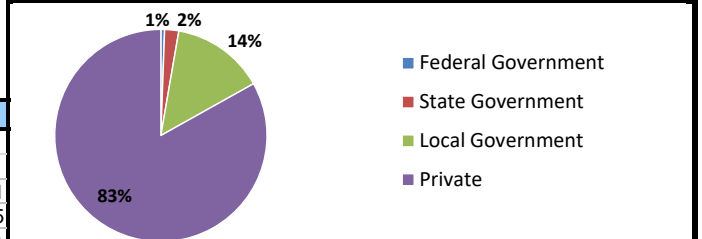
Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



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	\$880	\$960	\$840	-\$80	\$41
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	4,128	1.4%	6.6%	8.7%
Construction	25,437	8.5%	8.7%	11.4%
Manufacturing	20,811	7.0%	0.9%	-0.2%
Trade, transportation and utilities	71,307	24.0%	1.2%	5.2%
Information	3,140	1.1%	2.1%	-7.8%
Financial activities	12,893	4.3%	1.2%	2.3%
Professional and business services	28,497	9.6%	2.3%	3.9%
Education and health services	71,006	23.9%	0.0%	4.4%
Leisure and hospitality	40,881	13.7%	6.2%	4.1%
Other services	9,439	3.2%	2.9%	2.5%
Public administration	10,020	3.4%	2.0%	3.6%
Total	297,559	100.0%	2.4%	4.4%

Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2017)

