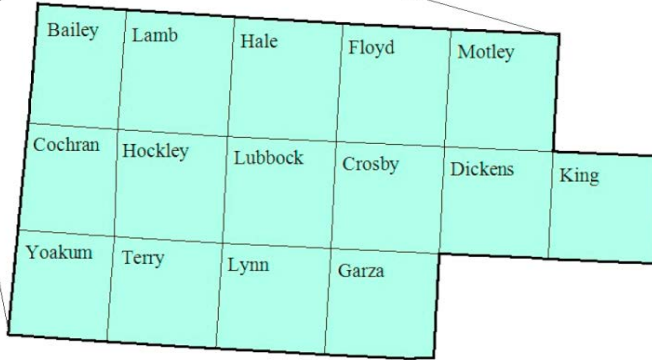


South Plains Workforce Development Area

October 2017



WDA Labor Force Statistics

	Oct-17	Sep-17	Oct-16	OTY
CLF	205,562	206,414	206,022	-460
Employed	199,794	199,775	198,407	1,387
Unemployed	5,768	6,639	7,615	-1,847
Rate	2.8%	3.2%	3.7%	-0.9%

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%

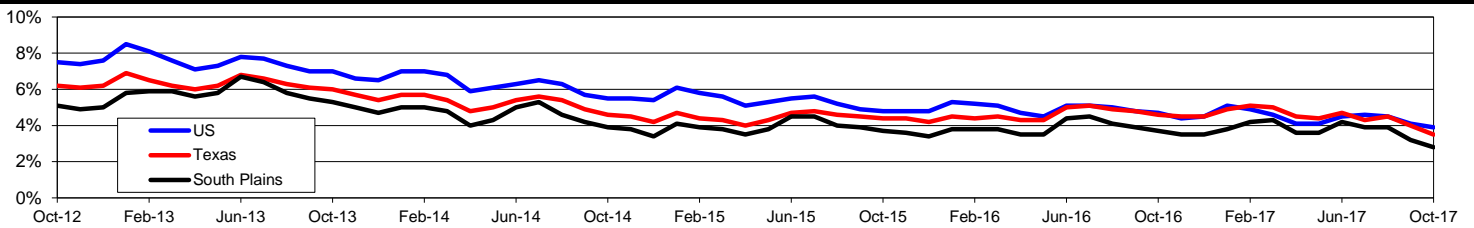
US Labor Force Statistics

	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%

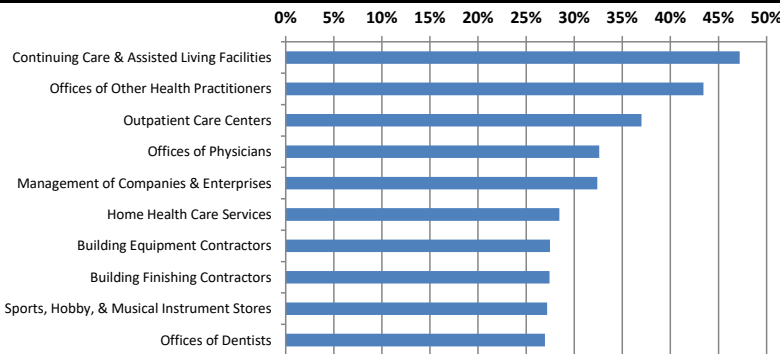
Continued Claims for the Week of the 12th

	Oct-17	Sep-17	Oct-16	OTY
WDA	781	850	916	-135
Texas	104,802	115,057	124,901	-20,099

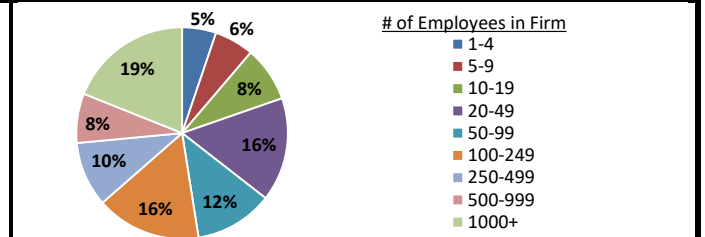
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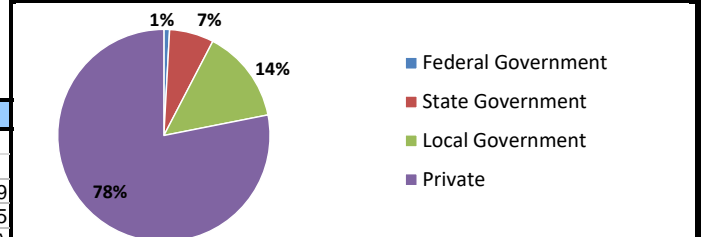
Projected Fastest Growing Industries in WDA (% growth 2014-2024)



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	\$794	\$800	\$755	-\$6	\$39
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	10,289	5.6%	-0.3%	4.9%
Construction	9,211	5.0%	1.5%	4.4%
Manufacturing	6,297	3.5%	0.0%	1.9%
Trade, transportation and utilities	39,246	21.5%	-0.2%	-0.6%
Information	3,284	1.8%	-0.4%	-16.0%
Financial activities	9,075	5.0%	0.8%	2.0%
Professional and business services	13,453	7.4%	-0.2%	1.0%
Education and health services	55,935	30.7%	1.1%	1.8%
Leisure and hospitality	22,117	12.1%	3.6%	2.6%
Other services	6,114	3.4%	2.3%	-0.5%
Public administration	7,414	4.1%	-0.4%	1.4%
Total	182,435	100.0%	0.8%	1.1%

Employment by Industry (2nd Quarter 2017)

